

Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire



2024 ANNUAL REPORT

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2024

For the year ended December 31, 2024

DEDICATION



Captain William “Bill” Connor

Every year the Select Board has the distinct privilege to honor an employee or a resident who has contributed years of service to their community with the dedication of the Annual Report. It is our honor to dedicate the 2024 Annual Report to Fire Captain Bill Connor.

Bill graduated from Goffstown High School and went on to earn his Associates Degree in Architectural Engineering at New Hampshire Technical Institute. He worked designing and installing sprinkler systems for Grinnell Fire Protection and Hampshire Fire Protection.

Bill began his career in Goffstown as a call firefighter in 1980. He was appointed as a permanent firefighter and Fire Inspector in July of 1997 at the rank of Lieutenant. He was promoted to Captain on June 1st, 2023, and was appointed Director of the Community Risk Division and Health Officer for the Town of Goffstown. Bill had an extensive background in fire protection engineering, fire protection standards, fire investigation, and fire safety. A lifelong learner, Bill graduated the National Fire Academy’s Executive Fire Officer School in 2021 and he worked very hard for the last several years to earn his Bachelors Degree in Fire Service Administration, graduating Summa Cum Laude in May of 2024.

Bill was very involved in our community, and the Boy Scouts of America Troop 99 Goffstown. He earned his Eagle Scout in 1978, was a member of the Order of the Arrow, and spent many years as the Scoutmaster of Troop 99. He loved working with the schools but was especially happy when handing out the candy and goodies he put together for Halloween.

Bill’s family includes his wife Nancy, son Brad and daughter Jennica, six grandchildren, mother Evelyn, brothers Robert and Christopher, extended family, and his second family at the Goffstown Fire Department. The Goffstown Select Board extends their sincere appreciation to Bill’s family for his years of service to the Town and the Goffstown Community.

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VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Bruce Rand

The Goffstown Select Board recognize Bruce Rand as Goffstown’s 2024 Volunteer of the Year, for his many years of service promoting recreation in Goffstown and as his many years of volunteerism benefiting the Town of Goffstown and the Grasmere Village Water Precinct.

Bruce’s volunteerism in Goffstown has greatly benefited the youth of Goffstown. Bruce served as a commissioner on the Goffstown Parks & Recreation Commission for 22 years from 1975 to 1996, serving as the chairman for eight (8) years. He also served on the Goffstown High School All Sports Boosters from 1989 to 1997. In 1998 the Parks & Recreation Department presented him with the Clint Robinson and Lionel Cullerot Award, which honors those individuals who have improved the quality of leisure activities for citizens of Goffstown of all ages.

Bruce dedicated 30 years to volunteering and promoting softball in the Town of Goffstown. He co-founded Goffstown Babe Ruth softball, co-founded Goffstown Friends of Softball, served as volunteer Assistant Varsity Softball Coach at the High School from 1988 to 2001, and was instrumental in getting a JV softball team approved and started at the High School. Bruce helped obtain donations and spent many hours leading volunteers to build the softball field at GHS. This effort was recognized in 2003 by the Goffstown School District when they awarded the Friends of Goffstown Softball & Field of Dreams Projects Volunteers for the work that went into the new softball field. Bruce served on the board of Babe Ruth softball for 25 years in various roles and spent countless hours dedicated to the maintenance of the field and running the concession stand. Bruce served as a coach and Board member with Goffstown Junior Baseball, was a member of the Goffstown Friends of Hockey, and coached in Manchester youth hockey. Bruce was once again recognized by the School District for his lifelong dedication to youth sports in 2007 by the School District as a recipient of the Dream Keeper Award. On May 20th, 2008 he was inducted into the Goffstown High School Hall of Fame, honoring his 40 years of service to the youth of Goffstown.

In addition to Bruce’s dedication to youth sports and recreation in Goffstown, he served as the Grasmere Village Water Precinct’s representative to the Goffstown Budget Committee from 1984 to 1989. For the past 19 years, since 2006, Bruce has served as the Treasurer of the Goffstown Village Water Precinct.

The Goffstown Select Board is pleased to name Bruce Rand as the 2024 Volunteer of the Year for over 50 years of service and dedication to the community.

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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 18,360 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 Select Board 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/Select Board, 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 as of the date of the next election, 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 prior to the opening date for candidates to file for elected office. Absentee ballots are available to qualified voters for all elections.

Dog licenses expire on April 30th each year. A dog must be licensed at 4 months of age. A rabies certificate is required. Fees are \$2.00 for senior-citizen-owned dogs (one per household), \$6.50 for neutered pets, \$9.00 unaltered. Additional penalties are assessed as of June 1st for unlicensed dogs.

Automobile registrations, initiated at the Town Clerk's office, are due and renewable in the birth month of the resident owner. Completion of the state registration decals are available for an additional fee of \$3.00. Passenger, motorcycle, and trailer plates are also available in this office. The Town is online with the 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 1st and December 1st. Property is assessed as of April 1st. The tax rate for 2024 was \$20.44 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

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 each year. The Zoning Ordinance can be found on the Town's website at www.Goffstown.com for more information.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The Fire Department provides services to the community from two (2) facilities that are located throughout the Town. Active fire stations are located on Church Street in the Village and Mast Road in Pinardville. There is an inactive fire station located on Tirrell Hill Road in East Goffstown. The Department's Administration Office is located at the Village Fire Station on Church Street and can be contacted by calling 603-497-3619.

POLICE: The Goffstown Police Department is located on Route 114 across from the Hillsborough County Complex. The department provides emergency response to a variety of situations within the community 24 hours a day. To reach the Police Department via the non-emergency line, please call 603-497-4858.

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 waste 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. Please see the department's website at www.Goffstown.com/dept/pw for more information or call 603-497-3617.

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. Check our website at www.goffstownlibrary.com for more information, or call us at 603-497-2102.

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 playgrounds with excellent summer programs, two public swimming pools, seven public tennis courts, athletic fields, a running track, and an outdoor ice-skating area. Extensive recreational activities for youth and adults are offered year-round. Please visit www.Goffstown.com/dept/pr for more information, or call us at 603-497-3003.

SCHOOL DISTRICT: The School Board is comprised of 9 elected members. In 1996, voters passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional school meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot. The Superintendent serves the school districts of Goffstown and New Boston with offices located at 11 School Street in Goffstown. The Goffstown School District schools are Glen Lake School (pre-school and kindergarten) 251 Elm St.; Maple Ave Elementary School (grades 1-4) 16 Maple Ave; Bartlett Elementary School (grades 1-4) 689 Mast Road; Mountain View Middle School, 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

Select Board

Second and Fourth Monday at 6:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall, except Holidays.
Special meetings may be held at different times or locations, as needed.

Budget Committee

Typically meets monthly March-June; usually does not meet in July or August;
September-February meeting schedule to be determined, as needed.

Capital Improvements Program Committee

Typically meets May through Sept. on First and Third Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

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. Meetings are held at 9:00 a.m. at Goffstown Police Department.

Historic District Commission

Fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Grasmere 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.

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.

**Meeting schedules subject to change. Meeting notices and agendas
are posted at Town Hall, as well as on the Town's website at
www.GoffstownNH.gov/calendar**

PEOPLE SERVING GOFFSTOWN

Governor

Chris Sununu

United States Senators

Maggie Hassan

Jeanne Shaheen

Representative in US Congress - 1st District

Christopher C. Pappas

Executive Councilor – District 4 (Biennial Session 2024-2025)

Theodore L. Gatsas

State Senator – District 16 Goffstown, Hooksett, Candia & Raymond (Biennial Session 2024-2025)

Keith Murphy

Representatives to General Court District 29 Goffstown (Biennial Session 2024-2025)

Joe H. Alexander, Jr.

Judi Lanza

Fred R. Plett

Sheila Seidel

Representatives to General Court District 44 Goffstown & Weare (Biennial Session 2024-2025)

Travis Corcoran

Lisa Mazur

Select Board

Mark T. Lemay 2027

Jim Craig 2027

Kelly Boyer, *Vice Chairwoman* 2025

Collis Adams 2025

Peter Georgantas, *Chairman* 2026

Town Moderator

Rodney L. Stark 2026

Town Clerk

Cathy Ball 2026

Town Treasurer

Danielle Basora

Administrative Officers

Derek Horne, *Town Administrator, Deputy Treasurer, Deputy Health Officer*

Danielle Basora, *Asst. Town Administrator, Town Treasurer, HR Director*

Eric Sereno, *Police Chief*

Shawn Murray, *Fire Chief, Emergency Management Director and Forest Fire Warden*

Adam Jacobs, *Public Works Director*

Rick Wilhelmi, *Recreation Director*

Dianne Hathaway, *Library Director*

Danielle Basora, *Welfare Officer*

Stephanie Beaudoin, *Tax Collector*

Lynne Pooler, *Deputy Tax Collector*

Karen LeClerc, *Deputy Town Clerk*

Scott Bartlett, *CNHA, Assessor*

Jack Sheppard, *Building Inspector, Building Code Enforcement Officer,*

Vacant, Zoning Enforcement Officer

Tim Lavoie, *Health Office*

Jo Ann Duffy, *Planning & Economic Development Director*

Daniel Conley, *Prosecutor*

Drummond Woodsum, *Attorneys at Law Town Counsel*

Budget Committee

Frank T. Hobbs, <i>Vice-Chair</i>	2025
Richard W. Manzo	2025
Samantha Kearns	2025
Allison DeCesere	2025
Isreal Carey	2027
Peter Grigorakakis	2027
Joseph H. Alexander, Jr., <i>Chair</i>	2027
Elizabeth Dubrulle	2027
Laura Stevens	2026
Doug Pounds	2026
Brian Mazur	2026
Olivia Welch-Erdahl	2026
Kelly Boyer, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	
Jared Talbot, <i>School Board Rep.</i>	
Mark Renaud, <i>Goffstown Village Water Precinct Rep.</i>	
Unassigned, <i>Grasmere Village Precinct</i>	

Building Board of Appeals

5 member Vacancies
3 Alternate Vacancies

Cemetery Trustees

Jean Walker, <i>Chairperson</i>	2025
Linda Reynolds Naughton	2026
Timothy McKinnon	2027

C.I.P. Committee

Tim Redmond, <i>Chairperson Planning Board Rep.</i>	2025
Brad Parkhurst, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2025
Jim Raymond, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2025
Colleen Mailloux, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2025
1 <i>Community Rep. vacancy</i>	2025
Kelly Boyer, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025
Samantha Kearns, <i>Budget Comm.Rep.</i>	2025
Jared Talbot, <i>School Board Rep.</i>	2025
Jo Ann Duffy, <i>Planning & Ecominc Development Coordinator</i>	2025
Danielle Basora, <i>Finance Advisor</i>	2025

Conservation Commission

Jean Walker, <i>Chairperson</i>	2025
David Nieman	2025
Susan Tucker	2026
Jane Raymond	2026
Andrew Chaplin, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2027
Amy Pollock	2027
Evelyn Miller	2027
Jaclyn Cohn, <i>Alternate</i>	2027
Courtney Carter, <i>Alternate</i>	2026
Collis Adams, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025
Patty Gale, <i>Government Advisor 1 Alternate Vacancy</i>	

Economic Development Council

Chet Bowen, <i>Chairperson</i>	2026
Richard Bruno	2026
Melanie Renfrew-Hebert	2025
Jonathan Napoli, <i>Vice-Chair</i>	2025
Charles Birchmeier	2027
Sarah Smith-Troupakis	2027
Oscar Arevalo, <i>Alternate</i>	2027
Christopher Barrett, <i>Alternate</i>	2026
Unassigned, <i>Planning Board Chairperson's Rep.</i>	2025
Kelly Boyer, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025
Jo Ann Duffy, <i>Economic Development Director</i>	

Goffstown Village Water Precinct

Richard Fletcher, <i>Chairperson</i>	2029
Thomas Neforas	2028
Stephen Crean	2027
Mark Renaud	2025
Brian Untiet	2026
Janet Spencer, <i>Moderator</i>	2025
vacant, <i>Treasurer</i>	2025
Linda Reynolds Naughton, <i>Clerk</i>	2025

Grasmere Village Water Precinct

Earl S. Wajenberg	2026
John Foss	2027
Raymond St. Pierre, <i>Chairperson and Moderator</i>	2025
Christine “Tina” Daniels, <i>Clerk</i>	2025
Bruce Rand, <i>Treasurer</i>	2025
Lee Minnich, <i>Superintendent</i>	2025

Highway Safety Committee

Eric Sereno, <i>Police Chief, Chairperson</i>	
Don Ball, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2027
Jo Ann Duffy, <i>Town Planner</i>	
Adam Jacobs, <i>Public Works Director</i>	
Mark Lemay, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025

Historic District Commission

Mark Collins	2027
Lionel Coulon, <i>Corresponding Sec.</i>	2027
Philip D’Avanza, <i>Chairperson</i>	2027
Michael Przekaza	2025
Rodney Stark, <i>Alternate</i>	2027
Mark T. Lemay, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025
Derek Horne, <i>Town Administrator</i>	
2 Member Vacancies	
4 Alternate Vacancies	

Library Trustees

Diane Hebert, <i>Chairperson</i>	2025
Margaret “Happy” Beale	2025
Jordan Willow Evans	2025
Kathy Coughlin, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2026
Lisa Mazur	2026
Judith Johnson	2026
Elizabeth Jipson	2027
Kerstie Hazelbaker, <i>Alternate</i>	2025
Theresa Curtis, <i>Alternate</i>	2025
Casey Leach, <i>Alternate</i>	2025
Peter Georgantas, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025
Dianne Hathaway, <i>Director</i>	

Parks & Recreation Commission

Eric Emmerling	2025
Jane A. Steckowych, <i>Chairperson</i>	2025
Lance Auger	2025
Gary Gendron	2027
Brad Parkhurst	2027
Kevin Daigle, <i>Vice-Chair</i>	2026
Pamela Boyer	2026
Daniel MacInnis, <i>Alternate</i>	2025
Peter Georgantas, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025
Rick Wilhelmi, <i>Parks & Recreation Director</i>	

Piscataquog Rivershed Local Advisory Committee

Andrew Cadorette	2027
2 Vacancies	

Planning Board

Tim Redmond, <i>Chairperson</i>	2027
Richard Freeman	2027
Philip D’Avanza	2026
Colleen Mailloux	2026
Brian Mazur	2025
Barbara Griffin	2025
David Pierce, <i>Alternate</i>	2025
Vacant, <i>Alternate</i>	2025
Collis Adams, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025
Jo Ann Duffy, <i>Town Planner</i>	

Sewer Commission

Daniel J. Taylor	2027
David Pierce	2026
Timothy Redmond, <i>Chairperson</i>	2025
Jim Craig, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025

Southern NH Planning Commission

Jacob LaFontaine	2025
Barbara Griffin	2028
Colleen Mailloux	2027
Jo Ann Duffy, <i>Alternate</i>	2026
2 Alternate Vacancies	

Supervisors of the Checklist

Denise Lemay, <i>Chairperson</i>	2026
Marie Morgan	2030
Robyn Perry	2028

Trustee of the Trust Funds

William Tucker	2025
Melanie Refrew-Hebert, <i>Chairperson</i>	2025
Fred Plett, <i>Secretary</i>	2026
Brian Lombardi, <i>Alternate</i>	2025
Scott Gross, <i>Alternate</i>	2025

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Judy Allain	2025
Leonard Stuart, <i>Chairperson</i>	2026
John Beliveau	2025
Jason L. Cote	2027
Denise Langle, <i>Vice-Chair</i>	2025
Bruce Buttrick, <i>Alternate</i>	2027
4 <i>Alternate Vacancies</i>	

Village Bridge Ad Hoc Committee

Andrew Cadorette, <i>Chair</i> ,	2026
<i>Community at Large Rep.</i>	
Paula Bedard, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2026
<i>Community at Large Rep.</i>	
Cynthia Boisvert, <i>Rotary Club Rep.</i>	2026
David Pierce,	2026
<i>Friends of Rails to Trails Rep.</i>	
Richard Bruno,	2026
<i>Economic Development Council Rep.</i>	
Tina Lawton, <i>Scribe</i>	2026
<i>Goffstown Main Street Program Rep.</i>	
David Nieman,	2026
<i>Conservation Commission Rep.</i>	
Vacant, <i>Parks & Rec Rep.</i>	2025
Collis Adams, <i>Select Board Rep.</i>	2025

School Board

Heather Trzepacz, <i>Chairperson</i>	2026
Caroline Racine, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2026
Shane Rozamus	2025
Reta Chaffee	2025
Daniel J. Cloutier	2025
Lauren Doukas	2025
Virginia McKinnon	2027
Jared Talbot	2027
Jack Carbonneau	2027
Brady McCann, <i>Student Rep.</i>	2025
Christine Bean, <i>Teacher Rep.</i>	2025
Derek Davis, <i>Teacher Rep.</i>	2025

School Clerk

Jo Ann Duffy	2027
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School District Moderator

James Raymond	2027
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School District Treasurer

Lissa Winrow	2027
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School District Administration S.A.U. #19

Brian Balke, <i>Superintendent</i>
Wendy Kohler, <i>Assistant Superintendent</i>
Scott Gross, <i>Business Administrator</i>
Kate Magrath, <i>Human Resources Director</i>
Jennifer Freitas, <i>Director of Special Education</i>
Randy Loring, <i>Facilities Director</i>
Stephen Bourget, <i>Technology Director</i>

Bartlett Elementary School

Suzanne Pyszka, <i>Principal</i>
Darcie Crete, <i>Asst. Principal</i>

Glen Lake School

Kathryn Stoye, <i>Principal</i>
Carolyn Donovan, <i>Asst. Principal</i>

Goffstown High School

Frank McBride, <i>Principal</i>
Kim McCann, <i>Asst. Principal</i>

Maple Avenue Elementary School

William Demers, <i>Principal</i>
Lisa Johnson, <i>Asst. Principal</i>

Mountain View Middle School

Jessica Milligan, <i>Principal</i>
Brandy Williams, <i>Asst. Principal</i>

SELECT BOARD 2024 ANNUAL REPORT



*Front Row, L-R: Selectman Collis Adams and Selectman Mark Lemay.
Standing Back Row, L-R: Selectman Jim Craig, Chairman Peter Georgantas, and
Vice Chairwoman Kelly Boyer.*

The Town's Annual Report provides the Select Board with the opportunity to look back on the past year and reflect on the challenges faced and progress made in key areas of town governance.

Voters at Town Meeting did not approve the budget recommended by the Budget Committee and the Town operated under a Default Budget in 2024. Fortunately, Town voters approved three (3) proposed Collective Bargaining Agreements with the Police Patrol Officers, Police Dispatchers & Clerks, and DPW Teamsters Union. Unfortunately, the funds to implement the proposed compensation plan for non-union employees were included in the Budget Committee's recommended budget that failed. The Select Board was faced with a difficult decision. If wage increases were limited to only Union CBAs, the Town would be creating pay inequity between Union and Non-Union employees, as well as creating wage compression between non-union supervisors and the employees they supervise. In March, the Select Board worked with Department Heads to identify priorities within the available 2024 appropriation and set a revised budget for Town Departments to work with. The Select Board made the difficult decision to use budget transfers available under state law (RSA 32:10) and implemented the proposed compensation plan for non-union employees in July. Additionally, in 2024 the Select Board negotiated the fourth Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Professional Firefighters of Goffstown and the cost items are included in Article 11 on the 2025 Ballot. It is the hope of the Select Board these newly negotiated Collective Bargaining Agreements, and the non-union compensation plan will allow the Town to retain excellent staff and hire new employees to fill existing vacancies.

Throughout the year the Select Board worked with Department Heads to identify projects and allocate funds made available to the Town through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) program authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. In 2023 the Town completed a \$1.8 Million project to replace the town's first responder emergency radio infrastructure using the Town's Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. Voters at Town Meeting in March 2024 approved the creation of a Police Radio and Dispatch Revolving Fund (Article 22). Beginning in 2024, with this approval, all revenue from dispatching services is now deposited into this fund, which will accumulate from year-to-year, and can be used to maintain and replace the Town's dispatch center, hardware and software related to first responder dispatch services, and radio infrastructure. The Select Board also allocated \$630,000 in InvestNH funds, from the State of NH's Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, to fund various capital projects throughout Town Departments. These projects included facility painting and flooring projects at the Police Department, Library, and Town Hall; HVAC improvements at the Parks & Rec building and GTV studio; partial funding of GTV and Town server replacement projects; paving at the Pinardville Fire Station #2; and roofing and siding repairs at the Goffstown Public Library.

The Town continues to work with the State of NH on the three (3) State owned dams along the Piscataquog River impacting Goffstown residents; Hadley Falls dam in the village, Gregg's Falls dam at Glen Lake, and Kelley's Falls dam in Manchester at Namaske Lake. In June the Select Board created the Goffstown River Advisory Committee to advise the Select Board on all matters related to the Piscataquog River, with a focus on the three (3) dams and on matters relating to the management of the Piscataquog River, including, but not limited to, preservation, sustainability, resilience, recreation, economic vitality, public safety, and water quality. Volunteers were sought and the River Advisory Committee began meeting monthly in September. Also in September, the Select Board hosted a public informational meeting by the NH Department of Environmental Services, Water Division, Dam Bureau (NHDES). The purpose of this meeting was to explain to residents some of the changes at Kelley's Falls dam, which were made when the hydroelectric company left the facility in June and day-to-day operation was handed over to the State Dam Bureau. The Select Board continues to work with the State to support their pursuit of grant opportunities to maintain the Kelley's Falls Dam and responsible redevelopment of the Piscataquog River with minimal impact on residents as the State moves towards removal of the Hadley Falls Dam.

The Select Board recognizes and thanks the many volunteers who serve on town committees, commissions and boards, as well as the many poll workers that assist at Town and State Elections. Your countless hours and efforts assist us in meeting the ever-increasing demands on municipal government. The activities of committees are incorporated in their reports throughout this publication.

The Select Board thanks the dedicated hardworking team of town employees who have helped in carrying out the Town's mission given by the voters.

GOFFSTOWN SELECT BOARD:

Peter Georgantas, Chairman
Kelly Boyer, Vice Chairwoman

Collis Adams
Jim Craig
Mark T. Lemay

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NH

2025 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 Tuesday, February 4, 2025 at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 p.m.) at the Goffstown High School, 27 Wallace Road, in the Gymnasium 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 11, 2025. (Snow date for the first session is Thursday, February 6, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. and the same location.)

You are further notified to meet Tuesday, March 11, 2025 to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls will open on March 11, 2025 at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the First District at the Goffstown High School, 27 Wallace Road and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School, 689 Mast Road.

ARTICLE 1 ELECTION OF CANDIDATES

ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment to the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the definition of an "Abutter" in the Glossary, amend Section 15.3.3 Administrator Appeals and Section 15.3.7.7 Rehearing, and adding Section 15.3.7.10 Appeal of Administrative Officer's Decision? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law relative to the statutory definition of "abutter" and to appeals of certain zoning decisions by abutters under NH House Bill 1359 (laws of 2024, Chapter 130).

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of an Amendment to the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the Glossary by removing the definition of "Family Day Care Home" and replacing it with a new definition for "Family Child Care Home"; to amend the Glossary by removing "Family Group Day Care Home" and replacing it with a new definition "Family Group Child Care Home"; and add Section 5.6.4 Group Child Day Care? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law concerning family and group family child care uses under NH House Bill 1567 (laws of 2024, Chapter 271).

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of an Amendment to the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, to Amend 7.2.5 Table of Off-Street Parking Requirements to add: “A two-family with a studio & 1-bedroom under 1,000 sf that meets Workforce Housing Requirements will require 1 ½ parking spaces per unit. A Multi-Family with 10 or more units will require 1 ½ parking spaces per unit. Guest parking shall be provided in the amount of .25 of the total number of units.”? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law relative to residential parking spaces under NH House Bill 1400 (laws of 2024, Chapter 370)?

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of an Amendment No. 5 to the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, as follows: Amend Section 7.3.3. Handicapped Accessible Spaces by changing the size of the handicapped accessible spaces from eighteen and one half (18.5) feet in length and eight (8) feet in width to twenty (20) feet in length and nine (9) feet in width?

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of an Amendment to the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, by adding: “Section 7.5.3.2-An applicant may present an alternative parking arrangement to the Planning Board for residential use, the Planning Board shall be required to consider the alternative parking solution.”? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law relative to residential parking spaces under NH House Bill 1400 (laws of 2024, Chapter 370)?

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of an Amendment to the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, to combine Section 8.3 Light Projection and 8.5 Illumination of Parking Areas, add a requirement that all lighting shall have full cutoff shields, and include “front” lot lines to limitation of illumination sentence? The combined Section 8.3 shall read: “8.3 Light Projection-Any new outside lighting, whether for area illumination, sign illumination, building illumination, or other purpose, shall project no more than 3% of its light rays above the horizon from the lamp, its lens structure or any associated reflector. In addition, any new lighting greater than 20 foot-candles on the ground requires the submission of a detailed engineering lighting plan. Lighting fixtures used to illuminate parking areas shall direct the light away from adjacent properties and away from traffic on adjacent streets. Lighting shall be designed to limit any increase in off-site illumination to a maximum of 0.2 foot-candles as measured at the front, side, and rear lot lines, except where parking lots are interconnected. All lighting fixtures shall have full cut-off shields.”

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of an Amendment to the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board, rewriting the current Section 9, Manufactured Homes & Manufactured Home Parks to allow for the expansion of manufactured housing parks that existed as of 7/1/24, as well as allowing manufactured housing on individual lots and subdivisions created for manufactured housing parks? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law requiring municipalities that adopt land use control measures to provide reasonable and realistic opportunities for the siting of manufactured housing on individual lots and in manufactured housing parks and subdivisions within residential districts under NH House Bill 1361 (laws of 2024, Chapter 23)?

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town General Fund, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Twenty-Five Million, Nine Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand, Eight Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars (\$25,976,883).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million, Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand, Five Hundred Eighty-Six Dollars (\$7,259,586).

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

“Shall the Town of Goffstown vote to raise and appropriate as a General Fund 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-Five Million, Nine Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand, Eight Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars (\$25,976,883)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty Five Million, Five Hundred Fifty Thousand, Five Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars (\$25,550,534), 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 Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 15-0-0.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the Sewer Enterprise Fund, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Two Million, Two Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Five Hundred and Two Dollars (\$2,236,502).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues collected from sewer use fees in the amount of Two Million, Two Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Five Hundred and Two Dollars (\$2,236,502). This article is paid for by customers serviced by the Goffstown Sewer collection System, which operates as a municipal enterprise fund. This article (Sewer Enterprise Fund operating budget) has no tax impact.

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

“Shall the Town of Goffstown vote to raise and appropriate as a Sewer Enterprise Fund operating budget, 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 Two Million, Two Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Five Hundred and Two Dollars (\$2,236,502)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget for the Sewer Enterprise Fund shall be One Million, Seven Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand, Eight Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars (\$1,783,876), 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 is paid for by customers serviced by the Goffstown Sewer collection System, which operates as a municipal enterprise fund. This article (Sewer Enterprise Fund operating budget) has no tax impact.

Recommended by the Sewer Commissioners 3-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 15-0-0.

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town of Goffstown will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Select Board 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
2025	\$ 136,983
2026	\$ 182,289
2027	\$ 105,628

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars (\$136,983) 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 9.)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 15-0-0.

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008.

This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No new amount to be raised by taxation. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 14-1-0.

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000) for Goffstown's Road Improvement Program. Passage of this article will direct the Select Board to include this amount in future operating and default budgets of the Town of Goffstown.

(This appropriation is in addition to Article 9.)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-6-0.

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to RSA 31:95-h to modify the existing CABLE ACCESS REVOLVING FUND established in 2013, to increase the amount of franchise fee revenues received from our Cable Franchise Agreement from Seventy Percent (70%) to One Hundred Percent (100%). The Cable Franchise Agreement revenue share shall be as follows:

Beginning January 1, 2025 = 100% to the Cable Access Revolving Fund
0% to the Town's General Fund.

Such monies, in addition to any Cable Franchise equipment grants, will be deposited into the fund and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund balance. The town treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote in accordance with RSA 72:62, to modify the solar exemption adopted by the Town in 2015 and increase the exemption to 100% of the amount of a residential solar energy system, up to the first 20 kW. (If adopted and approved, this article shall take effect for the 2025 property tax year. If this article is not adopted, the residential solar exemption shall remain at 100% of the amount, up to the first 10 kW or less, if any).

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 16

Shall the voters of Goffstown vote to raise appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to fund a third-party operational efficiency study and audit of all departments, with the goal of identifying opportunities for improved efficiencies and identify potential risks within the Town of Goffstown?

This study would include, but not be limited to, the following departments: Town Hall, Police, Fire, Library, Department of Public Works (DPW), and Parks and Recreation.

(This appropriation is in addition to Article 9.)

(Majority Vote Required.)

Not Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 15-0-0.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will direct the Town Manager to make available access to the check register on the town website. Similar information has been available to Bedford residents for many years. Bedford residents can monitor monthly expenses paid out of the school district bank account. Residents can access this information through a 91-a, Right to Know Request, but this can be a cumbersome task for town officials. By providing this information on the town website, town officials can direct people to the website for this information. That should cut down on time and money spent on gathering this information Why should you support this? 1) Transparency. This will male many expenditures transparent. 2) Fiscally Responsible. This will cut down on the cost of having the search and provide information to those who file 91-a’s Right to Know Request for this information.

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 18

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

Given under our Hands and Seal this 21st day of January, 2025.

GOFFSTOWN SELECT BOARD

Peter Georgantas, Chairman

Collis Adams

Kelly Boyer, Vice Chairwoman

Jim Craig

Mark T. Lemay

BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY

In attendance were Moderator Rod Stark, Town Clerk Cathy Ball, Assistant Town Moderator Barbara Griffin, Select Board Chairwoman Kelly Boyer, Vice Chairman Peter Georgantas, Selectman Collis Adams, Selectman Jim Craig, Selectman Mark Lemay, Town Administrator Derek Horne, Assistant Town Administrator Danielle Basora, and Gail Labrecque—Scribe.

7:00 PM CALL TO ORDER

Moderator Rodney Stark called the meeting to order. Chairwoman Boyer led the Board and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Moderator Stark introduced the head table: Cathy Ball--Town Clerk, Barbara Griffin—Assistant Town Moderator, and Gail Labrecque—Scribe, Select Board Chairwoman Kelly Boyer, Select Board Vice Chairman Peter Georgantas, Selectman Collis Adams, Selectman Jim Craig, Selectman Mark Lemay, Town Administrator Derek Horne, and Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Director Danielle Basora.

Moderator Stark said the Budget Committee members who may be in attendance are Chairman Joe Alexander, Vice Chairman Frank Hobbs, Stacey Bellemore, Lauren Doukas, Samantha Kearns, Richard Manzo, Laura Stevens, Olivia Welch-Erdahl, Allison DeCesere, Melanie-Renfrew Hebert, Doug Pounds, and Brian Mazur. The Budget Committee also includes Richard Fletcher—Goffstown Village Water Precinct Representative, Jared Talbot—School Board Representative, and Select Board Representative Peter Georgantas.

RECOGNITION OF DIGNITARIES WHO MAY BE IN THE AUDIENCE

The dignitaries who may be in attendance are our State Representatives Joe Alexander, Jr., Judi Lanza, Fred Plett, Sheila Seidel, Travis Corcoran, Keith Murphy, and Liza Mazur, as well as State Senator Keith Murphy.

MODERATOR’S OPENING STATEMENT & RULES OF PROCEDURE:

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, will conduct its business. He reviewed some of the features of this system as well as the rules of engagement for tonight’s meeting. He said we are guests at the High School this evening. There is no smoking while on school grounds. To assist in standing votes, registered voters have been given a voting card which must be displayed during a standing vote. If you have not signed the card, please do so now. You will be asked to return these cards to the checklist table if you leave before the meeting ends. All speakers must use microphones, show their voting card, and state their name and address. Please spell your last name for the scribe.

The most important thing for you to know is that we will not be voting to pass or defeat any warrant article tonight. 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 12, 2024, from 7:00 AM to 7:00 p.m., at the High School and at the Bartlett Elementary School.

At this meeting, Articles 7 through 16 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 warrant article is adopted by this meeting, the article, as amended, will appear on the official ballot for voting on March 12, 2024.

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’s subject matter is to be treated, or the addition or deletion of terms and conditions of 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 subject matter will be ruled out of order and will not be accepted by the moderator.

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.

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.

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.

Prior to a voice or standing vote on a proposed amendment, five registered voters may make a request, in writing, for a written secret ballot. These five voters must be 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 secret written ballot may be made. This request must be made by seven registered voters who are present at the meeting, before any other business is begun. Forms are available for this purpose.

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. 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.

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 over 40 years of moderating town meetings, there has been only one dead even tie - that was on the article to raze and sell the building I was born in, the Moore General Hospital.

A motion to reconsider can only be made by a person who voted with the prevailing side. It may be seconded by any one period it is debatable and requires a simple majority for passage. 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.

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.

THE READING OF THE WARRANT

Moderator Stark said he will entertain a motion to dispense with the reading of the warrant. He recognized Chairwoman Boyer.

Chairman Boyer made a motion to dispense with the reading of the warrant. Selectman Adams seconded the motion.

ORDER OF ARTICLE FOR DISCUSSION

Moderator Stark said the Select Board has requested to begin with Article 12, the Operating Budget, and continue through all appropriation articles and separate articles placed on the Warrant by the Select Board. The citizens of any petition article will be discussed at the end of today's meeting.

ARTICLE 12—Town Operating Budget

Moderator Stark said Article 12 is the Town's Operating Budget. He recognized Vice Chairman Georgantas.

Vice Chairman Georgantas moved Article 12 to the floor. Selectman Adams seconded the motion.

Vice Chair Georgantas said the Operating Budget explanation begins on page 3 of the handout. The Budget Committee's proposed budget begins on page 3 of the handout. The Town's Default Budget begins on page 43 of the handout. The Town's Operating Budget consists of two funds—the General Fund and the Sewer Enterprise Fund. EMS Ambulance expenses are included in the Operating Budget and the Default Budget, to ensure continuation of EMS services. The EMS Special Revenue Fund operation is in Article 13. If Article 13 fails, EMS operations will be funded by the General Fund through taxation.

We will focus this presentation on the General Fund, as that is the only fund which impacts the town's property tax rate. The Budget Committee's proposed Operating Budget is \$29,300,126. The proposed operating budget has an increase in the General Fund of \$1,982,873 over the 2023 adopted budget. The proposed Operating Budget is \$1,432,839 above the Town's Default Budget.

This does not include any other appropriation articles.

The Default Budget

Vice Chairman Georgantas said the 2024 Default Budget is the 2023 Adopted Budgeted reduced or increased by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget. The Default Budget includes contractual wage increases for one Union CBA, the Professional Firefighters of Goffstown, and an increased cost of 4 elections in 2024, mandated by law. It also includes all funded positions from the approved 2023 budget. The Default Budget has been reduced to exclude 2 utility trucks purchased from the 2023 Operating Budget and an election trailer purchased from the 2023 Operating Budget. The estimated increase to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax bill for a median single-family residence is \$174.01.

2024 Proposed Budget

Vice Chairman Georgantas said the 2024 Proposed Budget has no new positions and is based on providing the same level of service. The budget increase is due largely to increases in insurance costs, cost of utilities and fuel, cost of solid waste disposal, the costs for Fleet and Facility Maintenance, and the cost for 4 elections. There are new one-time expenses in the town's Capital Projects, referred to as CIP. There are also funds included in the budget to implement an updated Town Compensation Plan for non-union employees. All of these items and their cost increases are included on page five of the handout. The estimated tax impact of the Budget Committee's proposed Operating Budget is 94.5 cents. The estimated increase to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax bill for a median single-family residence is \$391.69. The Budget Committee's Operating Budget is recommended by the Select Board and Budget Committee.

Moderator Stark opened Article 12 to the floor for discussion.

Kathy Holt, 27 Stinson Road, Goffstown, asked how they got the increase for the updated Town Compensation Plan for non-union employees.

Vice Chair Georgantas said they had a study done by a company who does them of the local areas. They took a percentage of the numbers and applied them to Goffstown. We're at 60%.

Kathy Holt said you're only increasing the pay of the current employees by meeting the 60% percentile in the region. They chose not to go to the 75th percentile to keep the employees. Would the 75% percentile have kept the employees better? Was it designed to keep the budget down?

Vice Chair Georgantas said it was a reasonable number to keep the budget affordable and to retain the employees.

Vice Chairman Georgantas made a motion to restrict reconsideration of Article 12. Selectman Adams seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 13—EMS Special Revenue Fund

Moderator Stark said Article 13 is the annual appropriation from the EMS Special Revenue Fund. He recognized Vice Chairman Georgantas.

Vice Chairman Georgantas moved Article 13 to the floor. Selectman Adams seconded.

Vice Chairman Georgantas said the explanation for the EMS Special Revenue Fund appropriation is on page 6 of the handout. The EMS Special Revenue Fund was established in 2001, and 100% of revenue collected from EMS operations is deposited into the fund. EMS Ambulance expenses are included in the Operating Budget and the Default Budget, to ensure continuation of EMS services. This article asks voters to fund 2024 EMS operations from the EMS Special Revenue Fund, with no funds to be raised by taxation. The proposed 2024 EMS budget is \$550,726 which is an increase from last year. If Article 13 passes, Article 12 (the operating budget) will be reduced by the amount of the EMS operations. If Article 13 fails, EMS operations will be funded through taxation. This Article was unanimously recommended by the Select Board and the Budget Committee.

Moderator Stark opened Article 13 to the floor for discussion.

There was no comment from the public.

Vice Chairman Georgantas moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 13. Selectman Adams seconded. VOTE: Motion passes.

Judy Lanza, of 21 Bayberry Lane, Goffstown, said she noticed an error where it says, “if the article fails the estimated increase is \$82.64.” On the handout sheet it says the increase is \$83.47.

Vice Chairman Georgantas said the handout is correct.

ARTICLE 14—CBA between the Town and DPW Teamsters

Moderator Stark said Article 14 is the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the DPW Teamsters. He recognized Selectman Adams.

Selectman Adams moved Article 14 to the floor. Selectman Craig seconded.

Selectman Adams said he’s happy to see such a good turnout at this meeting. He said the explanation for the DPW Teamsters Collective Bargaining Agreement is on page 7 of the handout. This is a two-year contract that covers 24 full-time positions at DPW: Laborers, Truck Drivers, Mechanic Assistants, Heavy Equipment Operators, Scale house Operators, and Solid Waste Truck Drivers. The expiring CBA was a 5-year term (2019-2023), which was negotiated during the summer of 2018. The Select Board negotiated this 2-year contract with the goal of improving recruitment and retention, which has been a serious issue in Goffstown.

The Board also had to consider the jump in wages that has occurred in the past few years. Wage increases are designed to bring the wage matrix back in line with the market. Under the negotiated terms, the starting wage for a laborer will increase to \$19.00/hour. There are currently two (2)

vacant Laborer/Truck Driver positions at DPW. The agreement has added hourly differentials for advanced certifications and licenses to incentivize advancement, which will improve crew cross training and flexibility. The estimated tax rate impact in 2024 is 5.6 cents. The estimated increase to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax bill for a median single-family residence is \$23.14. This Article was unanimously recommended by the Select Board and the Budget Committee.

Moderator Stark opened Article 14 to the floor for discussion.

Kathy Holt, 27 Stinson Road, asked what the percentage of the increase was.

Selectman Adams said the average increase is \$4.00, which represents 17%.

Selectman Adams moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 14. Selectman Craig seconded.

ARTICLE 15—CBA between Town and Patrol Officers at the Police Department

Moderator Stark said Article 15 is the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Patrol Officers at the Police Department. He recognized Vice Chairman Georgantas.

Vice Chairman Georgantas moved Article 15 to the floor. Selectman Craig seconded.

Vice Chairman Georgantas said the explanation for the Patrol Officers Collective Bargaining Agreement is on page 8 of the handout. This is a three-year contract with the union representing 22 full-time sworn patrol officers at the Police Dept. The expiring CBA was a three-year term (2021-2023). The Select Board negotiated this three-year contract with the goal of improving recruitment and retention of our Patrol Officers. The market for Police Officers in Southern NH has become extremely competitive in the last few years. The Police Department currently has five (5) patrol officer vacancies. The revised wage matrix is designed to compete with Southern NH Police departments. The agreement includes wage matrix adjustments of +4.0% on July 1st of 2025 & 2026 to maintain competitive wages. The starting wage for non-certified Officer increased to \$28.00 pr.hr (from \$25.80). The Select Board and Union collaborated to create Senior Patrol Officer & Master Patrol Officer grades and testing procedures to help with retention of certified officers with 5-10 years as Police Officers. The Estimated tax rate impact in 2024 is 3.5 cents. The estimated increase to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax bill for a median single-family residence is \$14.46. This Article was unanimously recommended by the Select Board and the Budget Committee.

Moderator Stark opened Article 15 to the floor for discussion.

Kathy Holt asked what the percentage of the increase is.

Vice Chairman Georgantas said it is 9.7%.

Karen Monasky, 22 Rochambeau Street, asked what a non-certified officer is.

Police Chief Eric Sereno said it's one who's been hired but not gone through the academy to become certified by the State of NH. He said when considering hiring someone, they typically look at those with a four-year education, but it's not a requirement. They've taken officers with a high school education, or a GED, as well. They put them through their internal process, which includes a rigorous background investigation. If they meet those criteria, they send them to the Police Academy for 16 weeks so they get certified. Every officer in NH has to be certified by the academy. When they come in as a non-certified officer, they have 0 experience. Every police officer has to become certified.

When they hire them, they start them internally in an in-house academy with firearms instruction, defensive tactics and all the policies, which are over 700. After the academy, they get certified, they start their field training, which is another 12-14 weeks. If the academy starts later, they will give them in-house training with a training officer. They have one year from the date of hire until they have to be certified. They are actually working but they try not to send them out on the road without the certification, but they can with a supervisor or field training officer. When certified, their rate of pay changes with the new contract, but it didn't with the old contract.

The new contract starts them at \$28 as non-certified. After one year of probation and they are certified, they will go to step 2, which is \$28.91. They have a 4-year training agreement, which means every new candidate who's not certified signs an agreement to stay with our agency for a minimum of 4 years, otherwise they have to pay back some of the expenses incurred during training. He said they are down 5 officers on paper, which is different than operational. When they hire someone, it takes almost a year to get them operational. Operationally, between medical leaves and deployment, they are down 10 officers. He explained how they recruit officers. As soon as they know someone is interested, they bring them in and work with them.

Vice Chairman Georgantas moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 15. Selectman Craig seconded. Voice Vote: Motion passes.

ARTICLE 16—CBA between the Town and Dispatchers/Clerks at the Police Department

Moderator Stark said Article 16 is the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town and the Dispatchers and Clerks Union at the Police Department. He recognized Selectman Craig.

Selectman Craig moved Article 16 to the floor. Selectman Lemay seconded.

Selectman Craig said the explanation for the Collective Bargaining Agreement for the Dispatchers and Clerks is on page 9 of the handout. This is a three-year contract with the union representing 9 dispatchers and 3 clerks at the Police Dept. The expiring CBA was a 3-year term (2021-2023). These positions provide dispatching services for Goffstown Police & Fire, New Boston Police & Fire, Weare Police, and Dunbarton Police. These services to other towns generate \$164,000 in dispatch revenue annually. The Select Board negotiated this three-year contract with the goal of improving recruitment and retention of dispatchers and clerks. There are currently two (2) vacant dispatcher positions. The revised wage matrix is designed to compete with Southern NH Police departments. There are wage matrix adjustments of +3.0% on July 1, 2025 & 2026 to maintain competitive wages. The estimated tax rate impact in 2024 is 1.7 cents. The estimated increase

to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax bill for a median single-family residence is \$7.02. This Article was unanimously recommended by the Select Board and the Budget Committee. That is a 13.5% increase.

Kathy Holt, 27 Stinson Road, said while they've made these contracts, they've barely brought one up to meet consumer price index, which is 17.7%, and haven't met it with the other two contracts. They still have a deficit in their contracts.

Fred Plett, 29 My Way, asked if this were to pass, would the increased billings to the surrounding departments increase as well.

Selectman Craig said they'll be re-negotiating contracts in 2024.

Moderator Stark opened Article 16 to the floor for discussion. There was no discussion.

Selectman Craig moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 16. Selectman Lemay seconded. Voice Vote: Motion carries.

ARTICLE 17—Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund

Moderator Stark said Article 17 seeks to appropriate Two-Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) to deposit into the Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund. He recognized Selectman Lemay.

Selectman Lemay moved Article 17 to the floor. Chairwoman Boyer seconded.

Selectman Lemay said the explanation for this deposit into the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund is on page 10 of the handout. The Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund was established in 2008 to help defray the single year impact of the replacement cost of modern fire apparatus. This Capital Reserve Fund helps to spread that cost over multiple years to avoid spikes in the tax rate. The costs for apparatus continues to increase and the build time is getting longer. The replacement Fire Engine approved in 2022 was ordered May 2022; the Fire Department expects delivery in March 2024.

This fund can also provide the Town leverage, in the form of a local match, when seeking grants to replace apparatus. In 2010 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 current balance (12/31/23) of the Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund is Seven-Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand, Three-Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$729,355). In past years, the Select Board had funded this article from the Unassigned Fund Balance. This article seeks to appropriate the \$250,000 deposit from property taxes, not unassigned fund balance. The estimated tax rate impact in 2024 is 9.2 cents.

Christine Templeton, of 176 Kennedy Hill Road, said their property taxes increased by \$2,400 this year. She doesn't understand why they keep going back to tax money. It had previously been funded by unappropriated funds. Why aren't we going to that before going to the taxpayers?

Selectman Lemay said the reason is the balance that's required.

Town Administrator Derek Horne said the Select Board has a policy for fund balance retention that follows the recommended levels from the Government Finance Office Agency.

They recommend an unrestricted budgetary fund balance of 12%. When the Board set the tax rate this past fall, they were at 12.28%, which is just over \$7.2 million. That is not money sitting in the bank. It includes uncollected taxes they have not received from delinquent property owners, as well as many other receivables. The actual cash in the bank fluctuates throughout the year. For the Board to maintain the minimum 12% set as policy, they made the decision that they didn't have enough fund balance to use for appropriations.

Claire Rouillard, 14 Jasmine Lane, said this article is the first she's seen where the Budget Committee didn't unanimously recommend approval. She asked what the Budget Committee's concerns were.

Joe Alexander, 3 Oakwood Lane, and Chair of the Budget Committee said there were two that opposed it because they were concerned about the overall increase of all the articles. The balance of the fund is currently \$729,000 and the members wanted to wait another year to add more.

Claire Rouillard said in some of the other articles, the Budget Committee doesn't necessarily have 2 that are dissenting in passing it. If it's just because they didn't want the increase, that's what the answer is. But to have it reported that the same folks didn't want the increase across the board for these articles doesn't seem to bear out with what's in front of us.

Fred Plett said this has been \$250,000 for a long time. The estimate for the 2030 tower is \$2 million, which is twice what the last one was. Has someone done a cash flow of future purchases to find out whether the \$250,000 is adequate, and should it go up?

Fire Chief Shawn Murray said shortages are everywhere and there is a large increase. They have discussed the amount of money put into the CIP fund every year because of the increases. They've not been raised currently and are trying to provide an overall balance. They can project what the potential cost would be down the road.

Karen Monasky, Rochambeau Street, asked if this is a one-time thing for this, for FY 2024.

Selectman Lemay said the money has been appropriated to be put in every year. The fund, at one time, was \$225,000 and it was increased to \$250,000, seeing the price of the fire apparatus and what's going on in the industry today.

Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Director Basora said last year was \$250,000. Then request a deposit be made each year but it is not a recurring cost, so it is not going into the Default Budget. It's always a separate article if they do want to make a deposit. They have historically asked each year, but it's not guaranteed going forward.

Karen Monasky asked if a balance should be kept at a certain level. Will they look to this amount

every year?

Finance Director Basora said they don't have a policy that maintains a minimum in a capital reserve fund. The design of the fund is to make deposits that will sustain the needed purchases. As asked previously, is this going to be sufficient for the rising costs?

The apparatus is maintained on a schedule, and they use a multi-year schedule, in addition to the Capital Improvement Plan, which is a six-year plan. The fire department maintains an additional schedule beyond that so they can see 10, 15, and even 30 years out how far they think they'll need to replace the apparatus knowing each one only lasts a certain number of years. Page 10 of the program has a copy of the chart the Fire Department maintains for when they plan to replace each item. They try to spread them out through the years.

Karen Monasky said this increase is substantial for her. She's retired and has been a resident for 28 years. She can't sustain this. It's sad she can't afford to live here in her retirement.

Brian Mazur, 39 Shirley Park Road, said he was one of the two Budget Committee members who voted to not recommend this. It was about looking at the bigger picture and making hard decisions for his constituents to save money. The additional reason was that only 3% of the service calls are for fire and was a reason to not increase the tax burden on his constituents.

Robert Jones, 457 East Dunbarton Road, said 3% doesn't make any sense. If it's your house, it's zero or 100%.

Karen Monasky asked if she could propose an amendment.

Moderator Stark said they can do it in writing.

Town Administrator Horne said they need to have two people—one to make the motion and one to second it.

Karen Monasky made a motion to change the amount from \$250,000 to \$100,000. Sierra Hubbard seconded the motion.

Jennifer Lever, 15 Catherine Street, said she heard the increase was due to the valuation of property increases. That doesn't mean people's income has increased, especially for our retirement community. She's concerned about how much the taxes have increased and if the budget warrants that much of an increase.

Stacey Bellemore, 8 Goffstown Back Road, said she has a rule of order question. She thought 7 people had to agree to the motion and then 5 additional.

Moderator Stark said that's for voting. This is an amendment question. He's been handed a motion with a reduction to \$100,000.

Barbara Schult asked the difference in the tax rate for that \$150,000.

Town Administrator Horne said that would be approximately a 6-cent difference. Instead of 9 cents, it would reduce to approximately 3 cents. That would reduce from \$38.00 to approximately \$12.00 on the median single-family home.

Barbara Schult said they're short sighting the Fire Department. If she were one of those 3% of fire calls, she'd want the fire truck there. She's also a retired person on a fixed income, but there's something to knowing we have quality firemen trained in a quality truck for the difference of about \$1 per month.

Selectman Lemay said they are going to short side the residents of the Town of Goffstown. There are rules, regulations, and statutory things they have to follow to keep things in place. They have current operating fire trucks. When they had the tower ladder replaced, they had an aging ladder truck. Thank God they had a grant for the \$2 million dollar fire truck back them. Imagine the spike in taxes if they didn't have that grant. As a resident, he'd not be in favor of the motion. He'd hope they all support the \$250,000 to be voted on so we can have good, quality fire apparatus. Today, the apparatus being built takes 2 years to build, and are up to 3-4 years. He wouldn't want to pay the repair bills and maintenance costs on those trucks.

Sierra Hubbard, 49 Holly Street, asked about the apparatus to be replaced. There is no apparatus being replaced next year, so there is another year to add money to this fund.

David Banach, 71 Elm Street, said the purpose of a reserve fund is to protect against tax spikes. When buying equipment, which they're going to need anyway, the money could come out of the reserve fund rather than the budget and creating a spike. We all feel the pain of our tax bills. But making prudent decisions and dealing with the reality of the Town's needs, and if he was interested in protecting against tax increases that might make it hard for him to stay in the town, he'd be interested in approving the prudent decisions of the Budget Committee and Select Board in protecting ourselves against those with reserve funds.

Sarah Tollefson, 41 North Mast Street, asked the source of the 3% of the calls being for fire, and if that is accurate, does that include EMS calls.

Fire Chief Shawn Murray said when they look at the total calls for 2023, they had 2822 calls. 1851 calls, or 66%, were EMS related. All other fire related calls include 2% for fires, 6% for false alarms, 15% for service calls, 5% for hazard calls, and 6% for good intent calls. When you look at the fire side, the calls are at about 30+% compared to EMS calls.

Melanie Renfrew-Hebert, 23 College Road, said she is on the Budget Committee but is speaking as a resident of the Town. She listened to presentations of the Fire Department and heard the necessity of the cost and the schedule. We need to be able to meet the needs of the Fire Department. The cost is too high if we can't get equipment and keep it on the road.

Samantha Kearns, a member of the Budget Committee, said the current balance is \$750,000. If we only add \$100,000 this year, we won't equal \$1 million. The purpose is that we don't pay for a fire truck all at the same time. It's spread out over a long period of time.

Karen Monasky said the proposal she made is for one year. Next year they can revisit the proposal and go back to the schedule of \$250,000. You can also look at grants and other options.

Scott Gross, 57 Range Road, Trustee of the Trustee Funds, said they are getting a 5% interest on those Capital Reserve Fund. That's \$50,000 in interest. That's what CIP is all about. That will save money in the long run. He thinks they need to take the proper course and take what the Select Board has presented.

Raymond Philibotte, 86 Mosett Ave, asked about the mileage on the vehicles they replace. Selectman Lemay said they go by actual road miles and the hours the apparatus has run. The average is about 600,000 hours and goes up to 750,000 hours. That tells you the wear and tear of the apparatus. It's a 20-year cycle.

Elizabeth Dubrulle, 9 First Avenue, said many years ago exemptions were voted in for senior citizens and veterans for property tax relief. Are those exemptions still in place and are people aware of them?

Selectman Lemay said last year the Town voted to increase the exemptions for the elderly. The Veteran's exemption is in place also. It's also coming up in one of the other articles.

Barbara Schult, 11 Honeysuckle, said asked if there are grants available for town fire apparatus.

Fire Chief Murray said there are grants and they try to take advantage of them as much as they can. The \$1 million dollar tower apparatus they had was paid through a federal grant called the Assistance to Firefighters Grant.

Shawn Goodwin, 644 Mast Road, asked why they have to replace them. Why not repair them?

Fire Chief Murray said the key to asking to replace apparatus is that it's after 20 years of operating service, running under severe weather conditions, the road miles, the pumps themselves, etc. They do repairs and heavy service on them, which allows them to extend it that 20 years.

Shawn Goodwin said if it's a perfectly running machine, why replace it.

Fire Chief Murray said, like a vehicle, the systems on a 20-year-old fire truck, like it may be on your vehicle, such as the electronics and the fire pump, get to the point where they can't be repaired and need replacement. They reach a point where it's no longer cost effective to maintain the vehicle because of the rising repairs and service.

Chairwoman Boyer made a motion to move the question. Selectman Lemay seconded.

Vote on Amendment to change the amount on the article from \$250,000 to \$100,000: Amendment defeated.

Selectman Lemay moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 17. Chairwoman Boyer seconded. Voice Vote: Motion carries.

ARTICLE 18—Goffstown Public Library Capital Reserve Fund

Moderator Stark said Article 18 seeks to establish a Goffstown Public Library Capital Reserve Fund and appropriate Two-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) to deposit into the fund. He recognized Chairwoman Boyer.

Chairwoman Boyer moved Article 18 to the floor. Vice Chairman Georgantas seconded.

Chairwoman Boyer said the explanation for the Goffstown Public Library Capital Reserve Fund is on page 11 of the handout. This article seeks to establish a Goffstown Public Library Capital Reserve Fund. The purpose of the fund will be for building projects and matching grant funds. The Select Board and the Library Board of Trustees will be joint agents to expend from the Fund. This means both the Select Board and the Library Board of Trustees must both approve any expenditure from the Fund.

The Goffstown Public Library was constructed in 1909 and was entered in the National Register of Historic Places in 1995. Your handout includes a list of restoration projects for this 115-year-old building. This article seeks to appropriate the Two-Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$200,000) deposit from property taxes. The Estimated tax rate impact in 2024 is 7.4 cents. The Estimated increase to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax bill for a median single-family residence is \$30.58. This article is recommended by the Select Board and Budget Committee.”

Moderator Stark opened Article 18 to the floor for discussion.

Diane Hebert, 23 College Road, Library Board of Trustees, said they are requesting to establish this fund because of the very clear message last year regarding the request for an addition to the Library. They need to have funds ready to secure the grants they are applying for. Many projects are restoration projects, not replacement. It’s trickier and more entailed. They are asking for the community support so they can safely access this building and improve ADA compliance. They’d like to put the care and attention into the building that it deserves.

Christine Templeton, Kennedy Hill Road, said when she sees taxes go up to fund a project, it never goes back down after the funds are raised. Does it decrease by 7.4 cents next year?

Chairwoman Boyer said at this time it’s a one-time request for a deposit into the capital resource fund. If they want to have a deposit again, they’ll have to request it again in a separate warrant article next year. If they don’t request it again next year that amount will be removed from the tax collection. If they do request it again, they’ll have the same discussion. There is no continuation cycle for this project.

Christine Templeton asked what other funds are available from the Town for this.

Town Administrator Horne said the Unassigned Fund Balance can only be appropriated at Town Meeting. At a future meeting if an article or petition came in, it could be done, but it requires action at Town Meeting. The Library is asking this year to fund the initial deposit from property taxes. He doesn't know what the request will be for future years.

Karen Monasky asked if the Library Board of Trustees has estimates on the repair work.

Diane Hebert said they have estimates out for the window repair, which is the first project they're pursuing. The Budget Committee put funds in the General Fund budget for the windows. It takes a long time to get estimates because of the limited number of contractors. There were 3 in the State of NH, and one has recently retired, leaving two. The current repair estimate for the windows was before the Budget Committee moved the line repair. This \$200,000 is a rough estimate to allow them to move quickly to secure grants.

Chairwoman Boyer said some of the RFP process to get bids for these things require funds in the bank. It's been incredibly difficult to do that because they are on the Registry of Historic Places, and it's difficult to get people who can do the necessary work. This helps them seek out grant opportunities.

Karen Monasky said, as a homeowner, she looks to see what the estimates will cost then she gets the funds.

Chairwoman Boyer said to get an exact number, they'd have to do it today. They change over the course of time.

Joe Alexander said the Budget Committee voted to recommend this. He didn't. The Budget Committee raised the repair line by \$50,000 specifically to repair the windows. They'll be repaired next year.

Claire Rouillard, 14 Jasmine Lane, said the explanation was a little confusing. It talks about building projects, and what they heard was repairs. She's encouraged to hear the Library is looking at repairs. For the record, this is for building repair projects, not for building a building.

Jean Brown, North Mast Street, said her children use the Goffstown Library. Her concern is that the bathroom is not ADA compliant. The renovation of the bathroom and doorways need to be funded. There is also lead paint chipping and peeling that needs to be remedied.

Olivia Welch-Erdahl, 70 Plummer Street, said she is on the Budget Committee and is also speaking as a private citizen. The Budget Committee toured the Library and spoke to the library representatives. The Library has heard them loud and clear. They have done what the committee has requested, which is to be more creative in resourcing funding. This \$200,000 is so they can find the funding so they can do those repairs and maintain the integrity of the already existing building. She thinks it's important for people to look at the Library and the amount of work they've put in and how much they've listened to the town.

Melanie Renfrew-Hebert said she's on the Budget Committee and speaking as a private individual. She's had tours of and discussions about the Library, and they are available to everyone online. This isn't just to repair a few things, or to keep coming back for individual projects. This Capital Reserve Fund is meant to be used for grants that would ultimately lower tax dollars. She has had the benefit from the presentations of the Library, tours of the Library, and listening to conversations about how having this capital reserve fund will benefit the Library. She said, with the exception of the tours, these things are available to everyone online through GTV. They could listen to every meeting they've had. This is not just to repair a few things. It's not to keep coming back to the table for more money from the budget committee for individual projects. This capital reserve fund is meant to be able to be used to back grants, which would lower the costs of the projects for us and lower your taxpayer dollars.

Shawn Goodwin, 644 Mast Road, asked who follows this and how we know that the funds are being appropriated to these specific things.

Chairwoman Boyer said this was initially presented to the Select Board by the Library Board of Trustees as the agents for those funds. The Select Board thought it appropriate for both boards to be agents for the funds.

Eric Fisher, 327 Paige Hill Road, said he applauds everyone for trying to save more money by spending more money. If you want to save money, low taxes are the result of low spending. He has no confidence in the Library committee. They say they need money for windows, but the money for windows has been budgeted. People are getting clobbered. It's hard to find cuts when your budget is 80% salaries and benefits, and costs go up every year. If you want to be creative, stop spending.

Diane Hebert, 23 College Road, said the door counter counts the number of people that go through the door. That's as specific as it gets. And it would be creepy if the library could track the individual people going through the doors. This is the list of projects they plan to pursue. It could change. If a tree falls on the roof, the priority order might change. They can remove the windows from this because of the \$50,000 appropriation. They still need to consider bathroom issues and ADA compliance. They are out of compliance with the law. They have to address that. This is the best way of making a planned expenditure and limiting the tax impact on taxpayers.

Moderator Stark said they will have discussion on the amendment.

Claire Rouillard said she's not in favor of reducing it to zero. The renovations needed are important. Whether or not the information is there, she doesn't know. Stay tuned for a further amendment.

Planning & Economic Development Director JoAnn Duffy asked what they're doing to the facilities in town. They have to think about it. Last year the Library came with a warrant article for a large amount for an expansion. This year they rethought their issues and came back with a request for a much smaller amount of \$200,000 for needs, not wants. You need to allow this to go forward. The Library needs repairs. They are more expensive because there has to be someone who specifically does work on historic buildings. If you don't, no one will want to come to this town. Work has to be

done, and they're doing it in a way that doesn't have as much of an impact. She's concerned about the division. Did you do your homework and find out why they need to do this?

Barbara Griffin said this discussion is for public comment, and we're going to keep it directed to comment on the articles themselves.

JoAnn Duffy said people should take a good look at this. It's important to keep up our facilities to have a decent town.

Marie Morgan, 3 Stacey Lane, thanked the Select Board and Budget Committee members, as well as the Library Trustees, for their time studying this issue. The reserve fund is a savings account. The Library needs money in their savings account for these expenses. That's what we're voting for. It's similar to what they've done with the Fire Department.

Vice Chairman Georgantas said he's speaking against the amendment. The Select Board decided to approve this request of \$200,000. They get a shot once a year to get money. They can't get a grant if they don't have the matching funds to get the grant. It's important to not let the facilities deteriorate. This is an old building, and it needs work. When you look at the big picture, \$200,000 is not a lot of money.

Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Director Basora said the Capital Reserve Fund is like a savings account. The difference is that, when money is appropriated into a Capital Reserve Fund at the town's vote, it's established for a specific purpose. The funds can only be used out of that Capital Reserve Fund for that stated purpose. That's insured by the fact that DRA keeps record when Capital Reserve Funds are established. Additionally, according to this article, both the Board of Trustees and the Select Board would be joint agents. Both governing bodies would need to appropriate and make a motion to release funds. Then, the Trustees of the Trust Funds, who actually hold the funds in the Capital Reserve Fund, would have to make a disbursement after they confirm the correct procedure was put in place, and that the agents have correctly used the funds. When money is put into an operating budget, it can be moved, and there is a difference in how the oversight works. A Capital Reserve Fund is more restrictive. It can only be used for its stated purpose.

Sierra Hubbard, 49 Holly Street, asked if they could open a Capital Reserve Fund without putting money into it.

Chairwoman Boyer said there has to be a vote for the creation of the fund, which this would include. This is also asking for an initial deposit of \$200,000. You can create the fund without a deposit.

Olivia Welch-Erdahl said when the Budget Committee voted, there was \$50,000 approved for repairs and it was assumed the repairs would exceed the \$50,000. It wasn't assumed the entire list of repairs would be encompassed by the \$50,000.

Joe Alexander said every other department has a CIP budget where they make reasonable requests for things they need. The Library does not.

Jennifer Barriere, 22 Second Ave., said she's against this because reducing the amount takes away for community members to have their say in the vote in March. They had their say last year in the vote and should be able to do that this year.

Karen Monasky said she supports the amendment as opposed to the previous article. She wants to support the Library and its restoration. She'd like to see the Trustees be more organized in how they submit what they want.

Cathy Coughlin, New Boston Road, a member of the Library Board of Trustees, said they were told their needs were better be served with a Capital Reserve Fund. They had the assistance of the Select Board and Administration in this process. The estimates are not an end-all list and are what they think the costs will be. The building project has been in the works for years. When the Library renovation didn't happen, they've moved onto this step.

Jean Phillibotte, Mosette Ave, said she loves the Library but when it comes to tracking people, they can do it with the library cards. Does the age exempt it from the codes? She doesn't have a personal savings account. Where does it come from for the Library? It comes from us, the people. What is the amount in the Capital Reserve Fund now?

Moderator Stark said it's zero.

Jennifer Lavallee, 12 Shirley Park Road, said she supports the amendment. She just wants to know where the money is going.

Shawn Goodwin, 644 Mast Road, said it's hard to support something when he can barely afford his taxes on his home. He's being priced out of his home. The spending has to be cut somewhere. Why do we have the highest tax rates in NH? Can we afford that money? Money has to be cut somewhere and that's why he proposed the amendment.

Diane Hebert, 23 College Road, said library services are available for non-card holders and being on the historic register doesn't prevent them from the need to meet the requirements. With CIP, projects have to be at least \$25,000. Not all projects meet that requirement.

Eric Fischer, Paige Hill Road, suggested a fundraiser by those who use the Library. His taxes went up \$1,000. He has old windows and is concerned about the people here now. Make the hard decisions.

Raymond Philibotte, Mosett Ave, said the Library can have some money. We don't have to have it all done in one year. Do one thing a year. Everything is increasing.

Lauren Doukas, 23 Ginger Drive, a Budget Committee member, said she voted to recommend the establishment of the Capital Reserve Fund. She's speaking on her own behalf. The Library is

one of the better presented budgets. It's very transparent. They've had their questions answered numerous times. There is a comprehensive list of their needs. The Library doesn't function like the other departments. They are regulated by very specific NH statutes, as it is closely related to the education system. It can't run like Parks & Rec or the Fire Department. The Capital Reserve Fund has been recommended as the best protective financial barrier. The Library seems darned if they do and darned if they don't. This is an asset. It goes to the Town's valuation. If we let it deteriorate, our value as a town decreases. When the Library asked how they can make it work, the public says they can't do anything...a renovation, a Capital Reserve Fund, and were advised not to go onto the CIP matrix. What are they going to do with this building if not this?

Brian Templeton, Kennedy Hill Road, said when they run their budget at home, there are things they need for survival. He looks at it the same way for the town. Today everyone is hurting because of the economy. It doesn't have anything to do with the Library. He can't afford to put money into his own home. He thinks they should have a state-of-the-art Fire Department because it's for safety. The Library isn't a safety issue. The people are hurting.

David Banach, 71 Elm Street, said this discussion is about the amendment to reduce the amount to zero dollars. That's about allowing the voters the opportunity to make a decision and to inform themselves on this question. They should deny the amendment and allow the voters to evaluate the arguments heard today.

Sterling Curtis, 43 Tipping Rock Road, said reducing it to zero without allowing the voters to choose is wrong. It's a hard time and everyone feels it. He's been here for more than 20 years and loves Goffstown because it has things you can be proud of and enjoy. We're talking about \$30. It's not a giant budget or a slush fund. They're trying to have a fund they can use to get a match from for grants. He'd rather have this than the corn dogs he bought for \$30, but he'd like to do both.

Shanun Carey, Gorham Pond Road, said she loves the Library. It's just \$30 for this. This here isn't that much money. But when you collectively add every single warrant article together, it's the cost of a vacation. It's a lot of money for people. This needs to be brought to zero until next year when we're hopefully in a better position financially.

VOICE VOTE to end debate on the motion: Motion fails.

Joshua Sullivan, 28 Petain Street, said by reducing it to zero, we're not changing the article to not create the fund. It can be created and won't have tax dollars in it. Do a fundraiser for money. Next year the Library can come back to ask for money for that account. The Library hasn't articulated what's going to happen with that account. They've not articulated estimates. Any critical repairs that need to be made are in the town budget. They got the money for the windows. With the Fire Department, there's a schedule. We know what they'll spend the money on and when they'll do it. We don't have any of that from the Library. It's not okay to fund it until we know what they're going to do and when.

Rodney Stark said they would now vote on the amendment to change Article 18 from \$200,000 to zero.

VOICE VOTE was too close to call.

Joe Alexander said a request was made for a standing vote.

Barbara Griffin said a voice vote is required before a standing vote.

STANDING VOTE: Motion to reduce Article 18 to zero dollars. In favor: 64; Opposed: 83. Amendment fails.

Moderator Stark said Claire Rouillard submitted an amendment to Article 18 that was seconded by Scott Gross by adding after RSA 35:1 “building repairs and renovations” projects.

Claire Rouillard said the reason this is important is that RSA 35:1 talks about construction of buildings. If we are going to put in construction of buildings, building projects without telling the people and the voters that it’s for repairs and renovations, they won’t know. This article limits the collection of funds to repairs and renovations. She’s not changing the dollar amount. It has to go to the voters, and if the voters want to do it, that has to happen.

VOICE VOTE for amendment to Article 18 to add “repairs and renovations” after RSA 35:1. Amendment passes.

Chairwoman Boyer moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 18. Vice Chairman Georgantas seconded. Voice Vote: Motion carries.

ARTICLE 19—Swimming Pool Engineering Design

Moderator Stark said Article 19 seeks to appropriate Three-Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$340,000) to fund complete engineering design and bid specs for a replacement of the pool, bath house, and filtration building at Barnard Park. He recognized Vice Chairman Georgantas.

Vice Chair Georgantas moved Article 19 to the floor. Selectman Craig seconded.

Vice Chairman Georgantas said the explanation for Article 19 is on page 12 of the handout. The current public pool at Barnard Park just completed its 53rd year of operation. The Parks & Recreation Department have done an excellent job maintaining this facility and lengthening the life of this pool for the public. This article seeks to appropriate Three-Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$340,000) for a complete engineering design and bid specs of the pool, bath house, and filtration building. Once the engineering design and bid specs are obtained, the project becomes “shovel ready.” A “shovel ready” project is more competitive for a grant from the State Land and Water Conservation Fund.

If approved, the Town would return to the Town Meeting to seek a construction bond. The bond payments would be offset from any grants from the State Land and Water Conservation Fund, or other funding sources. The Parks & Recreation Commission has pledged Two-Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) towards construction from the Parks & Recreation Revolving Fund. The estimated tax rate impact in 2024 is 12.5 cents. The estimated increase to the 2024 municipal

portion of the tax bill for a median single-family residence is \$51.65. This article is recommended by the Select Board. This article is Not recommended by the Budget Committee.

Moderator Stark opened Article 19 to the floor for discussion.

Fred Plett, 29 My Way, said the pool is used heavily. It's a resource in town and it's on its last legs. It's amazing it's lasted this long.

Tim Searles, 311 Tirrell Hill Road, asked if the pool is outdated. They used it 4 times last year. It seemed to work just fine. He asked for an understanding.

Parks & Rec Director Rick Wilhelmi said the pool has been going well for 50 years. There are things no one knows about. The support braces are all rotted and gone. The pool house itself is originally from 1975. It sits on a slab and doesn't fit correctly. The bathrooms are very old and not functional. They spend \$5,000-\$7,000 per year to fix things between cracks, lines, new filters, and ancillary things for the filtration process. They are putting band aids on the problem.

In 2011, instead of renovating the whole gunite pool, they put in some commercial vinyl liners that are meant to last about 12-15 years. 2026 would be that time frame. They are looking at being proactive rather than reactive also. In 2011, the liners cost about \$80,000 for two pools. In 2019/2020 they had an engineering firm who specializes in this, come in and do a study on the pool. They found the whole deck needs to be replaced. They can't determine the structure of the pool without digging around it. The walls are built into the concrete deck, so it gives some rigidity. But due to the codes and 50 years of use, they recommend the pool be replaced. It's 50 years old. The most important component is the water. The pool alone is estimated at \$1.8 million. We could bring in shade structures and add port-a-potties. He's open to suggestions. This is an asset and is a widely used community asset.

Sierra Hubbard, 49 Holly Street, said a bandaid was done in 2011 and the lifespan goes to 2026. We're looking to appropriate the funds for engineering design and bid specs, and in 2025 come back for a construction bond. What are the consequences going forward if they don't go forward this this this year?

Parks & Rec Director Rick Wilhelmi said every year you turn the pumps on and they're running. Something blows up shortly after and they fix it. He knows what they've put in there and what to expect for a life span. You don't know what the true cost of the pool will be, so we go to an engineer who knows the costs. There is a cost associated with getting that value. If we wait longer, we keep going until we don't have a pool. There are time frames, and you have to develop a process timeline for it to all occur.

Christine Templeton said engineering did a full assessment two years ago. What's the difference between that and what was done before?

Parks & Rec Director Rick Wilhelmi said the feasibility study is available on the Town website. At that time, they gave us a rendering based on what we wanted it to look like and the numbers of people who utilized the pool. The whole thing was \$4 million. Of that, there's a contingency

amount added in. The engineered drawings are a percentage of the estimated cost. If you take the \$4 million and subtract the cost of the engineering design, that's the difference.

Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Director Basora said a feasibility study tells you all the details to consider when putting an idea together. Engineered drawings are scaled, architectural drawings that talk about where everything is going to go and everything that you need, from nuts to bolts. It's a detailed design and spec that can be taken forward for construction bidding in the future.

Christine Templeton asked the costs of the two pools operation. Parks & Rec Director Rick Wilhelmi said it's about \$56,000.

Melanie Renfrew-Hebert said they've had tours of the facility and details of what needs to be done. The pool has outlived its life. We shouldn't push this onto next year's taxes. It's used for summer camps and other programs. Older people in the community use the pool. The pool is an asset to the community. For years they've limped the pool along. We need to support this or have another alternative. But that wouldn't include the pool. How important is that to you?

Len Stuart, 42 Riverledge Drive, said his children used that pool heavily as kids. It is a valuable community resource. It's an investment in the future, in keeping Goffstown an attractive community. We're not a small town when we're pushing 19,000 in population. We need to keep our facilities first rate to attract people to this town.

Brian Mazur, 39 Shirley Park Road, and Budget Committee member said he voted for non-recommendation of this. It's his job, as a Budget Committee member, to look at the here and now as well as the future, for what's sustainable for his constituents and the community. If the building of a pool should pass, come the subsequent year on ballots where the project would cost \$4 million, should that article fail, this money is already spent. He's looking here and now into the tax burden of the community.

Lisa Mazur said we have a pool, but we also have Glen Lake and the YMCA. At the State level they're all hearing it. They can't continue this spending. We don't want to say yes to the wish list.

Barbara Schult, 11 Honeysuckle Lane said it's wonderful we have Glen Lake. We have to remember our facilities and being able to enjoy the water needs to be for everyone. There are disabled and elderly people that might want the benefit of a lifeguard, ladder, and steps. The YMCA has restricted hours for the public. Swimming in Glen Lake is not an option for everyone.

Frank Hobbs, a Budget Committee member said he's speaking as a private citizen. This is needs versus likes. The \$340,000 is setting us up for a bond.

Olivia Welch-Erdahl, 70 Plummer Street, and a member of the Budget Committee, said there were 10 people on the Budget Committee who voted against recommending this. It's been said that two people voted against it, and 10 voted for the engineering design. That is not accurate.

Peter Grigorakakis, 112 Gorham Pond Road, said it's not typical to see the resounding difference in the difference between the vote by the Budget Committee and the Select Board.

Joe Alexander said there were comments made about trimming the budget.

Lauren Doukas said she voted to not recommend this article as a Budget Committee member. She considers it a bottom-tier service. It's a very important service but it's not a firetruck. As a private citizen, she'll vote for it. She'd like this to get to the voters so they can see. But as a Budget Committee member who's asked to consider your taxes, this is the consideration she'd have for a public recommendation. As a private citizen, she votes for it.

Frank Hobbs said the reasons he saw were that our citizens, constituents, and neighbors see this as a want versus needs. It's also the bond interest coming down the pike. Cost estimates go up all the time.

Kirstie Hazel Baker, 23 Thyme Way, said she's in support of spending money to recreate the pool. She wants people to understand what they are talking about is less than 40% of our property taxes. The 60% we're not talking about today is from the School. Her property tax is over \$10,000. She added that \$6,000 of that has to do with our schools, which are being inadequately funded by the State. We need to look to our state representatives. We need to take the State to task and realize this is a small portion of the taxes we are paying. If you really want to make a difference in your property tax rates, look to your state representatives to support adequate school funding.

Vice Chairman Georgantas moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 19. Selectman Craig seconded. Voice Vote: Motion carries.

ARTICLE 20—Crispin's House

Moderator Stark said Article 20 seeks to appropriate \$20,000 to fund a portion of Crispin's House annual operating budget. He recognized Chairwoman Boyer.

Chairwoman Boyer moved Article 20 to the floor. Selectman Craig seconded.

Chairwoman Boyer said the explanation for Article 20 is on the top of page 13 of the handout. This article would continue taxpayer support of Crispin's House Coalition for Youth. Crispin's House has provided services to youth and families of Goffstown for over 30 years, providing a wide range of program opportunities to help kids make positive choices. The annual budget of Crispin's House is approximately \$125,000. The warrant article funds \$20,000, or 16%, of the total budget. The organization works to raise the remaining funds through fund raising activities, community involvement and grants. This article demonstrates strong and continued community support, which helps these efforts. The estimated tax rate in 2024 is 7 cents. The estimated increase to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax for a median single-family residence is \$2.89. This article is recommended by the Select Board and Budget Committee.

Moderator Stark opened Article 20 to the floor for discussion.

Dian McCarthy, Executive Director of Crispin's House, said she's here to ask the town to support

Crispin's House as they have for years. This is 16% of their budget. The remainder comes from fund raising and grants. It's important to receive support from the community. They've been successful in being able to leverage that support. They provide a safety net and a springboard for the youth, all aimed to help the youth make good decisions.

Olivia Welch-Erdahl said a lot of people now are choosing education options outside of the public school system. Crispin's House still serves those children. They're not limited to just the School District. If your child is facing some sort of crisis, Crispin's House still serves the children and is a conduit between other agencies. It's for all children in the upper middle school and high school ages.

Karen Monasky said this article comes up every year. She doesn't understand why tax dollars go to a non-profit. She voted against this last year. Why are public funds supporting a private charity? What actually happens at Crispin's House? She doesn't hear about it and know anyone who knows the services.

She went online and saw nothing that shows how many are affected by this or the outcomes. She looked at their budget and found that in 2022 their budget was \$77,000. Of that \$77,000 the Executive Director was paid \$69,000. There's an assistant who is paid \$1,500. They received a Covid loan for \$13,000. The other thing noted was that they did a Challenge Day at Goffstown High School. Taxpayers are donating to a charity and on Challenge Day \$18,000 was billed to us.

Dian McCarthy said they asked for \$20,000. Challenge Day is an expensive program. They are proud to be able to offer that program to the School District in partnership. Taxpayers don't get a bill for Challenge Day. It is something that Crispin's House funds through their participants, fundraisers and grants help pay for and support. They reach youth in grades 5-12. Her assistant is a program director they hire for the Volunteens Program for middle school students, where the kids are learning service and leadership. The kids have higher graduation rates and are more likely to feel they belong. Her director is a graduate of her program. He told her she changed his life. He's the first generation going to college and doing a fantastic job.

Kathy Holt asked what a non-profit has to do. The request for \$20,000 hasn't changed for a long time. To apply for a grant, you have to have money available for a match. Grants will give you money, but you have to have some of your own. There is a mental health crisis going on with kids. Crispin's House supports the kids who have no place to go. Keeping the kids safe is worth it.

Melissa Landry, 25 Cove Street, asked if this only supports Goffstown residents, is it open to the state, and how many are involved.

Dian McCarthy said they're not state-wide. Funding comes from their local fundraising and supporters. We are Goffstown and New Boston centered. When you talk about running events during school, there are young people from New Boston attending our schools. They have about 1,000 in the High School and 900+ in the Middle School. There is also a community series including Anxious Nation and the suicide prevention training for adults. She does extend that out but gives priority to the local people.

Robby Boyd, Reed Street, said he's a 9 year Goffstown resident and recent addition to the Crispin's House Board of Directors. He believes in the positive impacts of the evidence-based work done by Crispin's House. The Department of Education recently reported there is a savings to taxpayers of \$7-\$10 for every dollar invested in youth prevention programs. Crispin's House helps children avoid negative life altering behaviors, and they offer second chances that prevent kids from becoming criminal adults. That reduces the burden of crime on its victims, society, and on the taxpayers. Federal, State, and local governments across the country regularly and legally provide allocations through grants and other avenues to non-profit organizations like ours, where critical community services are being done that will benefit society.

Goffstown taxpayers have supported this over the years with a warrant article, in part because of the life-changing work that Crispin's House has provided for the community, and in part because non-profit and local government partnerships like this one save them money. The amount of the warrant article has not increased for 11 years despite the rising cost of living and the rise of population, the increase in number of youths that need to be served, and the significant mental health burden our children are shouldering due to the covid pandemic.

Lauren Tennant, 3rd Avenue, Treasurer of Crispin's House, said the request for the warrant article hasn't increased but what has increased are the costs. This benefits everyone. Why should the Town support a non-profit? We are a corporation and provide services. The Town benefits from these services and supports us by providing funding. The filing referenced was what they actually brought in versus what they spent, shown on the tax return. They budget very carefully and hope they will bring in every penny that they've put into the budget from fundraising, grants, and the warrant article. A budget is a budget, but the tax return reports the actuals. There is an executive director and a program coordinator. She doesn't think anyone will argue those salary amounts are unreasonable. They are set based on information from the NH Center for Non-Profits and are based on organizations similar to them in size and in what they do. It presents as a large part of their budget because they have so many partnerships and have so many donations in materials.

Their meeting space and their office space are all donated, so it doesn't reflect as an expense in the budget. They examine salaries every year to see if they're reasonable, as well as other expenses. They have no reserve. This is to run their program for a year. The benefits this town is receiving as a result of Crispin's House services greatly exceed what they are requesting.

Peter Grigorakakis said he participated in Challenge Day, as did many others. It was life changing. He recommended everyone ask about it and participate in it. He'd support his \$20,000 easily.

Samantha Kearns, 5 Washington Street, said there is handout that has a breakdown of their spending. They are incredibly transparent. The reason the Town is able to give public funds to a private charity is because Crispin's House provides us with a service. One service she loves to point out is that they do the juvenile diversion program so the Police Department doesn't have to. You can volunteer to be a facilitator at Challenge Day. It requires no training and doesn't cost a dime.

Reta Chaffee, 22 West Union Street, said Challenge Day is amazing and life changing for the kids and adults. Not knowing about Crispin's House is common for many. It's not a sports team

or a movie event. It's active with, and for, the children. These are top-notch presentations where parents can't find the answers. This is well worth the money.

Judy Johnson, 117 Paige Hill Road, said she supports Crispin's House. As a teacher who has lost 4 students to suicide, she asked that people fund this account.

Frank Hobbs said, we all have the right as citizens to donate what we want privately to any organization. His argument isn't with the work they've done. But he won't force a neighbor to donate to non-profits that he does. And the government shouldn't either. His objection to this warrant article is that it is not the government's job to pick winners and losers.

Laura Stevens, Budget Committee member/private citizen, said she supports Crispin's House 100%. This is an organization that you may not notice is there, but you'd notice if it weren't. It does affect our kids in a very positive way. It's more than just a random non-profit because of the way they work with the community. It benefits the community as a whole. The effect is widespread and takes the burden off other town entities.

Robby Boyd said the organization is doing life-changing work. That matters to a lot of us. This will save taxpayers money. The Department of Education has shown that it saves taxpayer money. If the programs don't mean anything, the tax savings should.

Scott Gross, Range Road, said this is a position many towns/cities have on the payroll. Our community is being asked to contribute a little bit. In this case, it's something we need and is being heavily subsidized by the fundraising.

Al Baines, 23 Angel Point Circle, said he's been involved in Crispin's House and the Juvenile Diversion Program for many years. They have a youth forum at the High School that allows kids to sit around the table and talk about their lives. One day he came in late, after attending a suicide prevention conference. It talked about saying something if you know someone who is thinking about it; that it's better to have a mad friend rather than a dead friend.

After he was done speaking, a girl told him that she has a friend at West High School who she thought was thinking about hurting himself. The guidance counselor asked her to talk after the meeting to see what they could do. They may have saved a life that morning. That's what they do. He was president for 16 years. They have the highest integrity and do things that save the kids. There is nothing better they can do in town with \$20,000 than what they do at Crispin's House.

Brian Templeton said, as a parent of adopted children who struggle, it's hard to find help. We need all the services like this that we can get to be able to get help right away.

John Scagne, Ginger Drive, Vice President at Crispin's House, said he understands the desire to bring the tax burden down. This is an organization that doesn't ask the community to fund it 100%. They ask for less than 20% participation from the community. This organization is entirely about serving the community. It's said that "a stitch in time, saves 9." He added, that he never hears about Crispin's House. If the Police get called to a house because there's a burglary or a theft going on, that's probably in the newspaper the next day. You know the Police's involvement in it, and you

see them. We can't share the names of the kids they work with at Crispin's House. They're minors. He's seen kids who have things in their heads that you'd be frightened to learn.

Challenge Day will change your perspective on the world, not just the community. They have a right to privacy. You find out that a kid who's being made fun of is homeless. Then you try to reach out and get him the help he needs to develop as an individual. As a community, if you don't think that kid going on the straight and narrow is a betterment to you, indirectly or directly, there's nothing he can say that will convince you.

The Executive Director is who sees a kid into diversion. That's a program where a kid gets into trouble with the Police Department and is offered a chance to go to court or the Crispin's House Board. The Executive Director is the one that does all the blocking and tackling that diversion exists. If you take challenge, the fact that it only costs what it costs is the biggest bargain ever seen. The Executive Director gets to look at a kid and be a voice and may be able to set them straight. They need an executive director to do the work others won't. They're asking for the involvement to help them move forward.

Kathy Holt moved the question to end debate. Chairwoman Boyer seconded. Voice Vote: Motion carries.

Chairwoman Boyer moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 20. Selectman Craig seconded. Voice Vote: All in favor. Motion carries.

ARTICLE 21—Goffstown Main Street Program

Moderator Stark said Article 21 seeks to appropriate Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to support the Goffstown Main Street Program. He recognized Selectman Craig.

Selectman Craig moved Article 21 to the floor. Selectman Lemay seconded.

Selectman Craig said the explanation for Article 21 is on the bottom of page 13. This article seeks appropriate funds to support the Goffstown Main Street Program. The Goffstown Main Street program is a Goffstown nonprofit that focuses on economic vitality for the Goffstown Village. Goffstown Main Street organizes Old Home Day, Uncommon Art on the Common, Giant Pumpkin Weigh-off & Regatta, Shop Small Saturday and Friday Night Under the Lights. The estimated tax rate impact in 2024 is 1 cent. The estimated increase to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax for a median single-family residence is 41 cents. This article is recommended by the Select Board and Budget Committee.

Moderator Stark opened Article 21 to the floor for discussion.

Sherry Reinfort, 27 Shirley Park Road, said the money will be used to offset the Police, Fire and Sheriff services during the Goffstown Main Street events. Everyone who supports the Main Street Program are volunteers. It takes a lot of work and man hours. Over the last couple of years, they were 100% self-funded. Their best guestimate is anywhere between 5,000 to 6,000 people attend their events. This past year they were able to close the roads for the Regatta and it was so much

better. This additional funding would give them the option to continue to close the road for the events. There is no charge to attend any of these events. The cost is 41 cents for an entire year of activities.

Shawn Goodwin, 644 Mast Road, said these are nonprofits and it's not right to force it on the town. He doesn't believe this should happen and it is an overreach. People can donate their money to non-profits without it being forced.

Chairwoman Boyer said the RSAs allow for a non-profit to approach a municipality to present warrant articles for community support. That's what's being done in this process. When you talk about the legislative body as a whole, that includes every voter and every taxpayer. His participation and voting for or against that article is that process. Collectively making that agreement is how we participate in this. Historically Crispin's House and the Main Street Program have been the primary two to do that, but it's open to any non-profit to bring forward to the taxpayers.

Len Stuart said, much like Crispin's House, there is social and economic benefit to the town. He doesn't see a problem with it.

Marie Morgan said the issue is that you bring out of towners who frequent our businesses. This is 41 cents per family. States give money to non-profits all the time.

Selectman Craig moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 21. Selectman Lemay seconded. Voice Vote: Motion carries.

ARTICLE 22—Police Dispatch & Radio Revolving Fund

Moderator Stark said Article 22 seeks to establish a Police Dispatch and Radio Revolving Fund. He recognized Selectman Lemay.

Selectman Lemay moved Article 22 to the floor. Selectman Adams seconded.

Selectman Lemay said the explanation for Article 22 is on page 14 of the handout. Article 22 seeks to establish a Police Dispatch and Radio Revolving Fund. The purpose of this Public Safety Revolving Fund is to defray the costs of maintaining and replacing the Town's dispatch center, hardware and software related to first responder dispatch services, including the first responder radio infrastructure. It also includes the Fire services. In 2021–2023 the Town replaced the Town's Emergency Radio system used by our First Responders at a cost of just over \$1.9 million. The money in the fund will accumulate from year to year. It would be available for the maintenance and replacement of the Town's dispatch center, hardware and software related to first responder dispatch services, including the first responder radio infrastructure. This article is recommended by the Select Board.

Moderator Stark opened Article 22 to the floor for discussion.

There was no discussion on Article 22.

Selectman Lemay moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 22. Selectman Adams seconded. Voice Vote: Motion carries.

ARTICLE 23—EMS Revolving Fund

Moderator Stark said Article 23 seeks to establish an EMS Revolving Fund for the purpose of funding Ambulance Services in Goffstown. He recognized Selectman Adams.

Selectman Adams moved Article 23 to the floor. Chairwoman Boyer seconded.

Selectman Adams said the explanation for Articles 23 and 24 are on page 15 of the handout. Both articles worked together to change the form of the EMS Special Revenue Fund to a Revolving Fund. The big difference between the current Special Revenue Fund and proposed Revolving Fund is appropriations from the EMS Special Revenue Fund must be done annually by the legislative body (the voters at Town Meeting). This year, Article 13 is this appropriation. If Article 13 fails, ambulance services will be funded through taxation. A revolving fund is similar in the funds accumulate year-to-year in the fund. The difference is the Treasurer holds the funds and must pay out upon order by the Select Board for authorized expenditures. Article 23 asks the legislative body to establish the revolving funds and deposit all revenues received from fees, charges, or other income from providing emergency medical services, along with any donations or grants accepted for the purpose of operating and capital expenditures of emergency medical services, beginning January 1, 2024. This article is recommended by the Select Board.

Moderator Stark opened Article 23 to the floor for discussion.

There was no discussion on Article 23.

Selectman Adams moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 23. Chairwoman Boyer seconded.

ARTICLE 24—Discontinue EMS Revenue Fund created in 2001

Moderator Stark said Article 24 seeks to discontinue the EMS Special Revenue Fund created in 2001. The remaining amount in the fund is to be transferred to the municipalities General Fund pursuant to NH RSA 31:95-d. This article is contingent on the passage of Article 23 which establishes the Emergency Medical Services Revolving Fund. He recognized Selectman Adams.

Chairwoman Boyer moved Article 24 to the floor. Selectman Adams seconded.

Moderator Stark said there is an amendment to change the wording of the article to read “to see if the town will vote to discontinue the Special Revenue Fund created in 2021. The remaining amount in the fund to be transferred to the municipalities general fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-d. This article is contingent upon the passage of Article 23, which establishes the Emergency Medical Services Revolving Fund.

Selectman Adams said Articles 23 & 24 work jointly together. The purpose is to change the form of the EMS Fund from a Special Revenue fund to a Revolving Fund. This Article is contingent upon the passage of Article 23. This article is recommended by the Select Board. This article would help

to streamline and simplify how money is moved and providing services through the EMS fund.

Voice vote in favor of amendment: Motion passes.

Robert Johns, 467 East Dunbarton Road, said he heard that it was to change it from transferring the money to the Emergency Medical Services Revolving Fund to the General Fund.

Town Administrator Horne said the amendment is that the second sentence of the article would change to read “The remaining amount in the Special Revenue Fund is to be transferred to the municipality’s General Fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-d.” They were advised by DRA after the warrant was drafted that the only option is to lapse the Special Revenue Fund balance back to the General Fund balance. At a future Town meeting, they could make an appropriation from unassigned fund balance to get it into this new revolving fund. They would explain what this change does as part of the Voter’s Guide that goes out to people.

Robert Johns said the amendment removed the linkage between the two articles.

Kathy Holt asked how much money is in that fund.

Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Director Basora said the current EMS Special Revenue Fund, in the unaudited figures as of the end of 12/31/23, has a balance of \$685,529. Article 13 proposes to appropriate \$550,726 to fund the 2024 EMS operations. That would leave a balance that would close out to the General Fund at approximately \$135,000.

Moderator Stark read the amendment: “To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Emergency Medical Services Special Revenue Fund created in 2001. Said funds are to be transferred to the municipality’s Emergency Medical Services Revolving Fund. This article is contingent on the passage of Article 23, which establishes the Emergency Medical Services Revolving Fund. It was created in 2001. The remaining amount in the fund is to be transferred to the General Fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-d. This article is contingent upon the passage of Article 23, which establishes the EMS Revolving Fund.”

Voice vote in favor of amendment: Motion passes.

Sierra Hubbard asked for clarifications and said there’s also an article on the warrant that continues that fund.

Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Director Basora said there are three articles that address that fund. The DRA recognizes the will of the voters, if passed, the first article would withdraw the money from that fund and only allow it for that purpose as stated by the fund. The balance of about \$130,000 would close to the General Fund at the end of the year, and in a future year could be reappropriated.

Article 23 establishes the new revolving fund for the same purpose. That new revolving fund is funded by the revenues specifically received for the services provided. When an ambulance goes

out and an insurance company, or an individual, is billed, those revenues received go into the new revolving fund. It's the same revenue source we're currently putting into the Special Revenue Fund. The only difference is that, with the Special Revenue Fund, they have to come every year to the Town Meeting and ask for permission to spend the year's appropriation for operations. If the body were to say no, the funds would be raised by taxation and the money would sit in that fund for a year, unused, until the next year when they could ask again. The intention is to help reduce the risk of that tax spike if the article were to fail in any given year. The Revolving Fund allows them to continue operations directly from the fund without asking separately.

Kathy Holt said the revolving fund, says "revenues from fees, charges and other income from providing emergency medical services." Would they be able to take that \$130,000 and put it in?

Assistant Town Administrator/Finance Director Basora said the DRA confirmed this week that, under the state law, they could. It falls into the category of unassigned revenue. Unassigned fund balance, when appropriated, is considered a revenue. The unassigned fund balance from a future meeting could be appropriated into the fund.

Selectman Adams moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 24. Chairwoman Boyer seconded. Voice Vote: Motion carries.

ARTICLE 25—Modify Existing Cable Access Revolving Fund

Moderator Stark said Article 25 seeks to modify the existing Cable Access Revolving Fund established in 2013. He recognized Chairwoman Boyer.

Chairwoman Boyer moved Article 25 to the floor. Selectman Lemay seconded.

Chairwoman Boyer said the explanation for Article 25 is on page 16 of the handout. The Cable Access Revolving Fund was established in 2013 to fund GoffstownTV, the Town's PEG Access Channel. Note: PEG Stands for Public Access, Educational, and Governmental. When this revolving fund was created, the legislative body (voters at Town Meeting) designated that 60% of franchise fee revenues received from the Town's Cable Franchise Agreement with Comcast go to the General Fund and 40% goes to the Cable Access Revolving Fund. Since 2017, the Franchise Revenue received from Comcast has declined. At the same time GTV equipment costs continue to increase, as GTV moves to a model that streams over both Comcast's PEG Channels and the internet. Article 25 seeks to change the percentage share of Cable Franchise Revenue, increasing the share going to the revolving fund to 70%; thereby reducing the General Fund share to 30%. This article is recommended by the Select Board.

Moderator Stark opened Article 25 to the floor for discussion. No comments were made.

Chairwoman Boyer moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 25. Selectman Lemay seconded. VOTE: Motion carries.

ARTICLE 26—Modify Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit

Moderator Stark said Article 26 seeks to modify the Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit and the All-Veteran’s Tax Credit from its current tax credit of \$500 per year to \$600 per year. He recognized Selectman Lemay.

Selectman Lemay moved Article 26 to the floor. Selectman Adams seconded.

Selectman Lemay said the explanation for Article 26 is on page 17 of the handout. This article seeks to increase the Optional Veteran’s Tax Credit and the All-Veteran’s Tax Credit from \$500 to \$600. This is a 20% increase. In 2023 there were 642 Optional and All Veteran’s Tax Credits. Increasing the Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit and the All-Veterans’ Tax Credit will increase the Veterans’ Tax Credit by an estimated \$64,200 in 2024, assuming the same number of credits.

This article is not an appropriation article. Therefore, the Budget Committee did not have an opportunity to make a recommendation on it. This change would have an impact on the Estimated Tax Rate and municipal portions collected. The estimated tax rate impact in 2024 is 2.4 cents. The estimated increase to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax bill for a median single-family residence is \$9.92. This article is recommended by the Select Board.

Moderator Stark opened Article 26 to the floor for discussion. There was no public comment.

*Selectman Lemay moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 26. Selectman Adams seconded.
VOTE: Motion carries.*

ARTICLE 27—Modify Optional Tax Credit for a Service-Connected Total Disability

Moderator Stark said Article 27 seeks to modify the optional tax credit for a Service-Connected Total Disability on a residential property. He recognized Selectman Lemay.

Selectman Lemay moved Article 27 to the floor. Selectman Adams seconded.

Selectman Lemay said the explanation for Article 27 is on page 18 of the handout. This Article seeks to increase the optional tax credit for a Service-Connected Total Disability on a residential property from its current tax credit of \$2,000 per year to \$2,400 per year. In 2023 there were 61 Service-Connected Total Disability Credits. Increasing the Service-Connected Total Disability Credit will increase the Service-Connected Total Disability Credit by an estimated \$24,400 in 2024, assuming the same number of credits. This Article is not an appropriation article; therefore, the Budget Committee did not have an opportunity to make a recommendation on it. This change would have an impact on the Estimated Tax Rate and municipal portion of taxes collected. The estimated tax rate impact in 2024 is 0.9 cents. The estimated increase to the 2024 municipal portion of the tax bill for a single-family residence is \$3.72. This article is recommended by the Select Board.

Moderator Stark opened Article 27 to the floor for discussion. There was no public comment.

Selectman Lemay moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 27. Selectman Adams seconded. VOTE: Motion carries.

ARTICLE 28—Adopt provisions of RSA 72:81 to enable the Town to grant tax exemptions for new construction performed on commercial or industrial uses

Moderator Stark said Article 28 seeks to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:81 and enable the Town to grant tax exemptions for new construction performed on commercial or industrial uses. He recognized Selectman Craig.

Selectman Craig moved Article 28 to the floor. Chairwoman Boyer seconded.

Selectman Craig said the explanation for Article 28 is on page 19 of the handout. This article seeks to adopt the statewide property tax exemption for commercial and industrial construction adopted by the State in 2017. This exemption was recommended by the Goffstown Economic Development Council. The exemption shall apply only to the municipal and local school property taxes; the state education and county taxes are not impacted.

The exemption is only on the portion of the increased value attributable to the qualifying improvements, meaning the increase in the assessed value of new structures, additions, renovations, or improvements to existing structures for commercial or industrial use.

As proposed, the article uses the commercial and industrial uses defined in the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance. Any residential improvements would not be eligible for the tax exemption, including the residential portion of any mixed-used projects with both residential and commercial. The Article proposes a 5-year exemption period, starting with a 50% exemption on the portion of the increased value attributable to the qualifying improvements. The exemption would be reduced by 10% each year. If adopted by the legislative body (voters at Town Meeting) this exemption shall remain in effect for 5 tax years. This article is recommended by the Select Board.

Moderator Stark opened Article 28 to the floor for discussion.

Dan Goldschmidt, 68 Merrill Road, asked if there was someone present from the Goffstown Economic Development Council who could speak to the rationale for this and the basis for the recommendation.

Selectman Craig said he is the Select Board representative to the EDC. This is directed by State Statute and any town can adopt this if they want to. The Economic Development Committee is trying to bring into town new commercial and industrial businesses. It's not a given. The Select Board would have to approve it. It's a measure to bring new businesses into Town.

Christine Templeton said they have a farm in town and people are attracted to the open spaces. They lived in Londonderry for 12 years, and when they brought industry in, it changed the flavor of the town. One of the things about Goffstown is the beauty of it. She's opposed to bringing in a lot of commercial and industrial businesses.

Selectman Craig said one thing to consider is if it complies with the Zoning Ordinances of the Town.

Len Stuart, Chair of the ZBA, said he's speaking from his knowledge as a private individual. One of Goffstown's biggest problems with commercial development is the lack of commercially zoned land. Most of what we have is along Route 114 and it's at a premium. To develop commercial and Industrial uses in other parts of town would require significant changes in the Zoning Ordinance to accomplish. This would have to be proposed and then approved by the voters at the Town Meeting. This is an incentive to draw in new business, not to change the residential nature of the Town.

Mary Jenkins, 245 Wallace Road, said she's in favor of this article. If we incentivize new construction for commercial and industrial uses, we have the potential to reduce the tax burden on the residential portion of the town. She'd like to know what the anticipated return on investments would be.

Selectman Craig said it's impossible to read. They hope it will be great, but they don't know.

Selectman Craig moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 28. Chairwoman Boyer seconded. Motion carries.

ARTICLE 29—Citizens Submitted Petition Article seeking to adopt a tax cap

Moderator Stark said Article 29 is a Citizens Submitted Petition Article seeking to adopt a tax cap. He recognized the petitioners to present Article 29 and bring it to the floor.

Shanun Carey, 16 Gorham Pond Road, Petitioner, moved Article 29 to the floor. Lisa Mazur seconded.

Shanun Carey said this petition warrant article came about after she and her husband reached their breaking point when the latest tax bills came out. They bought their 1890's farmhouse in 2017 for \$274,000. There have been three evaluations on their home in the past seven years with two of them by the Town and one by a survey thing for the town, their home is now valued at \$467,000. The biggest jump was last year. It was a \$160,000 jump in their homes value. The improvements they've made do not equal that type of return. Her husband works and makes good money, but his raises are not equivalent to how much their taxes have gone up. Everything is more expensive. It's gotten to the point where families in this community are deciding what they have to live without.

What would happen month after month if you continue to blow your budget? You have to make the choices, to say no to stay within the budget. She's struggling with how easy it is for almost every member of every town committee to be against something that protects the residents. She is thankful some of the newer members are saying no to some of the spending. Isn't listening to their constituents and acting on their requests ultimately the job they were elected to do? It's your job to look out for, not only the best interests of the town, but the residents. The toughest assets are all of its residents. The way in which money is spent in this community turns her stomach.

Ultimately it comes down to the boards deciding year after year what the residents will absorb. She

is not going to stand by anymore and do nothing. That's what the tax cap is about. She wonders if this can truly be her forever home because she's being priced out. A tax cap protects the taxpayers from excessive tax burdens, preventing local government from continuously raising taxes beyond what we can afford. It promotes accountability by limiting tax increases and forcing our local government to operate within their means. This fosters greater accountability, scrutiny, and spending decisions. It encourages efficiency.

Knowing there's a revenue cap, our town will have to find some innovative ways to deliver services more efficiently and prioritize essential expenditures. It doesn't necessarily mean that all of our services will be cut. It's attracting investment. Lower and predictable tax rates can make our town more attractive to businesses and individuals, spurring economic growth and investments in the community. It prevents government overreach and stimulates long term planning. Preserving affordability, a tax cap helps maintain affordability of living in a particular area, especially for low and middle-income residents whose escalating taxes may price them out. A tax cap stabilizes property values. Enforces prioritization.

With limited revenue growth our town would be compelled to prioritize essential services and investments, focusing on initiatives that provide the most significant benefits to the community. According to RSA 32:5-b and c, SB2 towns like Goffstown may adopt a limit on annual increases in estimated amount of local taxes in the governing body or budget committees proposed budget with either a fixed dollar amount or a fixed percentage.

If the tax is raised for the prior year were reduced by the use of a fund balance, the amount of the reduction is added back and included in the amount to which the tax cap is applied. If, and hopefully when, a cap is adopted, the estimated amount to be raised by local taxes, as shown on the proposed budget, certified by the governing body or Budget Committee, and posted with the warrant, may not exceed the local taxes actually raised for the prior physical year by more than the cap. The cap does not limit the amount they can appropriate at the Town's Deliberative Session. It's merely a safety net for residents to know there's a limit on what can be proposed for the year's budget.

There are five SB2 towns and three SB2 districts in New Hampshire that utilize the tax cap model. Questions were asked and opinions were given in previous meetings about things like external costs not being something that is fixed. That includes things such as heat and electricity. They can use the unexpected 14% increase in the School's health insurance cost as a prime example. We can adjust accordingly at the year's Deliberative Session. Any external cost can be changed at the deliberative session. There's a lot of crying wolf about emergency services being cut and needs not being met. Those things will happen, making it sound like there's no way back if we adopt this tax cap. With a simple 2/3 majority a tax cap can be overridden for that year.

Is it so awful to ask the boards to really and truly work for us, and to be the best steward they can with our money? A tax cap is a resource for residents. It's a way for residents to know that the Town and School District will work to stay within their means and come to the voters in times when they cannot. A tax cap is not the easiest thing for any town or city to work within. But, with careful thought, planning, and determination, it can be done.

Barbara Schult said she appreciates the efforts of the petitioners for their concerns for our property taxes, and their interest in fiscal responsibility and stability. She is one of the people they say they want to protect: retired, on a fixed income, and with a rising cost of living. Based on all she has read, she opposes the petition. This cap will not achieve the objectives of fiscal responsibility and stability. From what she's read, they hamper it. Budgeting is difficult enough, and tax caps affect how well we'll be able to manage long-term liabilities. This tax cap may force Goffstown to use debt to fund needs. Rising debt is worse than a reasonable budget. It becomes an unaffordable burden. This request is not an example of fiscal conservatism and doing what we're trying to do to keep our tax burden reasonable.

The wording at the beginning of the petition says essential services will be maintained. This can't be guaranteed and should not be stated as such. In all likelihood a 2.5% cap would result in cutting services, which makes the community less desirable and further erodes the tax base. It creates a negative cycle which becomes hard to break.

Our tax rate is already limited by our budget process where the public can weigh in all along the way. The taxpayers vote in their officials to serve on our Select Board and Budget Committee, as well as other boards and committees to work for the best interests of all of our town. Their hands will be tied by a tax cap, which will impede the fiscal sustainability in the long term.

What makes her feel protected is the quality of our community, knowing if she's in trouble a trained, qualified Police officer will arrive to help. If she becomes one of those 3% with a house fire she will have a trained firefighter and a functioning fire truck. If she needs to get out in a snowstorm her road will be plowed because they have plow drivers and well-maintained plow trucks on well-maintained roads.

This tax cap request is not an example of fiscal conservatism. She thinks it will do long term damage to what they're trying to do, which is to keep taxes reasonable. She does want to tie the hands of our people with a predetermined number they have to work with. She trusts the elected officials to do the best for the taxpayers, and feels they are doing that.

Karen Monasky, Rochambeau Street, said she's getting a sense that she's slowly being removed from the community. There are the have's and she's a have not. Her home will have to be sold. What they're asking you to do is to stay within a budget. It's not your money. This year has been hard because of the assessment and with what's going on with the economy. We have to face many warrant articles that increase our taxes. It's too much.

Sierra Hubbard, 49 Holly Street, asked if they're looking at the Budget Committee's recommended budget, if this were to go into effect. Town Administrator Horne said yes. Sierra Hubbard asked if they have any figure on this year, what that increase is from last year's. Town Administrator Horne said they can figure that out. He'll get that answer for her.

Bob Jones, 467 East Dunbarton Road, said he moved to NH to get away from the Jarvis Tax Cap that was passed in California. It destroyed the public school system because the schools couldn't fund the system. Her kids were down to 1 academic period per day at school, and they moved to

NH to get away from that. This is a short-circuit of our process of government. A 2/3 majority isn't a simple thing to get and is not a simple thing to change in a deliberative session. This short-circuits a well-developed system of budget inspection. People spend a lot of time looking at what it actually costs to run a government and trying to be fair to everyone. This is destroying that process.

Eric Fischer said there are 28 articles all recommended by the Board. Now we'll give a tax credit to get businesses in while taxing the residents who live here. There is a spending problem.

Melanie Renfrew-Hebert, 23 College Road, said she has concerns about the proposed tax cap. The public doesn't see a lot of the challenges and thoughtful consideration that happens on each board that reviews these budgets. If there are questions on how we got to this point, read the minutes, or watch the meetings to make themselves knowledgeable about the process that got them to this meeting. Goffstown has a transparent Town and School budget process. Budget meetings are always open to the public. They are posted and available online for the community.

A tax cap bill would limit and degrade the services the Town can provide. The services that benefit the neediest tend to get cut first. She asked that, instead of imposing a local tax cap that would harm our schools and our communities, she urged the representatives to stop reducing and eliminating taxes for businesses and the wealthy, and to adequately fund the public education at the State level to ensure every Goffstown student has access to a high quality, equitable education.

She noted that three of our state representatives signed this petition and hopes other voters will note that as well. Respect our Town and our budget processes and the individuals voted into office to be your voice. You have a right to vote for the people you'd like to see in office. And respect the decisions and the process for our Town in making our budgets.

Town Administrator Horne said he has an answer for Sierra Hubbard's earlier question. On page 22 of the handout there is a screen shot of the tax effort on the municipal side for 2023. This fall, the Town collected \$17,588,409. If a tax cap were applied to that, it would be \$18,028,119. The elected Budget Committee's recommendation is \$20,973,389.

Sierra Hubbard said the Budget Committee's budget for this coming year is more than 2.5% over last year. For someone to put forth an amendment to the operating budget requires just a majority vote, and that was not done today. People have that opportunity at every town meeting.

Town Administrator Horne said they do.

Pat Cameron, Merrill Road, said to let it go to the voters and let the voters decide. For an elected member to make a threat against another who is in office in town, this is not the place to do that.

Len Stuart said we're talking about 1/3 of the tax burden. A lot of the problems of our tax issues are results of decisions made in Concord of tax giveaways to corporations, of education funding vouchers going to private hands, and things beyond our control. Over the years the State of NH has pushed down to localities, which is raising our taxes. What's the solution? To tie the hands of our local officials who we trust to make good decisions on our behalf in achieving what we need. This

takes the Town backwards and he doesn't support it.

Donna Pinard said no one appreciates the work that people on Boards do. She does and she appreciates them. She sees the sacrifices they have made to serve. She was in the public school system, and more than 1 year of the 23 she was in the School Department, she was told to hurry and spend the money, or they couldn't get more next year. People who serve on boards are getting information from administrators who don't know how to define need versus want and may not live in this town. If a tax cap existed, the tables could be turned to have those administrators go back and figure out a way.

David Bannach, 71 Elm, said the stories we're hearing points to a need for a more fair, equitable, and responsive evaluation process. A tax cap is fundamentally an undemocratic measure. It takes the decisions about budgets away from the democratic process, which they are doing now. People can vote in the election and deny it. They've seen people try to defund school systems and municipalities with an aim to try to institute things that they can't get through the democratic process. Those who oppose Crispin's House, the pool, or the Library can't get those things opposed through the democratic process. So, by having a tax cap, eventually those things will get squeezed out. This takes the decisions of how we spend our money out of the normal democratic process. It's aimed at trying to institute cuts in our municipal budgets that you can't advance through a regular majority process.

Shanun Carey said there are about 11,000 voters in Goffstown and about 2,200 people participate in the local elections. Why do so few people participate in the democratic process? People aren't going to the various meetings. Today, this room was packed at the start of the meeting. A lot of people had to go home to relieve their babysitters that they had to pay to be here. At the end of the day, after working 50-60 hours, carting kids to sports, taking the dog to the vet, getting her hair done, etc., she doesn't have time to show up at every meeting, nor should she have to. If only 2,200 people are deciding on their elections, where are the others? They have things going on in their lives. A tax cap is a way to say you understand that we can't be everywhere at once. We're asking for a budget proposed within the means. If you need something, come to the voters. It's their money.

Lisa Mazur, 39 Shirley Park Road, said this is part of the constitutional republic process. She signed the petition because she has many people asking for some relief in this process. She's involved at the State level. They're trying to work on it. It's enough of the division. People should come together and try to work together. Citizens shouldn't be attacked because they signed onto this article.

Lissa Winrow, Range Road, said from a financial impact, it's difficult to do with the increases. To be capped at a certain percentage is dangerous. It's not true that anyone can come to the Deliberative Session. Some are working or in school. We can all be there to vote, but this shouldn't be changed with the hopes of asking for more.

Tim Searles, 311 Tirell Hill Road, said he signed the petition for this. He thinks it's outrageous to increase his taxes so much in one year. It's unreasonable that taxes are going up, but his paycheck

isn't by that much. There needs to be a little fiscal accountability. The deliberative body can ask for more. What's wrong with having a stable budget that will allow his family to live in this community?

Scott Gross, Range Road, said he's served and volunteered in Goffstown. This is a depressing meeting because he sees neighbors pitted against neighbors on local taxes. One of the biggest things in the room is our state's inability to assist municipalities and school districts in funding of local government. Many years ago, the State contributed 35% toward local, municipal, and school employees. In these dollars that's a \$5 million expense. With that, 35% is close to \$1.5 million. That's a couple of hundred dollars on our tax bill that the State used to pick up, and now the community has to pick up.

The School is a large part of the property tax. In the year 2000, the State implemented the state-wide property tax for education. At that time, the total percentage was funded 40% by the State and 60% by the locals. Now, it's 11% by the State and 89% by the locals. There has been a massive cost shift. His calculations of his tax bills show his tax bills would be \$2,400 less if the State did now what they did in the year 2000. Add the other down-shifting of costs to the Town and the School, you can add another \$600. We are talking about casting blame on these folks who bust their tails trying to present good budgets. You can't ignore the fact that the State of New Hampshire and our flawed system is causing our taxes to be disproportionately charged to the local taxes and not the state contributing.

Laura Stevens, Orchard Hill Road, said people on the committees and boards live in the town, so it is their money also. If this goes through, the voters have less of a choice of things being moved around and see less of the process. The same people stating that too much is being asked in warrant articles are the ones who are saying to bring a request to have an increase in the cap. She doesn't think that, if this cap happens and people brought forth warrant articles, that those people would understand the need and vote for them. They are taking away voters' rights to further decide where the money is going.

Gina Philibotte said she has lived in this community for 38 years, and she loves her house and sees a lot of memories. We can't attend every meeting because we have to work. We're being taxed to death.

Sherry Reinfert, 27 Shirley Park said they live on Glen Lake. Real estate is only worth what someone is willing to pay. Property taxes increased because of a choice they made. The recent reevaluation brought their property value to \$890,000. As a result, her property taxes are \$18,000. They're going to go up \$20,000. If we continue to tax and tax, we, by choice, will have to move to someplace else. It's not fair to anyone who chooses to live a quality lifestyle within their means.

AJ Hebert, 155 Paige Hill Road, thanked the Board for serving and doing their job. He said he's been listening to things being said and he can't see why having an increased level of accountability is a bad thing. We want to set people up for success, but having a full accountability for how the money is spent is essential. The way you change the world is to change what you can influence.

Jennifer Hebert, 155 Paige Hill Road, said she's in support of this. What does the Town value most? She hears much on freedom, equality, safety, and comfortability. To tell us where we should spend our taxes beyond what we can afford limits our ability to serve and give back to the community. They have a non-profit that serves over 800 inner city kids per month. They have also fostered 29 children in Goffstown. They've traveled to 22 different countries doing mission work and raising leaders.

They're not against fighting fellow neighbors in Goffstown. They're trying to find ways to come together. She or what the town is doing with nonprofits. If we limit and say what we are supposed to give it doesn't allow them to do more. It doesn't allow single moms to step in and help the community. There is more required of the community to participate and give freely. What happens in her own home is that the more she cannot have more children in her home, and the more she can't give back to our community. They don't just go overseas. They do it here. In our town it's been hard to do that. To bring it lower to allow space to think and realize how they can come together as a people, we have the ability to do so much more for this community.

Lauren Doukas submitted an amendment to Article 29 that would read as follows:

“Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5-b, and implement a tax cap whereby the governing body or Budget Committee, shall not submit a recommended budget that increases the amount to be raised by local taxes, based on the prior fiscal year's actual amount of local taxes raised, by more than 35%” and the percentage amount is changed from 2.5% to 35%, such that the wording reads “by more than 35%.” Barbara Schult seconded the motion.

Barbara Schult said the removal of the 1st paragraph is because it's misleading to the taxpayers, saying that the cap ensures the tax burden remains reasonable while allowing essential municipal services to be maintained, if not improved. There's no guarantee that would happen. There is no basis in fact. There's no definition of essential services. She feels it's misleading and needs to be removed. She changed the percentage because she trusts her elected officials. We vote for people who we feel are going to do the best for us on the Budget Committee, the Select Board, and all the committees. They work very, very hard. They work very hard and are town residents. They need the latitude and their hands shouldn't be tied. 2.5% is ridiculously low.

Karen Monasky said the 35% is incredibly high.

An unidentified speaker asked the Select Board to raise their hands if they think 35% is unreasonable or reasonable. He's asking them to go on the record in asking if a 35% increase yearly is reasonable or not.

Chairwoman Boyer said the Board hasn't had a collective vote on the 35%.

The same unidentified speaker said he's asking for advice from the elected officials.

Moderator Stark said they're not going there.

The same unidentified speaker said he wouldn't move from the microphone until he gets a hand count on his question.

Al Baines moved the question.

Moderator Stark said he's out of order. We have a debate and argument. We don't have a mini vote in the context he's asking. We're not going to get into what you want to get into.

The same unidentified speaker said he's asking for an opinion from the Select Board, to be transparent.

Barbara Griffin said, regarding the process before us, if there is any amendment to something before them today, the Select Board will discuss it at their next meeting and a recommendation will be made. The request now is not appropriate at this time. The moderator will ask for further discussion of the actual amendment that removes the first paragraph and amends the percentage.

Laura Stevens, Orchard Hill Road, said it doesn't mean taxes will be increased 35%. There's a certain way you have to word things when you make an amendment. The percentage needs to be in there. It's basically negating a low tax cap. It doesn't mean they'll be raising taxes by 35%. It's just getting rid of a low tax cap when a percentage needs to be put in that place. That's all it is.

Brian Templeton, 176 Kennedy Hill Road, said the woman who wants to delete the first paragraph stated she had an issue with the last sentence, not the whole paragraph. He finds the words "fiscal responsibility" and "stability" from residents is going to be cut. If the amendment proposed had some sort of a thought process, the person who made the amendment was actually saying they agreed with this, but not with the number. It would reflect an agreement with the request but to go from 2.5% to 35% is just something to torpedo this.

Peter Grigorakakis said thank you to everyone who is saying these taxes are too high. It is to torpedo the tax cap. These are the ways we do things in a deliberative session. The first part doesn't tell voters what's happening. The second part is that our taxes have never gone up 35% in a year. He asked people to please respect each other.

Scott Gross said on the first part of the amendment, there was a question about striking the language. The law, which is RSA 32:5-c, specifically states in a tax cap article the only thing required is to ask if they shall adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5-c and that's it. The statute only requires that paragraph, and that paragraph only. The only thing you can amend by statute is either the percentage or dollar amount. It's not taking away anyone's ability to explain it. The law says you can only put that one paragraph.

Moderator Stark said the amendment is to remove the first paragraph and the percentage amount would be changed from 2.5% to 35%.

VOICE VOTE on Amendment: Motion defeated.

STANDING VOTE on Amendment: 65 yes, 48 no. Amendment passes.

Scott Gross made a motion to restrict reconsideration of that amendment. There was no second.

Wendy Sanford, 45 Checkerberry Lane, said this small group of people basically gets to decide this warrant article is now 35%. We just took the 2.5% tax cap article away from the taxpayers on March 12th to make the decision. They've just half of the people who were here this morning. This small group of people get to decide this issue instead of the 11,000 Goffstown taxpayers.

Moderator Stark said they have another amendment to Article 29. It would remove the first paragraph of Article 29 and begin with "Shall we adopt," and the percentage amount would be changed from 2.5% to 35%.

Moderator Stark asked for a voice vote. He said he thought it was defeated and called for a standing vote.

STANDING VOTE on the amendment: YES: 65; NO: 48. Amendment passed.

An unidentified audience member made a motion to restrict reconsideration on the previous amendment to this article. Another unidentified audience member seconded the motion.

Moderator Stark said he has a third amendment to change the percentage from 35 % to 5%. It was submitted by Brian Templeton and seconded by Karen Monasky.

Brian Templeton said it's clear there won't be a consensus. It was said the voters of the Town wouldn't get an opportunity to vote on this. It works both ways. Everyone should be happy with the idea, going to the vote is the fair thing to do. By changing it to a reasonable 5% allows it to go to the voting population. The number can be changed later in the process.

Kathy Holt asked if the amendment includes the first paragraph.

Shanun Carey said that the whole first paragraph has to be taken out anyway.

Bob Jones said page 22 shows the effects of the 2% cap, and at 5% it's still 1 million short. Is that correct? Town Administrator Horne said yes.

Karen Monasky, Rochambeau Street, said if it's too low, to make another offer.

Andy Reinfert, 27 Shirley Park, said he had five kids. Four are girls. And you know girls get married. He gave each one a tax cap for their wedding. They got creative on the extra. That's what they're asking everyone to do. We have engineers, architects, etc. that can make a difference if we pull together and get creative. With no accountability, we have problems. 5% is reasonable. They're not asking for 35% because that's an open checkbook. We need to all be working together and dealing with what's happening at the State and Federal levels.

Aimee Huntemann asked when this will go into effect. It's for next year, not this. Town Administrator Horne said it is.

Christine Templeton said their taxes are over \$15,000. No one is going to move into Goffstown with taxes as high as they are. That needs to be a consideration.

VOICE VOTE on amendment to change the percentage amount from 35% to 5%, VOICE VOTE: results undetermined.

STANDING VOTE: YES: 45; NO: 67. Motion fails.

Vice Chairman Georgantas made a motion to restrict reconsideration. Selectman Adams seconded the motion. VOTE: Motion carries.

4:00 p.m. Vice Chairman Georgantas made a motion to adjourn. Chairwoman Boyer seconded the motion. VOTE: All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Labrecque
Recording Secretary

2024 ELECTIONS STATISTICAL REPORT

Election	Date	Voters Attending 1st Session	Ballots Cast	% Voters	# New Registered Voters	Total # Registered Voters
NH Presidential Primary	1/23/24		5,852	53.0%	355	11,058
Ballot Determination Sessions:						
School	2/5/24	272		2.5%		11,007
Town	2/3/24	198		1.8%		11,007
Official Ballot Session:						
Town/School	3/12/24		3,315	30.1%	54	11,013
NH State Primary:	9/10/24		3,738	33.7%	92	11,095
NH State General Election:	11/5/24		10,616	83.8%	1,437	12,669

NH Presidential Primary Election - 1/23/24 Goffstown, NH Official Results

TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS	11,058	TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	5,852	% OF VOTER TURNOUT	53%
<i>Number of Total Ballots Cast above includes ____0____ Affidavit Ballots.</i>					
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <h3 style="margin: 0;">DEMOCRATIC RESULTS</h3> </div>					
		DEMOCRATIC BALLOTS CAST	1,429		
CANDIDATE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE)					
Gabriel Cornejo	6	Richard Rist	-		
Mark Stewart Greenstein	1	Vermin Supreme	15		
Tom Koos	4	John Vail	15		
Paul V. LaCava	4	Marianne Williamson	50		
Star Locke	1	President R. Boddie	-		
Frankie Lozada	2	Terrisa Bukovinac	2		
Stephen P. Lyons	1	Eban Cambridge	-		
Raymond Michael Moroz	1	<i>Overvotes</i>	1		
Derek Nadeau	30	<i>Undervotes/Blanks</i>	11		
Jason Michael Palmer	1	<i>Write-In: Biden</i>	767		
Mando Perez-Serrato	1	<i>Write-In: Haley</i>	66		
Dean Phillips	373	<i>Write-In: Trump</i>	29		
Donald Picard	8	<i>Write-In: Cease Fire</i>	10		
Paperboy Love Prince	5	<i>Write-In: Claudia Delacruz</i>	6		
		<i>Write-In w/ < 5 Votes</i>	19		

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TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS	11,058	TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	5,852	% OF VOTER TURNOUT	53%
<i>Number of Total Ballots Cast above includes ___0___ Affidavit Ballots.</i>					
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <h3 style="margin: 0;">REPUBLICAN RESULTS</h3> </div>					
		REPUBLICAN BALLOTS CAST	4,423		
CANDIDATE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE)					
Nikki Haley	1,960	Donald J. Trump	2,329		
Asa Hutchinson	1	Scott Alan Ayers	2		
Peter Jedick	1	Ryan L. Binkley	2		
Perry Johnson	1	Doug Burgum	2		
Donald Kjornes	1	Robert S. Carney, Jr.	-		
Mary Maxwell	3	John Anthony Castro	-		
Glenn J. McPeters	2	Chris Christie	23		
Scott Peterson Merrell	1	Ron DeSantis	42		
Darius L. Mitchell	3				
Mike Pence	6	<i>Overvotes</i>	1		
Vivek Ramaswamy	14	<i>Undervotes/Blanks</i>	6		
Tim Scott	1	<i>Write-In: Biden</i>	9		
Hirsh V. Singh	-	<i>Write-In</i>			
Samuel Howard Sloan	-	<i>Write-In</i>			
David Stuckenberg	-	<i>Write-In</i>			
Rachel Swift	1	<i>Write-In w/ < 5 Votes</i>	11		

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN
Official Election Results - March 12, 2024

Registered Voters	11013	Total Ballots Cast	3315	% Voter Turnout	30.10%
<i>Number of Total Ballots Cast above includes _____ Affidavit Ballots.</i>					
Offices	Votes	Offices	Votes	Offices	Votes
Select Board - 3 Years Vote for not more than Two		Library Trustees - 3 Years Vote for not more than Two		Sewer Commission - 3 Years Vote for not more than One	
Mark T. Lemay	2291	Joe Alexander	1534	Daniel Taylor	2230
Jim Craig	2102	Brian Campbell	1711	Overvotes	0
Overvotes	0	Elizabeth Jipson	1684	Undervotes/Blanks	1061
Undervotes/Blanks	2175	Overvotes	4	Write-In	
Write-In: Lisa Mazur	5	Undervotes/Blanks	1618	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	16
Write-In		Write-In: Lisa Mazur	46		
Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	47	Write-In		Supervisor of the Checklist - 6 Years Vote for not more than One	
		Write-In		Marie B. Morgan	1416
Budget Committee - 3 Years Vote for not more than Four		Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	22	Janice E. Little	819
Adam Barriere	1364	Library Trustees - 2 Years Vote for not more than Two		Overvotes	6
Israel "Izzy" Carey	1443	Theresa Pare Curtis	1553	Undervotes/Blanks	1038
Elizabeth Dubrulle	1498	Judy Johnson	1663	Write-In: Gina Philibotte	25
Peter Grigorakakis	1521	Lisa Mazur	1597	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	6
Dan O'Connell	1355	Overvotes	0		
Melanie Renfrew-Hebert	1337	Undervotes/Blanks	1748	Town Moderator - 2 Years Vote for not more than One	
Craig Stansfield	1380	Write-In: Joe Alexander	39	Rodney "Rod" Stark	2235
Alan Yeaton	252	Write-In		Overvotes	8
Joe Alexander	1526	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	21	Undervotes/Blanks	1016
Overvotes	0			Write-In: Barbara Griffin	11
Undervotes/Blanks	1569	Planning Board - 3 Years Vote for not more than Two		Write-In: James Piercy	8
Write-In		Tim Redmond	1870	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	31
Write-In		Richard "Bear" Freeman	1803	Trustee of Trust Funds - 3 Years Vote for not more than One	
Write-In		Overvotes	0	Melanie Renfrew-Hebert	2211
Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	7	Undervotes/Blanks	2909	Overvotes	0
Cemetery Trustee - 3 Years Vote for not more than One		Write-In: James Raymond	6	Undervotes/Blanks	1058
Tim Mckinnon	1704	Write-In		Write-In: Lisa Mazur	6
Bill Kordas	612	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	32	Write-In: Joe Alexander	9
Undervotes	975			Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	23
Overvotes/Blanks	9			Zoning Board of Adjustment - 3 Years Vote for not more than One	
Write-In				Jason Cote	2170
Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	10			Overvotes	0
				Undervotes/Blanks	1122
				Write-In	
				Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	19

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN
Official Election Results - March 12, 2024

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board, to rezone 326 Mast Road (Police Station), Map 6, Lot 39-1-A from Agricultural to Commercial?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES – 2,217 NO – 1,003 PASSED

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Amend Section 13.2 Flood Hazard District to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES – 2,356 NO – 833 PASSED

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Insert into Definition of Terms the following definition: As used in this subdivision, “accessory dwelling unit” means a residential living unit that is within or attached to a single-family dwelling, and that provides independent living facilities for one or more persons, including provisions for sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation on the same parcel of land as the principal dwelling unit it accompanies?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES – 2,422 NO – 774 PASSED

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Amend Section 3.12.A.6. Accessory to Principal Residential Use, accessory attached dwelling unit by removing the requirement that a Special Exception is required for this use in the Conservation, Agricultural, Residential-1, Residential-2, and RSBOD-1 zones, and allow ADU’s by right as a Permitted Use in these same zones?

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-1-0

YES – 2,106 NO – 1,016 PASSED

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Amend Section 7.3.1. by changing the length of a standard parking space from eighteen and ½ (18 ½’) feet in length to twenty (20’) feet in length?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES – 2,000 NO – 1,174 PASSED

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Add a new Section 7.3.2. Compact Automobile Space – Each compact auto space shall contain a rectangle area of at least fifteen feet (15') in length and eight feet (8') in width. The length shall be increased to eighteen feet (18') where spaces are located parallel to the travel aisles. Each space must be conspicuously designated as reserved for compact automobiles by a sign. Add Section 7.5. Alternative Parking Requirements, 7.5.1. Compact Auto Spaces To encourage the reduction of impervious areas, parking for compact cars will be required for parking lots of one hundred (100) or more spaces serving non-residential uses.

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES – 1,812 NO – 1,357 PASSED

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: amend Section 7.6. Off-Street Loading Requirements, 7.6.1. Table of Off-Street Loading Requirements, add a requirement for multi-family projects to provide one (1) parking space for 5,001-20,000 square feet of gross floor area?

Recommended by the Planning Board 5-2-0

YES – 1,763 NO – 1,361 PASSED

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Amend Section 7.7 Parking and Storage of Recreational Vehicles by including Storage Containers. These containers will not be permitted to be stored on a public way nor will they be permitted to be used for sleeping and housekeeping purposes?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES – 2,203 NO – 961 PASSED

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: amend Section 7.9. Parking and Storage of Certain Vehicles, by adding 7.9.2. No motorized vehicle may be visually offered for sale in the Residential-1 and Residential-2 districts that is not owned by a resident of the property on which it is offered. Only one vehicle per property will be offered at any time and remain for sale in a visible portion of the property for no more than sixty (60) days total?

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES – 1,996 NO – 1,152 PASSED

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town adopt Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: Section 14.9.2.1. currently reads, A structure shall not be enlarged or altered in a way that increases its non-conformity, but any structure or portion thereof may be altered to decrease its nonconformity. Amend this Section by adding a 14.9.2.4. A structure that does not conform to an applicable setback or overlay district requirements may be enlarged, if the proposed enlargement will not increase the existing non-conformity, will not violate any other provision of the zoning ordinance, and is a permitted use in the district.

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES – 2,179 NO – 908 PASSED

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town of Goffstown vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty-Nine Million, Three Hundred Thousand, One Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars (\$29,300,126)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty-Seven Million, Five Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$27,538,537), 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 Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-3-0.

YES – 1,242 NO – 1,936 FAILED

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate Five Hundred Fifty Thousand, Seven Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars (\$550,726) for the purpose of funding EMS operations, said funds to come from the Emergency Medical Services Special Revenue Fund as previously established in 2001.

This appropriation is offset by the revenue from the ambulance insurance payments and there will be no funds raised from general taxation? (Passage of this article will reduce the operating budget in Article 12 by \$550,726.)
(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 13-0-0

YES – 2,249 NO – 946 PASSED

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between Select Board and the Public Works, Teamsters, Local 603 of NH which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2024	\$151,752
2025	\$177,829

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of One-Hundred Fifty-One, Seven-Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$151,752) 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 12).
(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 13-0-0.

YES – 1,702 NO – 1,486 PASSED

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the collective Bargaining agreement reached between the Select Board and the Goffstown Patrol Officers, New England Police Benevolent Association, Local No. 24, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2024	\$96,059
2025	\$132,441
2026	\$128,105

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Ninety-Six Thousand, Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$96,059) 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 12).

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 13-0-0.

YES – 1,745 NO – 1,482 PASSED

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Select Board and the Goffstown Police Dispatchers/Clerks American Federation of State, County and Municipal 93, Local 3657, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2024	\$46,454
2025	\$72,270
2026	\$49,385

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Six Thousand, Four Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars (\$46,454) 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 12).

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 13-0-0.

YES – 1,770 NO – 1,456 PASSED

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 12).

(Majority vote required.)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 11-2-0.

YES – 1,539 NO – 1,695 FAILED

ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town vote to establish a Goffstown Public Library Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for building repairs and renovations projects and matching grant funds and to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) to be placed in this fund? Further, to name the Select Board and the Library Board of Trustees as joint agents to expend from said fund.

(Majority vote required.)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-4-1

YES – 1,346 NO – 1,903 FAILED

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate Three-Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$340,000) for the purpose of funding engineering design of a replacement Pool and Bath House at Barnard Park. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 12).

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-2-1.

YES – 1,077 NO – 2,127 FAILED

ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town 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 12.)

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-3-2.

YES – 1,883 NO – 1,328 PASSED

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) for the purpose of helping to support the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 12.)

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 11-1-1.

YES – 1,872 NO – 1,312 PASSED

ARTICLE 22

Shall the Town vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of maintenance and replacement of the Town's dispatch center, hardware and software related to first responder dispatch services, including the first responder radio infrastructure. All revenues received from fees, charges, or other income from providing dispatching services to other entities will be deposited into the fund, beginning January 1, 2024, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund balance? The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

YES – 1,920 NO – 1,237 PASSED

ARTICLE 23

Shall the Town vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of funding operating and capital expenditures of Emergency Medical Services. All revenues received from fees, charges, or other income from providing emergency medical services, along with any donations or grants accepted for the purpose of operating and capital expenditures of emergency medical services, beginning January 1, 2024, will be deposited into the fund, and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund balance? The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

YES – 2,000 NO – 1,157 PASSED

ARTICLE 24

Shall the Town vote to discontinue the Emergency Medical Services Special Revenue Fund created in 2001. The remaining amount in the fund is to be transferred to the municipality's general fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-d? This article is contingent on the passage of Article 23, which establishes the Emergency Medical Services Revolving Fund.

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

YES – 2,035 NO – 1,102 PASSED

ARTICLE 25

Shall the Town vote pursuant to RSA 31:95-h to modify the existing CABLE ACCESS REVOLVING FUND established in 2013, to increase the amount of franchise fee revenues received from our Cable Franchise Agreement from Forty Percent (40%) to Seventy Percent (70%)? The Cable Franchise Agreement revenue share shall be as follows:

Beginning January 1, 2024 = 70% to the Cable Access Revolving Fund
30% to the Town's General Fund.

Such monies, in addition to any Cable Franchise equipment grants, will be deposited into the fund and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund balance. The town treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0

YES – 1,666 NO – 1,470 PASSED

ARTICLE 26

Shall the Town vote to modify the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit and the All Veterans' Tax Credit from its current tax credit of \$500 per year to \$600 per year? (If adopted and approved, this article shall take effect for the 2024 property tax year. If this article is not adopted, the Veteran's Tax Credit and the All Veteran's Tax Credit will remain at \$500 per year.)

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 3-0-2.

YES – 2,238 NO – 974 PASSED

ARTICLE 27

Shall the Town vote in accordance with RSA 72:27-a, to modify the provisions of RSA 72:35 for an optional tax credit for a Service-Connected Total Disability on residential property from its current tax credit of \$2,000 per year to \$2,400 per year? (If adopted and approved, this article shall take effect for the 2024 property tax year. If this article is not adopted, the Service Connected Total Disability Tax Credit will remain at \$2,000 per year.)

(Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

YES – 2,068 NO – 1,128 PASSED

ARTICLE 28

Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:81 and enable the Town to grant tax exemptions for new construction performed on commercial or industrial uses? The intent of the exemption authority is to provide incentives to businesses to build, rebuild, modernize, or enlarge within the municipality. The exemption shall apply only for municipal and local school property taxes assessed by the municipality. The exemption will not apply to the entirety of the property value, but only to any increase in assessment which results from the new construction. The period of time for which the property is eligible for exemption is five years.

The percentage of authorized exemption is as follows:

Year 1, 50% of the increased assessment value as described above; Year 2, 40% of the increased assessment value as described above; Year 3, 30% of the increased assessment value as described above; Year 4, 20% of the increased assessment value as described above; Year 5, 10% of the increased assessment value as described above.

For purposes of this exemption, the term “new construction” shall mean new structures, or additions, renovations, or improvements to existing structures. For purposes of this exemption, the term “commercial” and the term “industrial” shall refer to the uses listed in the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance Table of Principal Uses (Section 3.11).

- B. Educational and Institutional
- C. Services - Entertainment and Recreation
- D. Services - Financial, Medical and Professional
- E. Services - Lodging and Restaurants
- F. Retail Trade (except motorized vehicles and restaurants)
- G. Motor Vehicle Sales and Service
- H. Transportation, Communications, and Utilities
- I. Manufacturing and Construction
- J. Agricultural

For purposes of this exemption, the term “commercial” and the term “industrial” shall not refer to any of the residential uses listed in the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance (Section 3.11,A. Residential) including dwelling units as part of a mixed use (residential and nonresidential) building or project. In a project involving dwelling units as part of a mixed-use (residential and nonresidential) building or project, only the nonresidential portion shall be eligible for this exemption. If adopted, this Warrant Article will become effective April 1, 2024 and will remain in effect for five (5) years. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0

YES – 1,594

NO – 1,451

PASSED

ARTICLE 29

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5-b, and implement a tax cap whereby the governing body (or budget committee) shall not submit a recommended budget that increases the amount to be raised by local taxes, based on the prior fiscal year’s actual amount of local taxes raised, by more than 35%?

(3/5 Majority vote required)

Submitted by Petition.

Not Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0

YES – 1,336

NO – 1,741

FAILED

NH State Primary Election - 9/10/24 Goffstown, NH Official Results

TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS	11095	TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	3738	% OF VOTER TURNOUT	33.69%
Number of Total Ballots Cast above includes <u> 0 </u> Affidavit Ballots.					
DEMOCRATIC RESULTS					
DEMOCRATIC BALLOTS CAST			1562		
Offices	Votes	Offices	Votes	Offices	Votes
FOR GOVERNOR Vote for not more than 1		FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVES HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 29 Vote for up to 4; Four will be elected		FOR COUNTY TREASURER Vote for not more than 1	
John Kiper	164	Melanie Renfrew-Hebert	1253	Beverly Cotton	1376
Cinde Warmington	413	Jim Craig	1272	Overvotes	0
Joyce Craig	951	Judy Johnson	1255	Undervotes/Blanks	179
Overvotes	0	Judi L. Lanza	1290	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0
Undervotes/Blanks	11	Overvotes	0	Write-In w/< 5 votes	4
Write-In - Kelly Ayotte	14	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0	FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS Vote for not more than 1	
Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1	Write-In w/< 5 Votes	5	Mary Ann Crowell	1385
Write-In w/< 5 Votes	5	Write-In w/< 5 Votes	23	Overvotes	0
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS Vote for not more than 1		FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVES HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 44 Vote for up to 2; Two will be elected		Undervotes/Blanks	168
Kevin Rondeau	76	Eric Emmerling	1217	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1
Chris Pappas	1466	Marie B. Morgan	1308	Write-In w/< 5 votes	5
Overvotes	0	Overvotes	0	FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE Vote for not more than 1	
Undervotes/Blanks	15	Undervotes/Blanks	582	Tony Labranche	1373
Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0	Overvotes	0
Write-In w/< 5 Votes	5	Write-In w/< 5 votes	11	Undervotes/Blanks	182
FOR EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR Vote for not more than 1		For SHERIFF Vote for not more than 1		Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0
Jim O'Connell	1385	Overvotes	0	Write-In w/< 5 votes	4
Overvotes	0	Overvotes	0	FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER Vote for not more than 1	
Undervotes/Blanks	162	Undervotes/Blanks	1448	Suzanne Ketteridge	1366
Write-In - Oval filled, no name	2	Write-In - Chris Connelly	19	Overvotes	0
Write-In w/< 5 Votes	10	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	30	Undervotes/Blanks	187
FOR STATE SENATOR Vote for not more than 1		FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY Vote for not more than 1		Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1
Overvotes	0	Overvotes	0	Write-In w/< 5 votes	5
Undervotes/Blanks	1114	Kimberly A. Kossick	1338		
Write-In - Michael York	341	Overvotes	0		
Write-In - Keith Murphy	29	Undervotes/Blanks	217		
Write-In - Oval filled, no name	13	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0		
Write-In w/< 5 Votes	62	Write-In w/< 5 votes	4		

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TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS	11095	TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	3738	% OF VOTER TURNOUT	33.69%
Number of Total Ballots Cast above includes <u> 0 </u> Affidavit Ballots.					
REPUBLICAN RESULTS					
REPUBLICAN BALLOTS CAST			2176		
Offices	Votes	Offices	Votes	Offices	Votes
FOR GOVERNOR Vote for not more than 1		FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVES HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 29 Vote for up to 4; Four will be elected		FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE Vote for not more than 1	
Richard A. McMenamon II	10	Christopher Maidment	1726		
Chuck Morse	542	Overvotes	0		
Frank Negus Staples	10	Undervotes/Blanks	443		
Kelly Ayotte	1538	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1		
Shaun Fife	12	Write-In w/< 5 votes	5		
Robert Wayne McClory	15	FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER Vote for not more than 1			
Overvotes	0	Overvotes	4		
Undervotes/Blanks	27	Undervotes/Blanks	2035	Robert H. Rowe	1721
Write-In - Joyce Craig	6	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	3	Overvotes	0
Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0	Write-In - Judi Lanza	12	Undervotes/Blanks	449
Write-In w/< 5 Votes	15	Write-In - Judy Johnson	8	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS Vote for not more than 1		FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVES HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 44 Vote for up to 2; Two will be elected		FOR DELEGATES TO THE STATE CONVENTION HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 29 Vote for up to 4; Four will be elected	
Walter J. McFarlane III	187	Write-In - Melanie Renfrew - Hebert	6	Write-In w/< 5 votes	4
Hollie Noveletsky	542	Write-In - Jim Craig	9		
Russell Prescott	287	Write-In w/< 5 votes	31	Jacki Pounds	784
Max Abramson	57	Ross Berry	1467	Sherri Reinfurt	1340
Chris Bright	162	Lisa Mazur	1639	Peter Georgantas	850
Joseph Kelly Levasseur	768	Overvotes	0	Henry R. Giasson III	1244
Andy Martin	32	Undervotes/Blanks	1208	Chris McRae	701
Overvotes	2	Write-In - Marie Morgan	10	Karen McRae	608
Undervotes/Blanks	121	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	2	Doug Pounds	897
Write-In - Chris Pappas	13	Write-In w/< 5 votes	24	Overvotes	4
Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0	For SHERIFF Vote for not more than 1		Undervotes/Blanks	2238
Write-In w/< 5 Votes	5	Christopher Connelly	1808	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0
FOR EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR Vote for not more than 1		FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY Vote for not more than 1		FOR DELEGATES TO THE STATE CONVENTION HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 44 Vote for up to 2; Two will be elected	
Robert Burns	593	Overvotes	0	Lisa Mazur	1660
John Reagan	209	Undervotes/Blanks	356	Jennifer Vallee	1466
John Stephen	677	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1	Overvotes	0
Ryan Terrell	58	Write-In w/< 5 votes	10	Undervotes/Blanks	1200
Ross W. Terrio	49	John J. Coughlin	1786	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0
Terese Bastarache	314	Overvotes	0	Write-In w/< 5 votes	24
Overvotes	1	Overvotes	0		
Undervotes/Blanks	264	Undervotes/Blanks	383		
Write-In - Oval filled, no name	0	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1		
Write-In w/< 5 Votes	10	Write-In w/< 5 votes	5		
FOR STATE SENATOR Vote for not more than 1		FOR COUNTY TREASURER Vote for not more than 1		FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS Vote for not more than 1	
Keith Murphy	1654	David G. Fredette	1762	Elizabeth Ann Moreau	809
Overvotes	0	Overvotes	0	Dennis Hogan	928
Undervotes/Blanks	480	Undervotes/Blanks	408	Overvotes	3
Write-In - Michael York	18	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1	Undervotes/Blanks	425
Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1	Write-In w/< 5 votes	4	Write-In - Oval filled, no name	1
Write-In w/< 5 Votes	22			Write-In w/< 5 votes	9

NH General Election 11/5/2024 Goffstown, NH Official Results

TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS	12,669	TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	10,616	% OF VOTER TURNOUT	83.80%
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Number of Total Ballots Cast above includes 0 Affidavit Ballots.

FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES Vote for not more than 1		FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVES HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 29 Vote for up to 4; FOUR will be elected		FOR COUNTY TREASURER Vote for not more than 1	
				David G. Fredette	5539
Chase Oliver / Mike ter Maat	65	Sheila Seidel	4876	Beverly Cotton	4165
Jill Stein / Rudolph Ware	42	Joe Alexander	5027	Overvotes	1
Donald J. Trump / JD Vance	5344	Henry R. Giasson III	4566	Undervotes/Blanks	872
Kamala D. Harris / Tim Walz	5037	Sherrri Reinfurt	4652	Write-In	0
Overvotes	0	Melanie Renfrew-Hebert	4170	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	8
Undervotes/Blanks	76	Jim Craig	4484	Oval Filled-in with No Name	5
Write-In: Peter Sonski	7	Judy Johnson	4323	FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS Vote for not more than 1	
Write-In: Nikki Haley	9	Judi L. Lanza	4385	Dennis Hogan	5216
Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	36	Overvotes	4	Mary Ann Crowell	4465
FOR GOVERNOR Vote for not more than 1		Undervotes/Blanks	5844	Overvotes	1
Stephen Villee	208	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	10	Undervotes/Blanks	897
Kelly Ayotte	5955	Oval Filled-in with No Name	19	Write-In	0
Joyce Craig	4212	FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVES HILLSBOROUGH DISTRICT 44 Vote for up to 2; TWO will be elected		Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	5
Overvotes	1			Oval Filled-in with No Name	6
Undervotes/Blanks	189	Ross Berry	4854	FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE Vote for not more than 1	
Write-In: Cinde Warmington	6	Lisa Mazur	5034	Christopher Maidment	5216
Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	18	Eric Emmerling	4170	Tony Labranche	4405
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS Vote for not more than 1		Marie B. Morgan	4412	Overvotes	0
Russell Prescott	4830	Overvotes	0	Undervotes/Blanks	955
Chris Pappas	5457	Undervotes/Blanks	2693	Write-In	0
Overvotes	1	Write-In	0	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	8
Undervotes/Blanks	323	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	7	Oval Filled-in with No Name	6
Write-In	0	Oval Filled-in with No Name	10	FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER Vote for not more than 1	
Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	5	FOR SHERIFF Vote for not more than 1		Robert H. Rowe	5240
FOR EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR Vote for not more than 1		Christopher Connelly	9640	Suzanne Ketteridge	4406
John Stephen	5425	Overvotes	0	Overvotes	0
Jim O'Connell	4513	Undervotes/Blanks	875	Undervotes/Blanks	930
Overvotes	0	Write-In: Andy Brown	5	Write-In	0
Undervotes/Blanks	641	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	61	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	7
Write-In	0	Oval Filled-in with No Name	6	Oval Filled-in with No Name	7
Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	7	FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY Vote for not more than 1		2024 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT QUESTION (See Ballot for Language)	
Oval Filled-in with No Name	4	John J. Coughlin	5492	Yes	5597
FOR STATE SENATOR Vote for not more than 1		Kimberly A. Kossick	4305	No	3043
Keith Murphy	5426	Overvotes	0	Overvotes	1
Michael York	4508	Undervotes/Blanks	782	Undervotes/Blanks	1949
Overvotes	0	Write-In	0		
Undervotes/Blanks	641	Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	6		
Write-In	0	Oval Filled-in with No Name	6		
Write-In w/ < 5 Votes	8				
Oval Filled-in with No Name	7				



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Select Board
Town of Goffstown
Goffstown, New Hampshire

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, major governmental and proprietary funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Goffstown's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, major governmental and proprietary funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, as of December 31, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position and where applicable, cash flows thereof, and the respective budgetary comparison for the major general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town of Goffstown and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Emphasis of Matter – Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 2-C to the financial statements, in the year ending December 31, 2023, the Town adopted new accounting guidance, GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The Town of Goffstown's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Goffstown's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

***Town of Goffstown
Independent Auditor's Report******Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Goffstown's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Goffstown's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the following be presented to supplement the basic financial statements:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis
- Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability,
- Schedule of Town Contributions – Pensions,
- Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability,
- Schedule of Town Contributions – Other Postemployment Benefits,
- Schedule of Changes in the Town's Total Other Postemployment Benefits Liability and Related Ratios, and
- Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

Supplementary Information

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

***Town of Goffstown
Independent Auditor's Report***

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

October 16, 2024
Concord, New Hampshire

***Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association***

Management Discussion and Analysis

As management of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire (the Town), we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

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 four components:

1. Government-wide financial statements,
2. Fund financial statements,
3. Notes to the financial statements,
4. Required supplementary information (including this management discussion and analysis).

This also contains the other supplementary information (SI) which includes the combining and individual fund schedules. There was no single audit for fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

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, liabilities, and deferred outflows and inflows of resources with the difference 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 fiscal 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 fiscal periods (e.g. uncollected taxes, reimbursement-based grant funding, 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 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. The Town's 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 as 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 available resources, as well as on balances of available resources readily accessible at the end of fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating the Town's near-term financial requirements.

Due to the focus of governmental funds being 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 Town's near-term financial decisions. Reconciliations are provided to facilitate the comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

Proprietary Funds

Proprietary fund reporting focuses on the determination of operating income, changes in net position, financial position, and cash flows. The proprietary fund category includes enterprise and internal service funds. The Town currently only operates one enterprise fund.

Enterprise funds are used to report activity for which a fee is charged to external users, and must be used when one of the following criteria is met:

1. Activity is financed with debt that is secured solely by a pledge of the net revenues from fees and charges,
2. Laws or regulations require the activity's costs of providing services be recovered with fees and charges, and
3. The pricing policies of the activity establish fees and charges designed to recover its costs, including capital costs such as depreciation and debt service.

The primary focus on these criteria is on fees charged to external users. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements, in more detail. Specifically, the Town's enterprise fund is used to account for sewer operations, which is considered to be a major fund.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside of the Town. 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 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.

Required Supplementary Information

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

Included in this report are exhibits and notes pertaining to the Town's share of participation in the New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS). These have a continual impact on the Town's government-wide financial statements and the associated RSI may shed light on otherwise ambiguous figures reported in the government-wide financial statements.

Also included in this report is other supplementary information which includes individual schedules for the major general fund, schedules for nonmajor governmental funds, and schedules for custodial funds which distinguish between the various governmental and custodial funds operated by the Town, as well as delve deeper into the budgetary performance and fund balance impact of the General Fund.

Government-Wide Financial AnalysisStatement of Net Position - Governmental Activities

Net position of the Town of Goffstown as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 is as follows:

	2022		Change	% of Change
	2023	(As Restated)		
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 35,877,791	\$ 36,722,647	\$ (844,856)	-2.30%
Other Assets	33,930,254	31,101,346	2,828,908	9.10%
Total Assets	69,808,045	67,823,993	1,984,052	2.93%
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	4,030,975	5,067,305	(1,036,330)	-20.45%
Long-term Liabilities	24,785,867	24,854,622	(68,755)	-0.28%
Other Liabilities	15,358,087	13,271,999	2,086,088	15.72%
Total Liabilities	40,143,954	38,126,621	2,017,333	5.29%
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	3,240,864	4,850,980	(1,610,116)	-33.19%
Net Position:				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	34,060,021	34,748,219	(688,198)	-1.98%
Restricted	2,264,023	2,039,109	224,914	11.03%
Unrestricted	(5,869,662)	(6,873,631)	1,003,969	-14.61%
Total Net Position	\$ 30,454,382	\$ 29,913,697	\$ 540,685	1.81%

Statement of Activities - Governmental Activities

Changes in net position for the years ending December 31, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	2023	2022	Change	% of Change
Revenues				
Program Revenues:				
Charges for Services	\$ 1,598,854	\$ 1,637,477	\$ (38,623)	-2.36%
Operating Grants and Contributions	815,765	2,119,224	(1,303,459)	-61.51%
General Revenues:				
Property and Other Taxes	18,994,334	15,835,378	3,158,956	19.95%
Licenses and Permits	3,626,988	3,635,960	(8,972)	-0.25%
Grants and Contributions	2,186,996	2,148,421	38,575	1.80%
Miscellaneous	1,302,782	537,337	765,445	142.45%
Total Revenues	28,525,719	25,913,797	2,611,922	10.08%
Expenses				
General Government	4,921,104	4,856,264	64,840	1.34%
Public Safety	10,777,613	6,264,188	4,513,425	72.05%
Public Works	10,576,098	10,870,766	(294,668)	-2.71%
Health and Welfare	31,261	29,428	1,833	6.23%
Culture and Recreation	1,641,551	1,485,611	155,940	10.50%
Interest - Long-term Debt	49,155	61,084	(11,929)	-19.53%
Total Expenditures	27,996,782	23,567,341	4,429,441	18.79%
Transfers	11,748	11,748	-	0.00%
Change in Net Position	540,685	2,346,456	(1,805,771)	-76.96%
Net Position, Beginning of Year, As Restated	29,913,697	27,567,241	2,346,456	8.51%
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 30,454,382	\$ 29,913,697	\$ 540,685	1.81%

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Statement of Net Position - Business-type Activities

Net position of the Town of Goffstown as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 is as follows:

	2023	2022	Change	% of Change
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 3,111,900	\$ 2,955,498	\$ 156,402	5.29%
Other Assets	6,278,024	5,532,711	745,313	13.47%
Total Assets	<u>9,389,924</u>	<u>8,488,209</u>	<u>901,715</u>	<u>10.62%</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	40,716	51,185	(10,469)	-20.45%
Long-term Liabilities	232,775	232,426	349	0.15%
Other Liabilities	385,438	276,497	108,941	39.40%
Total Liabilities	<u>618,213</u>	<u>508,923</u>	<u>109,290</u>	<u>21.47%</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	17,598	22,636	(5,038)	-22.26%
Net Position:				
Net Investment in Capital Assets	3,111,900	2,955,498	156,402	5.29%
Unrestricted	5,682,929	5,052,337	630,592	12.48%
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 8,794,829</u>	<u>\$ 8,007,835</u>	<u>\$ 786,994</u>	<u>9.83%</u>

Statement of Activities - Business-type Activities

Changes in net position for the years ending December 31, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	2023	2022	Change	% of Change
Revenues				
Program Revenues:				
Charges for Services	\$ 1,672,275	\$ 1,743,094	\$ (70,819)	-4.06%
Operating Grants and Contributions	131,038	-	131,038	100.00%
General Revenues:				
Miscellaneous	200,265	71,192	129,073	181.30%
Total Revenues	<u>2,003,578</u>	<u>1,814,286</u>	<u>189,292</u>	<u>10.43%</u>
Expenses				
Sanitation	<u>1,204,836</u>	<u>1,994,163</u>	<u>(789,327)</u>	<u>-39.58%</u>
Transfers	<u>(11,748)</u>	<u>(11,748)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Change in Net Position	<u>786,994</u>	<u>(179,877)</u>	<u>966,871</u>	<u>-537.52%</u>
Net Position, Beginning of Year, As Restated	<u>8,007,835</u>	<u>8,187,712</u>	<u>(179,877)</u>	<u>-2.20%</u>
Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 8,794,829</u>	<u>\$ 8,007,835</u>	<u>\$ 786,994</u>	<u>9.83%</u>

Financial Highlights

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, net position in governmental activities was \$30,454,382, a change of \$540,685, and net position in business-type activities was \$8,794,829, a change of \$786,994. As the net position of the Governmental Activities was restated, please refer to Note 17, Prior Period Adjustments, contained within the Notes to the Financial Statements for further information.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$15,588,654, a change of \$271,564 in comparison to the prior year. As the previous year’s combined governmental funds fund balance was restated, please refer to Note 17, Prior Period Adjustments, contained within the Notes to the Financial Statements for further information.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, total fund balance for the General Fund was \$11,114,740, a change of \$(688,285). As the previous year’s General Fund fund balance was restated, please refer to Note 17, Prior Period Adjustments, contained within the Notes to the Financial Statements for further information.

Financial Analysis of the Town’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 available resources. Such information is useful in assessing financial requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the Town’s net resources available for appropriation during the next fiscal year, depending upon various factors and budgetary constraints.

General Fund

The General Fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the General Fund was \$7,580,208 (non-GAAP basis), while total fund balance was \$11,114,740, which includes capital reserve funds and other similar assets. GAAP basis fund balance accounts for \$645,810 in deferred property taxes collected within 60 days of the fiscal year-end. Unassigned fund balance increased by \$81,303, primarily resulting from favorable budgetary results of \$331,303 and amounts voted from prior year’s surplus of \$(250,000). The favorable budgetary results saw a significant decrease from the prior year, reflecting a tight budget and operating costs continuing to rise, primarily in planned road projects.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>December 31, 2023</u>	<u>December 31, 2022</u>	<u>Change</u>
		<i>(As restated)</i>	
Unassigned fund balance (non-GAAP basis)	\$ 7,580,208	\$ 7,498,905	\$ 81,303
Total fund balance (non-GAAP basis)	\$ 11,114,740	\$ 11,803,025	\$ (688,285)

The change in unassigned fund balance (non-GAAP basis) can be seen here:

Revenue shortfall	\$ (220,774)
Expenditures less than budget	552,077
Use of prior fund balance	<u>(250,000)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 81,303</u>

Included in the total fund balance of the General Fund are the Town’s capital reserve funds with the following balance:

	<u>December 31, 2023</u>	<u>December 31, 2022</u>	<u>Change</u>
Capital Reserve	<u>\$ 1,843,810</u>	<u>\$ 1,506,662</u>	<u>\$ 337,148</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,843,810</u>	<u>\$ 1,506,662</u>	<u>\$ 337,148</u>

Nonmajor Governmental Funds

The fund balance of nonmajor governmental funds changed by \$959,849, primarily resulting from a net surplus from activity across the Town’s various special revenue and permanent funds. This includes, but is not limited to, significant conversions of property previously taxed at current use status, good collection rate for emergency medical services, and gains or donations in permanent funds dedicated to funding future programs.

Proprietary Funds

Propriety 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 fund (Sewer Fund and blended reserves) at the end of the year amounted to \$5,682,929, a change of \$630,592 in comparison to the prior year resulting primarily to no unforeseen costs allocated to net position, as seen in the prior year’s restatements. Meaningful gains to proprietary fund reserves are vital to mitigating rate increases in the future as significant sewer project costs continue to rise, thereby stabilizing long-term customer costs.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

As reflected in Schedules 1-3 in the Financial Statements, the General Fund experienced a revenue shortfall of \$220,774; however, this was saved by an unexpended balance of appropriations of \$552,077. In summary, the General Fund ran a tight budget in 2023, resulting in a relatively miniscule budget surplus of \$331,303.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year-end amounted to \$38,989,691 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, construction in progress, buildings and improvements, machinery, equipment, and furnishings, and infrastructure. Major capital asset additions during the fiscal year included the following:

- Conservation Land – Executory Interest in Clarkridge Farm Conservation Easement at 421 Pattee Hill Rd., Map 10-3 and 11-1 (various sub-lots therein) - \$25,000.00
- Land – Map 30, Lot 46 - \$5,000.00
- 2022-2023 Network Upgrades (costs allocated to years, as incurred) - \$201,745.81
- 2023 Durabull Trailer (Elections) - \$11,529.00
- 2023-2024 Dark Fiber Project (Construction-in-Progress for 2023) - \$110,145.10
- 2022-2023 Motorola G Simulcast Radio System (Project Completed 2023) - \$1,903,093.24
- 2023 Ford F-250 Superduty (Fire) - \$55,755.00
- 2023 Ford Explorer Interceptors (Police) - \$128,596.05
- 2023 Recycling Compactor - \$73,600.80
- 2024 Mac Moving (Live) Floor Trailers (x2 - DPW) - \$292,480.00
- 2023 Ver-Mac Message Signs (x2 - DPW) - \$36,800.00
- 2023 Bobcat S66 Skid Steer Loader (DPW) - \$67,858.36
- Infrastructure – Tatro Drive Sidewalk Extension - \$128,137.00
- 2023-2024 Mast Rd. Traffic System Upgrades (Completed in 2024) - \$79,948.50
- 2023 Ford F-350 Pickup Truck (Parks) - \$52,439.00

Major capital disposals and/or retirements included the following:

- 2017 Firelite Transport (retired – sold to local municipality due to lack of use)
- 2010 Compactor (trade-in – replaced during installation of new equipment above)
- 2020 Ambulance (retired – totaled in not-at-fault motor vehicle accident and salvaged to Primex)
- 2015 Ford Explorer (retired – sold via auction)
- 2013 Ford Escape (retired – sold via auction)
- 2013 Ford Taurus Interceptor (retired – sold via auction)
- 2013 Ford Taurus Interceptor (retired – sold via auction)
- 2013 Ford Taurus Interceptor (retired – sold via auction)
- 2004 Ford F-350 (retired – sold via auction)
- 2000 Sterling Vac-con Truck (retired – sold via auction)
- 1992 Sidewalk Plow (retired – sold via auction)

Of the major capital additions in the current year, the new radio system for emergency services was entirely grant funded through federal dollars.

Capital asset changes in the proprietary Sewer Fund were entirely infrastructural and related to on-going projects that will be depreciated upon project completion.

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

Long-Term Debt

At the end of the current fiscal year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$1,817,770, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

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

Restatement of Prior Financial Statements

A restatement is the act of revising one or more of the Town's previous financial statements to account for an error, misstatement, or omission. For the purposes of these financial statements, this means a change to the beginning fund balance, as any impact that would have otherwise impacted revenues or expenditures in a previous period would have closed into fund balance effective at the end of that fiscal year.

As a result of many factors, such as a change of auditors, a change of staff, and a more detailed look into various miscellaneous balances and activity during and subsequent to the fiscal year, two restatements were made to rectify accounting errors, misstatements, or omissions. The following is a summary of those restatements:

Insurance Reimbursements

The practice for handling insurance costs and associated reimbursements has been largely to track that activity on the balance sheet, as these costs and associated reimbursements from Primex or other outside insurance companies (where damage is not at-fault) may cross fiscal periods. Due to the nature and timing of these transactions, costs when invoiced may not be clearly identified as reimbursement-related, resulting in an accumulation of reimbursements from insurance carried in the balance sheet tied to expenditures from prior periods.

This restatement recognizes those accumulations as revenue in prior periods to offset the previously improper negative impact on fund balance in prior periods when costs were charged to budgetary expenditure lines, rather than the insurance reimbursement account held on the balance sheet.

60-Day Availability Period – Reporting Adjustment

Consistent with all municipalities reporting in the State of New Hampshire, an adjustment is made at year-end for reporting that recognizes the deferral of property tax revenues that aren't available within 60 days subsequent to the fiscal year end-date. Under current guidance, the "60-day rule" is a reporting requirement for tax revenues, and while this is largely an estimation for reporting, it is based on actual tax collections between January 1 and February 29 (applicable to 2024).

Inconsistent with the vast majority of municipalities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Goffstown defers 100% of taxes billed and recognizes collections as revenues, which then reduces the deferral. This method of recognition is universally used in states with tighter reporting requirements, such as Massachusetts, but is very uncommon in the State of New Hampshire due to the NHDRA reporting budgetary requirements.

It is because of this opposite recognition that the adjustment made in the financial statements to recognize the 60-Day Rule was entered opposite of its intended impact. Where taxes are recognized as revenue when billed, a deferral is added at the end of the year, reducing revenue by the amount deemed "uncollectible" within 60 days. This same treatment was done in our financial preparation, improperly increasing our tax revenue deferral and reducing tax revenue in 2022. This error was not caught in the financial statement review. The result, identified in the 2023 financial statement preparation, is the reversal of the improper impact and recognition of that same reporting figure against beginning unassigned fund balance.

This was performed through mutual understanding between our administration and our auditors, as while we do rely on our auditors to prepare our financial statements, we are entirely responsible for the figures we present in them and the review of all and any adjustments made in the financial statement preparation.

Economic Factors and Current Conditions

In fiscal year 2023, supplemental funding provided by COVID-19 response grants were still active, providing funding for the final costs associated with the public safety radio system. In addition, State budget surplus remitted to the Town in 2022 provided for additional supplementary funding in future periods to supplement road and bridge repair, maintenance and upgrades. These are generally recognized as revenue deferred until associated costs are recognized. Some road project and bridge project costs were allocated against these grants in 2023, including the Juniper Drive road project and the Henry Bridge project.

There were many open positions across various departments throughout the fiscal year, and planned efforts to remedy this issue included a wage and salary study to remain competitive with other local municipalities, as well as renegotiation of three out of four current collective bargaining agreements that are coming to an end in 2023. In 2023, four public safety positions were supplemented by federally-funded public safety grants. In 2024, those four positions will also be funded by grants.

In fiscal year 2023, the Town expected no use of fund balance to offset taxes, as a result of the implementation of the new Fund Balance Policy. The goals of the Board reflect positive sustainable financial health for the Town and this will continue to be expressed in future periods.

Requests for Information

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

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

REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (MS-434)



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

2024
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Revised Estimated Revenues Adjusted

Goffstown

For the period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024

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.

Account	Source	Estimated Revenue	Change Amount	Estimated Revenue Adjusted
Taxes				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes for General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Taxes	\$2,000	\$0	\$2,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$84,000	\$0	\$84,000
3187	Excavation Tax	\$30	\$0	\$30
3189	Other Taxes	\$44,500	\$0	\$44,500
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	\$85,000	\$0	\$85,000
Taxes Subtotal		\$215,530	\$0	\$215,530
Licenses, Permits, and Fees				
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	\$6,000	\$0	\$6,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$3,700,000	\$0	\$3,700,000
3230	Building Permits	\$85,000	\$0	\$85,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	\$31,500	\$0	\$31,500
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal		\$3,822,500	\$0	\$3,822,500
From Federal Government				
3311	Housing and Urban Development	\$0	\$0	\$0
3312	Environmental Protection	\$0	\$0	\$0
3313	Federal Emergency	\$0	\$0	\$0
3314	Federal Drug Enforcement	\$0	\$0	\$0
3319	Other Federal Grants and Reimbursements	\$0	\$0	\$0
From Federal Government Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0



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Revised Estimated Revenues Adjusted

Account	Source	Estimated Revenue	Change Amount	Estimated Revenue Adjusted
State Sources				
3351	Shared Revenues - Block Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	\$1,600,000	\$209,672	\$1,809,672
3353	Highway Block Grant	\$430,000	\$8,391	\$438,391
3354	Water Pollution Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development	\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement	\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Railroad Tax Distribution	\$0	\$0	\$0
3360	Water Filtration Grants	\$0	\$0	\$0
3361	Landfill Closure Grants	\$0	\$0	\$0
3369	Other Intergovernmental Revenue from State of NH	\$4,600	\$0	\$4,600
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues - Other	\$425,790	\$0	\$425,790
State Sources Subtotal		\$2,460,390	\$218,063	\$2,678,453
Charges for Services				
3401	Income from Departments	\$404,010	\$0	\$404,010
3402	Water Supply System Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
3403	Sewer User Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
3404	Garbage-Refuse Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
3405	Electric User Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
3406	Airport Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0
3409	Other Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services Subtotal		\$404,010	\$0	\$404,010
Miscellaneous Revenues				
3500	Special Assessments	\$0	\$0	\$0
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	\$75,500	\$0	\$75,500
3502	Interest on Investments	\$450,000	\$0	\$450,000
3503	Other	\$0	\$0	\$0
3504	Fines and Forfeits	\$0	\$0	\$0
3506	Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements	\$0	\$0	\$0
3508	Contributions and Donations	\$0	\$0	\$0
3509	Revenue from Misc Sources Not Otherwise Classified	\$155,500	\$0	\$155,500
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal		\$681,000	\$0	\$681,000



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Revised Estimated Revenues Adjusted

Account	Source	Estimated Revenue	Change Amount	Estimated Revenue Adjusted
Interfund Operating Transfers In				
3911	From Revolving Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Airport Proprietary Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Electric Proprietary Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Other Proprietary Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Sewer Proprietary Fund	\$2,075,727	(\$292,430)	\$1,783,297
3914W	From Water Proprietary Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	\$125,900	(\$125,900)	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
3917	From Conservation Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal		\$2,202,627	(\$418,330)	\$1,784,297
Other Financing Sources				
3934	Proceeds from Long-Term Notes/Bonds/Other Sources	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revised Estimated Revenues and Credits		\$9,786,057	(\$200,267)	\$9,585,790



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Revised Estimated Revenues Summary

	Estimated	Change Amount	State Adjusted
Subtotal of Revenues	\$9,786,057	(\$200,267)	\$9,585,790
Unassigned Fund Balance (Unreserved)	\$0	\$7,580,208	\$7,580,208
(Less) Emergency Appropriations (RSA 32:11)	\$0	\$0	\$0
(Less) Voted from Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0
(Less) Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund Balance Retained	\$0	\$7,580,208	\$7,580,208
Total Revenues and Credits	\$9,786,057	(\$200,267)	\$9,585,790
Requested Overlay	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000

Assessment Overview

Total Appropriations	\$27,893,123
(Less) Total Revenues and Credits	\$9,585,790
Net Assessment	\$18,307,333

Explanation of Adjustments

Account	Reason for Adjustment	Warrant Number
3352	STATE REVENUE	12
3353	STATE REVENUE	12
3914S	=MS232 #4914S	12
3915	AS AGENTS	

2024 TAX RATE CALCULATION



New Hampshire
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2024
\$20.44

Tax Rate Breakdown Goffstown

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$18,909,511	\$2,744,025,800	\$6.89
County	\$2,388,663	\$2,744,025,800	\$0.87
Local Education	\$31,367,575	\$2,744,025,800	\$11.43
State Education	\$3,258,355	\$2,612,999,000	\$1.25
Total	\$55,924,104		\$20.44

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Goffstown Village	\$0	\$513,220,150	\$0.00
Grasmere Village Water	\$0	\$101,387,100	\$0.00
Total	\$0		\$0.00

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$55,924,104
War Service Credits	(\$556,400)
Village District Tax Effort	\$0
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$55,367,704

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

10/31/2024

2024 TAX RATE CALCULATION CONTINUED

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$27,893,123	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$9,585,790)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		\$0
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0
War Service Credits	\$556,400	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$45,778	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$18,909,511	

County Apportionment		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$2,388,663	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$2,388,663	

Education		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$42,466,952	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Education Grant		(\$7,841,022)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$3,258,355)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$31,367,575	
State Education Tax	\$3,258,355	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$3,258,355	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)		
Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$2,744,025,800	\$2,706,202,200
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$2,612,999,000	\$2,595,512,800
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$0	\$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$2,744,025,800	\$2,706,202,200

Village (MS-1V)		
Description	Current Year	
Goffstown Village	\$513,220,150	
Grasmere Village Water	\$101,387,100	

2024 TAX RATE CALCULATION CONTINUED

Goffstown

Tax Commitment Verification

2024 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II	
Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$55,367,704
1/2% Amount	\$276,839
Acceptable High	\$55,644,543
Acceptable Low	\$55,090,865

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 2024 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 2024 Tax Rate	\$20.44	\$10.22
Associated Villages		
Goffstown Village	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grasmere Village Water	\$0.00	\$0.00

2024 TAX RATE CALCULATION CONTINUED

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	\$1,783,297
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$63,124,419
Final Overlay	\$45,778

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*.

2024 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Goffstown	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (12.01%)	\$7,580,208
17% Retained <i>(Maximum Recommended)</i>	\$10,731,151
10% Retained	\$6,312,442
8% Retained	\$5,049,954
5% Retained <i>(Minimum Recommended)</i>	\$3,156,221

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

Unaudited for Year Ended December 31, 2024

Debits			
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levy
			2023
Property Taxes	3110		\$1,292,496
Land Use Change Taxes	3120		\$-
Yield Taxes	3185		\$77
Excavation Tax	3187		\$-
Other Taxes	3189		\$175,316
Property Tax Credit Balance		\$-	\$(14,568)
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance		\$-	\$(4,999)
Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levy
			2023
Property Taxes	3110	\$55,367,936	\$-
Land Use Change Tax	3120	\$22,750	\$-
Yield Taxes	3185	\$1,213	\$254
Excavation Tax	3187	\$29	\$-
Other Taxes	3189	\$1,712,916	\$-
Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levy
			2023
Property Taxes	3110	\$44,682	\$33,293
Land Use Change Tax	3120	\$-	\$-
Yield Taxes	3185	\$-	\$-
Excavation Tax	3187	\$-	\$-
Other Taxes	3189	\$127	\$1,448
Deferrals		\$-	\$-
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$14,275	\$22,346
Total Debits		\$57,163,928	\$1,505,664

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61) CONT.

Unaudited for Year Ended December 31, 2024

Credits			
Remitted to Treasurer	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levy
			2023
Property Taxes	3110	\$54,084,781	\$794,162
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$22,750	\$-
Yield Taxes	3185	\$1,213	\$331
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	3190	\$13,752	\$19,100
Penalties	3190	\$523	\$3,246
Excavation Taxes	3187	\$29	\$-
Other Taxes	3189	\$1,485,437	\$141,359
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$-	\$517,179
Elderly Deferrals		\$-	\$4,044

Credits Cont.			
Abatements Made	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levy
			2023
Property Taxes	3110	\$1,613	\$23,358
Land Use Change Tax	3120	\$-	\$-
Yield Taxes	3185	\$-	\$-
Excavation Tax	3187	\$-	\$-
Other Taxes	3189	\$-	\$2,886
Current Levy Deeded		\$-	\$-
Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080			
Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levy 2023
Property Taxes	3110	\$1,343,891	\$-
Land Use Change Tax	3120	\$-	\$-
Yield Taxes	3185	\$-	\$-
Excavation Tax	3187	\$-	\$-
Other Taxes	3189	\$233,396	\$-
Property Tax Credit Balance		\$(17,667)	\$-
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance		\$(5,790)	\$-
Total Credits		\$57,163,928	\$1,505,664

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61) CONT.

Unaudited for Year Ended December 31, 2024

Summary of Tax Lien Accounts

*Below Summary of Debits & Credits include property tax, betterment tax and sewer use charges.

Summary of Debits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		2022	2021	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year		\$342,998	\$85,005	
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$542,449	\$-	\$-	
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$16,389	\$28,669	\$22,959	
Refunds	\$49,761	\$-	\$161	
Total Debits	\$608,598	\$371,667	\$108,125	\$-

Summary of Credits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		2022	2021	
Redemptions	\$325,416	\$177,242	\$85,005	
Interest & Cost Collected (after lien execution) 3190	\$16,389	\$28,669	\$22,959	
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	\$122	\$171	\$161	
Liens Deeded to Municipality	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year 1110	\$266,671	\$165,586	\$-	
Total Credits	\$608,598	\$371,667	\$108,125	\$-

2024 PROPERTY TAX YEAR: APRIL 1, 2024 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2025

The Tax Department wishes to thank the taxpayers of Goffstown for all of your cooperation. I am looking forward to continue serving you in the years to come.

Stephanie Beaudoin
Tax Collector

BALANCE SHEETS

FUND 10, GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/2024

ASSETS

Cash	\$	9,293,319
Petty Cash		1,900
Returned Checks Outstanding		2,061
Investments		19,328,745
Taxes Receivable		1,343,920
Tax Liens Receivable		469,965
Tax Deeded Property		2,749
Betterment Receivable		5,185
Betterment Liens		376
Accounts Receivable		916,465
Due From Other Funds		145,445
Total Assets	\$	<u>31,510,131</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	2,156,517
Due To School District		16,625,930
Due To Other Governments		3,097
Overpayments and prepayments of taxes		18,008
Deferred Revenues		1,942,154
Other Liabilities		1,102,262
Total Liabilities	\$	<u>21,847,967</u>

FUND BALANCES

Assigned (encumbrances)	\$	472,851
Nonspendable (tax deeded property)		2,749
Unassigned		<u>9,186,562</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$	<u>9,662,163</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	<u>31,510,131</u>

BALANCE SHEETS CONTINUED

FUND 20, EMS SPECIAL REVOLVING FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/2024

ASSETS

Cash	\$	931,589
Accounts Receivable		<u>1,274,779</u>
Total Assets	\$	<u>2,206,368</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	12,711
Due to Other Funds		59,866
Deferred Revenue		1,270,784
Other Liabilities		<u>15,143</u>
Total Liabilities	\$	<u>1,358,504</u>

FUND BALANCE

Committed	\$	<u>847,864</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$	<u>847,864</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	<u>2,206,368</u>

FUND 25, CONSERVATION FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/2024

ASSETS

Cash	\$	308,708
Due from General Fund		<u>21,950</u>
Total Assets	\$	<u>330,658</u>

LIABILITIES

Other Liabilities	\$	<u>-</u>
Total Liabilities	\$	<u>-</u>

FUND BALANCE

Unassigned		<u>330,658</u>
Total Fund Balance	\$	<u>330,658</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	<u>330,658</u>

BALANCE SHEETS CONTINUED

FUND 40, PARKS & REC. REVOLVING FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/2024

ASSETS

Cash	\$	440,304
Total Assets	\$	<u>440,304</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	665
Other Liabilities		-
Total Liabilities	\$	<u>665</u>

FUND BALANCE

Committed	\$	439,639
Total Fund Balance	\$	<u>439,639</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	<u><u>440,304</u></u>

FUND 50, CABLE/GTV REVOLVING FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/2024

ASSETS

Cash	\$	44,155
Accounts Receivable		134,936
Total Assets	\$	<u>179,092</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	2,141
Other Liabilities		6,498
Total Liabilities	\$	<u>8,640</u>

FUND BALANCE

Committed	\$	170,452
Total Fund Balance	\$	<u>170,452</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	<u><u>179,092</u></u>

BALANCE SHEETS CONTINUED

FUND 70, POLICE DETAIL REVOLVING FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/2024

ASSETS

Cash	\$	122,613
Accounts Receivable		51,510
Total Assets	\$	<u>174,123</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	-
Other Liabilities		4,095
Total Liabilities	\$	<u>4,095</u>

FUND BALANCE

Unassigned		170,028
Total Fund Balance	\$	<u>170,028</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	<u>174,123</u>

FUND 75, DISPATCH REVOLVING FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/2024

ASSETS

Cash	\$	111,018
Accounts Receivable		36,554
Total Assets	\$	<u>147,572</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	-
Other Liabilities		-
Total Liabilities	\$	<u>-</u>

FUND BALANCE

Committed		147,572
Total Fund Balance	\$	<u>147,572</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	<u>147,572</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT

FUND 10, GENERAL FUND

Unaudited for Year Ended December 31, 2024

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

Receipts:

Tax Collector- Property Taxes, Interest, Costs, and Other Taxes	55,320,594.53
Town Clerk- Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	3,772,297.84
Town Clerk- Other Fees	37,350.86
Community Development	157,748.77
Administration and Other Miscellaneous Revenues	591,896.50
Cable Franchise Fees	84,711.89
Transfers In from Other Funds	60,585.50
Library - Printing Monies and Other Misc Revenues	2,766.00
Police Department Revenues	34,034.25
Fire Department Revenues	30,574.91
Public Works Department Revenues	294,408.29
State of NH- Highway Block Grant	438,390.59
State of NH- Meals & Rooms Distribution	1,816,649.40
State of NH- Shared Revenue	-
State & Federal Grants	937,532.51
Total Receipts	\$ 63,579,541.84

Disbursements:

Town Hall/Administration Dept 11	3,002,295.52
Insurance Dept 15	2,668,616.10
Police Dept 22	4,816,697.48
Fire Dept 33	3,481,677.54
Public Works Dept 44	5,915,538.86
Parks & Rec Dept 55	589,811.64
Library Dept 66	836,920.50
Debt Service Dept 77	203,797.71
CIP Dept 88	3,623,836.37
Special Warrant Articles (Dept 99)	119,576.30
Payments to School District	34,625,930.00
Payments to County	2,388,663.00
Total Cash Disbursements	\$ 62,273,361.02

Respectfully submitted,
Danielle Basora, Treasurer

*Note: *Transfers in from Other Funds* includes use of impact fees.
Disbursements include amounts encumbered from previous years paid out in 2024.

TREASURER’S REPORT CONTINUED

FUND 20, EMS Revolving Fund Unaudited for YE 12/31/24

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

Receipts:

Revenues	706,268.78
Special Detail Revenues	10,900.00
Total Receipts	\$ 717,168.78

Expenditures:

Regular Wages FT	107,348.41
Regular Wages PT	84,551.00
Special Detail Wages	4,416.00
Overtime	34,116.85
FICA	5,340.05
Medicare	3,279.98
Retirement - Fire	42,038.78
Unemployment Comp.	657.00
Worker’s Comp.	31,052.85
Benefits	26,220.67
Professional Dues	-
Clothing and Uniforms	2,191.18
Physical Exams	11,642.00
Training Expenses	36,539.95
Legal Services	1,324.96
Office Supplies	907.73
Operating Supplies	22,721.47
Postage	-
Turnouts	-
Computer Software	3,873.00
Telecommunications	2,438.04
Service Fees	36,487.52
Radios	10,441.78
Diesel Fuel	9,169.83
Fleet Maintenance	5,357.29
Tires	15,276.41
Equipment	516.00
Property Insurance	23,918.14
To General Fund	14,498.10
CIP - Machinery & Equipment	9,800.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 546,124.99

FUND 25, Conservation Fund Unaudited for YE 12/31/24

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

Receipts:

Current Use Change Tax	31,800.00
Interest on Investments	6,668.40
Total Receipts	38,468.40

Expenditures:

Contracted Services	-
Administrative Expenses	-
Land Acquisition	-
To General Fund	-
Total Expenditures	\$ -

FUND 40, Parks & Rec Revolving Fund Unaudited for YE 12/31/24

The following represents a summary of financial transactions administered through the Town’s Parks & Recreation revolving fund, as compiled by the Finance Department and Town Treasurer.

Receipts:

Facility Rental	8,176.25
Other Revenues	104,390.50
Total Receipts	\$ 112,566.75

Expenditures:

Contracted Services	600.00
Programs	6,799.39
To General Fund	-
Total Expenditures	\$7,399.39

TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED

FUND 50, Cable/GTV Revolving Fund Unaudited for YE 12/31/24

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

Receipts:

GTV Revenue	284,797.48
Total Receipts	\$ 284,797.48

Expenditures:

Regular Wages FT	107,311.39
Regular Wages PT	21,892.18
Overtime	445.89
FICA	7,841.49
Medicare	1,833.83
Retirement	13,006.15
Unemployment Comp.	65.70
Worker's Comp.	3,105.29
Benefits	28,640.24
Professional Dues	600.00
Employee Development	157.50
Travel Expenses	51.59
Postage	1.97
General Supplies & Materials	589.98
Studio Props	890.18
Furniture & Fixtures	147.99
Equipment	5,349.59
To General Fund	-
Total Expenditures	\$ 191,930.96

FUND 70, Special Detail Revolving Fund Unaudited for YE 12/31/24

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

Receipts:

Revenues	-
Special Detail Revenues	114,855.00
Total Receipts	\$ 114,855.00

Expenditures:

Special Detail Wages	70,681.50
FICA	189.59
Medicare	1,024.88
Retirement - Police	11,198.24
Service Fees	7,053.75
Miscellaneous Expenses	-
To General Fund	-
Total Expenditures	\$ 90,147.96

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

The Trustees of Trust Funds oversee funds placed in trust by the Town for capital reserve purposes, as well as funds left or donated to the Town for specific purposes, such as perpetual cemetery care or annual scholarships. Funds held by the Trustees are held in accounts managed by New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool (NHPDIP) and Citizens Bank – Clarfled Private Wealth Management Division in accordance with RSA 292:23.

At the end of 2024, **\$6,317,183.67** was held in capital reserve accounts, and **\$1,986,204.03** was held for specific future purposes as specified by the various donors or trusts. In 2024, \$16,647.36 in scholarships were awarded to Goffstown High School students to continue their education.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melanie Renfrew-Hebert, Chair
Bill “Tuck” Tucker
Fred Plett, Clerk

Scott Gross, Alternate
Brian Lombardi, Alternate

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NH ON DECEMBER 31, 2024

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	Type	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	%	PRINCIPAL					INCOME					GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
						BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAWALS	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPANDED DURING YEAR	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR	
01/01/1897	Cemetery Trust Funds Cemetery Fund 1	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	6.56%	109,597.02		4,083.89	(1,108.38)		28,151.82	3,408.74		(780.02)	30,780.54	143,353.07
1/1/1980	Cemetery Fund 2	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	2.81%	48,646.11		1,812.69	(491.97)		17,798.80	1,513.01		(493.16)	18,818.65	68,785.48
1/1/1957	Unknown	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.12%	2,044.43		76.18	(20.68)		710.20	63.59		(19.68)	754.11	2,854.04
1/1/1957	Lovel Fund	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	1,026.57		38.25	(10.38)		179.95	31.93		(4.99)	206.89	1,261.33
1/1/1957	Herman Keening	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	933.20		34.77	(9.44)		156.99	29.02		(4.35)	181.66	1,140.19
1/1/1957	Roelbert St. Pierre	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	466.58		17.39	(4.72)		81.78	14.51		(2.27)	94.03	573.26
1/1/1957	Core Cook	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	466.58		17.39	(4.72)		81.78	14.51		(2.27)	94.03	573.26
1/1/1957	Edgar S. notes	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.11%	1,866.47		69.55	(18.88)		297.62	59.05		(8.25)	347.42	2,264.56
1/1/1957	Beverly Eaton	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	429.29		16.00	(4.34)		76.87	13.35		(2.13)	86.09	528.04
1/1/1957	Lorenzo Bean	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.08%	1,399.82		52.16	(14.16)		229.09	43.54		(6.35)	266.28	1,704.10
1/1/1957	Emily Harden	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	466.47		17.38	(4.72)		81.73	14.51		(2.26)	93.98	573.11
1/1/1977	Mrs. Ricard Deneault	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.79		18.03	(4.89)		80.70	15.05		(2.24)	93.51	590.44
1/1/1977	Joseph A. Smith	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.79		18.03	(4.89)		80.70	15.05		(2.24)	93.51	590.44
1/1/1977	Mrs. Clifford Stone	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.79		18.03	(4.89)		80.70	15.05		(2.24)	93.51	590.44
1/1/1977	Mrs. Clarence Hunter	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.79		18.03	(4.89)		80.70	15.05		(2.24)	93.51	590.44
1/1/1977	Joseph P. Smith	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	482.95		18.00	(4.88)		74.09	15.02		(2.05)	87.06	583.13
1/1/1977	Mrs. Peter Boetsky	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.79		18.03	(4.89)		80.70	15.05		(2.24)	93.51	590.44
1/1/1977	Christie Karanikas	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	760.21		28.33	(7.69)		113.30	23.64		(3.14)	133.80	914.65
1/1/1977	Mrs. Francis O'Brian	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.09%	1,520.48		56.66	(15.38)		227.75	47.29		(6.31)	268.73	1,830.49
1/1/1977	Mrs. H. Duane Rowley	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.79		18.03	(4.89)		80.70	15.05		(2.24)	93.51	590.44
1/1/1977	Elmer Nickerson	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.79		18.03	(4.89)		80.70	15.05		(2.24)	93.51	590.44
1/1/1977	Stane M. Gordon	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	760.21		28.33	(7.69)		113.30	23.64		(3.14)	133.80	914.65
1/1/1977	Arthur Blouin	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.79		18.03	(4.89)		80.70	15.05		(2.24)	93.51	590.44
1/1/1977	Phillip Shepard	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.79		18.03	(4.89)		80.70	15.05		(2.24)	93.51	590.44
1/1/1977	Albert W. Hill Jr.	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.01%	165.84		6.18	(1.66)		26.50	5.16		(0.73)	30.93	201.27
1/1/1977	Mrs. Carl Friberg	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	483.52		18.02	(4.89)		80.61	15.04		(2.23)	93.42	590.07
1/1/1978	Harry E. Batty	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	482.14		17.97	(4.88)		78.43	15.00		(2.17)	91.26	586.48
1/1/1978	Robert S. Harris	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.14%	2,349.77		87.56	(23.76)		382.91	73.08		(10.61)	448.38	2,859.95
1/1/1978	Mrs. Alan McKernan	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	760.21		28.33	(7.69)		123.33	23.64		(3.42)	143.55	924.40
1/1/1978	Edith Colson Estate	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.04%	691.11		25.75	(6.99)		110.61	21.50		(3.08)	129.05	838.92
1/1/1978	Carl P. Barton	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.78)		155.07	30.09		(4.30)	180.86	1,174.67
1/1/1978	David L. Bourque	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.78)		155.07	30.09		(4.30)	180.86	1,174.67
1/1/1978	Howard a. Thayer	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.07%	1,174.90		43.78	(11.88)		192.57	36.54		(5.34)	223.77	1,430.57
1/1/1978	Joseph P. Goudreau	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.02%	276.42		10.30	(2.80)		44.47	8.60		(1.23)	51.84	335.76

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						BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAWALS	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR	
1/1/1979	Garner Brown	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.76)	993.81	156.87	30.09	(4.35)	182.61	1,176.42	
1/1/1979	Ducas O'Neil	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.76)	993.81	156.87	30.09	(4.35)	182.61	1,176.42	
1/1/1979	Doris Purvis	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	552.85		20.60	(5.59)	567.86	82.59	17.19	(2.29)	97.49	665.35	
1/1/1979	Hammon Woodbury Jr.	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.07%	1,174.91		43.78	(11.88)	1,206.81	187.60	36.54	(5.20)	218.94	1,425.75	
1/1/1979	Arthur Baril	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.07%	1,174.91		43.78	(11.88)	1,206.81	187.60	36.54	(5.20)	218.94	1,425.75	
1/1/1979	Mrs. Roy Dummer	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.76)	993.81	155.08	30.09	(4.30)	180.87	1,174.68	
1/1/1979	Mrs. Bertrand Bourgault	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	760.24		28.33	(7.69)	780.88	123.33	23.65	(3.42)	143.56	924.44	
1/1/1979	Donald E. Hill	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.09%	1,520.48		56.66	(15.38)	1,561.76	247.14	47.29	(6.85)	287.58	1,849.34	
1/1/1979	John Hasfield Jr.	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.76)	993.81	155.08	30.09	(4.30)	180.87	1,174.68	
1/1/1979	Clinton E. Smith	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.76)	993.81	155.08	30.09	(4.30)	180.87	1,174.68	
1/1/1979	Luther M. Jackson	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.76)	993.81	155.08	30.09	(4.30)	180.87	1,174.68	
1/1/1979	Mrs. Donovan Stevens	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	1,036.69		38.63	(10.48)	1,064.84	166.67	32.24	(4.62)	194.29	1,259.13	
1/1/1979	Mrs. Ralph Foss	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.34		30.90	(8.39)	851.85	132.43	25.79	(3.67)	154.55	1,006.40	
1/1/1979	Joseph P. Gaudreault	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.02%	276.42		10.30	(2.80)	283.92	44.38	8.60	(1.23)	51.75	335.67	
1/1/1979	Mrs. Robert Beauchemin	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	760.35		28.33	(7.69)	780.99	111.58	23.65	(3.09)	132.14	913.13	
1/1/1980	Arthur Grant	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.76)	993.81	155.08	30.09	(4.30)	180.87	1,174.68	
1/1/1980	Peter Jenkins	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	132.41	25.79	(3.67)	154.53	1,006.36	
1/1/1980	John Fletcher	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	132.41	25.79	(3.67)	154.53	1,006.36	
1/1/1980	Mr. Philip Nault	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	760.25		28.33	(7.69)	780.89	123.35	23.65	(3.42)	143.58	924.47	
1/1/1980	John Hills	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.76)	993.81	155.07	30.09	(4.30)	180.86	1,174.67	
1/1/1980	Marvin Akerly	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	967.54		36.05	(9.76)	993.81	155.07	30.09	(4.30)	180.86	1,174.67	
1/1/1980	Albert Wakefield	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.26		30.90	(8.39)	851.77	132.41	25.79	(3.67)	154.53	1,006.30	
1/1/1980	Marjorie Stanyan	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	132.41	25.79	(3.67)	154.53	1,006.36	
1/1/1980	Despou Kokulis	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	132.41	25.79	(3.67)	154.53	1,006.36	
1/1/1980	Alice Vincent	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	132.51	25.79	(3.67)	154.63	1,006.46	
1/1/1980	John Parker	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.10%	1,668.71		61.81	(16.77)	1,703.75	242.46	51.59	(6.72)	287.35	1,991.10	
1/1/1980	William Goss	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.08%	1,382.23		51.51	(13.98)	1,419.76	203.23	42.99	(5.63)	240.59	1,660.35	
1/1/1980	Aral Charbonneau 1	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.02%	276.45		10.30	(2.80)	283.95	42.68	8.60	(1.18)	50.11	334.06	
1/1/1981	Alfred & Helen Duval	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	132.42	25.79	(3.67)	154.54	1,006.37	
1/1/1981	Aral Charbonneau 2	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	552.86		20.60	(5.59)	567.87	75.46	17.20	(2.09)	90.57	658.44	
1/1/1981	Pauline Emery	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.02%	414.68		15.45	(4.19)	425.94	62.65	12.90	(1.74)	73.81	499.75	
1/1/1981	Reid B. Hall	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	130.62	25.79	(3.62)	152.79	1,004.62	
1/1/1981	Byron Rollins	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	130.62	25.79	(3.62)	152.79	1,004.62	
1/1/1981	Dana R. Chase	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	130.62	25.79	(3.62)	152.79	1,004.62	
1/1/1981	George E. Holden	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	484.34		18.05	(4.90)	497.49	80.87	15.06	(2.24)	93.69	591.18	

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						BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITHDRAWALS	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	FEES	BALANCE END YEAR	
1/1/1981	Thelma Depilich	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32	30.90	(8.39)	851.83	130.62	25.79	(3.62)	152.79	1,004.62		
1/1/1982	J & R Coughlin	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.12%	1,935.10	72.11	(19.57)	1,987.64	297.01	60.19	(8.23)	348.97	2,336.61		
1/1/1982	Raymond Brian	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	760.25	28.33	(7.69)	780.89	123.35	23.65	(3.42)	143.58	924.47		
1/1/1982	Evelyn Bissonnette	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.11%	1,796.88	66.96	(18.17)	1,845.67	279.93	55.89	(7.76)	328.06	2,173.73		
1/1/1982	Ray Durmer	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32	30.90	(8.39)	851.83	130.62	25.79	(3.62)	152.79	1,004.62		
1/1/1982	Ethel C Stone	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	552.86	20.60	(5.59)	567.87	89.76	17.20	(2.49)	104.47	672.34		
1/1/1982	Jane Sherman	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.02%	414.68	15.45	(4.19)	425.94	70.69	12.90	(1.96)	81.63	507.57		
1/1/1900	Various Cemetery Fund 1	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.79%	13,200.99	491.91	(133.50)	13,559.40	4,910.08	410.58	(136.05)	5,184.61	18,744.01		
1/1/1900	Various Cemetery Fund 2	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	4.04%	67,443.20	2,513.12	(682.07)	69,274.25	25,410.56	2,097.65	(704.07)	26,804.14	96,078.39		
1/1/1900	Bessie Emery	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.82%	13,675.12	509.57	(138.30)	14,046.39	3,034.81	425.33	(84.09)	3,376.05	17,422.44		
1/1/1900	Ethel Graer	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	2.44%	40,680.58	1,515.87	(411.41)	41,785.04	8,795.96	1,265.27	(243.71)	9,817.52	51,602.56		
1/1/1900	T. Butterfield	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.17%	2,764.59	103.02	(27.96)	2,839.64	473.71	85.99	(13.13)	546.57	3,386.21		
1/1/1957	Surplus Revenue A/C	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	833.45	31.06	(8.43)	856.08	249.88	25.92	(6.92)	268.88	1,124.96		
1/1/1983	John Sellers Fund	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.02%	276.46	10.30	(2.80)	283.96	43.56	8.60	(1.21)	50.95	334.91		
1/1/1983	Fred A. Hamilton	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.36	30.90	(8.39)	851.87	130.64	25.80	(3.62)	152.82	1,004.69		
1/1/1983	Kenneth Harden	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.12%	1,935.26	72.11	(19.57)	1,987.80	296.80	60.19	(8.28)	350.71	2,338.51		
1/1/1983	Gerald McNeil	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.07%	1,241.94	46.26	(12.56)	1,275.66	194.32	36.63	(5.39)	227.57	1,503.23		
1/1/1983	Mrs. R.H. Rogers	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.36	30.90	(8.39)	851.87	130.64	25.80	(3.62)	152.82	1,004.69		
1/1/1983	Robert Wike, Sr.	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	1,036.69	36.63	(10.48)	1,064.84	165.08	32.24	(4.57)	192.75	1,257.59		
1/1/1983	Henry Wagner	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.55	30.91	(8.39)	852.07	130.69	25.80	(3.62)	152.87	1,004.94		
1/1/1983	Mrs. John Scanlon	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	829.36	30.90	(8.39)	851.87	130.64	25.80	(3.62)	152.82	1,004.69		
1/1/1984	Virginia Boulet	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	480.92	17.92	(4.86)	493.98	79.86	14.96	(2.21)	92.61	586.59		
1/1/1984	Leslie/Yvonne Fellows	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.09%	1,580.29	58.89	(15.98)	1,623.20	244.29	49.15	(6.77)	286.67	1,909.87		
1/1/1984	Mrs. Richard Kohle	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	1,030.61	38.40	(10.42)	1,058.59	163.25	32.05	(4.52)	190.78	1,249.37		
1/1/1984	Alfred F. Lively	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.09%	1,580.29	58.89	(15.98)	1,623.20	244.29	49.15	(6.77)	286.67	1,909.87		
1/1/1984	Gloria P. McKenne	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.05%	824.53	30.72	(8.34)	846.91	130.09	25.64	(3.60)	152.13	999.04		
1/1/1984	Lorenzo J. Perry	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.02%	412.25	15.36	(4.17)	423.44	78.01	12.82	(2.16)	88.67	512.11		
1/1/1984	Wilfred S. Whittier	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.09%	1,552.80	57.86	(15.70)	1,594.96	242.80	48.30	(6.73)	284.37	1,879.33		
1/1/1984	Julian Vancouderhover	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	1,030.61	38.40	(10.42)	1,058.59	179.35	32.05	(4.97)	206.43	1,265.02		
1/1/1984	Mrs. John Loveren	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	481.04	17.92	(4.86)	494.10	79.88	14.96	(2.21)	92.63	586.73		
1/1/1984	Albert Gilbert	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	1,030.61	38.40	(10.42)	1,058.59	179.35	32.05	(4.97)	206.43	1,265.02		
1/1/1984	J & P Goudreau	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.06%	1,030.61	38.40	(10.42)	1,058.59	179.35	32.05	(4.97)	206.43	1,265.02		
1/1/1989	Cemetery Fund 3	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.32%	5,272.54	196.47	(53.32)	5,415.69	1,816.54	163.99	(50.39)	1,932.14	7,347.83		
1/1/1993	K. Hollen/Wesilaw Cemetery	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	7.90%	131,945.76	4,916.66	(134.39)	135,528.03	15,051.78	4,103.84	(417.05)	18,738.57	154,266.60		
1/1/1952	Cemetery Fund 4	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	1.74%	29,051.16	1,082.53	(293.80)	29,839.89	10,805.20	903.56	(289.39)	11,409.37	41,249.26		

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1/1/1955	Cemetery Fund 5	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.70%	11,650.12		434.12	(117.82)	11,966.42	362.35		(124.34)	4,725.65	10,992.07
1/1/1900	Ethel Greer Fund 1	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.65%	1,485.73		55.36	(15.03)	1,526.06	46.21		(7.92)	324.11	1,850.17
1/1/1900	Cemetery Fund 6	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	0.03%	420.02		15.65	(4.25)	431.42	13.06		(3.49)	135.54	566.96
1/1/1955	Cemetery Fund 7	Trust	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Common Investment	2.35%	39,319.89		1,465.17	(397.65)	40,387.41	1,222.95		(401.60)	15,315.70	55,031.11
	Total Cemetery Funds					597,860.29	-	22,277.89	(6,046.25)	614,091.93	18,594.88	-	(4,138.91)	163,830.27	777,922.20
1/1/1984	Flower Funds	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.10%	1,658.70		61.81	(16.77)	1,703.74	51.59		(12.75)	469.06	2,172.80
1/1/1900	Cemetery Flower Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.85%	14,215.84		529.72	(143.77)	14,601.79	442.15		(118.46)	4,513.91	19,115.70
1/1/1905	K. Haller Flower Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.07%	1,117.48		41.64	(11.30)	1,147.82	34.76		(0.26)	43.97	1,191.79
1/1/1905	Marion S. Foss Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.14%	2,350.75		87.60	(23.77)	2,414.58	73.11		(12.65)	482.06	2,906.64
1/1/1905	Woodson/Greer Flower Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.16%	2,612.37		97.34	(26.42)	2,683.29	81.25		(63.38)	1,929.28	4,612.57
1/1/1983	Roy Durmer Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.05%	829.32		30.90	(8.39)	851.83	25.79		(2.26)	70.19	922.02
1/1/1983	Verna Bartlett Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.03%	552.86		20.60	(5.59)	567.87	17.20		(0.34)	29.21	597.08
1/1/1983	Ethel Cilley Stone Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.03%	506.13		18.86	(5.12)	519.87	15.74		(0.24)	24.22	544.09
1/1/1996	M.M. Clayton Sargent Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.07%	1,175.37		43.80	(11.89)	1,207.28	36.56		(4.68)	170.91	1,378.19
1/1/1900	Ethel Greer Gravesstone Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.02%	276.45		10.30	(2.80)	283.95	8.60		(5.33)	195.46	479.41
1/1/1989	Beasia Emery/Wesland Cemetery	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.04%	735.67		27.41	(7.44)	755.64	22.88		(2.42)	92.76	848.42
1/1/1989	Estate-Hedley Pingree Flower Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.07%	1,226.03		45.69	(12.40)	1,259.32	38.13		(3.45)	124.07	1,383.39
1/1/1989	Albert Wakefield Flower Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.07%	1,226.03		45.69	(12.40)	1,259.32	38.13		(3.15)	113.83	1,373.15
1/1/1989	William Parker Flower Fund 1	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.07%	1,226.03		45.69	(12.40)	1,259.32	38.13		(3.89)	138.76	1,399.08
1/1/1997	William Parker Flower Fund 2	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.07%	1,162.09		43.30	(11.75)	1,193.64	36.14		(7.11)	295.63	1,479.27
1/1/1999	J Robert Merrill Flower Fund	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.06%	1,073.21		39.99	(10.85)	1,102.35	33.38		(4.16)	149.30	1,251.65
1/1/2005	Philbrick/Elison Family	Trust	Flower/Flag	Common Investment	0.59%	9,628.63		358.79	(97.38)	9,890.04	299.47		(51.74)	2,000.15	11,890.19
	Total Flower Funds					41,572.96	-	1,549.13	(420.44)	42,701.65	1,293.01	(495.00)	(286.27)	10,843.79	53,545.44
1/1/1997	Library Funds	Expanded Trust (RSA 31:19a)	Library	Common Investment	0.07%	1,157.53		43.13	(11.77)	1,188.89	36.00		(5.48)	228.45	1,417.40
1/1/1910	Library Improvement Fund	Trust	Library	Common Investment	0.02%	10,353.24		385.79	(104.70)	10,634.33	322.01		(7.17)	314.84	10,949.17
1/1/1932	Goodwin, Hazaline, Knox Tibbert & Greer	Trust	Library	Common Investment	0.05%	9,900.21		368.91	(100.12)	10,169.00	307.92		(6.86)	301.06	10,470.06
1/1/1933	T. Butterfield Fund	Trust	Library	Common Investment	0.17%	2,764.41		103.01	(27.96)	2,839.46	85.98		(1.92)	84.06	2,923.52
1/1/1900	Ethel Greer Fund	Trust	Library	Common Investment	0.09%	1,485.44		55.35	(15.02)	1,525.77	46.20		(1.03)	45.17	1,570.94
1/1/1900	Trust Fund 1	Trust	Library	Common Investment	0.03%	419.98		15.65	(4.25)	431.38	13.06		(0.29)	12.77	444.15
1/1/2007	Elizabeth Merrill	Trust	Library	Common Investment	0.00%	-		-	0.00	-	-		0.00	-	-
	Total Library Funds					26,090.81	-	971.84	(263.76)	26,788.89	811.17	(623.25)	(22.75)	986.35	27,775.24

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	Scholarship Funds																	
1/1/1992	Paul Lemery	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	0.04%	10,643.12		396.59	(107.64)		10,932.07	311.27	331.03	(900.00)	(8.62)	333.68		11,265.75
1/1/1992	Doris Bailey	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	1.49%	24,945.92		929.55	(262.28)		25,623.19	671.58	775.88	(600.00)	(18.61)	828.85		26,452.04
1/1/1996	Kuniuchi Fund	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	0.11%	1,850.79		66.97	(18.72)		1,901.04	802.17	57.56		(22.23)	837.50		2,738.54
1/1/2003	William Marston Scholarship Fund	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	0.74%	12,283.30		457.71	(124.22)		12,616.79	331.56	382.04	(900.00)	(9.19)	404.41		13,021.20
1/1/2004	R.S. Watt Scholarship Fund	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	1.15%	19,257.22		717.56	(194.75)		19,780.03	627.83	598.95	(500.00)	(14.62)	612.16		20,392.21
1/1/2005	Sandra A. Ellison Trust	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	37.24%	62,130.75	10,847.39	23,182.31	(6,291.74)		649,868.71	21,684.75	19,349.80	(21,894.75)	(601.11)	18,748.69		668,617.40
1/1/2014	Greg Coulon Scholarship	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	0.36%	6,064.45	2,200.00	225.61	(250.00)		8,168.83	(843.20)	188.31	-	0.00	(654.89)		7,513.94
1/1/2016	Lockwood Family Scholarship	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	0.12%	2,087.28		77.78	(21.11)		2,143.95	(1,996.42)	64.92		0.00	(1,871.50)		272.45
1/1/2019	Hesser College Alumni Scholarship Fund	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	0.44%	7,426.40		276.73	(500.00)		7,126.03	(1,062.70)	230.98	-	0.00	(821.72)		6,306.31
1/1/2019	Raul Rokulis Alumni Scholarship	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	0.61%	10,121.44		377.15	(1,000.00)		9,398.23	(1,415.23)	314.80	-	0.00	(1,100.43)		8,295.80
1/1/2017	Lindsay Paradis Scholarship	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	0.68%	11,005.23		410.09	(500.00)		10,804.02	(820.81)	342.29	-	0.00	(478.52)		10,325.50
	Total Scholarship Funds					727,805.90	2,200.00	271,120.07	(7,360.45)		749,765.52	18,270.80	22,836.56	(14,797.36)	(674.38)	25,435.62		775,201.14
	Various Funds																	
1/1/1947	W. Richards Fund 1	Trust	Capital Reserve (Other)	Common Investment	0.08%	1,382.20		51.50	(13.98)		1,418.72	461.90	42.99		(12.52)	482.37		1,902.09
1/1/1947	W. Richards Fund 2	Trust	Capital Reserve (Other)	Common Investment	1.99%	33,173.32		1,236.13	(335.49)		34,073.96	2,753.53	1,031.77		(76.29)	3,709.01		37,782.97
1/1/1987	W. Richards Fund 3	Trust	Capital Reserve (Other)	Common Investment	0.00%	-		-	0.00		-	-	-		0.00	-		-
1/1/1976	100th Anniversary Fund	Trust	Celebration/Other	Common Investment	0.05%	897.57		33.45	(9.08)		921.94	1,644.47	27.92		(45.56)	1,626.83		2,548.77
1/1/2001	Reserved for Future Trust	Trust	Discretionary/Be nefit of the Town	Common Investment	0.00%	-		-	0.00		-	-	-		0.00	-		-
1/1/1900	Trust Fund 2	Trust	Discretionary/Be nefit of the Town	Common Investment	0.03%	419.98		15.65	(4.25)		431.38	155.76	13.06		(4.32)	164.50		595.86
1/1/1900	Trust Fund 3	Trust	Discretionary/Be nefit of the Town	Common Investment	0.65%	10,922.32		407.00	(110.46)		11,218.86	1,070.84	339.71		(29.67)	1,380.88		12,599.74
1/1/1989	Goffstown Main Street	Trust	Celebration/Other	Common Investment	0.00%	-		-	0.00		-	-	-		0.00	-		-
1/1/1900	Program Trust Fund	Trust	Capital Reserve (Other)	Common Investment	0.00%	-		-	0.00		-	133.04	-		(3.69)	129.35		129.35
1/1/1900	GHS Class of 2019	Trust	Educational Purposes	Common Investment	0.00%	-		-	0.00		-	-	-		0.00	-		-
1/1/1900	Contingency Fund	Trust	Capital Reserve (Other)	Common Investment	0.00%	-		-	0.00		-	-	-		0.00	-		-
	Total Various Funds					46,795.39	-	1,743.73	(473.28)		48,065.86	6,209.54	1,455.45	-	(172.05)	7,492.94		55,558.80
	Mildred Stark Funds																	
1/1/1968	Town Hall Fund 1	Trust	Capital Reserve (Other)	Common Investment	9.13%	152,487.74		5,682.11	(1942.14)		156,627.71	45,909.86	4,742.74		(1272.02)	49,379.58		206,007.29
1/1/1968	Town Hall Fund 2	Trust	Capital Reserve (Other)	Common Investment	0.00%	68.70		2.56	(0.69)		70.57	16.31	2.14		(0.45)	18.00		88.57
1/1/1968	H.S. Library Fund	Trust	Library	Common Investment	1.99%	33,173.30		1,236.13	(335.49)		34,073.94	5,671.72	1,031.77		(157.15)	6,546.34		40,620.28
1/1/1988	H.S. Scholarship Fund	Trust	Scholarship	Common Investment	1.99%	33,173.30		1,236.13	(335.49)		34,073.94	1,539.24	1,031.77	(1,850.00)	(42.65)	678.36		34,752.30
	Total Mildred Stark Funds					218,903.04	-	8,156.93	(2,213.81)		224,846.16	53,136.13	6,808.42	(1,850.00)	(1,472.27)	56,622.28		281,468.44

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1/1/1997	Grasmere Town Hall Restoration Fund	Trust	Restoration	Common Investment	0.68%	11,355.93	395.00	423.15		(114.84)	12,059.24	2,691.92	353.20		(74.59)	2,970.53	15,029.77
	TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUND				100.00%	1,670,374.32	2,595.00	62,242.74	-	(16,892.81)	1,718,319.25	240,835.92	51,952.69	(17,765.61)	(6,841.22)	268,181.78	1,986,501.03
	Capital Reserve Funds																
1/1/2003	Conservation Capital	Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)	Capital Reserve (Other)	Public Deposit Investment Pool		205,824.90					205,824.90	-	10,998.66			10,998.66	216,823.56
1/1/2005	Grasmere Town Hall	Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)	Capital Reserve (Other)	Public Deposit Investment Pool		398,706.61					398,706.61	-	21,305.70			21,305.70	420,012.31
1/1/2008	Fire Apparatus	Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)	Capital Reserve (Other)	Public Deposit Investment Pool		729,355.08					729,355.08	-	38,974.56			38,974.56	768,329.64
1/1/2017	Land Acquisition	Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)	Capital Reserve (Other)	Public Deposit Investment Pool		509,923.59			(125,900.00)		384,023.59	-	25,135.33			25,135.33	409,158.92
1/1/2019	Goffstown School District - Facilities	Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)	Capital Reserve (Other)	Public Deposit Investment Pool		699,442.83	250,000.00		(431,862.88)		517,580.05	-	22,672.66			22,672.66	540,252.71
1/1/2020	Sewer Commission	Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)	Capital Reserve (Other)	Public Deposit Investment Pool		3,745,492.56					3,745,492.56	-	200,147.89			200,147.89	3,945,640.45
1/1/2021	Clayton S Ginnard Memorial Scholarship	Scholarship	Scholarship	Public Deposit Investment Pool		16,007.96	10,000.00		(10,000.00)		16,007.96	-	955.12			955.12	16,966.08
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS					6,304,753.63	260,000.00	-	(567,762.88)	-	5,996,990.75	-	320,192.92	-	-	320,192.92	6,317,183.67
	TOTAL ALL FUNDS					7,975,127.95	262,595.00	62,242.74	(567,762.88)	(16,892.81)	7,715,310.00	240,835.92	372,145.61	(17,765.61)	(6,841.22)	588,374.70	8,303,684.70

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				PRINCIPAL BEGINNING OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL PURCHASES	PRINCIPAL CASH CAP GAINS	PRINCIPAL SALES PROCEEDS	PRINCIPAL SALES GAIN/LOSS	PRINCIPAL END OF YEAR BALANCE	INCOME BEGINNING OF YEAR	INCOME EXPENDED	INCOME END OF YEAR BALANCE	PRINCIPAL END OF YEAR INCOME	PRINCIPAL END OF YEAR BALANCE	INCOME	INCOME EXPENDED	INCOME END OF YEAR BALANCE				
Common Trust Fund				61,035.88	0.00	46,880.62	0.00	14,355.26	72,865.99	3,531.99	(27,242.76)	49,155.22	63,510.48	133,901.87	63,510.48						
Cash & Cash Equivalents				0.00	15,759.29	0.00	0.00	15,759.29	0.00	2,883.30	(288.30)	0.00	15,759.29	15,759.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,759.29	15,759.29		
ABBVIE INC COM	00287Y109	Stock	93.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
ACCENTURE PLC IRELAND SHS CLASS A	G1151C101	Stock	40.00	6,857.72	0.00	6,857.72	0.00	6,857.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,857.40	6,857.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,857.40	6,857.40		
AT & T INC	0028R102	Stock	859.00	8,412.24	7,765.25	0.00	881.99	115.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,613.97	15,613.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,613.97	15,613.97		
ADOBEE INC	00724F101	Stock	32.00	9,549.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,549.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,549.04	9,549.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,549.04	9,549.04		
ALPHABET INC CL A	02079K305	Stock	205.00	12,147.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,147.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,147.11	12,147.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,147.11	12,147.11		
ALPHABET INC CL C	02079K107	Stock	59.00	8,635.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,635.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,635.04	8,635.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,635.04	8,635.04		
AMAZON COM INC	02315S108	Stock	231.00	12,193.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,193.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,193.88	12,193.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,193.88	12,193.88		
AMERICAN EXPRESS CO	025616109	Stock	112.00	5,381.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,381.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,381.94	5,381.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,381.94	5,381.94		
AMGEN PLC CL A	02403T108	Stock	371.00	16,634.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,634.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,634.46	16,634.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,634.46	16,634.46		
APPLE INC	036223100	Stock	117.00	15,639.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,639.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,639.54	15,639.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,639.54	15,639.54		
APPLIED MATERIALS INC	036223100	Stock	117.00	15,639.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,639.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,639.54	15,639.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,639.54	15,639.54		
AT&T TECHNOLOGIES INC	049413605	Stock	143.00	6,690.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,690.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,690.54	6,690.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,690.54	6,690.54		
AT&T TECHNOLOGIES INC COM	049413605	Stock	143.00	6,690.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,690.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,690.54	6,690.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,690.54	6,690.54		
AT&T TECHNOLOGIES INC	049413605	Stock	143.00	6,690.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,690.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,690.54	6,690.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,690.54	6,690.54		
BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATION	056223100	Stock	43.00	5,622.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,622.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,622.84	5,622.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,622.84	5,622.84		
BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATION	056223100	Stock	43.00	5,622.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,622.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,622.84	5,622.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,622.84	5,622.84		
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON CORP	064650100	Stock	365.00	14,952.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,952.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,952.35	14,952.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,952.35	14,952.35		
BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC DEL CL B	084670102	Stock	163.00	12,896.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,896.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,896.62	12,896.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,896.62	12,896.62		
BOEING CO	084670102	Stock	57.00	19,678.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,678.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,678.60	19,678.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,678.60	19,678.60		
BOEING CO	084670102	Stock	57.00	19,678.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,678.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,678.60	19,678.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,678.60	19,678.60		
CHARLES SCHWAB CORP NEW	089513105	Stock	130.00	5,556.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,556.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,556.37	5,556.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,556.37	5,556.37		
CISCO SYSTEMS	17276R102	Stock	281.00	14,818.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,818.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,818.18	14,818.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,818.18	14,818.18		
COCA-COLA CO	191741610	Stock	187.00	10,565.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,565.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,565.03	10,565.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,565.03	10,565.03		
COMCAST CORP NEW CL A	20029N101	Stock	78.00	14,676.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,676.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,676.80	14,676.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,676.80	14,676.80		
CONOCOPhillips	20825C104	Stock	78.00	8,678.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,678.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,678.46	8,678.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,678.46	8,678.46		
CONSTELLATION ENERGY CORP	21037T109	Stock	48.00	7,511.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,511.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,511.86	7,511.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,511.86	7,511.86		
COSTCO WHSL CORP NEW	22160J105	Stock	13.00	3,864.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,864.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,864.40	3,864.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,864.40	3,864.40		
CUMMINS INC	23102T106	Stock	40.00	10,089.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,089.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,089.13	10,089.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,089.13	10,089.13		
CYS HEALTH CORPORATION	126650105	Stock	7.99	4.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.43	4.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.43	4.43		
DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC	23718A105	Stock	-	10,811.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,811.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,811.41	10,811.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,811.41	10,811.41		
DEERE & CO	244199105	Stock	-	10,598.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,598.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,598.36	10,598.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,598.36	10,598.36		
DELTA AIRLINES INC	247816102	Stock	137.00	5,277.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,277.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,277.76	5,277.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,277.76	5,277.76		
DELTA AIRLINES INC	247816102	Stock	137.00	5,277.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,277.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,277.76	5,277.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,277.76	5,277.76		
WALT DISNEY CO	254887106	Stock	164.00	14,500.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,500.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,500.91	14,500.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,500.91	14,500.91		
EBAY INC	27668Y103	Stock	220.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
ELECTRONIC ARTS INC	285512108	Stock	-	11,513.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,513.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,513.05	11,513.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,513.05	11,513.05		
EUI LILLY & CO	53245L106	Stock	24.00	14,140.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,140.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,140.32	14,140.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,140.32	14,140.32		
EMERSON ELECTRIC CO	191011104	Stock	-	13,228.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,228.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,228.85	13,228.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,228.85	13,228.85		
EXXON MOBIL CORP	30291G102	Stock	276.00	26,487.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,487.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,487.79	26,487.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,487.79	26,487.79		
META PLATFORMS INC	30393M102	Stock	68.00	14,091.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,091.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,091.42	14,091.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,091.42	14,091.42		
FORTINET INC	34989E109	Stock	5.00	7,840.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,840.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,840.93	7,840.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,840.93	7,840.93		
FREEPORT-MCMORAN INC	35671D857	Stock	227.00	8,410.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,410.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,410.67	8,410.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,410.67	8,410.67		
GENERAL DYNAMICS	369550108	Stock	33.00	7,055.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,055.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,055.27	7,055.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,055.27	7,055.27		
GOLDMAN SACHS GGG PARTNERS INTL	38147N283	Mutual Fund	6,286.44	104,600.00	5,245.50	0.00	0.00	109,845.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	109,845.50	109,845.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	109,845.50	109,845.50		
GPS TECHNOLOGIES INC	302831109	Stock	-	7,218.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,218.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,218.94	7,218.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,218.94	7,218.94		
HUGO BOSS AG	404212109	Stock	42.00	6,652.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,652.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,652.92	6,652.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,652.92	6,652.92		
HERSHEY COMPANY	427631103	Stock	33.00	6,652.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,652.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,652.92	6,652.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,652.92	6,652.92		
HOMER DEROTI INC	44107E104	Stock	567.00	11,045.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,045.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,045.34	11,045.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,045.34			

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				PRINCIPAL BEGINNING OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL CASH CAP GAINS	PRINCIPAL SALE PROCEEDS	PRINCIPAL SALE GAIN/LOSS	PRINCIPAL END OF YEAR BALANCE	INCOME BEGINNING OF YEAR	INCOME EXPENDED	INCOME END OF YEAR BALANCE					PRINCIPAL & INCOME END OF YEAR
TARGET CORP	87612E06	Stock	118.00	7,883.18	5,515.96	0.00	1,249.42	461.11	12,610.83	0.00	429.84	(429.84)	0.00	12,610.83	3,340.41	15,951.24
TESLA INC	88160R01	Stock	58.00	0.00	19,983.27	0.00	1,690.65	101.86	17,794.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17,794.48	4,620.96	22,415.44
LEXTRON INC	86203001	Stock	126.00	9,114.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,114.88	0.00	10.88	(10.88)	0.00	9,114.88	10,136.92	9,275.74
THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC	86353501	Stock	15.00	4,047.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,047.41	0.00	22.80	(22.80)	0.00	4,047.41	3,756.04	7,803.45
TAX COMPANIES NEW	87254009	Stock	124.00	10,326.38	0.00	0.00	897.43	197.22	9,926.18	0.00	188.03	(188.03)	0.00	9,926.18	12,101.49	14,996.44
TELECOM INC	87254009	Stock	72.00	10,241.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,241.68	0.00	203.76	(203.76)	0.00	10,241.68	5,654.26	15,895.94
TRAVELERS COMPANIES INC	88447E09	Stock	48.00	8,285.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,285.24	0.00	199.20	(199.20)	0.00	8,285.24	9,143.52	11,565.72
UBER TECHNOLOGIES INC COM	90353100	Stock	183.00	0.00	11,788.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,788.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,788.77	7,307.48	19,096.25
ULTA BEAUTY INC	90384S03	Stock	-	5,291.42	0.00	0.00	8,880.34	(1,411.08)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,899.90	0.00
UNITED PARCEL SERVICE	91131206	Stock	-	6,839.68	0.00	0.00	8,566.44	1,726.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,276.57	0.00
UNITED HEALTH GROUP INC	91336109	Stock	21.00	4,917.63	5,999.47	0.00	0.00	10,517.10	0.00	123.88	(123.88)	0.00	10,517.10	7,454.46	4,276.14	
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC	91336109	Stock	35.00	8,246.52	0.00	0.00	919.00	289.93	8,017.45	0.00	290.28	(290.28)	0.00	8,017.45	18,952.92	9,687.65
VERTEC PHARMACEUTICALS INC COM	92532F00	Stock	26.00	9,427.96	0.00	0.00	9,038.87	4,545.22	5,934.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,934.31	17,496.27	4,535.89
VISA INC	92626C53	Stock	58.00	7,497.51	0.00	0.00	923.04	553.31	7,128.78	0.00	131.15	(131.15)	0.00	7,128.78	15,881.35	11,201.54
WALMART INC	93114Z03	Stock	185.00	9,842.48	0.00	0.00	866.67	362.81	9,336.72	0.00	156.43	(156.43)	0.00	9,336.72	10,247.25	7,376.03
WELLS FARGO & CO NEW	94974601	Stock	217.00	0.00	12,938.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,938.65	0.00	249.55	(249.55)	0.00	12,938.65	0.00	15,242.08
ZOETIS INC CL A	96978V03	Stock	-	7,667.00	0.00	0.00	7,502.93	(164.07)	0.00	0.00	36.02	(36.02)	0.00	0.00	8,664.28	0.00
Government Bonds																
US TREAS NOTE 1.375% 5/31/25	912828YD6	Treasury Bond/Note	25,000.00	24,898.79	0.00	0.00	40.02	24,938.81	0.00	343.76	(343.76)	0.00	24,938.81	23,315.43	(1,082.36)	23,856.45
US TREAS NOTE 1.750% 11/15/29	912828YS3	Treasury Bond/Note	25,000.00	25,171.86	0.00	0.00	(27.49)	25,144.37	0.00	437.50	(437.50)	0.00	25,144.37	22,341.80	(2,876.40)	22,167.97
US TREAS NOTE 2.000% 11/15/26	912828U24	Treasury Bond/Note	25,000.00	24,035.84	0.00	0.00	310.73	24,346.57	0.00	500.00	(500.00)	0.00	24,346.57	23,466.48	(354.38)	23,992.19
US TREAS NOTE 2.250% 11/15/24	912828G38	Treasury Bond/Note	-	50,672.72	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	(672.72)	0.00	1,125.00	(1,125.00)	0.00	50,000.00	48,880.86	0.00	0.00
US TREAS NOTE 3.000% 10/31/25	912828L55	Treasury Bond/Note	25,000.00	24,924.56	0.00	0.00	33.20	24,957.76	0.00	750.00	(750.00)	0.00	24,957.76	24,422.85	(219.67)	24,746.09
US TREAS NOTE 2.750% 2/15/28	912828M18	Treasury Bond/Note	25,000.00	26,354.43	0.00	0.00	(293.16)	26,061.27	0.00	687.50	(687.50)	0.00	26,061.27	24,422.85	(219.67)	24,746.09
US TREAS NOTE 1.500% 2/15/30	912828Z34	Treasury Bond/Note	50,000.00	49,301.51	0.00	0.00	14.52	49,316.03	0.00	750.00	(750.00)	0.00	49,316.03	43,621.09	(6,505.87)	43,410.16
US TREAS NOTES 1.125% 2/28/27	912828Z89	Treasury Bond/Note	50,000.00	49,815.69	0.00	0.00	51.86	49,867.55	0.00	562.50	(562.50)	0.00	49,867.55	46,826.17	(3,066.71)	46,004.92
US TREAS NOTES 1.250% 6/30/28	91282CCH2	Treasury Bond/Note	50,000.00	49,590.51	0.00	0.00	119.32	49,709.83	0.00	937.50	(937.50)	0.00	49,709.83	44,632.81	(4,665.44)	45,004.92
FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANKS 4.000%	3130A0PB0	Treasury Bond/Note	50,000.00	49,911.64	0.00	0.00	18.28	49,929.92	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	0.00	49,929.92	50,093.68	(632.98)	49,296.94
FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK 4.900%	3130B2QP3	Treasury Bond/Note	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	(444.66)	49,655.34
2.750% 7/29/29	3133EP031	Treasury Bond/Note	50,000.00	49,571.59	0.00	0.00	102.79	49,674.38	0.00	1,250.00	(1,250.00)	0.00	49,674.38	47,267.57	(2,154.50)	47,519.88
FEDERAL FARM CR BK 5.180% 8/15/30	3133EP100	Treasury Bond/Note	50,000.00	49,629.22	0.00	0.00	49.15	49,678.37	0.00	2,590.00	(2,590.00)	0.00	49,678.37	49,835.06	287.07	49,966.44
FEDERAL FARM CREDIT BANK 5.670%	3133EPFN3	Treasury Bond/Note	-	0.00	49,912.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,622.40	(1,622.40)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FEDERAL FARM CR BK 5.840% 7/17/2034	3133ERLE9	Treasury Bond/Note	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,000.00	0.00	49.36	25,049.36
FEDERAL FARM CR BK 6.550%	3133EPX14	Treasury Bond/Note	-	49,882.58	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	117.42	0.00	1,637.50	(1,637.50)	0.00	0.00	50,132.91	0.00	0.00
Taxable Bonds																
GILEAD SCIENCES INC 12/12/25 @ 100	31556B8F9	Bond	25,000.00	25,954.11	0.00	0.00	(375.74)	25,578.37	0.00	912.50	(912.50)	0.00	25,578.37	24,468.98	(678.44)	24,690.93
LANCORS FOOD BKKS 2.650% 1/15/29/36	452388AX7	Bond	50,000.00	51,662.88	0.00	0.00	(945.96)	51,116.92	0.00	1,325.00	(1,325.00)	0.00	51,116.92	47,765.67	(2,565.25)	48,551.63
INTEL CORP CALLABLE 4/29/25 @ 100	458140AS9	Bond	25,000.00	25,906.07	0.00	0.00	(448.88)	25,457.19	0.00	925.00	(925.00)	0.00	25,457.19	24,603.37	(624.11)	24,833.08
ORACLE CORP @ 100.3, 4.00% 7/8/2024	66389XAL9	Bond	-	25,095.97	0.00	0.00	(65.97)	25,029.99	0.00	850.00	(850.00)	0.00	25,029.99	24,706.79	0.00	0.00
PROCTER AND GAMBLE CO SR GBL	742718GG8	Bond	50,000.00	0.00	49,553.00	0.00	0.00	49,553.00	0.00	1,137.50	(1,137.50)	0.00	49,553.00	0.00	(853.75)	48,716.23
4.550% 1/29/34	89114QCK2	Bond	50,000.00	49,406.65	0.00	0.00	394.04	49,800.69	0.00	375.00	(375.00)	0.00	49,800.69	46,663.93	(1,128.33)	48,671.36
TORONTO DOMINION BANK FR 0.750%	892231AG4	Bond	50,000.00	51,270.06	0.00	0.00	(199.74)	51,070.32	0.00	1,380.00	(1,380.00)	0.00	51,070.32	46,970.83	(4,951.76)	46,118.95
DUE 9/11/2025	966837AE6	Bond	50,000.00	53,378.18	0.00	0.00	(1,674.40)	51,703.78	0.00	2,600.00	(2,600.00)	0.00	51,703.78	50,188.52	(1,565.89)	50,134.89
2.750% 7/29/29	464287AE5	Bond	1,202.00	76,962.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	76,962.85	0.00	2,944.89	(2,944.89)	0.00	76,962.85	90,570.70	13,900.67	90,865.22
3.200% 12/30/25	93114ZFD0	Bond	50,000.00	0.00	49,968.50	0.00	0.00	49,968.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	49,968.50	0.00	(424.42)	47,645.06
SHARES MSCI EAFE ETF	825282BE1	Bond	50,000.00	0.00	46,383.00	0.00	0.00	46,383.00	0.00	2,062.50	(2,062.50)	0.00	46,383.00	46,672.81	(421.70)	46,151.11
SHELL INTERNATIONAL FIN BV 4.125%	825282BE1	Bond	50,000.00	1,538,343.53	515,487.97	0.00	473,482.51	56,996.26	1,937,345.25	72,865.99	53,318.87	(77,029.64)	49,155.22	1,986,630.47	2,284,107.02	571,445.98
5/11/2035																
Total Common Trust Fund																
Capital Reserves		Public Deposit		6,304,753.63	10,000.00		(431,882.88)		5,882,890.75		162,436.38		162,436.38	6,045,937.13		
Capital Reserve Funds		Investment Pool		8,143,097.16	525,487.97		41,619.63	56,996.26	8,683,961.76	72,865.99	215,755.25	(77,029.64)	211,591.60	8,031,827.60	2,284,107.02	571,445.98
Total All Funds				14,286,894.79	1,050,975.97		38,239.51	62,992.52	14,367,853.51	145,731.98	331,590.63	(154,059.28)	373,023.00	14,369,755.20	4,568,214.04	1,142,891.96

TOWN 2025 OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - 2025 PROPOSED BUDGET Budget Committee Recommended - 1/14/2025 Public Hearing

GENERAL FUND - EXPENDITURES (SUMMARY BY DIVISION)	2023		2024		2025	
	BUDGET	ACTUALS	BUDGET	YTD (12/31/24)	DEFAULT	PROPOSED
10 - General Fund						
11 - Town Hall						
41300 - Administration	526,310	477,121	622,565	569,687	504,270	602,665
41400 - Town Clerk	246,030	239,674	266,364	271,611	258,260	291,680
41401 - Election	28,979	29,662	68,323	96,666	45,548	36,036
41500 - Finance	420,496	420,209	445,735	317,174	433,630	430,844
41510 - Tax Collection	97,293	98,064	103,520	107,079	99,182	119,721
41520 - Revaluation of Property	197,219	176,401	197,378	174,656	185,754	202,192
41530 - Information Technology	974,294	937,759	1,065,206	990,818	1,005,992	1,158,595
41910 - Planning, Zoning & Econ Dev	345,281	252,565	298,824	244,415	312,245	331,244
41990 - Other General Government	25,950	20,513	30,600	17,316	25,950	27,100
42400 - Building/Health Inspection	128,799	113,873	142,745	122,495	147,082	164,290
44410 - Human Services	20,391	10,876	20,519	18,116	20,442	20,940
11 - Town Hall Total	3,011,042	2,776,717	3,261,779	2,930,032	3,038,355	3,385,307
15 - Insurance						
0 - No Division Number	3,007,285	2,509,683	3,434,749	3,057,327	3,512,211	3,664,243
15 - Insurance Total	3,007,285	2,509,683	3,434,749	3,057,327	3,512,211	3,664,243
22 - Police						
42101 - Police Operations	4,321,037	3,842,730	4,285,812	3,891,935	4,546,074	4,695,197
42104 - Police Communications	960,698	908,318	989,118	916,516	1,065,459	1,133,528
22 - Police Total	5,281,735	4,751,047	5,274,929	4,808,451	5,611,533	5,828,725
33 - Fire						
42102 - Emergency Management	10,783	5,381	10,272	2,609	10,783	10,082
42201 - Fire Operations	3,387,767	3,391,853	3,615,464	3,469,900	3,584,048	3,721,826
33 - Fire Total	3,398,550	3,397,233	3,625,736	3,472,509	3,594,831	3,731,908

TOWN 2025 OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY CONTINUED

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - 2025 PROPOSED BUDGET Budget Committee Recommended - 1/14/2025 Public Hearing

GENERAL FUND - EXPENDITURES (SUMMARY BY DIVISION)		2023	2023	2024	2024 YTD	2025	2025
		BUDGET	ACTUALS	BUDGET	(12/31/24)	DEFAULT	PROPOSED
44 - Public Works	41950 - Cemetery Operations	183,631	161,095	191,096	177,861	169,866	178,953
	43111 - Public Works-Highway	3,342,318	3,264,207	3,520,281	3,462,581	3,461,012	3,668,875
	43190 - Fleet	560,838	705,862	664,384	730,505	678,526	720,676
	43230 - Solid Waste Operations	1,411,098	1,529,919	1,529,854	1,554,168	1,458,812	1,593,798
	44 - Public Works Total	5,497,885	5,661,083	5,905,615	5,925,115	5,768,216	6,162,302
55 - Parks and Rec	45201 - Parks & Rec Operations	589,897	580,507	610,218	582,684	585,382	630,527
	55 - Parks and Rec Total	589,897	580,507	610,218	582,684	585,382	630,527
66 - Library	45501 - Library Operations	821,386	797,082	851,940	835,786	830,427	952,292
	66 - Library Total	821,386	797,082	851,940	835,786	830,427	952,292
77 - Debt Service	47110 - Principal-Long Trm Bonds&Notes	105,000	105,000	105,000	105,000	105,000	105,000
	47111 - LVDP WATER MAIN	53,244	53,244	53,244	53,243	53,244	53,244
	47120 - Debt Serv-Long Term Bond Int	49,775	49,775	45,554	45,554	41,334	41,334
	47230 - DS-ST INTEREST	1	0	1	0	1	1
	77 - Debt Service Total	208,020	208,019	203,799	203,798	199,579	199,579
88 - CIP	4902 - CAPT OUTL - Mach, Veh & Equip	1,205,000	553,800	486,334	467,041	740,000	197,000
	4903 - CAPT OUTL - Buildings	0	0	0	0	0	40,000
	4909 - CAPT OUTL - Imp other thn Bldg	1,670,000	2,539,666	1,880,000	2,512,515	1,670,000	1,185,000
	88 - CIP Total	2,875,000	3,093,466	2,366,334	2,979,556	2,410,000	1,422,000
10 - General Fund Total		24,690,800	23,774,838	25,535,099	24,795,257	25,550,534	25,976,883

OUTSTANDING DEBT SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND

2011 LVDP Water Project			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total
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
Totals	289,736	29,728	319,464

2016 Fire Station #18 Bond			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	105,000	41,333	146,333
2026	105,000	36,062	141,062
2027	105,000	30,791	135,791
2028	105,000	28,670	133,670
2029	105,000	26,549	131,549
2030	105,000	24,297	129,297
2031	105,000	20,076	125,076
2032	105,000	15,855	120,855
2033	105,000	12,684	117,684
2034	105,000	9,513	114,513
2035	105,000	6,342	111,342
2036	105,000	3,171	108,171
Totals	1,260,000	255,343	1,515,343

GENERAL FUND TOTALS			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2025	149,946	49,631	199,577
2026	151,233	43,073	194,306
2027	152,557	36,478	189,035
2028	153,919	32,995	186,914
2029	155,320	29,473	184,793
2030	156,761	25,780	182,541
2031	105,000	20,076	125,076
2032	105,000	15,855	120,855
2033	105,000	12,684	117,684
2034	105,000	9,513	114,513
2035	105,000	6,342	111,342
2036	105,000	3,171	108,171
Totals	1,549,736	285,071	1,834,807

The Sewer Fund paid off all remaining
outstanding debt in 2019.

ADMINISTRATION

REPORT OF THE ASSESSING OFFICE

The Town completed an assessment update for the 2023 tax year. The Town's assessments and assessment practices were reviewed by the State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) for the 2023 tax year. In a letter dated April 8, 2024 from Ben LaFond, District Supervisor, DRA, it was stated that the required USPAP¹ report met the criteria on the DRA's compliance checklist. In a second letter from Mr. LaFond dated October 18, 2024, it was stated that the results of the 2023 DRA Equalization Study were "within the IAAO and Assessing Standards Board (ASB) recommended ranges and represent an improvement over the prior indicators of assessment level and equity." Per these letters, the Town has met two of the six assessing criteria (A & F) required by the ASB²; however, the final report from the DRA regarding the remaining four criteria has not yet been received.

Since 2006, the Town has had six assessment updates and three Cyclical Measure and Lists (visits to every property to measure the exterior structures and if able gather interior information). Other than building permit updates, the Assessing Office has no plans at this time to start another Cyclical Measure and List. The next required assessment update will be in 2028.

Article 26 and Article 27 of the 2024 Town Warrant increased the Optional Veteran's Tax Credit from \$500 to \$600 and the Service Connected Total Disability Veteran's Tax Credit from \$2,000 to \$2,400.

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. The Assessing Office asks for the continued understanding and cooperation of the Town's citizens. Assessing is an ongoing process. The participation of taxpayers in this process is not only welcomed but encouraged.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott W. Bartlett, CNHA, Town Assessor

1 <https://goffstownnh.gov/DocumentCenter/View/3941/Mass-Appraisal-Report-of-Statistical-Update-Updated-422024-PDF>

2 A. *Level of assessments and uniformity of assessments are within the acceptable ranges as recommended by the assessing standards board by considering, where appropriate, an assessment-to-sales-ratio study conducted by the department for the municipality;*
 B. *Assessment practices substantially comply with applicable statutes and rules;*
 C. *Exemption and credit procedures substantially comply with applicable statutes and rules;*
 D. *Assessments are based on reasonably accurate data;*
 E. *Assessments of various types of properties are reasonably proportional to other types of properties within the municipality; and,*
 F. *A report based on the most recent edition of the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal (USPAP) Standard 6 shall be produced.*

MS-1 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

LAND

Current Use	\$ 1,003,441	
Conservation Restriction Assessment	0	
Discretionary Easement	100	
Residential	926,637,378	
Commercial/Industrial	80,756,581	
Total Taxable Land		\$1,008,397,500
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		74,256,400

BUILDINGS

Residential	\$1,422,973,325	
Manufactured Housing	44,742,300	
Commercial/Industrial	159,809,475	
Discretionary Preservation Easement	51,400	
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$1,627,582,800
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		154,145,100

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Electric	\$ 125,680,600	
Gas	5,346,200	
Total Public Utilities		\$ 131,026,800

TAXABLE VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS \$2,767,000,800

EXEMPTIONS:	NUMBER	AMOUNT
Certain Disabled Veterans	1	\$ 337,800
School Dining/Dorms/Kitchen	1	150,000
Blind	6	175,000
Elderly	185	21,059,900
Solar Energy Systems	141	1,252,300
Total Exemptions	334	\$22,487,200

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION RATE IS COMPUTED **\$2,744,025,800**

NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED **\$2,612,999,000**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS GRANTED \$ 556,400

2024 SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
4-103	16 MAPLE AV	4	673,400	3,448,000	4,121,400
5-14-1	251 ELM ST	26	1,077,000	2,238,000	3,315,000
5-61-1	NORMAND RD	79	428,000	0	428,000
5-95-1	WALLACE RD	27	272,700	0	272,700
5-98	27 WALLACE RD	30	2,917,800	16,696,200	19,614,000
8-74	41 LAUREN LN	60	3,744,900	11,460,400	15,205,300
17-182	689 MAST RD	1	436,100	1,742,200	2,178,300
34-138	11 SCHOOL ST	1	343,000	383,300	726,300
GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT TOTALS		228	\$9,892,900	\$35,968,100	\$45,861,000

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
1-37	MOUNTAIN RD	110	690,800	0	690,800
4-11	OFF HILLSDALE DR	0	182,100	34,800	216,900
7-2	MAST RD	24	73,200	11,000	84,200
7-5	NORTH MAST ST	4	182,600	132,300	314,900
7-8-1	NORTH MAST ST	24	220,500	0	220,500
7-106-2	HIGH ST	1	141,100	0	141,100
4-16-2	MOUNTAIN RD	16	144,800	0	144,800
1-38	BACK MOUNTAIN RD	465	1,539,600	159,400	1,699,000
GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT TOTALS		644	\$3,174,700	\$337,500	\$3,512,200

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
2-39-4	OFF BACK MOUNTAIN RD	2	117,400	0	117,400
2-64-28	SHIRLEY HILL RD	3	2,700	0	2,700
2-64-29	ADDISON RD	7	11,000	0	11,000
3-9	OFF SCHOOL HOUSE RD	1	3,000	0	3,000
4-61	OFF NEW BOSTON RD	21	46,900	0	46,900
5-14	GOFFSTOWN BACK RD	40	423,900	11,200	435,100
5-15-3	274 ELM ST	2	86,200	0	86,200
5-15-4	278 ELM ST	5	285,900	0	285,900
5-24	404 ELM ST	71	2,116,500	1,025,300	3,141,800
5-38-39	JUNIPER DR	6	83,700	0	83,700
5-97	WALLACE RD	1	35,300	0	35,300
5-59A	MAST RD	0	14,100	0	14,100
6-39-1-A	326 MAST RD	2	362,300	2,364,400	2,726,700
7-72	NORTH MAST ST	9	319,200	22,200	341,400
8-14	OFF HEATHER HILL LN	10	1,000	0	1,000
8-44	OFF LOCUST HILL RD	3	6,100	0	6,100
8-13A	OFF STINSON RD	11	1,100	0	1,100
8-13B	STINSON RD	35	3,600	0	3,600
9-29-1	289 TIRRELL HILL RD	2	179,100	664,600	843,700
9-60-2	FIELDSTONE DR	1	32,300	0	32,300
10-11	TENNEY RD	1	16,700	0	16,700
12-9-1	OFF MONTELONA RD	32	15,500	0	15,500

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN Cont.		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
12-10A	OFF MONTELONA RD	65	207,300	0	207,300
15-58	ROSEMONT ST	2	201,400	0	201,400
15-59	ROSEMONT ST	0	16,400	0	16,400
15-57A	31 ROSEMONT ST	4	417,500	152,800	570,300
15-73A	OFF ROSEMONT ST	0	17,400	0	17,400
16-118	OFF MOREAU ST	0	1,900	0	1,900
16-225-1	PINE HILL AV	0	9,700	0	9,700
16-117A	BROOK ST	0	3,700	0	3,700
17-37	656 MAST RD	1	458,000	1,440,600	1,898,600
17-238	36 LAURIER ST	38	776,400	36,500	812,900
17-220A	LOUIS ST	0	13,700	0	13,700
19-47	EAST UNION ST	2	32,800	0	32,800
19-47-1	OFF EAST UNION ST	1	11,600	0	11,600
19-47-2	OFF SHIRLEY PARK RD	1	10,900	0	10,900
19-47-3	OFF SOUTH MAST ST	0	4,200	0	4,200
19-47-4	OFF BLUE JAY LN	4	37,500	0	37,500
19-47-5	OFF MAST RD	2	14,400	0	14,400
19-47-6	OFF MAST RD	5	40,500	0	40,500
19-47-7	OFF MAST RD	0	2,300	0	2,300
19-47-8	OFF HENRY BRIDGE RD	2	15,500	0	15,500
19-47-9	OFF HENRY BRIDGE RD	6	52,400	0	52,400
19-47-10	OFF DANIS PARK RD	1	11,700	0	11,700
19-47-11	OFF MORGAN CR	2	18,700	0	18,700
19-47-12	OFF LYNCHVILLE PARK RD	8	71,200	0	71,200
19-47-13	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	8	70,000	0	70,000
19-47-14	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	2	18,400	0	18,400
19-47-15	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	1	9,700	0	9,700
19-47-16	EAST UNION ST	0	300	0	300
21-85	60 COVE ST	0	160,300	0	160,300
21-64A	BAY ST	0	62,300	0	62,300
24-37	ANDRE/RUSSELL	1	42,200	0	42,200
24-43	ANDRE ST	0	10,800	0	10,800
24-59A	LYNCHVILLE PARK RD	0	58,600	0	58,600
26-13A	MAST RD/HENRY BRIDGE	0	26,100	0	26,100
27-23	HENRY BRIDGE RD	0	64,800	0	64,800
27-25	86 CENTER ST	9	76,500	3,500	80,000
28-28	87 CENTER ST	0	163,600	248,900	412,500
30-81	9 BARNARD LN	18	747,100	570,300	1,317,400
30-25A	PINERIDGE ST	2	17,300	0	17,300
30-29A	HIGHLAND AV	0	31,200	0	31,200
30-43A	SOUTH MAST ST	0	1,600	0	1,600
31-19	155 SOUTH MAST ST	1	278,600	351,000	629,600
32-26E-18	HERMSDORF AV	0	33,100	0	33,100
32-26E-19	HERMSDORF AV	0	33,200	0	33,200
32-26E-22	HERMSDORF AV	0	32,600	0	32,600
32-26E-30	JANICE DR	0	31,400	0	31,400

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN Cont.		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
32-26E-55	THOMAS DR	0	33,700	0	33,700
34-83	16 MAIN ST	1	226,000	1,751,600	1,977,600
34-106	1 NORTH MAST ST	0	73,600	0	73,600
34-107	2 HIGH ST	1	228,300	650,200	878,500
34-114-1	50 ELM ST	0	99,300	0	99,300
34-127-1	MILL ST	0	14,900	0	14,900
34-129	MILL ST	0	15,800	0	15,800
34-148	MAIN ST	0	203,700	14,700	218,400
34-152	MAIN ST	0	199,800	0	199,800
37-9	83 NORTH MAST ST	9	420,900	0	420,900
38-13	18 CHURCH ST	2	266,100	4,038,100	4,304,200
40-11	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,900	0	11,900
40-12	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	87,100	0	87,100
40-22	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	12,100	0	12,100
40-23	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-40	17 GRANDVIEW RD	0	8,300	200	8,500
40-41	15 GRANDVIEW RD	0	8,300	0	8,300
40-43	8 GRANDVIEW RD	0	8,200	0	8,200
40-47	197 PERIMETER RD	0	81,100	500	81,600
40-48	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	8,100	0	8,100
40-51	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	12,000	0	12,000
40-52	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-57	MAPLE LN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-60	41 CRESCENT LN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-86	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,800	0	11,800
40-87	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-90	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-94	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,500	0	11,500
40-96	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	3,600	0	3,600
40-102	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	3,700	0	3,700
40-113	222 PERIMETER RD	0	335,800	194,500	530,300
40-50A	OFF PERIMETER RD	0	11,400	0	11,400
41-18	MOUNTAIN AV	0	11,700	0	11,700
41-34	CHOCORUA AV	4	47,000	0	47,000
41-47	KAOKA AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-49	KAOKA AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-50	KAOKA AV	0	24,300	0	24,300
41-52	INCLINE AV	0	11,700	700	12,400
41-56	UNCANOONUC AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-59	MASCOMA AV	0	11,700	0	11,700
41-69	46 INCLINE AV	0	11,900	0	11,900
41-78	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	13,900	0	13,900
42-1	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	24,800	0	24,800
42-4	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	22,400	0	22,400
42-6	3 ORR ST	0	30,900	0	30,900
42-30	169 MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	190,800	0	190,800

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN Cont.		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
43-24-1	ARROWHEAD DR	0	131,600	20,000	151,600
99-9-9	PUBLIC ROW	0	9,520,000	0	9,520,000
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN TOTALS		481	\$21,169,800	\$13,561,800	\$34,731,600

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - SEWER		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
19-15	19 CHANNEL LN	0	40,900	2,000	42,900
34-177	27 EAST UNION ST	4	297,500	244,300	541,800
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN-SEWER TOTALS		4	\$338,400	\$246,300	\$584,700

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
1-35	MOUNTAIN RD	137	615,700	0	615,700
7-3-1	OFF MAST RD	5	27,600	0	27,600
8-17-1	SANBORN FARM LN	2	200	0	200
8-17-2	SANBORN FARM LN	3	300	0	300
8-17-3	SANBORN FARM LN	2	200	0	200
8-17-4	SANBORN FARM LN	3	300	0	300
8-17-5	PAIGE HILL RD	40	4,000	0	4,000
31-22	OFF MAST RD	1	113,000	0	113,000
35-48	ISLAND ON GLEN LAKE	2	64,200	0	64,200
40-1	CRESCENT LN	0	128,700	0	128,700
40-8	PERIMETER RD	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-14	CRESCENT LN	0	12,300	0	12,300
40-15	GRANDVIEW AV	26	138,000	0	138,000
40-16	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	12,000	0	12,000
40-17	CRESENT LN	0	11,800	0	11,800
40-18	CRESENT LN	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-19	CRESENT LN	0	11,300	0	11,300
40-20	CRESENT LN	0	11,300	0	11,300
40-21	CRESENT LN	0	11,800	0	11,800
40-24	CRESENT LN	0	11,800	0	11,800
40-25	CRESENT LN	1	13,000	0	13,000
40-27	PERIMETER RD	0	12,000	0	12,000
40-29	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	12,100	0	12,100
40-34	SUMMIT RD	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-35	SUMMIT RD	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-42	GRANDVIEW RD	5	31,000	0	31,000
40-50	OFF PERIMETER RD	1	13,100	0	13,100
40-53	BEECH LN	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-54	SUMMIT AV	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-56	MAPLE LN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-58	SUMMIT RD	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-59	MAPLE LN	0	12,200	0	12,200
40-61	CHESTNUT LN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-63	CHESTNUT LN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-64	CHESTNUT/SUMMIT	0	12,000	0	12,000
40-65	BEECH LN	0	12,100	0	12,100

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND Cont.		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
40-66	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-67	BEECH LN	0	2,400	0	2,400
40-68	GRANDVIEW AV	12	55,700	0	55,700
40-69	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-70	CHESTNUT LN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-71	CHESTNUT LN	0	11,800	0	11,800
40-72	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,500	0	11,500
40-73	OFF PERIMETER RD	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-74	CHESTNUT LN	0	12,400	0	12,400
40-76	BIRCH LN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-77	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,500	0	11,500
40-78	BIRCH LN	0	11,500	0	11,500
40-79	UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,500	0	11,500
40-80	BIRCH LN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-81	UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-82	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-83	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-85	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-88	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-89	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,900	0	11,900
40-91	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-92	UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,800	0	11,800
40-93	CEDAR LN	0	11,400	0	11,400
40-95	UNCANOONUC MTN	0	12,000	0	12,000
40-97	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,600	0	11,600
40-98	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0	11,900	0	11,900
40-99	SUMMIT AV	1	4,900	0	4,900
40-101	PINE LN	0	12,600	0	12,600
40-103	OFF PERIMETER RD	0	11,700	0	11,700
40-104	SUMMIT AV	1	4,400	0	4,400
40-105	SUMMIT AV	6	36,100	0	36,100
40-106	SUMMIT AV	1	7,000	0	7,000
40-107	SUMMIT AV	1	7,300	0	7,300
40-115	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	38	190,800	0	190,800
40-4A	UNCANOONUC MTN	3	19,300	0	19,300
40-47A	OFF PERIMETER RD	0	3,900	0	3,900
41-6	FOREST AV	0	23,700	0	23,700
41-7	36 INCLINE AV	0	25,100	0	25,100
41-9	INCLINE AV	0	24,100	0	24,100
41-11	INCLINE AV	1	16,200	0	16,200
41-14	MOUNTAIN/PARK AV	1	27,100	0	27,100
41-15	MOUNTAIN AV	1	16,200	0	16,200
41-16	MOUNTAIN AV	0	25,100	0	25,100
41-17	MOUNTAIN AV	0	11,700	0	11,700
41-19	UNCANOONUC AV	0	23,600	0	23,600
41-21	PARK AV	2	33,800	0	33,800

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND Cont.		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
41-22	CROWN AV	0	25,000	0	25,000
41-23	UNCANOONUC AV	0	22,600	0	22,600
41-24	UNCANOONUC AV	0	24,200	0	24,200
41-29	UNCANOONUC AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-30	INCLINE AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-31	SOUTH MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-32	KAOKA AV	1	25,900	0	25,900
41-33	KAOKA AV	3	29,800	0	29,800
41-35	WONOLANCET AV	1	29,100	0	29,100
41-36	WONOLANCET AV	2	15,300	0	15,300
41-37	MASCOMA AV	3	38,100	0	38,100
41-38	CHOCORUA AV	0	2,300	0	2,300
41-39	CHOCORUA AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-40	CHOCORUA AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-41	CHOCORUA AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-42	CHOCORUA AV	0	25,100	0	25,100
41-43	CHOCORUA AV	1	27,700	0	27,700
41-45	KAOKA AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-46	KAOKA AV	0	24,300	0	24,300
41-48	KAOKA AV	1	26,000	0	26,000
41-51	MASCOMA AV	0	116,800	0	116,800
41-61	UNCANOONUC AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-62	UNCANOONUC AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
41-75	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	1	34,200	0	34,200
41-76	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	23,000	0	23,000
41-77	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	29,600	0	29,600
41-79	MASCOMA AV	0	24,300	0	24,300
41-80	SOUTH MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	24,300	0	24,300
41-37A	MASCOMA AV	1	25,900	0	25,900
41-64A	UNCANOONUC AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
42-2	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	23,900	0	23,900
42-5	OFF MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	25,400	0	25,400
42-12	INCLINE AV	0	23,300	0	23,300
42-15	MOUNTAIN AV	0	24,300	0	24,300
42-18	MOUNTAIN AV	1	26,600	0	26,600
42-19	ORR ST	1	4,000	0	4,000
42-22	PARK AV	1	27,800	0	27,800
42-23	CROWN AV	1	29,400	0	29,400
42-24	CHESTNUT SLOPE	2	192,600	0	192,600
42-25	SUMMIT AV	2	11,800	0	11,800
42-28	165 MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	23,300	0	23,300
42-29	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	36,700	0	36,700
42-31	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	36,800	0	36,800
42-32	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	23,400	0	23,400
42-33	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	24,300	0	24,300
42-35	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	23,300	0	23,300

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND Cont.		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
42-36	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	23,300	0	23,300
42-37	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	23,300	0	23,300
42-40	OFF MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	38,200	0	38,200
42-41	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0	23,300	0	23,300
42-42	SUMMIT AV	4	38,400	0	38,400
42-45	LAKE UNCANOONUC	0	24,100	0	24,100
42-51	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0	22,000	8,800	30,800
GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION TOTALS		333	\$3,847,500	\$8,800	\$3,856,300

GRAND TOTALS

1,690 \$38,423,300 \$50,122,500 \$88,545,800

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Staff Members of the Community Development Department include Planning and Economic Development Director Jo Ann Duffy; Planning and Zoning Assistant Patty Gale; Zoning & Building Code Enforcement Officer Jack Shephard; Assessor Scott Bartlett; and Assessing & Building Secretary Jodi Morel. The Land Use Office also includes the Sewer Commission Secretary Lynne Pooler.

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 report separately. These groups include the Economic Development Council, the Planning Board, its Capital Improvements Program Committee, and the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

PLANNING - 2024

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 (SNHPC), and other project review committees through the Commission.

The Planning and Zoning Office continues to process applications for development. The table below shows the number of new Subdivisions, Site Plans and Conceptual Plan applications submitted for Planning Board review each year since 2014.

Type	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Subdivision	6	7	11	10	7	11	13	10	8	9
Site Plan	6	11	8	13	14	11	5	11	7	12
Conceptual	7	3	5	5	1	3	2	2	6	6
Sub-Total	17	21	24	28	22	25	20	23	21	27
Time Extensions	2	3	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	0
Conditional Use Permits	3	2	5	5	7	11	5	11	12	7
Site Plan Waivers	0	0	2	2	7	2	1	6	4	3
Relief from Outer 50' of 100' WSWC District	2	1	5	2	6	7	3	3	3	1
Scenic Road Tree Cut	-	-	1	-	2	0	0	1	1	0
Subdivision Revocation	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	7	6	12	11	18	22	10	21	20	11

There have been several planning applications reviewed this year. Goffstown also welcomed several new businesses, as well as some new residential units into town.

Twenty-six new residential condominiums are now under construction at 443 Mast Road. Thirty new residential condominium units were also approved on Tatro Drive. A 2,2,60 square foot non-profit community center was approved at 530 Mast Road. There have also been several smaller subdivisions and lot line adjustments approved by the Planning Board this past year.

ZONING

The Zoning and Building Code Enforcement Officer enforces the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance, as well as specific approval conditions attached to actions 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, most property owners take corrective action to bring their property into compliance. When compliance cannot be achieved, the Zoning and Building Code Enforcement Officer works with the town’s legal counsel to pursue legal action through the Hillsborough County Superior Court.

The Zoning and Building Code Enforcement Officer 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 Zoning Office reviews building permit applications to ensure zoning compliance, reviews sign permit applications, and performs other such duties as may be assigned.

In addition to enforcement in 2024, the Planning and Zoning Office processed ZBA applications for 26 Variances, 4 Special Exceptions, 1 Time Extension, and 5 requests for a rehearing. Also in the year 2024, the Zoning Office was busy with issuing a few violation notices. The Planning and Zoning Office issued 13 commercial, and 19 special event sign permits.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Unit Type	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1 and 2-Family Units	14	15	16	15	33	20	17	9	9	11
Condo/ Multi-Family Units	0	0	0	85	0	0	25	28	1	-
Accessory Dwelling Units						2	1	3	4	4

Goffstown faces challenges of growth and additional pressures of our infrastructure due to increased development in our community, as well as neighboring communities.

Permit / Fee Source	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024	
	#	Value								
New 1 and 2 - Family Units	20	\$9,779	17	\$10,068	9	\$11,563	9	\$7,582	11	\$15,240
Condo/Multi-Family Units	-	-	25	\$15,411	28	\$52,995	1	\$926	-	-
Accessory Dwelling Units	2	\$1,949	1	\$182	3	\$451	4	\$868	4	\$943
Miscellaneous Residential Permits	174	\$15,918	195	\$15,301	194	\$33,529	655	\$66,139		\$25,089
Pools	23	\$1,235	25	\$1,430	10	\$745	12	\$990	1	\$35
Demolition	12	\$650	7	\$425	12	\$1169	22	\$1,526	43	\$3,070
New Commercial Permits	3	\$2,592	2	\$22,424	11	\$49,346	0	0	1	\$16,182
Miscellaneous Commercial Permits	6	\$648	17	\$2,688	11	\$8,875	25	\$5,640	9	\$16,555
Health Inspections	2	0	2	-	1	\$30	1	\$60	3	\$90
Junkyard Inspections	0	0	1	\$25	-	-	1	\$25	1	\$25
Mobile Home Park Inspections	2	\$200	2	\$200	2	\$200	0	0	-	-
Foster/Group/Day Care Inspections	16	\$340	6	\$220	7	\$210	7	\$285	3	\$90
Sign Permits	22	\$735	26	\$1,345	19	\$885	16	\$860	10	\$405
ZBA Applications	36	\$4,141	45	\$4,570	51	\$6,115	26	\$3,670	23	\$3,504
Planning Board Applications	47	\$18,819	30	\$14,935	44	\$15,349	26	\$17,633	30	\$25,297
Misc. Fees / Sales	9	\$220	24	\$553	6	\$151	9	\$73	7	\$97

The Building Department also collects Life Safety Permit Fees for the Fire Department.

Town engineering review costs are also reimbursed by the applicant through fees. For larger projects, an escrow account is established, as shown in the table below:

Engineering Reimbursement	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Fees	\$3,570	\$3,990	\$2,730	\$2,940	\$3,780	\$3,780	\$2,730	\$5,530
Initial Escrow	\$17,039	\$16,960	\$60,228	\$20,327	\$6,465	\$5,600	\$4,200	\$8,200
TOTALS	\$20,609	\$20,950	\$62,958	\$23,267	\$10,245	\$9,380	\$6,930	\$13,730

ASSESSING

In the early 2000's, new residential development was added to Goffstown's tax base, creating a decline in the proportion of non-residential property to residential property. This trend reversed from 2008 to 2015 as residential property values decreased, new residential development stagnated, and commercial values remained relatively stable. Since 2016, all property values, especially residential and utility property, have been on the rise. Recently, the Town has experienced a decrease in the ratio of non-residential property in relation to all other property because of the increasing residential market.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total Assessed Value	1,352	1,363	1,460	1,472	1,711	1,727	1,749	1,761	1,774	2,728	2,767
Non-Residential Assessed Value	191.5	195.5	211.6	217.1	248.8	255.4	262.9	263.4	259.8	347.1	371.6
Level of Assessment	95%	92%	94%	87%	98%	90%	84%	71%	63%	100%	93%
Equal Total Assess	1,428	1,482	1,553	1,692	1,746	1,919	2,082	2,480	2,816	2,728	2,975
Equal Non-Residential Assess	202.2	212.6	225.1	250	254	284	313	371	412.4	347.1	399.6
Non-Residential = Percentage of Total	14.2%	14.3%	14.5%	14.7%	14.6%	14.8%	15.0%	15.0%	14.6%	12.7%	13.4%

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.

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 as of:	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		-
12/31/08		\$2,931		-
12/31/09		\$11,004		-
12/31/10		\$40,318		-
12/31/11		\$46,935		-
12/31/12		\$67,453		-
6/10/13	Design for Fire Station Improvement Program at Stations 17, 18, and 19.		\$18,350	09/30/13 \$18,350.00
12/31/13		\$94,499		-
12/31/14		\$107,683		-
12/31/15		\$118,922		-
	Emergency Operations Center/ Training Room at the Police Department		\$85,515	03/08/16 \$85,515.00

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES IMPACT FEES Cont.				
[Initiated December 20, 2007]				
Impact Fees as of:	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
12/31/16		\$54,872		
	Fire Department Station 18 Construction Expenses; shed structure, siding, and signage at the Church Street Fire Station project.		\$14,750	06/29/17 \$14,750.00
12/31/17		\$42,934		-
12/31/18		\$64,453		-
	Police Station Renovation and Expansion of Communications Division work space.	\$116,586	\$70,125	12/31/19 \$70,125.48
12/31/19		\$46,460		-
12/31/20		\$68,640		-
12/31/21		\$78,253		-
	Radio Tower Expansion; structural analysis and outdoor storage cabinets	\$101,032	\$34,239	12/31/22 \$34,238.90
12/31/22		\$72,649		-
12/31/23		\$83,702		-
12/31/24		\$218,352		-

RECREATION IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated February 13, 2003]				
Impact Fees as of:	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		\$2,001		-
12/31/05		\$22,709		-
12/31/06		\$60,693		-
12/31/07		\$83,311		-
12/31/08		\$94,965		-
	Barnard Park Play-ground Expansion		\$14,364	11/25/09 \$14,363.52
12/31/09		\$103,561		-
	2009 Trail Bureau Grant Match		\$9,000	12/2010 \$9,000

RECREATION IMPACT FEES Cont.				
[Initiated February 13, 2003]				
Impact Fees as of:	Recreation Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/10		\$116,012		-
	Design project for Barnard/Pare land		\$8,000	12/2011 \$8,000
12/31/11		\$117,883		-
	Rail Trail TE Grant Match		\$19,536	3/26/12 \$19,535.80
	Remainder of Rail Trail TE Grant Match		\$59,536	7/24/12 \$59,536.20
12/31/12		\$64,144		-
12/31/13		\$87,911		-
12/31/14		\$102,470		-
12/31/15		\$106,362		-
	Development of Bardnard/Pare Athletics Fields: athletic fields and parking area.		\$65,000	03/08/16 \$65,000.00
12/31/16		\$54,872		-
12/31/17		\$67,337		-
12/31/18		\$89,185		-
	Development of Sports Complex, as approved at Town Meeting 2019.		\$60,000	12/31/19 \$60,000.00
12/31/19		\$47,569		-
	Continued development of Sports Complex, as approved at Town Meeting 2020.		\$10,000	12/31/20 \$10,000.00
12/31/20		\$59,381		-
12/31/21		\$68,326		-
12/31/22		\$86,332		-
12/31/23		\$94,292		-
12/31/24	Development of Sports Complex Parking Area		\$20,038	12/31/24 \$20,034.50
12/31/24		\$154,180		

TRANSPORTATION/ROAD IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees as of:	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		\$26,843		-
12/31/05	2005 Road Reclamation		\$17,430	\$17,430
12/31/05		\$9,413		-
12/31/06		\$24,571		-
12/31/07		\$38,467		-
	Rosemont Drainage	\$47,605		
12/31/08			\$52,800	-
	Henry Bridge Road and Mountain Road Bridges		\$605,001	
	Snook Road Reclaim		\$160,779	
	Paige Hill Road Reclaim		\$138,300	
	Merrill Road Reclaim		\$132,442	
12/31/09		\$22,339		-
12/31/10		\$47,037		-
12/31/11		\$53,382		-
12/31/12		\$72,725		-
	CMAQ Grant Project - Elm/High/Main & Pleasant/Main St		\$62,448	12/10/13 \$62,448.00
12/31/13		\$44,048		-
12/31/14		\$54,771		-
	Transportation Enhancement Grant Project	\$8,966		11/23/15 \$55,000.00
12/31/16		\$18,772		-
12/31/17		\$27,632		-
12/31/18		\$43,075		-
12/31/19		\$57,003		-
	2020 Road Construction		\$10,000	12/31/20 \$10,000.00
12/31/20		\$63,171		-
	2021 Road Construction		\$10,000	12/31/21 \$10,000.00
12/31/21		\$51,270		-
	2022 Road Construction		\$10,000	12/31/22 \$10,000.00
12/31/22		\$72,106		
12/31/23	2023 Road Construction		\$10,000	12/31/23 \$10,000.00
12/31/23		\$68,629		
12/31/24	2024 Road Construction		\$18,000	12/31/24 \$18,000.00
12/31/24		\$148,718		

SCHOOL IMPACT FEES				
[Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees as of:	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		-
12/31/02		\$128,533		-
12/31/03		\$456,024		-
12/31/04		\$620,785		-
	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		\$623,159
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from new taxes.		\$256,202	
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from unreserved fund balance.		\$400,000	
12/31/06		\$367,101		-
	Kindergarten: additional funding authorized by 2006 school meeting to come from impact fees.		\$306,510	
12/31/07		\$473,054		-
	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		\$376,000
12/31/09		\$263,014		-
	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

SCHOOL IMPACT FEES Cont.				
[Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees as of:	School Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/10		\$162,900		-
	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		\$39,208		-
12/31/12		\$164,311		-
12/31/13		\$360,221		-
12/31/14		\$454,868		-
12/31/15	Bartlett Elementary School Portable Classrooms	\$248,307		\$291,100
12/31/16		\$334,855		-
2/27/17	Modular Classroom Installation at Elementary Schools		\$373,987	03/08/17 \$373,986.70
12/31/17		\$41,423		-
6/21/18	School District Returned Impact Fees not used on Modular Classroom Installation			10/02/2018 (\$43,689.45) Return
12/31/18		\$149,933		-
12/31/19		\$263,092		-
12/31/20		\$407,318		-
6/01/21	Reimbursement for Glen Lake Modular Addition project completed in fall 2020.	\$432,305	\$1,191,762.32* *Funded by three different sources	06/09/21 \$166,762.32
12/31/21		\$299,896		-
12/31/22		\$373,368		-
12/31/23		\$406,759		-
12/31/24		\$537,095		-

Respectively submitted,

JoAnn Duffy
Planning & Economic Development Director

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT

This Information Technology (IT) Team yearly report will highlight some of the accomplishments and challenges faced in 2024. It will also highlight the IT Team goals for this coming year.

Accomplishments

Despite a third year in a row of filling a vacancy and training new staff, the IT Team demonstrated resilience and commitment to maintaining the Town's Information Systems (IS) Infrastructure and supporting the technical needs of the Town's departments.

- **Business Application Upgrades:** Upgraded multiple business applications to resolve ongoing issues, streamline processes, and improve application security.
- **Aerial Mapping:** Managed and implemented collection of aerial imagery into Town geographical systems. Utilized ArcGIS Online to roll out new imagery and mapping application that provides better user experience and improved reliability.
- **Office 365:** Completed the rollout of Office 365 SharePoint and OneDrive to all departments to enhance collaboration, document management, and usability of content.
- **Website:** Deployed new website that improves user experience through improved navigation, inclusive search features, and enhanced scalability for future growth.
- **Fiber Connections to Emergency Radio Sites:** Connected emergency radio sites to the fiber infrastructure to enhance backhaul and redundancy of the systems.
- **End User Support:** Maintained a high standard of end user support for Town Personnel, resolving over 3000 support tickets, prioritizing productivity and satisfaction despite balancing staffing challenges.

Challenges

The IT Team faced multiple challenges throughout 2024 to include the following:

- **Staffing:** Team faced an increase in organizational responsibilities and reliance while onboarding a new team member, leading to delays in project completion and issue resolution.
- **Vendor Management:** Coordinating timing and projects continues to be difficult due to vendor staffing shortages, changes in personnel, and increased workload as many businesses compete for the same professional services.
- **Increased Cybersecurity Activity:** The past year has had a significant increase in cyber-related attacks on the organization, consuming more of the team's resources than ever before.

Goals

In 2025 our goals have adjusted slightly from previous years as we look to continue our current efforts and improve the Town's technology posture:

- **Improve Business Continuity:** Continue to harden the network and physical infrastructure to ensure integrity and function while enhancing business operations using new technologies.
- **Enhance End User Training:** Better utilize existing resources to improve cybersecurity awareness and understanding of IS infrastructure and procedures.
- **Staffing & Supplemental Resources:** Achieve and maintain full staffing under the tiered support structure implemented with overlapping responsibilities. Integrate supplemental support services for IS infrastructure maintenance.
- **Datacenter Refresh:** Complete a datacenter refresh that will utilize modern technologies, improve security and manageability, all while maintaining always available access to organization applications and resources.

The IT Team continues to maintain the full stack of the Town's IS infrastructure. This begins with the support of end users in the use of the various IS hardware (desktops, laptops, printers, phones, tablets, security systems, and other IoT devices) and software. The IT Team also continues supporting over 50 daily use software applications that are used by the Town's departments. This responsibility includes updating, monitoring for security events, troubleshooting, and training. The core of the Town's IS infrastructure are the two datacenters that house the virtualized infrastructure and networking infrastructure that the IT Team manages and maintains internally. This management includes maintenance, backup and disaster recovery, resiliency and redundancy, and security.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Rae, Information Systems Director

GOFFSTOWN TV REPORT

This Goffstown Television (GTV) yearly report will outline some of the accomplishments and challenges faced in 2024, as well as highlight GTV's goals for 2025.

Over 535 hours total of content recorded in 2024.

Public 199 Videos Total Approx. 83 hours	Education 229 Videos Total Approx. 280 hours	Government 116 Videos Total Approx. 170 hours
17 Community Events, live and recorded	35 live meetings, 14 of which are New Boston	116 Live Government Meetings
131 Studio Shows across 9 separate shows	5 School Events, live and recorded	
52 GTV produced videos geared toward community	10 live performing arts shows	
	86 live sports (GTV) 41 recorded sports (Volunteer)	
	52 GTV produced videos geared toward education	

Analytics

Additional viewership on Kaltura webpage (for Education content) and on Comcast channels cannot be tracked.

Community YouTube	Education YouTube	Government YouTube	GTV App
14,271 views	23,034 views	4,171 views	10,115 total views
717 hours watch time	2.4k hours watch time	1k hours watch time	306 new visitors
+95 Subscribers	+117 Subscribers	+42 Subscribers	2,673 total viewers

Accomplishments

GTV has begun to seek out collaborations with other Town departments. We increased our involvement with both the Goffstown Library and Parks and Rec. We also initiated collaborations with Police and Fire with projects slated to begin in 2025.

In an effort to stay ADA compliant and provide full accessibility to all residents of the Town, GTV implemented closed captioning on all live and pre-recorded content.

An equipment replacement schedule has begun to be pursued and established for our essential pieces of equipment. This will ensure that GTV will be able to spread out the cost of maintaining functioning equipment. Most of our equipment is well passed its expected lifespan, some of which have already begun to fail.

We began moving to all Tricaster systems in our control room. Up until now, we have functioned with a mixture of Tricaster and vMix machines. Moving in the direction of all Tricaster machines will allow us to streamline our workflow, be more flexible in the number and type of events we can cover at one time and increase the quality of our coverage overall.

Challenges

- Equipment – Most of our equipment is old and many pieces are starting to fail or have already failed. This has required creative problem-solving during some events this year.

Goals

- Finalize and implement the equipment replacement schedule that we began developing.
- Increase community involvement with GTV. We would like to bring in more community producers to create shows with us. We plan to do more outreach and promotion of our services.
- Increase and maintain collaborations with other Town departments. Our goal is to provide accurate and easy to access information to the residents of the Town. Anywhere from public safety PSAs to how different Town departments work/what they do. GTV aims to be a reliable source of information for residents.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024

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 Select Board, and any assistance granted is paid directly through a voucher system.

The Welfare Office facilitates payment arrangements with utility providers and interfaces with other agencies on behalf of residents. Referrals were made to Southern NH Services for fuel and electric assistance, and to other federal, state and local agencies, as applicable to each unique case. The largest need for general assistance continues in the categories of housing and utilities. Referrals for emergency housing are made to the local homeless outreach program, as needed, as Goffstown does not maintain a shelter of its own.

Recipient Assistance Statistical Data	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
# of Contacts *	287	125	215	264	205
# of Applications Requested	27	30	25	32	74
# of Applicants Eligible	4	2	0	1	9
Financial Assistance Granted	\$13,937	\$1,104	-	\$1,000	\$10,661

** In 2020, the Town switched to a new welfare software system which tracks the total points of contact by occurrence.*

During 2024 the Town experienced more requests for applications for General Assistance and more individuals qualified for assistance than we've seen in recent years. We continued to hear from people who experienced financial difficulty for a variety of reasons and were unsure about how to connect with the resources they needed at the state level. Unemployment and/or under-employment, an unskilled labor force, disabilities, and familial support failures continued to be the largest contributing factors in requests for assistance. General funding from state and federal agencies for on-going and pre-existing needs continued to shrink, and stricter eligibility guidelines continued to cause longer decision timelines from other programs. The need for temporary relief at the local level continues to be steady, while applicants await decisions from ongoing assistance programs at the state and federal levels.

We also experienced more referrals from the State agencies to the local level in an attempt to get people connected to services faster. These circular referrals made it difficult for individuals to navigate the system of resources and we found that they required more contact time at the local level. While we are here to assist community members in need and we take our duty seriously, extended contact times strain our limited resources at the local level, as we are not equipped with social workers. We hope that continued discussion with our state counterparts and related agencies will help us all work towards solutions for the state-wide strain on the systems.

The Town is grateful for the continued support of the local non-profit, church and civic organizations, which generously assist whenever possible. Their generosity helps to reduce the burden on the taxpayers of Goffstown. The Town is committed to assisting those in need and directing them to programs that can not only help in the short term, but can also get the people of our community back to a level of self-sustainability.

Respectfully submitted,
 Danielle Basora, MBA, SHRM-SCP
 Assistant Town Administrator/HR Director/Treasurer/Welfare Officer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The 2024 activities encompassing four election cycles made the days fly by as Town Clerk office staff scrambled to organize election days and issue absentee ballots. I would especially like to thank Evelyn Redmond, Theresa Curtis and Wendy Garceau for pre-election assistance, as sworn poll workers, to help with absentee ballot requests and issuance of ballots.

This year, over fifty students from Goffstown High School stepped up to assist with election duties. Interested GHS students, living in surrounding towns, were encouraged to reach out to their respective Town Clerks to offer their assistance with election activities. My Town Clerk peers were equally, as appreciative as me, to enlist the participation of local students.

Robyn Perry, Supervisor of the Checklist, coordinated enlistment of members of the sophomore class, to help set up the polls the day before each election. NH law does not allow students, under the age of 17, to perform election duties inside the rail of the voting floor on Election Day. Approximately a dozen students helped tape instructional signage inside voting booths, along walls and down upon the hallway floors leading in and out of the school facility. The students' youthful energy provided valuable assistance to us, seasoned poll workers, that now find it challenging to get up and down, off the floor, to tape signage throughout the buildings!

The Rho Kappa, GHS Election Group, under the guidance of student advisor Andrew Pyszka, participated in the 2024 Presidential Primary and State General Elections. Student group leader, Alexa Vicente, helped coordinate members as volunteers for the Presidential Primary Election. Claire Laroche, Rho Kappa President, helped coordinate student participation sign-up for November 5th, ensuring completion of student pre-election required clerical filing and delegation of member's election day duties. Students that met the age requirement to work on the voting floor attended an after-school training presented by the Town Clerk, to hear instruction regarding their election day duties to process absentee ballots.

Other students participated outside the roped-off voting floor, on the Presidential Election Day, led by Hallway Director Richard Bruno, the morning team leader and Hallway Director Rick Simons, afternoon team leader. Students reported for rotating three-hour shifts, each swearing their oath as a poll worker, before assuming their duties. At GHS students covered sixteen strategic building locations, providing directional assistance, holding open doors, leading voters to the voter registration table and distributing handouts regarding the constitutional amendment supplied by the NH Secretary of State. Hallway Director, Darlene Belleville, led another team of students supporting similar duties at our Bartlett Elementary School poll. All students participated enthusiastically and exhibited pride in fulfilling their assigned duties as sworn poll workers representing Goffstown High School.

I would be remiss, if I didn't recognize Town Administrative Assistant, Kathryn Fisher, as a vital and most appreciated supporting partner to the Town Clerk's Office. When our office is extremely busy, Kathryn frequently fields phone calls from residents that are upset that we are not immediately responding to their phone or email inquiries. Kathryn utilizes her upbeat and kind demeanor to reassure residents that she will make sure we received their message. Daily, Kathryn logs hundreds of keystrokes and footsteps delivering incoming mail, forwarding email and phone requests, creating and publicizing required public notifications, notarizing residency authorizations and delivering priority mailings to the Post Office on our behalf. I especially value Kathryn's superb command of executive writing skills when I need assistance creating official documents for publication. I depend on her hawk-eyed proofreader skillset to scrutinize type set of lengthy warrant articles to be printed on the annual town ballots.

I sincerely thank my family, co-workers Karen and Jenn, town hall staff, town and school officials, department heads and their staff, partners at state agencies, election poll workers and the Goffstown residents for your continuing support over the years. It has been my privilege to serve as your Goffstown Town Clerk.

Cathy Ball, Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK TRANSACTIONS

ACCOUNT	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Motor Vehicle Permits:	\$3,452,064	\$3,500,582	\$3,427,933	\$3,506,116	\$3,772,298
Boat Fees	4,847	8,141	9,737	10,255	9,933
Dog Licenses & Fees	16,834	16,576	16,466	14,984	13,953
Licenses, Permits & Misc. Fees	8,207	7,169	6,356	5,911	5,819
Vital Record Fees	7,208	7,719	8,139	7,505	7,645
TOTALS:	\$3,489,160	\$3,540,187	\$3,468,631	\$3,544,771	\$3,809,648

VITAL STATISTICS: 2024 BIRTHS

CHILD'S NAME	BIRTH DATE	BIRTH PLACE	FATHER'S/ PARENT'S NAME	MOTHER'S/ PARENT'S NAME
JANAS, SINSEMILLA MARGARET	01/07/2024	CONCORD, NH	JANAS, ZACHARY M	JANAS, DIEDRE
WALLER, ADELAIDE ELEANOR	01/13/2024	NASHUA, NH	WALLER, JAMES JOSEPH	WALLER, CHRISTINA LAUREN
ZIEGWIED, HADLEY ANNE	01/29/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	ZIEGWIED, BRIAN JAMES	ZIEGWIED, KAYLA SUE
ADAMS, REESE MARGARET	02/01/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	ADAMS, DANE CHRISTIAN	ADAMS, EMILY JANE
NAVEDO, MOLLY KATHERINE	02/05/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	NAVEDO, JARRETT BRYCE	NAVEDO, BRENNA KATHERINE
BENSON, FAITH GWENDOLYN	02/06/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	BENSON, LUCAS D'ERI	BENSON, JUSTINE GWENDOLYN
PREBLE, SOPHIA LYNN	02/14/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	PREBLE, CHRISTOPHER JOHN	PREBLE, SHAUNA BETH
SPACE, BRODY RYAN	03/01/2024	NASHUA, NH	SPACE, MICHAEL RYAN	SPACE, CAITLIN MARIE
LUDWIG, KITT DELPHINA	03/06/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	LUDWIG, AUSTIN DANIEL	LUDWIG, SIERRA ROSE LENA
GORDON, CONNOR RICHARD	03/28/2024	NASHUA, NH	GORDON, BRUCE IAN	GORDON, ABIGAIL ADELIN
LAROCHE, JENSEN ROY	03/29/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	LAROCHE, MATTHEW ROBERT	LAROCHE, JENNIFER LYNN
LEONARD, MARLENA ROSE	04/03/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	LEONARD, MICHAEL HARRISON	LEONARD, ANTONELLA CORLETO
GAY, AVALENE FLEURETTE	04/16/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	GAY, ALEX KEITH	GAY, ALLISON LORRAINE
BRUNELLE, SKYLAR RAY	04/19/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	BRUNELLE, JOSEPH ANDREW	BRUNELLE, SHANNON KATHLEEN
BEAULIEU, AURELEON WILSON	04/26/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	BEAULIEU, NATHAN ALBERT	BEAULIEU, CHRISTINA DORIS
EMERSON, LOGAN MARK	05/05/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	EMERSON, RYAN MARK	EMERSON, CHRISTINE ALLARD
RIVARD, KINGSTON JOHN	05/30/2024	MANCHESTER, NH		RIVARD, TAYLOR ELIZABETH
ST JEAN, ELOISE GERALDINE	06/04/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	ST JEAN JR, DARON THOMAS	ST JEAN, ELIZABETH GRACE
GOWASKI, MACKLIN PAUL	06/16/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	GOWASKI, ADAM SYDNEY	GOWASKI, KERRI ANN
KAPLAN, AUGUSTA MARY	06/18/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	KAPLAN, MATTHEW PHILLIP	KAPLAN, REBECCA DANIELLE

2024 BIRTHS CONTINUED

CHILD'S NAME	BIRTH DATE	BIRTH PLACE	FATHER'S/ PARENT'S NAME	MOTHER'S/ PARENT'S NAME
DEROUIN, AMELIA PEARL	06/26/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	DEROUIN, STEVEN JAMES	DEROUIN, NICOLE KATHLEEN
CAMONO, RYDER ANTHONY	06/29/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	CAMONO, ANTHONY ROBERT	CAMONO, ALEXANDRA ELAINE
DEVETTER, OLIVER DANE	07/10/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	DEVETTER, CURTIS QUINN	DEVETTER, JESSLYN MARGARET
CALLAHAN, MAVERICK ROSE	07/11/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	CALLAHAN, RYAN JOHN	CALLAHAN, MICHELLE ELISABETH
MOTHA, COLE ALAN	07/12/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	MOTHA, JAKE ALAN	MOTHA, SARAH EMILY
DEKEMPER, BLAINE KELLY	08/01/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	DEKEMPER, BRENDAN KELLY	DEKEMPER, KIMBERLY SUE
AHERN, IROH BARRETT	08/06/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	AHERN, DOUGLASS BARRETT	AHERN, KALEAH MARIE
PARRISH, WELTHOW NONAH ELIZABETH	08/18/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	PARRISH, JEFFREY CARL ALAN	PARRISH, NICOLE ANNE
GOOKIN, KENLEY JOY	08/26/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	GOOKIN, SCOTT ROSS	GOOKIN, MEGAN CHRISTINE
POGGI II, ALEXANDER ROBERT	09/02/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	POGGI, ALEXANDER ROBERT	POGGI, EMMA MAY
GRANDE, SERAFINA MARIE	09/23/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	GRANDE, ROBERT GREGORY	GRANDE, CHRISTINA MARIE
ZOGOPOULOS, SAVANNAH MAE	09/29/2024	LEBANON, NH	ZOGOPOULOS, BRANDON MICHAEL	ZOGOPOULOS, BRENNA TATYANA
WATSON, WILLOW REESE	10/21/2024	CONCORD, NH	WATSON, ARTHUR FRANK	WATSON, ALEXANDRA LYNN
LUCAS, HUNTER JAMES	10/22/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	LUCAS, ADAM WOODFORD	LUCAS, SARA ISABEL
CURTIN, KAIRO ALEXANDER	10/31/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	CURTIN, FREDERICK CHRISTOPHER	CURTIN, VIVIAN TIGER
GATTUSO, MEADOW LUCIA	11/03/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	GATTUSO, JON-MICHAEL ANTHONY	GATTUSO, ELISABETH PURDY
GAUSS, HENRY JULIUS	11/04/2024	CONCORD, NH	GAUSS, ZACHARY WILLIAM	GAUSS, AUDREY LEANNE
HARVEY, ROWAN AUSTIN PATRICK	11/05/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	HARVEY, IAN ARTHUR JULES	HARVEY, EMILY FRANCES
LOCKE, JUNE ROONEY	11/06/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	LOCKE, SAMUEL DENNIS	LOCKE, ALEXANDRA ROONEY

2024 BIRTHS CONTINUED

CHILD'S NAME	BIRTH DATE	BIRTH PLACE	FATHER'S/ PARENT'S NAME	MOTHER'S/ PARENT'S NAME
UMENHOFER, CLARA JANE	11/08/2024	SALEM, NH	UMENHOFER, MICHAEL MARK	UMENHOFER, CHRISTYANNA TRIAANTAFILIA
TREADWELL, LENA ALICE	11/17/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	TREADWELL, JOSHUA ALLAN	TREADWELL, KELSEY LAUREN
DASILVA, LYNNE- MARIE LEE	11/21/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	VIEIRA PEREIRA DASILVA, JHONATAN NEI	YOUNG, AUTUMN EVE
HALL, HARRISON WILLIAM	11/30/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	HALL, JACOB STERLING	HALL, ALLYSON GRACE
MANNEY, WREN- ROSE VERA	12/11/2024	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANNEY, SABASTION XAVIER	MANNEY, BELLA- ROSE ANN
MAYO, BEARON PHILLIP	12/12/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	MAYO, ERIC COLE	MAYO, AISLYN KENEALY
LAFONTAINE, ELIAS RIVER	12/28/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	LAFONTAINE, JACOB ANTHONY DEXTER	LAFONTAINE, SHALLYNE YUDELCA
NICOLI, SUTTON MAE	12/30/2024	MANCHESTER, NH	NICOLI, JESSE THOMAS	NICOLI, BONNI LEE
Total number of records: 47				

2024 MARRIAGES

PERSON A'S NAME AND RESIDENCE	PERSON B'S NAME AND RESIDENCE	TOWN OF ISSUANCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF MARRIAGE
DUNCKLEE, REECE WHITTEMORE GOFFSTOWN, NH	CURTIS, RACHEL LEE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	CONCORD	01/19/2024
GUMASKAS, PETER JONATHAN GOFFSTOWN, NH	COOK, SUSAN ELIZABETH GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	BEDFORD	02/04/2024
COMEAU, CHARLES ERNEST GOFFSTOWN, NH	RYAN PERRY, CHRISTINA ANN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	BEDFORD	02/24/2024
CANNULI, ANTHONY NICHOLAS GOFFSTOWN, NH	DOBE, SARA ELIZABETH GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GOFFSTOWN	03/03/2024
POPA, CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM GOFFSTOWN, NH	GIROUX, ELIZABETH MARIE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GOFFSTOWN	04/06/2024
OLENIO, ZACHARY SCOTT GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEATS, EMILIE KRISTAN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	HARRISVILLE	05/04/2024
CALLAHAN, RYAN JOHN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GYORDA, MICHELLE ELISABETH GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	THORNTON	06/02/2024
HEROUX, CAMERON JOSEPH GOFFSTOWN, NH	GAMACHE, TORI ANN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	HENNIKER	06/08/2024
LABRIE, NICHOLAS PAUL GOFFSTOWN, NH	VERMETTE, DANIELLE MARIE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	HENNIKER	06/15/2024
SHEEHAN, CASEY LYNNE BROOKLINE, NH	BRIDGEMAN, MCHALE MOHAN GOFFSTOWN, NH	BROOKLINE	SALEM	06/15/2024
SMITH, NATHAN MICHAEL MANCHESTER, NH	CHASE, MORGAN RAE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GREENFIELD	06/29/2024
HUME, JAMES PETERSON GOFFSTOWN, NH	DUBOIS, SARAH KAY GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	NEW BOSTON	07/13/2024
BARBARO, GRIFFIN CONNELL GOFFSTOWN, NH	LAPORTE, ABIGAIL KATHERINE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	DANBURY	07/13/2024
CRAWFORD, KASEY ALAN GOFFSTOWN, NH	DAMON, SADIE JOANNE GOFFSTOWN, NH	PEMBROKE	HAMPTON	07/13/2024
ASSAD, JAMES ROBERT GOFFSTOWN, NH	OASAN, KARIS INES GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GOFFSTOWN	07/18/2024

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PERSON A'S NAME AND RESIDENCE	PERSON B'S NAME AND RESIDENCE	TOWN OF ISSUANCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF MARRIAGE
GRAHAM, GLENN ACTON GOFFSTOWN, NH	SMITH, MARIA JEAN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	RINDGE	07/20/2024
AHERN, DOUGLASS BARRETT DUBLIN, NH	CARDINAL, KALEAH MARIE GOFFSTOWN, NH	CONCORD	GOFFSTOWN	07/20/2024
FINO, CAMERON SCOTT GOFFSTOWN, NH	CROSSMAN, MELISSA ANN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	CLAREMONT	08/10/2024
COUTURE, BENJAMIN ERNEST GOFFSTOWN, NH	PAQUETTE, KAYLEE LYNN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	DURHAM	08/11/2024
DUBOIS, TYLER JOHN GOFFSTOWN, NH	CLIVIO, AMANDA LEE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	DERRY	08/15/2024
ZOGOPOULOS, BRANDON MICHAEL GOFFSTOWN, NH	HOPKINS, BRENN TATYANA GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	HENNIKER	08/17/2024
LOMINY, ALEXANDRA SYLVIA HOOKSETT, NH	GERRY, CHRISTOPHER PATRICK GOFFSTOWN, NH	HOOKSETT	BEDFORD	08/17/2024
WILSON JR, BARRY DOUGLAS GOFFSTOWN, NH	SMITH, WENDY DAWN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	DERRY	08/22/2024
SEINEN, MATTHEW PAUL GOFFSTOWN, NH	MOORE, ASHLEY ANN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	MILFORD	09/01/2024
ROYCE, BRIAN FREDERICK GOFFSTOWN, NH	REILLY, MEGHAN CASSIDY GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GOFFSTOWN	09/07/2024
SNOOK, SHAWN MICHAEL GOFFSTOWN, NH	FARRELL, SARAH ISABEL GOFFSTOWN, NH	CONCORD	BRADFORD	09/07/2024
KELLY, BRENDAN THOMAS GOFFSTOWN, NH	BENOIT, SHYRA MARIE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	DERRY	09/13/2024
CARABIN, CHRISTOPHER EDWARD GOFFSTOWN, NH	O'LEARY, TRACEY ANN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GOFFSTOWN	09/14/2024
BERNARD, KIM ALAN GOFFSTOWN, NH	SEAVEY, ERIN LYNDA GOFFSTOWN, NH	PITTSBURG	PITTSBURG	09/14/2024
DAUBER, DANIEL DAVID GOFFSTOWN, NH	DODDS, MEGHAN TAYLOR GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	BRISTOL	09/21/2024

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PERSON A'S NAME AND RESIDENCE	PERSON B'S NAME AND RESIDENCE	TOWN OF ISSUANCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF MARRIAGE
VEILLEUX JR, KEVIN JOSEPH GOFFSTOWN, NH	SULLIVAN, KAILA ROSE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GOFFSTOWN	09/21/2024
COUGHLIN, MATTHEW DANIEL GOFFSTOWN, NH	HAYES, SARAH ELIZABETH GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	LINCOLN	09/28/2024
PRESTON, STERLING GREGORY GOFFSTOWN, NH	SULLIVAN, NICOLE ANNETTE GOFFSTOWN, NH	NEW BOSTON	GOFFSTOWN	09/28/2024
SIROIS, ERIC GOFFSTOWN, NH	DELANEY, MELODY ELIZABETH GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GOFFSTOWN	10/05/2024
GAGNON, BENJAMIN LEE GOFFSTOWN, NH	BARNES, MINDY LEE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GOFFSTOWN	10/05/2024
DRAPER, EVAN MICHAEL LOUIS GOFFSTOWN, NH	LABBE, CASANDRA MARIE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	CANDIA	10/05/2024
KELLEY, SHANNON COLLEEN GOFFSTOWN, NH	VAN TASSEL, DAKOTA JOHN GOFFSTOWN, NH	LONDONDERRY	LONDONDERRY	10/05/2024
CLOUSE, JASPER WADE GOFFSTOWN, NH	COSTA, NINA IRENE NEW BOSTON, NH	NEW BOSTON	AUBURN	10/05/2024
CHANCEY, TYLER JOHN GOFFSTOWN, NH	ST ONGE, ELIZABETH MARIE GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	NEW BOSTON	11/09/2024
CONLON, DUSTIN MICHAEL GOFFSTOWN, NH	DOUGHERTY-SHELL, KATHLEEN ERIN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	GOFFSTOWN	11/26/2024
GUSTAFSON JR, ERIC ROY GOFFSTOWN, NH	DION, MELODY ANN GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN	DERRY	12/01/2024
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01/02/2024	ROBERT, MARK MICHAEL	MANCHESTER	ROBERT, NORMAND	PELLETIER, VIRGINIA
01/04/2024	WOUDENBERG, ERIC A	GOFFSTOWN	WOUDENBERG, RICHARD	UNKNOWN, PATRICIA
01/08/2024	ROUILLARD, MARCEL OLIVA	MANCHESTER	ROUILLARD, REAL	UNKNOWN, ALMANDE
01/10/2024	SPITZ, PHILIP BERNARD	MANCHESTER	SPITZ, DAVID	PELITIER, JEANBETH
01/13/2024	BERG, HELEN	GOFFSTOWN	FORRESTER, WILFRED	GIBBS, ELLEN
01/15/2024	DENONCOURT, ANDRE MAURICE	GOFFSTOWN	DENONCOURT, MAURICE	LEX, LOTTE
01/16/2024	CAHILL, ROBERT STANLEY	MANCHESTER	CAHILL, JOHN	MAUSER, ALMA
01/21/2024	PARSONS, LOUISE	MANCHESTER	FAIRBANKS, ELMER	CARLETON, AVIS
01/21/2024	RICHARD, SOPHIA L	MANCHESTER	PIROG, DEMKO	PROKOPIK, ANNA
01/22/2024	SMITH, RUSSELL ALLEN	NASHUA	SMITH, DONALD	SMALL, MARY MARCILENE
01/23/2024	QUINN, MARY C	GOFFSTOWN	CLEMENT, LLOYD	STILES, EVELYN
01/28/2024	RHODES, DAVID ALLEN	MERRIMACK	RHODES, GORDON	GARRISH, ETHEL
01/29/2024	HAUGE, ELLEN MCGUIRE	GOFFSTOWN	MCGUIRE, EMMETT	BURKE, MARGARET
01/31/2024	MERRILL JR, WILLIAM EDWARD	GOFFSTOWN	MERRILL SR, WILLIAM	SPENCER, EVELYN
02/02/2024	LAHIFF JAFFE, JOANNE LENORE	MANCHESTER	LAHIFF, THOMAS	JAGUS, ALICE
02/04/2024	ZORAWOWICZ, KATHLEEN A	MANCHESTER	ZORAWOWICZ, MITCHELL	CHARNLEY, CHARLOTTE
02/06/2024	PREWARA, LAWRENCE PAUL	CONCORD	PREWARA, ALPHONSE	KOSS, BERNICE
02/07/2024	GAMACHE, TAMMY LYNN	MANCHESTER	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	BOWEN, DEBRA
02/07/2024	CABLE SR, IRVING CLIFFORD	GOFFSTOWN	CABLE, HARVEY	MORRISON, DOROTHY
02/09/2024	STETSON, JOHN PHILLIP	DERRY	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN
02/13/2024	DECAROLIS, JANET C	GOFFSTOWN	MACLAREN JR, GEORGE	SPENCER, EDNA

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02/15/2024	GLEICH, KATHLEEN A	GOFFSTOWN	HARRINGTON, JAMES	POLKE, LILLIAN
02/16/2024	HILLARD, MARILYN	MANCHESTER	WILSON, EDWARD	DUFF, LAVERNE
02/16/2024	LAFOND SR, NORMAN E	GOFFSTOWN	LAFOND, ADRIEN	DESMARAIS, ALINE
02/21/2024	NOEL SR, GERALD J	GOFFSTOWN	NOEL, HERVE	POCH, MARY
02/23/2024	RATTE, GILLES MICHEL	GOFFSTOWN	RATTE, THOMAS	MOFFET, EMMA
02/24/2024	ALLARD, ELAINE A	GOFFSTOWN	MARCOTTE, MARCEL	BARIL, RITA
02/25/2024	BEDNAR, ABBIE	GOFFSTOWN	BEDNAR, JOHN	REX, SUSAN
02/28/2024	DUDZIAK, INGRID EVELYN	CONCORD	WAGNER, WILLIAM	RAYMOND, ELSIE
03/04/2024	HAYNES, DEBORAH LEE	MANCHESTER	SHATNEY, JOHN	NOYES, RAMONA
03/07/2024	THIBAudeau, PAULINE LILLIAN	GOFFSTOWN	CLEMENT, ALFRED	RIVARD, AMANDA
03/08/2024	BERUBE, FRANCIS BERTRAND	GOFFSTOWN	BERUBE, WALTER	COUTERIA, LUCY
03/08/2024	PERREAULT, BARBARA SUSAN	GOFFSTOWN	FARLEY, ROGER	UNKNOWN, HUGETTE
03/09/2024	MAILHOT, DOROTHY E	GOFFSTOWN	BELIVEAU, MAURICE	LEBLANC, ELIZABETH
03/11/2024	STEFFEN, DAVID L	MANCHESTER	STEFFEN, LEO	STEFFEN, ARLEEN
03/14/2024	COURNOYER, PAUL ALLEN	CONCORD	COURNOYER, PAUL	DUGUAY, SUSAN
03/14/2024	KOENIG, MARGARET MYERS	MANCHESTER	MYERS, REXFORD	BRADLEY, ETHYL
03/20/2024	GAMACHE, FRANCES M	GOFFSTOWN	RHINEHART, ANDREW	ZIARKO, DELVINA
03/23/2024	DZIURA, FRANK RICHARD	LEBANON	DZIURA, FRANK	ZIENKIEWICZ, LUELLA
03/26/2024	LAMARRE JR, LOUIS P	GOFFSTOWN	LAMARRE SR, LOUIS	CHARETTE, MARY
03/29/2024	ZOERNACK, MARIE LOUIS	BEDFORD	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	SCHLIPF, JOSEPHINE
04/06/2024	BELLEROSE, JANET D	BEDFORD	BARON, LAURIER	VIENS, DORIS
04/07/2024	PHILPOT, ELAINE JEAN	GOFFSTOWN	ALEXANDER, OSSIE	JOHNSON, MARION

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04/11/2024	KNAPP, ANNA B	BEDFORD	BARTLETT, SANFORD	DELANO, IDA
04/15/2024	MORROW, CHARLES B	GOFFSTOWN	MORROW, CHARLES	PIERCE, HOLLY
04/17/2024	GAMACHE, GERTRUDE IRENE	GOFFSTOWN	CHANDONNAIS, ALBERT	FERLAND, STELLA
04/19/2024	OWENS, HAROLD A	GOFFSTOWN	OWENS SR, HAROLD	ANDREWS, BESSIE
04/20/2024	HARRINGTON, JAMES EDWARD	GOFFSTOWN	HARRINGTON, RICHARD	FOSHER, PATRICIA
04/22/2024	BARRETT, RICHARD W	LEBANON	BARRETT, RICHARD	GINGRAS, RUTH
04/22/2024	MARCHESSEAULT, RACHEL ALICE	MANCHESTER	MICHAUD, JOSEPH	HOULE, MARIE-ROSE
04/26/2024	HOYT, BRENNAN JAY	MANCHESTER	HOYT, DENNIS	LONGVAL, CINDY
05/02/2024	COBURN, DAVID JOHN	GOFFSTOWN	COBURN, FLAVIAN	FIERST, ANGELINE
05/03/2024	LAROCHE, JEAN CLAUDE	MANCHESTER	LAROCHE, LEOPOLD	HOULE, CORINNE
05/03/2024	FLUX, ROBERT C	GOFFSTOWN	FLUX, WILLIAM	COTTON, DOROTHY
05/07/2024	FELTMATE, DOUGLAS ROBERT	GOFFSTOWN	FELTMATE, CLARENCE	WALTER, ANNETTE
05/08/2024	TARBELL, ROBERT WALTER	GOFFSTOWN	TARBELL, WALTER	FRIBORG, MILDRED
05/10/2024	SOHA, PATRICIA W	GOFFSTOWN	WOODWORTH, WALTER	RODAN, SUSAN
05/15/2024	KOULETSIS, LORRAINE RACHEL	MANCHESTER	VINCENT, WILFRED	ST PIERRE, FLORENCE
05/16/2024	LUSSIER, ELIZABETH A	GOFFSTOWN	LUSSIER, JOSEPH	MORIER, RITA
05/24/2024	MARCHAND, JENNIFER ANNETTE	GOFFSTOWN	MIKE, NEWMAN	MALLOTT, SUE
05/29/2024	PERRY, MARY ALICE	GOFFSTOWN	NOONAN, DAVID	MAGUIRE, ROSEANN
05/31/2024	HOOD, JOYCE L	BEDFORD	LEIN, ERWIN	PLAISANCE, IRENE
06/04/2024	HARRIS, BRIDGETT M	GOFFSTOWN	O'BRIEN, MICHAEL	MAHONEY, JOHANNA
06/05/2024	KELLIHER, DAVID J	DERRY	KELLIHER, PAUL	RICHARD, ELAINE
06/06/2024	MONTMINY, JEAN JOSEPH PAUL	MANCHESTER	MONTMINY, ROLAND	HOULE, JANINE
06/07/2024	TAYLOR, JOEANN	GOFFSTOWN	HAYES, NEADOM	TAYLOR, VELMA

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06/10/2024	SULLIVAN, CLAUDETTE MARIE	GOFFSTOWN	TREMBLAY, RAOUL	UNKNOWN, LUCETTE
06/12/2024	BOUCHER, CAROL A	MANCHESTER	ROY, VICTOR	DOLAN, CATHARINE
06/17/2024	LAROCHELLE, MARC ROBERT	GOFFSTOWN	LAROCHELLE, RENALD	LAVOIE, DOROTHY
06/18/2024	DUBE, LUCILLE Y	GOFFSTOWN	CARON, WILFRID	SIMONE, YVONNE
06/21/2024	TAYLOR, MICHAEL WALTOR	GOFFSTOWN	TAYLOR, JAMES	HAYES, JOEANN
06/23/2024	BURNETT, CLAIRE LUCIANNE	MANCHESTER	LAMONTAGNE, DELPHIS	BELAND, MARIE
06/24/2024	TABB II, CHARLES L	MANCHESTER	TABB, CHARLES	AURNER, RUTH
06/26/2024	WALKER, MARYELLEN	GOFFSTOWN	THOMAIER, KENNETH	MISKILL, MARY
06/30/2024	GLEN, JOAN B	GOFFSTOWN	ELLIS, ROBERT	BENNINGTON, HELEN
06/30/2024	PARADIS, MARY BERNADETTE	MERRIMACK	SHEA, ROBERT	MCQUADE, MARY
06/30/2024	PARKHURST, RICHARD	MANCHESTER	PARKHURST, RICHARD	O'BRIEN, BARBARA
07/02/2024	OLYNYK, MAGDALENE MARIE	GOFFSTOWN	SCHMIDT, UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN
07/05/2024	BECKER, JOANNE SUZANNE	GOFFSTOWN	GUIMOND, JOHN	TURCOTTE, YVONNE
07/09/2024	HAMMOND, BARBARA A	LEBANON	JELLERSON, RAYMOND	KOMISAREK, MARILYN
07/10/2024	MIEUL, NYADENG M	MANCHESTER	MIEUL, MIJOK	MIEUL, NYANKER
07/16/2024	FRANS, ANN L	GOFFSTOWN	CARR, ELDON	LAWRENCE, CATHERINE
07/17/2024	MICHAELS, BARBARA MYRTLE	GOFFSTOWN	YOUNG, ERNEST	HARBOUR, MARGUERITE
07/20/2024	PERLEY, TANATH MARIE	MANCHESTER	DESROSIERS, ROBERT	GILPATRICK, SUZANNE
07/25/2024	SHANK, EDWARD JOSEPH LORENZO	GOFFSTOWN	SHANK, HORMIDAS	DENONCOURT, ROSE
08/01/2024	DAY, BRENDA E	MANCHESTER	HASTINGS, MERTON	SMITH, PEARL
08/08/2024	COELHO, RONALDO	MERRIMACK	COELHO, SEBASTIAO	FAUSTINA, EPONINA
08/19/2024	ROUX, ROBERT ARMAND	MERRIMACK	ROUX, LIONEL	DUQUETTE, STELLA

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08/21/2024	RAMISH, EVELYN MURIAL	GOFFSTOWN	DENNIS, BERT	BENNETT, ELIZABETH
08/23/2024	DOWD, EDWARD F	GOFFSTOWN	DOWD, MARTIN	STEELE, ALICE
08/26/2024	PROUTY, DONA L	MANCHESTER	PROUTY, CHRISTOPHER	PAUL, ELIZABETH
08/31/2024	METHOT, RAYMOND LEONARD	MANCHESTER	METHOT, ARTHUR	BOUTIN, BERNADETTE
09/02/2024	ANDERSON, BARBARA	GOFFSTOWN	SHIRLEY, GEORGE	MERRILL, ANNE
09/05/2024	LASCELLE, DORIS VIOLET	GOFFSTOWN	ALLARD, CYRILLE	DIONNE, EVA
09/05/2024	KELLEY, TIMOTHY JOSEPH	MANCHESTER	KELLEY JR, WILLIAM	BLAIS, JULIETTE
09/08/2024	WHOOTEN, JEFFREY CLAUDE	CONCORD	WHOOTEN, PHILIP	WYMAN, KATHERINE
09/12/2024	CONNOR, WILLIAM JAMES	MANCHESTER	CONNOR, WILLIAM	HAWES, EVELYN
09/13/2024	PRICE, BRENDA JOAN	MERRIMACK	ALEXANDER, EDWARD	SIMARD, ALTHEA
09/14/2024	STERLING, DIANA C	GOFFSTOWN	GINNS, HARRY	WHITROW, ROBERTA
09/15/2024	ROMPREY, TERRY	GOFFSTOWN	ROMPREY, ALEXAS	GOVONI, JUSTINE
09/15/2024	FRAHER, STEVEN PAUL	CONCORD	FRAHER, MARK	LYONS, SUSAN
09/16/2024	LEMIEUX, JEANNETTE THERESA	GOFFSTOWN	HOULE, WILLIAM	PAQUETTE, ZELIRE
09/17/2024	MARCOUX, ROBERT JOHN	GOFFSTOWN	MARCOUX, JOHN	JODOIN, THERESA
09/22/2024	MARCHANT SR, GEORGE WILLARD	MANCHESTER	MARCHANT, WILLARD	ADAMS, JESSIE
09/23/2024	HILL JR, WALTER KOTZ	MERRIMACK	HILL, WALTER	WASHBURN, EDITH
09/24/2024	SESTITO, SHIRLEY WINEFRED	GOFFSTOWN	MERCER, UNKNOWN	TUTTLE, WINEFRED
09/26/2024	LESNYK, CLAIRE LORRAINE	GOFFSTOWN	FAUCHER, EMILE	SIMARD, GERMAINE
09/30/2024	RICHER, ANNETTE P	GOFFSTOWN	LAFORCE, CONRAD	COTE, BLANCHE
10/01/2024	CHAMPAGNE, WILLIAM A	MANCHESTER	CHAMPAGNE, ALBERT	DUNKLEE, BEATRICE
10/03/2024	CARLIN, GRACE A	GOFFSTOWN	ARENA, ORAZIO	MACCHIO, ANGELINA

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10/05/2024	WARTHEN, JAMES WALTER	GOFFSTOWN	WARTHEN, WILLIAM	UNKNOWN, IRENE
10/08/2024	PAYTON, BONNIE L	GOFFSTOWN	PRESCOTT, FRANK	DOWNING, MURIEL
10/09/2024	MCLAUGHLIN, JOSEPH WHEELER	BEDFORD	MCLAUGHLIN, THOMAS	WHEELER, OTERA
10/12/2024	GRADY, CHERYL RAYBURN	MANCHESTER	RAYBURN, LLORD	LEIGHTON, SONA
10/12/2024	MEAD, LOU ANNE	GOFFSTOWN	PRYSER, CARL	GREENMAN, VIRGINIA
10/15/2024	MCCLAIN, KEITH ALAN	GOFFSTOWN	MCCLAIN, CHARLES	ALLEN, AUDREY
10/17/2024	EASTMAN, GEORGE E	GOFFSTOWN	EASTMAN, ELLSWORTH	HUNTOON, HAZEL
10/17/2024	GAGNON, MICHELE	GOFFSTOWN	HARRIS, EARL	UNKNOWN, MARTHA
10/17/2024	PAYTON, WILLARD K	GOFFSTOWN	PAYTON, KENNETH	WONTONA, EVELYN
10/19/2024	LAFERRIERE, ANDY J	BEDFORD	LAFERRIERE, ALEX	CAMERON, ROSE
10/20/2024	RENAUD, CONSTANCE M	GOFFSTOWN	BLOUIN, ARTHUR	BELLEMORE, ALMA
10/22/2024	BOVYN III, ALBERT ARTHUR	GOFFSTOWN	BOVYN SR, ALBERT	HILDEBRANT, BEATRICE
10/22/2024	JONES, TRAVIS	MANCHESTER	JONES, MICHAEL	KOS, KATRINA
10/26/2024	NIEDBALA, GREGORY P	MANCHESTER	NIEDBALA, JULIAN	MUCHOWSKI, THERESA
10/27/2024	VAZQUEZ, ELVIS BENJAMIN	MANCHESTER	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	PALOMO - FLORES, MARITZA
11/01/2024	PAQUETTE, MICHAEL J	MERRIMACK	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN
11/04/2024	LAY, CLAIRE THERESA	GOFFSTOWN	CHOUINARD, VICTOIRE	CHOUINARD, EVA
11/08/2024	HAFNER JR, FLOYD EDWARD	MERRIMACK	HAFNER SR, FLOYD	LEWSEY, EDITH
11/10/2024	REED, MARY L	LEBANON	BLEASE, HAROLD	PERRY, MURIEL
11/10/2024	BEAUCHEMIN, PAULINE BELLE	GOFFSTOWN	BATTEY, HARRY	JOY, BLANCHE
11/11/2024	LEROUX, MICHAEL P	MANCHESTER	LEROUX, MICHAEL	DUVAL, ANN MARIE
11/22/2024	MOORE, ANNICK MARIE	MANCHESTER	VAAL, ALFONS	VAN DENHENDE, SIMONA

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11/23/2024	BURROUGHS, TORI A	GOFFSTOWN	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN
11/26/2024	VAN HORN, REGINA M	GOFFSTOWN	VITULLI, FRANCIS	SULLIVAN, REGINA
11/29/2024	DAWSON, ORRIE	GOFFSTOWN	WHEELER, BENJAMIN	UNKNOWN, MILDRED
11/29/2024	JENNINGS, FREDERICK CUSHMAN	GOFFSTOWN	GOULD, MELROSE	BARRY, ALICE
12/04/2024	CALLAHAN, MARGARET M	MANCHESTER	BURNS, BASIL	O'KEFFE, MARY
12/05/2024	DEVEAU, BETTY A	MANCHESTER	HESELTON, RICHARD	LACHANCE, DOROTHY
12/10/2024	HADDAD, LAURICE I	GOFFSTOWN	HADDAD, IBRAHIM	UNKNOWN, MARIE
12/13/2024	AZOTEA JR, ZOILO	LACONIA	AZOTEA, ZOILO	GLIDDEN, THURSA
12/16/2024	LAPLACA, KEVIN J	GOFFSTOWN	LAPLACA JR, JOSEPH	GORDON, LORRAINE
12/17/2024	VILLENEUVE, LORRAINE D	MANCHESTER	VILLENEUVE, ERNEST	TAILLEFER, VIOLET
12/19/2024	FLETCHER, RICHARD EARNEST	GOFFSTOWN	FLETCHER, EARNEST	MURDOUGH, ERLENE
12/21/2024	ANDREWS, LINDA M	GOFFSTOWN	DERUIN, RAYMOND	UNKNOWN, IRENE
12/22/2024	BUCK, BARBARA MAUDE	GOFFSTOWN	WOOD, DONALD	HUSSEY, MARJORIE
12/22/2024	RIDGE, CLAIRE G	GOFFSTOWN	LEPAGE, JOHN	MONTMARQUETTE, YVONNE
12/23/2024	NEILSON, SALLY L	GOFFSTOWN	SPROWL, FREDERICK	RYTHER, HELEN
12/26/2024	BEAUREGARD, PAUL GEORGE	CONCORD	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	BEAURAGARD, ANNETTE
12/27/2024	PAPUGA, DELLA JOYCE	GOFFSTOWN	FERGUSON, CLARENCE	PRICE, MODIE
12/28/2024	PARISEAU, JACQUES EMILE	MANCHESTER	PARISEAU, HORACE	GAUTHIER, ANTOINETTE
12/30/2024	BOGDANOWICZ, MARIE MADELINE	MANCHESTER	POTIER, LEON	RIVALLAND, MARIE
12/31/2024	MACDONALD, PRISCILLA LOUISE	MANCHESTER	PEDDLE, JAMES	MCNEIL, MARY

Total number of records 152

2024 INTERMENTS

HILLSIDE CEMETERY

Decedent's Name	Age	Date of Death	Date of Interment	Sect/Range	Lot #	Grave #
Theodore Rohr	81	11/24/2011	5/20/2024	Section H Range 6	2	
Jeffrey P. Sawyer	30	4/25/2019	7/21/2024	Range 13	7	4
Marian Alice Rohr	93	12/17/2023	5/20/2024	Section H Range 6	2	
Sharon A. White	78	1/22/2024	5/10/2024	Section 6	10	
Marion A. Sawyer	96	4/23/2024	7/21/2024	Range 13	7	4
Jeffrey D. Sawyer	67	6/28/2024	7/21/2024	Range 13	7	4
James John Tarr	44	11/26/2024	5/14/2024	Range A Div 1	2	5

SHIRLEY HILL CEMETERY

Decedent's Name	Age	Date of Death	Date of Interment	Sect/Range	Lot #	Grave #
Daniel Cote	71	8/31/2015	5/11/2024	Section 1	104	1
Mary C. Quinn	85	1/23/2024	4/30/2024	Section 2	32A	1
Lance Ernest Charles Barton	84	5/14/2024	5/21/2024	Section 2	7A	3
Mary Bernadette Paradis	69	6/30/2024	7/10/2024	Section 3	92	2
Monica Gorman	70	7/2/2024	7/20/2024	Section 1	9A	1
Sara A. Sarette	89	9/5/2024	9/10/2024	Section 3	9	2
Joseph William Brancone	76	11/9/2024	11/19/2024	Section 2	17C	1
Pauline Belle Beauchemin	89	11/10/2024	11/20/2024	Range 3	20	2
Stephanie Simone Senecal	51	12/24/2024	5/7/2024	Section 3	Lot 42B	1

2024 INTERMENTS CONTINUED

WESTLAWN CEMETERY

Decedent's Name	Age	Date of Death	Date of Interment	Sect/Range	Lot #	Grave #
Basilisa Lunderville	80	11/6/2019	11/9/2024	Section 1984	21	1
Sandra V. Chabot	71	11/20/2019	11/15/2024	Section 1996	223	1
Henry Whipple Parker	99	7/7/2023	10/3/2024	Range 47	F	2
Linda Arlene Nadeau	80	9/25/2023	6/8/2024	Section 1946	33	5
Kenneth Roland Allard	71	12/4/2023	6/12/2024	Section 1960	92	2
Joyce W. Kohls	92	12/8/2023	10/11/2024	Section 1904	70	2
George Dick Perkins	90	12/24/2023	4/16/2024	Section 1927	40	5
Betty Jeanne Poltrack	102	1/9/2024	4/28/2024	Section 1987	24	2
William Edward Merrill, Jr.	87	1/31/2024	8/18/2024	Section 1904	51	6
Richard Ira Hardy	82	2/14/2024	8/2/2024	Section 1960	44	1
Charlotte Louise Pearson	93	2/15/2024	5/17/2024	Section 1984	29A	
Wayne Woodbury	72	2/24/2024	6/15/2024	Section 1960	102	1
Blanche Mavis Hardy	77	4/8/2024	8/2/2024	Section 1960	44	1
Charles B. Morrow	65	4/15/2024	7/11/2024	Section 1991	14	1
Dexter Milton Cox	86	4/27/2024	5/23/2024	Section 1991	5	2
Frank Thomas Piacentini	85	4/29/2024	5/11/2024	Section 1992	Lot 144	3
Laura Virginia Johnson	66	6/12/2024	7/29/2024	Section 1933	63	4
Alice Ann Slattum	101	6/20/2024	10/29/2024	Section 1984	17	2
Joan B. Glen	88	6/30/2024	7/6/2024	Section 1992	172	2
Robert A. Roux	89	8/19/2024	9/11/2024	Section 1992	165A	2
Barbara Anderson	89	9/2/2024	9/14/2024	Section 1946	71	3
Rita Marie Pare	100	9/24/2024	9/30/2024	Section 1989	58	2
Constance M. Renaud	91	10/20/2024	10/23/2024	Section 1960	92	3
Leonard George Lunderville	87	10/27/2024	11/9/2024	Section 1984	21	1

WESTLAWN CEMETERY - EXPANSION

Decedent's Name	Age	Date of Death	Date of Interment	Sect/Range	Lot #	Grave #
Sylvia A. Fitzgerald	77	4/4/2024	8/8/2024	Section W1	9A	1
Benjamin Nelson Duclos	44	5/23/2024	6/4/2024	Section 2	130	1
Brenda E. Day	81	8/1/2024	9/15/2024	Section 3	184	1
William James Connor	63	9/12/2024	10/4/2024	Section W1	7	1

FIRE DEPARTMENT



**We dedicate the 2024 Fire Department Annual Report
in Memory of
Fire Chief Richard Fletcher and Captain Bill Connor**

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Goffstown Fire Department is pleased to share with the Citizens of Goffstown your Fire Department's 2024 Annual Report. Goffstown Fire Department is a combination-type fire department made up of full-time, part-time, and paid-on-call Fire/EMS Professionals. We provide fire protection, emergency medical services, rescue, hazardous material mitigation, disaster response, community services, and Community Risk Reduction. In 2024, we employed 28 full-time members, 9 Call Firefighters and 11 Per Diem Fire and EMS personnel for a total of 48 members.

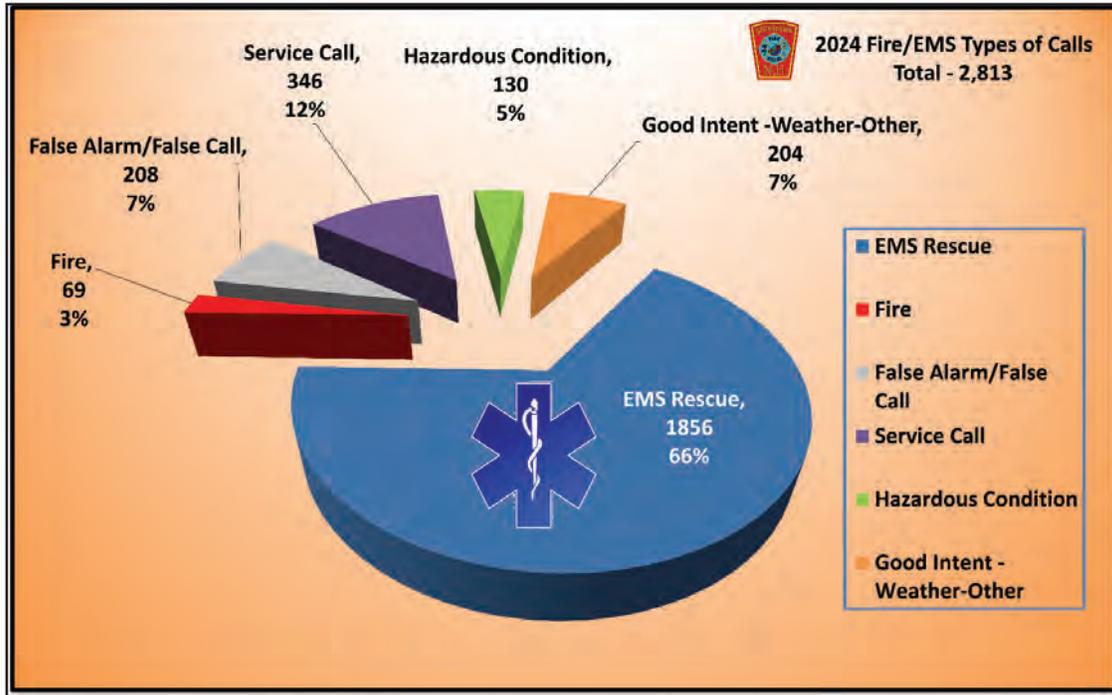
PERSONNEL / STAFFING

In 2024, the fire department like many local, regional, and national fire departments was challenged with recruitment and retention of Firefighter – EMTs. The fire department had several vacancies throughout the year due to transfers to other fire departments, career changes, and competitive hiring arena between area fire departments offering higher salary and benefits. Despite these vacancies, your Firefighters and EMTs worked tirelessly to provide the essential emergency fire and EMS services to our community. Our personnel pulled together and got the job done. In late 2023 the Select Board recognizing the challenges in recruitment and retention bolstered our part time – per diem positions by offering competitive hourly rates to be competitive with area fire departments. The addition of per-diem EMTs allows us to help with shift vacancies to supplement the crews that were down shift personnel. Vacancies within the Goffstown Fire Department is our largest challenge. Assuring enough first responders to meet the emergency services demand of the community is a continual effort. We are confident that through our continual recruitment and retention measures we will be back to full staffing soon. Your continued support is vital to meeting our goals. Thank You for your ongoing support!

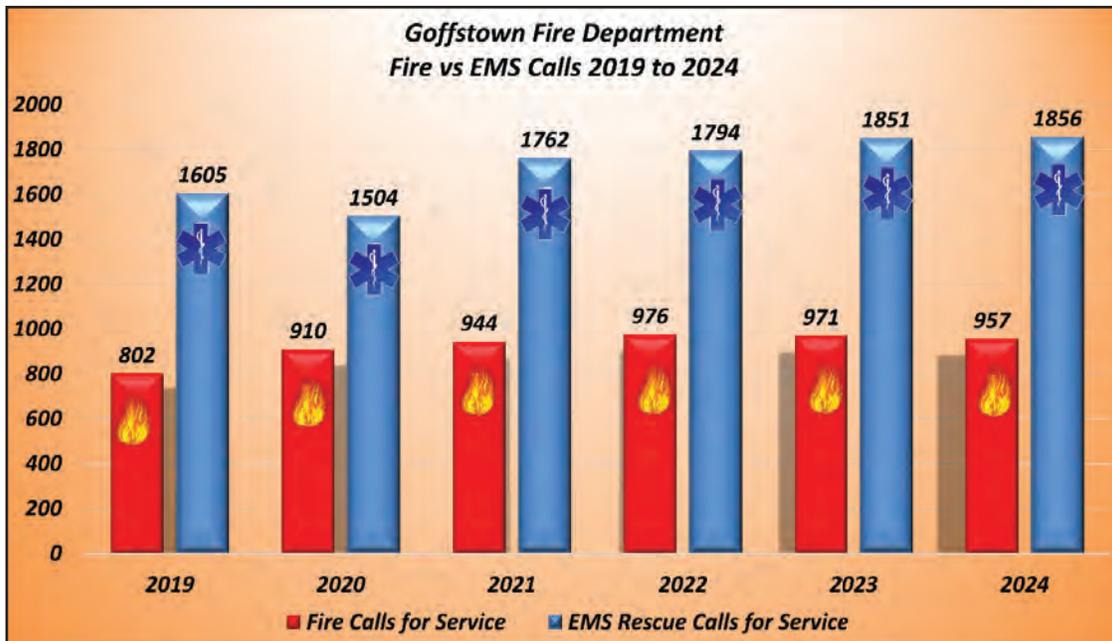
The Goffstown Fire Department maintains an open recruitment process for people interested in a career in Fire and EMS services. Please visit the Town website at: www.goffstownnh.gov to fill out an online application.

RESPONSE ACTIVITY

The fire department calls for emergency services in 2024 saw us responding to 2,813 calls for assistance. Crews responded to a variety of emergencies that included building fires, large fuel spills, life-threatening medical emergencies, hazardous materials incidents, and major vehicle crashes. Emergency Medical Calls made up the largest increase and category of calls we respond to.



Goffstown Fire Department Types of Calls 2024



Goffstown Fire Department Fire vs EMS Calls 2019 to 2024

2024 Community Risk Reduction Division
(formally Fire Prevention Division)



The Community Risk Reduction Division (CRRD) plays an important part in meeting the growing needs of our community, striving for a diverse workforce, working to reduce personnel exposure to fire by-products, and to ensure adequate resources. The overall goal of CRR is to reduce the impact incidents have on our community. While the foundation of our mission is fire and life safety prevention, education, and inspectional services, we are also adding a focus on risk reduction through community safety education and working with the community on various programs. To learn more about our Community Risk Reduction efforts and how it benefits the community please visit: [Community Risk Reduction \(fema.gov\)](https://www.fema.gov)

In November of 2024 we were fortunate to bring Captain Tim Lavoie on to the Goffstown Fire Department as the lead in our CRRD. Captain Lavoie brings several certifications in fire and life safety experience in Community Risk Reduction. Captain Lavoie continues to work closely with our public schools to complete the State of NH mandated annual fire and life safety inspections. These inspections begin after the schools open each Fall and must be completed by December. Captain Lavoie also works with the schools to identify any necessary corrective measures that are needed to ensure the safety of the students, faculty, and staff.

The number of building permits, requests for fire and life safety inspections, and other requests for assistance from the Community Risk Reduction Division continue to increase as each year goes by. Our part-time Fire Inspector assists the CRRD in conducting fire inspections and other life safety tasks to reduce the time it takes for inspection requests from homeowners and contractors to be completed. We do ask that you plan to give plenty of time to have your inspections scheduled to meet your project completion needs. Captain Lavoie is currently developing some streamlining processes to make the permit and inspection process more efficient.

Commercial construction related inspections have picked up as new businesses develop existing spaces and the construction of apartment buildings known as Woodland Village off Bog Road. This current large project is in the stages of completing Phase I. Phase II will be finished up during 2025. We also continue to see a resurgence in residential rehabilitation activities.

Residents are reminded:

- All new heating appliances must have a permit prior to installation & must be inspected by the Fire Department before use.
- All heating appliances require regular maintenance. Proper cleaning and adjustment are essential for safe and efficient operation of heating equipment.

- Check all vents after snow and ice fall, blocked vents can result in carbon monoxide problems.
- Read and follow all the manufacturer's instructions for your heating equipment as misuse of a heating appliance can result in carbon monoxide poisoning, fires, explosions, injuries, or deaths.
- Always have appropriate safety equipment on hand: fire extinguisher, working smoke detectors, and carbon monoxide detection.
- Do not run portable generators inside garages and place the generator a minimum of 10 feet from the structure with the exhaust facing away from home. Carbon Monoxide is a clear, odorless gas that when generators are not placed safely may result in injury or death.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Captain Lavoie also has the duties of Health Officer for the Town of Goffstown. The role of the health officer is to investigate, enforce and resolve local public health issues, know the relevant state laws on the duties and powers of the health officer, educate the community on public health issues, within their training and ability and to pursue any training or qualifications required to meet the job needs. The Health Officer's powers and duties are outlined in NH state law RSA 128, RSA 48-A, and RSA 147.

Captain Lavoie has performed several health complaint inspections since the first of the year. Residents are encouraged to check the Town's website for information on issues of concern or other health-related matters affecting our community. We encourage all to promote a safe and healthy environment at home, work, or play.

Campfires and fire pits: Campfires are a great way to bring the family together and wind down at the end of the day. Residents are reminded that the State of NH requires permits for ***all*** outdoor burning. Permits are available at the Pinardville and Village Fire Stations. For a small fee, NH also offers a convenient online fire permit as well. Permits are available for single-day fires and can be obtained for seasonal use as well. Online Permits are available for a small fee here: [Index - SovereignSolutionsForm \(burnsafeamerica.com\)](https://burnsafeamerica.com)

There are a few simple rules that must be followed which include: distance from structures, what is allowed to be burned, and what time of day burning is allowed. All seasonal fire permits expired on December 31. Plan to renew your seasonal fire permits in the spring.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



Emergency Management in Goffstown encompasses many roles. Critical roles in emergency management are Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery. In 2024, The Town of Goffstown continued to review our Emergency Plans, met with the SAU 19 Leadership Group to discuss school emergency planning, and search for grant opportunities to strengthen the emergency management disaster response in the community.

We also worked with the Gregg Falls Hydro Dam personnel in reviewing and updating their emergency plans.

This year we transitioned from an antiquated emergency warning system for residents downstream from the dam who are classified as being in imminent danger should a breach or catastrophic dam failure occur and replaced it with the Code Red App which can send an alert remotely should the need to notify residents of potential dam issues.

The State of NH also has an alert app which will provide you with all the alerts that you have selected in the app. These alerts include weather alerts, emergency alerts, community alerts, and missing person alerts. To sign up for NH Alerts click on the link and follow online directions: [Login | NH Alerts \(genasys.com\)](https://www.genasys.com/nh-alerts)

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) program that educates citizens about the hazards they face in their community and trains them in lifesaving skills. If needed following a disaster, citizen-responders use their training as part of a neighborhood or workplace team to help others when professional responders are overwhelmed or not immediately available. CERT members provide immediate assistance to victims in our community, organize spontaneous volunteers who have not had the training, and collect disaster intelligence that will assist professional responders with prioritization and allocation of resources when they arrive.

In 2024 the Goffstown Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) remained active, trained, and prepared to help our community in the event of a disaster. The CERT Team participated in Old Home Days, This coming year CERT will be working with us to establish a rehabilitation group who will provide resources for fire, police, or during large scale emergencies. Your volunteer efforts are appreciated. If you are interested in joining CERT, please navigate to the Goffstown Fire Department Web page and find the link for Goffstown CERT.

The Goffstown Fire Department and its members devote many hours training and being proficient in our fire and EMS skills. I am humbled and honored to lead a group of passionate and committed service-oriented individuals who respond daily to the emergency needs of the community. We also thank the Select Board, Budget Committee, Local 3430 Professional Firefighters of Goffstown, our Administrative and Command Staff, Goffstown Fire & Rescue Association, Goffstown CERT, and Town Departments for their continued support of *your* Fire Department.

Shawn Murray, Fire Chief
Goffstown Fire Department
Emergency Management Director

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

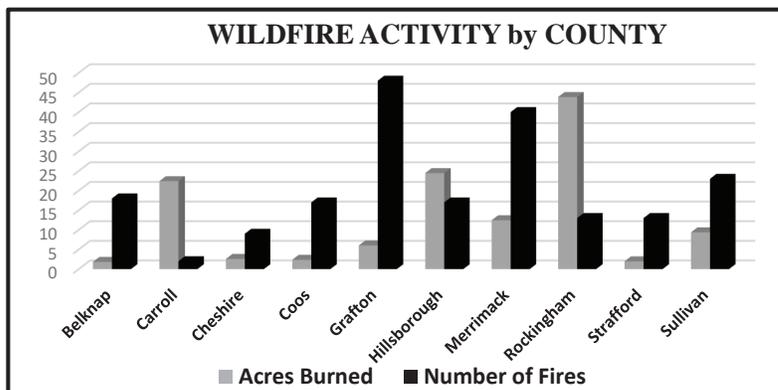
In 2024, New Hampshire experienced an average spring wildfire season which included a 20-acre fire in Effingham in late April. Conditions remained wet enough throughout most of the summer to keep fire occurrence low. However, the fall conditions experienced throughout the northeast were higher than normal as drought conditions set in, keeping state and local firefighters very busy. The week before Thanksgiving found firefighters and forest rangers spending 3 days in an effort to extinguish a 21-acre fire in Exeter. State resources also responded to Connecticut, Massachusetts and Vermont to assist with large fires which occurred in the fall.

Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Every year New Hampshire sees fires which threaten or destroy structures, a constant reminder that wildfires burn more than just trees. In 2024, New Hampshire properties within the Wildland Urban Interface were impacted, with 37 structures threatened and 4 destroyed by wildfires. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildfire 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! We ask everyone to remember Smokey's message about personal responsibility and follow his ABC's: **Always Be Careful with fire.** If you start a fire, put it out when you are done. **"Remember, Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!"**

As we prepare for the 2025 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com or using the QR code. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services. You are encouraged to contact the local fire department for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information, please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfi.dncr.nh.gov. For up-to-date information, follow us on X and Instagram: [@NHForestRangers](https://www.instagram.com/NHForestRangers)



2024 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS



(All fires reported as of December 01, 2024)

Year	Number of Wildfires	Wildfire Acres Burned	Number of Unpermitted Fires*
2024	123	125	77
2023	99	64.5	42
2022	59	203	48
2021	66	86	96
2020	113	89	165

*Unpermitted fires which escape control are considered Wildfires.

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED											
Fireworks	Firearm & explosives use	Undetermined	Recreation & ceremony	Debris & open burning	Natural	Other causes	Power generation, transmission, distribution	Smoking	Arson	Misuse of fire by a minor	Equipment & vehicle use
1	2	29	13	108	7	10	9	5	7	2	7

PARKS AND RECREATION

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

The Parks and Recreation Commission is made up of eight town-appointed individuals; seven at-large members and one alternate. Their commitment is to oversee the town owned and run facilities and recreational activities. In no specific order, the group reviews/monitors the following areas within the departments charge based on the following areas: Goffstown Rail Trail, Maintaining/Improving Existing Parks, Future Facility needs, Access to Natural Resources, Programming, and Special Events.

CURRENT PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITY OVERVIEW

The facilities which fall under the watchful eye of the Parks and Recreation Commissioners/ Department: Roy Park & Barnard Park (Established in 1978), Sarette Sport Complex (3 Rectangular fields), Louis St. Baseball Field, Recreation Building and property (Built in 1970's, Gym addition 1990's), Glen Lake Waterfront (last upgraded 2002), Sports Complex Phase I (2 rectangular fields 2020), Town Common (last upgrade early 2000's), Goffstown Rail Trail 5.2 miles, and Church Street Park. Each of the facilities provides a form of service for our community to socialize, maintain health, wellness, and refresh with a recreational option.

Our two town parks were developed in the early seventies to early eighties and are now showing their age. Over the past fourteen years, the commissioners have been moving to have our two parks become destination parks with no duplication of services/facilities, but to provide special features within the two parks for the greater Goffstown Community to enjoy.

Our community's youth athletic needs (fields) have been growing i.e. soccer, football, softball, baseball, and lacrosse. The development of the sports complex now gives our young sports community 2 more rectangular sports field dedicated to any outdoor program to practice and play games. The community youth athletic teams still need one more rectangular field for practice. This would become phase two of the sports complex. In 2016, Roy Park had a new playground built for all ages and abilities. Examples like this will help maintain the unique features of each park and hopefully decrease the long-term cost of replacing similar/like facilities. In Summer of 2024, the commissioners and Selectboard had to make a difficult decision on closing Roy Park pool. This pool needed costly repairs for leaking and filtration issues. Since we are very fortunate to have two pools to service our community, the decommissioning of the Roy Park pool did not leave Goffstown residents without pool facilities.

The Commissioners have goals for each of the recreational facilities and review the needs annually. Some goals are attainable through the annual operating budgets; however, we are now finding with the aging facilities we have costly repairs across all facilities. Barnard tennis courts need replacement. Cracks in the asphalt are getting beyond filling; Glen Lake Waterfront is eroding becoming unsafe and not attractive. The boat ramp had a Band-Aid repair and needs replacement of a "Type B" system for the high demand. Roy Park pool will have a recreational type of replacement for its footprint. Town common brick walkways need repair and electrical panels need replacement.

Future immediate goals for the department recreational facilities will be to create a recreational type replacement for Roy park pool footprint, repairing the Barnard tennis courts, and repairing Glen Lake Waterfront.

GOFFSTOWN RAIL TRAIL

There were no trail improvement projects during 2024. Of the 5.56-mile long trail, there are two 400-foot sections which, while being quite passable, technically have never been properly graded and covered with 4-inches of nit pack gravel. The Friends of the Goffstown Rail Trail have a 2025 goal to partner with developers of the abutting parcels to finish these two sections. The organization is willing to help underwrite the cost. The timing to do the construction depends upon the developers starting their planned projects.

For more information about the FGRT, visit their website at GoffstownRailTrail.org.

PROGRAMMATICALLY

2024 –

- Youth Basketball leagues continue to be strong; Coed instructional grades 1 and 2 had 98 participants, Girls grades 3-5 had 40 participants, Girls grades 6 – 8 had 40 participants, Boys grades 3-4 had 84 participants, Boys grades 5-6 had 65 participants, Boys grades 7-8 had 65 participants, and Boys High School grades 9-12 had 65 participants, and New this year Girls High School Basketball 12 participants for a total of 459 total participants.
- Men's 18 plus Basketball league had 64 (7 teams) participants.
- Boys and Girls lacrosse play in the New Hampshire Youth Lacrosse Association (NHYLEA) - Boys 8U Instructional Lacrosse had 20 participants, Boys 10U Lacrosse had 19 participants, Boys 12U Lacrosse had 18 participants, Boys 14U Lacrosse had 20 participants, Girls 8U/10U Lacrosse had 18 participants, Girls 12U Lacrosse 7 participants (age group was canceled), Girls 14U had 21 participants for a total of 117 participants.
- Summer Playground (Camp) maintained strong numbers with the consolidation of Roy and Barnard. With the decommissioning of Roy pool the best environment was to have one combined camp at Barnard Park. The pool and facility can handle the extra compacity. This program runs for eight weeks over the course of the summer. We have a maximum of 80 participants per week. We averaged 77 participants with a combined total of 620 participants for the season.
- Afterschool Activity period 12-week program at Bartlett and Maple Ave schools for grades 1-4 - Maple Ave program is run through the Recreation building. Bartlett grades 1-2 had 18 participants, Bartlett grades 3-4 had 20 participants, Maple Ave grades 1-2 had 13 participants, and Maple Ave grades 3-4 had 12 participants.
- Growin' Grizzlies kindergarten instructional sports weekday program was a 15-week program on instruction of Soccer, Floor Hockey, and Basketball. This program had a total of 45 participants.
- Afterschool Instructional Soccer for grades 1-4 – This program had the following: Grades 1-2 had 21 participants and Grades 3-4 had 18 participants. Total of 39 participants.
- New 18 plus pickleball league – Summer program Monday – Friday held at Barnard Park 55 participants enjoyed the league.

New 55 Plus programs and socials. Beginning in December of 2023, the Director of Parks and Recreation and Program Supervisor developed a committee of 10 residents with the goal to research and develop 55-Plus social opportunities for our community. Areas/Activities to be looked at, Trips, Programs/Social Activities, and Education. This group has made an outstanding impact on the social activities offered for this age group.

We are excited to have provided the following 55 plus programming for 2024.

- **An ongoing program Bone Builders** – A long standing program for 55-plus Monday & Wednesdays. A balance and strength program. Sponsored by Southern NH Health Services and taught by volunteers. This program has become very popular, averaging 26 participants.
- LaBelle tour of lights – Trip held in December 2023 with 40 participants. December of 2024 second year 44 participants
- Valentines social (February) – Held at the recreation building we had 30 participants
- Parkers Maple Sugar Barn Breakfast (March) – We had 45 participants
- Lake Sunapee Boat cruise (July) – We had 42 participants
- Fisher Cats Baseball game (August) – We had 16 participants
- Winnepesaukee Railroad Foliage ride (November) – We had 44 participants
- Weekly Rail trail walks (June-November) – averaged 4 participants
- Boards and Games third Monday each month – low numbers at this time.
- Beginner pickleball – Tuesday & Thursday (April – October) held at Barnard Park – 25 participants. Recreation building (November – March) – Tuesday & Thursday - 10 participants

Special Events

- 44th Annual David French Goffstown Gallop held the fourth Saturday of June. (122 participants).
- 46th Annual Pumpkin Hunt – In October we held the annual pumpkin hunt in conjunction with the Pumpkin Regatta. 150 tags were returned out of 220 pumpkins to be found.
- 5th Annual Glen Lake Swim “Glennie” – This is a collaboration with Granite State Health & Fitness Foundation and the event had 122 registered participants.
- 41st Annual Senior Dinner – A collaboration with the Goffstown Congregational Church and Pack 99. Great turn out this year with 98 participants.

Within our network of services provided we value the many volunteers that make every opportunity/event/program successful. Their dedication and passion to give of themselves for the good of others enjoyment, education, and social interactions is extremely appreciated. Thank you to all 89 coaches for guiding our young athletes in basketball and lacrosse. A special thank you to 3 volunteer youth basketball officials, Gary Gendron, Lance Auger, and Carl Chalbeck. In a world where fans watching a game think they have the given right to lose their minds and complain about what is being called in a game, you three are the best. HUGE THANK YOU!

Thank you to a dedicated group on our 55 plus committee; Brad Parkhurst, David Cassin, Danielle Dillaway, Joy MacNeilly, Mary Ann Mckenna, Nancy West, Patricia Shinkiewicz, Phyllis Hanavan, Jane Steckowych, and Cherly Hallene. You all have developed a great list of trips, activities, and programs for the 55 plus community. Looking forward to this year's outings.

Thank you also to the Parks and Recreation Commission who have spent many hours each month 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 Derek Horne and all Town Hall staff, to my fellow Department Heads, the Select Board, Budget Committee, and CIP Committee for giving us their support, guidance, and camaraderie. Thanks to all the local businesses for the continued support in making our programs so successful. Thanks to School Superintendent, the principals and support staff at each school, and Athletic Director Justin Hufft and Ryan Cowette for allowing the use of the school facilities, I would also especially like to again thank three very important people in our Recreation Department: Mike Guerrette, Tyler Cook and Erin (Trnka) McDonough. Without them, our programs would not be as strong, and our fields and facilities would not be in the great condition in which they are now. I am very proud to be part of a town that is surrounded by so many individuals, younger and older, willing to give 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

GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

As we close out 2024, I want to take a moment to reflect on the challenges and successes of the past year for the Goffstown Police Department. Like many law enforcement agencies across the country, we have continued to face recruitment, and retention challenges due to a nationwide shortage of individuals pursuing careers in policing. Despite this, we have remained steadfast in maintaining the high hiring standards our community expects and deserves. While this has made filling vacancies more difficult, we remain committed to ensuring only the most qualified individuals join our ranks to serve and protect our community.

Despite our staffing challenges, our department has continued to prioritize public safety, crime reduction, and community engagement. Community policing remains a cornerstone of our mission, and even with limited resources, we successfully hosted key events, including National Night Out and our annual Halloween Trick-or-Treat Night. Additionally, we continued our Senior Lights Tour and dinner, ensuring our senior community felt connected and supported during the holiday season. These events serve as a reminder that policing is not just about enforcement, it is about building relationships and trust within our community.

In 2024, our officers faced increasingly complex criminal investigations, particularly related to the rise of methamphetamine distribution and firearms-related offenses as well as online scams. These cases have required significant resources and dedication from our investigative team, and I commend our officers for their relentless pursuit of justice and public safety. While these challenges have grown, our commitment to keeping crime down and preserving the quality of life in Goffstown has remained unwavering.

One of our strongest partnerships continues to be with our schools. School safety remains a top priority, and we have worked closely with school officials to ensure students, teachers, and staff feel safe and supported. However, due to our staffing shortages, we lost the dedicated School Resource Officer (SRO) position at Mountain View Middle School. This left our remaining SRO responsible for covering all schools within the district, increasing his workload significantly. We recognize the importance of having a dedicated officer in our schools and will continue to explore solutions to restore this critical position in the future.

Unfortunately, our staffing challenges have also impacted on our ability to be as proactive as we would like in crime suppression efforts and hosting additional community events. While we remained committed to responding effectively to calls for service, we were limited in our ability to engage in proactive policing initiatives that help deter crime before it occurs. As we move into 2025, recruitment and retention will continue to be top priorities for our agency. Balancing the needs of the community with the well-being of our officers will be a key focus, ensuring we maintain a sustainable and effective police force.

I want to take this opportunity to personally thank the men and women of the Police Department for their unwavering dedication, service, and commitment to this community. Their professionalism and sacrifice do not go unnoticed, and I am incredibly proud to lead such a dedicated team. I also want to extend my gratitude to the community for your continued support. Your partnership and trust make our jobs easier and reaffirm our mission to serve with integrity and honor.

As we step into 2025, we remain committed to our core values of public safety, community policing, and crime prevention. With continued efforts in recruitment, retention, and community engagement, we will work toward strengthening our department and ensuring Goffstown remains a safe and thriving community for all.

Respectfully,
Chief Eric Sereno

**GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATISTICS
JANUARY 1, 2024 - DECEMBER 31, 2024**

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS	2022	2023	2024	% INC/ DEC VS 2023
Abuse/Neglect & Juvenile Offenses (child/elderly, runaways, etc)	102	121	119	-2%
Intoxication - Pro Custody Sub	47	35	31	-11%
Assaults (includes Safe School Acts)	77	80	59	-26%
Assault on Police Officer	1	2	1	-50%
Criminal Threat (includes Safe School Acts)	31	31	53	71%
Domestic Violence	80	78	50	-36%
Domestic Violence Restraining Order	65	71	88	24%
Homicide	-	1	-	100%
Sex Offenses	21	18	15	-17%
Drug Offenses (includes Safe School Acts)	12	18	7	-61%
Robbery	1	1	1	0%
Sex Offender Registrations	73	70	76	9%
TOTAL CRIME AGAINST PERSONS	510	526	500	-5%

CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER	2022	2023	2024	% INC/ DEC VS 2023
Alarms	366	498	379	-24%
Animal Complaints	432	488	431	-12%
Arson	3	2	1	-50%
Burglary & Criminal Trespass	37	27	24	-11%
Courtesy Calls (lockouts, 911 calls, fingerprinting etc)	949	917	866	-6%
Crime Prevention	1,366	622	697	12%
Administration	1,414	1,398	1,630	17%
Criminal Mischief	51	56	41	-27%
Disorderly Conduct	6	13	35	169%
Fraud (includes bad checks, credit card fraud, counterfeiting)	39	55	131	138%
Hazards (includes power outages, trees & wires down etc)	270	227	246	8%
Larceny (includes motor vehicle thefts)	113	89	77	-13%
Mutual Aid	306	353	331	-6%
Operations	14,178	10,685	8,983	-16%
Property (lost/found)	186	207	163	-21%
Suspicious Persons (Activity)	272	241	244	1%
Suspicious Vehicles	295	373	274	-27%
TOTAL CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER	20,283	16,251	14,553	-10%

MOTOR VEHICLE AND ARREST ACTIVITY	2022	2023	2024	% INC/ DEC VS 2023
Total Adult Arrests	419	408	390	-4%
Total Juvenile Arrests	53	19	20	5%
DWI - Arrests	35	34	21	-38%
TOTAL ARRESTS	507	461	431	-7%

	2022	2023	2024	% INC/ DEC VS 2023
Motor Vehicle Activity (includes MV hazards, disabled, abandoned, parking tkts)	1,054	949	662	-30%
Motor Vehicle Accidents	401	367	441	20%
Motor Vehicle Incidents Injury (Reported)	52	55	33	-40%
Motor Vehicle Incidents Fatalities	1	1	-	-100%
TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY	1,508	1,372	1,136	-17%
TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE SUMMONS AGENCY WIDE	935	640	465	-27%
TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE WRITTEN WARNINGS AGENCY WIDE	5,762	4,445	4,734	7%

	2022	2023	2024	% INC/ DEC VS 2023
Drug Overdose	7	4	4	0%
Drug Overdose Deaths	1	1	-	-100%
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	36,751	30,300	29,033	-4%

COMPLAINTS AGAINST EMPLOYEES/OFFICERS/DEPT	2022	2023	2024	% INC/ DEC VS 2023
Founded	-	-	1	100%
Unfounded/Proper Conduct	1	1	2	100%
Insufficient Evidence	1	-	-	0%
TOTAL COMPLAINTS AGAINST GPD	2	1	3	200%

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The American Public Works Association theme for 2024 was “**Advancing the Quality of Life For All**”, and your local Public Works Department did our part to make each and every day just a little bit better for the local world around us.

The quality of life at DPW also improved this year, as I’m happy to say we have been able to reach full staffing for the first time in a few years. This makes quite a difference when it comes to road construction productivity and budget, service request responsiveness, and winter road maintenance. We do have seasonal positions in our Highway, Cemetery, and Engineering divisions, so if you or anyone you know would like to join the best group of DPW folks in the state this summer, give us a call!

ADMIN/ENGINEERING DIVISION:

The numerous construction projects kept our Town Engineer Scott Ozana and Assistant Town Engineer Eric Gustafson busy this year. In addition to all of our in-house work, several multifamily developments are in various stages of construction requiring inspection and pre-approval design review. Scott was able to secure a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Program Grant (90% funding) for a culvert on Montelona Rd which will be designed this year with estimated construction in 2026. Our engineering interns returned this summer and were extremely busy with water quality and infrastructure inspections. Eric and Scott managed 97 street excavation and driveway permits this year. Executive Secretary Cara Gustafson managed the office, resident calls, and administrative tasks for our regular staff plus 10 seasonal employees, along with onboarding all new employees.

Our Engineering Division manages the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) permit. This is a requirement under the clean water act, with a primary goal of maintaining or improving the surface water quality of our rivers and lakes.

The Admin and Engineering staff continue to work with consultant firms for design of upcoming repairs to culverts on Juniper St and Montelona Rd, as well as future repairs to Henry Bridge Road bridge and continuing pedestrian and traffic improvements on Mast Road in Pinardville in coordination with the street being repaved.

HIGHWAY DIVISION:

The Town road plan continued with a significant number of streets this year as we are feeling the effects of increased highway construction costs and streets are being deferred, in some cases multiple years in a row.

Reclaim and drainage projects that we *did* complete included all or portions of Elm Street, Lindsay Way, Henriette Street, Theophile Street, Westwood Drive, Serenitas Lane and

Sunbeam Place. The Elm Street project included replacing the sidewalk and making pedestrian improvements, as well as replacing drainage culverts under Maple Avenue. Changes were made to Mast Road between Pinard Street and Rockland Avenue, including removing the second slip lane onto Rockland Avenue, removing the short section of two-way center turn lane, and widening sidewalks with other traffic calming and pedestrian safety improvements. Drainage and pedestrian safety improvements were also made at the intersection of Mast and Laurier streets. The DPW shared costs with the Goffstown Sewer Commission for reclaim and paving of Albert Street after a sewer replacement project.



Pictured: Drainage, pedestrian, and safety improvements on Mast Road between Pinard Street and Rockland Ave

Several other streets did not require significant drainage work, and were paved or received a top coat from a previous year reclaim project. These categories of overlay work help “keep our good roads good” and keeps road maintenance lifecycle costs low. Some streets are in failure status but could not be worked into the current rebuild schedule and need short term shim coat. This overlay list included all or portions of: Tibbetts Hill Road, Mountain Road, Back Mountain Road, Montelona Road, Meadowlark Lane, Greer Road, Birch Court, Pinard Street, East Union Street, Louis Street, Amoskeag Drive, Kate’s Lane, Keith Drive, Ledgewood Drive, Holly Street, Eden Street, and Heald Street.

In addition to reclaim and paving work, there were a handful of other projects completed in 2024. Perennial flooding and/or icing issues and other drainage items were addressed at Forest Avenue/Mountain Base Road, Hermsdorf Avenue, Ben Circle, Hillsdale Drive, Normand Road,

Rainbow Drive, Moose Club Park, and Cross Street. Several stormwater detention or retention ponds were mowed or cleared of trees and overgrowth.

Assistant Director Mike Hillhouse and Highway Superintendent Jeff Sarette did an excellent job juggling staff, contractors, schedule, and materials to keep everything on track. Thanks to all of our Highway staff: Ray Gamache, Myron Beaulieu, Dalton Clark, Tim Holt, Nate Strong, Matt Clement, Steve Davis, Nic Dinardo, Adam Theokas, Ed Wootten, Joe Cousins, Jim McGeehan, Liam Gates, Peter Rioux, Mike Margarit, Vincent Cantin, and Jillian Strong.

SOLID WASTE DIVISION:

The Transfer Station has continued to see a large volume of material from all sources this year. Municipal Solid Waste, recycling, appliances, construction and demolition, and yard waste are all steadily coming in.

The Town signed a new long term agreement with Waste Management, Inc. for our municipal solid waste (“trash”), which is now brought to the Turnkey Landfill in Rochester instead of to the North Country Landfill in Dalton. This change should provide us with stability for the next several years as the state comes to grips with a shortage of permitted landfill capacity.

Solid Waste Foreman Bill Holt has been instrumental in working with his staff to make continuous improvements at the Transfer Station. Scale Operator Gary Chapdelaine keeps the scale moving and the dogs happy with biscuits and a smile. Truck drivers Terry Bourk, Denis LeBlanc, and Cameron Pooler have logged more miles than any other DPW employees, along with thousands of tons of waste and recycling hauled. Solid Waste Operator Dave Gionet has been very busy keeping trailers loaded and things organized and cleaned around the Transfer Station. This year we also hosted an internship in cooperation with the NH IMPACCT academy, and welcomed Layne Androski for a few hours a week through the fall.

CEMETERY DIVISION:

In addition to providing professional assistance to families during difficult times, the Cemetery Division also maintains public areas such as the Town Common, mulch beds, and Main Street areas. The Cemetery Division and DPW Administrative staff also work with the Cemetery Trustees and Finance staff to improve processes and record-keeping for interments, which can be a difficult task with records that can be two hundred years old. Jason Georgantas provided excellent customer service and attention to detail with grounds maintenance this year, including the South Mast Street/Wallace Road roundabout with the help of the Goffstown Garden Club. DPW began the expansion project at Shirley Hill Cemetery. The access road is being lengthened and new plots will be available for purchase as soon as the project is completed. Columbarium niches at the Westlawn Cemetery expansion are now available for purchase at DPW.

FLEET MAINTENANCE DIVISION:

The fleet mechanics maintain the DPW, Police, and Fire vehicles and equipment to ensure the highest level of readiness. We took delivery on a replacement bucket loader, and a curbside refuse collection truck that was ordered in 2022. A solid waste curbside truck, two equipment trailers, and an electronic message trailer were deferred under the default budget. The Fleet Division also prepares used vehicles and equipment for auction or transfer between departments, and with the help of our Finance staff several surplus vehicles were sold this year. Fleet & Operations

Manager Zeb Burnham, Shop Supervisor Cassidy Barriere, and Mechanics Brian Bugbee and Dale Williams provide top-notch maintenance and repair of our fleet while also being available for supervision or road plowing during storms. Fleet Clerk Anne Trudeau continues to manage our fuel use and fleet repair billing, as well as processing invoices for hundreds, if not thousands, of parts coming through the garage.



Pictured: Mechanic (and Once Upon a Pie blue ribbon holder) Dale Williams

Thank you again for your support of the department and our employees in 2024. Here's to a new year, hopefully our best one yet!

Respectfully submitted,
Adam Jacobs, Director



Director Adam Jacobs and family

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

2024 was a challenging year, including working with a default budget. Voters turned down the budget presented so there was some scrambling to decide what would be funded and what would not. As a smaller department and budget, I am grateful we received the budget we requested, minus the window restoration funds. Unfortunately, other large departments, like DPW, received most of the hefty reductions. Even though we received our budget, costs had risen since we submitted our 2024 budget, and I proceeded conservatively as a result. In addition, unfunded expenses, like unknown attorney fees, made me even more cautious. In response, the team and I made reductions and decisions to spend conservatively: we limited spending on digital content, mostly for hoopla; we stopped purchasing music CDs; we did not renew the Universal Class platform in our e-library; the November 2024 candidate questionnaire was only available in a digital format, not printed; we limited program funding by discontinuing popular Take & Make Kits. We also used most of the donor restricted gifts for programming, depleting that resource and we reduced the number of paid performers and presenters for our Summer Experience. The 2024 program attendance and door count reflect these reductions.

I begin to develop the budget for the following year in June and I knew our budget for 2025 would need to be even leaner than ever before. My job as your Library Director is to request a budget that is responsible and provides what we need to ensure we support the resources and services our community is demanding. Those services and resources are not inexpensive. For instance, I have heard suggestions that we should invest more in digital materials, like e-books, e-audio, streaming movies and TV, etc. Digital items comprise about 25% of the total items borrowed and are limited by the budget and availability of content. Currently, we spend as much as our budget allows and these resources are more expensive than paper books, books on CD, and DVDs. Libraries are charged many times more than the average consumer for digital materials, and they are simply unaffordable for the quantity we would need. In addition, we don't own any of those materials; we license usage through the platforms we pay for: Libby, CloudLibrary, and hoopla, and the terms of that licensing are limiting. We also don't have any way to control keeping items for perpetuity; they may not be available to us in the future, or even in a few months.

GMILCS, INC.

Our membership in GMILCS, Inc., a multi-type library consortium, is a great investment and benefit to our small library. Our membership broadens our collections so that we have many thousands of titles available outside our own small library. Our combined investment in CloudLibrary, one of our digital platforms, adds depth to that popular format. Cardholders can request books, audio, movies, and more, quickly and easily through our online catalog. Our courier delivery service makes sure materials owned by other libraries are in your hands within a week, in most cases.

ELECTIONEERING CHARGE AND COMPLAINTS

Libraries and librarians across the United States have been under attack in increasingly negative ways over the past year. Even here in Goffstown, NH, we received a number of 91:A requests, condemnations and disinformation spread on social media, electioneering complaints to the NH Attorney General, and a suit filed in Superior Court regarding our fall 2024 candidate questionnaire. While all of this was challenging, stressful, and time consuming, we were vindicated

and are looking ahead to continuing our good work. As a result, we now have a legal services line in our 2025 budget after having spent \$6,360 on attorney fees that were not anticipated nor included in the 2024 budget.

NOTARY SERVICE

A notary public is a public officer of the state, authorized by law to certify documents, take affidavits, and administer oaths. The Library began offering notary services on March 1 to Goffstown residents, cardholders, and Town employees. Library notaries are available during the library's hours of operation, with some exceptions due to staffing, and it is recommended to call ahead to ensure a notary will be available at that time. Notary service is available until thirty (30) minutes before closing. Notaries cannot provide advice on legal documents, prepare legal documents, or determine the correct documentation. Library staff can only direct visitors to resources and offices that can answer their legal questions. In 2024 we provided 51 visitors with notary services.

NEW WEBSITE

The Town of Goffstown, including the Goffstown Public Library, kicked off 2024 with a new website. Until 2024, library staff had developed the GPL website on our own and separate from the Town. In the early days, we used HTML and eventually moved to a WordPress site. Because of increased security risks and our lack of experience managing those risks, we made the difficult decision to give up our autonomy and move to a new platform along with the rest of the town. While it took a few months to work out the kinks, we are pleased with the outcome and the new site. See it at www.goffstownlibrary.com.

MOBILE HOT SPOTS

After talking and investigating for months whether we wanted to circulate hot spots (also known as jet packs) to the community, we took the leap in 2024. With assistance from the Town IT Department, we purchased, configured, and locked down two Verizon products. It has been exciting to see both hot spots circulating constantly to those in the community who need online access. Hot spots were made available on May 29, 2024 and circulated 14 times through December 31.

INVESTNH GRANT

The Town of Goffstown received ARPA Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and InvestNH Grant funds from the state that were successfully used by all the departments this year. At the Library, we requested money to paint the interior of the library, top to bottom, to freshen up the space for visitors. It looks great! In addition, we intended to replace all the carpeting on the second and third floors that dated from the late 1990's. Unfortunately, this project was put on hold because of a leak around the elevator shaft on the roof. With the approval of the Select Board, we had new vinyl siding installed on the exterior of the elevator shaft, and Northpoint Roofing replaced the shingles on the late 1990's addition and the back of the historic building. The original 1909 slate roof remains untouched except for needed annual maintenance.

NEW ONLINE CALENDAR, MUSEUM RESERVATION SYSTEM

In October, we were informed by the vendor who provided our museum pass reservation system and program registration calendar that it would cease to serve us by November 1, only about two weeks later. After quick work by the library staff, the products from Assabet Interactive were selected for the GPL, and it was up and running within a few months. We appreciate the patience of the community as we resolved this situation. Our online calendar and museum reservation links are easy to use and work great:

- www.goffstownlibrary.com/gplcalendar
- www.goffstownlibrary.com/passes

TONIEBOXES & TONIE CHARACTERS

In February 2024, we introduced Tonieboxes and Tonie figures to our Children's collection. Tonieboxes are a popular, screen-free option for playing children's audio content when a character-based Tonie figure is placed on the box. Our Friends of the Goffstown Public Library group generously purchased two Tonieboxes and the library funded the Tonie figure content. These new items immediately garnered high interest from our community; in 2024, each Toniebox was checked out 33 times and the Tonie figures have circulated an average of 34 times with the three most popular figures being Curious George, Disney's Cars, and *Frozen's* Elsa. These items work for those who already own their own Toniebox and are looking for new audio content and for patrons who choose to use the library's Tonie collection rather than purchase their own. We will continue to grow this collection in 2025.

BOOK CLUB KITS

We now circulate NINE kits for local book clubs! Each kit contains 10 copies of the same book, plus a discussion guide for easy facilitation of the discussion. The kits available with your GPL library card: *Lessons in Chemistry*; *Waking up White*; *Hamnet: A Novel of the Plague*; *The Upswing: How America Came Together a Century Ago and How We Can do it Again*; *The House in the Cerulean Sea*; *This is Where You Belong*; *100 Things We've Lost to the Internet*; *The Anxious Generation*; *How to Know a Person* (part of our 2025 Community Conversation: Understanding and Belonging). Interested in any of these for your group? Kits can be reserved through our catalog at www.goffstownlibrary.com or by calling us at 603-497-2102. Look for additional titles in 2025.

THE TRUTH ABOUT YOUR LIBRARY ACCOUNT

There has been a misconception recently circulating in the community suggesting that knowing a person's library card number will provide access to their personal account information, such as phone numbers, addresses, and items checked out. I want to address these concerns by clarifying that this is not correct. At Goffstown Public Library, all library accounts are protected by a password/PIN, and this information is encrypted—even from library staff.

To help concerned cardholders more clearly understand, I want to share some hypothetical examples:

Scenario 1: Let's say my Goffstown Public Library card number is 24508000143770. Even if someone has that number, they cannot access my account at goftstownlibrary.com without the specific password/PIN I've set up.

Scenario 2: If an unauthorized user has access to my library card number and requests a password/PIN reset, I will receive an email (sent to the address listed on my account) alerting me to the change request. I control whether that change happens, and no one else can access my account without my approval.

If you have heard any concerns or confusion about the Goffstown Public Library, I encourage you to reach out directly to me for clarification. You can contact me at dianneh@goffstownlibrary.com or 603-497-2102 for accurate information. To all our cardholders, thank you for being a patron of the Goffstown Public Library.

BY THE NUMBERS:

- Cardholders = 6,558 members. We purged expired cardholders in January 2024, as scheduled, to keep our database clean. We also delete accounts monthly when folks move, or when we are informed of a death. In 2024 we added an average of 57 new cardholders every month, an increase from 45 in 2023.
- Visitors = 43,192 in 2022. This is a 1.71% decrease over 2023. Door count alone is not an indication of public library success. It must be used in conjunction with our collected statistics to get a true picture of how a library is doing. We collect door count because it is required by the state and federal government.
- Computer Network Use = 1,862 hours, a decrease of 1,199 hours and -39%. This is a hefty decrease and may result in a reduction of public workstations in the future. Our users are checking email, the daily news, job hunting, printing documents, taking online tests, and completing tasks for their volunteer work.
- Items Circulated = 97,517, a decrease of nearly 21% or 14,542 items. Circulation is a mixture of digital and physical materials.
- Digital Downloads = 26,992 audio, magazine, movie, TV, music, and e-book items borrowed, an increase of 3,092 items and nearly 13%. We provide three digital platforms: Libby, CloudLibrary, and hoopla. Our most borrowed format is e-audiobooks, across all three platforms.
- Research Assistance = 7,172 requests for assistance, a 1.9% increase. Of this total, telephone and email inquiries decreased by nearly 21%.
- Classes, Programs, Events and Attendance = 550 events and classes with a total attendance of 11,979 children, teens, and adults. This is an increase of 196 programs and events, and 3,342 attendees and reflects appreciation for our excellent programming for all ages.
- E-Library Usage = 15,660 sessions/searches were conducted, a decrease of about 9%. This year we added Consumer Reports Online, as requested by the community.
- Our Physical Collection = 31,164 items for all ages; we added 2,329 items and removed 2,307.
- The Digital Collection: many thousands of e-books, magazines, audio, movies, TV shows, and music are available over multiple platforms: hoopla, Libby, and CloudLibrary. Digital materials are much more expensive than physical materials due to licensing and restrictions from publishers.

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), an agency of the federal government, collects public library data nationally every year. As part of this process, the IMLS requires the NH State Library to collect the same data from all public libraries in NH that is being collected in every other state. They use this data to better understand library programs and services, and to see how our libraries compare to those in other states.

All public libraries are required to report data in the same way so that the numbers are meaningful and comparable. As Library Director, I gather and report numbers as required by IMLS and NH RSA 202-A:12 (g).

A RETURN ON YOUR INVESTMENT

It is a fact that public libraries provide a huge return on the investment made by a community, and that translates into how much the individual cardholder saves by using the GPL. The receipt a cardholder receives with every check out displays the savings. In the same way, I use a value calculator at [What's Your Library Worth? - I Love Libraries \(https://ilovelibraries.org/what-libraries-do/calculator/\)](https://ilovelibraries.org/what-libraries-do/calculator/) to calculate the annual savings based on the usage numbers we gather throughout the year. In 2024, our municipal budget was \$868,828; this is what your property taxes provided to support the Goffstown Public Library. The return on that investment is calculated to be \$2,171,410, about 2.5 times the 2024 library budget!

CLASSES, PROGRAMS, EVENTS: HIGHLIGHTS

The Library staff is proud of the diverse, quality programming we offer the community. In 2024, we offered 550 programs and events for all ages, with an attendance of 11,979 individuals. Here are some highlights of our year:

CHILDREN:

- AI for kids
- Wildlife Encounters
- Nature Journaling
- Little Math Wizards
- Bluey Blowout!
- Adventures in Art series
- Bryson Lang Comedy-Juggling show
- Basic Embroidery
- “The Science of Poop” program funded by the Friends of the Goffstown Public Library
- “The Night Before Christmas” family reading
- Family programming (geocaching, book discussion, and game night)

TEENS:

- Teen Tinker challenges (electromagnets, rollercoasters and more!)
- Drop-in virtual reality gaming
- Dungeons and Dragons club
- Graphic Novel club
- Themed Escape Room challenges
- Teen Life Skills (financial literacy and laundry)
- Crafting with felt
- Teen Winter Reading Challenge

ADULT SERVICES & OUTREACH:

- Pondering Minds Guild
- Intergenerational Spanish Club
- Visual Art Club
- Concert: Tom Robinson Trio
- Coffee with a Cop with Chief Eric Sereno
- Sip and Savor Mocktail Program
- Introduction to Comics with Maggie Thrash, generously funded by the Goffstown Rotary Club
- Author Talks – Steve Monier, Tony Tremblay, Chris Golden, Maggie Thrash, John Doelman
- Monadnock Falconry
- All about NH Rail Trails
- Eclipse Program and Viewing Party
- Crafting with Goffstown Garden Club
- Zine Program with Saint Anselm College
- Culturally Curious programs, generously funded by the Friends of the Goffstown Public Library and in collaboration with other GMILCS libraries
- NH Humanities Programs, funded by grants from New Hampshire Humanities – The Old Man: His Life and Legacy; NH Lighthouses; 12,000 Years in the Granite State
- Mediterranean Eats, presented by Hannaford Goffstown
- Talk Saves Lives with Makin' It Happen
- Better Balance, Better You, presented by Granite VNA
- Gardening Programs with UNH Extension Master Gardeners
- Bynum Family Legacy
- Fraud and Cybersecurity Training for the Public, presented by The Atom Group and NH Cyber Defense Program

FRIENDS OF THE GPL

Our dedicated Friends of the GPL support and advocate for the mission of the library and in 2024 held their regular book sales in June and October, where they raised over \$10,000! The Friends fully fund the Museum Pass Program; in 2024 discount and free passes were used 922 times. The Friends also funded new chairs for our teen space, gingerbread house kits, and programs for all ages. The Friends are desperate to find younger community members who are interested in fulfilling roles on their Board and take over future planning. Please join the Friends by attending meetings and giving of your time at their fundraising events. Email them at friends@goffstownlibrary.com for more information.

The staff and I appreciate the outpouring of support from the Goffstown community and have loved the cards, food, messages of hope and strength, hugs, and phone calls. You have made a difference to all of us; thank you. It has been an honor to serve the Goffstown community for 26 years as your Library Director.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dianne G. Hathaway, MSLIS
Library Director



COMMITTEE REPORTS

GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES



Front Row, L-R: Casey Leach (Alternate), Lisa Mazur, Diane Hebert (Chair)
Back Row, L-R: Betty Jipson, Judy Johnson, Happy Beale,
Kerstie Hazelbaker (Alternate), Kathy Coughlin, Jordan Willow Evans (Vice Chair)
Missing: Terry Curtis (Alternate), Peter Georgantas (Select Board Liaison)

2024 was a challenging year for the Goffstown Public Library Board of Trustees. Efforts to maintain our historic building were complicated when the warrant article to establish a capital reserve fund did not pass, limiting access to many potential grant sources that require matching funds. Additionally, operating under a default budget resulted in the loss of funds previously allocated for window repairs. That project, originally estimated at \$90,000, has been deferred to the 2025–2026 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) matrix, while the repointing of exterior masonry, estimated at \$80,000, has been scheduled for the 2026–2027 CIP matrix.

Heavy rainfall in April caused significant damage to the library when water leaked through a gap in the roof, affecting walls, ceiling tiles, carpeting, and the elevator shaft. Fortunately, the library was able to redirect funding received through the American Rescue Plan Act that had been intended for carpet replacement to cover the roof repairs. We are especially grateful to Northpoint Roofing and St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church for their generous contributions toward the repair costs. Additionally, InvestNH grant funds, which do not require a match, enabled the library to repaint the interior. The refreshed space has been met with positive feedback from both staff and visitors, who have remarked on how much lighter and brighter it now feels.

This year also saw the library incur over \$6,000 in unanticipated legal expenses. Some costs stemmed from an RSA 91-A request for cardholder information, which the library addressed in consultation with legal counsel. The request led to further challenges and appeals that culminated in the State Right to Know Ombudsman's rejection of the complaint. Additionally, the library's facilitation of the 2024 general election candidate questionnaire resulted in a second legal challenge and a suit filed in Hillsborough County Superior Court. The court ultimately denied and dismissed the plaintiffs' case, affirming the library's actions. While both cases upheld the library's position, misinformation continues to circulate in the community, particularly on social media. The library remains focused on serving the public while navigating how to best address these challenges.

Throughout 2024, the library trustees remained actively involved in community events, including the Friends of the Library's annual book sale and Once Upon a Pie, which has now found a permanent home at Goffstown High School. This year's event featured 88 pie submissions and raised over \$3,500 toward the library's capital needs. We extend our sincere appreciation to our award-winning Friends of the Library, the Goffstown Public Library Foundation, our dedicated Library Director, and the entire library staff for their continued support and commitment to excellence. The Trustees look forward to an equally eventful 2025 — hopefully with fewer leaks and more pumpkins, pies, and progress. We remain committed to securing the necessary funds to move forward with our identified projects and ensuring that the Goffstown Public Library continues to serve as a welcoming space for all patrons and members of the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Library Board of Trustees,
Goffstown Public Library

GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES CONTINUED

Goffstown Public Library Trustees

Financial Report*

January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

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

Revenues		Expenses	
Fines	\$123.09	Programs & Materials	\$1,860.69
Interest	\$3,349.47	Books & Publications	\$2,450.39
Fundraising/Grants	\$3,400.00	Misc. Expenses	\$2,500.00 ***
Other Revenue:			
Gifts/Donations	\$2,371.60		
Misc Revenue **	\$2,971.21		
Total Revenues	\$12,215.37	Total Expenses	\$6,811.08
Net	\$5,404.29		

** Miscellaneous: Fees collected for library cards and lost books

*** Misc expenses include \$1,000 remitted annual to the Town of Goffstown for bookkeeping services, as well as \$1,500 to offset roof repairs funded through various donations.

Goffstown Public Library Trustees

Balance Sheets

as of December 31, 2024

Account	Balance
80-Library Trust Fund	
Assets	
10120 Cash - Checking Account	\$2,389.00
10180 Cash - Money Market	\$195,437.27
Total Assets	\$197,826.27
Liabilities	
24010 Due To Due From	\$16,887.45
Equity	
28160 Fund Balance - Restricted	\$2,964.32
28160 Fund Balance - Undesignated	\$177,974.50
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$197,826.27

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (CIP) COMMITTEE

The Capital Improvements Program Committee is an advisory committee appointed by the Planning Board to recommend a program for capital improvements for the Town and School District, as authorized by RSA 674:5-7. The capital improvements projects reviewed by the committee include equipment and land purchases and building repairs over \$25,000; purchase or lease of wheeled vehicles or motorized equipment with an anticipated life of at least three years; and surveys or studies for capital projects having a cost of at least \$10,000. The Committee meets with town departments and school staff to review their proposed requests for capital projects and then prepares a report to the Planning Board in the form of a matrix that classifies the proposed projects according to their need and urgency, with estimated costs and recommended schedule for their implementation over six years. The Planning Board reviews the report, makes any changes it considers appropriate, and delivers the plan to the Select Board, School Board and Budget Committee.

The Committee includes representatives from the Planning Board, the Select Board, the School Board, and the Budget Committee, and members-at-large representing the community. This year, we were fortunate to have an excellent group: Jack Carbonneau representing the School Board; Jim Craig for the Select Board; Samantha Kearns representing the Budget Committee; Colleen Mailloux, James Raymond and Brad Parkhurst as members-at-large. The Committee was assisted at its meetings by Danielle Basora, Assistant Town Administrator, Jo Ann Duffy, Town Planner and Patty Gale, Planning Assistant.

The Committee met on a bi-weekly schedule, from May to August, starting on May 30th and received presentations from the Goffstown Library Director, the Fire Chief, the Police Chief, the Park and Recreation Director, the Sewer Superintendent, the Public Works Director and School District Officials. The Committee accepted the data presented and compiled it into a matrix of projects and costs across the six-year future planning horizon in order to develop a balance of these projects and costs across those years that would be evenly distributed so as to not result in a heavier tax burden from one year to the next. This work was completed on August 1st and presented to the Planning Board on September 12th. The matrix was approved by the Planning Board during the September 12th meeting.

The Capital Improvements Program is intended to assist the Town and School District maintain and improve their capital facilities and is a valuable planning tool. I would like to thank the Committee members for their time and effort, the Town and School department heads and staff for their thoughtful, clear and concise presentations and the Town staff for their support and guidance.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Redmond Committee Chair

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The Goffstown Cemetery Trustees continue to spend considerable time overseeing the town's three cemeteries (Hillside, Shirley Hill and Westlawn) as well as working with the Department of Public Works and the Cemetery Foreman to continue cemetery maintenance.

The Trustees have been working with the DPW Director on the Expansion of Shirley Hill driveway. The driveway is to be extended, with a cul-de-sac, adding new plots. The Trustees are also pursuing restoration of Historical markers at various cemeteries. Some of the markers date back to the Revolutionary War.

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 reviewed by the Cemetery Trustees and adjusted and/or adapted as necessary. There is an information booklet that is posted in the box at Westlawn updated for visitors and families who come to search for loved ones buried there. Also, an updated information booklet is kept at Shirley Hill.

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. The Cemetery Trustees would also like to thank the Devriendt Farm Products for their generous donation of beautiful wreaths that were placed at the entry fences of all three Town Cemeteries, for the Holidays.

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. Please contact DPW and they will direct you to one of us.

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 submitted,

Jean Walker, Chair

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

In 2024, 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 Conservation Commission is pleased that acres have been protected and preserved forever. Many projects have been completed thanks to the efforts by the Conservation Commission, Board of Selectman and the Town of Goffstown, these lands are protected for future generations.

Ongoing projects contribute to the goals of the Goffstown Open Space Conservation Plan. The projects buffers and protects large portion of prime wetland. They also, conserve rich and diverse wildlife habitats.

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, along with the Mill Pond and river with vengeance. Goffstown community associations have been formed to establish programs to control the spread of the milfoil in our local rivers and lakes. The Conservation Commission is in full support of programs including community education, herbicide treatments, and constant prevention monitoring of the lakes to eliminate new introduction of the milfoil plant. We were pleased that Glen Lake did not need treatments this year, for milfoil.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Walker, Chairman



*Photo: Eastern Hemlock Tree, located on the Mt. Uncanoonuc Trail, designated in 2023 as the **County Champion Eastern Hemlock**, the largest in Hillsborough County.*

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



Left to Right: Jonathan Napoli; Richard Bruno, Vice Chairman; Charles Birchmeier; Melanie Renfrew-Hebert; Chet Bowen, Chairman; and Jo Ann Duffy, Planning & Economic Development Director. Not pictured: Select Board representative Kelly Boyer, Sarah Smith-Troupakis, Christopher Barrett (alternate), and Oscar Arevalo (alternate).

In 1966, the Town of Goffstown established the Economic Development Council (EDC). The EDC was established for the purpose of: “Providing industrial, commercial, manufacturing and warehouse facilities in developing the growth and prosperity of the Town of Goffstown by encouraging the welfare of local industry and promoting the establishment of new industries.”

By ordinance, the EDC consists of up to nine regular and two alternate members. The nine regular members include:

- Six regular members appointed by the Select Board;
- One Select Board member representative;
- One Planning Board member representative; and
- The Town Administrator, or designee.

The EDC meets the first Wednesday of each month at the Goffstown Town Hall, unless otherwise posted. The EDC’s goals for 2024 included the following:

1. Explore the possibility of a FT Economic Development Director. The intent is to carry out initiatives with strong focus and time in between monthly meetings.
2. Support the efforts and initiatives of the Main Street Program, Southern NH Planning Commission, and the Goffstown Industrial Corporation, and facilitate third party funding.
3. Increase Coordination with other town boards and explore the possibility of more site-ready opportunities for new business.

Members of the Council include: Chet Bowen, Chair; Dick Bruno, Vice-Chair; Charles Birchmeier; Jon Napoli; Melanie Renfrew-Hebert; Chris Barrett; Sarah Smith-Troupakis; Kelly Boyer, Select Board Representative; and Jo Ann Duffy, Planning and Economic Development Director. The EDC also welcomed new alternate member, Oscar Arevalo.

For 2024, the EDC was involved in the following activities:

1. Continued to provide business owners an opportunity to engage with the board in the meetings, providing valuable feedback on success and challenges. This included 4 local business owners and 2 ancillary companies tasked with helping small and medium sized businesses with initial loans and possible incentivized tax relief.
2. Research on similar municipalities and their approach to Economic Development, including results based on the efforts of similar Boards or FT employees.
3. Continued participation in the Bridge Ad-Hoc Committee, including a letter of support and endorsement for the project.
4. Initialized research into EDC related protocols involving other boards.
5. Explored the possibilities of coordinating with other boards to create site ready locations with the intent of attracting new businesses to Goffstown.

The EDC is the only entity designed with the express purpose of cost sharing outside of standard residential property taxes. With ever increasing costs associated with municipal and educational expenses it is more important than ever that EDC successfully recruit new businesses to town. New business will help ease the tax burden placed on the residents in the community. The independent social media presence will also play a key role in communication.

The focus moving forward will be on coordinating with other town boards as well as DPW on the possibility of site ready pads. An analysis on zoning and the potential for increased commercial zones will also be a critical part of the conversation in the coming year. The expansion of natural gas and sewer, in conjunction with the road plan may create better opportunities for an expanded business presence in Goffstown.

Respectfully submitted,
Chet Bowen – Chairman – Goffstown EDC

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION & HERITAGE COMMISSION



Left to Right: Corresponding Secretary Lionel Coulon, alternate member Rodney Stark, Chairman Philip D'Avanza, Vice Chairman Mark Collins, and member Michael Przekaza. Not pictured: Select Board representative Mark Lemay.

The Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission oversees three local historic districts in town (Grasmere, Parker Station, and Carr Court). Town voters have deemed these three areas worthy of special protection, and they are therefore covered by a zoning overlay that requires the Commission to review many types of projects related to the exteriors of these properties.

In 2024 the Commission reviewed one application for a Certificate of Appropriateness in the Parker Station Historic district. After careful consideration and discussion with the property owner, the Commission approved the Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a detached shed with a design consistent with the existing residence. The Commission also provided comment to the Goffstown Planning Board on the demolition of a structure outside the historic districts within the RSBO-1 District, which is a requirement of the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance.

The Commission continues to work towards the construction of an addition on the rear of Grasmere Town Hall with an ADA Elevator, providing access to the restored theater for all residents. The Town has set aside almost \$400,000 in the Grasmere Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund for an ADA elevator addition to provide access to the fully restored second floor theater for everyone in the community.

The Town established the Commission's Heritage Fund in 1994 in accordance with NH RSA 647:44-d. The Commission raises funds through the sale of historical house plaques for Goffstown's many historical homes, as well as a reproduction of a 1772 map of the Town, our popular Goffstown t-shirts, as well as hats, and paperweights with the town seal - made in honor of the Town's 250th anniversary. These items can be purchased at Goffstown Town Hall during normal business hours. The Town's Heritage Fund is also available for those who would like to make a monetary contribution towards preserving historic town-owned structures. The Heritage Fund is dedicated to public purposes and donations to the fund are therefore tax deductible under section 170(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code. Arrangements for donations may be made by contacting the Administration Office at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Philip D'Avanza, Chairman

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board has continued to accept and review applications that reflect the strong economy that continues within our State.

Applications for 2024 included site plans, new subdivision requests, conceptual plans, conditional use requests, and other matters that came before the Board. This year, the Board saw an increase in multifamily housing. An example is of a newly approved 26-unit condominium that is currently under construction and located at the corner of Route 114/Mast Road. The Planning Board saw a few smaller scale multifamily projects as well, which included the conversion of two office spaces along South Mast Street and Park Lane into two residential rental units. The Board also heard a few conceptual commercial/retail projects looking to come into Goffstown along the Mast Road Corridor and off of Tower Lane that will be back in before the Planning Board in 2025. The Planning Board approved a community center that will be located on Mast Road across from the Goffstown Plaza that currently is home to Planet Fitness as well as other retail businesses/restaurants, that also offers bus service via Manchester Transit Authority. Lastly, St. Anselm College applied for and received site plan approval for access and a utility extension, to be extended to a proposed new athletic complex located within the St. Anselm College Campus, just across the border in Bedford.

The Planning Board oversees and approves a subcommittee called the Capital Improvement Committee which is made up of a Planning Board member, representatives of Town Departments and Committees and Community at Large members who plan a town wide multi-year spending matrix that will try to spread town expenditure requests evenly over that timeframe to prevent large spikes in the tax rate. This Committee is a planning tool that sends its recommendation to the Planning Board for discussion and a Public Hearing for approval. It is then sent to the Select Board and Budget Committee for their input and changes if deemed necessary to be placed on the Town Warrant for voters to decide.

The Planning Board was sad to see two members and one alternate member resign from the Board, and we thank Kimberly Peace, Gail Glines and David Brown for their volunteer service, as well as a special thank you to Gail Glines who also was our recording secretary for many years. The Planning Board would like to thank all of its elected members and appointed alternate members, in addition to the Town Staff who prepare for our meetings and assist the applicants with their applications. The present makeup of the Board has many different talented members who have experience and expertise in a diverse range of fields that provide consideration for all projects that come before the board. As always, the Planning Department Staff, Public Works Staff and other Town Hall employees are available for assistance to answer questions for town citizens and applicants.

Planning Board meetings are open to the Public and are visible on GoffstownTV on our regularly scheduled second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 PM. Attendance and public comment at the meetings is encouraged and welcomed. As a Board, we look forward to continuing our work for the community's present and future needs.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Redmond, Chair

SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING COMMISSION

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission (SNHPC) provides a wide range of services and resources to help member communities with a variety of land use planning and transportation challenges. Each year, with the approval of appointed representatives, the Commission's skilled staff designs and carries out programs of regional significance mandated by New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations. The Commission also works with Community staff, land use board volunteers, and governing boards on a variety of local projects.



The SNHPC staff would like to acknowledge and express their appreciation for the commitment of the Town's Commissioner. The current representatives for Goffstown are **Barbara Griffin, Jacob LaFontaine, Colleen Mailloux and Jo Ann Duffy (Alternate)**.

In the face of nationwide inflation and rising costs across a broad spectrum of goods and services, the SNHPC has successfully maintained its municipal membership dues at a rate of \$0.676 per capita for the past five years. This has been made possible through strategic use of federal and other funding sources, which have benefited SNHPC member communities.

The Commission has assisted Goffstown with the following over the past year:

- Conducted traffic counts at 23 locations on Goffstown roads and five bike/ped counts along the Goffstown Rail Trail and on Main Street.
- Allocated \$10,650 of FTA 5310 funds to the Manchester Transit Authority (through a coordinated effort from the Regional Coordinating Council for Region 8), to add an additional 64 hours per quarter of service for the MTA Goffstown Shuttle.
- Coordinated the regional process to update the NHDOT's FY 2027-2036 Ten-Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TYP).
- Invited community input on transportation trends, local mobility challenges, community engagement tactics, and future land use patterns to inform transportation priorities in the region. Integrated town reports and public feedback into the Region's long-range transportation plan.
- Assisted seven residents with finding transportation for essential trips.
- Continued implementation of a \$500K US EPA Brownfields Assessment grant. Conducted community outreach to identify prospective sites and assess target properties to understand contamination, clean up needs, and economic development potential.
- Advanced regional climate planning efforts. Activities included promoting a new roadway adaptation toolkit, initiating a regional Resilience Improvement Plan, and coordinating with NHDES on a statewide climate action plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- Secured additional funding to continue the region's "Pathways to Play" initiative to enhance access to recreation. Activities include mapping recreation facilities, developing online resources, and promoting inter-municipal knowledge sharing.

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST



Left to Right: Marie Morgan; Denise Lemay, Chair; Robyn Perry.

The Supervisors of the Checklist (SOC) were very busy in 2024 with four elections: January's Presidential Primary, the March Town/School Election, September's State Primary, and November's Presidential/State Election. Preparations included voter checklist updates, preparing voter checklist books for ballot clerks at the two wards, preparing forms for new voters and those with name or address changes, and inviting and training election assistants for the day and evening sessions. During those elections, the Supervisors of the Checklist registered a total of 1,938 new voters. Following each election, duties include balancing marked ballot books to ballots cast, inputting names of all who voted including new voter information and returning voters to undeclared status. Besides elections, the SOC prepare voter checklists for use at the town and school deliberative sessions held before the March election and verify that only current voters' signatures are on any submitted candidate and local warrant petitions.

Respectfully submitted,
Supervisors of the Checklist

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is a valuable tool established under New Hampshire Statutes to ensure that a town’s zoning ordinance is applied equitably to all property in meeting the demands of an evolving and growing community.

Goffstown’s Zoning Ordinance was adopted at the Town Meeting of March 14, 1961, which included the establishment of a Zoning Board of Adjustment.

The ZBA is charged with applying our zoning ordinance as applicable state law allows, balancing the needs of our community with the rights of landowners. The ZBA acts in a “quasi-judicial” capacity, affording specific flexibility from the provisions of the adopted zoning ordinance. Its work is, in most instances, as final as a court opinion. If the rehearing process is exhausted, appeals of the ZBA decisions can be filed with the Superior Court or with the state Housing Appeals Board.

The ZBA hears requests for variances, special exceptions, re-hearings, and equitable waivers of dimensional requirements, and decides appeals if it is alleged there is an error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made in the enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance.

Variance requests are judged by standards established by the State of New Hampshire. Special exceptions are evaluated against criteria in the adopted Zoning Ordinance. Equitable waivers are considered for violation(s) of physical layouts or dimensional requirements imposed by the zoning ordinance. The rehearing process is designed to afford the ZBA the opportunity to correct its own mistakes before appeals are filed. Appeals of administrative decisions also may be reviewed and adjudicated by the ZBA.

My thanks to the staff who helped facilitate all our meetings, for GTV’s recording of them, as well as for the hard work of all Board members. All are important and are very much appreciated.

This past year the ZBA heard the following cases:

Variance Requests:	26	Request for Extensions of Time:	1
Special Exceptions:	4	Equitable Waivers:	0
Rehearing Requests:	5	Appeals of Decisions:	0
Withdrawal Requests:	0	License & Certificate of Approval:	0

The ZBA meets regularly on the first Tuesday of each month. The board welcomes participation by applicants, abutters, and all members of the community affected by proposed applications.

The board was sad to have three members resign from the Board in 2024. We would like to thank Gail Glines, Alan Yeaton and Judy Allain for their years of volunteer service, with a special thank you to Gail Glines who was also our recording secretary for many years.

Thanks again to all of the board members for their continuing contributions to our community.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leonard Stuart, Chair

SEWER COMMISSION REPORT

The Goffstown sewer infrastructure serves 123 commercial customers and 2047 residential customers. This infrastructure consists of pipelines, pump stations and manholes. The Goffstown system has 27.8 miles of gravity-flow pipelines. Approximately 710 manholes, located at critical locations along those pipelines, allow underground access for maintenance personnel to periodically clean and inspect the lines, ensuring the pipelines are functioning as designed. There are 4 pump stations forcing sewage (collected from gravity-flow lines) through another 1.1 miles of pipelines, into other gravity-flow lines located at a higher elevation. The Goffstown system connects to the Manchester sewer system at three locations and the sewage is then treated by the Manchester regional wastewater treatment facility.

Goffstown property owners, connected to the sewer system, pay an annual sewer use fee. The fee is billed in two installments, usually May and November. The amount of the sewer use fee depends on the assigned flow expected from each connection. The sewer use fee covers the daily maintenance and administrative activities of the Goffstown system, the payment of construction bonds, and the charges billed by the Manchester regional wastewater treatment facility. Goffstown Sewer is considered a municipal enterprise fund. It is funded solely by the sewer customers and does not rely on property taxes. The sewer use fee is incremented by “Treatment Units” (TU). As an example, the daily sewer flow assigned to a 2, 3, or 4 bedroom home is 1 TU. The flow assigned to various commercial and industrial establishments is based on a gallons-per-day chart issued by NH DES at the ratio of 1 TU for every 450 gallons listed in the chart.

The Goffstown Sewer Commissioners have a 20-year inter-municipal agreement, approved in 2012, with the Manchester regional wastewater treatment facility. This agreement covers three major aspects of sewage treatment and ultimately the cost borne by customers. First, the agreement specifies how the monthly operational cost charged to Goffstown is calculated. Second, the cost calculations are fixed up to a limit of 2.13 million gallons per day (MGD) and would drastically increase if the average flow exceeds the limit. At present, Goffstown is averaging 1.0 MGD discharged to Manchester. This is important, as the 1.13 MGD difference represents a capacity to handle the increased sewer flow, at a known billable rate, caused by economic development (i.e., new homes and new businesses). Third, when compared to the treatment limits of the other three communities, the agreement uses the 2.13 MGD treatment limit to determine our share of any capital improvement at the treatment facility. Goffstown agrees to pay 4.11% for such improvements.

When a new development occurs, the new customer (or an existing customer whose sewage discharge changes due to construction) pays a one-time accessibility fee (otherwise known as a “connection fee”). This one-time fee rides with the property, even when ownership changes. This fee represents a proportionate share for having a sewer system and treatment capability already in place with a capacity to absorb the increased sewage flow. The fee is set at \$5,000 per Treatment Unit.

The Goffstown sewer operations are performed by three personnel. An executive secretary located at the Town Hall, a sewer superintendent and an assistant sewer foreman located at the department field office on East Union Street. The commission also has a contractual arrangement with Hoyle, Tanner and Associates, Inc. (Manchester) to provide, as needed, professional (licensed) engineering assistance. The various sewer infrastructure projects performed each year, while closely coordinated with Public Works, are contracts issued by and paid for by the Sewer Commission.

As always noted in our annual reports, maintenance of the sewer system infrastructure is key to successful operations. Each year one-fourth of pipelines and manholes are cleaned and inspected. Each year we also perform targeted rebuilding of aging or problematic pipelines.

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT

I would like to start out by stating that we here at the Goffstown Village Water Precinct are deeply saddened by the loss of our long-time commissioner Richard (Dick) E. Fletcher. Dick served on the board of commissioners from 1979 until the end of this year and was elected and served as Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for the past several years. Dick had the uncanny vision for budgeting, developing projects and monitoring them through to completion. Although he will be dearly missed by all here at the precinct we will move forward into the future with his inspirations.

The precinct's employees, Lee Minnich the Superintendent, Linda Naughton, Clerk and Michael Demers, Water Works Operator do a fine job running the daily operations of the precinct.

It has been a busy year for the precinct. The replacement of the aging water main on Elm Street was completed during the Summer. The upper dam reservoir removal and stabilization project is in its final engineering design phase with the hopes of having a complete set of design documents for bidding in the Spring of 2025 with construction to begin soon after. The engineering study for upgrading the (2) existing wells has been completed, and we are presently moving into the engineering design phase and are entertaining the possibility of installing a third well to meet future water demands.

Sincerely,

Mark R. Renaud
Vice Chairman - Board of Commissioners

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 17, 2025

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 17, 2025, 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 member to the Board of Commissioners for a term of five (5) years.

To elect one member to the Board of Commissioners for a term of four (4) years.

ARTICLE III

To see if the Goffstown Village Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Million Dollars for the purpose of all work needed to identify, engineer, and replace well system components. Such sum to be raised by the issuance of Bonds or Notes not to exceed \$4,000,000 under, and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended) and to authorize the Board of Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and determine the date, term of payment, and the rate of interest thereon. Further, to take such other actions as may be necessary to affect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Goffstown Village Precinct in the Town of Goffstown, NH. And to further authorize the Board of Commissioners to apply for, accept and expend unanticipated money from the state, federal or other government unit or private source which becomes available pursuant to RSA 31:95-b for the same or similar purposes of this article.

ARTICLE IV

To see if the Goffstown Village Precinct will vote to accept the 2025 Budget as proposed by the Board of Commissioners and approved by the Budget Committee to appropriate the sum of Three Million, One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand and four Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$3,123,461.00) for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE V

To hear the report of various officers of the Precinct and to pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE VI

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 27th day of January 2025.

Thomas Neforas 2026

Mark Renaud 2025

Stephen Crean 2027

Brian Untiet 2028

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT 2025 EXPENSE BUDGET

		Budget 2024	YTD 2024	Budget 2025
4130	Executive	\$217,600	\$220,762	\$232,500
	Salaries	\$217,600	\$220,762	\$232,500
4150	Financial Adm	\$18,490	\$15,437	\$21,844
	Audit	\$13,000	\$11,000	\$13,000
	Business supplies	\$2,400	\$3,866	\$2,511
	Office equipment	\$2,500	\$295	\$2,500
	Personnel supplies	\$500	\$189	\$3,743
	Safety Deposit box	\$90	\$88	\$90
4150	Personnel Adm	\$144,098	\$147,474	\$156,666
	fica	\$16,646	\$16,350	\$22,000
	health ins	\$102,027	\$102,910	\$108,284
	w/c ins	\$2,350	\$2,350	\$1,632
	retirement fund	\$22,575	\$25,365	\$24,250
	unemp. Ins	\$500	\$500	\$500
4194	Building maintainance	\$6,000	\$5,112	\$6,000
	Office	\$2,000	\$3,510	\$2,000
	filtration plant	\$2,000	\$1,487	\$2,000
	wells and tank	\$2,000	\$116	\$2,000
4196	General insurance	\$11,056	\$11,435	\$12,663
	Libility/prop/auto	\$10,856	\$10,856	\$12,463
	Bond	\$200	\$275	\$200
4153	Legal	\$1,500	\$304	\$1,500
4197	Advertising/assoc.	\$9,200	\$5,990	\$9,200
	Advertising/assoc.	\$1,000		\$1,000
	Assn dues	\$1,000	\$940	\$1,000
	License fees	\$6,500	\$4,600	\$6,500
	Meeting expense	\$700	\$450	\$700
4199	Other General Govt	\$35,500	\$37,575	\$31,000
	Vehicle expense	\$7,000	\$12,027	\$7,000
	Office elec/heat	\$6,000	\$4,308	\$6,000
	Telephone/internet	\$6,000	\$3,819	\$6,000
	Postage	\$5,000	\$5,160	\$6,000
	comp/software support	\$6,000	\$6,761	\$6,000
	Forestry			
	Engineer-Rate Study	\$5,500	\$5,500	
4332	Water Services	\$44,200	\$27,832	\$44,200

2025 EXPENSE BUDGET CONTINUED

		Budget 2024	YTD 2024	Budget 2025
	Contract labor	\$6,000	\$3,285	\$6,000
	hydrant repairs	\$10,000	\$4,627	\$10,000
	dam repairs	\$1,000		\$1,000
	service repairs	\$5,000	\$6,657	\$5,000
	main repairs	\$10,000	\$8,303	\$10,000
	meter repairs	\$200	\$673	\$200
	pump repairs	\$5,000		\$5,000
	Equipment repairs	\$5,000	\$3,337	\$5,000
	Road repairs	\$500	\$950	\$500
	New services	\$1,200	\$-	\$1,200
	Thawing	\$300		\$300
4335	Water Treatment	\$118,934	\$79,806	\$118,934
	Chemicals	\$20,000	\$18,265	\$20,000
	Electric	\$66,000	\$38,107	\$61,000
	Heat	\$6,000	\$3,734	\$6,000
	Glenview exp	\$4,000	\$4,158	\$7,000
	Supplies	\$2,934	\$2,198	\$2,934
	Water tests	\$8,000	\$4,445	\$8,000
	Mtn Laurel water	\$12,000	\$8,899	\$14,000
4326	Sewage Mtn Laurel	\$24,000	\$16,820	\$24,000
	Septic field replace	\$45,000	\$53,580	
4711	Debt Service			\$4,000
	interest payable			\$4,000
4901	CapitL OUTLAY/Improv	\$1,462,814	\$259,631	\$2,429,854
	Contingency fund	\$10,000	\$3,243	\$10,000
	Capital replacement	\$25,000	\$24,293	\$25,000
	Dam Rehab	\$1,181,314	\$82,582	\$1,180,354
	Well treatment system			\$968,000
	main/sysupgrades	\$246,500	\$149,513	\$246,500
4902	Mach/Equipment	\$18,000	\$16,525	\$18,000
	house meters	\$6,000	\$6,661	\$14,000
	New Equipment	\$12,000	\$9,864	\$4,000
				\$-
4915	Operating transfers out	\$315,011	\$459,386	\$13,100
	septic	\$5,600		\$5,600
	water enterprise fund	\$309,411	\$459,386	\$7,500
			\$-	
	TOTAL	\$2,471,403	\$1,357,671	\$3,123,461

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT 2025 BUDGET INCOME

		Budget 2024	YTD 2024	Budget 2025
3402	Water Charge	\$793,688	\$834,966	\$934,485
	metered water	\$702,938	\$747,500	\$843,535
	hydrants	\$90,750	\$87,466	\$90,950
3409	Other	\$1,582,715	\$465,096	\$2,178,976
	booster station	\$4,776	\$5,627	\$4,776
	thawing	\$350		\$350
	forestry			
	hydrant repair	\$2,900	\$480	\$2,900
	new services	\$342,500	\$348,000	\$86,000
	on/off	\$300	\$455	\$300
	service repair	\$2,500	\$2,321	\$2,500
	meter repair	\$150		\$150
	backflow tests	\$3,000	\$3,245	\$3,000
	Mtn Laurel water	\$32,423	\$32,042	\$38,900
	Mtn Laurel septic	\$27,600	\$26,974	\$27,600
	Pool fill/Bulk water	\$500		\$500
	Misc	\$4,000	\$7,053	\$4,000
	HHPD Dam Grant	\$158,216	\$38,898	\$40,000
	ARPA Dam Grant	\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
	Well System Grant			\$968,000
3502	Savings Interest	\$3,500	\$12,609	\$10,000
3351	Shared Revenue			
	SUBTOTAL	\$2,379,903	\$1,312,671	\$3,123,461
3913	Sav, transfer general			
	Sav. Transfer septic	\$45,000	\$45,000	
	TOTAL	\$2,424,903	\$1,357,671	\$3,123,461

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

Our meter replacement program started in 2021 is successful and most meters are replaced with the newer Kamstrups. Any older meters still out there will be replaced as needed with Kamstrups. We are maintaining and upgrading our fire hydrants as necessary.

- Did mandatory Lead and Copper testing in 2024.
- Did Inventory System for the Lead & Copper Rule.

State of NH DES required us to prove we had no lead service lines. We knew we didn't but we had to prove it and we could.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Daniels, Clerk

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 18, 2025

75st Annual Meeting

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 PM (7) o'clock on the evening of March 18, 2025 to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE #1 To choose a Commissioner for the years 2025 – 2027

ARTICLE #2 To choose a Moderator for the year 2025 – 2026

ARTICLE #3 To choose a Clerk for the year 2025 – 2026

ARTICLE #4 To choose a Treasurer for the year 2025 – 2026

ARTICLE #5 To see if the Village Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee recommended sum of **Two-Hundred-Ninety-Five-Thousand, Five-Hundred-Sixty-Seven-Dollars (\$295,567)** 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 of 2024.

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, 2025 under our hands:

Raymond St. Pierre, Commissioner

Earl S. Wajenberg, Commissioner

John Foss, Commissioner

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2025 BUDGET EXPENSES

	2024 Budget	2024 YTD	2025 Budget
Salaries	\$82,352	\$73,897	\$77,867
Mileage	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
Audit	\$4,100	\$8,410	\$4,100
Office Supplies	\$5,200	\$4,201	\$6,500
Postal	\$1,300	\$618	Eliminated
Building Maintenance	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
Insurance - Worker's Compensation/ Liability	\$2,500	\$2,045	\$2,500
Legal	\$500	\$0	\$500
Training	\$500	\$0	\$500
Association Fee	\$100	\$100	\$100
Communication (includes telephone and Comcast Service)	\$5,200	\$5,583	\$7,000
Electricity	\$5,500	\$2,679	\$5,500
Manchester Water	\$150,000	\$135,306	\$160,000
Meters	\$5,000	\$3,514	\$5,000
Contracty Labor	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
Hydrant Repairs	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
New Services	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000
Water Tests	\$2,000	\$1,620	\$2,000
Maintenance Supplies	\$2,000	\$1,199	\$2,000
Annual hydrant replacement program	\$6,000	\$3,996	\$6,000
Engineering/Asset Management			
Totals	\$288,253	\$243,168	\$295,567

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

2025 BUDGET REVENUES

	2024 Budget	2024 Revenue	2025 Budget
WATER	\$260,503	\$401,632	\$265,817
FIRE PROTECTION			
HYDRANT RENTAL	\$26,400	\$26,400	\$26,400
MISC			
HYDRANT REPAIR			
SERVICE REPAIR			
ON/OFF			
NEW SERVICE	\$100		\$2,000
METER REPAIR			
SERVICE CONTRACT			
BACK FLOW TESTING	\$1,200	\$3,415	\$2,000
LGC REFUND			
MISC.	\$50	\$13	
TRANSFER FROM FUND BALANCE			
DEPT. OF ENVIROMENT SERVICES		\$5,216	
TOTAL	\$288,253	\$436,677	\$295,567

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

OFFICIAL BALLOT

MARCH 11, 2025

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF CANDIDATES

SELECT BOARD

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*

- Fred Plett
- Joshua Douglas
- Richard Manzo
- Jessica Peutin
- Write In: _____
- Write In: _____

Write In: _____

Write In: _____

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

For 2 Years *Vote for not more than One*

- Joe Alexander
- Kerstie Hazelbaker
- Write In: _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Four*

- Rich Jerrell
- Samantha Pearl Kearns
- Dan O'Connell
- James Piercy
- Craig B. Stansfield
- Allison DeCesere
- Henry R. Giasson III
- Frank Hobbs
- Write In: _____
- Write In: _____
- Write In: _____
- Write In: _____

PLANNING BOARD

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*

- Barbara Griffin
- Tim Searles
- Write In: _____
- Write In: _____

SEWER COMMISSION

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*

- Tim Redmond
- Write In: _____

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*

- Bill "Tuck" Tucker
- Write In: _____

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*

- Valerie Neal
- Jean Walker
- Write In: _____

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*

- Bruce Buttrick
- Kristen Dawes
- Denise Langley
- Write In: _____
- Write In: _____

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*

- Christine Templeton
- Theresa Curtis
- Jordan Willow Evans
- Karen Monasky

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

For 1 Year *Vote for not more than One*

- John J. Beliveau
- Write In: _____

ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance, to amend the definition of an “Abutter” in the Glossary, amend Section 15.3.3 Administrator Appeals and Section 15.3.7.7 Rehearing, and adding Section 15.3.7.10 Appeal of Administrative Officer’s Decision? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law relative to the statutory definition of “abutter” and to appeals of certain zoning decisions by abutters under NH House Bill 1359 (laws of 2024, Chapter 130).

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance, to amend the Glossary by removing the definition of “Family Day Care Home” and replacing it with a new definition for “Family Child Care Home”; to amend the Glossary by removing “Family Group Day Care Home” and replacing it with a new definition “Family Group Child Care Home”; and add Section 5.6.4 Group Child Day Care? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law concerning family and group family child care uses under NH House Bill 1567 (laws of 2024, Chapter 271).

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance, to Amend 7.2.5 Table of Off-Street Parking Requirements to add: “A two-family with a studio & 1-bedroom under 1,000 sf that meets Workforce Housing Requirements will require 1 ½ parking spaces per unit. A Multi-Family with 10 or more units will require 1 ½ parking spaces per unit. Guest parking shall be provided in the amount of .25 of the total number of units.”? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law relative to residential parking spaces under NH House Bill 1400 (laws of 2024, Chapter 370).

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance, to amend Section 7.3.3. Handicapped Accessible Spaces by changing the size of the handicapped accessible spaces from eighteen and one half (18.5) feet in length and eight (8) feet in width to twenty (20) feet in length and nine (9) feet in width?

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance, by adding: “Section 7.5.3.2 - An applicant may present an alternative parking arrangement to the Planning Board for residential use, the Planning Board shall be required to consider the alternative parking solution.”? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law relative to residential parking spaces under NH House Bill 1400 (laws of 2024, Chapter 370).

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance, to combine Section 8.3 Light Projection and 8.5 Illumination of Parking Areas, add a requirement that all lighting shall have full cutoff shields, and include “front” lot lines to limitation of illumination sentence? The combined Section 8.3 shall read: “8.3 Light Projection-Any new outside lighting, whether for area illumination, sign illumination, building illumination, or other purpose, shall project no more than 3% of its light rays above the horizon from the lamp, its lens structure or any associated reflector. In addition, any new lighting greater than 20 foot-candles on the ground requires the submission of a detailed engineering lighting plan. Lighting fixtures used to illuminate parking areas shall direct the light away from adjacent properties and away from traffic on adjacent streets. Lighting shall be designed to limit any increase in off-site illumination to a maximum of 0.2 foot-candles as measured at the front, side, and rear lot lines, except where parking lots are interconnected. All lighting fixtures shall have full cut-off shields.”

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance, rewriting the current Section 9, Manufactured Homes & Manufactured Home Parks to allow for the expansion of manufactured housing parks that existed as of 7/1/24, as well as allowing manufactured housing on individual lots and subdivisions created for manufactured housing parks? This amendment will meet the 2024 change to state law requiring municipalities that adopt land use control measures to provide reasonable and realistic opportunities for the siting of manufactured housing on individual lots and in manufactured housing parks and subdivisions within residential districts under NH House Bill 1361 (laws of 2024, Chapter 23).

Recommended by the Planning Board 8-0-0.

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as a General Fund 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 for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty-Five Million, Nine Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand, Eight Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars (\$25,976,883)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty Five Million, Five Hundred Fifty Thousand, Five Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars (\$25,550,534), 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.

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 15-0-0.

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as a Sewer Enterprise Fund operating budget, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Two Million, Two Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Five Hundred and Two Dollars (\$2,236,502)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget for the Sewer Enterprise Fund shall be One Million, Seven Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand, Eight Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars (\$1,783,876), 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 is paid for by customers serviced by the Goffstown Sewer collection system, which operates as a municipal enterprise fund. This article (Sewer Enterprise Fund operating budget) has no tax impact.

Recommended by the Sewer Commissioners 3-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 15-0-0.

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Select Board 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
2025	\$ 136,983
2026	\$ 182,289
2027	\$ 105,628

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars (\$136,983) 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 9.)*

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 15-0-0.

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2008?

This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. No new amount to be raised by taxation.

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 14-1-0.

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate an additional Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000) for Goffstown's Road Improvement Program? Passage of this article will direct the Select Board to include this amount in future operating and default budgets of the Town of Goffstown. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 9.)*

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-6-0.

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town vote pursuant to RSA 31:95-h to modify the existing CABLE ACCESS REVOLVING FUND established in 2013, to increase the amount of franchise fee revenues received from our Cable Franchise Agreement from Seventy Percent (70%) to One Hundred Percent (100%)?

The Cable Franchise Agreement revenue share shall be as follows:

Beginning January 1, 2025 = 100% to the Cable Access Revolving Fund
0% to the Town's General Fund.

Such monies, in addition to any Cable Franchise equipment grants, will be deposited into the fund and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the Town's general fund balance. The town treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the governing body and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created.

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town vote in accordance with RSA 72:62, to modify the solar exemption adopted by the Town in 2015 and increase the exemption to 100% of the amount of a residential solar energy system, up to the first 20 kW? (If adopted and approved, this article shall take effect for the 2025 property tax year. If this article is not adopted, the residential solar exemption shall remain at 100% of the amount, up to the first 10 kW or less, if any).

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$0.00 to authorize the Select Board to commission a third-party operational efficiency study of all Town departments? The study aims to identify opportunities for improved efficiency and strategize optimization in the Town of Goffstown.

The study would include, but not be limited to, the following departments: Town Hall, Police, Fire, Library, Department of Public Works (DPW), and Parks and Recreation. (*Majority Vote Required.*)

Submitted by petition.

Not Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-2-1.

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town direct the Town Manager to make available access to the check register on the town website? Similar information has been available to Bedford residents for many years. Bedford residents can monitor monthly expenses paid out of the school district bank account. Residents can access this information through a 91-a, Right to Know Request, but this can be a cumbersome task for town officials. By providing this information on the town website, town officials can direct people to the website for this information. That should cut down on time and money spent on gathering this information Why should you support this? 1) Transparency. This will make many expenditures transparent. 2) Fiscally Responsible. This will cut down on the cost of having the search and provide information to those who file 91-a's Right to Know Request for this information.

Recommended by the Select Board 5-0-0.

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICIAL BALLOT MARCH 11, 2025

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SCHOOL BOARD

For 3 Years

Vote for not more than Three

Shane Rozamus

Brian Templeton

Reta Chaffee

Laura Fleming

Drew Goulet

Lindsay Lombo

Donna Pinard

Write In: _____

Write In: _____

Write In: _____

SCHOOL BOARD

For 1 Year

Vote for not more than One

Vanessa Hayes

Katy Anne Myers

Write In: _____

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 FIFTY-SEVEN MILLION ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOUR DOLLARS (\$57,152,484)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be FIFTY-SIX MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN THOUSAND TWO DOLLARS (\$56,897,002), 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. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 9-0-0 to Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 14-1-0 to Recommend

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to raise and appropriate up to THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000) for deposit into the existing Facilities Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2019) with this sum to come from the June 30, 2025, unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2025? No new amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required.)

The School Board Voted 8-1-0 to Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 14-1-0 to Recommend

ARTICLE 4

Shall the school district direct the Superintendent to make available access to the check register on the district website. Similar information has been available to Bedford residents for many years. Bedford residents can monitor monthly expenses paid out of the school district bank account Residents can currently access some information on the website, but it is a cumbersome task. By providing this information on the District website, school officials can direct people to the website for this information, making the process more expedient and easily accessible for citizens. Why should you support this? 1) Increased transparency and accountability.

The School Board Voted 9-0-0 to Not Recommend

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT



Back Row (left to right): *Caroline Racine (Vice Chair), Dan Cloutier, Reta Chaffee, Ginny McKinnon, Lauren Doukas, Brady McCann (Student Rep.)*
Second Row (left to right): *Shane Rozamus, Heather Trzepacz (Chair), Christine Bean (Teacher Rep.), Derek Davis (Teacher Rep.)*
Front Row (left to right): *Jack Carbonneau, Jared Talbot*

Goffstown School Board Report 2023-2024

The Goffstown School Board began the 2023- 2024 School Year with COVID-19 in the rear-view mirror. Pandemic and COVID related materials were removed from the website and the Board was able to focus efforts on curriculum, learning and facility improvements.

The Board is pleased to announce the successful completion of several facility projects. Energy Management Consultants, Inc. completed Phase I of the Mountain View Middle School upgrade to the lighting, heating controls and boilers. Mountain View Middle School roofing and other building envelope systems were upgraded. The Middle School Bus Turn Around Project was also completed. These improvements have greatly improved the flow of traffic and safety during drop-off and pick-up by separating bus from vehicular traffic. Renovation of the Goffstown High School Theater was completed and has greatly enhanced the performances and community events held there. The Grizzly’s new Artificial Turf Field and Stadium were dedicated. Contributors and volunteers that made this monumental project possible were recognized. We are grateful beyond words.

Goffstown High School had the distinction of being the only Division 1 School to have zero disqualifications in athletics this year. The newly formed football team at Mountain View Middle School had the opportunity to play their first football game on the new turf field. Two new pieces of playground equipment were added to the Middle School thanks to donations from the Mountain View Partnership. We are grateful for their fund-raising efforts and community involvement. Thank you.

2023-2024 School budget did not pass as submitted. The default budget had the effect of reducing the number of bus routes served by the district. The reduced schedule allowed funds to be reallocated to cover other needs. Existing technology subscriptions including Schoology, Kultura and the Wonders program received funds to meet the District's existing contractual obligations. Other priority projects were deferred, and the hiring of support staff was reduced.

The Board accepted the retirement of Mrs. Gerri Goguen the Principal at Bartlett Elementary School in June of 2024. We wish her well and thank her for her many years of exemplary leadership. Mrs. Suzanne Pyszka was welcomed as the new Principal at Bartlett Elementary School. Mr. Bill Demers accepted the Principal position at Maple Avenue. We are excited to have them leading these schools.

Mr. Andy Pyszka was honored with the National Teacher of the Year Award. We applaud the recognition of a talented, passionate and hardworking professional.

Mrs. Christine Bean was welcomed in December 2023 as the Teacher's representative to the Board. Jack Carbonneau was elected to the School Board as a member in March 2024. We also wanted to thank Ellen Vermokowitz for her commitment and many years of service to the School Board.

I would like to thank my fellow school board members, administrators, faculty, staff, support staff and bus drivers for their tireless efforts and devotion to education and our community.

Respectively Submitted,

Heather Trzepacz, Chair
Goffstown School Board, SAU 19

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT

Brian Balke, Superintendent

I am pleased to present the 2023-2024 Superintendent’s Report on behalf of SAU19. Our public schools continue to play a vital role in our communities, supporting families as they raise children and foster a sense of community. We remain steadfast in our commitment to maintaining a non-partisan and apolitical stance. We deeply appreciate all our educators for their hard work and dedication in supporting our students, families, and communities.

On April 8th, 2024, an incredibly rare and inspiring event occurred: the total solar eclipse in New Hampshire. Our dedicated teachers seized this unique opportunity to bring excitement into their classrooms. Despite it being a regular school day, families were encouraged to keep their children out of school to experience the eclipse together. We hope that our students will cherish the memories of this extraordinary event for years to come.

Leveraging a NH State (SAFE) Grant, the district upgraded safety-related infrastructure with over \$383,000 in grants. The improvements included building access controls, security camera upgrades, emergency alerting systems, and school radio communications.

During the March voting day, voters approved a Citizen’s Petition Warrant Article amounting to \$13,000 for the purchase of supplemental locks or door barricade devices for primary classroom doors. This initiative will serve as an additional layer of security within our Emergency Operations Plan.

During the 2023-2024 school year, the district partnered with Energy Management Consultants (EMC) to implement a comprehensive energy efficiency plan. This \$3.3 million project included the conversion to LED lighting in all schools, the replacement of energy-efficient boilers at Goffstown High School and Maple Ave Elementary School, the installation of modern digital heating access controls at Bartlett and Maple Ave Elementary Schools, and the replacement of a roof section at Mountain View Middle School. The project received over \$500,000 in energy efficiency incentives and rebates and was financed through a municipal lease purchase program.

As highlighted in the individual school reports provided by our principals, our schools continue to offer numerous exemplary programs that support student learning and growth. The schools in Goffstown and New Boston remain dedicated to our collective mission of advancing student learning through a student-centered approach. The 2023-2024 school year was notably productive across all our schools, with students excelling both academically and socially.

I remain deeply grateful to our dedicated professional staff, support staff, and administrators who work tirelessly to make our schools exceptional places for learning and growth. We are honored to contribute our time, talents, and passion to the youth of Goffstown and New Boston. I also extend my heartfelt gratitude to our school boards and budget/finance committee members who graciously dedicate their time to the community. Lastly, I would like to express my pride in the wonderful students who walk through our doors every day; we are fortunate to have such outstanding kids in our schools.

Schools in Goffstown and New Boston are strong, student-centered, and focused on advancing student learning. We believe that our schools are the heartbeat of our communities, attracting new residents and enhancing property values and desirability. SAU19 schools, with their low per-pupil costs and high achievement, offer excellent value to the taxpayers of Goffstown and New Boston.

It remains my greatest honor to serve the communities of Goffstown and New Boston.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Balke
Superintendent of Schools

**GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
DELIBERATIVE SESSION
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024**

Moderator James Raymond called the School Deliberative Session to order at 7:06 pm. We would like to recognize those who volunteer and make things happen.

Present: Moderator James Raymond, School District Clerk Jo Ann Duffy; School Board Members - Chair Heather Trzepacz, Caroline Racine, Reta Chaffee, Dan Cloutier, Nicole Bump, Ginny McKinnon, Shane Rozamus, Jared Talbot, and Ellen Vermokowitz. SAU Administration - Superintendent Brian Balke, Assistant Superintendent Wendy Kohler, Business Administrator Scott Gross, Assistant Business Administrator Laura Taylor, Human Resource Director Kate Magrath, Special Education Director Jennifer Freitas, Technology Director Stephen Bourget, Facilities Director Randy Loring, and Facilities Supervisor Dawn Tabor. School Principals -GHS Principal Frank McBride, GHS Assistant Principal Kim Mccann; MVMS Principal Jessica Milligan; Maple Avenue Principal Suzanne Pyszka, Maple Avenue Assistant Principal Lisa Johnson; Bartlett Principal Gerri Goguen, Bartlett Assistant Principal Kristine Colburn; Glen Lake School Principal Kathy Stoye, and Glen Lake Assistant Principal Kristine Colburn. State Representatives - Joe Alexander, Jr., Judi Lanza, Fred Plett, Sheila Seidel, Lisa Mazur, and Judy Lanza; Assistant Town Administrator Danielle Basora. Select Chair Kelly Boyer, Selectmen Peter Georgantas, Selectmen Collis Adams, Selectmen Jim Craig, and Selectmen Mark Lemay. Budget Committee Members - Joe Alexander, Frank Hobbs, Samantha Kearns, Brian Mazur, Laura Stevens, Melanie Renfrew-Hebert, Stacey Bellemare, Olivia Welch-Erdahl, Lauren Doukas, Allison DeCesere, Doug Pounds, Richard Manzo, and Richard Fletcher.

Dream Keeper and Cornerstone Awards -Introduced by Reta Chaffee, School Board Member

Dream Keeper - In Recognition of Exceptional Service - Mike Charest and Barry Charest recognized for their incredible work on the new turf fields. They helped administration and staff with this project. They were invaluable in helping the district with this complicated project.

Dream Keeper - In Recognition of Exceptional Service -Dian McCarthy and Crispin’s House -Students, parents, schools have benefited from her tireless leadership. These programs are high quality, engaging and timely, and our Town is better for it.

Cornerstone Award - In Recognition of Outstanding Dedication, Commitment, and Accomplishment in Advancing Student Learning -Christina Lamson, Technology integrator -Ability to exceed in expectations in everything that she does. She makes teaching and learning fun. The quality of her contributions has made such a difference. Thank you for being the driving force for making a lasting difference to our students and staff. She supports faculty and staff and parents outside of the school building. She makes things easier for all. She has made herself available to offer help in time of need.

Moderator Raymond reviewed the rules of the meeting and how the meeting would proceed. Comments must be germane to the warrant article. You must come to the microphone. All comments are addressed to the moderator. The moderator will not permit criticism. You may ask up to two questions. Nobody is compelled to answer your questions. You will need two voters to make a motion to amend an article. On a motion to amend, you cannot amend without a motion in writing signed by two registered voters. A motion for a secret ballot requires five signatures in writing by registered voters.

Article #2 - Operating Budget - \$55,709,910

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 Fifty-Five Million, Seven hundred Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Ten Dollars (\$55,709,910)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Fifty-Five Million, Four Hundred One Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty-Three Dollars (\$55,401,923), 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. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 8-0-0 to Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 11-2-0 to Recommend

MOTION: Moved by Jared Talbot, seconded by Shane Rozamus.

The Budget Committee voted 11-in favor, 2-opposed, and a-abstained. This is a multi-month project for more than one board to look at our budget and interrogate what makes up our budget.

Jared Talbot: The vision for the budget is to focus on high-quality instruction.

District Staffing - continue to attract and retain quality educators and staff. We want to keep this at a zero additional head count.

Deploy technology that advances student learning achieves operational efficiency and effectiveness. With Schoology we can go in and look at what is going on in the students' accounts.

Provide safe and clean school buildings with an emphasis on proactive maintenance and planning or future facility needs.

Maintain excellent communication with stakeholders in our community to promote transparency and allow for constructive feedback. Parents, teachers, etc. We want to be transparent.

Develop strategies to address the impact of new residential housing on increasing student enrollments at our elementary schools. We know we have developments coming in. We look at what we will have for an increase in school-aged children.

Acknowledgement of inflationary pressures, while balancing responsible school district budgeting. Reallocation of resources amongst schools to remain staff neutral.

For the 24/25 school year, the district focus remains on educational remediation, unfinished learning, mental health, and social-emotional learning.

Emphasis on Math and Reading based on testing data.

Schoology - Continued implementation of comprehensive management system.

Continued use of grants to support students needs, investments in our capital infrastructure, and school safety programs.

The proposed school district budget is \$55,709,910. The default budget is \$52,891,010. We have a difference of \$3,617,644. Seventy-eight percent of the district's general fund budget is for salaries and benefits; 51% for salaries and 27% for employee benefits.

\$2,130,028 is what we pay for the SAU expenses. \$2,000,094 is for tuition. \$746,000 is to heat all of our schools.

As we look at our budget increases, \$2.4 million is for the teacher contracts and support contracts that were approved in 2023 and 2022. Special Ed transportation at \$300,000, Information Technology licenses and software \$200,000, Facilities repairs and supplies \$50,000. We increased substitute teachers' salaries.

Supply costs for electricity has been stable due to a multi-year contract. Propane costs have remained fairly level at around \$1.71 per gallon. The district continues to monitor energy usage and work towards replacing equipment that is more energy efficient.

Revenue Projections budgeted \$8.5 million from New Boston. The state portion is \$521,000, Federal grants \$1.9 million, use of fund balance to reduce taxes \$1.7 million. NH Adequacy \$7.8 million.

Statewide Property Tax, \$3.2 million; slight decrease. Use of fund balance \$250,000, which goes into the capital reserve fund.

Demographic Data -

Jarad: Glen Lake - projected enrollment 220 students Maple Avenue projected 554 students

Bartlett projected students 175 MVMS projected students 875 GHS projected students 1050
Overall projected students 2874

We have level loading of our school-aged children. Goffstown is not decreasing the number of students.

Projected class sizes –

	Bartlett School	Maple Ave School
Grade 1	18	19-20
Grade 2	20	22-23
Grade 3	16	22-23
Grade 4	17	29-30

We have growth in our elementary schools. We are looking at this further.

Special Education as of 10/1/23

Glen Lake	62
Bartlett	40
Maple	80
MVMS	178
GHS	171
Total	531

Free and Reduced Lunch Students

Bartlett	27%
Maple	12.2%
MVMS	18.56%
GHS	11%

These amounts have gone down. If you believe you would qualify, please contact the SAU.

Total cost per pupil for FY 23 was \$16,401, the fourth lowest out of 162 school districts. \$3,922 less per pupil than the State average of \$20,323.

Tax Impact History

For every \$100,000 in increased spending, the tax rate increase by almost \$0.04 cents based on the 2023 valuation of all properties. The projection for next year is \$11.75. This is based on how much revenue we get from the State. If this budget were to fail, it would go to the default budget. All of this information is on the school district website.

Academic Achievement and Student Success - English and Math consistently above the State average. This is the value that you are providing for our school-aged children.

NH State Education Adequacy Funding - In 2004 the Base Adequacy per Pupil was \$3,390. In 2024, it is \$4,182. Over a 20-year period the base adequacy per pupil increased \$39.60 per year.

NH Residential Property Taxes make up the greatest share of the school district revenues.

Robert McClory: Why do schools pay property taxes?

Scott Gross: They do not.

When I was in school, I saw the new football field and the box, and I thought about Mr. Edwards. I know his students could have built that. Having classes like that for students who want to fix things is a good thing. I see the tech wing is being taken over by computer things. People from Goffstown are builders. I believe it could help our budget quite a bit.

Discussion closed on operating budget. Motion to restrict reconsideration. Voice vote approved. Article #2 will appear on the Ballot as presented.

Article #3 - Capital Reserve Fund Deposit - \$250,000 Nichole Bump

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to raise and appropriate up to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for deposit into the existing Facilities Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2019)? This sum to come from the June 30, 2024, unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No new amount to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 7-1-0 to Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 8-5-0 to Recommend

MOTION: Nicole Bump moved, seconded by Reta Chaffee.

Nicole Bump: A capital reserve fund is a fund or amount set aside for future or unpredictable expenses or losses, or for long term capital investment projects or improvements. Examples are building repairs, windows, roofing, stairs, and bathrooms. Replacing equipment such as HVAC units, fire panels, boilers, and furniture. The school maintains a CIP for a six-year time frame. This helps our community plan for needed investments over time. The school district has been highly active with the CIP. There are 71 items in the CIP. We are having difficulty repairing items in our buildings. Making a new deposit in the CRF will help us in getting these projects done. Keeping funds in the CRF allows us to apply for grants when needing a match. History of the District's use of the CRF include lockers, stairs, lighting, cistern, scoreboard, GHS theatre improvements, boilers, tractor, fire panel, and HVAC. We are looking to deposit \$250,000 to cover the most critical facilities costs. The new balance in the fund would include \$465,000. Potential future projects include roof replacements at Bartlett, Locker room floors, cafeteria tables, fire panel, a transformer, and district-wide phone system.

Karen Monaski: What is the unassigned fund balance as of today?

Scott Gross: The balance occurs on June 30 of each year. \$1.1 million dollars is in the contingency fund for unanticipated items. If the board does not retain the fund balance, that money goes to reduce your taxes the following year.

Karen Monaski: Is the unassigned fund balance only used with voter approval?

Scott Gross: It is the School Board that determines what is kept year to year.

Brian Mazur: Will these monies still be required if the infrastructure and energy project is in flight?

Scott Gross: None of the projects you saw are part of that project. We are looking at replacing the boilers and lighting.

Discussion is closed on Article #3. Motion to restrict consideration. Voice vote passed. Article 3 will appear on the ballot as presented.

Article #4 - Petition Article - Night Locks - \$13,000

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000) for the purpose of purchasing Night Lock door barricade devices to be installed on all primary classroom doors in Goffstown Schools to improve safety and security in the event of an active shooter event. This special article is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3 VI (d) and RSA 32:7 V. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 6-2-0 to Not Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 9-4-0 to Not Recommend

Sarah Tollfson: This is a cost of about \$2.00 per resident. We anticipate an amendment here tonight. Language change is something we support.

Moderator Raymond: This amendment removes the Night Lock devices and replaces them with supplemental devices. The new language states, "To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,000 for the purpose of purchasing door barricade devices to be installed on all primary classroom doors in Goffstown schools to improve safety and security in the event of an active shooter event. (Majority vote required)."

MOTION: Sarah Tollefsen moved, seconded by Ryan Bump to amend Article #4 as stated above.

Scott Gross: Outside is a door mock-up. We have been working with the petitioners to be more open with options.

Moderator Raymond: We will vote on the amendment. Motion carried by a voice vote. Article #4 will appear on the ballot as amended.

Motion by Jarad Talbot, seconded by Ginny McKinnon to restrict reconsideration on Article #4. All in favor by voice vote.

Article #5 - Petitioned Article - 2.5% Tax Cap

Shall the Town of Goffstown vote to implement a cap on local school district taxes? The warrant article aims to establish a cap on local school district taxes to provide fiscal responsibility and stability for residents and businesses within the Town of Goffstown. The cap ensures that the tax burden remains reasonable while allowing essential academic, educational, and remedial services to be maintained, if not improved.

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 197-d and implement a tax cap whereby the governing body and budget committee shall not submit a recommended budget that increases the amount to be raised by local taxes, based on the prior fiscal year's actual amount of local taxes raised, by more than 2.5%. (3/5 Majority Vote Required).

The School Board voted 9-0-0 to Not Recommend

MOTION: Shanun Carey moved, Seconded by Jennifer Vallee.

Shanun Carey: Since most of you were present at Saturday's meeting, my home's value has gone up over

\$160,000. Other towns have taken advantage of the tax cap model. I wanted to understand why the state was doing so little. Everyone is correct, the state funded towns at a higher level. The difference between then and now, they tie their dictation of what we should be doing with our money. The school portion has gone up, but the state money is going down. I would like to stop blaming the state for not doing more. We need greater accountability within the schools. Do not disregard the fact they are worried they can no longer afford to live here. We need to recognize essential services will be cut. If 2.5% is too low, why not compromise? How can you come together to find a solution? We are not always going to get our way 100% of the time.

Moderator Raymond: There has been a motion to amend by Cindy Rizza.

Strike first paragraph in the article. Replace correct RSA and replace 2.5% with the percentage 30%.

Cindy Rizza: The 2.5% tax cap does not solve problems for the schools. Goffstown has one of the lowest cost per pupil. We are talking about a district trying to meet essential needs and keeping buildings safe and running efficiently. It is clear that this proposal would damage our schools. I am personally opposed to any tax cap. I have increased this to 30% to stop this so that we can support our administrators and teachers. A tax cap will only provide minimal relief to our wallets. It is our state's responsibility to provide an adequate education.

Scott Gross: I want to thank Shaunn. The tax cap is not truly clear. It is 2.5% of the above the local tax effort and then add back the unassigned fund balance. In Goffstown this is truly representative democracy. We are an SB 2 town, and we are here tonight to debate and potentially amend. Then we go to March to vote. We compete for teachers with Bedford and other towns. You approved the teacher contract. I was asked what a 10% cap would look like. Capacity of 1.1. I mentioned you can add the fund balance back. That amount is diminishing every year. Life does not work in 2.5%.

The tax cap allows you to override it.

Hannah, Senior at the GHS: 2.5% affects every student here. We will not be able to participate in clubs and sports. Families move to towns for a quality education. The 30% cap provides for these items.

Brian Templeton: I am disturbed by the fact that this amendment will torpedo this. If I saw somebody come back with a reasonable compromise and we can get this to the voters. There are people who are working or who cannot get a babysitter. I ask you to vote against this amendment.

MOTION: Move the question. Voice vote in favor.

MOTION ON THE AMENDMENT: Voice vote tied. The Moderator declared a standing vote is required.

VOTE: Yes - 180, No - 64. Motion on the Amendment carries.

MOTION: Lauren Doukas moved, Liz Ross seconded to limit reconsideration. Voice vote in favor. Article #5 will appear on the Ballot as amended.

State Representative Joe Alexander: Last year the Legislator passed the budget by Republicans and Democrats alike. \$3 million for building aid and established program recruitment for educators.

Goffstown received ten percent more in this budget. Key fobs and audio cameras were purchased. The bipartisan budget should continue. My hope is that funds will be provided to Goffstown. We have Goffstown families in mind.

MOTION: Brad Parkhurst moved, seconded by Joe Alexander to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 pm. So voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Duffy

School District Clerk

OFFICIAL GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION RESULTS MARCH 12, 2024

ARTICLE 1

Election of Officers

To choose three (3) members of the School Board for the ensuing three years:

Ellen Vermokowitz	492
John “Jack” Carbonneau	1,586 *
Lauren Doukas	1,254
Lindsay Lombo	1,392
Virginia “Ginny” McKinnon	1,442 *
Donna Pinard	810
Jared Talbot	1,439 *
Overvotes	15
Undervotes/Blanks	1,487
Write-In	
Write-In w/ < 5 votes	21

To choose one (1) School District Moderator for the ensuing three years:

James Raymond	2,287 *
Overvotes	0
Undervotes/Blanks	1,011
Write-In	
Write-In w/ < 5 votes	13

To choose one (1) School District Clerk for the ensuing three years:

Jo Ann Duffy	2,275 *
Overvotes	0
Undervotes/Blanks	1,022
Write-In	
Write-In w/ 5 votes	13

To choose one (1) School District Treasurer for the ensuing three years:

Lissa Winrow	2,201 *
Overvotes	0
Undervotes/Blanks	1,097
Write-In	
Write-In w/ < 5 votes	11

ARTICLE 2**Operating Budget**

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 Fifty-Five Million, Seven Hundred Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Ten Dollars (\$55,709,910)?

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Fifty-Five Million, Four Hundred One Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty Three Dollars (\$55,401,923), 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. (*Majority vote required.*)

*The School Board Voted 8-0-0 to Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 11-2-0 to Recommend*

YES: 1,488 NO: 1,523 FAILED

ARTICLE 3**Facilities Capital Reserve Fund Deposit**

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to raise and appropriate up to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) for deposit into the existing Facilities Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2019)? This sum to come from the June 30, 2024 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2024. No new amount to be raised from taxation. (*Majority vote required.*)

*The School Board Voted 7-1-0 to Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 8-5-0 to Recommend*

YES: 1,673 NO: 1,462 PASSED

ARTICLE 4**Petition Article - Equipment Purchase**

Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000) for the purpose of purchasing supplemental door locks or door barricade devices to be installed in Goffstown Schools to improve safety and security in the event of an active shooter event. This special article is a special warrant article per RSA 32:3 VI (d) and RSA 32:7 V. (*Majority vote required.*)

*The School Board Voted 9-0-0 to Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 10-3-0 to Recommend*

YES: 2,135 NO: 1,017 PASSED

ARTICLE 5

Petition Article - Tax Cap On Operating Budget

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 32:5 (b)(c), and implement a tax cap whereby the governing body and budget committee shall not submit a recommended budget that increases the amount to be raised by local taxes, based on the prior fiscal year’s actual amount of local taxes raised, by more than 30%? *(3/5 Majority vote required.)*

The School Board Voted 9-0-0 to Not Recommend

YES: 1,277 NO: 1,844 FAILED

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2025 WARRANT
SCHOOL DELIBERATIVE BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 2025
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

The inhabitants of the School District of Goffstown Local School in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in School District affairs are hereby notified that the Annual School District Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative Session)

Date: February 3, 2025

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Goffstown High School Details: Gymnasium

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)

Date: March 11, 2025

Time: 7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Location: Bartlett Elementary and Goffstown High School Details: Gymnasiums

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before January 27, 2025, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at Goffstown High School, Bartlett Elementary School, Goffstown Town Hall and the SAU 19 Central Office and that an original was delivered to Denise Morin, Executive Assistant at SAU 19.

Name	Position	Signature
Heather Trzepacz	Board Chair	<i>Heather Trzepacz</i>
Caroline Racine	Board Vice Chair	<i>Caroline Racine</i>
Jack Carbonneau	Board Member	<i>Jack Carbonneau</i>
Reta Chaffee	Board Member	<i>Reta Chaffee</i>
Daniel J. Cloutier	Board Member	<i>Daniel J. Cloutier</i>
Lauren Doukas	Board Member	<i>Lauren Doukas</i>
Virginia McKinnon	Board Member	<i>Virginia McKinnon</i>
Shane Rozamus	Board Member	<i>Shane Rozamus</i>
Jared Talbot	Board Member	<i>Jared Talbot</i>

ARTICLE 1
Election of Officers

To choose one (1) member of the School Board for the ensuing (1) year.

To choose three (3) members of the School Board for the ensuing three (3) years.

ARTICLE 2
Operating Budget

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 FIFTY SEVEN MILLION ONE HUNDRED FIFTY TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$57,152,484)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be FIFTY SIX MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY SEVEN THOUSAND TWO DOLLARS (\$56,897,002), 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. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 9-0-0 to Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 14-1-0 to Recommend

ARTICLE 3
Facilities Capital Reserve Fund Deposit

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to raise and appropriate up to THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000) for deposit into the existing Facilities Capital Reserve Fund (established in 2019) with this sum to come from the June 30, 2025 unassigned fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2025? No new amount to be raised from taxation.

(Majority vote required.)

The School Board Voted 8-1-0 to Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 14-1-0 to Recommend

ARTICLE 4
Petition Warrant Article to Public School District Check Registers

We the undersigned are directing the Superintendent to make available access to the check register on the school district website. This information has been available to Bedford residents for many years. Bedford residents can monitor monthly expenses paid out of the school district bank account. Residents can access this information through a 91-a, Right to Know Request, but this can be a cumbersome task for school officials. By providing this information on the district website, school officials can direct people to the website for this information. That should cut down on time and money spent on gathering this information. Why should you support this? 1) Transparency. This will make many expenditures transparent. 2) Fiscally Responsible. This will cut down on the cost of having to search and provide information to those who file 91-a's Right to Know Request for this information.

The School Board does not recommend this article 9-0-0

OCTOBER 1 PUPIL ENROLLMENT

2020 - 2024

School	Grade	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
BARTLETT	1	47	51	50	35	38
	2	45	47	51	48	35
	3	52	47	49	51	48
	4	49	54	46	47	56
	Total – Bartlett		193	199	196	181
GLEN LAKE SCHOOL						
	Pre-School	48	65	64	67	67
	Kindergarten	126	141	122	121	127
	Services Only	5	-	-	-	-
Total - Glen Lake		179	206	186	185	194
MAPLE AVE						
	1	121	131	134	127	115
	2	123	123	137	130	128
	3	111	125	125	142	129
	4	132	112	128	127	144
Total - Maple Avenue		487	491	524	526	516
MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL						
	5	163	183	177	181	182
	6	175	164	182	174	176
	7	277	240	230	275	244
	8	245	276	239	238	278
Total - MVMS		860	863	828	868	880
GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL						
	9	312	305	326	271	256
	10	251	255	253	302	266
	11	251	232	246	239	268
	12	239	214	211	225	218
Total - GHS		1,053	1,006	1,036	1,037	1,008
GRAND TOTAL 2020- 2024		2,772	2,765	2,770	2,797	2,775



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the School Board
Goffstown School District
Goffstown, New Hampshire

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Goffstown School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Goffstown School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Summary of Opinions

<i>Opinion Unit</i>	<i>Type of Opinion</i>
Governmental Activities	Adverse
General Fund	Unmodified
Grants Fund	Unmodified
Aggregate Remaining Fund Information	Unmodified

Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Matters Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities section of the report, the accompanying financial statements do not present fairly the financial position of the Goffstown School District, as of June 30, 2024, or the changes in financial position in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Unmodified Opinions on Each Major Fund and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, accompanying the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information for the Goffstown School District, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the major general and grants fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Goffstown School District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our adverse and unmodified audit opinions.

Matters Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

As discussed in Note 1-N to the financial statements, management has not recorded the long-term costs of retirement health care costs and obligations for other postemployment benefits related to the single employer plan in the governmental activities. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that those costs be recorded, which would

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increase the assets, liabilities, decrease the net position, and increase the expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the assets, liabilities, net position, and expenses on the governmental activities has not been determined.

Emphasis of Matter – Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 2-C to the financial statements, in the year ending June 30, 2024, the School District adopted new accounting guidance, GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – an amendment to GASB Statement No. 62*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The Goffstown School District'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, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Goffstown School District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Goffstown School District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Goffstown School District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control–related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the following be presented to supplement the basic financial statements:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis,
- Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability,
- Schedule of School District Contributions - Pensions
- Schedule of the School District's Proportionate Share of Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability,
- Schedule of School District Contributions – Other Postemployment Benefits, and
- Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

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Such information is the responsibility of management and, 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.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Goffstown School District's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 20, 2024 on our consideration of the Goffstown School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely 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 effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Goffstown School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

November 20, 2024
Concord, New Hampshire



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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT FY 24
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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, 2024. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the District's financial statements.

1. Financial Highlights

- The assets and deferred outflow of resources of the District fell short of its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent year by \$(19,297,955) (*net position*). Of this amount, \$(30,305,599) (*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 reporting of the District's proportional share of the actuarially determined retirement system's unfunded pension liability less the system's net position ("net pension liability"). Reporting the District's proportional share of the net pension liability does not impact the District's ability to meet its current obligations.
- The District's total net position changed by \$(5,478,053) (\$13,819,902) in FY23).
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$4,603,492 a change of \$(832,666) in comparison with the prior year (FY23 \$5,436,158).
- At the end of the current fiscal year, the District had \$1,980,988 remaining in unassigned fund balance. This money is *available for spending* at the District Town Meeting's discretion or for tax relief. In addition, \$1,300,000 has been assigned and retained for contingency in accordance with RSA 198:4-bII.
- Per GASB Statement Nos 68 and 71, the District is required 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 end of the most recent year, our net pension liability is \$37,096,873.
- Per GASB Statement Number 75, the District's proportionate share of OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) liability as it relates to the New Hampshire Retirement System was \$2,302,182 (See Note 13-A).

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 four components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, 3) notes to the financial statements, and 4) required supplementary information. 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 the District's assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference between the items reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator 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. earned but unused vacation leave).

The governmental activities of the District include administration, instruction, support services, operations and maintenance, transportation, and non-instructional services.

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 the funds of the District are governmental funds.

Governmental Funds. *Governmental Funds* are used to account for 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 to *government funds* with similar information presented for *government 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 seven individual governmental funds. Information is presented in the governmental funds balance sheet and in the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the general and grants funds, which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other five funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is provided in the form of *combining statements* elsewhere in this report.

The District adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general, food service, and grants funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the major general and grants funds to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

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* and Single Audit required documentation. Required supplementary information is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in

the United States of America which includes this management discussion and analysis, the Schedule of School District’s Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability, Schedule of School District Contributions – Pensions, Schedule of the District’s Proportionate Share of the Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability, Schedule of the District Contributions – Other Postemployment Benefits. Other supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. This includes the combining and individual fund schedules.

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 and deferred outflows of resources fell short of liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$(19,297,955) at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

The largest portion of the District’s net position \$10,616,050 reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment and furnishings), 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.

Summary of Net Position Governmental Activities			
	2024	2023	% Change 2023-2024
Current and Other Assets	\$ 6,305,704	\$ 7,773,508	-18.88%
Capital Assets	14,402,340	15,631,780	-7.87%
Total Assets	<u>20,708,044</u>	<u>23,405,288</u>	<u>-11.52%</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>7,222,599</u>	<u>9,449,381</u>	<u>-23.57%</u>
Long-Term Liabilities Outstanding	44,870,280	44,047,205	1.87%
Other Liabilities	1,665,189	2,182,769	-23.71%
Total Liabilities	<u>46,535,469</u>	<u>46,229,974</u>	<u>0.66%</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>693,129</u>	<u>444,597</u>	<u>55.90%</u>
Net Investment in Capital Assets	10,616,050	14,628,968	-27.43%
Restricted Net Position	391,594	401,214	-2.40%
Unrestricted Net Position	<u>(30,305,599)</u>	<u>(28,850,084)</u>	<u>-5.05%</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (19,297,955)</u>	<u>\$ (13,819,902)</u>	<u>-39.64%</u>

Governmental Activities				
	2024	2023	\$	%
	Amount	Amount	Difference	Difference
Revenues:				
Program Revenue:				
Charges for Services	\$ 8,989,737	\$ 8,758,423	\$ 231,314	2.64%
Operating Grants and Contributions	2,809,593	3,439,292	(629,699)	-18.31%
Capital Grants and Contributions	162,292	1,835,622	(1,673,330)	-91.16%
General Revenue:				
School District Assessment	27,520,664	25,393,716	2,126,948	8.38%
Unrestricted Grants	11,235,833	11,204,193	31,640	0.28%
Miscellaneous & Interest	682,382	523,039	159,343	30.46%
Total Revenues	<u>51,400,501</u>	<u>51,154,285</u>	<u>246,216</u>	<u>0.48%</u>
Expenses:				
Instruction	37,921,283	34,287,441	3,633,842	10.60%
Support Services:				
Student	3,469,752	2,974,094	495,658	16.67%
Instructional Staff	1,488,987	1,354,466	134,521	9.93%
General Administration	94,709	76,502	18,207	23.80%
Executive Administration	2,067,723	1,894,351	173,372	9.15%
School Administration	3,235,226	2,986,289	248,937	8.34%
Business	50,258	-	50,258	-100.00%
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	4,421,516	4,001,585	419,931	10.49%
Student Transportation	2,723,702	2,132,070	591,632	27.75%
Other	6,443	6,833	(390)	-5.71%
Noninstructional Services	1,398,955	1,264,699	134,256	10.62%
Total Expenses	<u>56,878,554</u>	<u>50,978,330</u>	<u>5,900,224</u>	<u>11.57%</u>
Change in Net Position	(5,478,053)	175,955	(5,654,008)	-3213.33%
Net Position, beginning	<u>(13,819,902)</u>	<u>(13,995,857)</u>	<u>175,955</u>	<u>1.26%</u>
Net Position, ending	<u>\$ (19,297,955)</u>	<u>\$ (13,819,902)</u>	<u>\$ (5,478,053)</u>	<u>-39.64%</u>

Governmental Activities. As noted above, governmental activities net position changed by \$(5,478,053) Key elements of this change are as follows:

Governmental Activities:	
General Fund	\$ (835,880)
Other Governmental Funds	3,214
Total governmental activities	<u>(832,666)</u>
Depreciation expense, net of capital asset additions and disposals	(1,229,440)
Changes in long-term debt	(2,783,478)
Change in compensated absences	5,148
Change in net pension liability, net of deferred resources	(839,512)
Change in OPEB, net of deferred resources	210,673
Other GAAP accruals	(8,778)
Total net change	<u><u>\$ (5,478,053)</u></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 for the fiscal year.

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the District's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$4,603,492 a change of \$(832,666) in comparison with the prior year (FY23 \$5,436,158).

Key elements of this change are as follows:

Governmental Funds:	
General Fund	\$(835,880)
Other Governmental Funds:	
Food Service Fund	(16,013)
Permanent Fund	6,393
Student Activity Funds	12,834
Total	<u><u>\$(832,666)</u></u>

5. General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The general fund is what most people think of as “the budget” since it is the fiscal point of the First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative) and largely supported by locally raised taxes. The general fund ended the fiscal year with an unassigned fund balance of \$3,280,988 of which \$1,980,988 will be returned to the taxpayers in 2023-2024 and \$1,300,000 will be retained in accordance with RSA 198:4-bII.

Comments on General Fund Budget Comparisons (See Exhibit D-1)

- General fund total actual revenues totaling \$47,621,766 exceeded budgeted revenues by \$1,204,755 or 2.6%.
 - **Local sources** totaling \$8,502,760 exceeded budget by \$1,147,760 due to a combination of over collection of tuition revenue and an under estimation of local revenue sources.
 - **State sources** totaling \$11,529,730 exceeded budget by \$23,383 and is attributed to state special education aid revenues being higher than anticipated.
 - **Federal sources** totaling 68,612 was higher than the estimated revenue budget by \$33,612 due to an increase in Medicaid reimbursement.
- General fund appropriations, expenditures, other financing uses and encumbrances totaling \$47,824,310 were less than the appropriation of \$49,023,363. This underspend of the appropriation, coupled with encumbrances, left a positive variance of \$1,199,053. Overall, the impact of challenges filling staffing positions were the predominant factors in the underspend of the FY 24 budget.
 - **Instruction** totaling \$31,673,249 was below the budgeted appropriation of \$32,910,079 by \$1,236,830 due largely from lower-than-expected salary and associated benefit costs, because of staff turnover and unfilled positions.
 - **Student Transportation costs** totaling \$2,718,041 was above budget by \$139,616. This was a result of increased costs special education transportation both in the number of out of district placements and higher than budgeted per route costs.
 - **School Administration** totaling \$3,243,908 was above budget by \$58,975. This was a result of the District adding one additional administrator (Dean of Students) at Maple Ave Elementary School to address high student enrollments and an increase in student behavior issues at the school.
 - **Operation and maintenance of plant** totaling \$3,489,649 was over budget by \$19,823 because of unplanned repairs and maintenance to school buildings.

Comments on Grants Fund Budget Comparisons (See Exhibit D-2)

- Grants Fund actual expenditures of \$1,960,085 was less than the estimated Grants budget of \$2,511,634. This was attributed to larger ESSER grants being spent over a three-to-four-year period, and when certain larger grant funded capital projects were scheduled and completed.

6. Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The District’s investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2024, amounted to \$14,402,340 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and building improvements, machinery and equipment and furnishings. The total change in the District’s investment in total capital assets for the current year was \$(1,229,440) as evidenced below:

Capital Assets at Year End
Governmental Activities

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	% Change 2023-2024
Land	\$ 3,010,440	\$ 3,010,440	0.00%
Buildings & Building Improvements	41,900,478	41,455,709	1.07%
Machinery, Equipment & Furnishings	4,422,887	4,312,514	2.56%
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(34,931,465)</u>	<u>(33,146,883)</u>	5.38%
Total	<u>\$ 14,402,340</u>	<u>\$ 15,631,780</u>	<u>-7.87%</u>

Building and Building Improvement Additions:

Goffstown High School Turf Field	\$ 162,293
Theater Upgrades	247,546
MAES Playground Equipment	<u>34,930</u>
	<u>444,769</u>

Machinery and Equipment Additions:

Dishwashing Machine	23,217
Cheer Mats	10,500
Fire Alarm Panel Replacement	48,272
HPE Aruba CX 8360-48Y6C V2 Switch	25,941
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Total Machinery and Equipment Additions	<u>133,871</u>

Capital Asset Disposal:

24 HP Promo 6300 All in One Desktop Computers	<u>(23,498)</u>
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Depreciation Expense	<u>(1,784,582)</u>
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Total change in capital assets	<u>\$ (1,229,440)</u>
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Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in the notes to the financial statements at Note 6.

Long-Term Debt

The table below illustrates the long-term debt of the District as of June 30, 2024. The District has three capital leases as noted in Note 10. The compensated balances were calculated on vacation days and retirement stipend days for all eligible employees for compensation at retirement.

Long-Term Debt Outstanding at Year End
Governmental Activities

	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	% Change 2023-2024
Note Payable - Direct Borrowing	3,786,290	1,002,812	277.57%
Compenstated Absences	1,684,935	1,690,083	-0.30%
Pension Related Liability	37,096,873	38,767,581	-4.31%
Other Postemployment Benefits Payable	2,302,182	2,586,729	-11.00%
Total	<u>\$44,870,280</u>	<u>\$44,047,205</u>	<u>1.87%</u>

Future Budgetary Implications

Significant activities or events, which will have an impact on future district finances, include:

- o The impacts of inflation on school operations will greatly impact future budgets. Inflation has impacted a wide range of costs such as: employee compensation and benefits, utilities, maintenance and repairs and supplies.
- o Special Education costs have increased based both on the number of out of district student placements and the associated costs of transportation. State of NH Special Education Aid reimbursements are unpredictable, and shortfalls result in lesser revenues to offset expenditures.
- o State adequacy grants are based on student attendance, free and reduced meal counts and a variety of other factors that often do not correspond to the level of expenditure increases.
- o Student transportation costs are rising to attract and retain bus drivers.
- o The State shifting cost responsibilities to local governments may have an impact on the taxation calculation.
- o The unassigned fund balance established in this audit is intended to be returned at tax rate setting in November.
- o Future budgets will continue to be developed based on actual expenditures in prior years, in particular reviewing salary and benefits. Additionally, a more accurate approach to revenues is being implemented focusing on funding derived from tuitions and other local sources.
- o The District endeavors to remain staffing neutral to align with level student enrollments. Repurposing of staffing across all schools will continue in future budgets to ensure student needs are met.

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.

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENDITURE BUDGET

Function	2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Appropriation	2025-2026 Proposed Budget	Change from 2024-2025 Appropriation	% Change from 2024-2025 Appropriation
1100-1199 Regular Education	\$19,808,899	\$20,970,421	\$21,306,606	\$336,185	2%
1200-1299 Special Education	\$10,645,589	\$13,111,195	\$13,711,281	\$600,086	5%
1300-1399 Vocational Programs (MST)	\$283,479	\$231,000	\$231,000	\$-	0%
1410 Co-Curricular	\$666,072	\$730,648	\$693,789	\$(36,859)	-5%
1420 Athletics	\$291,927	\$274,406	\$293,781	\$19,375	7%
1430 Summer School Programs	\$25,253	\$60,510	\$41,309	\$(19,201)	-32%
1490 Other Pupil Services	\$2,596	\$6,600	\$6,600	\$-	0%
1400-1499	\$985,849	\$1,072,164	\$1,035,479	\$(36,685)	-3%
1600 Adult Education Programs	\$63,528	\$59,527	\$61,725	\$2,198	4%
1810 Field Rental	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$-	0%
1600-1899	\$68,528	\$64,527	\$66,725	\$2,198	3%
2120 Guidance	\$1,569,819	\$1,700,590	\$1,768,342	\$67,752	4%
2125 Guidance Records	\$84,800	\$76,850	\$113,000	\$36,150	47%
2130 Health Services	\$800,250	\$843,172	\$832,512	\$(10,660)	-1%
2150 Speech Pathology and Audio	\$745,637	\$851,679	\$823,999	\$(27,680)	-3%
2191 Other Student Support	\$15,019	\$35,173	\$34,743	\$(430)	
2000-2199	\$3,215,524	\$3,507,464	\$3,572,596	\$65,132	2%
2212 Curriculum Development	\$4,184	\$7,870	\$7,370	\$(500)	-6%
2213 Staff Development and Train	\$40,064	\$63,700	\$64,700	\$1,000	2%
2222 Information Center Services	\$566,741	\$685,670	\$720,371	\$34,701	5%
2223 Audio-Visual Services	\$-	\$300	\$-	\$(300)	-100%
2224 Educational TV	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	0%
2290 Technical Support Services	\$754,520	\$764,796	\$828,616	\$63,820	8%
2200-2299	\$1,365,509	\$1,522,336	\$1,621,057	\$98,721	6%
2311 School Board & Minutetakers	\$39,098	\$47,827	\$23,356	\$(24,471)	-51%
2313 Treasurer	\$1,685	\$1,675	\$50	\$(1,625)	-97%
2314 District Meeting	\$3,839	\$4,975	\$4,812	\$(163)	-3%
2317 Audit Services	\$16,300	\$17,000	\$17,000	\$-	0%
2318 Legal Services	\$32,068	\$30,600	\$30,600	\$-	0%
2310-2319	\$92,991	\$102,077	\$75,818	\$(26,259)	-26%
2321 SAU Services	\$2,016,254	\$2,130,028	\$2,273,419	\$143,391	7%
2410 Administration	\$3,204,295	\$3,435,072	\$3,676,301	\$241,229	7%
2490 Other Student Support Serv	\$41,657	\$33,751	\$35,590	\$1,839	5%
2400-2499	\$3,245,952	\$3,468,823	\$3,711,891	\$243,068	7%
2519 Other Fiscal Services	\$-	\$1	\$1	\$-	0%

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENDITURE BUDGET CONT.

Function		2023-2024 Actual	2024-2025 Appropriation	2025-2026 Proposed Budget	Change from 2024-2025 Appropriation	% Change from 2024-2025 Appropriation
2620	Building Operations	\$3,567,555	\$3,489,395	\$3,608,002	\$118,607	3%
2630	Care and Upkeep of Grounds	\$45,591	\$52,630	\$58,450	\$5,820	11%
2640	Equipment Maintenance	\$12,617	\$13,700	\$12,300	\$(1,400)	-10%
2660	Public School Infrastructure	\$69,524	\$11,800	\$19,500	\$7,700	65%
2600-2699		\$3,695,287	\$3,567,525	\$3,698,252	\$130,727	4%
2721	Transportation	\$1,134,738	\$1,357,398	\$1,470,861	\$113,463	8%
2722	Special Needs Transportation	\$1,318,393	\$1,231,989	\$1,308,962	\$76,973	6%
2723	Skills Center Transportation	\$21,724	\$73,645	\$38,645	\$(35,000)	-48%
2724	Athletic Program Transport	\$112,594	\$110,780	\$145,780	\$35,000	32%
2725	Field Trip Transportation	\$31,821	\$26,343	\$29,843	\$3,500	13%
2790	Other Transportation	\$94,428	\$37,056	\$75,000	\$37,944	102%
2700-2799		\$2,713,699	\$2,837,211	\$3,069,091	\$231,880	8%
2800	Other Professional Services	\$1,905	\$1,740	\$7,040	\$5,300	305%
2834	GESS Course Reimburse	\$4,538	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$-	0%
2800-2999		\$6,443	\$11,240	\$16,540	\$5,300	47%
4100-4300 Land Acquisition		\$-	\$3	\$3	\$-	0%
4500	Building and Construction	\$-	\$1	\$1	\$-	0%
4600-4900 Building Improvements		\$-	\$2	\$2	\$-	0%
5110	Debt Service - Principal	\$-	\$1	\$1	\$-	0%
5120	Debt Service - Interest	\$-	\$1	\$1	\$-	0%
5210,5230 Fund Transfers		\$393	\$2	\$2	\$-	0%
5251	Transfer to Capital Reserve	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$-	\$(250,000)	-100%
5221	Transfer to Food Service	\$-	\$1	\$1	\$-	0%
5222	Transfer to Spec Rev Funds	\$-	\$1	\$1	\$-	0%
Fund 10	Total General Fund	\$48,394,396	\$52,846,023	\$54,389,768	\$1,543,745	3%
Fund 21	Food Service Fund	\$1,377,238	\$1,418,900	\$1,462,716	\$43,816	3%
Fund 22	Federal Grants Fund	\$1,960,103	\$1,400,000	\$1,300,000	\$(100,000)	-7%
Fund 30	Capital Projects Fund		0		\$-	0%
Total Goffstown School District		\$51,731,737	\$55,664,923	\$57,152,484	\$1,487,561	3%

Notes:

The proposed fiscal year 2025-2026 column equals the MS-27 operating budget posted with the warrant.

Function 5251 FY 26 Proposed Budget does NOT include the \$250,000 CRF deposit

The FY 26 Proposed Operating Budget does NOT include other warrant articles

PROJECTED REVENUES 2025-2026

		2022-2023 MS-24	2023-2024 MS-24	2024-2025 MS-24	2025-2026 Estimate
LOCAL REVENUE FROM OTHER THAN TAXES					
1300-1349	Regular Education Tuition	\$7,100,000	\$7,200,000	\$7,500,000	\$7,700,000
1400-1449	Transportation Fees	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments	\$5,000	\$90,000	\$40,000	\$80,000
1600-1699	School Lunch Sales	\$762,023	\$810,523	\$925,900	\$975,946
1600-1699	GESS Contract (Food Service)		\$27,877		
1700-1799	Student Activities				
1800-1899	Community Service Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Revenue	\$55,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000
	Local Sources Subtotal	\$7,922,023	\$8,193,400	\$8,530,900	\$8,820,946
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES					
3210	School Building Aid	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
3220	Kindergarten Aid	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
3230	Special Education Aid	\$300,000	\$230,000	\$425,000	\$475,000
3240-3249	Vocational Aid (AREA Vocational Trans)	\$22,275	\$22,275	\$22,275	\$22,275
3250	Adult Education	\$-	\$-	\$50,000	\$-
3260	Child Nutrition	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$14,000
3270	Driver Education				
3290-3299	Other State Sources	\$1,609	\$18,239	\$10,808	\$19,696
	State Sources Subtotal	\$336,884	\$283,514	\$521,083	\$530,971
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES					
4100-4539	Federal Programs / Grants	\$2,000,000	\$2,500,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,300,000
4100-4539	Federal Programs / Grants (GESS Contract)		\$11,634	\$-	\$-
4540	Vocational Education	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
4550	Adult Education				
4560	Child Nutrition Programs	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
4570	Disabilities Programs	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
4580	Medicaid Distribution	\$50,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$50,000
4590-4999	USDA Commodities	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$80,000	\$80,000
4810	Federal Forest Reserve	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	Federal Sources Subtotal	\$2,520,000	\$3,016,634	\$1,915,000	\$1,830,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
5140	Reimbursement of Anticipation Notes	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
5221	Transfer from Food Service SR Fund	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
5222	Transfer from Other SR Funds	\$37,312	\$-	\$-	\$-
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-

PROJECTED REVENUES 2025-2026 CONT.

		2022-2023 MS-24	2023-2024 MS-24	2024-2025 MS-24	2025-2026 Estimate
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
9997	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance (CRF)	\$-	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$300,000
	Other Sources Subtotal	\$37,312	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$300,000
SUBTOTAL SCHOOL REVENUES AND CREDITS		\$10,816,219	\$11,743,548	\$11,216,983	\$11,481,917
	Unassigned Fund Balance (MS-25)	\$3,879,717	\$3,956,355	\$3,530,988	\$3,300,000
	Less Voted from Fund Balance	\$200,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$300,000
	Less Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	\$2,814,717	\$2,606,355	\$1,980,988	\$1,700,000
	Fund Balance Retained (2.5%)	\$865,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000
	Total Revenues and Tax Credits	\$13,830,936	\$14,349,903	\$13,197,971	\$13,181,917
Appropriation Overview					
	General Fund Appropriation	\$46,878,659	\$49,273,366	\$52,583,023	\$54,389,768
	Food Service Appropriation	\$1,245,023	\$1,321,400	\$1,418,900	\$1,462,716
	Special Revenue Appropriation	\$2,037,312	\$2,511,634	\$1,400,000	\$1,300,000
	Warrant Article (GESS)	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	Warrant Article (Glen Lake Portable)	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	Warrant Article CRF (UFB)		\$-	\$250,000	\$300,000
	Petition Warrant Article			\$13,000	\$-
	Total Appropriation	\$50,160,994	\$53,106,400	\$55,664,923	\$57,452,484
	LESS TOTAL REVENUES/CREDITS	\$13,830,936	\$14,349,903	\$13,197,971	\$13,181,917
	NET LOCAL SCHOOL APPROPRIATION	\$36,330,058	\$38,756,497	\$42,466,952	\$44,270,567
	LESS Net Education Grant (Adequacy)	\$8,492,369	\$7,841,022	\$7,841,022	\$8,127,892
	LESS SWEPT (Statewide Property Tax)	\$2,443,973	\$3,394,811	\$3,258,355	\$3,125,354
	One Time Parity Aid				\$-
	Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$25,393,716	\$27,520,664	\$31,367,575	\$33,017,321
	Total Assessment Valuation w/Utilities	\$1,759,819,500	\$2,706,241,000	\$2,744,025,800	\$2,757,745,929
	Tax Rate	\$14.43	\$10.17	\$11.43	\$11.97

Tax Rates are ESTIMATES ONLY

FY 25 Town Valuation is an estimate, Tax Rate will be set in November 2025

Revenues are based on ESTIMATES and are subject to change

State Adequacy and SWEPT are ESTIMATES and are subject to change

Town Valuations are ESTIMATED at a 1/2 % Increase Based on Current FY 24 Valuations

In 2023 the Town of Goffstown had a "Revaluation of Properties" - The Tax Rate changed accordingly

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GLEN LAKE SCHOOL

Kathy Stoye, Principal

Glen Lake School opened in October 2006 and the 2023-2024 school year marked our eighteenth year of operation, a year filled with hard work, successes, challenges, fun, and individual victories large and small for our young students.

Throughout our history our motto has remained the same, "*Glen Lake School is a great place to start!*" In keeping with this motto, it has been our collective aim:

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.

This year continued to challenge us to meet these goals in new ways amid an ever-changing educational landscape. Glen Lake houses a total of sixteen half-day classes: eight kindergarten classes, and eight preschool classes. Amid continuing conversation in the community about the desire for full-day kindergarten, administrators, teachers, service providers, school nurse, custodians, and office and support staff continued their important work, displaying creativity, flexibility, and dedication as they worked to meet the varied needs of Goffstown's youngest students. Throughout this year, as in the past, our team committed themselves to supporting students, families, and each other with care and professionalism.

This reflects our philosophy at Glen Lake School that the education of our students is a shared commitment. By bringing together dedicated educators with high expectations, involved parents, and enthusiastic learners we can do great things. Glen Lake School houses the town's public kindergarten. In addition, Glen Lake houses preschool; these preschool classes are made up of a combination of students identified with special needs and typically developing peer "role models" whose families pay tuition for them to attend. The foundation for this model is our obligation to provide support for students identified with an educational disability beginning at the child's third birthday.

In addition to quality curriculum taught by professional teachers with a background in early childhood education, the learning experience and home-school connection is enhanced by enrichment activities supported by our parent teacher organization, and community involvement. During the 2023-2024 school year we again held our Thanksgiving Food Drive, with students tallying and charting the contributions made. Glen Lake students made thank you cards for veterans in the community as we recognized Veterans Day. Students created snowflake ornaments to be given to seniors attending the annual Senior Lights Tour organized by the Goffstown Police Department.

Family Learning Night returned in the spring and we brought back the Scholastic Book Fair, as well. Glen Lake School Partnership (GLSP), our parent-teacher organization, supported us financially for this combined event, and supported our assemblies, as well. GLSP also offered a Bike Safety Rodeo on a springtime Saturday; this was a well-attended and very successful inaugural event. Near the end of the school year Glen Lake students enjoyed performances by Lindsay and her Puppet Pals, and Mr. Aaron. These delightful outdoor performances brought laughter and joy to students and staff alike. Also with the support of GLSP we held our Fall Harvest and Winter Wonderland celebrations, Woody's Walk and Wellness Day, and Field Day. These longstanding Glen Lake traditions were enjoyed by all! We celebrated the culmination of our year of growth with our End of Year Celebrations, another cherished Glen Lake tradition.

Glen Lake School also brought back the Positive Solutions for Families series in the 2023-2024 year, an evening class series for families in supporting children with challenging behaviors between the ages of 2 and 7. This series has been well-received and in high demand by parents and guardians over the years and we were excited to offer it for a new group of families. Many thanks are due the staff member volunteers who taught the course, and to the staff and student volunteers who provided free childcare for participating families. Thanks once again to GLSP for their financial support of materials and food for this series.

Continued improvement in instruction requires ongoing professional development. Throughout the year, staff participated in many different professional development activities. From Science of Reading courses and subject area committee work to Schoology training, curriculum specific training, safety training, training specific to individual student needs, training specific to early childhood development, and trainings that apply more globally, the Glen Lake team displayed true commitment to teaching and learning, including their own learning in its many forms. Several staff members developed and presented trainings, as well.

Our many successes are a tribute to the efforts of educators, professional and support staff, administrators, families, community members, and, most notably, the students of Glen Lake School. Our students' progress and the joy they find in learning and discovery are our greatest rewards. We continue to be so very grateful for this educational community and for the opportunity to provide an educational foundation for Goffstown's youngest students. Because of the efforts of so many, Glen Lake School is a great place to start!

BARTLETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Suzanne Pyszka, Principal

At Bartlett Elementary, we are incredibly proud of the experiences we provide for our students and the positive impact we have on the Goffstown community. Our dedicated staff is committed to inspiring active learners through a well-rounded and supportive education. We focus on engagement, building strong relationships, social learning, and academic growth.

Our school families play a crucial role in enriching the experiences of our students. Their involvement is not just appreciated but essential to creating the vibrant and supportive community we strive for. Through our dedicated parent group, the PTA, countless volunteer hours are generously given. These volunteers help with many of our school's activities and events, organizing and running programs that directly benefit our students, such as field trips, school-wide events, and classroom needs.

We would also like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to our incredible police and fire departments for their unwavering support and dedication to our school community. They not only engage with our students but also play a crucial role in ensuring our school's safety. By initiating and conducting safety drills, they help us prepare for emergencies, giving both students and staff the confidence to handle unexpected situations. Their presence and guidance during these drills are invaluable.

At Bartlett Elementary, we deeply value the strong relationships we build with our students, colleagues, and families within the Goffstown community. These connections are the foundation of our supportive and nurturing educational environment.

MAPLE AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

“A Community of Active Learners”

Bill Demers, Principal

The 2023-2024 school year at Maple Avenue Elementary was a remarkable journey of growth, learning, and community building. Our commitment to fostering an environment where students feel happy, safe, and valued has been at the forefront of all our activities and initiatives. This report highlights the key achievements, programs, and events that have defined this academic year.

During the school year, the classroom teachers implemented a new math curriculum, Math and You. Teachers engaged in professional development and trainings throughout the school year in order to effectively implement this new curriculum with their students. Teachers have already noticed an improvement in their students' math skills after just one year of implementation!

The 2023-2024 school year also saw the implementation of an additional Unified Arts class. Once per week, students receive direct instruction in social-emotional learning. As we have for over two decades, we utilize the Second Step curriculum to deliver this instruction to the students.

Over the course of the school year, the Maple Avenue Parents and Faculty Together (PFT) group supported school day activities in addition to outside of school events. This group provides a great deal of funding to ensure that students are able to experience meaningful field trips throughout the school year. Additionally, they also sponsored movie nights, staff luncheons, the Holiday Breakfast, the Lil' Miss Dance, Boys' Night Out at the Fischer Cats, and multiple school-wide fundraisers.

Thank you to our wonderful police department and fire department who spend time at our school visiting classrooms, initiating safety drills, and volunteering their time to participate in our school events. They are also generous with sharing their expertise with our staff, which improves our abilities as first responders.

The 2023-2024 school year at Maple Avenue Elementary has been a testament to our dedication to creating a nurturing and dynamic learning environment. We are proud of the progress our students have made and the strong sense of community we have built. As we look forward to subsequent academic years, we remain committed to our vision of making a positive difference in the lives of our students, parents, staff, and the broader community.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we will continue to cultivate understanding, compassion, and a love for learning at Maple Avenue Elementary.

MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

Accredited Member of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges

Jessica Milligan, Principal

The 2023-2024 school year at Mountain View Middle School (MVMS) was a year of growth, collaboration, and success, centered around our mission to provide a safe and encouraging learning environment. We remained committed to engaging all students in a rigorous and inclusive learning experience that addressed their academic, social, emotional, and physical needs.

A cornerstone of our school culture continued to be the Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) program. This school-wide initiative fosters a consistent, positive climate by emphasizing the core values of “Paws Pride”: Respect, Responsibility, Community, and Pride. PBIS serves as the foundation for promoting social, emotional, and academic success for all students. Throughout the year, we celebrated these values with whole-school assemblies to recognize and honor student accomplishments.

Our MVMS community thrived thanks to the dedication of our staff, the support of student families, and the involvement of our community partners, including Crispin’s House, the Goffstown Police and Fire Departments, and the Mountain View Partnership (MVP). Together, we worked to promote wellness, engagement, and learning for every student.

We offered a wide range of extracurricular activities to enrich students’ experiences, including athletics, chess club, and drama club performances of *Sponge Bob the Musical* and *Book Reports of Destiny*. Our music ensembles showcased their talents through performances, while after-school programs like the homework club, individual tutoring, and access to the library media center supported academic success.

Students also participated in enriching field trips to destinations such as the Mount Crumpit Farm, Canobie Lake Park, Camp Lincoln, and Mel’s Funway Park. Our Artists in Residence program welcomed Marcy Schepker for tapestry weaving.

Mountain View Middle School continues to uphold its accreditation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) and remains one of only eight middle schools in New Hampshire recognized as a Spotlight School by the New England League of Middle Schools. Our positive school culture and climate support students through the significant academic, social, emotional, and physical growth of the middle school years.

At MVMS, we are proud to provide a rigorous and inclusive learning environment that prepares students for success, growth, and achievement in all areas of their development.

GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Francis J. McBride, Principal

The dedication and hard work of students and staff continue to make GHS one of the best high schools in New Hampshire. US News and World Report ranked Goffstown High School #19 out of over 93 New Hampshire high schools. Additionally, GHS once again made the College Board 2024 AP School Honor Roll for schools that have done outstanding work to welcome more students into Advanced Placement (AP) Courses and support them on the path to college success.

Please join me in congratulating the following students, staff & teams for their accomplishments:

- Mrs. Jaime Gratton received the Robert E. Yager Exemplary Teaching Award from the National Science Teaching Association.
- Nine graduating GHS seniors earned the NH Seal of Biliteracy by demonstrating proficiency in both English and at least one additional world language!
- Nathan Reed and Tyler Sanders were named commended students for the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Competition.
- For the second year running, Hilde Hieronymus (Alto) took the top score in her audition room and will receive a state high score award at the festival in February 2025 when she will represent GHS in the Honors Jazz All-State Choir.
- November 2024: Members of GHS Performing Arts selected for the NH Classical All-State Festival:

Noah Steffen, Euphonium

Kacey Palmer, Flute

Nikko Kendall, Viola

Isaac Segien, Violin

Vocalists: Michael Arditia, Taylor Currier, Kaylin Emerson, James Fox, Hilde Hieronymus, Kaelyn Lavery, Carter Horne, Andrew Tanuma, Ava Tennett, Natasha Magliozzi, Julie Stanley, Fahren Sweet

- GHS Select Vocal Ensemble was invited to the State House in Concord to sing the National Anthem for the opening of the new legislative session.
- In 2024, GHS Performing Arts staged the following performances:

February – Les Misérables

May – Spring Dance Gala

July – Shrek the Musical where they offered their first sensory-friendly performance for families across the state of NH!

November – Radium Girls

December – The Nutcracker

- Wrestling Team – back-to-back Division 2 Dual Meet State Championship, finishing undefeated. Division 2 Tournament State Champions. Two individual State Champions – Brodie Reeves and Willem Pierce. All 14 wrestlers placed at the Division Two State Tournament.
- Girls Basketball – Maggie Sasso eclipsed the 1,000 point mark for her career. She became the third girl to reach this milestone at GHS.
- Girls Volleyball – advanced to the State Semifinals this Fall. Julianne Danis set the all-time New Hampshire Division One “kills record,” finishing her career with 1,068 kills. Sophie Roussel reached the 1,500 career assists milestone, a very impressive achievement.
- Spring Track – Penny Annis defended her state title and won the Division Two High Jump for the second year in a row. Three school records were set this year.

The Goffstown 4 x 800-meter relay team of Lucas Baguidy, Nathanael Baguidy, Devin Hirsch, and Logan Cote set a new school record with a time of 8:15.62
The Goffstown 4 x 800-meter relay team of Rose Houde, Ava Jones, Grace Houde, and Kara Tschida set a new school record with a time of 10:10.25.
Kara Tschida set a new school record in the 800m with a time of 2:22.52.

We are grateful for the continued support of our schools. Through generous donations, volunteer hours, and community partnerships, we continue to be able to provide enriching programs and safe learning environments for our students. Thank you!

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Building	814	Tax Collector	812
Finance	817	Town Clerk (Motor Vehicle & Dog Reg.)	811

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Parks & Recreation	603-497-3003
Police	
Business & Non-Emergency	603-497-4858
Records Division	603-497-2900
Public Works	
Main Office	603-497-3617
Transfer Station	603-497-4824

SCHOOLS

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Maple Ave. Elementary	603-497-3330
Mountain View Middle School	603-497-8288
Goffstown High School	603-497-4841
SAU #19 Admin.	603-497-4818

VILLAGE DISTRICTS

Goffstown Water	603-497-3621	Grasmere Water	603-497-8346
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