



2013 ANNUAL REPORT

Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire



MINUTEMAN STATUE ON MUSTER ROCK

AT THE GRASMERE ROUNABOUT

On Saturday, November 9th, 2013 members of the Goffstown Historic District, which is also the Heritage Commission, held a public unveiling and dedication of the Minuteman Statue at the Grasmere Roundabout.

Minuteman Statue

In the Fall of 2006, the Historic District Commission reviewed plans to replace the formerly existing triangular shaped common created by this intersection of Center Street and Henry Bridge Road with the roundabout that now exists at this location. This common was the location that forty-three men mustered at, upon hearing the news of the Battle of Lexington and Concord on April 20th, 1775, to march to Massachusetts to offer support against the British. Working with the Garden Club and local landscaper, Real Fallou, design plans for the center of the roundabout were created and approved by the Board of Selectman on August 13, 2009. The design included a location for the erection of a Minuteman Statue to honor the men who marched from this historic Muster Area to fight in the American Revolution. To this end, the Goffstown Statue Fund was created and the Commission raised funds to purchase the statue. In 2012 the Commission solicited proposals for a statue and selected a sculptor from Olympia Washington, Gareth Curtiss, to forge the minuteman statue.

Muster Rock

Once the minuteman statue was delivered in spring 2013 the Commission set out on the task of finding an appropriate base for the new monument. An 11 ton stone was found across the river just south of the Villa Augustina Baseball Fields, but still in the historic village of Grasmere, which was graciously donated by the Religious of Jesus and Mary. The Department of Public Works transported the stone to Paul Bedard, Jr., a local artisan, who shaped the stone by cutting the ends of the 12 foot long cigar shaped stone. What remained was a six ton stone turned on its end to accommodate the mounting of the statue in the center of the roundabout.

The purchase of this Statue was realized thru generous donations by numerous individuals.

The Goffstown Heritage Fund

James Dupuis, Sr.

The Knights of Columbus

Order of the Eastern Star Martha,
Washington Chapter #6

Anonymous Donor

Goffstown Rotary Club

Daughters of the American Revolution,
New Boston Chapter

Steve & Lorraine Pascucci/The Village Trestle

Kilton G. Barnard

Goffstown Police Association

Lionel & Lillian Coulon

250th Anniversary Fund

Arthur & Evelyn Rose

Philip D'Avanza

D'Allesandro for State Senate

DEDICATION



TONY & TESS MARTS

Every year we have the distinct privilege to honor residents who have contributed years of service to improving the quality of life in their community with the dedication of the Annual Report. It is our honor to dedicate the 2013 Annual Report to Tony and Tess Marts who while raising a family of three – Charlie, Katie and Alison, managed to find the time to make a difference in their community.

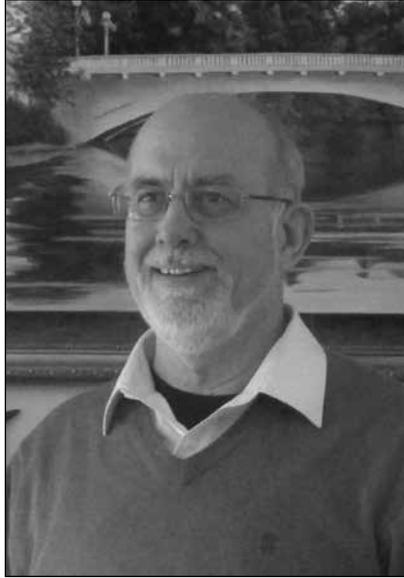
Tess was elected to the Goffstown School Board in 1993 where she served a three year term including a year as Vice Chairman and a year as Chairman. She was also a member of the ADA Committee from 1995 – 1996. Her most recent volunteer effort has been as a Library Trustee from 2009 – 2013 where she served as Chairman for two years. Tess and Tony hosted “Once Upon a Pie”, an annual Library Fundraiser. They were instrumental in the development of “Odyssey of the Mind” (now called “Destination Imagination”) in the Goffstown School District and volunteered tirelessly for many years. Tess was also instrumental in the development of GAP (adult education program) at Goffstown High School.

Tony started his community service in 1986 when he was elected to the Budget Committee where he served for four years (1986 – 1989; 2008), two years as Chairman. He also served on the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) committee for five years (1986 – 1990), and chaired CIP for two years. Most of us remember Tony for his sixteen years of service on the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) (1993 – 2008), three years in a leadership role as Chairman. His knowledge of state laws and the local zoning ordinance were vital in performing his duties on the ZBA. He has been a member of the Goffstown Industrial Council (now called Goffstown Industrial Corporation) since 1989 and served in various leadership roles. This is a non-profit organization which assists the town in developing the industrial/commercial tax base. Tony also volunteers as an alternate for the Town of Goffstown on Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission since 2006.

Since the Marts moved here in 1982, their volunteerism has extended beyond the town and school. Tony has been Treasurer and Leader of the Parish House Building Committee and Tess serves on the Altar Guild and Outreach Committee in their church. Tony has been a long time member of Goffstown Rotary Club and Tess participated in the Youth Forum for Crispin’s House for many years.

The Goffstown Board of Selectmen extends their sincere appreciation to Tony and Tess for their years of service to the town, school and the Goffstown Community.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



DAVID PIERCE

Dave and Ruth relocated to Goffstown in 2006 for their retirement years. It didn't take them long to get involved with their community. In 2008 Dave was elected to a two year term on the Budget Committee where he served one year as the Budget Committee representative to the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Committee. Dave also volunteered his service as a member of the Friends of the Greenway (now called Friends of the Rail Trail) and became their representative to the Rail Trail Committee which was formalized in 2010. His continued dedication to the Rail Trail project has led to grants which have assisted in the development of portions of the trail. In 2010 Dave was elected to the Board of Selectmen where he served a three year term, serving as Chairman in 2012. As a Selectman he served as the board's representative on several committees including Highway Safety, Sewer Commission, Solid Waste, Library Trustees, Joint Loss Safety Management, Human Resource Committee, Wellness, and the Ad Hoc Committee on Finance Software. A noteworthy project completed by Dave was the perambulation of the town bounds. His accurate well documented perambulation report to the State of NH has been cited as a model for other communities. On 4/15/2013 Dave was appointed as an alternate representing the Town of Goffstown on Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission for a four year term.

In his spare time Dave is also actively involved with his church, Lions Club and Goffstown Historical Society. We thank Dave for sharing his expertise and time for the betterment of the Town of Goffstown, and we thank Ruth for sharing him with us.

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE



LIEUTENANT ROBERT MARCOUX

Lieutenant Robert Marcoux retired from the Goffstown Police Department as Support Services Commander on February 28, 2013 following 24 years of dedicated service.

IN MEMORIAM

Goffstown pauses to remember these active members of our community who passed away during the year.

MAY GRUBER

March 4, 2013

Philanthropist and Business Leader
Holder of the Boston Post Cane 2012-2013

ELEANOR PORRITT

May 6, 2013

Constitutional Bicentennial Commission
Historic District/Heritage Commission
Curator of the Goffstown Historical Society
Goffstown Main Street Program

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TOWN INFORMATION

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Property Taxes: Goffstown collects property taxes semi-annually; payments are due at the Tax Collector's Office July 1 and December 1. Property is assessed as of April 1. The tax rate for 2013 was \$27.11 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, an increase of \$1.93 per thousand from 2012.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

BOARD & COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE 2014

Board of Selectmen

Every Monday at 6:00 p.m. at Goffstown Town Hall, except Holidays

Budget Committee

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

Community Access Cable TV Committee

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

Capital Improvements Program Committee

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

Conservation Commission

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

Economic Development Council

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

Highway Safety Committee

Quarterly as needed

Historic District Commission

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

Library Trustees

Third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the Goffstown Library

Parks & Recreation Commission

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

Planning Board

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

School Board

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

Sewer Commission

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

Solid Waste Commission

As needed

Trustees of the Trust Fund

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

Zoning Board of Adjustment

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

PEOPLE SERVING GOFFSTOWN

Governor

Maggie Hassan

United States Senators

Kelly Ayotte

Jeanne Shaheen

Representative in US Congress

1st District

Carol Shea-Porter

Executive Councilor

District 4

Christopher C. Pappas

State Senator

District 20

Lou D'Allesandro

Representatives to General Court

District 6

John A. Burt

Ruth E. Gage

John A. Hikel

Richard Meaney

Calvin D. Pratt

Representatives to General Court

District 39

Mark Warden

Board of Selectmen

Collis G. Adams, *Chairman*

2015

Mark T. Lemay, *Vice Chairman*

2015

John Allen Brown

2016

Nick Campasano

2016

Philip D'Avanza

2014

Town Moderator

Rodney L. Stark

2014

Town Clerk

Cathy Ball

2014

Town Treasurer

Don Borrer

Administrative Officers

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

Patrick J. Sullivan, *Police Chief, Emergency Management Director*

Richard O'Brien, *Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden*

Carl L. Quiram, *Public Works Director*

Rick Wilhelmi, *Recreation Director*

Dianne Hathaway, *Library Director*

Derek Horne, *Assistant Town Administrator, Economic Development Coordinator*

Don Borrer, *Finance Director*

Evelyn Redmond, *Welfare Officer*

Gail Lavallee, *Tax Collector*

Renee Millson, *Deputy Tax Collector*

Karen LeClerc, *Deputy Town Clerk*

Scott Bartlett, CNHA, *Assessor*

Marc Tessier, *Building Inspector, Building Code Enforcement Officer, and Health Officer*

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

Neil Funcke, MS, *IT Director*

Kerry P. Steckowych, *Prosecutor*

Paul Fitzgerald and William Drescher, *Town Counsel*

ADA Compliance Committee

Susan Desruisseaux, *Coordinator*

Bruce Buttrick

2016

Jean Mayberry

2015

Vacant, Disabled Community Rep.

2016

Vacant, Business Community Rep.

2015

Vacant, Medical Community Rep.

2014

Virginia McKinnon, *School Board Rep.*

Henry C. Boyle, *Alt. School Board Rep.*

Budget Committee

Peter Georgantas, <i>Chairman</i>	2014
Guy Caron, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2015
Adrien “Sonny” Tremblay	2014
Elizabeth Dubrulle	2014
Lisa J. Jukes	2014
Brian Lewis	2015
Bryan Fournier	2015
Ruth E. Gage	2015
Shea Sennett	2016
Elizabeth Mitchell	2016
Richard “Lee” Sperry Jr.	2016
Joseph S. Spoerl	2016
Mark Lemay, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Dian McCarthy, <i>School Budget Rep.</i>	
Richard Fletcher, <i>Goffstown Village Water Precinct Rep.</i>	
<i>Unassigned, Grasmere Village Precinct</i>	

Building Board of Appeals

Gary Meehan	2014
Thomas R. Hanley	2014
Mark Collins	2015
Bryan P. King	2015
Arthur W. Rose, Jr.	2016
Bruce Buttrick, <i>Alternate</i>	2014

Cable Franchise Renewal Committee (Ad Hoc Committee)

Sue Desruisseaux, <i>Town Admin.</i>	2013
Derek Horne, <i>Asst. Town Admin.</i>	2013
Neil Funcke, <i>IT Director</i>	2013
Gary Girolimon, <i>School District Technology Administrator</i>	2013
Jim Cook, <i>Community Rep</i>	2013

Cable TV Community Access Committee

Jason Cote, <i>Chairman</i>	2015
Pam Manney, <i>Secretary</i>	2014
<i>Vacant</i>	2014
Michael Przekaza	2015
Bradford Parkhurst	2015
James Pingree	2016
David Joseph Clarke	2016
Barbara Doody, <i>Alternate</i>	2016
<i>2 Alternate Vacancies</i>	
Neil Funcke, <i>Government Advisor</i>	
Gary Girolimon, <i>School District Rep</i>	
Adam McCune, <i>PEG Coordinator</i>	

Cemetery Trustees

Jean Walker, <i>Chairman</i>	2016
Joan Konieczny	2015
Linda Reynolds Naughton	2014

C.I.P. Committee

John Hikel, <i>Chairman, Planning Board Rep.</i>	2014
Earl S. Carrel, <i>Vice Chairman, Community Rep.</i>	2014
Gail Labrecque, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2014
Peter Georgantas, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2014
<i>Vacant, Community Rep.</i>	2014
John A. Brown, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	2014
Bryan Fournier, <i>Budget Comm. Rep.</i>	2014
Henry Boyle, <i>School Board Rep.</i>	2014
Suzanne Tremblay, <i>Alt. School Board Rep.</i>	2014
Brian K. Rose, <i>AICP, Planning & Zoning Administrator</i>	2014
Don Borrer, <i>Finance Advisor</i>	2014

Conservation Commission

Jean Walker, <i>Chairman</i>	2016
Susan Tucker, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2014
Charles Freiburger, <i>Treasurer</i>	2014
Evelyn Miller	2015
Karen McRae	2015
Amy Pollock	2015
David Nieman	2016
Kimberly Peace, <i>Alternate</i>	2016
Nicholas Campasano, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Patty Gale, <i>Government Advisor</i>	
2 <i>Alternate Vacancies</i>	

Economic Development Council

Stephen Langley, <i>Chairman</i>	2015
Charlie Tentas, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2014
Bryan Fournier	2016
Tim Redmond	2016
Richard Bruno, <i>Alternate</i>	2015
Andrew Cadorette, <i>Alternate</i>	2014
John A. Brown, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Derek Horne, <i>Town Administrator Rep.</i>	
Chris Nadeau, <i>Planning Board Rep.</i>	
2 <i>Vacancies</i>	

Goffstown Village Water Precinct

Allen D. Gamans, Jr., <i>Chairman</i>	2015
Henry C. Boyle, <i>Treasurer</i>	2018
Richard Coughlin	2017
Richard Fletcher	2014
Raymond Taber	2016
Marlene Gamans, <i>Moderator</i>	2014
Arlene Fletcher, <i>Treasurer</i>	2014
Linda Reynolds Naughton, <i>Clerk</i>	

Grasmere Village Water Precinct

Christine "Tina" Daniels, <i>Chairman</i>	2015
Raymond St. Pierre	2016
William Swanson	2014
Diane Rand, <i>Clerk</i>	2013
Bruce Rand, <i>Treasurer</i>	2013

Highway Safety Committee

Patrick J. Sullivan, <i>Police Chief, Chairman</i>	
Ruth E. Gage, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2015
Brian K. Rose, AICP, <i>Planning & Zoning Administrator</i>	
Carl Quiram, <i>Public Works Director</i>	
Nick Campasano, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	

Historic District Commission

Ruth Gage, <i>Chairman</i>	2015
Lionel Coulon, <i>Corresponding Sec.</i>	2015
Mark Collins	2016
Mary Sullivan, <i>Recording Sec.</i>	2014
Robert Mahoney	2016
<i>Vacant</i>	2015
Colleen Charest, <i>Alternate</i>	2015
Rodney Stark, <i>Alternate</i>	2014
Philip D'Avanza, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Derek Horne, <i>Asst. Town Administrator</i>	
Sandy Whipple, <i>Library Rep.</i>	
3 <i>Vacant Alternate Positions</i>	

Library Trustees

Theresa Marts, <i>Chairman</i>	2016
Wayne Eddy	2014
Michael Lawler, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2014
Kathleen Holt	2015
Sarah Elechko	2016
Jennifer Phillips	2014
Kurt Huxel, <i>Alternate</i>	2014
John A. Brown, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Joe Spoerl, <i>Budget Committee Rep.</i>	
Dianne Hathaway, <i>Director</i>	
2 <i>Vacant Alternate Positions</i>	

Parks & Recreation Commission

Howard Sobolov, <i>Chairman</i>	2013
Jane A. Steckowych, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2013
Steve Fournier	2015
William Sullivan	2014
Robert P. Draper	2013
Brad Parkhurst	2015
Kevin Daigle	2014
Peter J. Hooker, <i>Alternate</i>	2013
Mark Lemay, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Brian Lewis, <i>Budget Committee Rep.</i>	
Rick Wilhelmi, <i>Parks & Recreation Director</i>	

Piscataquog Rivershed Local Advisory Committee

Andrew Cadorette	2015
Jim Colbert	2013
<i>1 Vacancy</i>	

Planning Board

John Hikel, <i>Chairman</i>	2014
Richard Meaney, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	2015
Barbara Griffin	2016
Brian Hansen	2015
Christopher Nadeau	2016
Mark Warden	2014
Simone Duhamel, <i>Alternate</i>	2014
Scott Callander, <i>Alternate</i>	2014
Calvin Pratt, <i>Alternate</i>	2015
Leah Wolczko, <i>Alternate</i>	2015
Donna Pinard, <i>Alternate</i>	2016
Philip D'Avanza, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Brian K. Rose, AICP, <i>Planning & Zoning Administrator</i>	

Rails to Trails Committee

David Pierce, <i>Chairman, Friends of Goffstown Rail Trail Rep.</i>	2014
Lowell von Ruden, <i>Friends of Goffstown Rail Trail Rep.</i>	2014
Denise Langley, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2014
Raymond Taber, <i>Community Rep.</i>	2014
Lt. Bill Connor, <i>Fire Department</i>	
Rick Wilhelmi, <i>Parks & Rec. Dept.</i>	
Patrick J. Sullivan, <i>Police Dept.</i>	
Meghan Theriault, <i>Public Works Dept.</i>	
Carol Holden, <i>Hillsborough County Commissioner</i>	
Nick Campasano, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	
Sue Desruisseaux, <i>Admin. Rep.</i>	

Sewer Commission

James Bouchard, <i>Chairman</i>	2015
Stephen Crean	2014
Catherine Whooten	2016
Collis Adams, <i>Selectmen Rep.</i>	

Solid Waste Commission

Cathie Donovan-Simard, <i>Chairman</i>	2014
David W. Packard, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2015
Frederick Plett	2015
John A. Burt	2015
Russell Day	2015
Bree Oleson	2014
Collis Adams, <i>Selectman Rep.</i>	
Carl Quiram, <i>Government Advisor</i>	
<i>4 Vacancies</i>	

Southern NH Planning Commission

Henry C. Boyle	2017
JoAnn Duffy	2015
Barbara Griffin	2016
Anthony Marts, <i>Alternate</i>	2016
Carl Foley, <i>Alternate</i>	2014
David Pierce, <i>Alternate</i>	2017

Supervisors of the Checklist

Denise Lemay, <i>Chairman</i>	2014
Al Desruisseaux	2016
Tina Daniels	2018

Trustee of the Trust Funds

Earl Carrel, *Chairman* 2014
 William Tucker, *Secretary* 2016
 Joseph Dobrowolski 2015

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Catherine Whooten, *Chair* 2014
 Leonard Stuart, *Vice Chair* 2014
 JoAnn Duffy 2015
 Gail Labrecque 2016
 Vivian Blondeau, 2016
 Daniel Doucet, *Alternate* 2014
 Cathy Champagne, *Alternate* 2014
 Joseph Femino, *Alternate* 2015
 Alan Yeaton, *Alternate* 2016
 1 *Alternate Vacancy*

**CMAQ Intersection Project Steering
(Ad Hoc Committee)**

Don Ball, *Community Rep.* 2013
 Larry Brown, *Community Rep.* 2013
 Beverly Powden, *Community Rep.* 2013
 Dave Smith, *Community Rep.* 2013
 Raymond Taber, *Community Rep.* 2013
 Cynthia Boisvert, *Main Street Rep.* 2013
 Ruth Gage, *Historic District Commission Rep.*
 Brian Hansen, *Planning Board Rep.*
 Richard O'Brien, *Fire Dept. Rep.*
 Brian Rose, AICP, *Planning & Zoning
 Administrator*
 Keith Chauvette, *Police Dept. Rep.*
 Robert Browne, *Police Dept. Rep.*
 Carl Quiram, *DPW Rep.*
 Meghan Theriault, *DPW Rep.*
 Collis Adams, *Selectmen Rep.*

**Pinardville Community Planning
(Ad Hoc Committee)**

Bill Sarette, *Chairman, Community Rep.* 2013
 Rosemary Garretson, *Vice Chair,
 Community Rep.* 2013
 Richard Gamache, *Community Rep.* 2013
 Cheryl Anderson, *Community Rep.* 2013
 Jessy-Lyn Tetro, *Community Rep.* 2013
 (*resigned 8/20/13*)
 Robert Schaefer, *Community at-large* 2013
Rep.
 Mark Lemay, *Selectmen Rep.*
 John Hikel, *Planning Board Rep.*
 Tony Marts, *Goffstown Industrial Corp. Rep.*
 (*resigned 8/20/13*)
 Michael Lawler, *Goffstown Industrial Council
 Alternate, (resigned 8/20/13)*
 Stacey Buckley, *Goffstown School District
 Rep.*
 David Bousquet, *Bartlett Elementary School
 Rep.*
 Bill Furlong, *Saint Anselm College Rep.*
 (*resigned 8/15/13*)
 Andrew Cadorette, *Economic Development
 Council Rep.*
 Derek Horne, *Asst. Town Administrator*
 Bill Connor, *Fire Dept. Rep.*
 Carl Quiram, *Public Works Director*
 Robert Browne, *Police Dept. Rep.*
 Rick Wilhelmi, *Parks & Recreation Director*
 Brian Rose, AICP, *Planning & Zoning
 Administrator*

School Board

Dian McCarthy, <i>Chairman</i>	2014
Philip Pancoast, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2014
Keith Allard	2015
Henry C. Boyle	2014
Reta Chaffee	2016
Virginia McKinnon	2015
Daniel Cloutier	2015
Suzanne Tremblay	2014
Benjamin Hampton	2016
Samantha Dever, <i>Student Rep.</i>	2013

School Clerk

Jo Ann Duffy	2015
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School District Moderator

James Raymond	2015
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School District Treasurer

Lissa Winrow	2015
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School District Administration S.A.U. #19

Brian Balke, *Interim Superintendent*
MaryClaire Barry, *Assistant Superintendent*
Raymond Labore, *Business Administrator*
Kate Magrath, *Human Resources Director*

Bartlett Elementary School

David Bousquet, *Principal*

Goffstown High School

Frank McBride, *Principal*
Kim McCann, *Assistant Principal*

Maple Avenue Elementary School

Suzanne Pyszka, *Principal*
Jessica Milligan, *Assistant Principal*

Mountain View Middle School

Wendy Hastings, *Principal*
Jennifer Gillis, *Assistant Principal*

Glen Lake School

Leslie T. Doster, *Principal*

SELECTMEN 2013 ANNUAL REPORT



*Seated L-R: Selectman Nick Campasano, Chairman Collis Adams, Selectman Philip D'Avanza
Standing L-R: Vice Chairman Mark Lemay and Selectman John Allen Brown*

We look back on 2013 at our accomplishments and thank the voters for their support at Town Meeting. As a town we continue to responsibly manage our budget by carefully balancing costs and providing services our community expects. Municipal debt is low, and unassigned fund balance is healthy at approximately \$5.4 million at the end of 2013.

Each year the Board of Selectmen sets goals to achieve. The 2013 goals covered five major areas: Economic Development; Human Resources; Communications; Project Management; Budgets; and Resource Packet for new committee members. At this time we would like to report what we accomplished in each area.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: The Board of Selectmen set economic development as a priority goal for 2013. In an effort to achieve this goal, the Board met with the Economic Development Council, Department of Resources and Economic Development, and Hillsborough County Commissioners. The Board also reviewed Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission's Build-Out Plan and the Goffstown Master Plan. Working with the property owner, the Economic Development Council is putting forward a zoning amendment to rezone Pondview Industrial Park from Industrial to Commercial Industrial Flex Zone in 2014 which will open up new opportunities for development. The Selectmen plan to meet with the EDC on a quarterly basis. The town will also be implementing an Economic Development Self Assessment Tool (EDSAT) in 2014 to guide us into the future.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Our goal was to negotiate collective bargaining agreements with three unions – Patrolmen, Dispatchers/Clerks, and Firefighters. Unfortunately, there are no Collective Bargaining Agreements to bring before the voters at the 2014 Town Meeting. We will resume the process in 2014.

COMMUNICATION: Communication with the public and with our town committees continues to be an ongoing goal of the Board of Selectmen. Messages are multi-media including press releases and letters to the editors in local newspapers, GTV, website, newsletters and meetings such as the All Boards Meeting. Executive summaries of government meetings continue on the town website as an option to reading the full minutes. Selectmen weekly reading packets continue to be available on the town's website so that the public can follow along in the meeting. In 2013 we welcomed our first full-time GTV Coordinator, Adam McCune, and we are already noticing improvements at GTV.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT: Thanks to voter support the town purchased MUNIS finance software which is in the implementation process. In 2013 data conversion and implementation of the following financial modules were concluded: General Ledger, Accounts Payable, Purchasing, and Budgeting. In 2014 the plan is to complete the installation and data conversion of the following modules: Payroll, Human Resources, Tax Collection, Utility and Miscellaneous Billing. Voters also supported the purchase of software for the Police Department. Data conversion and implementation are underway. We look forward to the efficiencies offered by these software programs.

In 2013 the Board appointed members to a CMAQ Ad Hoc committee to determine the best and most cost effective solutions to the Main/High/Elm Streets intersection and the Pleasant/Main Street intersection. Final design should be completed in 2014.

Public Works road projects included final work on Leach Hill Rd. and a section of East Dunbarton Rd. from Pollard to the city line. Locust Hill Rd. received a shim coat. The major reclamation project was the reconstruction of Pleasant St. from South Mast St. to Bog Rd. Phase II of Addison Road Project from Longbrook to Shirley Hill Rd. was begun. Parts completed included a section from Shirley Hill Rd. to Zan Dr. and reconstruction of Zan Dr. and Winding Brook Rd. Public Works contracted out the reconstruction of a culvert on town land near Hillsborough County complex.

BUDGET: The Board of Selectmen thanks the voters for their support of the 2013 budget. The Board has been working diligently with staff to implement the budget including all appropriation articles. The Board spent significant time preparing a 2014 budget which would result in a reduction on the town side of the tax rate and maintain the level of service that taxpayers expect.

We congratulate our Finance staff for an excellent 2012 audit. This is the fourth consecutive year that there has been no Auditor's Management Letter. Auditors reported that the town is in very good financial shape with a low debt ratio and a very healthy unassigned fund balance.

VOLUNTEER RESOURCES: We are working on an online Volunteer Resource packet for our many volunteers who serve on elected and appointed committees in town. We hope to complete this packet following the March 2014 election.

We recognize our hardworking town employees who help carry out the Board of Selectmen goals and mission given to us by the voters. We recognize a dedicated employee of the Police Department, Lieutenant Bobby Marcoux who retired in 2013. Lt. Marcoux retired after 24 years of service to the Goffstown Police Department. We wish him well in his retirement.

In closing, we thank the voters for their past support and look forward to 2014.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Collis G. Adams, Chairman	John Allen Brown
Mark T. Lemay, Vice Chairman	Nicholas Campasano
	Philip A. D'Avanza

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NH

2014 ANNUAL WARRANT

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

You are hereby notified to meet Wednesday February 5, 2014 at seven o'clock in the evening at Goffstown High School in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium in said Town for the first portion of Town Meeting, also known as the deliberative session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 11, 2014. (Snow date for the first session is Thursday, February 6, 2014.)

You are further notified to meet Tuesday, March 11, 2014 to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls will open on March 11, 2014 at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the First District at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 2, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Sections 6.6.1, 6.6.2, and 6.6.3 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow signs in the Industrial Zone to be 10% of the area of the wall to which they are affixed – not to exceed a cumulative maximum sign size of 100 sq. ft.? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 3, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 6.13 of the Zoning Ordinance – Temporary Signs - to change the number of days that temporary signs are permitted for each occasion from 10 days to 30 days and to change the number of occasions that temporary signs may be permitted for each calendar year from four (4) to three (3)? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 4, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 4.3 of the Zoning Ordinance – Table of Dimensional Regulations, to eliminate the Planning Board's ability to grant a Conditional Use Permit to have less front setback in the Residential – 2 and Village Commercial Districts? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 5, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 10.3.1 of the Zoning Ordinance – Conditional Use Permits Required for Telecommunications Facilities –to permit applications for collocations as defined in RSA 12-K:2, X to not require approval of a Conditional Use Permit or Site Plan, but to proceed directly to Building Permit application and review; and to require applications that constitute a ‘substantial modification’ as defined in RSA 12-K:2, XXV, to obtain the approval of a Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan; and to require that the determination of requirements be done with the consideration of all cumulative changes to the tower since its original approval? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 6, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 3.11 Table H – Table of Principal Uses for Transportation, Communication and Utilities, and amending Section 5 – Supplemental Standards, and amending Section 7.2.5 – Table I – Parking Standards, and amending the Definitions Section of the Zoning Ordinance to allow Self Service Storage Facilities as a new principal use in the table of uses to be a permitted use in the Industrial and Commercial Industrial Flex Zone districts and in the Commercial district by Conditional Use Permit, and also instituting some applicable supplemental standards that self service storage facilities would have to follow? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 6-1-0.

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 7, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 5.1 and the Definitions Section of the Zoning Ordinance – Accessory Buildings and Facilities, by clarifying in the section language that the rules of this section apply to buildings that have any portion of the building lying within the accessory building setback area and that the limitations do not apply to buildings that meet the underlying setback and by defining “yard” in the definitions section? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No.8, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 5.2.1 of the Zoning Ordinance by increasing the maximum allowable size for accessory dwelling units from six hundred (650) square feet to eight hundred (800) square feet? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 9

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 9, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 3.12 of the Zoning Ordinance - Table of Accessory Uses – to allow an accessory dwelling unit to be considered a permitted use with no need to obtain a Special Exception (notwithstanding the fact that it is listed as a use permitted by Special Exception) if the lot is of a size that it meets or exceeds the buildable acreage requirement in Section 4.3 – Table of Dimensional Regulations, to allow a duplex to be built on the lot? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 5-2-0.

ARTICLE 10

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 10, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 3.12 and Section 5.5.2 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the keeping of poultry as permitted accessory uses in the Residential -1 and Residential -2 districts and that the keeping of livestock and poultry in the Town would be subject to applicable supplemental standards under Section 5.5.2 that limit these uses on non-conforming lots or on lots smaller than two acres in size? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 11

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 11, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 6.2.1 of the Zoning Ordinance – Sign Measurement – to change the way that awning signs are measured by making them measured in the same way as wall signs by eliminating the phrase “except that if the awning is lighted, the entire awning shall be considered signage, measured by the amount of wall area that is covered by the entire awning?” (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 12

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 12, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 14.7.3 of the Zoning Ordinance – Use of a non-conforming lot – to remove two conditions necessary to be met by applicants in order to apply for a Special Exception to develop a non-conforming lot, by eliminating in their entirety the two subsections 14.7.3.2 and 14.7.3.4 that require adjacent lots to have been held under separate ownership since 1961 and that require lots to be consolidated as necessary to eliminate non-conformity if under the same ownership? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 13

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 13, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 6.6 and 6.7 and 3.12 of the Zoning Ordinance – to allow home occupations in existing residences within the Industrial Zone and also to allow home occupation signs to be erected for existing residences in the Commercial (C), Industrial (I), Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ), Residential Small Business Office (RSBO) and Village Commercial (VC) Districts

by inserting a subsection into Section 6.6 and Section 6.7 that allows: “One sign of up to two (2) square feet in area for an approved home occupation (See Section 5.12)?” (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 14

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 14, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, by changing the zoning of the properties identified as Tax Map 6, Lots 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-6, 1-6-1, and 1-6-2 from the Industrial (I) District to the Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ) District? (Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).

Submitted by the Planning Board. Recommended by the Planning Board 5-2-0.

ARTICLE 15

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 15, as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: “Shall the Town amend the Zoning Ordinance to change the zoning of all parcels that abut Mast Road to the Commercial Zone - This change shall be applied to all properties from the Manchester border to the Mast Road / Henry Bridge Road intersection on both sides of Mast Road?”

Submitted by Petition. Not Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 16

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 16, as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: “To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of 12 Joffre St. (Map 18, Lot 27) from Residential – 2 (R-2) to Residential Small Business Office -2 (RSBO-2)?”

Submitted by Petition. Not Recommended by the Planning Board 4-3-0.

ARTICLE 17

Are you in favor of the adoption of Article No. 17, as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: “To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of 75 Daniel Plummer Road (Map 16, Lot 21-2) from Residential – 2 (R-2) to Commercial(C)?”

Submitted by Petition. Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the municipality will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four million five hundred sixty five thousand dollars (\$4,565,000) for the rehabilitation and expansion of the town’s three fire stations and to authorize the issuance of not more than four million five hundred thousand dollars (\$4,500,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the Selectmen to apply for grants to offset project costs. An additional revenue amount of \$65,000 in Public Safety Impact Fees will be used toward this project. (3/5 ballot vote is required for passage.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and the Budget Committee 7-5-2.

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Nineteen Million Five Hundred Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Five Dollars (\$19,580,945).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million Forty Eight Thousand Three Hundred and Seven Dollars (\$7,048,307).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of One Million Seven Hundred Forty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-Two Dollars (\$1,742,762) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations requested in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of Four Hundred Seventeen Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars (\$417,962) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

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

“Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Five Hundred Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Five Dollars (\$19,580,945).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Five Hundred Ninety Six Thousand and Sixty One Dollars (\$19,596,061), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.” NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1-0 and Budget Committee 14-0-0.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) for the purpose of reconstructing Pleasant Street Bridge sidewalk and the underlying structure, funding to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 8-6-0.

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Seventy Three Thousand Dollars (\$73,000) for the purpose of reconstructing the Tyler Drive detention pond and the Maple Avenue/Smith Road treatment swale, funding to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 8-6-0.

ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to replace an existing obsolete stair lift and install an ADA compliant vertical lift at Town Hall, funding to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 8-5-1.

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) for the painting and repairs to the exterior of the Public Library, funding from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

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

Not recommended by the Budget Committee 8-6-0.

ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the server virtualization project at the Police Department to upgrade the servers, data storage and disaster recovery, funding from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

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

Not recommended by the Budget Committee 7-6-1.

ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Million Ninety Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Four Dollars (\$1,099,734) for the purchase and replacement of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus for area Fire Departments listed below contingent on a grant award of 90% of the purchase price and 10% match from each town listed below. The Town of Goffstown's match of \$25,763.07 will be funded from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

TOWN	APPROPRIATION	GRANT AMOUNT	TOWN'S MATCH
Bedford	\$211,580.65	\$190,422.59	\$21,158.07
Dunbarton	\$105,130.67	\$94,617.60	\$10,513.07
Goffstown	\$257,630.67	\$231,867.60	\$25,763.07
New Boston	\$149,130.67	\$134,217.60	\$14,913.07
Weare	\$188,130.67	\$169,317.60	\$18,813.07
Litchfield	\$188,130.67	\$169,317.60	\$18,813.07

Should any of the above towns choose not to participate at the time of the grant award, then the total appropriation and revenue will be reduced accordingly so as not to impact the Town of Goffstown's tax rate. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 14-0-0.

ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-1-0.

ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of supporting the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-0-1.

ARTICLE 28

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Coalition for Youth Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency. Crispin's House provides prevention programs designed to help kids make positive choices in their lives. Our programs include high school and middle school monthly Youth Forums and VolunTEENS programs, Juvenile Court Diversion, Youth Attendant Program and financial aid to families that cannot afford after school care for their children. We are a member of the Greater Manchester Regional Suicide Prevention Initiative. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 11-1-2.

ARTICLE 29

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate up to Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for the purpose of supporting Goffstown Waterway Association effort to manage milfoil in Glen Lake also known as the upper portion of the Piscataquog River? The Goffstown Waterway Association (GWA) estimates the cost of beginning the milfoil management project to be \$16,750 which they plan to fund as follows: \$6,700 from the Department of Environmental Services (DES), Exotic Species Program from the State of NH; requesting donations from Enel North America (operator of the Kelly Falls Dam); and donations from Local Users of Piscataquog River, Glen and Namaske Lakes. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)

*Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 .
Not recommended by the Budget Committee 10-2-2.
Submitted by Petition.*

ARTICLE 30

To see if the Town will vote to increase the safety and protect the citizens and children of Goffstown, by setting the speed limit on Tyler Drive at 25 mph from its current 30 mph limit for the street's 1,500 foot (0.3 mile) length.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1. Submitted by Petition.

ARTICLE 31

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the authority (take back the powers previously granted) of the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend unanticipated money from the State, Federal or other government units (funds like HUD Grant for projects like Plan Pinardville) or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1. Submitted by Petition.

ARTICLE 32

To see if the Town of Goffstown will work with interested community members to develop a plan for providing reliable, affordable and handicapped-accessible transportation to town residents unable to drive themselves to necessary appointments.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1. Submitted by Petition.

ARTICLE 33

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

ARTICLE 34

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

Given under our Hands and Seal this 20th day of January 2014.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Collis G. Adams, Chairman

John Allen Brown

Mark T. Lemay, Vice Chairman

Nicholas Campasano

Philip A. D'Avanza

2013 BALLOT DETERMINATION MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 6, 2013

Moderator Plett called the 2013 Deliberative Session to order at 7:04 p.m. Mr. Plett was acting as Moderator Pro-Tem in the absence of Moderator Rodney Stark.

The following counters were sworn in: Al Baines, Nick Campasano, Cathy Ball and Karen LeClerc.

The Police Explorers Color Guards; Tomas Jore, Zack Houle and Andrew Biron led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moderator Plett introduced the Head Table: Town Clerk, Cathy Ball; Scribe Jo Ann Duffy, Assistant Moderator Lionel Coulon; Chairman David Pierce; Vice Chairman Scott Gross; Selectman Philip D'Avanza; Selectman Collis Adams; Selectman Mark Lemay; Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux; Assistant Town Administrator Derek Horne.

Moderator Plett also recognized the following dignitaries: State Representatives John Burt, Ruth Gage, Richard Meaney.

Vice Chairman Gross introduced members of the Budget Committee: Peter Georgantas Chair; Bryan Fournier, Guy Caron, Lee Sperry, John Burt, Ivan Beliveau, Joe Spoerl, Ruth Gage, Elizabeth Dubrulle, Lisa Jukes and Dick Fletcher. Both Ivan and John will not be returning. S. Gross thanked both members for their service.

Moderator Plett introduced Chairman Pierce for Presentations.

Chairman Pierce: I have the honor of making a presentation in recognition of a Selectman who has served our town for the past six years. Since the filing period is over, I know he is finishing his sixth year. Scott has been a wonderful part of our board. I can depend on him to introduce something new at practically every session, usually at the end of the evening. All of that discussion is very worthwhile because they do lead to decisions down the road. I have a plaque recognizing your service. We are turning Scott loose to go back home. I have to take an opportunity to thank Tammy Gross. We are turning Scott loose to rejoin you. He has spent every Monday at the Town Hall. He will probably want to watch GTV at home and keep track at what we are doing. We appreciate you sharing your husband with us these past six years.

Vice Chairman Gross thanked Selectman Pierce and all of the people he has served with over the past six years. He stated that he had had fun doing it. Selectman Gross thanked the department heads and stated the town has some very talented department heads and employees in this community. He also thanked the folks he has dealt with on all the committees. He stated he would like to thank his wife and two daughters.

Moderator Plett introduced Rick Wilhelmi for the Robinson Cullerot Volunteer Award.

Rick Wilhelmi: I am here to award our 24th annual Robinson Cullerot Award. We have an outstanding community. We have a lot of volunteers. The Award was established by the P&R Commission and the Board of Selectmen for someone who best exemplifies the spirit of community. For any community to be strong, it relies on the people in it. People volunteer in many different ways. We have many programs and opportunities of which both young and old can participate. In the recreation world we understand the necessities of volunteers to grow bigger and better opportunities. This year's award goes to Gary Gendron. He began coaching in the farm league with

his son Hunter. He later took on the role of umpire. Gary never says no. When his daughter became of age to participate, he became a manager in the Babe Ruth softball program. He also referees two to four games every Saturday. Gary's passion and commitment to youth athletics is a benefit to our community. Michelle Gendron has allowed Gary to show up and do all of these things and we thank you as well.

The Moderator explained the Rules of Procedure. Since 1996 we have been under the auspices of Senate Bill 2. We have a Deliberative Session. This is the first of a two part meeting. All warrant articles will be on the official ballot to be held Tuesday, March 12 both at Goffstown High School and Bartlett Elementary School from 7 am to 7 pm. We will only be discussing Articles 11 through 21 this evening. If no motion is made, it will appear on the warrant as printed. With respect to amendments, we cannot move to pass or defeat any article tonight, but only amend. Amendments are permissible with certain constraints. The amendment must be germane to the subject of the article. Money articles can be changed within ten percent. Wording can only change if there is qualifying language. All amendments must be presented in writing. The Assistant Moderator has forms for that purpose.

Chairman Pierce moved to dispense with the reading of the warrant; seconded by Vice Chairman Gross.

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee in the amount of Nineteen Million Three Hundred Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety One Dollars (\$19,382,591).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of Seven Million One Hundred Thirty Four Thousand One Hundred Sixty Six Dollars (\$7,134,166).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of One Million Six Hundred Sixty-six Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars (\$1,666,538) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations requested in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of Four Hundred Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Two Dollars (\$414,582) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

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

“Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Three Hundred Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety One Dollars (\$19,382,591).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Two Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Three Dollars (\$19,239,873), 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.

If Articles 11 and 18 both pass as presented, then Article 11 appropriation will be reduced by \$84,030 which equals 75% of the appropriation budget for Cable TV.

If Articles 11 and 19 both pass as presented, then Article 11 appropriation will be reduced by \$55,480 which equals 50% of the appropriation budget for Police Special Detail.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 10-4-0.

Vice Chairman Gross moved Article 11 to the floor; seconded by Chairman Pierce.

Vice Chairman Gross: The budget is comprised of three different funds. The BOS controls the general fund. S. Gross referred to the 2013 budget summary page. Our budget in 2013 is \$391,000 more than last year's budget. The vast majority of the line items were for the most part level funded. Noteworthy items comprised the increase. One was \$160,000 toward employee retirement. We saw some of those costs get transferred from the State level to the Town level. The State was covering 25%. Those costs are now borne by the communities. \$178,000 is for increases for health care and dental insurance. The balance is for fuel costs for vehicles as well as heating oil and wages. When you look at the detail, you will note in the administration area, there are many departments where their budget went down. Overall, the Administration budget is a little higher. We had to transfer all of the health benefits and lump them into administration. The other thing you will see is it mentions if Articles 11 and 19 both pass, there will be reductions in this budget. We will cover that later.

Article 11 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Vice Chairman Gross moved to limit reconsideration; seconded by Selectman Pierce. Voice vote, one nay. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town of Goffstown will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the Chauffeurs, Teamster and Helpers Local Union No. 633 of New Hampshire representing certain employees of the Public Works Department which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2013	\$30,208
2014	\$25,704
2015	\$39,897

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand two hundred and eight dollars (\$30,208) for the current fiscal year 2013, 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 in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. (NOTE: These employees' wages have been frozen for the past two years, 2011 and 2012. This bargaining unit entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to change health insurance plans which saved the town \$30,336 in 2012.) (This appropriation is in addition to Article 11.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-1-0.

Selectman Adams moved Article 12 to the floor; seconded by Chairman Pierce.

Selectman Adams: Article 12 represents a collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Goffstown and the Teamsters Union for employees who work at Public Works. They have been working without a contract for the past two years and their wages were frozen. They voluntarily entered into an agreement to change health insurance plans to one that required higher copays. This saved the town \$30,000. This three year agreement has the following changes; payment of 10% for single person plans. This agreement reduces the cash out option by 15%. The employees receive a one-time payment of \$500 and a cost of living adjustment for the first six months and a wage adjustment on July 1. This results in an increase of \$30,000 for 2013. This is a tax increase of \$5.00 on a home valued at \$250,000. These employees will receive wage increases based on a performance pay system. Their jobs will be evaluated and they will be eligible for a performance pay increases of 1-3%. Maximum impact is \$25,700. In 2015 the same system will continue. Estimated maximum impact will be \$39,900. Under the last agreement, employees were given 4% over a nine year period as well as cost of living adjustments. This does away with that.

Article 12 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Selectman Adams moved to limit reconsideration on Article 12; seconded by Chairman Pierce. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Seventy Six Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Two Dollars (\$276,962) for the purpose of purchasing replacement municipal finance software and conversion of data, funding to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 10-3-1.

Vice Chairman Gross moved Article 13 to the floor; seconded by Chairman Pierce.

Vice Chairman Gross: Article 13 and the next three articles all deal with the unassigned fund balance.

Chairman Pierce: The use of the unassigned fund balance hasn't been used in recent history so it deserves an explanation. The cost will be borne by other sources. We have been aware of a number of questions residents have had.

Vice Chairman Gross: There is some confusion that the fund balance is a fund.

Chairman Pierce: This fund balance is an accounting line for the municipal accounting activities. It is hard to draw an easy comparison. When all the financial transactions have been confirmed, two categories of money are assigned to the unassigned fund balance. Funds when expenditures are less than what was appropriated. The second category of funds is when revenue is more than what was budgeted. We budget a certain amount of money for car registration, if the revenues are greater, that amount rolls into the unassigned fund balance.

Moderator Plett: What would happen to the unassigned fund balance if these articles do not pass?

Chairman Pierce: There is presently \$5.4 million in that fund balance.

Vice Chairman Gross: We collect the monies for the school district, they then ask for a disbursement so they can pay their bills. It is very important to have a healthy fund balance. The payments we make throughout the year vary so you need to have a good buffer.

Chairman Pierce: The second reason was to address emergency conditions. There are legal ways to use the monies for an emergency. The third way we use the unassigned fund balance is to lower the tax rate. This is done when we set the tax rate in the late fall. The last reason is it leads to a favorable bond rating for the town.

S. Gross: Where do we stand in terms of the adequacy?

Chairman Pierce: The Government Finance Officers Association auditing rules recommend a municipality have between 8 and 17 percent. That range is also endorsed by the DRA. It would be favorably to have \$3 million to \$6.4 million. We currently have 14% or \$5.4 million.

Vice Chairman Gross: Why are the BOS using fund balance this year?

Chairman Pierce: The town has been audited. It was recommended that should we want to use this for a municipal need, the most appropriate would be for one time projects. We have chosen this method for providing the cost for four articles. The four articles add up to \$819,000. If they successfully pass, the \$819,000 will come out of the fund balance and we still have 12% in this fund.

Vice Chairman Gross: We cut a lot of capital improvement projects as well as the road program. In 2010 we spent over \$3 million in capital items. This year it is at \$1.6 million. We are trying to use the fund balance, as our auditors told us, we have ample amount in the fund to do this.

Vice Chairman Gross: The Town of Goffstown processes tens of thousands of transactions. Our software is over 12 years old and it is having systemic failures. Our customer support is very minimal. We have had this problem for a few years. Last year it did not pass through the budget process. We appointed a citizen committee. Guy Caron was on this committee. We reviewed all of the different options. At the end of the day, the committee made a recommendation to purchase municipal software. The committee put forward an RFP. What we have before us now is the low bid on this article to replace the software. The large component of the cost is transferring the data. This is the lifeblood of what we do in town hall. Our system is very fragile. It could have a catastrophic failure. This is the number one priority of the Board of Selectmen.

Brad Parkhurst: I appreciate the Board of Selectmen elaborating on what the unassigned fund balance is. I would have appreciated an article in the newspaper. The money that is in that fund is tax dollars.

Chairman Pierce: A portion of that balance did derive from tax dollars the other portion is from revenues.

Brad Parkhurst: We are using some of the money that I have paid into the town. I wanted to make the public aware there is taxpayer dollars involved.

Vice Chairman Gross: We have prepared a letter to the newspaper. There will also be information on GTV and the town's website.

Guy Caron: When we voted to recommend or not recommend these articles, the wording is different from what we voted on. We heard the term unreserved fund balance. Is there any legal ramification to this?

Selectman D'Avanza: That's a technical term by the Department of Revenue Administration.

Article 13 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Vice Chairman Gross moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 13; seconded by Chairman Pierce. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Hundred Sixty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$169,425) for the purpose of purchasing software for police operations and dispatch, and for the conversion of Police Department data, funding to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 14-0-0.

Selectman D'Avanza moved Article 14 to the floor; seconded by Chairman Pierce.

Selectman D'Avanza: Article 14 seeks to replace outdated police software including the data that is incorporated with that. A portion of the unassigned fund balance will be used to pay for this purchase. This will provide more functionality and efficiency to our department. In 2010 dispatch service contracts were lost with two communities which resulted in a loss of revenue to the town. Once the data fields are filled in, it will eliminate the need for redundancy. When the data is entered, it cannot transfer electronically to the next step, so they have to use a hard copy or a screen version. The new software will allow for the electronic conversion and transfer of that data. No amount will be raised from taxation and we hope the taxpayers will support the article. We lost \$45,000 annually from not having this software.

Article 14 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Selectman D'Avanza moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 14; seconded by Selectman Pierce. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000) to address a culvert and slope failure on town land, including repairing damage to the abutter's land, funding to come from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-1-0.

Chairman Pierce moved Article 15 to the floor; seconded by Vice Chairman Gross.

Chairman Pierce: Article 15 addresses a granite culvert failure and a slope failure. Both are on town land and both have damaged the abutters land or have great potential to do harm to an abutter's land. The abutter is the County of Hillsborough. The culvert was built in 1860. It is 80 yards long and 70' below the rail bed. The sidewalls have been undermined and one granite block was blown out of position into the culvert threatening the integrity of the remaining blocks. We need to do repairs to the culvert and the undermining of the sidewalls to lessen the risk that this granite culvert will collapse and impound the water of the two streams. The second condition is the slope failure. Due to years of neglect, surface drainage hasn't been attended to. Rather than it flowing off quickly, it tended to flow down the middle of the rail bed. The focus of that water on one point caused a gulley to form. That started on town land and washed into the abutter's land. The cost of the repairs will be done with a portion of the unassigned fund balance.

Brad Parkhurst asked if construction would be done to the rail bed and the answer was no. The rail trail goes over the slope failure and the culvert.

Chairman Pierce: My diagram is on the edge of the ten foot path.

Brad Parkhurst: Has the County brought anything to the town about having it fixed?

Chairman Pierce: The Director of Public Works and I have had a meeting with the County Administrator and we have agreement to have access over the County land for the repair.

Brad Parkhurst: Since you are using some of the unassigned fund balance, some of that is tax money.

Chairman Pierce: It comes from two sources; taxes and revenues.

Brad Parkhurst: Originally when the town purchased the land from the rail, they paid \$80,000 and after that no taxes were to be used. Is that correct?

Chairman Pierce: That discussion goes beyond this article. It is not constructing the rail bed itself. It is not for the actual improvement of the trail you are speaking of.

Vice Chairman Gross: Can you discuss the legal consequences if the town fails to repair the slope and the culvert.

Chairman Pierce: When you have an embankment 70' high and there is a washout, the

abutter would be upset and may want to seek a solution. That solution would be expensive.

Timothy McKernan: You mentioned the failure may have been as a result of the Mother's Day flood. Is there any FEMA funding available?

Chairman Pierce: The actual damage was not noticed until three years later. The inlet to this culvert was 6' high and 4' wide when it was built. The inlet is now only 4' wide and 2' wide. It would not take much brush to block the flow of water.

Article 15 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Chairman Pierce moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 15; seconded by Selectman D'Avanza. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Seven Hundred Sixty One Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$761,400) for the purpose of improving the intersections of Main and Pleasant Streets, and Main, Elm and High Streets. This article will be funded as follows: \$446,270 from the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Grant; \$62,448 from Impact Fees; and \$252,682 from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 11-3-0.

Selectman Adams moved Article 16 to the floor; seconded by Chairman D'Avanza.

Selectman Adams: Article 16 is a public works project. One is for improvements to Pleasant Street/Route 13/Main Street. The second is for improvements at Elm Street/High Street. Preliminary engineering designs recommend a roundabout at the Pleasant and Main Street intersection and traffic improvements and curbing at the Elm Street/High Street intersection. The town has been awarded a CMAQ grant. This grant is based on the premise that improving traffic flow will result in less idling of vehicles and less air quality degradation. If this money is not used in 2013, the money will be returned. In addition, there are two other portions that go into this; impact fees and monies would also come from the unassigned fund balance. There will be no impact to the taxpayers.

Article 16 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Selectman Adams moved to restrict reconsideration on Article 16; seconded by Selectman D'Avanza. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 11.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-1-0.

Selectman Lemay moved Article 17 to the floor; seconded by Chairman Pierce.

Selectman Lemay: The Fire Department's capital reserve fund was established in 2008. It is helped with replacing fire apparatus. Having a capital reserve fund can give the town leverage and seek out grants. In 2010, the fire department accepted a large truck to replace the obsolete ladder trucks. A large portion of the fund was used to pay for the fire truck. We are now looking to purchase new apparatus when the time comes. When we bought the tower ladder it was between \$900,000 and \$1 million. The town spent about \$250,000 to equip the truck. The grant got us \$712,000. In 2014, we will probably be looking to replace two pieces of apparatus; Engine 1 and Forestry 1. Engine 1 still sees a lot of firefighting and it is getting very tired. It is running front line right now because Engine 6 is having body work right now. Emissions standards change, new technology comes forward and it costs a lot more. The new fire truck could be between \$400,000 to \$500,000. If we have money set aside the impact will not be so severe.

Article 17 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Selectman Lemay moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 17; seconded by Chairman Pierce. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of cable access television provided by GTV. Forty percent (40%) of franchise fee revenues received from our Cable Franchise Agreement will be deposited into the fund as well as Cable Franchise equipment grants, 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. If Articles 11 and 18 both pass as presented, then Article 11 appropriation will be reduced by \$84,030 which equals 75% of the appropriation budget for GTV.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 14-0-0.

Vice Chairman Gross moved Article 18 to the floor; seconded by Chairman Pierce.

Vice Chairman Gross: I would like to recognize Dick Gagnon. Dick started GTV and got it off the ground. He has decided to pursue other opportunities. I would like to thank you on behalf of the Board of Selectmen. GTV would not be what it is without you. There is a franchise fee charged by Comcast. It is a little over \$250,000 that goes into the unassigned fund. A portion of these fees are set aside for the GTV budget. There is a recognition that this amount of money is not enough to staff GTV. We decided to allocate 40% of the franchise fee, plus the creation of a revolving fund. The operating budget will decrease because we would no longer have this in the operating budget.

Dick Gagnon: I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee for finally supporting the effort and putting this forward on the ballot. I have interacted with many other stations. There is a big difference with a station that is budgeted correctly compared

to what we have had over the past few years. It makes a world of difference in the quality and the interaction of the public will be great for Goffstown.

Brad Parkhurst: I am a member of the GTV Committee. I want to thank Dick for all the work he has done. The broadcast will be so much better with the approval of this article.

Jason Cote, Chair of the Cable Access Committee: The biggest problem is that there is no leadership at the station. You have to have a full time person. I also want to compliment the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

Article 18 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Selectman D'Avanza moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 18; seconded by Chairman Pierce.

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of paying for police special detail expenses. All revenues received for police special details 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. If Articles 11 and 19 both pass as presented, then Article 11 appropriation will be reduced by \$55,480 which equals 50% of the appropriation budget for Police Special Detail.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-1-1.

Selectman D'Avanza moved Article 19 to the floor; seconded by Selectman Adams.

Selectman D'Avanza: Throughout the year companies and organizations request traffic control. They are charged a fee for that service. When the cost exceeds the account line, there is a negative impact in other account lines. As we discussed earlier, you have to have a budgeted amount because we gross appropriate. It is difficult to anticipate how many requests you are going to have. We have the debates at St. Anselm College and we never know how much we will need. It is very easy to overspend that line. Many police departments use the revolving funds to avoid spikes. All special detail revenue would be deposited into the fund and all expenses would be paid out of this fund as of July 2013. The special detail line would be reduced. These line items would not appear in future budgets.

Article 19 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Selectman D'Avanza moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 19; seconded by Chairman Pierce. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of supporting the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 11.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 10-3-1.

Selectman Lemay moved Article 19 to the floor; seconded by Chairman Pierce.

Selectman Lemay: The Goffstown Main Street program is a local non-profit organization. It attracts many people to our Main Street and provides support to the Main Street businesses.

Karen Henderson spoke in favor of this article.

Article 20 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Selectman Lemay moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 20; seconded by Chairman Pierce. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency. Crispin's House provides prevention programs designed to help kids make positive choices in their lives. Our programs include high school and middle school monthly Youth Forums and VolunTEENS programs, Juvenile Diversion, Making Chance a drug and alcohol counseling program and financial aid to families that cannot afford after school care for their children. We are a member of the Greater Manchester Regional Suicide Prevention Initiative. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 11.)

Submitted by petition. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 10-4-0.

Fred Plett suggested changing forums to fora.

Al Baines moved Article 21 to the floor; seconded by Pierre Pouliot.

Al Baines: There is an error in the wording, the word chance should be the word change. Crispin's House has been around since 1989. It was founded by a group of gentlemen in town. I have been associated since 1992. I have been on the Board of Directors for ten years. Crispin's House has been here for a long time and we will be around for a long time. We provide drug alcohol and suicide prevention programs and alcohol counseling. In year's past we received funding from state and county grants. As you know, the Legislature over the past few years, funding has been decreased to the point where it is now zero. We were totally cut off from all our funds causing the closure of the after school program at MVMS. The Allard Center YMCA is now running a program at that facility. I also want to point out to you the members of our community that we have on our board. I have lived in Goffstown for 35 years and involved myself with the youth of the community. Our Vice President is Kevin Georgantas. Al Baines is the President. William

Exner is the Secretary. Members include: Michelle Peterson, Kevin Laroche, Cheryl Elliott, Gerry Bergeron, Peter Romein, Jennifer Gillis and John Tollefson. These are people who are on our board because they believe in Crispin's House. I want to thank the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee for voting to recommend this article. We are asking for \$20,000 this year, which is far less than we asked for last year. We are asking the town to help support our programs. The rest of that money has to come from our fundraising efforts and our grant writing opportunities.

Brad Parkhurst: I have been involved with youth activities. I am asking the voters to support this article.

Christy Curtis: I am the Executive Director of Crispin's House. I am a certified prevention specialist. For kids it is so important to provide opportunities for kids to stay away from drugs and alcohol. There is a program for everyone. We just started youth forum at MVMS. The youth forum at GHS has been running for many years. It was formed due to the large amount of suicides that had occurred at GHS. I am passionate about prevention. It works and it is important. Our programs do so much to reduce these factors. All kids will have to make their own decisions when they are out with their peers. Our programs help to empower them.

Ruth Gage: Back in the mid to late 1980's the area had a number of teenage suicides. It was very bad. I would like to say if this \$20,000 keeps one kid alive, it is worth it.

Article 21 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Mr. Baines moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 21; seconded by Pierre Pouliot. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 22

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

Vice Chairman Gross thanked everyone for coming this evening. Between now and the time you vote, if you have any questions, please contact any members of the Board of Selectmen or the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 23

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

Brad Parkhurst made a motion to adjourn the meeting to March 12, 2013; seconded by Selectman D'Avanza. So voted.

The 2013 Town Deliberative Session adjourned at 9:03.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Duffy, Scribe

OFFICIAL TOWN ELECTION RESULTS

MARCH 12, 2013

ARTICLE 1 – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>	
Allen Brown		1,024
Nicholas “Nick” Campasano		1,509
David Pierce		932
Write-In 14 w/ < 5votes		

BUDGET COMMITTEE

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Four</i>	
Liz Mitchell		1,306
Shea Sennett		1,362
Joe Spoerl		1,222
Write-In Richard “Lee” Sperry		65
Write-In Scott Gross		29
Write-In Jane Hampton		21
Write-In Leah Wolczko		9
Write-In David Pierce		5
Write-In 88 w/ < 5 votes		

BUDGET COMMITTEE

<i>For 1 Year</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>	
Adrien “Sonny” Tremblay		1,527
Write-In Scott Gross		7
Write-In Jane Hampton		6
Write-In Richard “Lee” Sperry		5
Write-In 11 w/ < 5 votes		

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>	
Jean Walker		1,762
Write-In Richard Palazzolo Jr.		5
Write-In 7 with <5 votes		

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>	
Sarah Tollefsen Elechko		1,678
Write-In Suzanne Riel		46
Write-In 35 w/ < 5 votes		

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

<i>For 1 Year</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>	
Jennifer Phillips		1,623
Write-In Suzanne Riel		11
Write-In 6 w/ < 5 votes		

PLANNING BOARD

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>	
Leah Wolczko		548
Barbara Griffin		1,092
Tim McKernan		766
Christopher Nadeau		979
Write-In 2 w/ < 5 votes		

SEWER COMMISSION

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>	
Catherine Whooten		1,630
Write-In 18 w/ < 5 votes		

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>	
Write-In Bill Tucker		19
Write-In James Butcher		5
Write-In 81 w/ < 5 votes		

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

<i>For 3 Years</i>	<i>Vote for not more than Two</i>	
Timothy Redmond		863
Vivian Blondeau		938
“Joe” Femino		541
Gail Labrecque		942
Write-In 3 w/ < 5 votes		

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

<i>For 1 Year</i>	<i>Vote for not more than One</i>	
Leonard “Len” Stuart		1,578
Write-In 8 w/ < 5 votes		

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Article #2, amending Section 5.6 of the Zoning Ordinance – Commercial Kennels, to read: “Commercial Kennels are permitted provided that they are located on lots of not less than two (2) acres, and that no buildings or structures for commercial kennel use are located within one hundred (100) feet of any lot line?” The current regulation leaves out the words “for commercial kennel use” seen in the above proposed amendment. *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0
YES - 1,763 NO - 361 PASSED

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Article #3, amending Section 5.12 of the Zoning Ordinance – Home Occupation, by eliminating subsection 5.12.4 in its entirety? Currently Section 5.12.4 reads: “Goods sold at retail should be only those manufactured or assembled on the premises.” *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board
Recommended by the Planning Board 4-3-0
YES - 1,265 NO - 789 PASSED

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Article #4, amending Section 3.11 of the Zoning Ordinance – Table of Principal Uses – Table G.1, by eliminating the requirement for a Special Exception for the “sale or rental of motor vehicles, boats, trailers or recreational vehicles” in the Commercial Industrial Flex Zone and Industrial Districts and by making this use a permitted use in those districts? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board
Recommended by the Planning Board 5-2-0
YES - 1,437 NO - 608 PASSED

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Article #5, amending Section 3.11 of the Zoning Ordinance – Table of Principal Uses – Table G.3, by eliminating the requirement for a Special Exception for the “retail sale of gasoline” in the Commercial, Commercial Industrial Flex Zone, and Industrial Districts and by making this use a permitted use in those districts? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk’s office).*

Submitted by the Planning Board
Recommended by the Planning Board 4-3-0
YES - 1,172 NO - 865 PASSED

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town adopt Article #6, amending Section 14.9.3 of the Zoning Ordinance – Replacement of Non-conforming Structures, to allow the initiation of replacement of structures lost to fire, natural disaster, or other casualty to be within two years from the date the damage or destruction occurred? The current regulation requires initiation of replacement of such damaged or destroyed structures to be within one year of the date the damage or destruction occurred.

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

Submitted by the Planning Board

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES - 1,773 NO - 316 PASSED

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town adopt Article #7, amending Section 6.6.4 of the Zoning Ordinance – Commercial, Commercial Industrial Flex Zone, Industrial, Residential Small Business Office District Signs – to read: “In the Commercial (C) and Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ) districts, one portable A-frame sign per business, not to exceed 6 square feet of sign area per side, may be placed outside the business, within 10 feet of the building’s entry, while the business is open? [Note: Any use of public property requires permission of the Board of Selectmen.]” The current regulation allows these signs to be up to 3 square feet in size.

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

Submitted by the Planning Board

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES – 1,573 NO – 498 PASSED

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town adopt Article #8, amending Section 6.7.6 of the Zoning Ordinance – Village Commercial District Signs – to read: “One portable A-frame sign per business, not to exceed 6 square feet of sign area per side, may be placed outside the business, within 10 feet of the building’s entry, while the business is open? [Note: Any use of public property requires permission of the Board of Selectmen.]” The current regulation allows these signs to be up to 3 square feet in size.

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

Submitted by the Planning Board

Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0

YES - 1,533 NO - 537 PASSED

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town adopt Article #9, amending Section 6.4.2 of the Zoning Ordinance – Sign Prohibitions, by allowing electronic sign content to change no more frequently than once every fifteen seconds and not requiring a Conditional Use Permit for signs that have electronically changed content? The current regulation requires sign content to change no more frequently than once in twenty-four hours.

Submitted by Petition

Recommended by the Planning Board 6-1-0

YES - 1,350 NO - 722 PASSED

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town adopt Article #10, amending Section 3.12 of the Zoning Ordinance – Table of Accessory Uses to Principal Residential Uses – Table A.10, by eliminating the requirement for a Special Exception for the raising and keeping of poultry as an accessory use to a principal residential use in the Residential-1 and Residential-2 Districts and by making this use a permitted accessory use to a principal residential use in those districts?

Submitted by Petition. Not Recommended by the Planning Board 4-3-0.

YES - 696 NO - 1,435 FAILED

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Three Hundred Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety One Dollars (\$19,382,591).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Two Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Three Dollars (\$19,239,873), 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.

If Articles 11 and 18 both pass as presented, then Article 11 appropriation will be reduced by \$84,030 which equals 75% of the appropriation budget for Cable TV.

If Articles 11 and 19 both pass as presented, then Article 11 appropriation will be reduced by \$55,480 which equals 50% of the appropriation budget for Police Special Detail.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 10-4-0.

YES - 1,178 NO - 980 PASSED

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town of Goffstown approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Goffstown by its Board of Selectmen and the Chauffeurs, Teamster and Helpers Local Union No. 633 of New Hampshire representing certain employees of the Public Works Department which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level?

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2013	\$30,208
2014	\$25,704
2015	\$39,897

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand two hundred and eight dollars (\$30,208) for the current fiscal year 2013, 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 in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. (NOTE: These employees wages have been frozen for the past two years, 2011 and 2012. This bargaining unit entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to change health insurance plans which saved the town \$30,336 in 2012.) (This appropriation is in addition to Article 11.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-1-0.

YES - 1,269 NO - 900 PASSED

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Two Hundred Seventy Six Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Two Dollars (\$276,962) for the purpose of purchasing replacement municipal finance software and conversion of data, funding to come from unassigned fund balance? No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 10-3-1.

YES - 1,418 NO - 751 PASSED

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town raise and appropriate One Hundred Sixty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$169,425) for the purpose of purchasing software for police operations and dispatch, and for the conversion of Police Department data, funding to come from unassigned fund balance? No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 14-0-0.

YES - 1,556 NO - 630 PASSED

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town raise and appropriate One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000) to address a culvert and slope failure on town land, including repairing damage to the abutter's land, funding to come from unassigned fund balance? No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-1-0.

YES - 1,519 NO - 666 PASSED

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Seven Hundred Sixty One Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$761,400) for the purpose of improving the intersections of Main and Pleasant Streets, and Main, Elm and High Streets? This article will be funded as follows: \$446,270 from the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Grant; \$62,448 from Impact Fees; and \$252,682 from unassigned fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 11-3-0.

YES - 1,253 NO - 899 PASSED

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 11.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 13-1-0.

YES - 1,281 NO - 848 PASSED

ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of cable access television provided by GTV? Forty percent (40%) of franchise fee revenues received from our Cable Franchise Agreement will be deposited into the fund as well as Cable Franchise equipment grants, 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. If Articles 11 and 18 both pass as presented, then Article 11 appropriation will be reduced by \$84,030 which equals 75% of the appropriation budget for GTV.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 14-0-0.

YES -1,355 NO - 769 PASSED

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of paying for police special detail expenses? All revenues received for police special details 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. If Articles 11 and 19 both pass as presented, then Article 11 appropriation will be reduced by \$55,480 which equals 50% of the appropriation budget for Police Special Detail.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 12-1-1.

YES - 1,321 NO - 802 PASSED

ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of supporting the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 11.)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 10-3-1.

YES - 1,315 NO - 826 PASSED

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency? Crispin's House provides prevention programs designed to help kids make positive choices in their lives. Our programs include high school and middle school monthly Youth Forums and VolunTEENS programs, Juvenile Diversion, Making Change a drug and alcohol counseling program and financial aid to families that cannot afford after school care for their children. We are a member of the Greater Manchester Regional Suicide Prevention Initiative. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 11.)

Submitted by petition.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and Budget Committee 10-4-0.

YES - 1,400 NO - 750 PASSED

2013 ELECTIONS STATISTICAL REPORT

Election	Date	Voters Attending 1st Session	Votes Cast	% Voters	# New Registered Voters	# Total Registered Voters
Ballot Determination Sessions:						
School	2/2/2013	110	0	<1%	n/a	11,321
Town	2/6/2013	78	0	<1%	n/a	11,321
School	10/30/2013	15		<1%	n/a	11,122
Official Ballot Session:						
Town/School	3/12/2013		2,252	19.9%	27	11,350
School Special Election	12/4/2013		136	1.2%	1	11,127

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012



MELANSON HEATH & COMPANY, PC
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
MANAGEMENT ADVISORS

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis and Schedule of Funding Progress be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information appearing on page 46 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing

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

Melanson, Heath + Company P.C.

Manchester, New Hampshire
August 21, 2013

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Goffstown for the year ended December 31, 2012.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are maintained as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- As of the close of the current year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$45,536,750 (i.e., net position), a change of \$352,562 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$7,112,578, a change of \$985,318 in comparison to the prior year.
- At the end of the current year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$4,305,804, a change of \$837,544 in comparison to the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current year was \$1,768,330, a change of \$(329,447) in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

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

	<u>NET POSITION</u>					
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		<u>Business-Type Activities</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 19,985	\$ 16,676	\$ 3,301	\$ 3,511	\$ 23,286	\$ 20,187
Capital assets	<u>32,104</u>	<u>32,052</u>	<u>7,006</u>	<u>7,461</u>	<u>39,110</u>	<u>39,513</u>
Total assets	52,089	48,728	10,307	10,972	62,396	59,700
Current liabilities	10,704	8,385	2,843	2,772	13,547	11,157
Noncurrent liabilities	3,038	3,007	227	352	3,265	3,359
Deferred inflows	<u>10</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities	13,752	11,392	3,107	3,124	16,859	14,516
Net position:						
Net investment in capital assets	30,686	30,434	6,656	6,981	37,342	37,415
Restricted	845	779	-	-	845	779
Unrestricted	<u>6,806</u>	<u>6,123</u>	<u>544</u>	<u>867</u>	<u>7,350</u>	<u>6,990</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 38,337</u>	<u>\$ 37,336</u>	<u>\$ 7,200</u>	<u>\$ 7,848</u>	<u>\$ 45,537</u>	<u>\$ 45,184</u>

CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 1,375	\$ 1,109	\$ 1,433	\$ 1,427	\$ 2,808	\$ 2,536
Operating grants and contributions	514	280	35	-	549	280
Capital grants and contributions	373	516	102	988	475	1,504
General revenues:						
Property taxes	12,096	12,855	-	-	12,096	12,855
Motor vehicle permits	2,335	2,302	-	-	2,335	2,302
Penalties and interest on taxes	302	525	-	-	302	525
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	786	869	-	-	786	869
Investment income	97	33	1	2	98	35
Miscellaneous	439	331	29	2	468	333
Total revenues	<u>18,317</u>	<u>18,820</u>	<u>1,600</u>	<u>2,419</u>	<u>19,917</u>	<u>21,239</u>
Expenses:						
General government	2,398	2,207	-	-	2,398	2,207
Public safety	7,449	7,391	-	-	7,449	7,391
Public works	6,304	6,340	-	-	6,304	6,340
Health and welfare	95	78	-	-	95	78
Culture and recreation	1,196	1,209	-	-	1,196	1,209
Interest on long-term debt	54	88	-	-	54	88
Sewer services	-	-	2,078	1,539	2,078	1,539
Total expenses	<u>17,496</u>	<u>17,313</u>	<u>2,078</u>	<u>1,539</u>	<u>19,574</u>	<u>18,852</u>
Change in net position before transfers and permanent fund	821	1,507	(478)	880	343	2,387
Transfers in (out)	170	158	(170)	(158)	-	-
Permanent fund contributions	10	3	-	-	10	3
Change in net position	<u>1,001</u>	<u>1,668</u>	<u>(648)</u>	<u>722</u>	<u>353</u>	<u>2,390</u>
Net position - beginning of year (as restated)	<u>37,336</u>	<u>35,668</u>	<u>7,848</u>	<u>7,126</u>	<u>45,184</u>	<u>42,794</u>
Net position - end of year	<u>\$ 38,337</u>	<u>\$ 37,336</u>	<u>\$ 7,200</u>	<u>\$ 7,848</u>	<u>\$ 45,537</u>	<u>\$ 45,184</u>

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent year, total net position was \$45,536,750, a change of \$352,562 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net position \$37,342,464 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net position \$845,315 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position \$7,348,971 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$1,001,292. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further	
in Section D	\$ 663,089
Nonmajor funds	322,229
Depreciation expense in excess of principal debt	
service	(1,095,763)
Capital assets acquired	1,347,735
OPEB liability	(257,134)
Other	<u>21,136</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,001,292</u>

Business-type activities. Business-type activities (Sewer Fund) for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$(648,730).

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

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

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

As of the end of the current year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$7,112,578, a change of \$985,318 in comparison to the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations	\$ 663,089
Nonmajor funds	<u>322,229</u>
Total	<u>\$ 985,318</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$4,305,804, while total fund balance was \$5,396,267. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>12/31/12</u>	<u>12/31/11</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>% of Total General Fund Expenditures</u>
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 4,305,804	\$ 3,468,260	\$ 837,544	25.2%
Total fund balance	\$ 5,396,267	\$ 4,733,178	\$ 663,089	31.6%

The fund balance of the general fund changed by \$663,089 during the current year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Revenues in excess of budget	\$ 316,550
Expenditures less than budget	261,867
Collection of prior year tax revenue	82,047
Other GAAP differences	2,332
Change in capital reserves	<u>293</u>
Total	<u>\$ 663,089</u>

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

	<u>12/31/12</u>	<u>12/30/11</u>	<u>Change</u>
Capital reserves	\$ <u>269,429</u>	\$ <u>269,136</u>	\$ <u>293</u>
Total	\$ <u>269,429</u>	\$ <u>269,136</u>	\$ <u>293</u>

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

Unrestricted net position of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to \$543,311, a change of \$(324,242) in comparison with the prior year.

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

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

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

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year end amounted to \$39,110,794 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of \$(401,963) from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system improvements, and machinery and equipment.

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

Purchase of	
DPW communications	\$ 64,547
Fire Station #18	\$ 97,941
Fire Station #19	\$ 102,290
Police communications	\$ 164,505
Trash Packer	\$ 230,021
Construction in Progress	
Uncanoonuc Dam	\$ 15,600
Green Drainage Project	\$ 137,081
Sewer Line Upgrade	\$ 199,370

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

Long-term debt. At the end of the current year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$1,768,330, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

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

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

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

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

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Business-Type <u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS			
Current:			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 15,180,844	\$ 2,716,574	\$ 17,897,418
Investments	724,517	-	724,517
Restricted cash	269,429	-	269,429
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	1,532,376	-	1,532,376
User fees	317,681	182,343	500,024
Special assessment	23,208	839	24,047
Intergovernmental	324,064	17,892	341,956
Other assets	103,028	355,228	458,256
Noncurrent:			
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:			
Property taxes	697,449	-	697,449
Special assessment	812,293	-	812,293
Intergovernmental	-	27,339	27,339
Capital assets:			
Land and construction in progress	5,468,672	-	5,468,672
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>26,635,808</u>	<u>7,006,314</u>	<u>33,642,122</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	52,089,369	10,306,529	62,395,898
LIABILITIES			
Current:			
Vouchers payable	1,261,946	185,565	1,447,511
Accrued liabilities	258,709	5,501	264,210
Tax refunds payable	37,913	-	37,913
Due to school district	8,392,009	-	8,392,009
Due to other governments	3,971	-	3,971
Notes payable	407,257	2,500,000	2,907,257
Other current liabilities	106,288	10,661	116,949
Internal balances	(15,955)	15,955	-
Current portion of long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	200,339	125,000	325,339
Other liabilities	51,961	198	52,159
Noncurrent:			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	1,217,991	225,000	1,442,991
Other liabilities, net of current portion	1,819,469	1,783	1,821,252
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	10,346	37,241	47,587
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	13,752,244	3,106,904	16,859,148
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	30,686,150	6,656,314	37,342,464
Restricted for:			
Permanent funds:			
Nonexpendable	568,562	-	568,562
Expendable	276,753	-	276,753
Unrestricted	<u>6,805,660</u>	<u>543,311</u>	<u>7,348,971</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 38,337,125	\$ 7,199,625	\$ 45,536,750

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental Activities:							
General government	\$ 2,397,619	\$ 265,228	\$ 10,698	\$ -	\$ (2,121,693)	\$ -	\$ (2,121,693)
Public safety	7,448,708	855,704	367,626	-	(6,225,378)	-	(6,225,378)
Public works	6,303,657	197,815	135,721	373,028	(5,597,093)	-	(5,597,093)
Health and welfare	95,093	-	-	-	(95,093)	-	(95,093)
Culture and recreation	1,195,933	55,930	-	-	(1,140,003)	-	(1,140,003)
Interest	54,371	-	-	-	(54,371)	-	(54,371)
Total Governmental Activities	17,495,381	1,374,677	514,045	373,028	(15,233,631)	-	(15,233,631)
Business-Type Activities:							
Sewer services	2,078,202	1,433,062	35,050	101,787	-	(508,303)	(508,303)
Total Business-Type Activities	2,078,202	1,433,062	35,050	101,787	-	(508,303)	(508,303)
Total	\$ 19,573,583	\$ 2,807,739	\$ 549,095	\$ 474,815	(15,233,631)	(508,303)	(15,741,934)
General Revenues, Interfund, and Contributions:							
Taxes					12,095,960	-	12,095,960
Motor vehicle permits					2,334,767	-	2,334,767
Penalties, interest, and other taxes					301,843	-	301,843
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					786,158	-	786,158
Investment income					96,958	673	97,631
Miscellaneous					439,458	28,829	468,287
Interfund					169,929	(169,929)	-
Permanent fund contributions					9,850	-	9,850
Total general revenues, interfund, and contributions					16,234,923	(140,427)	16,094,496
Change in Net Position					1,001,292	(648,730)	352,562
Net Position:							
Beginning of year, as restated					37,335,833	7,848,355	45,184,188
End of year					\$ 38,337,125	\$ 7,199,625	\$ 45,536,750

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 2012

	<u>General</u>	Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 14,121,624	\$ 1,059,220	\$ 15,180,844
Investments	-	724,517	724,517
Restricted cash	269,429	-	269,429
Receivables:			
Property taxes	2,331,020	-	2,331,020
User fees	21,486	428,505	449,991
Intergovernmental	324,064	-	324,064
Other	103,028	-	103,028
Due from other funds	<u>76,244</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>76,244</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 17,246,895</u>	<u>\$ 2,212,242</u>	<u>\$ 19,459,137</u>
LIABILITIES			
Vouchers payable	\$ 1,258,442	\$ 3,504	\$ 1,261,946
Accrued payroll	230,017	3,633	233,650
Tax refunds payable	37,913	-	37,913
Due to school district	8,392,009	-	8,392,009
Due to other governments	3,971	-	3,971
Due to other funds	-	60,289	60,289
Other liabilities	<u>106,288</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>106,288</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	10,028,640	67,426	10,096,066
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,821,988	428,505	2,250,493
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	83,540	568,562	652,102
Restricted	-	1,147,749	1,147,749
Committed	269,429	-	269,429
Assigned	737,494	-	737,494
Unassigned	<u>4,305,804</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,305,804</u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>5,396,267</u>	<u>1,716,311</u>	<u>7,112,578</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 17,246,895</u>	<u>\$ 2,212,242</u>	<u>\$ 19,459,137</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND
BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL
ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2012

Total governmental fund balances	\$ 7,112,578
• Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	32,104,480
• Long term receivables not yet billed.	835,501
• Revenues are reported on the accrual basis of accounting and are not deferred until collection.	2,006,642
• Note Payable: State revolving loan.	(407,257)
• In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due.	(25,059)
• Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	<u>(3,289,760)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 38,337,125</u>

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	<u>General</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues:			
Property taxes	\$ 12,105,885	\$ -	\$ 12,105,885
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	301,843	-	301,843
Charges for services	472,266	597,998	1,070,264
Intergovernmental	1,798,729	-	1,798,729
Licenses and permits	2,432,886	-	2,432,886
Investment income	2,122	94,836	96,958
Contributions	-	9,850	9,850
Miscellaneous	421,332	18,126	439,458
Total Revenues	<u>17,535,063</u>	<u>720,810</u>	<u>18,255,873</u>
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	2,152,175	9,112	2,161,287
Public safety	6,852,341	337,408	7,189,749
Public works	4,954,222	-	4,954,222
Health and welfare	94,200	-	94,200
Culture and recreation	1,172,527	3,160	1,175,687
Capital outlay	1,612,320	-	1,612,320
Debt service	253,019	-	253,019
Total Expenditures	<u>17,090,804</u>	<u>349,680</u>	<u>17,440,484</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	444,259	371,130	815,389
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers in	218,830	-	218,830
Transfers out	-	(48,901)	(48,901)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>218,830</u>	<u>(48,901)</u>	<u>169,929</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	663,089	322,229	985,318
Fund Equity, at Beginning of Year	<u>4,733,178</u>	<u>1,394,082</u>	<u>6,127,260</u>
Fund Equity, at End of Year	<u>\$ 5,396,267</u>	<u>\$ 1,716,311</u>	<u>\$ 7,112,578</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES
 EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF
 GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

NET CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	\$	985,318																					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense: <table style="width: 100%; margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Capital outlay purchases, net of disposals</td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">1,347,735</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Depreciation</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">(1,295,210)</td> </tr> </table> • Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are fully deferred in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. Therefore, the recognition of revenue for various types of accounts receivable (i.e., property tax) differ between the two statements. This amount represents the net change in deferred revenue. <table style="width: 100%; margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;"></td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">122,288</td> </tr> </table> • The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position: <table style="width: 100%; margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Repayments of debt</td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">199,447</td> </tr> <tr> <td>State revolving loan proceeds</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">(125,498)</td> </tr> </table> • In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due. <table style="width: 100%; margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;"></td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">(799)</td> </tr> </table> • Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. <table style="width: 100%; margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;"></td> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;"><u>(231,989)</u></td> </tr> </table> 			Capital outlay purchases, net of disposals		1,347,735	Depreciation		(1,295,210)			122,288	Repayments of debt		199,447	State revolving loan proceeds		(125,498)			(799)			<u>(231,989)</u>
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CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$	<u>1,001,292</u>																					

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GENERAL FUND

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

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original Budget	Final Budget		
Revenues and Other Sources:				
Taxes	\$ 12,023,838	\$ 12,023,838	\$ 12,023,838	\$ -
Licenses, permits, and fees	2,421,500	2,421,500	2,432,886	11,386
Intergovernmental	1,336,321	1,336,321	1,376,075	39,754
Charges for services	431,706	431,706	472,266	40,560
Investment income	1,750	1,750	1,829	79
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	255,283	255,283	301,843	46,560
Miscellaneous	290,876	290,876	421,332	130,456
Transfers in	171,075	171,075	218,830	47,755
Total Revenues and Other Sources	16,932,349	16,932,349	17,248,899	316,550
Expenditures and Other Uses:				
General government	2,147,712	2,147,712	2,093,146	54,566
Public safety	6,963,866	6,963,866	6,792,657	171,209
Public works	4,868,653	4,868,653	4,788,672	79,981
Health and welfare	81,622	81,622	94,200	(12,578)
Culture and recreation	1,184,160	1,184,160	1,174,527	9,633
Capital outlay	1,349,664	1,349,664	1,474,261	(124,597)
Debt service	336,672	336,672	253,019	83,653
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	16,932,349	16,932,349	16,670,482	261,867
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 578,417	\$ 578,417

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
 DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds <u>Sewer Fund</u>
ASSETS	
Current:	
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 2,716,574
User fees, net of allowance for uncollectibles	182,343
Special assessment	839
Intergovernmental receivables	17,892
Other assets	<u>355,228</u>
Total current assets	3,272,876
Noncurrent:	
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:	
Intergovernmental receivable, net of current portion	27,339
Capital assets:	
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>7,006,314</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>7,033,653</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	10,306,529
LIABILITIES	
Current:	
Vouchers payable	185,565
Accrued liabilities	5,501
Due to other funds	15,955
Notes payable	2,500,000
Other liabilities	10,661
Current portion of long-term liabilities:	
Bonds payable	125,000
Other liabilities	<u>198</u>
Total current liabilities	2,842,880
Noncurrent:	
Bonds payable, net of current portion	225,000
Other liabilities, net of current portion	<u>1,783</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>226,783</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>37,241</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	3,106,904
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	6,656,314
Unrestricted	<u>543,311</u>
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ <u>7,199,625</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Business-Type Activities <u>Enterprise Funds</u> Sewer <u>Fund</u>
Operating Revenues:	
Charges for services	\$ 1,433,062
Miscellaneous	<u>28,829</u>
Total Operating Revenues	1,461,891
Operating Expenses:	
Sewer treatment	1,407,733
Depreciation	<u>653,858</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>2,061,591</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	(599,700)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses):	
Investment income	673
Intergovernmental revenue	136,837
Interest expense	<u>(16,611)</u>
Total Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses), Net	<u>120,899</u>
Income (Loss) Before Transfers	(478,801)
Transfers:	
Transfers out	<u>(169,929)</u>
Change in Net Position	(648,730)
Net Position at Beginning of Year, as restated	<u>7,848,355</u>
Net Position at End of Year	<u>\$ 7,199,625</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise Funds Sewer Fund
<u>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</u>	
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 1,469,837
Payments to vendors and employees	<u>(1,140,205)</u>
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities	329,632
<u>Cash Flows from Noncapital and Related Financing Activities:</u>	
Transfers to other funds	<u>(169,929)</u>
Net Cash (Used For) Noncapital and Related Financing Activities	(169,929)
<u>Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities:</u>	
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(199,370)
Subsidy from State grants	258,779
Principal payments on bonds and notes	(130,000)
Interest expense	<u>(16,611)</u>
Net Cash (Used For) Capital and Related Financing Activities	(87,202)
<u>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</u>	
Investment income	<u>673</u>
Net Cash (Used For) Investing Activities	<u>673</u>
Net Change in Cash and Short-Term Investments	73,174
Cash and Short-Term Investments, Beginning of Year	<u>2,643,400</u>
Cash and Short-Term Investments, End of Year	<u>\$ 2,716,574</u>
<u>Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by (Used For) Operating Activities:</u>	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (599,700)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities:	
Depreciation	653,858
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
User fees	(3,089)
Special assessments	11,035
Other assets	153,844
Vouchers payable	39,468
Accrued liabilities	(65,585)
Other liabilities	<u>139,801</u>
Net Cash Provided By (Used For) Operating Activities	<u>\$ 329,632</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 FIDUCIARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
 DECEMBER 31, 2012

	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and short term investments	\$ -	\$ 923,285
Investments	<u>425,760</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Assets	425,760	923,285
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</u>		
Escrow deposits	<u>-</u>	<u>923,285</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>923,285</u>
<u>NET POSITION</u>		
Total net position held in trust	\$ <u><u>425,760</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 FIDUCIARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	<u>Private Purpose Trust Funds</u>
Additions:	
Investment income	\$ <u>22,498</u>
Total additions	22,498
Deductions:	
Other	<u>9,700</u>
Total deductions	<u>9,700</u>
Net increase	12,798
Net position:	
Beginning of year	<u>412,962</u>
End of year	<u>\$ <u>425,760</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

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

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

A. Reporting Entity

The Town is a municipal corporation governed by an elected Board of Selectmen. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the government and applicable component units for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. In 2012, it was determined that no entities met the required GASB 39 criteria of component units.

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

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

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

Fund Financial Statements

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual govern-

mental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

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

Government-Wide Financial Statements

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

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

Fund Financial Statements

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

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

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

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from

providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the enterprise fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

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

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

D. Cash and Short-Term Investments

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

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

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

E. Investments

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

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

F. Interfund Receivables and Payables

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

G. Capital Assets

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

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

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

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

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

H. Compensated Absences

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

I. Long-Term Obligations

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

J. Fund Equity

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

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

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

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

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

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

K. *Use of Estimates*

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

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

A. *Budgetary Information*

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

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

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

B. *Budgetary Basis*

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

C. *Budget/GAAP Reconciliation*

The budgetary data for the general fund is based upon accounting principles that differ from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

Therefore, in addition to the GAAP basis financial statements, the results of operations of the general fund are presented in accordance with budgetary accounting principles to provide a meaningful comparison to budgetary data.

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

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>
Revenues/Expenditures (GAAP basis)	\$ 17,535,063	\$ 17,090,804
Other financing sources/uses (GAAP basis)	<u>218,830</u>	<u>-</u>
Subtotal (GAAP Basis)	17,753,893	17,090,804
Adjust tax revenue to accrual basis	(82,047)	-
Reverse beginning of year appropriation carryforwards from expenditures	-	(820,705)
Add end-of-year appropriation carryforwards from expenditures	-	683,759
GAAP timing differences	(422,654)	(283,376)
To eliminate capital reserve activity	<u>(293)</u>	<u>-</u>
Budgetary basis	<u>\$ 17,248,899</u>	<u>\$ 16,670,482</u>

3. Cash and Short-Term Investments

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

Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits. Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned to it. RSA 48:16 limits "deposit in any one bank shall not at any time exceed the sum of its paid-up capital and surplus, exception that a Town with a population in excess of 50,000 is authorized to deposit funds in a solvent bank in

excess of the paid-up capital surplus of said bank.” Although the Town has an investment policy, it does not discuss custodial credit risk.

As of December 31, 2012, \$136,799 of the Town’s bank balance of \$20,428,273 was exposed to custodial credit risk as uninsured or uncollateralized.

4. Investments

A. Credit Risk

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

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

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Minimum Legal Rating</u>	<u>Exempt From Disclosure</u>	<u>Rating as Year End</u> <u>Aaa</u>
U.S. Treasury notes	\$ 51,389	N/A	\$ -	\$ 51,389
Corporate equities	282,675	N/A	282,675	-
Mutual funds	536,972	N/A	536,972	-
Federal agency securities	<u>279,241</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>279,241</u>
Total investments	<u>\$ 1,150,277</u>		<u>\$ 819,647</u>	<u>\$ 330,630</u>

B. Concentration of Credit Risk

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

C. Interest Rate Risk

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

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

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Investment Maturities (in Years)</u>		
	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Less Than 1</u>	<u>1-5</u>
Debt Related Securities:			
U.S. Treasury notes	\$ 51,389	\$ 51,389	\$ -
Federal agency securities	<u>279,241</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>279,241</u>
Total	<u>\$ 330,630</u>	<u>\$ 51,389</u>	<u>\$ 279,241</u>

5. **Restricted Cash**

Restricted cash represents capital reserve funds held by the trustees of trust funds as of December 31, 2012.

6. **Taxes Receivable**

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

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

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

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

Taxes receivable at December 31, 2012 consist of the following:

Real estate:		
2012 levy	\$	1,625,637
Current use tax:		
2012 levy		7,934
Unredeemed taxes		
2011 levy		388,646
2010 levy		218,265
2009 levy		29,623
2008 levy		3,809
2007 and prior levy		732
Elderly liens		<u>56,374</u>
Total	\$	<u><u>2,331,020</u></u>

7. **Allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

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

	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Business-Type</u>
Property taxes	\$ 101,195	\$ -
Emergency Medical Services	\$ 132,310	\$ -
Utilities	\$ -	\$ 20,640

8. **Intergovernmental Receivables**

This balance represents reimbursements requested from Federal and State agencies for expenditures incurred in 2012, while the balance in the Sewer fund represents reimbursements from the State of New Hampshire to help finance future debt service costs on certain bonds payable.

9. **Interfund Fund Receivables/Payables**

Although self-balancing funds are maintained, most transactions flow through the general fund. In order to obtain accountability for each fund, interfund receivable and payable accounts must be utilized. The following is an analysis of the December 31, 2012 balances in interfund receivable and payable accounts:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Due From Other Funds</u>	<u>Due To Other Funds</u>
General Fund	\$ 76,244	\$ -
Special Revenue Funds:		
Emergency medical services	-	33,740
Permanent Funds	-	26,549
Enterprise Funds	-	15,955
Total	<u>\$ 76,244</u>	<u>\$ 76,244</u>

10. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2012 was as follows (in thousands):

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	\$ 3,789	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,789
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	9,819	753	(151)	10,421
Infrastructure	27,147	2,085	-	29,232
Total capital assets, being depreciated	40,755	2,838	(151)	43,442
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(1,978)	(80)	-	(2,058)
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	(5,501)	(542)	131	(5,912)
Infrastructure	(8,164)	(673)	-	(8,837)
Total accumulated depreciation	(15,643)	(1,295)	131	(16,807)
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	25,112	1,543	(20)	26,635
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	5,453	-	-	5,453
Construction in progress	1,487	153	(1,624)	16
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	6,940	153	(1,624)	5,469
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 32,052</u>	<u>\$ 1,696</u>	<u>\$ (1,644)</u>	<u>\$ 32,104</u>

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Business-Type Activities:				
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	\$ 31	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31
Infrastructure	<u>13,077</u>	<u>2,587</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,664</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	13,108	2,587	-	15,695
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	(31)	-	-	(31)
Infrastructure	<u>(8,004)</u>	<u>(654)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,658)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(8,035)</u>	<u>(654)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,689)</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	5,073	1,933	-	7,006
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Construction in progress	<u>2,388</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>(2,588)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	<u>2,388</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>(2,588)</u>	<u>-</u>
Business-type activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 7,461</u>	<u>\$ 2,133</u>	<u>\$ (2,588)</u>	<u>\$ 7,006</u>

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

Governmental Activities:	
General government	\$ 15,564
Public safety	321,375
Public works	935,359
Culture and recreation	<u>22,912</u>
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,295,210</u>
Business-Type Activities:	
Sewer	<u>\$ 653,858</u>
Total depreciation expense - business-type activities	<u>\$ 653,858</u>

11. Vouchers Payable

Vouchers payable represent 2012 expenditures paid after December 31, 2012.

12. Notes Payable

This balance represents draw down proceeds from the State of New Hampshire through the State Revolving Loan Program. The program provides interest loans to assist communities with the design and construction of various types of projects and the proceeds are disbursed as eligible costs are incurred. Upon completion of the project the original financial assistant agreement shall be amended to reflect actual project expenditures. A supplemental agreement is then executed between the State and the Town containing the loan interest rate and the repayment schedule based on final project cost.

13. Long-Term Debt

A. General Obligation Bonds

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

<u>Governmental Activities:</u>	<u>Serial Maturities Through</u>	<u>Interest Rate(s) %</u>	<u>Amount Outstanding as of 12/31/12</u>
State revolving loan program	06/16/16	2.78%	\$ 656,000
State revolving loan program	10/01/17	3.47%	21,552
Lynchvill/Danis Park	07/01/20	2.86%	<u>740,778</u>
Total Governmental Activities:			<u>\$ 1,418,330</u>

<u>Business-Type Activities:</u>	<u>Serial Maturities Through</u>	<u>Interest Rate(s) %</u>	<u>Amount Outstanding as of 12/31/12</u>
07/98 Sewer Bond	08/15/13	3.90-5.00%	\$ 50,000
08/01 Sewer Bond	08/15/16	4.50%	<u>300,000</u>
Total Business-Type Activities:			<u>\$ 350,000</u>

B. Future Debt Service

The annual payments to retire all general obligation long-term debt outstanding as of December 31, 2012 are as follows:

<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2013	\$ 200,339	\$ 46,416	\$ 246,755
2014	201,256	39,237	240,493
2015	202,200	32,030	234,230
2016	203,170	24,796	227,966
2017	40,165	17,536	57,701
2018 - 2022	195,292	70,925	266,217
2023 - 2027	224,908	45,637	270,545
Thereafter	<u>151,000</u>	<u>4,406</u>	<u>155,406</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,418,330</u>	<u>\$ 280,983</u>	<u>\$ 1,699,313</u>

The general fund has been designated as the sole source to repay the governmental-type general obligation long-term debt outstanding as of December 31, 2012.

<u>Business-Type</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2013	\$ 125,000	\$ 16,581	\$ 141,581
2014	75,000	10,631	85,631
2015	75,000	7,163	82,163
2016	75,000	3,600	78,600
Total	<u>\$ 350,000</u>	<u>\$ 37,975</u>	<u>\$ 387,975</u>

C. Changes in General Long-Term Liabilities

During the year ended December 31, 2012, the following changes occurred in long-term liabilities (in thousands):

	Total Balance 1/1/12	Additions	Reductions	Total Balance 12/31/12	Less Current Portion	Equals Long-Term Portion 12/31/12
<u>Governmental Activities</u>						
Bonds payable	\$ 1,618	\$ -	\$ (200)	\$ 1,418	\$ (200)	\$ 1,218
Other:						
Landfill closure	714	-	(34)	680	(34)	646
OPEB liability	755	257	-	1,012	-	1,012
Accrued employee benefits	171	9	-	180	(18)	162
Totals	<u>\$ 3,258</u>	<u>\$ 266</u>	<u>\$ (234)</u>	<u>\$ 3,290</u>	<u>\$ (252)</u>	<u>\$ 3,038</u>
<u>Business-Type Activities</u>						
Bonds payable	\$ 480	\$ -	\$ (130)	\$ 350	\$ (125)	\$ 225
Other:						
Accrued employee benefits	2	-	-	2	-	2
Totals	<u>\$ 482</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (130)</u>	<u>\$ 352</u>	<u>\$ (125)</u>	<u>\$ 227</u>

14. Landfill Closure and Postclosure Care Costs

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

The final capping of the landfill site was completed in September, 2002. The Town has reflected \$680,000 as the estimate of the remaining postclosure care liability at December 31, 2012 in the Governmental Activities Statement of Net Position. Actual cost may be higher due to inflation, changes in technology, or changes in regulations.

15. Deferred Inflows of Resources

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

The following is a summary of deferred inflow of resources balances as of December 31, 2012:

	Entity-wide Basis		Fund Basis		Fund Basis
	Governmental	Business-type	Governmental Funds		Proprietary Funds
	Activities	Activities	General Fund	Nonmajor Fund	Sewer Fund
Taxes paid in advance	\$ 10,346	\$ -	\$ 10,346	\$ -	\$ -
Deferred Revenue- property tax	-	-	1,487,578	-	-
Deferred Revenue- grants	-	37,241	324,064	-	37,241
Deferred Revenue- ambulance fees	-	-	-	428,505	-
Total	\$ 10,346	\$ 37,241	\$ 1,821,988	\$ 428,505	\$ 37,241

16. Restricted Net Position

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

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

17. Governmental Funds - Balances

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

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

The following types of fund balances are reported at December 31, 2012:

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

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

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

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

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

Following is a breakdown of the Town's fund balances at December 31, 2012:

	<u>Non Spendable</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Committed</u>	<u>Assigned</u>	<u>Unassigned</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund						
Reserve for:						
Encumbrance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 683,759	\$ -	\$ 683,759
Prepaid items	83,540	-	-	-	-	83,540
Special purposes	-	-	-	53,735	-	53,735
Capital Reserve	-	-	269,429	-	-	269,429
Undesignated	-	-	-	-	4,305,804	4,305,804
sub total	<u>83,540</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>269,429</u>	<u>737,494</u>	<u>4,305,804</u>	<u>5,396,267</u>
Non Major						
Special Revenue	-	690,184	-	-	-	690,184
Permanent Funds	568,562	457,565	-	-	-	1,026,127
sub total	<u>568,562</u>	<u>1,147,749</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,716,311</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$ 652,102</u>	<u>\$ 1,147,749</u>	<u>\$ 269,429</u>	<u>\$ 737,494</u>	<u>\$ 4,305,804</u>	<u>\$ 7,112,578</u>

18. General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance

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

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

GAAP basis balance	\$ 4,305,804
Deferred revenue	1,487,578
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(148,818)
Other GAAP differences	<u>37,913</u>
Tax Rate Setting Balance	<u>\$ 5,682,477</u>

19. Subsequent Events

Debt

Subsequent to December 31, 2012, the Town executed a supplemental agreement with the State of New Hampshire:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>
State revolving loan	\$ 407,257	0.85%	02/04/13	12/01/16

In accordance with the original financial assistance agreement, the Town has signed a supplemental loan agreement with the State of New Hampshire Revolving Loan Program. The agreement represents final costs incurred for the South Main Drainage project and will be the basis for the repayment of the loan. Of the \$2,907,257 presented as notes payable, as of the date of the financial statements, \$407,257 has been executed and the balance of \$2,500,000 is anticipated to be executed in future periods.

20. Commitments and Contingencies

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

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

21. **Post-Employment Healthcare and Life Insurance Benefits**

Other Post-Employment Benefits

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

A. Plan Description

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

B. Benefits Provided

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

C. Funding Policy

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

D. Annual OPEB Costs and Net OPEB Obligation

The Town's 2012 annual OPEB expense is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount

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

Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	\$ 309,633
Interest on net OPEB obligation	30,187
Adjustment to ARC	<u>(35,124)</u>
Annual OPEB cost	304,696
Contributions made	<u>(47,562)</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	257,134
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year	<u>754,687</u>
Net OPEB obligation - end of year	<u>\$ 1,011,821</u>

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

<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>	<u>Annual OPEB Cost</u>	<u>Percentage of OPEB Cost Contributed</u>	<u>Net OPEB Obligation</u>
2012	\$ 304,696	15.6%	\$ 1,011,821
2011	\$ 253,439	23.9%	\$ 754,687
2010	\$ 253,439	23.9%	\$ 561,874

E. Funded Status and Funding Progress

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

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

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

F. Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

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

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

22. Retirement System

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

A. Plan Description

Full-time employees participate in the State of New Hampshire Retirement System (the System), a multiple-employer contributory pension plan and trust established in 1967 by RSA 100-A:2 and is qualified as a tax-exempt organization under Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan is a contributory, defined benefit plan providing service,

disability, death and vested retirement benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Substantially all full-time state employees, public school teachers and administrators, permanent firefighters and permanent police officers within the State of New Hampshire are eligible and required to participate in the system. Full-time employees of political subdivisions, including counties, municipalities and school districts, are also eligible to participate as a group if the governing body of the political subdivision has elected participation.

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

B. Funding Policy

Plan members are required to contribute a percentage of their gross earnings to the pension plan, which the contribution rates are 7% for employees, 11.55% for police and 11.80% for fire. The Town makes annual contributions to the pension plan equal to the amount required by Revised Statutes Annotated 100-A:16, and is 19.95% for police, 22.89% for fire, and 8.80% for all other covered employees. The Town's contributions to the System for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011, and 2010 were \$995,843, \$957,429, and \$842,459, respectively, which were equal to its annual required contributions for each of these years.

The payroll for employees covered by the System for the year ended December 31, 2012 was \$7,118,813.

23. Risk Management

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

24. **Beginning Net Position Restatement**

The beginning (January 1, 2012) net position of the Town has been restated as follows:

Government-Wide Financial Statements:

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Business-Type <u>Activities</u> Sewer <u>Fund</u>
As previously reported	\$ 37,617,592	\$ 10,210,177
Reclass SRF loan proceeds to liability	<u>(281,759)</u>	<u>(2,361,822)</u>
As restated	<u>\$ 37,335,833</u>	<u>\$ 7,848,355</u>

25. **Implementation of New GASB Standards**

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

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
 ANNUALLY BUDGETED SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS (EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>		
Revenues:				
Charges for services	\$ 378,363	\$ 378,363	\$ 438,077	\$ 59,714
Investment income	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>53</u>
Total Revenues	378,363	378,363	438,130	59,767
Expenditures:				
Public safety	<u>378,363</u>	<u>378,363</u>	<u>349,972</u>	<u>28,391</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>378,363</u>	<u>378,363</u>	<u>349,972</u>	<u>28,391</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 88,158</u>	<u>\$ 88,158</u>

See Independent Auditors' Report.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
December 31, 2012
(Unaudited)

Other Post-Employment Benefits

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

See Independent Auditors' Report.

REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (MS-4)

MS-4

REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

City/Town: Town of Goffstown FY: 2013

ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	FOR USE BY MUNICIPALITY	RESERVED FOR USE by DRA
TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Tax		-	
3180	Resident Tax			
3185	Timber Tax		15,000	
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes			
3189	Other Taxes		46,000	
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		200,000	
	Inventory Penalties			
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)			
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		4,500	
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		2,550,000	
3230	Building Permits		59,500	
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		32,000	
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	16	482,940	
FROM STATE				
3351	Shared Revenues			
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		786,861	
3353	Highway Block Grant		359,770	
3354	Water Pollution Grant		20,042	
3355	Housing & Community Development			
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement			
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement			
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)			
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		5,042	
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401-3406	Income from Departments		285,578	
3409	Other Charges	16	197,448	

<p>FOR DRA USE ONLY</p>

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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DUE SEPTEMBER 1

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REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

City/Town: Town of Goffstown

FY 2013

ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	FOR USE BY MUNICIPALITY	RESERVED FOR USE by DRA
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		20,000	
3502	Interest on Investments		5,400	
3503-3509	Other		178,295	
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		414,582	
3913	From Capital Projects Funds			
3914	From Enterprise Funds		170,963	
	Sewer - (Offset)		1,646,496	
	Water - (Offset)			
	Electric - (Offset)			
	Airport - (Offset)			
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds			
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds		2,000	
3917	From Conservation Funds			
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes			
SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES			7,482,417	
For Municipal Use	**General Fund Balance**			
5682477	Unassigned Fund Balance (unreserved)			
\$	Less Emergency Approp. (RSA 32:11)			
819069	Less Voted From Fund Balance		819,069	
\$	Less Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes			
4863408	Fund Balance - Retained			
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			8,301,486	

REQUESTED OVERLAY (RSA 76:6) \$ 10000

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

PREPARER'S SIGNATURE AND TITLE

DATE

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
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SUBMIT BY SEPTEMBER 1 TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE

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2013 TAX RATE CALCULATION

TOWN PORTION

Gross Appropriations	20,716,076		
Less: Revenue	8,301,486		
	0		
Add: Overlay (RSA 76:6)	2,208		
War Service Credits	438,750		
Net Town Appropriation		12,855,548	
Special Adjustment		0	
Approved Town Tax Effort		12,855,548	

TOWN RATE
9.72

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget:				
Gross Approp. - Revenue	36,616,091	8,447,272	28,138,819	
Regional School Apportionment			0	
Less: Ad. Educ. Grant			(6,828,547)	
Education Tax (from below)			(3,165,978)	
Approved School Tax Effort			18,144,294	

LOCAL SCHOOL RATE
13.70

EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$2.435		
1,300,196,237		3,165,978	
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
1,285,737,900			

STATE SCHOOL RATE
2.46

COUNTY PORTION

Due To County	1,634,316	
	0	
Approved County Tax Effort		1,634,316

COUNTY RATE
1.23

TOTAL RATE
27.11

Total Property Taxes Assessed	35,800,136
Less: War Service Credits	(438,750)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0
Total Property Tax Commitment	35,361,386

PROOF OF RATE

Local Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	2.46	3,165,978
All Other Taxes	24.65	32,634,158
		35,800,136

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013

DEBIT

	Levies of:	
	2013	2012
Uncollected Taxes		
at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes		1,625,604
Land Use Change		7,934
Yield Taxes		
Taxes Committed this Year:		
Property Taxes	35,399,154	
Land Use Change	61,860	
Yield Taxes	19,204	
Excavation Taxes	102	
Overpayment:		
Property Taxes	55,493	6,189
Interest and Cost Collected on		
Delinquent Tax:	17,710	41,897
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 35,553,523	\$ 1,681,624

CREDIT

	2013	2012
Remittance to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	33,839,463	1,100,995
Land Use Change	42,760	6,412
Yield Taxes	19,204	
Excavation Taxes	102	
Interest & Costs	17,710	41,897
Conversion to Lien		522,346
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	4,761	5,759
Deferrals		4,215
Uncollected Taxes		
End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	1,610,423	
Land Use Change	19,100	
Yield Taxes		
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 35,553,523	\$ 1,681,624

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

Summary of Tax Lien Accounts

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013

	DEBIT		
	2012	Levies of:	
		2011	2010-2007
Unredeemed Lien Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		388,645	252,428
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year:	560,795		
Interest & Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	13,871	60,230	77,002
Refunds of Liened Property:	8,911		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 583,577	\$ 388,645	\$ 252,428

	CREDIT		
	2012	2011	2010-2007
Remittance to Treasurer:			
Redemptions:	208,537	226,320	215,422
Interest/Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	13,871	60,230	77,002
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes:	10,308		
Liens Deeded to Municipality:		4,770	12,618
Unredeemed Lien Balance at End of Year:	350,861	157,555	24,388
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 583,577	\$ 448,875	\$ 329,430

2013 PROPERTY TAX YEAR: APRIL 1, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2014

Once again, the Tax Department wishes to thank the taxpayers of Goffstown for all of your cooperation in 2013. We are looking forward to serving you in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail L. Lavalley
Tax Collector

BALANCE SHEETS

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ending 12/31/13

ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,353,893
Cash-Payroll Transfer	\$ 128,645
Petty Cash	\$ 1,900
Restricted Cash (CRF's)	\$ 344,367
Road Bonds Escrow	\$ 16,854
Investments	\$ 512,846
Taxes receivable	\$ 1,610,423
Tax liens receivable	\$ 601,017
Current use receivable	\$ 19,210
Betterments receivable	\$ 783,183
Accounts receivable	\$ 366
Due from other governments	\$ 329,293
Due from others	\$ 53,976
Total Assets	<u>\$ 19,755,973</u>

LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 531,034
Other payables	\$ 3,222
Due to school district	\$ 11,000,000
Deferred revenues	\$ 317,478
Other liabilities and accrued expenses	\$ 1,336,277
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 13,188,011</u>

FUND BALANCE	
Non-spendable	\$ -
Restricted	\$ -
Committed (CRF's)	\$ 344,367
Assigned (encumbrances)	\$ 808,205
Unassigned	\$ 5,415,390
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 6,567,962</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 19,755,973</u>

CONSERVATION FUND BALANCE SHEET

Unaudited for Year Ending 12/31/13

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 148,021
Peoples United Bank short term CD	\$ 324,669
Due from General Fund	\$ -
Total Assets	<u>\$ 472,690</u>

LIABILITIES	
Total Liabilities	\$ -

FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved-undesignated	\$ 472,690
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 472,690</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 472,690</u>

EMS BALANCE SHEET
Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/13

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 234,672
Accounts Receivable	\$ 245,301
Due from Other Funds	\$ -
Total Assets	<u>\$ 479,973</u>
 LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 2,707
Payroll Taxes	\$ 6,578
Accrued Payroll	\$ 3,573
Due to Other Funds	\$ -
Deferred Revenue-Comstar	\$ 245,601
Total Liabilities	\$ 258,459
 FUND BALANCE	
Reserved for Encumbrances	\$ -
Unreserved-undesignated	\$ 221,514
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 221,514</u>
 Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	 <u>\$ 479,973</u>

**PARKS & REC REVOLVING FUND
BALANCE SHEET**

Unaudited for Year Ending 12/31/13

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 102,199
Total Assets	<u>\$ 102,199</u>
 LIABILITIES	
Other Liabilities	\$ 325
Total Liabilities	\$ 325
 FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved=Undesignated	\$ 101,874
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 101,874</u>
 Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	 <u>\$ 102,199</u>

**SPECIAL DETAIL REVOLVING FUND
BALANCE SHEET**

Unaudited for Year Ended 12/31/13

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 48,407
Accounts Receivable	\$ 4,200
Total Assets	<u>\$ 52,607</u>
 LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$ 768
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 768</u>
 FUND BALANCE	
Unreserved	\$ 51,839
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 51,839</u>
 Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	 <u>\$ 52,607</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT

Unaudited for Year Ending December 31, 2013

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

General Fund Cash Balance on January 1, 2013	\$	8,828,648.44
(Includes PDIP Balance of \$167,165.50)		
Receipts:		
Tax Collector- Property Taxes, Interest, Costs, Other Taxes	\$	35,710,064.50
Tax Collector- Yield Taxes	\$	19,204.35
Town Clerk- Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$	2,530,110.70
Town Clerk- Other Fees	\$	36,917.38
Community Development	\$	23,587.66
Public Works Department Revenues and Grants	\$	166,197.64
Transfer Station/Recycling Revenues and Grants	\$	193,873.15
Police Department Revenues and Grants	\$	128,584.98
Fire Department Revenues and Grants	\$	77,895.50
Cable Franchise Fees	\$	242,515.90
State of NH- Meals & Rooms Distribution	\$	786,860.76
State of NH- Highway Block Grant	\$	358,832.66
Administration and Other Miscellaneous Revenues	\$	385,597.02
Transfers In from Other Funds	\$	1,834,387.79
 Total Receipts	 \$	 42,494,629.99
Disbursements:		
Selectmen's Warrants	\$	14,703,060.79
Payments to School District	\$	19,392,009.00
Payments to County	\$	1,634,316.00
Transfer to investment accounts	\$	240,000.00
Adjustment to Trial Balance	\$	-
Total Cash Disbursements	\$	35,969,385.79
 General Fund Cash Balance on December 31, 2013	 \$	 15,353,892.64
 Investment Balances as of 12/31/13		
TDBank money market account	\$	105,590.06
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	\$	407,255.95
Total Investments	\$	512,846.01

Respectfully submitted,
Don Borrer, Treasurer

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Trustees of the Trust Funds are the custodians of the town's perpetual care funds, charitable trusts, private donations and capital reserve funds. The Trustees make the decisions regarding expenditure from these funds based upon the wishes of the donor in the case of privately donated funds and release capital reserve and expendable funds to the appropriate government officials or entity upon request. The Trustees also make decisions on how these funds under their control are to be invested based upon the statutes and the investment policies adopted by the Trustees.

At the end of 2012, US Trust, part of Bank of America Private Wealth Management, decided to end its management of municipal trusts in New Hampshire. US Trust had managed the funds for Goffstown for nearly 20 years and the decision resulted in the Trustees transferring management of the invested accounts to Citizens Bank. The change in fund managers went relatively smoothly and should, in the long run, benefit the town.

The services provided by Citizens cover the portion of the common investment funds which include various cemetery funds, scholarship funds and individual funds for the library, historical society, high school, town hall maintenance and so on.

Capital reserve funds are maintained in separate accounts primarily with the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool. The primary objective is to preserve principal and at the same time generate a reasonable return on investment.

During 2013, the overall strength of the economy continued to have a positive effect on our portfolio, but at the same time contributed to a slowing of individual contributions to the trust funds. Although interest rates and yields were very low, the managed funds under the control of the Trustees increased from \$1,900,607 to \$2,281,408.

The Trustees of the Trust Funds wish to thank all of the donors to the funds for their generosity and thoughtfulness. Your kindness is a major benefit to the Town of Goffstown and our fellow residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl S. Carrel, Chair
Joseph Dobrowolski, Secretary
William C. Tucker

**REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN
DECEMBER 31, 2013**

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OUTSTANDING DEBT SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND

2001 Landfill Closure Bond State Rev. Fund				2011 LVDP Water Project			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total	Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	164,000	18,339	182,339	2014	32,945	20,299	53,244
2015	164,000	12,226	176,226	2015	33,889	19,355	53,244
2016	164,000	6,113	170,113	2016	34,859	18,385	53,244
Total	492,000	36,678	528,678	2017	35,857	17,387	53,244
				2018	36,884	16,360	53,244
				2019	37,941	15,303	53,244
				2020	39,027	14,217	53,244
				2021	40,145	13,099	53,244
				2022	41,295	11,949	53,244
				2023	42,478	10,766	53,244
				2024	43,694	9,550	53,244
				2025	44,946	8,298	53,244
				2026	46,233	7,011	53,244
				2027	47,557	5,687	53,244
				2028	48,919	4,325	53,244
				2029	50,320	2,924	53,244
				2030	51,761	1,483	53,244
				Total	708,750	196,398	905,148

2002 Supplemental Landfill Closure SRF			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	4,311	599	4,910
2015	4,311	449	4,760
2016	4,311	299	4,610
2017	4,310	150	4,460
Total	17,243	1,497	18,740

2012 ARRA South Mast Drainage			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	83,196	2,140	85,336
2015	83,904	1,432	85,336
2016	84,617	719	85,336
Total	251,718	4,290	256,008

GENERAL FUND TOTALS

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	284,452	41,377	325,829
2015	286,104	33,462	319,566
2016	287,787	25,516	313,303
2017	40,167	17,537	57,704
2018	36,884	16,360	53,244
2019	37,941	15,303	53,244
2020	39,027	14,217	53,244
2021	40,145	13,099	53,244
2022	41,295	11,949	53,244
2023	42,478	10,766	53,244
2024	43,694	9,550	53,244
2025	44,946	8,298	53,244
2026	46,233	7,011	53,244
2027	47,557	5,687	53,244
2028	48,919	4,325	53,244
2029	50,320	2,924	53,244
2030	51,761	1,483	53,244
Total	1,469,710	238,864	1,708,574

OUTSTANDING DEBT SCHEDULE SEWER FUND

2001 General Obligation Bond Knollcrest

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	75,000	7,441	82,441
2015	75,000	3,973	78,973
2016	75,000	3,600	78,600
Total	225,000	15,014	240,014

2012 SRF ARRA Mast Road Upgrade

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	105,718	17,320	123,038
2015	107,515	15,523	123,038
2016	109,343	13,695	123,038
2017	111,202	11,836	123,038
2018	113,092	9,946	123,038
2019	115,015	8,023	123,038
2020	116,970	6,068	123,038
2021	118,958	4,079	123,037
2022	120,981	2,057	123,038
Total	1,018,794	88,547	1,107,341

SEWER FUND TOTALS

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	180,718	24,761	205,479
2015	182,515	19,496	202,011
2016	184,343	17,295	201,638
2017	111,202	11,836	123,038
2018	113,092	9,946	123,038
2019	115,015	8,023	123,038
2020	116,970	6,068	123,038
2021	118,958	4,079	123,037
2022	120,981	2,057	123,038
Total	1,243,794	103,561	1,347,355

2014 TOWN BUDGET SUMMARY

2014 TOWN BUDGET SUMMARY - Appropriations

	2012		2013		2014				
	Budget	Actuals	Budget	YTD*	DH	Default	BOS	BC	
POLICE									
Police Operations	3,779,250	3,607,920	3,882,635	3,733,180	4,022,002	3,971,478	3,942,034	3,942,034	
Emergency Management	2,601	1,046	2,801	1,976	3,001	2,801	2,401	2,401	
Communications	694,221	671,956	745,161	703,323	761,621	782,710	773,278	773,278	
TOTAL POLICE DEPT.:	4,476,072	4,280,921	4,630,597	4,438,480	4,786,624	4,756,989	4,717,713	4,717,713	
TOWN HALL									
Administration	460,362	442,022	731,040	711,189	764,463	813,718	787,699	787,699	
Town Clerk	198,200	189,617	181,584	166,799	188,937	186,430	183,847	183,847	
Elections	68,677	64,663	46,234	44,121	36,501	30,899	36,499	36,499	
Finance	317,567	317,220	265,392	265,714	268,995	266,531	265,832	265,832	
Tax Collection	89,744	89,040	84,290	81,867	88,957	86,072	87,936	87,936	
Revaluation	208,345	204,784	181,488	180,896	198,129	185,130	195,074	195,074	
Info Tech	390,975	395,802	376,127	373,704	425,577	408,221	413,661	413,661	
Planning & Zoning	253,497	238,807	219,511	244,399	226,958	222,785	222,163	222,163	
Other General Gov't	19,451	16,468	21,476	17,930	20,500	21,476	20,500	20,500	
Building & Health	104,824	104,904	91,204	88,202	86,438	93,792	84,825	84,825	
Human Services	81,622	94,199	78,136	70,851	82,361	78,887	81,847	81,847	
GTV	65,320	62,485	28,010	7,855	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL TOWN HALL:	2,258,584	2,220,013	2,304,492	2,253,526	2,387,816	2,393,941	2,379,883	2,379,883	
PUBLIC WORKS									
Cemetery Operations	132,494	125,375	122,666	120,014	111,438	110,146	109,984	109,984	
Public Works Operations	3,773,579	3,664,237	3,899,493	3,964,132	3,133,268	3,209,644	3,123,646	3,123,646	
Storm Water Operations					416,783	208,865	229,648	229,648	
Fleet Operations					591,363	555,259	584,094	584,094	
Solid Waste/Recycling Ops.	1,095,074	1,095,247	1,111,831	1,071,474	1,082,526	1,054,322	1,060,317	1,060,317	
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS:	5,001,147	4,884,859	5,133,990	5,155,620	5,335,377	5,138,236	5,107,689	5,107,689	
FIRE									
Fire Operations	2,382,970	2,404,332	2,494,494	2,424,102	2,532,371	2,580,707	2,576,457	2,576,457	
TOTAL FIRE DEPT.:	2,382,970	2,404,332	2,494,494	2,424,102	2,532,371	2,580,707	2,576,457	2,576,457	
PARKS & REC									
Parks & Rec Operations	423,499	417,471	428,101	424,691	446,390	436,109	428,333	428,333	
TOTAL PARKS & REC.:	423,499	417,471	428,101	424,691	446,390	436,109	428,333	428,333	
LIBRARY									
Library Operations	695,341	694,571	703,121	702,188	740,235	729,217	717,710	717,710	
TOTAL LIBRARY:	695,341	694,571	703,121	702,188	740,235	729,217	717,710	717,710	

	2012		2013		2014			
	Budget	Actuals	Budget	YTD*	DH	Default	BOS	BC
CIP								
Land & Improvements	562,059	607,595	1,000,000	999,965	3,036,524	1,000,000	450,000	450,000
Mach, Equip & Vehicles	361,856	475,914	165,282	164,032	1,462,709	165,282	716,606	716,606
Buildings	50,000	49,690	0	0	101,201	0	0	0
Improvements o/t Land	353,748	342,366	0	0	215,000	0	0	0
TOTAL CIP:	1,327,663	1,475,565	1,165,282	1,163,997	4,815,434	1,165,282	1,166,606	1,166,606
DEBT SERVICE	336,672	336,558	332,092	332,092	325,830	325,830	\$325,830	325,830
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	16,901,948	16,714,291	17,192,169	16,894,696	21,370,078	17,526,311	17,420,221	17,420,221
SEWER FUND								
SEWER	2,117,037	1,773,971	1,666,538	1,102,079	1,748,217	1,652,427	1,742,762	1,742,762
TOTAL SEWER:	2,117,037	1,773,971	1,666,538	1,102,079	1,748,217	1,652,427	1,742,762	1,742,762
EMS FUND								
EMS	378,363	349,972	414,582	375,381	572,829	417,323	417,962	417,962
TOTAL EMS:	378,363	349,972	414,582	375,381	572,829	417,323	417,962	417,962
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	19,397,348	18,838,234	19,273,289	18,372,156	23,691,124	19,596,061	19,580,945	19,580,945
SEPARATE/SPECIAL ARTICLES								
GMSP	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000		20,000	20,000
Milfoil	2,001	2,000						
Police Software			169,425	169,425				
Finance Software			276,962	276,962				
Fire CRF			75,000	75,000			100,000	100,000
Teamster CBA			Acct'd in GF					
Culvert			120,000	125,170				
Intersections			761,400	761,400				
Cable Revolving			Acct'd in GF					
Special Detail			Acct'd in GF					
Crispins House			20,000	20,000			20,000	20,000
Fire Station Bond					4,565,000		4,565,000	4,565,000
Pleasant St Bridge Sidewalk							80,000	80,000
Detention Pond Reconstruction							73,000	73,000
TH-ADA elevator							40,000	40,000
LIB-Painting & repair							35,000	35,000
IT/PD-Server Virtualization							75,000	0
SCBA Replacements							1,099,734	1,099,734
Milfoil @ Glen Lake (petition)							5,000	5,000
TOTAL SPEC/SEP ARTICLES:	22,001	22,000	1,442,787	1,447,957	4,605,000		6,112,734	6,037,734
GRAND TOTAL	19,419,349	18,860,234	20,716,076	19,820,112	28,296,124		25,693,679	25,618,679

*Unaudited

UNAUDITED ESTIMATED UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE ON 12/31/13: \$5,400,000

2014 TOWN BUDGET SUMMARY - Revenues Other Than Property Taxes

	2012		2013		2014			
	Budget	Actuals	Budget	YTD*	DH	BOS	BC	
Town Clerk	2,352,600	2,388,083	2,374,124	2,567,028	2,550,600	2,587,100	2,587,100	
Finance	100	1,829	1,584	5,653	4,500	4,500	4,500	
Tax Collection	1,038,432	1,089,000	1,044,444	1,116,976	1,062,544	1,074,544	1,074,544	
Revaluation	2,500	797	1,500	787	1,000	1,000	1,000	
Info Tech	1	0	1	620	1,000	1,000	1,000	
Planning/Zoning	20,000	27,628	23,000	23,588	20,000	20,000	20,000	
Cemetery	30,000	20,565	27,000	32,350	30,000	30,000	30,000	
Other Gen Gov't	325,000	387,080	458,260	404,158	226,800	357,200	357,200	
Police Operations	250,480	256,679	50,900	42,649	48,000	48,000	48,000	
Emergency Mgmt	0	61,193	0	69,297	0	0	0	
Communications	17,900	18,224	17,900	17,247	18,652	18,652	18,652	
Fire Operations	27,830	60,671	19,500	46,226	23,600	32,600	32,600	
Building Inspection	36,500	44,804	36,500	74,749	50,000	60,000	60,000	
Public Works Operations	412,884	411,338	393,000	382,179	393,000	393,000	393,000	
Solid Waste Operations	200,500	200,269	195,500	193,873	192,000	192,000	192,000	
Human Services	200	12,952	500	1,290	500	500	500	
Library	2,500	2,587	3,070	1,767	2,000	2,000	2,000	
Transfers Out	239,988	218,830	184,263	171,823	64,379	64,379	64,379	
GENERAL FUND REV.	4,957,415	5,202,527	4,831,046	5,152,260	4,688,575	4,886,475	4,886,475	
EMS REV.	378,363	378,363	414,582	414,582	572,829	417,962	417,962	
SEWER REV.	2,125,037	2,125,037	1,666,538	1,666,538	1,748,217	1,743,870	1,742,762	
OPERATING BUDGET REVENUE	7,460,815	7,705,927	6,912,166	7,233,380	7,009,621	7,048,307	7,047,199	
SPECIAL/SEPARATE ARTICLES								
Art. 13 - UFB - Finance Software			276,962	276,962				
Art. 14 - UFB - Police Software			169,425	169,425				
Art. 15 - UFB - Culvert			120,000	120,000				
Art. 16 - UFB&GRANTS -CMAQ			761,400	761,400				
Art. 18 - Bond - Fire Stations					4,565,000	4,565,000	4,565,000	
Art. 20 - UFB -Pleasant St Bridge Sidewalk						80,000	80,000	
Art. 21 - UFB - Detention Pond Reconstruction						73,000	73,000	
Art. 22 - UFB - TH-ADA elevator						40,000	40,000	
Art. 23 - UFB - LIB-Painting & repair						35,000	35,000	
Art. 24 - UFB - IT/PD-Server Virtualization						75,000	0	
Art. 25 - UFB&Grant - SCBA Replacements						1,099,734	1,099,734	
SPECIAL/SEPARATE ARTICLE REVENUE			1,327,787	1,327,787	4,565,000	5,967,734	5,892,734	
TOTAL REVENUE			8,239,953	8,561,167	11,574,621	13,016,041	12,939,933	

ADMINISTRATION



**Sue Desruisseaux,
Town Administrator**

The Administration Office at Town Hall oversees operations at Town Hall and GTV. On behalf of our staff we would like to thank the citizens of Goffstown for their support and input in 2013. Staff looks forward to working with our elected and appointed officials in 2014. I believe underlying everyone's willingness to serve whether staff or volunteer there is a desire to improve our town and make a difference. While we may not all agree on how to improve our town, listening to all viewpoints is imperative.

Administration Office also provides support to the Board of Selectmen and several town committees. Appointments with the Board of Selectmen are coordinated through this office. Also, all applications for event and raffle permits are processed by this office.

In addition to our routine duties in 2013, Town Hall had several other projects which kept staff quite busy. The initial implementation of new finance software including conversion of finance data and the training of all users was quite time consuming for Assistant Town Administrator Derek Horne who volunteered as Project Manager for this project. IT Systems Administrator Brian Rae was instrumental in overseeing the implementation and data conversion for new IMC dispatch software. Another project which was quite time consuming for Town Planner Brian Rose was the Plan Pinardville project which became a controversial project. You can read more about this project in the Community Development report. In 2013 the town approved the GTV Revolving Fund which allowed the town to hire its first full-time GTV Coordinator, Adam McCune who in his short tenure has made dramatic changes to GTV operations.

The Selectmen and Budget Committee worked tirelessly to bring a lean town budget to the voters at the 2014 town meeting. There are no payroll increases except for the teamsters who are in the second year of a three year contract. All other contracts expired at the end of 2013. Non-union employees will not see any increase in pay and will be contributing 3.5% more towards their health insurance which increased over 14% for 2014. If all the Selectmen recommended appropriation articles pass at the 2014 Town Meeting, then the town portion of the tax rate will be reduced by about thirty cents.

In closing, I would like to thank all department heads and staff for your teamwork in accomplishing the goals set by the Selectmen and funded by the voters of the town. Thank you to the Board of Selectmen for their support during the year. Finally, thank you to all the volunteers who serve on town committees and boards as they are the backbone of municipal government.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Desruisseaux, Town Administrator

REPORT OF THE ASSESSING OFFICE

As part of the State's five year cycle, the Town's assessments and assessment practices are being reviewed by the State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration. In addition to its' yearly review of Elderly Exemptions, Veterans Credits, and Tax Exempt properties, the Assessing Office reviewed its Current Use files and updated all assessed values as of April 1, 2013. The 2013 final tax bills were based on the updated, assessed values. As required by RSA 21-J:14-b,(c), a report, compliant with the 2012/2013 Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice, has been completed and approved by the DRA; a copy of the report is at the Assessing Office and available on the Town's website. The DRA will be completing its review and will submit a final report to the Board of Selectmen in the spring, 2014.

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

The Assessing Office has improved, and is continuing to improve, the quality of its assessments without causing undue disruption to taxpayers or large budget increases. In fact, since the Assessing Office now shares an employee with the Building Department, the Assessing Office has substantially reduced its budget. The Assessing Office asks for the continued understanding and cooperation of its citizens. Assessing is an ongoing process. The participation of taxpayers in this process is not only welcomed, but encouraged.

Respectively Submitted,
Scott W. Bartlett, CNHA
Assessor

2013 INVENTORY VALUATION (MS-1)

LAND

Current Use	\$ 872,000	
Conservation Restriction Assessment	0	
Discretionary Easement	1,200	
Residential	438,517,100	
Commercial/Industrial	61,860,400	
Total Taxable Land		\$ 501,250,700
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		53,102,200

BUILDINGS

Residential	\$ 694,923,500	
Manufactured Housing	15,255,500	
Commercial/Industrial	87,619,300	
Discretionary Preservation Easement	34,000	
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$ 797,832,300
Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable		100,255,100

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Electric	\$ 35,906,900	
Gas	2,380,400	
Total Public Utilities		\$ 38,287,300

TAXABLE VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS **\$ 1,337,370,300**

EXEMPTIONS:	NUMBER	AMOUNT
Certain Disabled Veterans	2	\$ 368,000
School Dining/Dorms/Kitchen	1	150,000
Blind	8	120,000
Elderly	218	12,707,100
Total Exemptions	223	\$13,345,100

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION RATE IS COMPUTED **\$ 1,324,025,200**

NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED **\$ 1,285,737,900**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS GRANTED \$ 438,750

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
4-103	16 MAPLE AV	4.00	302,400	2,907,400	3,209,800
5-14-1	251 ELM ST	25.79	326,400	1,289,900	1,616,300
5-98	27 WALLACE RD	30.00	1,324,500	11,184,700	12,509,200
8-74	41 LAUREN LN	60.30	1,369,100	8,908,000	10,277,100
17-182	689 MAST RD	1.25	411,600	1,203,200	1,614,800
34-138	11 SCHOOL ST	0.65	143,500	259,000	402,500
GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT		121.99	\$3,877,500	\$25,752,200	\$29,629,700
GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
1-37	MOUNTAIN RD	110.00	449,400	0	449,400
1-38	BACK MOUNTAIN RD	465.00	1,008,800	88,700	1,097,500
4-11	OFF HILLSDALE DR	0.33	78,900	34,400	113,300
4-16-2	MOUNTAIN RD	15.55	75,800	0	75,800
7-2	MAST RD	24.00	42,200	11,000	53,200
7-5	NORTH MAST ST	3.54	85,700	94,600	180,300
7-8-1	NORTH MAST ST	23.76	108,200	0	108,200
7-106-2	HIGH ST	1.38	65,800	0	65,800
GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE PRECINCT TOTALS		643.56	\$1,914,800	\$228,700	\$2,143,500
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
1-35	MOUNTAIN RD	137.00	346,000	0	346,000
2-39-4	OFF BACK MOUNTAIN RD	2.45	92,900	0	92,900
2-64-28	SHIRLEY HILL RD	3.23	1,600	0	1,600
2-64-29	ADDISON RD	7.00	6,500	0	6,500
3-9	OFF SCHOOL HOUSE RD	1.00	1,700	0	1,700
4-61	OFF NEW BOSTON RD	21.32	27,600	0	27,600
5-14	GOFFSTOWN BACK RD	39.60	280,500	7,000	287,500
5-15-3	ELM ST	2.00	317,100	0	317,100
5-15-4	ELM ST	5.00	283,500	0	283,500
5-24	404 ELM ST	70.66	1,006,200	811,300	1,817,500
5-38-39	JUNIPER DR	6.24	39,600	0	39,600
5-97	WALLACE RD	0.90	15,700	0	15,700
6-39-1-A	326 MAST RD	2.16	511,000	1,354,200	1,865,200
7-72	NORTH MAST ST	9.00	203,000	22,200	225,200
8-44	OFF LOCUST HILL RD	3.00	3,600	0	3,600
9-29-1	289 TIRRELL HILL RD	1.60	123,400	229,800	353,200
10-11	TENNEY RD	0.75	7,500	0	7,500

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
12-10A	OFF MONTELONA RD	60.00	112,600	0	112,600
15-58	ROSEMONT ST	2.40	93,900	0	93,900
15-59	ROSEMONT ST	0.25	6,900	0	6,900
15-57A	31 ROSEMONT ST	4.42	103,600	103,400	207,000
15-73A	31 ROSEMONT ST	0.48	7,500	0	7,500
17-37	656 MAST RD	0.57	361,500	542,600	904,100
17-238	36 LAURIER ST	37.56	545,500	36,500	582,000
19-21	2 SHORE DR	3.00	132,200	600	132,800
19-47-1	OFF EAST UNION ST	1.35	6,800	0	6,800
19-47-2	OFF SHIRLEY PARK RD	1.28	6,400	0	6,400
19-47-3	OFF SOUTH MAST ST	0.49	2,500	0	2,500
19-47-4	OFF BLUE JAY LN	4.41	22,100	0	22,100
19-47-5	OFF MAST RD	1.69	8,500	0	8,500
19-47-6	OFF MAST RD	4.76	23,800	0	23,800
19-47-7	OFF MAST RD	0.27	1,400	0	1,400
19-47-8	OFF HENRY BRIDGE RD	1.82	9,100	0	9,100
19-47-9	OFF HENRY BRIDGE RD	6.16	30,800	0	30,800
19-47-10	OFF DANIS PARK RD	1.38	6,900	0	6,900
19-47-11	OFF MORGAN CR	2.20	11,000	0	11,000
19-47-12	OFF LYNCHVILLE PARK RD	8.38	41,900	0	41,900
19-47-13	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	8.24	41,200	0	41,200
19-47-14	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	2.17	10,900	0	10,900
19-47-15	OFF MOOSE CLUB PARK RD	1.14	5,700	0	5,700
19-47	OFF SHARON ST	1.00	5,000	0	5,000
21-85	60 COVE ST	0.37	69,900	0	69,900
21-64A	BAY ST	0.42	27,400	0	27,400
24-37	ANDRE/RUSSELL	0.76	19,600	0	19,600
24-44	REM DR	1.00	900	0	900
24-84	2 WATER RD	0.18	33,400	0	33,400
24-44R-6	REM DR	1.05	5,300	0	5,300
24-59A	LYNCHVILLE PARK RD	0.19	25,100	0	25,100
26-13A	MAST RD/HENRY BRIDGE	0.07	11,700	0	11,700
27-23	HENRY BRIDGE RD	0.30	26,900	0	26,900
27-25	86 CENTER ST	9.00	45,000	2,000	47,000
28-28	87 CENTER ST	0.33	68,000	167,000	235,000
30-81	9 BARNARD LN	18.00	531,800	159,300	691,100
30-25A	PINERIDGE ST	2.00	10,000	0	10,000
30-29A	HIGHLAND AV	0.12	12,500	0	12,500
30-43A	SOUTH MAST ST	0.12	600	0	600
31-19	155 SOUTH MAST ST	1.38	86,000	243,700	329,700
32-26E-18	HERMSDORF AV	0.30	13,500	0	13,500
32-26E-19	HERMSDORF AV	0.31	13,500	0	13,500

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
32-26E-22	HERMSDORF AV	0.25	13,200	0	13,200
32-26E-30	JANICE DR	0.30	13,100	0	13,100
32-26E-55	THOMAS DR	0.38	13,900	0	13,900
34-83	16 MAIN ST	0.90	183,300	673,400	856,700
34-96	CHURCH ST	0.34	85,200	12,700	97,900
34-99	CHURCH ST	1.00	105,000	0	105,000
34-107	2 HIGH ST	0.96	186,800	325,600	512,400
34-114-1	50 ELM ST	0.08	40,300	0	40,300
34-127-1	MILL ST	0.07	6,800	0	6,800
34-129	MILL ST	0.21	7,100	0	7,100
34-148	MAIN ST	0.32	152,200	9,200	161,400
34-152	MAIN ST	0.25	148,500	0	148,500
37-9	83 NORTH MAST ST	9.00	189,000	0	189,000
38-13	18 CHURCH ST	0.63	117,200	323,400	440,600
40-11	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.19	4,900	0	4,900
40-12	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.34	36,300	0	36,300
40-22	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.25	5,000	0	5,000
40-23	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-47	197 PERIMETER RD	0.11	33,300	300	33,600
40-51	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.23	5,000	0	5,000
40-52	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.12	4,800	0	4,800
40-57	MAPLE LN	0.10	4,700	0	4,700
40-60	41 CRESCENT LN	0.11	4,700	0	4,700
40-86	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.17	4,800	0	4,800
40-87	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.14	4,800	0	4,800
40-90	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.12	4,800	0	4,800
40-94	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.10	4,700	0	4,700
40-113	222 PERIMETER RD	0.08	144,900	74,700	219,600
40-50A	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.08	4,700	0	4,700
41-34	CHOCORUA AV	3.98	23,800	0	23,800
41-47	KAOKA AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-49	KAOKA AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-50	KAOKA AV	0.26	10,000	0	10,000
41-52	INCLINE AV	0.13	4,800	400	5,200
41-56	UNCANOONUC AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-59	MASCOMA AV	0.13	4,800	0	4,800
41-69	46 INCLINE AV	0.19	4,900	0	4,900
41-78	RAILROAD AV	0.05	5,800	0	5,800
42-4	RAILROAD AV	0.06	9,300	0	9,300
42-6	3 ORR ST	0.32	12,800	0	12,800
42-30	169 MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.23	78,700	0	78,700
43-24-1	ARROWHEAD DR	0.11	62,000	20,000	82,000

99-9-9	PUBLIC ROW	624.42	9,520,000	0	9,520,000
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN TOTALS		1,151.44	\$17,165,700	\$5,119,300	\$22,285,000

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - SEWER		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
19-15	19 CHANNEL LN	0.20	16,900	2,000	18,900
34-177	27 EAST UNION ST	3.67	139,000	167,300	306,300
TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN - SEWER TOTALS		3.87	\$155,900	\$169,300	\$325,200

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
7-3-1	OFF MAST RD	4.50	16,400	0	16,400
31-22	OFF MAST RD	1.08	56,200	0	56,200
35-48	ISLAND ON GLEN LAKE	2.00	125,200	0	125,200
40-1	CRESCENT LN	0.10	53,000	0	53,000
40-8	PERIMETER RD	0.14	4,800	0	4,800
40-14	CRESCENT LN	0.28	5,100	0	5,100
40-15	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	26.20	81,200	0	81,200
40-16	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.19	4,900	0	4,900
40-17	CRESENT LN	0.15	4,800	0	4,800
40-18	CRESENT LN	0.14	4,900	0	4,900
40-19	CRESENT LN	0.07	4,700	0	4,700
40-20	CRESENT LN	0.07	4,700	0	4,700
40-21	CRESENT LN	0.16	4,800	0	4,800
40-24	CRESENT LN	0.16	4,800	0	4,800
40-25	CRESENT LN	0.52	5,400	0	5,400
40-27	PERIMETER RD	0.21	4,900	0	4,900
40-29	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.24	5,000	0	5,000
40-34	SUMMIT RD	0.14	4,800	0	4,800
40-35	SUMMIT RD	0.14	4,800	0	4,800
40-42	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	5.40	18,200	0	18,200
40-50	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.52	5,400	0	5,400
40-53	BEECH LN	0.12	4,800	0	4,800
40-54	SUMMIT AV	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-56	MAPLE LN	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-58	SUMMIT RD	0.10	4,700	0	4,700
40-59	MAPLE LN	0.27	5,100	0	5,100
40-61	CHESTNUT LN	0.10	4,700	0	4,700
40-63	CHESTNUT LN	0.10	4,700	0	4,700
40-64	CHESTNUT/SUMMIT	0.21	5,000	0	5,000
40-65	BEECH LN	0.25	5,100	0	5,100
40-66	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.10	4,700	0	4,700
40-67	BEECH LN	0.30	1,400	0	1,400

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
40-68	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.14	4,800	0	4,800
40-69	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.13	4,800	0	4,800
40-70	CHESTNUT LN	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-71	CHESTNUT LN	0.15	4,800	0	4,800
40-72	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.09	4,700	0	4,700
40-73	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.12	4,800	0	4,800
40-74	CHESTNUT LN	0.36	5,300	0	5,300
40-76	BIRCH LN	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-77	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.10	4,700	0	4,700
40-78	BIRCH LN	0.09	4,700	0	4,700
40-79	UNCANOONUC MTN	0.10	4,700	0	4,700
40-80	BIRCH LN	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-81	UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-82	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-83	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.12	4,800	0	4,800
40-85	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-88	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.12	4,800	0	4,800
40-89	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.18	4,900	0	4,900
40-91	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.14	4,800	0	4,800
40-92	UNCANOONUC MTN	0.15	4,800	0	4,800
40-93	CEDAR LN	0.09	4,700	0	4,700
40-95	UNCANOONUC MTN	0.22	5,000	0	5,000
40-97	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.11	4,800	0	4,800
40-98	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.19	4,900	0	4,900
40-99	PINE LN	0.61	2,900	0	2,900
40-101	PINE LN	0.40	5,200	0	5,200
40-103	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.12	4,800	0	4,800
40-104	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	0.72	2,600	0	2,600
40-105	SUMMIT AV	6.35	21,300	0	21,300
40-106	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	1.15	4,100	0	4,100
40-107	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	1.20	4,300	0	4,300
40-115	SOUTH UNCANOONUC MTN	37.50	89,800	0	89,800
40-47A	OFF PERIMETER RD	0.48	2,300	0	2,300
40-4A	UNCANOONUC MTN	3.45	9,700	0	9,700
41-6	FOREST AV	0.18	9,800	0	9,800
41-7	36 INCLINE AV	0.39	10,500	0	10,500
41-9	INCLINE AV	0.22	9,900	0	9,900
41-11	INCLINE AV	0.52	7,000	0	7,000
41-14	MOUNTAIN/PARK AV	0.74	11,900	0	11,900
41-15	MOUNTAIN AV	0.52	7,000	0	7,000
41-16	MOUNTAIN AV	0.38	10,600	0	10,600
41-17	MOUNTAIN AV	0.13	4,800	0	4,800

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
41-19	UNCANOONUC AV	0.16	9,700	0	9,700
41-21	PARK AV	1.73	16,100	0	16,100
41-22	CROWN AV	0.35	10,400	0	10,400
41-23	UNCANOONUC AV	0.07	9,400	0	9,400
41-24	UNCANOONUC AV	0.25	10,000	0	10,000
41-29	UNCANOONUC AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-30	INCLINE AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-31	SOUTH MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.12	9,500	0	9,500
41-32	KAOKA AV	0.52	11,000	0	11,000
41-33	KAOKA AV	2.77	14,500	0	14,500
41-35	WONOLANCET AV	1.00	13,800	0	13,800
41-36	WONOLANCET AV	1.89	9,000	0	9,000
41-37	MASCOMA AV	2.58	18,600	0	18,600
41-38	CHOCORUA AV	0.29	1,400	0	1,400
41-39	CHOCORUA AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-40	CHOCORUA AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-41	CHOCORUA AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-42	CHOCORUA AV	0.39	10,500	0	10,500
41-43	CHOCORUA AV	0.92	12,400	0	12,400
41-45	KAOKA AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-46	KAOKA AV	0.26	10,000	0	10,000
41-48	KAOKA AV	0.52	11,100	0	11,100
41-51	MASCOMA AV	0.13	48,000	0	48,000
41-61	UNCANOONUC AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-62	UNCANOONUC AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
41-75	SOUTH MTN BASE/RR AV	0.88	15,400	0	15,400
41-76	RAILROAD AV	0.29	10,200	0	10,200
41-77	RAILROAD AV	0.18	12,200	0	12,200
41-79	MASCOMA AV	0.25	10,000	0	10,000
41-80	SOUTH MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.26	10,000	0	10,000
41-37A	MASCOMA AV	0.52	11,000	0	11,000
41-64A	UNCANOONUC AV	0.12	9,600	0	9,600
42-2	RAILROAD AV	0.45	10,700	0	10,700
42-5	OFF RAILROAD AV	0.42	10,700	0	10,700
42-12	INCLINE AV	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
42-15	MOUNTAIN AV	0.26	10,000	0	10,000
42-18	MOUNTAIN AV	0.67	11,700	0	11,700
42-19	ORR ST	0.50	2,400	0	2,400
42-22	PARK AV	1.00	12,600	0	12,600
42-23	CROWN AV	1.19	13,500	0	13,500
42-24	CHESTNUT SLOPE	2.00	180,000	0	180,000
42-25	CHESTNUT SLOPE	1.95	6,900	0	6,900

GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND		Acres	Land Value	Improvement	Total Value
42-28	165 MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.12	9,600	0	9,600
42-29	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.11	15,000	0	15,000
42-31	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.12	15,100	0	15,100
42-32	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
42-33	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.26	10,000	0	10,000
42-35	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
42-36	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
42-37	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.13	9,600	0	9,600
42-40	OFF MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.24	15,800	0	15,800
42-41	CHESTNUT SLOPE	0.12	9,600	0	9,600
42-42	CHESTNUT SLOPE	4.10	22,600	0	22,600
42-45	LAKE UNCANOONUC	0.22	9,900	0	9,900
42-51	MOUNTAIN BASE RD	0.02	9,200	8,800	18,000
GOFFSTOWN CONSERVATION LAND TOTALS		134.39	\$1,611,800	\$8,800	\$1,620,600
Grand Totals		2,055.25	\$24,725,700	\$31,278,300	\$56,004,000

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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

PLANNING

There have been a number of planning applications reviewed this year, although they have mostly been for small projects such as lot line adjustments or small subdivisions. The most notable development projects approved this year by the Planning Board was the Saint Anselm College Dormitory on the college campus and the AutoZone at Abingdon Square. In addition to plan reviews, the planning staff worked on a number of projects, which were before the Planning Board for adoption in 2013. These include the yearly review of the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) proposed matrix, Plan Pinardville – which was a project to create a Sustainable Community Plan and Smart Code for Pinardville, and drafting the Planning Board’s proposed zoning amendments for the 2014 Town Meeting consideration.

In February of 2011, a NH State DOT Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) grant was also awarded to the Town for upgrades to both the Pleasant/Main Street and the Elm/High/Main Street intersections. In 2013, a committee was put together through the Department of Public Works. Planning Staff served as staff support for that committee. Recommendations have been forwarded on to the Selectmen from that committee for certain improvements to be made.

In January of 2013, the Town kicked off its Pinardville Planning project and hired Town Planning and Urban Design Collaborative (TPUDC) as the consultant. The Advisory Committee was tasked with preparing for and getting the word out about the “Planapalooza” which was a five-day intense design workshop to examine the current status of Pinardville and the existing Zoning Ordinance and be able to design some creative ways through possible future development patterns and through the re-writing of the Zoning Ordinance codes to improve and enhance the neighborhoods and commercial areas of Pinardville. A record number of people showed up to participate in Planapalooza. In the following months, a Pinardville Community Plan was developed and proposed to the Planning Board, but due to public outcry against the plan the Planning Board voted to not adopt the plan as part of the Master Plan. The Board halted all work on the project based on that vote.

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

The Planning and Zoning Office continues to process applications for development, however the number of applications received remains at about half of what was received in 2005-2006. The table below shows the number of new Subdivision, Site Plan and Conceptual Plan applications submitted for Planning Board review each year since 2005. The number of Time Extensions in 2010 through 2013 is indicative that developers are still finding it difficult to obtain financing for their projects and need to extend the time limits.

Applications Reviewed by the Planning Board									
Type	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Subdivision	25	26	18	17	9	6	5	6	11
Site Plan	15	20	10	21	16	13	17	13	12
Conceptual	7	8	5	4	5	4	5	4	4
Total	47	54	33	42	30	23	27	23	27
Other Applications									
Time Extensions						9	7	6	3
Conditional Use Permits								8	15
Site Plan Waivers									5
Total						9	7	14	23

In 2013, many of these 11 Subdivision applications only created 1 new single-family house lot each. Most of the applications were either 2-lot subdivisions or Lot Line Adjustments (where no new lots are created). The 12 site plans were for both residential and non-residential development. The Conceptual reviews were for possible subdivisions and commercial projects – including a mixed use project at the Mill building and also for a proposed Self-Service Storage Unit Facility on Tatro Drive.

ZONING

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

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

In addition to enforcement in 2013 the Planning and Zoning Administrator processed applications for 45 Variances, 9 Special Exceptions, 1 Appeal of Administrative Determination to the ZBA, 2 Rehearing Requests, 1 Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Regulations and 1 Time Extension. One application was withdrawn by the applicant. The Planning and Zoning Administrator issued violation notices resulting in one appeal. The Planning and Zoning office issued 24 commercial and 31 special event sign permits and assisted property owners affected by 2009 modifications to FEMA flood insurance rate maps.

BUILDING

Permitting records for 2013 show that development is still reflecting the national housing market. New home construction has continued at a much slower rate since the downturn in the economy began. Our numbers indicate that this began around 2007. Since then, the number of 1-and-2-family dwelling units created has remained close to an average of 20 units per year for the past seven years with this year bringing in 22 units. New multi-family dwelling units created this year were higher due to the new 48-unit development on Moose Club Park Road. It continues to appear that most new single-family housing starts are not speculative, but only for homes that have actually been sold. Multi-family development has been occurring in small spurts every 3 or 4 years with lulls in between. This trend will most likely continue here in Goffstown.

Permitted Residential Dwelling Units									
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1 and 2-Family Units	59	38	20	20	20	15	14	28	22
Multi-Family Units	0	24	0	0	29	1	0	0	48

With this continuing lower level of home construction, Goffstown is experiencing growth at a lower rate so the pressures and effects of our own development on our town are not as great. Goffstown will, however, continue to face the challenges of growth, particularly of increased residential development and additional pressures on our roadways, due to the development of our neighboring communities to the west and north. The 48-unit apartment complex on Moose Club Park accounts for all of the multi-family units built this year.

New residential construction was a reflection of the housing market in general. The town issued 17 permits that account for the 22 new single and two-family homes. Two of these units were demolished and rebuilt, so there was a net increase of 20 units there. Town engineering costs are also reimbursed through fees, or for larger projects, an escrow account.

Permit / Fee Source	2010		2011		2012		2013	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
New 1 and 2 - Family Units	15	\$ 6,135	14	\$ 5,406	28	\$ 10,125	22	\$ 6,992
Condo/Multi-Family Units	1	\$ 417	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0	48	\$ 12,465
Miscellaneous Residential Permits	421	\$ 21,804	137	\$ 19,799	432	\$ 24,361	259	\$ 13,593
New Commercial Permits	0	\$ 0	34	\$ 1,577	2	\$ 1,712	4	\$ 10,363
Miscellaneous Commercial Permits	40	\$ 4,842	12	\$ 7,144	62	\$ 4,105	53	\$ 15,796
Health Inspections	5	\$ 0	11	\$ 0	12	\$ 60	23	\$ 0
Junkyard Inspections	1	\$ 25	1	\$ 25	1	\$ 25	1	\$ 25
Mobile Home Park Inspections	2	\$ 200	2	\$ 200	2	\$ 200	4	\$ 400
Foster/Group/Day Care Inspection	5	\$ 270	10	\$ 490	5	\$ 150	6	\$ 270
Sign Permits	21	\$ 695	22	\$ 1,100	24	\$ 1,005	24	\$ 1,215
ZBA Applications	32	\$ 4,598	21	\$ 2,951	57	\$ 4,833	59	\$ 6,279
Planning Board Applications	33	\$ 12,980	12	\$ 13,604	37	\$ 22,070	43	\$ 16,811
Misc. Fees / Sales	336	\$ 449	-	\$ 1,801	-	\$ 804	-	\$ 1,228
TOTALS	912	\$ 52,415		\$ 54,097		\$ 69,450		\$ 84,209

Permit / Impact Fee Source	2010		2011		2012		2013	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
School Impact Fees	41	\$ 114,501	9	\$ 38,888	26	\$ 125,068	15	\$ 195,878
Road Impact Fees	41	\$ 24,650	9	\$ 6,312	26	\$ 19,317	15	\$ 33,759
Recreational Impact Fees	40	\$ 21,290	8	\$ 7,320	26	\$ 25,300	15	\$ 26,230
Public Safety Facilities Impact Fees	39	\$ 29,280	9	\$ 6,588	26	\$ 20,496	15	\$ 45,384
Other Recreation Fees	1	\$ 1,000	1	\$ 1,000	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0
TOTALS	162	\$ 190,721		\$ 60,108		\$ 190,181		\$ 301,251

Engineering Reimbursement	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Fees	\$ 2,550	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,950	\$ 960	\$ 1,680	\$ 5,280
Initial Escrow	\$ 5,500	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 4,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 4,200
TOTALS	\$ 8,050	\$ 2,200	\$ 3,950	\$ 5,360	\$ 3,080	\$ 9,480

HEALTH

Goffstown was fortunate in 2013 not to have flooding as in prior years, and did not, therefore, face any significant public health issues. Aside from that, the Health inspector did perform twenty-three (23) health inspections this year relating to miscellaneous health concerns.

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

ASSESSING

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

Total and Non-Residential Assessed Value (Millions)								
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total Assessed Value	1,251	1,262	1,419	1,421	1,425	1,337	1,343	1,337
Non-Residential Assessed Value	135	135	171	174	177	178.9	180.7	187.6
Equalization Ratio	76.5%	80.1%	95.6%	100%	103.7%	99.7%	101.6%	*
Equal Total Assess	1,635	1,576	1,484	1,421	1,374	1,337	1,330	1,337
Equal Non-Residential Assess	176	169	179	174	171	178.9	178.9	187.6
Non-Residential = Percentage of Total	10.8%	10.7%	12.1%	12.2%	12.4%	13.4%	13.5%	14.0%

*2013 equalization ratio will not be determined by the DRA until later in the year.

IMPACT FEES

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

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

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

RECREATION IMPACT FEES [Initiated February 13, 2003]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Recreation Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/04		\$2,000.79		\$0
12/31/05		\$22,708.77		\$0
12/31/06		\$60,692.79		\$0
12/31/07		\$83,310.54		\$0
12/31/08		\$94,965.03		\$0
	Barnard Park Play-ground Expansion		\$14,363.52	11/25/09 \$14,363.52
12/31/09		\$103,560.56		
	2009 Trail Bureau Grant Match		\$9,000	Dec. 2010 \$9,000
12/31/10		\$116,011.88		
	Design project for Barnard/Pare land		\$8,000	Dec. 2011 \$8,000
12/31/11		\$117,883.46		
3/12/12	Rail Trail TE Grant Match		\$19,535.80	3/26/12 \$19,535.80
7/23/12	Remainder of Rail Trail TE Grant Match		\$59,536.20	7/24/12 \$59,536.20
12/31/12		\$64,143.90		
12/31/13		\$90,384.98		

TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEES [Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Road Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/04		\$26,842.84		\$0
	2005 Road Reclamation		\$17,429.66	
12/31/05		\$9,413.18		\$17,429.66
12/31/06		\$24,571.07		\$0
12/31/07		\$38,467.12		\$0
	Rosemont Drainage	\$47,604.99		
12/31/08			\$52,800	\$0
	Henry Bridge Road and Mountain Road Bridges		\$605,001	
	Snook Road Reclaim		\$160,779.26	
	Paige Hill Road Reclaim		\$138,300	
	Merrill Road Reclaim		\$132,442.20	
12/31/09		\$22,339.24		\$44,000
12/31/10		\$47,036.87		

TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEES [Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	Road Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying for Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/11		\$53,382.17		
12/31/12		\$72,724.63		
12/10/13	CMAQ Grant Project – Elm/ High/Main & Pleasant/Main St		\$62,448	12/10/13 \$62,448
12/31/13		\$44,048.21		

SCHOOL IMPACT FEES [Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	School Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying got Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/01		\$22,979.19		\$0
12/31/02		\$128,533.42		\$0
12/31/03		\$456,024.45		\$0
12/31/04		\$620,785.35		\$0
	Expand parking and fields at High School		\$186,390	
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from impact fees.		\$436,769	
12/31/05		\$213,655.47		\$623,159
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from new taxes.		\$256,202	
	Kindergarten: portion authorized by 2005 school meeting vote to come from unreserved fund balance.		\$400,000	
12/31/06		\$367,101.20		\$0
	Kindergarten: additional funding authorized by 2006 school meeting to come from impact fees.		\$306,510	
12/31/07		\$473,054.17		\$0
	Bartlett School, Phase I: authorized by 2007 school meeting vote to come from impact fees		\$216,000	
	Bartlett School, Phase I: authorized by 2007 school meeting vote to come from reserve fund		\$384,000	

SCHOOL IMPACT FEES [Initiated March 13, 2001]				
Impact Fees and Interest Collected Through:	School Capacity Expansion Project Qualifying got Use of Impact Fees	Available Funds (Fees and Interest)	\$ Cost of Qualifying Expansion	Date and Amount Transferred
12/31/08		\$151,197.20		\$376,000
12/31/09		\$263,014.09		\$0
	Architectural and Engineering Study of the School District's Elementary facilities – Authorized by 2010 vote to have \$215,000 come from impact fees		\$215,000	10/26/10 \$215,000
12/31/10		\$162,900.28		
	Additional funds for Architectural and Engineering Study of the School District's Elementary facilities for Bartlett and Maple Avenue Schools		\$162,900	4/20/11 \$162,900
12/31/11		\$39,207.73		
12/31/12		164,311.14		
12/31/13		\$360,220.98		

Respectively submitted,
 Brian K. Rose, AICP
 Planning and Zoning Administrator

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

In 2013 the Board of Selectmen set economic development as a priority goal for the Town and the Economic Development Council (EDC) began meeting quarterly with the Board. In July and August the NH Division of Economic Development provided two presentations to the Board and the EDC. The first presentation covered business services the state provides to help retain existing businesses and the second presentation covered the type of information businesses seek when deciding to relocate or expand into a community. Both presentations generated discussion between the Board and EDC, which will continue in 2014.

Another topic of interest to the Town is the NH Department of Transportation I-293 Exits 6 & 7 Planning Study, which is a three phase project to address transportation needs of a 3-mile segment of I-293 extending northerly from the Granite Street interchange (Exit 5) to approximately one mile north of the NH Route 3A interchange (Exit 7) in Manchester. The first phase, begun in 2012 and continued in 2013, studied potential alternative designs of Exits 6 & 7. Staff worked with the Board of Selectmen and EDC to deliver input to the study process and express a desire for a new direct connection between I-293 and Goffstown, which would provide access to Industrial Land on Goffstown Back Road. In response to Goffstown's involvement the NHDOT developed alternative designs to address these comments. During the next phase they will study the potential impact of a Goffstown Connector Road.

In August Shaw's Supermarket closed six of its stores in New Hampshire, including the anchor store at the Goffstown Plaza, 553 Mast Road. This left a vacancy in the largest retail development in Pinardville. Other commercial sites in Pinardville and the Village have existing vacancies, though commercial permitting is up slightly in 2012 and 2013 from previous years.

Throughout the year staff and the EDC collaborated with Access Greater Manchester and Southern NH Planning Commission (SNHPC) on the concept of a certified sites program - an economic development and regional marketing program that would identify sites and buildings within the community ready for development. In October the EDC presented the concept to the Planning Board and generated a discussion on potential benefits and pitfalls. In 2014 staff and the EDC will continue to work with the Planning Board to determine if a certified sites program is appropriate for Goffstown.

During the year staff also participated on the Plan Pinardville project and bi-monthly Technical Review Committee meetings to review proposed and potential development in Town. In conjunction with members of the Economic Development Council the business directory continues to be updated and maintained, providing another resource for existing businesses in town to connect with their customers. Full utilization of website continues to be a focus, with up-to-date demographic and resource information to developers and existing businesses provided. Finally, time was spent collaborating with the Main Street Program, Southern NH Planning Commission, Manchester Chamber of Commerce, Access Greater Manchester (formerly MetroCenter NH), Hillsborough County, and NH Division of Economic Development to promote economic development in Goffstown.

Respectfully submitted,
Derek M. Horne, Economic Development Coordinator

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT

The Town's IT Office manages computer hardware, software, database and information systems including the Town's Geographic Information System (GIS), networks, telecommunications, and the Town web page. We provide service for Administration, Police, Fire, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation Departments, and assist the Town Library as well. This year we had three major projects along with the "normal" yearly work. We began the installation and implementation of the MUNIS finance Information System at Town Hall, the IMC Record Management, Dispatch, and Information System installation at the Police Department. The GIS flyover and mapping update added to the workload as well. All three are long term projects that will continue into 2014.

We also oversee the Goffstown Cable TV station and welcomed the Town's first full-time cable coordinator. Adam McCune has been a welcome addition to the town staff and has made vast improvements to our meeting broadcasts, online streaming, and Video on Demand. Check out the link to GTV on the right side of the www.Goffstown.com web page.

If approved by the voters, we plan to complete a Server Consolidation project at the Police department that would improve disaster recovery capabilities, and improve both data storage and hardware fault tolerance for a 24/7 emergency response department that operates a regional dispatch center for both Police and Fire Departments (See Warrant Article # 24).

Respectfully submitted,
Neil Funcke, IT Administrator

GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013

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

Goffstown residents continued to be impacted by the stagnant economy during 2013;

Unemployment and under-employment continue to be the largest contributing factor in requests for assistance. Funding from both the State and Federal governments continues to shrink, the reduced staffing at State agencies, absence of prescription drug programs and ever-longer application and approval periods have shifted the burden of meeting financial and social needs onto Goffstown's taxpayer. Housing and increasing utility expenses continue to influence inquiries, applications and grants of General Assistance.

The Welfare Officer facilitated payment arrangements with utility providers and interfaced with other agencies on behalf of many residents who otherwise did not qualify for Town assistance. Referrals were made to the local Community Action Program for fuel and electric assistance, and to federal, state and local agencies. The largest need for general assistance was experienced in the category of housing. Although we received fewer completed applications in 2013, 41 recipient households received General Assistance in 2013, 18 of those received housing assistance for an average of 3 months each.

2013 Financial Assistance Categories:

Housing.....	\$33,433	Heat&UtilitiesExpenses.....	\$1,973
Transportation.....	\$890	Food/HouseholdNecessities.....	\$432
Cremations.....	\$2,000	Other.....	\$83
		TOTAL	<u>\$38,811</u>

Recipient Assistance Statistical Data	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
# of Contacts	160	165	159
# of Applicants	106	106	59
# of Applicants Eligible	43	38	41
Financial Assistance Granted	\$37,765	\$51,842	\$38,811

The Town is grateful for the continued support of the local church and civic organizations, which generously assist whenever possible. We are fortunate to have the following organizations assist community residents in need: Goffstown Network, Community Clothing Center, Goffstown Clergy Association, Lions Club, St. Matthew's Outreach Program, Goffstown Congregational Church, International Order of Odd Fellows, the Salvation Army and Harvest Christian Church Food Pantry. Their generosity helped to stretch the limited dollars available through the Town's General Assistance Program.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Redmond, Welfare Officer

GOFFSTOWN TV REPORT

December marked the first six months under a full time coordinator for GTV. In that time, our operation has benefited from streamlining, and the added attention a full time position provides.

Some of the changes include new robotic HD-ready cameras for the studio and a shifted lighting grid to improve image quality. We have moved away from post processing edits of pieces filmed in the studio to a professional “live to tape” process with simple trim edits. The control room has been revamped, and we are in the process of installing a new console. We’ve updated our Tricaster (camera switching controller), and started using Adobe Creative Cloud software, which has been a big boon for our productivity.

The look of the channel has changed. Simple things like the graphics and music, to more subtle things like turn-around of government meetings. In these past six months, we’ve only had a handful of meetings that haven’t been available “On Demand” within 24 hours after they concluded, and all of them have aired on the channel within 30 hours of completion.

Watch these meetings online at www.goffstown.com/gtv.html.

We added two additional public cameras, and have enjoyed many hours of video, especially coverage of School athletic events. Our mobile kit has been entirely remade. We now have a Tricaster, with mobile robotic cameras. We use this to cover our school board, and any stand-alone event we might want to record. Local games can be recorded and aired immediately.

Our relationship with the schools has improved greatly. Principal McBride, Acting Superintendent Balke, and IT director Gary Girolimon have given us a lot of help. We are now utilizing the school’s networking capabilities to broadcast school board meetings and other live events. This means that we can go live from anywhere in the high school, so long as we have an Ethernet port. This will allow us to have a live broadcast of the 2014 Deliberative session.

We are becoming an often used resource for the town. In the last half of 2013, our programming numbers were vastly different than a year ago. Repeats of government meetings are up 115% over the same period a year ago, providing further transparency for residents. Our public programming increased 43%, even while our average show length nearly doubled (this is attributed to an increase in sports programming). Between our two channels, residents were able to see 742 shows and meetings, providing 8,962 hours of content.

2014 marks the 20th year GTV has aired original, local content. I intend to celebrate that fact all year long. I look forward to 2014, as we continue to improve, reaching bigger goals, and give the citizens of this town an excellent end product, resource, and outlet.

Respectfully submitted,
Adam McCune
GTV Coordinator

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

During 2013, a majority of Goffstown residents visited the Town Clerk's Office to transact motor vehicle transactions, license dogs, register boats, purchase vital records, register to vote, obtain notary services and request community related information. For a second consecutive year, Town Clerk staff experienced an increase in motor vehicle registrations and the issuance of dog licenses. Seventy-eight percent of 20,143 motor vehicle registrations were performed in person. Total revenues of \$2,567,028 reflect a 7% increase over the previous year.

Dog keepers often share their opinions regarding dog registration when they visit or call the Town Clerk's Office. Last year 2,875 dogs were registered in Goffstown. Most registrants cheerfully pay the \$2.00, \$6.50 or \$9.00 applicable by the annual April due date or May grace period deadline. However, of the 14% of dog owners that didn't pay in a timely manner, many expressed their displeasure after receiving dog violations, civil forfeitures and late fees. Late registrant's reactions include: no recall of receiving the March dog registration post card reminder, the insignificance of dog registration payment being due in April, and obtaining a rabies vaccine is too expensive.

A continuing objective is to decrease the number of penalties assessed to dog keepers for late registration. Our plan is to provide electronic friendly reminders, eliminating additional mailing costs and promote the ease of online dog registration. We are trying to capture available email addresses from all dog owners to allow us to send out repeated email reminders.

For the first time this year we attempted to send helpful reminders to unregistered dog owners in our email data base. Unfortunately we sorted our data file incorrectly and sent email notifications to all dog owners that provided us with an email address. Our office was immediately inundated with phone calls and email replies by upset dog owners who had promptly registered their dog. We apologized profusely for our technical glitch. Many residents were very gracious and expressed their appreciation for our efforts to improve service. On a positive note, 335 dog tags were obtained by owners utilizing the convenience of E-Reg online dog registration.

Once again, two Saturday discount rabies clinics were advertised on www.Goffstown.com. Annually, the Animal Rescue League of NH located in Bedford and Friends of the Manchester Animal Shelter each offer a March or April walk-in clinic. Goffstown dog and cat owners are eligible to obtain a \$10 rabies vaccination and discounted microchip implant. Over 50 residents participated this year benefitting from this convenience and value.

As Town Clerk, I welcome questions and suggestions from residents. Frequent inquires and feedback motivates enhancements to website information availability and ease of access. Many references to RSA's have been highlighted in blue providing a simple "click" to link residents directly to the applicable NH law or administrative rule. As the laws change, the link will continue to bring viewers to the authority's most updated information.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve the community as Goffstown's Town Clerk. My goal is to ensure that your interaction with our office is pleasant and efficient. Your input and ideas are always welcome!

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Ball, Town Clerk

2013 TOWN CLERK TRANSACTIONS

ACCOUNT	2011	2012	2013
Business Licenses & Permits:	\$3,880	\$4,830	\$4,614
Motor Vehicle Permits:	\$2,315,286	\$2,348,002	\$2,523,451
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees:			
Title Fees & Financials	\$6,344	\$6,540	\$6,660
Boat Fees	\$7,453	\$7,470	\$6,633
Vital Record Fees	\$3,280	\$3,595	\$5,204
Dog Licenses & Fees	\$16,140	\$16,305	\$18,985
Other	\$1,033	\$1,341	\$1,481
SUBTOTAL	\$34,250	\$35,251	\$38,963
TOTALS:	\$2,353,416	\$2,388,083	\$2,567,028

VITAL STATISTICS 2013 BIRTHS

BIRTH DATE	CHILD'S NAME	FATHER'S/ PARTNER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME	BIRTH PLACE
Jan.				
8	Dalton, Anthony Joseph	Not Stated	Boomhower-Dalton, Kimberly	Concord, NH
12	Parker, Maddison Olivia	Parker, Shaun	Parker, Carolyn	Concord, NH
Feb.				
1	Avedisian, Jayson Aram	Avedisian, Scott	Avedisian, Katherine	Manchester, NH
4	Garrand, George Obukhov	Garrand, Jonathan	Obukhov, Yulia	Nashua, NH
7	Hayes, Joshua Davis	Hayes, Sean	Hayes, Vanessa	Nashua, NH
7	Labrie, Carter Jay	Labrie, Jay	Labrie, Jessica	Manchester, NH
22	Herr, Ainsley Hathaway	Herr, Christopher	Herr, Kristen	Concord, NH
23	Tennett, Grace Ashley	Tennett Jr., Dennis	Tennett, Lauren	Manchester, NH
24	Douglass, Bryce William	Douglass, Brian	Douglass, Stephanie	Concord, NH
Mar.				
2	Erving, Mckinley Dana	Erving, Marcus	Erving, Megan	Manchester, NH
2	Beaudoin, Mary Jane	Beaudoin, Travis	Beaudoin, Tabitha	Manchester, NH
6	Cook, Joshua Derek	Cook, Adam	Cook, Lauren	Manchester, NH
18	Bottino, Christopher Francis	Bottino, Eric	Mutasa, Robin	Manchester, NH
23	Nault, Austin Wade	Nault, Wade	Nault, Kayla	Manchester, NH
24	Roy, Hannah Grace	Roy, Matthew	Mackenzie, Jennifer	Manchester, NH
26	Glynn, Khloe Alivia	Glynn, Jay	Poisson, Lindsey	Manchester, NH
Apr.				
2	Bogle, Ayumi Miyo	Bogle, Craig	Bogle, Donna	Manchester, NH
5	Mahoney, Declan Brian	Mahoney, Robert	Mahoney, Monica	Manchester, NH
6	Klint, Gage Juel	Klint, Travis	High, Mickayla	Manchester, NH
21	Goodwin, Isabella Marie	Goodwin Jr., Daniel	Goodwin, Melissa	Concord, NH
May				
7	Barwell, Madelyn Grace	Barwell, Peter	Barwell, Crystal	Manchester, NH
11	Larochelle, Totem Grace	Larochelle, Pierre	Van Guilder, Alyssa	Milford, NH
24	Blanchard, Nora Jane	Blanchard, Jon	Blanchard, Jessica	Goffstown, NH
27	Bagtaz, Joshua David	Bagtaz, Michael	Bagtaz, Rebecca	Manchester, NH
30	Slack, Tennyson James	Slack, James	Slack, Stephanie	Manchester, NH
Jun.				
7	Martel, Riley Jean	Martel, Normand	Martel, Pamela	Manchester, NH
10	Dillon, Peter John	Dillon, John	Plotas, Jean	Manchester, NH
13	Bartashevich, Emma Patricia	Bartashevich, Nicholas	Bartashevich, Megan	Manchester, NH
29	Rizvi, Alishba Fatima	Rizvi, Syed	Rizvi, Hira	Manchester, NH

BIRTH DATE	CHILD'S NAME	FATHER'S/ PARTNER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME	BIRTH PLACE
Jul.				
11	BIRD, COHEN EZRA	BIRD, BRANDON	BIRD, TRINA	NASHUA, NH
16	Moore, Ava Victoria	Cheney Jr., Nathan	Moore, Samantha	Manchester, NH
22	Dolbec, Peyton Abigail	Dolbec, Adam	Dolbec, Jennifer	Manchester, NH
Aug.				
2	Garratt, Shaelyn Alexandra	Garratt, Michael	Beluse, Cherie	Manchester, NH
9	Wrona, Jacob Tucker	Wrona, Jan	Wrona, Emily	Manchester, NH
9	Dusseault, Jackson Jeffrey	Dusseault, Jeffrey	Dusseault, Jennifer	Concord, NH
22	Lewis, Lilianna Elisa	Lewis Jr., Robert	Lewis, Mikiaelea	Manchester, NH
28	Casey, Harper Ann	Casey Sr., Paul	Casey, Amanda	Manchester, NH
29	Hoffman, Ivy Bernice	Hoffman, Stephen	Hoffman, Heather	Manchester, NH
Sept.				
11	Gregoire, Brennan David	Gregoire, David	Gregoire, Virginia	Manchester, NH
26	Gorman, Mckinley Yolande	Gorman, Nathan	Bilodeau, Megan	Manchester, NH
Oct.				
10	Campbell, Kateri Beth	Campbell, Nathan	Campbell, Kathy	Milford, NH
14	Berube, Benjamin Matthew	Berube, Gregory	Forest, Crystal	Manchester, NH
18	Sadowski, Evan Vincent	Sadowski, Corey	Emery, Jillian	Manchester, NH
20	Geisler, Avery Jeanne	Geisler, Chad	Geisler, Erika	Manchester, NH
Nov.				
9	Berg IV, Carroll Marinus	Berg III, Carroll	Berg, Marissa	Manchester, NH
14	Seeley, Shea Harrietann	Seeley, Keith	Seeley, Dana	Concord, NH
16	Rubner, Ethan James	Rubner, Brian	Rubner, Brooke	Concord, NH

Total Number of Births: 47

2013 MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	RESIDENCE	NAME	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Jan.					
18	Brown, David M.	Goffstown, NH	Pothier, Deanna M.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
19	Hooper, Timothy J.	Goffstown, NH	Walsh, Shari L.	Goffstown, NH	Keene
Feb.					
9	Vigneau, Joseph P.	Goffstown, NH	Marquis, Christine M.	New Boston, NH	Manchester
Mar.					
14	Forcier, Eric A.	Goffstown, NH	Lagasse, Anastasia M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
29	Fournier, Shawn M.	Goffstown, NH	Ramalho, Brenna C.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
30	Schofield, Martin E.	Goffstown, NH	Agostinelli, Georgiamae P.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown

DATE	NAME	RESIDENCE	NAME	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Apr.					
6	Dion, David M.	Goffstown, NH	Riordan , Tracy	Goffstown, NH	Pelham
6	Kouneals, Christopher W.	Goffstown, NH	Huot, Natalie K.	Goffstown, NH	Hart's Location
7	Gollihue, John R.	Goffstown, NH	Tobin, Brenda L.	Goffstown, NH	Hudson
12	Brule, Benjamin R.	Goffstown, NH	Stuart, Melissa S.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
14	Hardy, Ryan P.	Goffstown, NH	Cook, Amanda L.	Goffstown, NH	Derry
May					
Jun.					
1	King, Samuel B.	Goffstown, NH	Doyle, Katie L.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
6	Kecy, Zachary S.	Goffstown, NH	Dexter, Kristen M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
15	Proctor, James R.	Goffstown, NH	Allain, Danielle L.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
15	Dodd, Timothy J.	Goffstown, NH	Schairer, Jessica L.	Goffstown, NH	Sugar Hill
16	Janelle, Christopher M.	Goffstown, NH	Sarette, Anikka J.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
29	Major, William R.	Goffstown, NH	Danis, Naomi M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
29	McIntyre, Alan J.	Goffstown, NH	Focareto, Kristina A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
29	Whelan, Daniel B.	Goffstown, NH	Goss, Kristin M.	Goffstown, NH	Sanbornton
Jul.					
1	Underwood, David M.	Goffstown, NH	Guevin, Chelsey S.	Goffstown, NH	Weare
4	Hodges, Kevin D.	Goffstown, NH	Mitchell, Elizabeth B.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
11	Paradis, Joseph R.	Goffstown, NH	Burns, Shannyn C.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
19	Daley, Edward F.	Goffstown, NH	Johnson, Shawna M.	Goffstown, NH	Tilton
27	Gerry, Travis C.	Goffstown, NH	Gauthier, Misty M.	Goffstown, NH	Allenstown
Aug.					
3	Phillips, Jefferson T.	Goffstown, NH	Bachman, Amy L.	Goffstown, NH	Whitefield
10	Koch, Jess W.	Goffstown, NH	Owen, Michelle D.	Concord, NH	Goffstown
16	Fletcher, Richard E.	Goffstown, NH	Leblanc, Robin A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
23	Caron, Eddy S.	Goffstown, NH	Hallmark, Christine R.	Hollis, NH	Nashua
24	Brown, John A.	Goffstown, NH	Ekdahl, Leah E.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
30	Caldwell, Jamie T.	Goffstown, NH	Gallagher, Katie A.	Goffstown, NH	Manchester
31	Mack, Paul	Goffstown, NH	Pinard, Carolyn D.	Auburn, NH	Dover
31	Bohan, John R.	Goffstown, NH	Dowse, Lori A.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
31	Parent, Corey M.	Goffstown, NH	Jackman, Jamie L.	Goffstown, NH	Newbury
Sep.					
7	Cole, Amy-Lynn C.	Manchester, NH	Schunemann, Matthew J.	Goffstown, NH	Danbury
7	Perry, John W.	Goffstown, NH	Lepine, Jessica L.	Goffstown, NH	Francestown
14	Bolduc, Donald A.	Goffstown, NH	Donovan, Kelley C.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
14	Carruth, Michael P.	Goffstown, NH	O'Hearn, Sarah A.	Goffstown, NH	Sanbornton
21	Jaworowski, Konrad	Goffstown, NH	Kenney, Kaye E.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
28	Gallagher, Brian P.	Goffstown, NH	Laquerre, Kaitlin M.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown

DATE	NAME	RESIDENCE	NAME	RESIDENCE	PLACE MARRIED
Oct.					
4	Roy, Matthew E.	Goffstown, NH	Mackenzie, Jennifer E.	Goffstown, NH	Candia
5	Pelletier, Jeffrey P.	Goffstown, NH	Robinson, Teresa K.	Goffstown, NH	Sanbornton
19	Erdahl, Daniel J.	Goffstown, NH	Welch, Olivia C.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown
19	Enman, Daniel K.	Goffstown, NH	Ridge, Jennifer D.	Goffstown, NH	Henniker
Nov.					
2	Turner, Benjamin J.	Goffstown, NH	Dube, Amanda M.	Goffstown, NH	Brookline
Dec.					
14	Therrien, Jeffrey D.	Goffstown, NH	Ploettner, Amanda M.	Goffstown, NH	Bedford
24	Moquin, Barry T.	Goffstown, NH	Smith, Tami L.	Goffstown, NH	Goffstown

Total Number of Marriages: 46

2013 DEATHS

DATE	DECEDENT'S NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
Jan.				
3	Brison, Charles	Franklin	Brison, Edgar	Trefry, Flora
4	Hebert, Lucille	Bedford	Belisle, Edgar	Houde, Laura
4	Hawkins, Arthur	Goffstown	Hawkins, Harry	Allen, Helen
4	Kokkinos, Arthur	Goffstown	Kokkinos, George	Bantis, Olympia
5	Cantin, Myrtle	Goffstown	Glidden, Roland	Eddy, Martha
6	Dearborn, Ruth	Goffstown	Atherson, Charles	Decanteur, Maude
10	McKissick, Patricia	Goffstown	McKissick, Clifford	Gore, Tillie
13	Morin, Mary	Goffstown	Perry, Napoleon	Belford, Nellie
14	Long, Patricia	Goffstown	Long, Arthur	Spill, Rosamond
16	Hobart, Charles	Goffstown	Hobart, Marshall	Pike, Lucetta
21	Naughton, Raymond	Manchester	Naughton, Raymond	Unknown, Unknown
25	Heath Sr., Edward	Goffstown	Heath, Everett	Raymond, Doris
25	Stocklinski, Louis	Goffstown	Stocklinski, Joseph	Gulda, Zofia
Feb.				
1	Marino, Grace	Goffstown	Tancredi, John	Belluso, Providence
7	Johnson, Virginia	Goffstown	Unknown, Unknown	Unknown, Unknown
9	Akerly, Mary	Manchester	Hitchfield, Fred	Annis, Mary
15	Thompson, Joseph	Goffstown	Thompson, George	Seavey, Muriel
21	Davis, Lloyd	Goffstown	Davis, Waldo	Pattee, Beatrice
28	Chase, Donald	Goffstown	Chase, Archibald	Morrison, Catherine

DATE	DECEDENT'S NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
Mar.				
1	Greaney, Richard	Manchester	Greaney, Hubert	Osgood, Elizabeth
4	Gruber, May	Goffstown	Blum, Morris	Greenberg, Bertha
5	Kelley, Constance	Manchester	Munroe, Harold	Hiltz, Fannie
5	Lefebvre, Berchmans	Goffstown	Lefebvre, Dieudonne	Gosselin, Leona
13	Vincent, Annie	Goffstown	Aiken, Clarence	Baker, Mabel
20	Langlais, Dolores	Goffstown	Goosey, John	Kelly, Alma
30	Souza, Mary	Goffstown	Silva, Tiago	Pais, Virginia
30	Wynands, Judith	Goffstown	Flanders, Arthur	Hillard, Margaret
Apr.				
4	Johnson, Barbara	Goffstown	Rice, Louis	Eoff, Hazel
5	Taber, Luane	Merrimack	Van De Bogart, Raymond	Bowen, Emma
9	Moran, Jeanne	Manchester	Moran, John	Conroy, Eugenie
11	Clark, James	Goffstown	Clark, Richard	Preston, Ruth
23	Jenis, Dorothy	Goffstown	Coucouvitis, James	Belchos, Irene
28	Barnard, Llewellyn	Merrimack	Barnard, Ernest	Faltin, Florence
May				
3	Collins, Rosalie	Manchester	Butler, Edward	Canella, Mary
4	Spiers, Kurt	Goffstown	Spiers, Kurt	Unknown, Unknown
6	Porritt, Eleanor	Goffstown	Porritt, William	Mann, Sarah
7	Adams, Steven	Goffstown	Adams, John	Kocher, Lena
14	Badasarian, Barbara	Goffstown	Madden, Francis	Boyle, Isabel
15	Roberge, Shirley	Goffstown	Malfait, George	Kelley, Ruth
15	Bristol, Edith	Goffstown	Rice, Charles	Holston, Ann
19	Applin, Bessie	Goffstown	Stilson, William	Johnson, Fannie
19	Lewis, Thomas	Concord	Lewis, Donald	Cummings, Anne
23	Nawoj, Helen	Goffstown	Whitten, Laurence	Mahoney, Alice
Jun.				
6	Raymond, Rita	Merrimack	Beaulieu, Herve	Deschenes, Jeanne
17	Denby, Suzanne	Manchester	Parant, Richard	Moore, Barbara
27	Appell, Bernice	Goffstown	Fowler, Melvin	Murphy, Ruth
Jul.				
3	Romagnoli, Jennie	Goffstown	Chawluk, John	Nimec, Frances
15	Nutting, Herbert	Goffstown	Nutting, Walter	Richmond, Elsie
Aug.				
1	Moran, Marilyn	Goffstown	Lemieux, Dorian	Salvas, Marie
3	Jaeger, Joan	Goffstown	Seaman, Wilbur	Wylie, Viola
5	Wescott, Richard	Manchester	Wescott, Robert	MacDonald, Nellie
11	Lavoie, Robert	Manchester	Lavoie, Arthur	Salvail, Adeline
12	Nicotera, Joseph	Manchester	Nicotera, Joseph	Whitacre, Betty

DATE	DECEDENT'S NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
Aug.				
22	Roy, Ronald	Merrimack	Roy, Raymond	Kostas, Mary
24	Morgan, Joyce	Manchester	Rose, Edwin	Williams, Sarah
25	Dunton, Christopher	Lebanon	Dunton, Charles	Katwick, Bonnie
25	Swart, Marilyn	Goffstown	Duemmling, Herbert	Heinrich, Elsie
26	Michaud, Robert	Manchester	Michaud, Romeo	Bouffard, Odiana
Sep.				
6	Marcotte, Lorraine	Bedford	Butler, Robert	Finnigan, Margaret
11	Gallavan, Margaret	Goffstown	Gallavan, Thomas	Hoare, Frances
20	Loudenslager, Howard	Goffstown	Loudenslager, Noah	Cline, Verna
22	Seasholtz III, John	Goffstown	Seasholtz Jr., John	Thomas, Kathleen
25	Hartnett, John	Manchester	Hartnett, John	Landin, Frances
26	Kyriacos, Teresa	Manchester	Swanson, Ralph	Shea, Teresa
27	Cohen, Ben	Goffstown	Cohen, Nathan	Unknown, Kate
30	Tkacs, Ethel	Goffstown	Dixon, John	Foxe, Margaret
Oct.				
6	Darrah II, Arthur	Bedford	Darrah, Arthur	Huskie, Grace
17	Whittier, Wilfred	Goffstown	Whittier, Earl	Sawyer, Eva
18	Rising, Sally	Goffstown	Rowe, Denzil	Smith, Erdine
22	Jones Sr., Robert	Concord	Jones, Lawrence	Poludniak, Valerie
24	Forbes, Cleo	Goffstown	Cross, Herman	Bunnell, Bertha
27	Grady, James	Goffstown	Grady, Francis	Hammon, Eileen
29	Marden, Randall	Portsmouth	Marden, Alfred	Morris, Josephine
Nov.				
2	Orleans, Susan	Franklin	Clapp, George	Sawyer, Janet
2	Mack, Kathleen	Merrimack	Inglis, Russell	Filleul, Barbara
15	Massey, Bertrand	Manchester	Massey, Nelson	Lesmerises, Yvonne
16	Samson, Jane	Manchester	Stanhope, John	Sayward, Marion
18	Hartford, Jeanne	Manchester	Smith, Arthur	Meuse, Charlotte
20	Reilly, Donald	Merrimack	Reilly, Thomas	Labarre, Lena
Dec.				
3	Normandeau, Donald	Manchester	Normandeau, Joseph	Hebert, Beatrice
5	Previe, Laurie	Goffstown	Barry, Donald	Aubin, Lorraine
7	Catcott, Helen	Goffstown	Wineland, Fred	Mitchell, Georgia
10	Keating Jr., William	Goffstown	Keating Sr., William	Davis, Clara
13	Mark Jr., Frank	Goffstown	Mark Sr., Frank	Barton, Bernice
16	St. Amand, Roger	Manchester	St. Amand, Adelard	Jacques, Lucinda
16	Laura, June	Goffstown	Preston, Arthur	Hubbard, Marion

Total Number of Deaths: 86

2013 INTERMENTS**HILLSIDE CEMETERY**

NAME	AGE	DATE OF DEATH	BURIAL DATE	SECTION	LOT	GRAVE
Jaeger, Joan M.	83	08/03/2013	08/09/2013	45	3	

SHIRLEY HILL CEMETERY

NAME	AGE	DATE OF DEATH	BURIAL DATE	SECTION	LOT	GRAVE
Barnard, Llewellyn	83	04/28/2013	05/03/2013	3	5	2
DeLuca, Mariann L.	63	07/03/2013	07/08/2013	3	46	1
Lefebvre, Berchmans D.	90	03/05/2013	06/11/2013	3	8	2
Morrisette, Mary M.	46	01/08/2013	05/24/2013	2	30A	
Orleans, Susan D.	60	11/02/2013	11/09/2013	2	6C	2
Szarek, Francis J.	72	06/03/2013	06/07/2013	2	13C	1
Sheatler, Donna M.	54	10/28/2013	11/02/2013	2	46A	1
St. Cyr, Sonja J.	69	06/15/2013	06/21/2013	2	60	1

WESTLAWN CEMETERY

NAME	AGE	DATE OF DEATH	BURIAL DATE	SECTION	LOT	GRAVE
Akerly, Mary L.	89	02/09/2013	04/26/2013	1960	71	2
Boyle, Marie L.	82	12/06/2012	04/26/2013	1990	95	1
Cote, Roland A.	86	08/30/2013	09/05/2013	1994	194	2
Clark, James B.	56	04/11/2013	04/16/2013	1988	32	1
Crooks, Joan B.		07/30/2008	08/21/2013	1993	11	1
Davis, Lloyd A.	87	02/21/2013	04/26/2013	1946	45	4
Desrosiers, Ernest A.	90	05/17/2013	05/24/2013	1946	50	3
Downes, Nelson T.	86	01/12/2013	05/21/2013	1993	8	1
Gilman, Gary L.	53	06/03/2013	06/07/2013	1987	3	2
Grady, Claire R.	84	12/03/2012	05/10/2013	1992	167	2
Kelley, Constance L.	94	03/05/2013	05/08/2013	1984	4	2
Mack, Kathleen	63	11/02/2013		1991	23	
Porritt, Eleanor	85	05/06/2013	05/10/2013	1904	58	10
Rising, Sally M.	83	10/18/2013	10/21/2013	1927	71	1
Shanahan, William J.	74	02/27/2013	05/18/2013	1989	45	2
Stanhope, Marion C.	95	11/01/2010	05/11/2013	1960	136	2
Sweeney, Valetta	90	12/16/2012	04/30/2013	1986	18	2
Taber, Luane F.	75	04/05/2013		1988	26	1
Vincent, Annie M.	93	03/13/2013	04/26/2013	1933	60	4
Walsh, Robert F.		09/15/2012	07/20/2013	1904	6 Row 1	2

FIRE DEPARTMENT



Chief Richard O'Brien

The Goffstown Fire Department continues to stand ready at all times to serve the Town's residents, business owners and visitors. The Department provides fire protection, emergency medical services, rescue, hazardous material mitigation, disaster response, community services (from providing support to Town events to issuing burn permits), and fire prevention / public education and inspections. We are a Combination-type Fire Department made up of Full-time and paid On-Call Fire / EMS Personnel. In 2013, we employed 16 Full-time members (also 1 Department Secretary) and 55 On-Call and/or Part-time Members providing services 24-hours / day. 2013 was another busy year where crews were kept busy handling resource-intensive calls like medical emergencies, building fires and hazardous materials spill calls. Our community can be proud of the level of professionalism and high-level commitment from their first responders.

PERSONNEL

The Fire Department saw Call firefighter/EMTs arrive and depart our organization. Last year, the fire department introduced 1 replacement Full-time employee (FF/AEMT Kerry Tower), 8 new Call / Part-time employees to the roster and saw 16 members on the roster leave the department. Any Town resident interested in becoming a Call firefighter/EMT please contact our administrative office at 497-3619.

In 2013, the fire department re-established its Fire & Emergency Services Explorer Program. The Goffstown Fire Explorer Program provides the opportunity for high school and college students to become familiar with career opportunities available in the fire & emergency services and related fields. Through classroom instruction, hands-on training, and volunteer work, Explorers are provided a base of knowledge and experiences that will benefit them not only in fire service careers, but also in all future endeavors. The program is designed to encourage teamwork, cooperation, effective communication, the development of leadership skills, and to provide knowledge of fire protection and safety.



2013 Goffstown Fire Explorers (L to R): M. Vogeley, M. Bridgeman, N. Nault, P. O'Brien, E. Sudak, L. Nault, S. Stone, T. Soterion

In December, the FD held its Annual Recognition Ceremony for the members of the department. The following was awarded:

Lifesaving Award:

- FF/Paramedic John Reilly, FF/Paramedic Derek Chouinard, FF/AEMT Kerry Tower for their lifesaving efforts to revive a cardiac arrest victim on Mountain Road;

Meritorious Service Awards:

- Paramedic Matthew Michaud for his efforts in treating a major trauma victim on Mast Road;
- FF/Paramedic Patrick LaForge for his efforts in treating a severely injured child;
- Lt. Bill Connor, FF/EMT-I Joey Boucher, FF/Paramedic Derek Chouinard; FF/EMT-I Chris Couturier; FF/AEMT Kerry Tower for their efforts on scene to assist the Bedford FD with the line-of-duty firefighter death of Lt. James Clark.

Special Unit Citation:

- Deputy Chief Mark Hurley, Capt. Steve Tower, Lt. Eric Battey, Lt. Bill Connor, Lt. Mark Lemay, FF/Para Derek Chouinard, FF/Para John Reilly, FF/EMTI Joey Boucher, FF/EMTI Chris Couturier, FF/EMT Bryan Foster, FF/AEMT Kerry Tower for their efforts and actions in saving a residence that was on fire on Wallace Road;
- FF/Paramedic John Reilly, FF/AEMT Kerry Tower for their actions and rapid patient care for a critically ill infant on Elm Street;
- FF/Paramedic Derek Chouinard, FF/EMTI Joey Boucher, FF/EMTI Chris Couturier for their efforts in treating a severely injured child on Elm Street;
- Lt Eric Battey, Lt. Thomas Nault, FF/EMTI Chris Couturier, FF/EMT Bryan Foster for their efforts and actions in reviving a cardiac arrest victim on Mountain Road.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)

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

In 2013, the FD upgraded its cardiac monitor / defibrillator equipment with the purchase of 2 LifePak-15 units (1 from grant funding). This specialized medical equipment is state-of-the-art and gives our crews the ability to provide more effective patient care.

TRAINING

Over past several years, the fire department has become a multi-faceted organization where we have evolved into an all-hazards response agency – responding to a variety of emergencies and hazards. Training has become the mainstay of the fire department to ensure its personnel are prepared for the next 9-1-1 call. 2013 training hours covered a variety of subjects on emergency response. Classes were scheduled for both daytime and evening hours to allow full-time personnel and on-call personnel ample opportunities to get continuing education hours, especially for those

personnel who were required to recertify as EMTs or Paramedics in the past year (recertification is required every 2 years). The total training hours for 2013 = 6,029.5 hours including: Fire Training - 948 hours; Fire Courses, including Firefighter Certification Levels I, II, III, Rope Rescue and Swiftwater Rescue – 1,663 hours; EMS Training– 2,102 hours; EMS Courses, including Emergency Medical Technician, Advanced Emergency Technician and Paramedic Courses – 1,316 hours. In addition, the FD conducted CPR and First Aid programs for other Town Departments including the town's school employees, administrators, police personnel, Town Hall personnel, St. Anselm College personnel, youth sports teams, coaching staff as well as private companies.

FIRE STATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Town voters will vote on 2014 Warrant Article #18 which seeks to fund the rehabilitation and expansion of the Church Street, Mast Road, and Terrill Road fire stations. The town's aging fire stations are not designed for current and future demands of the town. Several studies and reports all have concluded that our current fire stations require significant renovations and upgrades. In 2012, the Board of Selectmen convened a Fire Station Improvement Committee which concluded that the rehabilitation and expansion of our current fire stations was the most cost effective solution to the problem. By renovating the existing portions of the structures and adding on only what is necessary—the proposal represents the best long-term value for the Town, the Fire Department, and the most responsible use of taxpayer dollars.

The funding for this project includes construction costs, design fees, equipment / furnishing costs, and contingency costs. The project focuses on maintaining current building spaces, adding needed functional areas, improving energy efficiencies, and removing building hazards.

The proposed renovation and expansion of the existing fire stations will provide safe facilities for our first responders and our community; providing for more efficient operations and the space needed to meet our increasing service demand. Both the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend passage of this article.

ON-LINE BURN PERMITS

The Town of Goffstown is one of approximately 15 cities and towns across the State that is part of a trial to launch a new web-based fire permitting system. This new system, administered by the N.H. Division of Forests and Lands within the Dept. of Resources and Economic Development, was created by Sovereign Sportsman Solutions based out of Tennessee, the same company that handles on-line fishing and hunting licenses for the N.H. Fish and Game Department. Starting immediately, residents can visit <https://nhdfweb.sovsportsnet.net>, fill out the required information, and print off a permit, all without leaving their home. The cost of an on-line permit is \$3.00. The on-line system is in addition to, and not a replacement of, the paper permit that you can currently get at the Goffstown Fire Department. The system is being trialed until next summer when it will be launched statewide. For more information, please contact the Goffstown Fire Department at 603-497-3619, or you can contact the N.H. Division of Forests and Lands at 603-271-2214.

FIRE PREVENTION

Our Fire Prevention Division continues to be one of most important areas we focus our efforts on. Fire Prevention Officer Lt. Bill Connor, reports that a significant amount of time has been spent providing a variety of fire and life safety inspections as well as providing fire and life safety education for our residents and businesses.

Although new residential construction is not as busy as it has been in the past, we have seen

a rise in the number of renovation related inspections in town. Another large shift in residential construction and inspections we are seeing is the addition of “auxiliary dwelling units” (known by some as in-law apartments) and the conversion of single family homes to 2-family homes. Typically done for the financial benefit of the rental income, the conversion process and the inspections of these properties can be fairly complicated in order to meet today’s fire and life safety codes.

Also of note is the completion of the first of two apartment buildings also known as “Residences at Moose Club” in the Pinardville area which will result in a total of 48 new apartments featuring fire sprinkler systems and fire alarms.

Lt. Connor spent a significant amount of time meeting with businesses looking into opening in Goffstown. Many of these businesses look to redevelop existing spaces. This year we have assisted with new businesses in both the Village and Pinardville areas.

2013 was also the first year of State mandated carbon monoxide detector installations for all multi-unit residential structures and all new residential construction. This process is has been slow and many property owners were not aware of the requirement. As renovation and conversions take place, we are able to communicate with property owners and help them become compliant with the requirement. St. Anselm College led the way with this requirement by completing installation of carbon monoxide detection in all of its residence halls.

Fire Prevention works with our schools to conduct monthly emergency and evacuation drills to insure preparedness in the event of incident or disaster. Lt Connor serves as a life safety liaison with the schools helping to insure that regular / daily practices promote both fire and life safety. Chief O’Brien has been very active in developing a SAU-wide emergency response plan for the schools.

A new tool for Fire Prevention Division is our live-fire extinguisher trainer. The equipment, obtained through a grant, allows us to teach fire extinguisher use with actual fire under the control of an instructor. In 2013, the trainer has been used to teach proper fire extinguisher use to several hundred people.

Weather related incidents continue to impact the Fire Prevention Division. Damage to buildings, fire protection systems, utilities, and home heating systems create a demand for service. Also, the ice and wind storms of recent years have inspired an increase in the installation of generators and alternative heating systems, all of which require inspections by Fire Prevention. The Fire Department has not been immune to the damage caused by storms. Lightning and wind has damaged cables and equipment critical to the operation of the municipal fire alarm system. In each instance, Fire Prevention worked with contractors and fire department personnel to effect repairs to the damaged cables and equipment; quickly restoring service to the affected areas.

Residents are reminded:

- All new heating appliances and generator installations must have permits prior to installation & must be inspected by the Fire Department before use.
- All heating appliances and generators require regular maintenance. Proper cleaning and adjustment is essential for safe and efficient operation of equipment.
- Check all vents after snow and ice fall, blocked vents can result in carbon monoxide problems in your home.
- Read and follow all of the manufacturer’s instructions for your heating equipment or generator. Misuse of these devices 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.

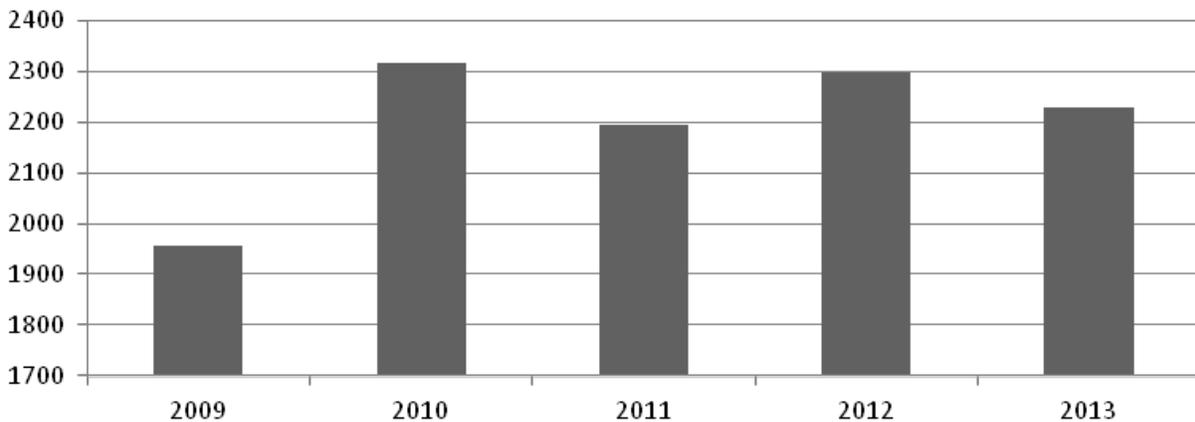
- Properly store all fuels. Always allow engines to cool before refueling, this is especially important with gasoline powered small engines.

RESPONSE ACTIVITY

2013 was another active year the Goffstown Fire Department. The Department responded to 2,228 calls for service! As seen in the chart below, the overall trend of the number of calls the FD handles seems to hover around 2,300 incidents per year. Crews responded to a variety of emergencies that included building fires, brush fires, large fuel spills, watercraft accidents on Glen Lake, medical emergencies, and vehicle crashes. We also noted several more vehicle fires in 2013 than what has been experienced in past years.

The FD also responded to several natural and weather related incidents ranging from lightning strikes, and wind & flooding caused by the effects of various severe weather events.

5 Year FD / EMS Incident History





Fire – Rescue crews works to remove a patient from a roll-over crash.

GRANT FUNDING

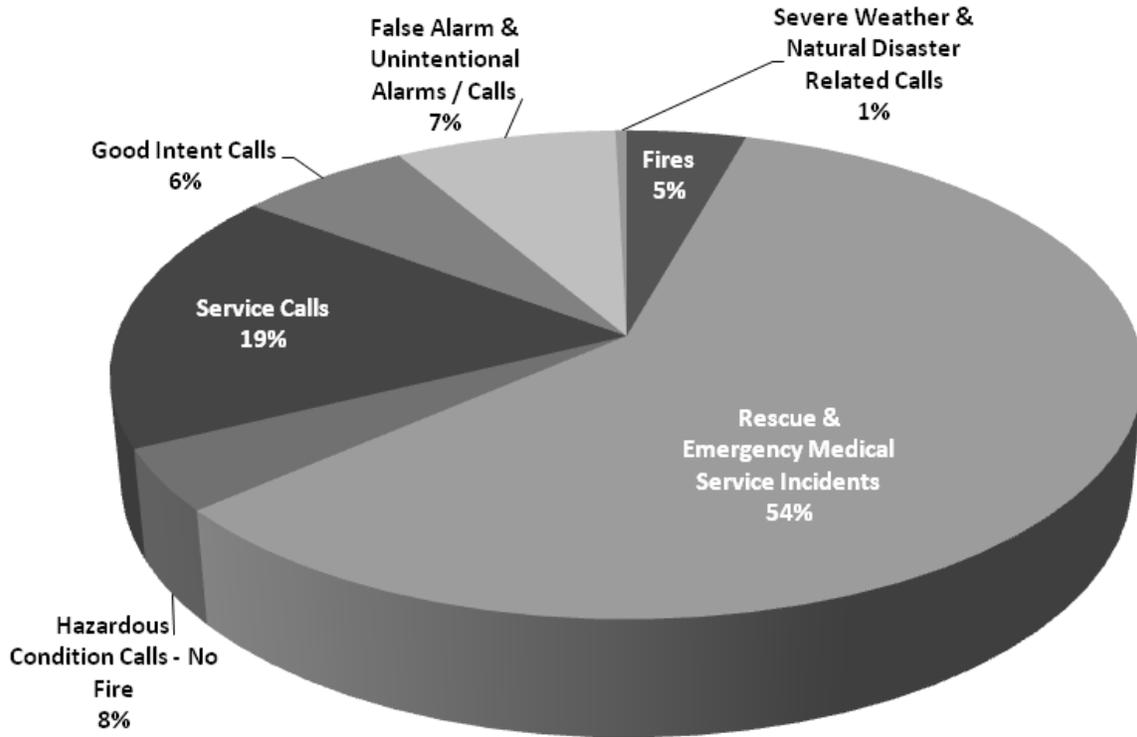
Whenever possible, the Fire Department strives to seek-out grant funding to improve our services with better equipment, apparatus and staffing. In 2013, the Fire Department was awarded a \$31,670 grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Assistance to Firefighter Grant Program for a new cardiac monitor / defibrillator.

The FD has also applied for a regional grant to replace aging / obsolete Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, or SCBAs (the air bottles firefighters wear on their backs). Voters will be asked to approve the use of unassigned fund balance to pay for the Town’s share of the grant (10%), if the grant is awarded. We anticipate hearing if we have been awarded the grant after the first quarter of 2014.

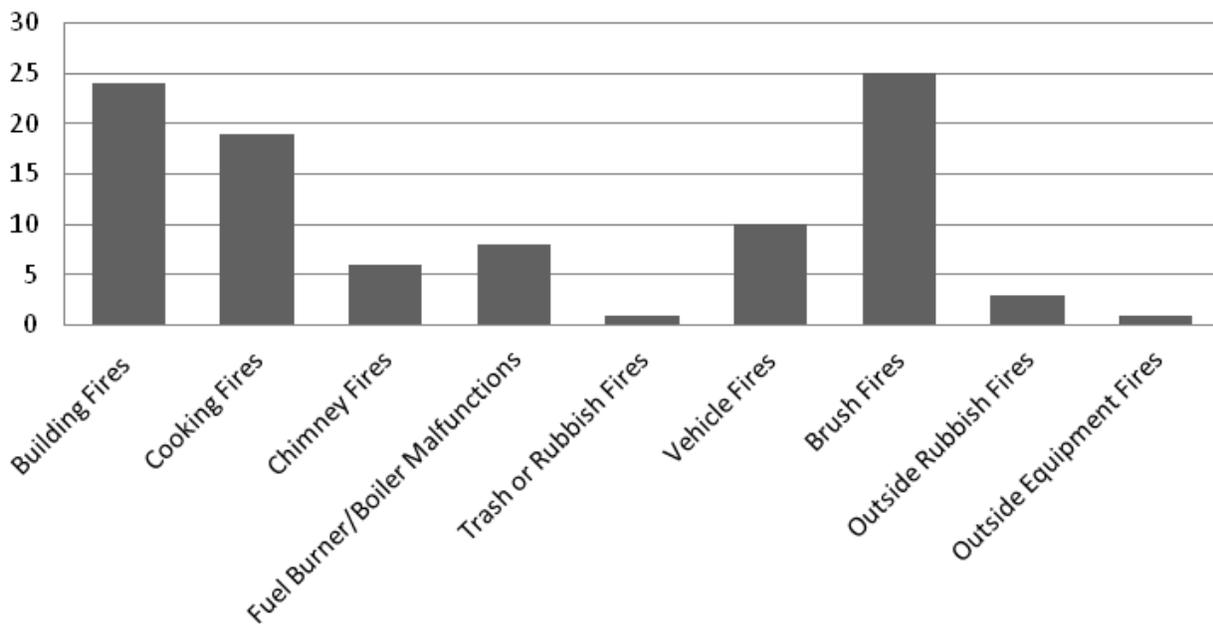
I am proud to report that our community is protected by some of the most dedicated, highly-trained and professional first responders in the State. I want to thank the residents of Goffstown, the Board of Selectmen, Goffstown Fire / Rescue Association, Goffstown Firefighters Association and Town Departments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

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard S. O’Brien, CFO
Fire Chief

2013 INCIDENT BREAKDOWN



2013 FIRE INCIDENT BREAKDOWN



Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

The Goffstown Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

This past fire season started in late March with the first reported fire on March 26th 2013. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, started very dry with little measurable precipitation until the middle of the month. Approximately 70% of our reportable fires occurred during the months of April and May. The largest fire was 51 acres on April 29th. 81% of our fires occurred on class 3 or 4 fire danger days. By mid May, extensive rains began which provided us with a very wet summer overall. We had a longer fall fire season due to drier than normal conditions following leaf fall. Fortunately most of these fires were small and quickly extinguished. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2013 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, you're the Goffstown Fire Department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

Remember!

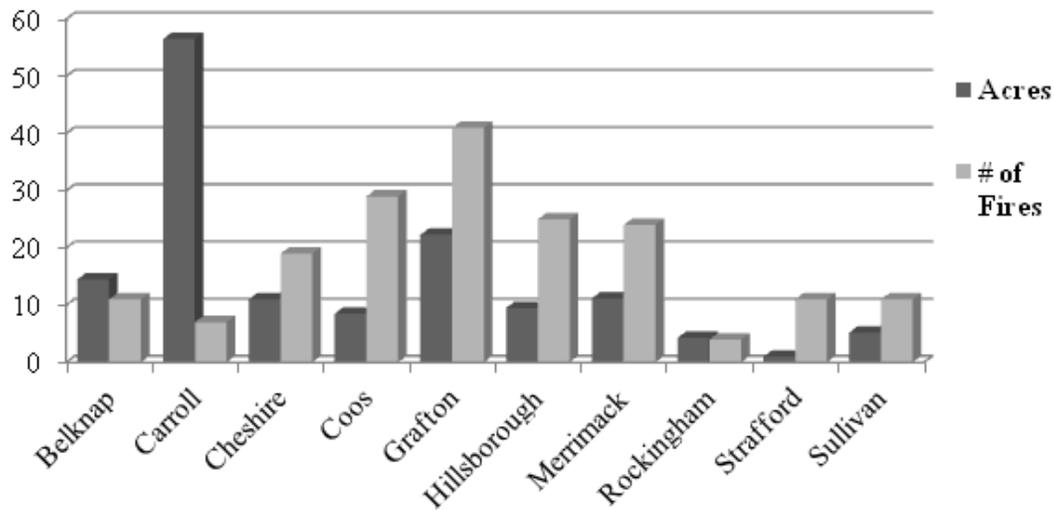
Outdoor fires require a permit which is available at both the Village and Pinardville fire stations (daily before 6 pm). Contact the station to confirm whether a permit is required before kindling a fire.



2013 FIRE STATISTICS
(All fires reported as of November 2013)

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

COUNTY STATISTICS					
County	Acres	# of Fires	County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	14.5	11	Hillsborough	9.5	25
Carroll	56.5	7	Merrimack	11.2	24
Cheshire	11	19	Rockingham	4.3	4
Coos	8.5	29	Strafford	1	11
Grafton	9.5	41	Sullivan	5.2	11



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

		<u>Total</u>	<u>Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
Arson	14	2013	182	144
Debris	105	2012	318	206
Campfire	14	2011	125	42
Children	15	2010	360	145
Smoking	17	2009	334	173
Railroad	0	2008	455	175
Equipment	6			
Lightning	7			
Misc.*	140			

(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard S. O'Brien, Fire Chief
Goffstown Forest Fire Warden

PARKS AND RECREATION

The Commissioners and staff have continued the focus of the six priorities / goals which were set in 2010 (Barnard Pare' Sports Complex, Rail Trail, Access to Natural Resources, Upgrading existing parks and facilities, Special Events, and additional and varied programs). This was done with a great deal of dedication from our staff, volunteers, collaborations with GHS Athletics, community support, and again, our talented Department of Public Works crew.

In March 2013, the Commissioners, Director of Public Works, and Board of Selectmen developed a final plan for phase I of the Barnard Pare' land to include two full size soccer fields and parking. Phase II would be the addition of more parking, 90' baseball diamond, and an additional rectangular field. Phase III would be the addition of three little league baseball / softball fields. Phase I now gives the Public Works Department direction to move forward on closing down the old pit and developing the new one.

The Commissioners have approved the following projects to be funded out of the Parks and Recreation Revolving Fund in 2013: New Roof on the Parks and Recreation Building, John C. Brown Track milling and resurfacing of 2 inches of new asphalt, and new basketball hoop systems and seal coating of the court on the outdoor basketball courts at Roy and Barnard Parks (work to be completed in Spring of 2014).

FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

The John C. Brown Track located at Barnard Park saw major improvements with 2 inches of material milled off and replaced with 2 inches of new asphalt. Our Public Works crew redesigned the drainage swale around the track to eliminate flooding. The Public Works Department also developed a new ADA side walk to access the track and help spread loam around the track for better transition. Four trees which were hanging over the track were removed as well. In 2014 the School Department will seal coat and paint lines on the track. Eagle Scout Nik Raven developed and installed a 10 station fitness trail throughout Barnard Park allowing our community another healthy outlet. The six filters at Barnard Pool had new plumbing and sand installed, along with 13 fence poles replaced around the Barnard Pool. The Recreation Building had a new metal roof installed on the original building dating back to the seventies. Does anyone remember the Blue Goose? A storage shed was built by Parks and Recreation staff along with a new access road to the back of the building which was built with the help of our Public Works crew. This new access road now allows our maintenance vehicles a safer means to load and unload equipment, and will not impair pedestrians using the facility and adjacent field space. Roy Park Pool had a new ADA pool lift installed by the end of the summer season. Our Louis St. baseball field located in Pinardville had the entire infield reconstructed and a new pitching mound installed by the NH Black Hawks AAU baseball club.

PROGRAMS UPDATE

Programmatically we maintained our current programs and added some new activities. The Summer Playground program saw the addition of an Archery Camp provide by the Art of



Rick Wilhelmi, Director

Archery. NLT (Next Level Tennis) continued providing youth, adult and senior tennis lessons at Barnard Park. The Barnard Pool swim lessons saw a huge jump in participants. Our recreational basketball program saw an addition of two teams for the senior boy's 6th – 8th grade division, and the other divisions (1st grade through 5th grade boys and girls) remained the same. Our boy's high school basketball division remained the same with six teams. Our Men's 18 plus league grew to 6 teams. Our Youth Lacrosse boys divisions (U9, U11, U13, and U15) stayed the same as last year, and for the first time in a few years we had a strong presents for Girls Youth Lacrosse divisions (U9 & U11). The U11 girls participated in the NHYLA league for the first time ever. The after school activity periods, and after school youth soccer all remain strong. We added an after school sport a day program for grades 1 – 3 in the spring season. The 34th Annual Goffstown Gallop was dedicated to long time resident, participant and founder of the Goffstown Hershey Track and Field program Lt. James Clark. We continue to try and provide recreational activities for our senior population which included an annual senior dinner, cribbage, dominos, rail trail walks, and senior tennis lessons. Look for more to come in 2014. We continue to work with private providers of fitness and leisure activities such as Zumba with Gorica, Tae Kwon Do with Andrew Jefferson, Contoocook River Canoe & Kayak rental, Hatha / Flow Yoga with Sharon Hinds, and the Master Builders Lego group. We again collaborated with the Goffstown High School Athletic department/ coaching staff by providing co-sponsored athletic clinics including Girls basketball, Girls Lacrosse, Boys Basketball, Boys Lacrosse, and football. We continue our collaboration with Cave Girl Field Hockey who provides an eight week field hockey clinic at Barnard Park. We collaborated with Tennis pro TJ Dang, and added a Tuesday and Thursday night "Hit till you drop" tennis round robin / social. TJ also developed a Saturday morning cardio tennis program.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the many people who make our Town of Goffstown such a great place to live. I would like to first thank each and every one of the Public Work employees for all their talent, dedication, and willingness to help improve our Parks and Recreation department. We have made great strides with their guidance and efforts. Thank you to the Parks and Recreation Commission who have spent many hours on a monthly basis thinking of ways to better serve our community through facility and program development. Thank you to Sue Desruisseaux and all Town Hall staff, to my fellow Department Heads, the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee, and CIP Committee for giving me their support, guidance, and camaraderie. Thanks to all the local businesses for their continued support in making our programs so successful. Thanks to the interim School Superintendent Brian Balke, the principals and support staff at each school, Athletic Director Steve Fountain for allowing the use of the school facilities, Goffstown High School coaching staff for collaborating on youth skill clinics and all the Volunteers who help make the Parks and Recreation leagues, special events, and programs so successful. I am very proud to be part of a town which is surrounded by so many individuals, young and older, willing to give of themselves so freely to make our community a happier and healthier place to live.

Respectfully Submitted
Rick Wilhelmi, Director

GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the men and women of the Goffstown Police Department, to thank the community we serve for your continued support and willingness to be involved with the Goffstown Police Department. It is with this spirit of cooperation that we are able to serve the citizens of Goffstown and ensure that both safety and community issues are addressed in a meaningful manner.

While I believe that we live in one of the greatest communities in the state, there is reason for concern in light of some of the disturbing trends in the crime issues we have experienced over the last 12 months. In the past, the Goffstown Police through its efforts in community involvement, strong motor vehicle enforcement, and a proactive approach to dealing with potential problems has been able to stay well insulated from many of the crimes of the surrounding communities. Despite our continued efforts, that is no longer the case. Because of the explosion of abuse of prescription opiates and street heroin and other drugs, we have seen both property crimes and armed robberies skyrocket. The heroin problem in Goffstown is at epidemic levels, as it is throughout New Hampshire.

In addition to these crimes, fueled by drug abuse and the need to obtain a quick fix, we are experiencing larger than usual increases in calls for service. We increased our calls for service just shy of 2000 over last year and nearly 2500 over 2011. The increase in calls for service, combined with the increased complexity of the investigations, equates to slower response times and less enforcement, that results in higher injury rates for motor vehicle accidents.



Chief Patrick Sullivan



Officer Jason Hull and his partner Cyrus

While some of this information paints a bleak picture, the men and women of the Goffstown Police Department will continue to work on local, state and federal levels to address these issues and ensure the community of Goffstown continues to be a great place to raise our families.

COMMUNICATIONS

Last year, the community approved the purchase of IMC Dispatch and Records Management software. We have completed the installation of the software and the conversion of previously collected data. The implementation of this software will increase efficiency within the Department and simultaneously make us more appealing to other agencies as we seek to increase revenues to offset the cost to the Goffstown taxpayer. It will be important to understand the future changes in the way we will be reporting our yearly statistics moving forward. Because of the changes in software, we will be able to better track the entire workload of the agency and its officers.



Our Communications Division organized our successful Open House

Last year personnel in the Communications Division handled 113,587 telephone calls. In addition to providing 24/7 dispatch for the Police Department, they also provide dispatch services for the Goffstown, New Boston & Weare Fire Departments. We take great pride in ensuring that our Communication Specialists are well trained and capable. They are the first voice you will hear in your time of need.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

During 2013, we saw a minimal level of activity for the Emergency Management function of the town. The Emergency Management team began reconstructing and updating the Town's Emergency Operation Plan, which should be ready in early 2014. The Emergency Management Function of the town was able to recoup \$11,625.16 from our response to "Nemo" in 2012. Our town is fortunate to have a state and nationally recognized CERT (Community Emergency Response Team). These members again received a Presidential Citation acknowledging the numbers of hours they have contributed to the community with a focus on preparedness.

STATISTICS

Below you will find the Police Department's statistical information and a comparison against 2011 & 2012. We attempt to use available software and policing science to target specific crimes and areas prone to criminal activity, there are several areas of concerns I would like to point out. Last year we experienced a 500% increase in armed robberies. We have attempted to meet with business owners to address concerns and prevention strategies. We also saw an 11.3% increase in crimes against persons with the driving factor being assaults.

During 2013, we experienced a large number of both thefts from vehicles and the theft of vehicles (54.5%). Members of our patrol and detective divisions, along with surrounding communities, have work diligently and have been able to solve the majority to these cases.

A troubling number is the increase in the number of accidents (30.2%), and more importantly the number of accidents with injury (51.4%). The Goffstown Police Department has long held that a firm but fair policy, as it relates to motor vehicle enforcement, not only reduces accidents, but the number and severity of injuries sustained in accidents. The numbers for 2013 seems to underscore that idea with the reduction of both summonses and warnings for speed. These reductions in enforcement are a direct result of the 9.6 % increase in calls for service and the complexity of those calls, requiring more investigative hours.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Patrick Sullivan

**GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATISTICS**

JANUARY 1, 2013 - DECEMBER 31, 2013

	2011	2012	2013	% INC/DEC VS 2012
CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS				
Abuse/Neglect & Juvenile Offenses (child/elderly, runaways, truancy, etc)	129	115	100	(13.0)
Alcohol	37	46	56	21.7
Intoxication - Pro Custody Sub	8	16	8	(50.0)
Assaults (includes Safe School Act)	89	76	131	72.4
Assault on Police Officer	1	2	0	0.0
Criminal Threat (includes Safe School Act)	57	67	73	9.0
Domestic Violence	163	174	182	4.6
Domestic Violence Petitions	70	60	58	(3.3)
Homicide	0	0	0	0.0
Sex Offenses (includes sex assaults & sex offender registrations)	78	93	87	(6.5)
Drug Offenses (includes Safe School Act)	47	60	89	48.3
Robbery	3	1	6	500.0
TOTAL CRIME AGAINST PERSONS	682	710	790	11.3

**GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATISTICS
JANUARY 1, 2013 - DECEMBER 31, 2013**

	2011	2012	2013	% INC/DEC VS 2012
CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER				
Alarms	590	604	885	46.5
Animal Complaints	322	329	408	24.0
Arson	1	1	0	0.0
Burglary & Criminal Trespass	179	159	167	5.0
Courtesy Calls (lockouts, 911 calls, fingerprinting etc)	1,655	1,643	1,455	(11.4)
Crime Prevention	729	631	849	34.5
Administration	392	427	420	(1.6)
Criminal Mischief	202	175	125	(28.6)
Disorderly Conduct	290	318	271	(14.8)
Fraud (includes bad checks, credit card fraud, counterfeiting)	80	108	86	(20.4)
Hazards (includes power outages, trees & wires down etc)	199	169	120	(29.0)
Larceny (includes motor vehicle thefts)	325	279	431	54.5
Mutual Aid	500	426	506	18.8
Operations	2,895	3,423	2,855	(16.6)
Property (lost/found)	208	214	274	28.0
Suspicious Persons	273	251	283	12.7
Suspicious Vehicles	242	240	227	(5.4)
TOTAL CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER	9,082	9,397	9,362	(0.4)

	2011	2012	2013	% INC/DEC VS 2012
MOTOR VEHICLE AND ARREST ACTIVITY				
Total Adult Arrests	564	638	713	11.8
Total Juvenile Arrests	83	69	42	(39.1)
Total Arrests	647	707	755	6.8
DWI - Arrests	82	119	130	9.2
Speed				
Summons - Speed	1,105	1,139	1,022	(10.3)
Warnings - Speed	1,623	1,846	1,495	(19.0)
Driving After Revo/Suspension	52	53	48.0	(9.4)
All Other Summons	1,148	1,054	1,052	(0.2)
All Other Warnings	2,188	2,123	2,240	5.5
Total Summons	2,305	2,246	2,122	(5.5)
Total Warnings	3,811	3,969	3,735	(5.9)
Motor Vehicle Activity (includes MV hazards, disabled, abandoned, parking tkts)	1,160	939	1,016	8.2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	523	493	642	30.2
With Injury	34	35	53	51.4
Fatalities	0	1	0.0	0.0
Total Motor Vehicle Activity	7,881	7,766	7,645	(1.6)

**GOFFSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
STATISTICS
JANUARY 1, 2013 - DECEMBER 31, 2013**

	2011	2012	2013	% INC/DEC VS 2012
CALLS FOR SERVICE	18,292	18,580	18,552	(0.2)
All Other Misc Calls for Service	354	704	836	18.8
Total Calls for Service	18,646	19,284	21,137	9.6
COMPLAINTS AGAINST EMPLOYEES/OFFICERS/DEPT	18	21	21	0
Founded	6	7	10	30
Unfounded/Proper Conduct	7/1	9	8	(11.1)
Insufficient Evidence	2	5	3	(40)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



Carl Quiram, Director

Another year has now come to a close. What a year it has been for the Department of Public Works. We continue to strive to maintain the Town's infrastructure despite our many economic challenges.

Let me review our project accomplishments over the past year. We completed the final work on Leach Hill Road and the section of East Dunbarton Road from Pollard Road to the Manchester City line. Locust Hill Road got a new shim coat of pavement. Though the shim coat won't last long, it does provide some much needed relief for residents that traverse it daily. We completed overlays on South Mast Street, Pineridge Street and Maple Avenue.

In the winter months of 2013, our staff replaced the rotted head walls on the West Union Street Bridge. Doing this work in house created a significant savings. It often takes a while for our in-house crews to get all the projects done because we are called off to deal with emergencies or other projects, however, when time allows us to fit projects in it always results in a quality end product and a budget savings.

Our major reclamation project this past summer was the long awaited and much overdue reconstruction of Pleasant Street from South Mast Street to Bog Road. This heavily traveled gateway into our community had fallen into disrepair. The project presented several challenges for our crew. For instance, the water main in the street was very old and the Goffstown Village Water Precinct did not have adequate budget to replace the entire main, which was desperately needed due to its very advanced age. Through an agreement between the Board of Selectmen and the Precinct Board; DPW was able to provide, at cost to the precinct, the labor and equipment needed to complete the water main replacement so the precinct only had to pay for materials this year. The repayment for the labor and equipment will happen in next year's budget. Another challenge was the rehabilitation of the bridge where Pleasant Street crosses Whittle Brook. Once we began closely evaluating the old structure it was obvious that it needed some attention. We were able to clean



Crew Installing the new Head Wall on the W. Union Street Bridge

off and resurface the deck, install a deck membrane to protect the new deck surface and reface the stonework. We were not able to complete the replacement of the sidewalk across Whittle Brook. The sidewalk actually crosses on an independent structure alongside the bridge. The engineering analysis of that structure found it needed to be replaced in its entirety. Unfortunately the 2013 budget was not adequate to complete it. We are hoping to complete the replacement of the much needed sidewalk bridge in 2014 if the budget passes. The project took a while to complete but thanks to the detour we were able to institute with the assistance of the Town of New Boston the project was completed on schedule and accident free.

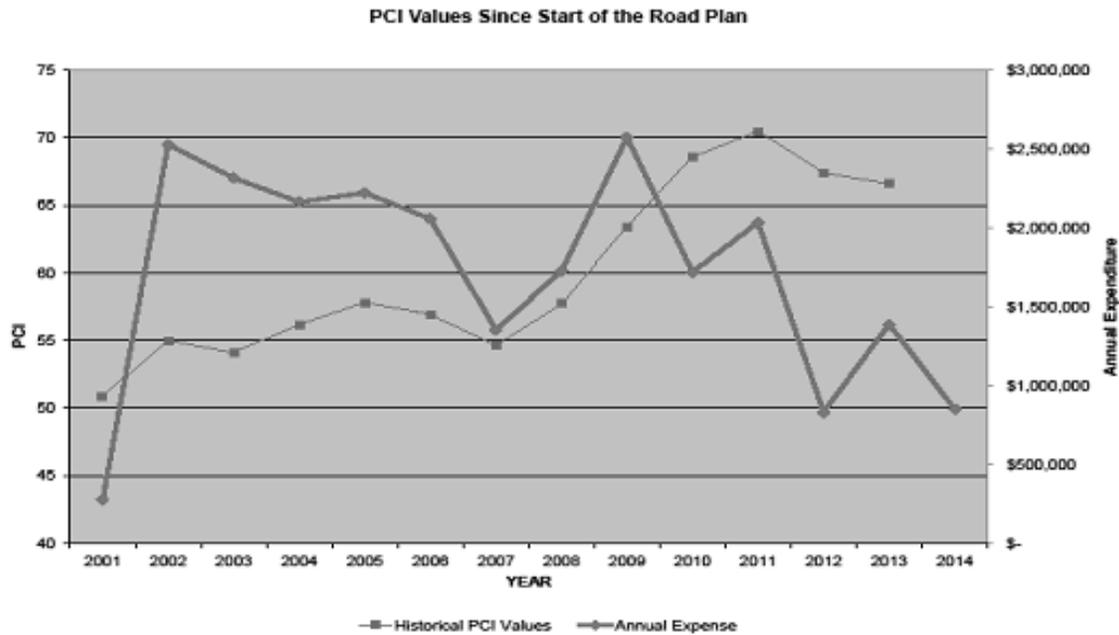
Another major road project which began but did not get finished due to the early onset of winter was Phase II of Addison Road from Longbrook Road to Shirley Hill Road. We were able to complete the section from Shirley Hill Road to Zan Drive. We also completed reconstruction of Zan Drive and Winding Brook Road. In 2014 we will finish the balance of Addison Road Phase II.

In addition to road projects we also began a project in the DPW pit to reorganize and expand the old pit to make room for the construction of new ball fields in our new pit area on the old Pare Property. We assisted in getting several projects along the rail trail finished up and at the end of the season oversaw the restoration of the old granite culvert that had been damaged in the floods behind the county buildings. This historic culvert restoration was a very interesting and very important project to avoid future flooding liability and ensure that the rail corridor was protected long into the future. The design of the dam replacement at Uncanoonuc Pond was also completed and will await funding to complete construction.

Early in 2013, USEPA Region 1 issued a new draft NPDES Phase II MS4 General Permit for NH Communities that own and operate MS4's in urbanized areas. MS4 stands for Municipal Storm Sewer System (or drainage system). Goffstown has been subject to MS4 regulation since the launch of the Phase II program in 2003. The NPDES Phase II program is part of the federal Clean Water Act. This is the same regulation that led to the construction of wastewater treatment plants in the 1970s' and 80's. As time has progressed, it has become evident that storm water runoff is now one of the major contributors to poor water quality today. The Phase II regulations attempt to limit contaminated storm water runoff from contributing to pollution in our streams, rivers and lakes. Since 2003, many new technologies for treating storm water have been developed. There has also been a considerable body of data gathered to allow us to prioritize the worst areas in which to concentrate our efforts. Goffstown's engineering staff combed through the draft permit and submitted an extensive set of comments/concerns to USEPA. We would like to thank the NH Department of Environmental Services for spending a considerable amount of time meeting with a coalition of MS4 communities and serving as an intermediary to help us understand the requirements and helping USEPA understand the communities' issues and concerns. It is my hope that when USEPA issues a final General Permit, it will be in a form that communities will be able to implement and will allow us to focus our limited resources on the most critical water quality issues within each watershed. What does all of this mean to you as a taxpayer? No matter how it comes out, storm water compliance will be the next decade's most costly issue to deal with as a community. Many of the issues that the community has to deal with will start right on your property as a property owner. We will be working diligently to educate everyone to find the most cost-effective solutions to our community issues.

Before I begin a discussion of our plans for 2014 I feel the need to provide a current state of the Road Plan. The Goffstown road network is the most valuable resource that the Town owns and is responsible to maintain at a current value of approximately \$132 million. At the 2001 Town Meeting the voters approved a plan to improve our overall network average Pavement Condition

Index (PCI) from 56 to an ultimate value of 84. The Town considered options, such as bonding, to speed it along and ultimately agreed that pursuit of improvement over time would be the best way to achieve the goal. This meant that some folks would have to wait but it was collectively felt that eventually all the roads would get done. Below is a graph that reflects our progress to date including the Budget Committee’s recommended 2014 budget.



The original plan called for an annual 3% escalator to be added to the budget to adjust for inflation giving us a slow steady revenue stream to work on road upgrades. As you can see, the slow and steady budget increase never really materialized. There have been many factors for this, however, despite the Town not quite following the funding plan we were making great progress towards the goal of improving the network average PCI. Progress halted however when the recession hit. I understand the need for fiscal constraint during hard economic times, however, since 2002 the taxpayers have invested almost \$23 million to improve the roads in town and now I feel as though we are letting that investment slip away. To me it feels like building a house and not wanting to pay for siding so you let the walls rot away. I also feel bad for all the folks that have been supporting the plan for all these years, being told that their turn will come, only to now face the reality that their road may not get done for many years to come. If we had stuck to the plan, we would be at a point that all of the worst roads would be complete in the next few years but now that is slipping away.

In theory, once all of the roads had gotten upgraded and had drainage installed, we would have transitioned to a maintenance budget that would have been lower, however, we are now forced to try to protect the investment which has been made so far not leaving us the money to keep tackling the poor condition roads. My job is to deliver the message; however, our elected folks are hearing an even louder message that there can be no tax increases. As the department head charged with taking care of the infrastructure I can do no more than make sure everyone knows and understands what is happening. Sorry for the dismal news.

Now that we are all depressed, let me tell you our plans for 2014. If the budget stands as

proposed by the Budget Committee, we will be wrapping up Phase II of Addison Road and the section of East Dunbarton Road that were begun in 2013. We will, hopefully, do another section of New Boston Road from Hermsdorf to the Town Line. We will do the wear course of pavement on Pleasant Street and several maintenance overlays to protect roads that have already been rebuilt. We will then try to shim a few of the worst roads in the network to get a few additional years out of what is there now.

A brighter note in the 2014 budget is that we are able to replace a few very worn out vehicles. Over the past few years, quite a back log of vehicle replacements has developed when vehicle replacements for DPW were deferred. With the size of the DPW fleet it is critical that we do regular replacements and try to stick with the long-term vehicle replacement matrix.

CEMETERY OPERATIONS

As always, our Cemetery Foreman and his crew of seasonal laborers did a fabulous job of maintaining the Town's three cemeteries. Working hand in hand with the Cemetery Trustees, we strive to provide locations to bury loved ones that everyone in Town can be proud to visit. On a construction note, the new gate was installed at the main entrance to the new section of Westlawn Cemetery.

SOLID WASTE OPERATIONS

We negotiated new contracts for the disposal of our solid waste and the processing of our recycling saving money and time. This was made possible by the fact that we haul our own materials. It takes a great team of individuals to accomplish the excellent service that we offer residents when it comes to solid waste and recycling. From the drivers of the collection and delivery trucks, the staff at the Transfer Station, the mechanics that keep it all running and the Utility Superintendent that deals with any glitches that arise throughout the year. All together we offer a solid waste and recycling program that the citizens of Goffstown can be proud of as it continues to serve as an example for other communities throughout New England.

Once again, I want to thank all of the members of the DPW staff, who in my opinion comprise the best public works staff in all of New England. Their tireless determination and dedication are the reason that we have done as well as we have over the years. They are capable of doing anything, just not everything. We will continue to work with whatever resources the Town sees fit to give us and do our best to deliver the high standard of excellent services that we have delivered in the past. I also want to thank the countless volunteers that give their time and talents to the thankless job of moving the Town forward. Though I wish we had more money for roads, I understand and value the various perspectives that are brought to the discussion. At the end of the day, everyone does their best to support the vibrant community that we all desire.

Thank you Goffstown.
Respectfully submitted,
Carl L. Quiram, PE, PWLF

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY



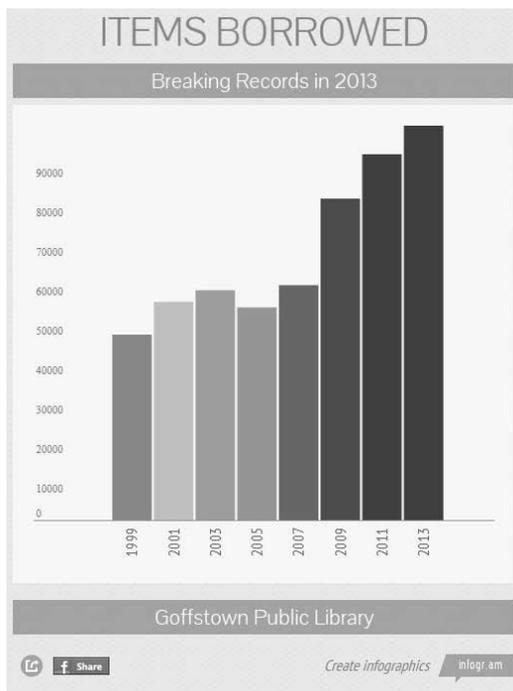
**Dianne Hathaway,
Library Director**

MISSION

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

GPL, BREAKING RECORDS

2013 was a record-setting year for your Library: we broke the 100,000 mark for items borrowed in 2013, finishing out at 105,551! This is a milestone for us....Goffstown is no longer a small town, but our small library has been able to continue servicing in great strides. The library building hasn't changed capacity for housing a collection since the late 1990's. In fact, in the last 15 years the number of items borrowed through the GPL has increased, even when other libraries in our area and among our consortium have seen a leveling off or experienced actual decreases. Much of our growth is thanks to the fact we have embraced a digital collection in the form of downloadable audio books and eBooks that don't take up any shelf space. There are two immediate challenges to the library's growth potential. The first challenge is the building is over-extended. There is no space for more materials and insufficient space for patrons to browse or gather for programming. The second challenge is the confluence of a changing industry from all print or hard-copy materials to electronic items. The purchase cost to public libraries is quite high, with limited industry standardization. It is a delight to be living in such a time of change and growth, but it is a serious challenge to our big town small library!



USE OF SERVICES

- Cardholders = 8,361 members, an increase of 7.7% or 603 members
- Visitors = 53,209 in 2013, a decrease of 6% or 3,417
- Network use = 5,226 hours, a decrease of 16.5% or 1,035 hours
- Items circulated = 105,551 that is an increase of 8.3%.
- Research Assistance = 16,198 requests for help, more than 3% greater than last year
- Events and attendance = 343 events and classes with a total attendance of 7,784 children, teens and adults
- Digital Downloads = 7,966 items
- Our Collection = 32,347 items; we added 3,671 items and removed 2,282

TOWN, SCHOOL AND BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS

In early 2013 we were excited to work with the theater department at Goffstown High School, local businesses and the Main Street Program on a project for a production of “The Wizard of Oz.” With the help of local businesses, the village area was transformed into the Emerald City with green lights and events in support of the production. We kicked off our first StoryWalk® with pages from the book leading families through the village with stops at businesses along Main Street. The community members, school groups and GPL staff were all thrilled with the results! We hope to be planning another StoryWalk® elsewhere in our community for the future.

SCHOOL PARTNERS

The GPL has always worked with Maple Avenue Elementary School and the Bartlett School to encourage and support reading over summer vacation. This year, we were able to expand our partnership to the Mountain View Middle School and Goffstown High School. Our librarian roundtable discussions led us to a natural extension of our elementary school support: GPL borrowed school copies of the required books for the summer and coordinated purchasing to be sure all students had access to the books they needed over their vacation. This included digital versions of books students could download to their own device or borrow from us. Two GPL staff members went to the high school in September to facilitate discussions of books on the reading list. Keeping the library as a central support to students throughout their school years is often a challenge for public libraries. The Goffstown Public Library delights in our shared work with teens throughout the community. As we move into a new year we have added a budding relationship with the Geisel Library at St. Anselm College whose new librarian and staff have embraced the possibility of future projects and cooperative services.

OUR SUPPORT SYSTEM

The GPL is a member of GMILCS, Inc. a private, nonprofit consortium of ten public and two academic libraries in southern New Hampshire, sharing an integrated system, sharing resources and sharing experience. This year GMILCS improved courier deliveries by moving to a company better able to move our hundreds of items a week to our ten public libraries. GPL now receives three deliveries a week through our GMILCS service. As a result of the aggregate purchasing power of the GMILCS consortium, we now have a method of providing eBooks through our catalog using a subscription service from 3M. This seamless, easy process to get a book from our catalog to your device is state-of-the-art and we anticipate Overdrive following along sometime in 2014 so that the user experience borrowing eBooks as easy and straight-forward as borrowing any other library item. While libraries still can’t buy everything available to a private consumer online and the prices are much greater, we are hopeful 2014 will bring greater access and improvements.

PROGRAMMING, EVENTS AND OUTREACH

The GPL staff is always planning educational and recreational programs and classes as well as implementing them all year long, including our popular summer reading program. Our regular program schedule includes story time classes from the age of 18 months old all the way up to “seasoned adults” who enjoy our book discussion groups and lectures provided by the NH Humanities Council. This year, our new “Cookbook Club” enjoyed exploring cookbooks and sharing food while our two book discussion groups read and debated a variety of titles. Some of our special events included “Poetry in my Pocket”, Stonewalls with Kevin Gardner, “Laughter Yoga” that was especially popular and Tai Chi on the lawn as we observed World Tai Chi Day. “Let

Freedom Ring” celebrated the anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.’s “I Have a Dream” speech along with St. Anselm College, St. Matthew’s Church, the Goffstown Congregational Church, St. Lawrence and The Villa Augustina School.

In addition to our regular schedule of preschool story times, programs and classes for children, teens and families are on-going. For teens, our popular “Anime Club” meets monthly and is one of our oldest hands-on workshops for that age group. The “Teen Advisory Board” meets monthly to help us plan services and events for our teen population and led to the creation of the “Teen Voice” newsletter. Summer Reading Program 2013 had high participation: 285 kids read with us! Stand outs among our summer programs included a “Mad Science” performance and dinosaur workshop, Wild West and Egypt-themed parties, a “Dig into the Deep Sea” program facilitated by the Children’s Museum of NH, and a partnership with Goffstown Main Street Program for a picnic and concert on the common with Judy Pancoast.

This year we again sold out our “Gingerbread House Decorating” classes, sold out two “Polar Express” events, and added a “New Year’s Noon Party” that was a big hit. We continue to host Scout troops and local day care visits and tours, and our “Reading Therapy Dog” program was fully booked all year long with excited children.

The Goffstown Public Library was a presence outside the library building before the term “outreach” was used widely by other public libraries. We support the “Grow-a-Row” project that benefits the Goffstown Network Food Pantry by offering gardening workshops and helped gather produce for families in need. We have been a member of Youth Forum for many years, work annually with the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation as well as the Lions Club and their Gold Star/Blue Star Tree project every December. We regularly partner with the Goffstown Main Street Program and area businesses to deliver popular programs, like our monthly “Open Mic Night” with Apotheca and “Secondhand Chic” with the Community Clothing Center.

SPREADING THE WORD

We regularly make use of as many opportunities as possible to get information out about programs, classes, new and updated services and resources, and all other library-related news that comes our way. We are a library leader in the use of social media, including Facebook and Twitter, and have our own YouTube channel for the short commercials our creative staff produces and edits in-house. Our innovative, ever-changing blog and web site at www.goffstownlibrary.com includes information about library services, books, a link to our online calendar and museum pass reservation system, and links to information about the Goffstown community. You can even use our web resources and search our catalog using your mobile device! Our monthly e-newsletter, “The Page’s Story” is sent to more than 2,500 email addresses and has been a great way to get information distributed quickly. In addition, our “Bookends” column can be read weekly in the *Goffstown News* and *The Hippo* regularly covers our events and programs, spreading library goodness throughout the region.

OUR BUILDING

The Goffstown Public Library building is 104 years old and has been on the National Register of Historic Buildings since 1995. The building has remarkable architectural integrity and is a jewel in the downtown landscape of Goffstown. On the exterior, new lighting was installed in the upper parking lot as well as improvements to existing lighting for improved visibility upon entry and exit for staff and visitors. A generous donation from NESM, a downtown business neighbor, provided ice and snow protection to our outside HVAC compressors. Rotted boards were replaced on the exterior elevator mechanical room. The rotted wood trim along the original roof line is in

need of immediate repairs and painting; there is bare wood on the 1995 3rd floor addition.

Inside the library, trouble-shooting the basement children's room radiant flooring continued and is now hopefully fully resolved. Plumbing concerns in both the basement and second floor bathrooms were routed out and repaired. The library tied in to the town-wide telephone system for the first time in its history. A much-needed upgrade to our computer networks was completed in December and should provide more reliable access for both patrons and staff.

While our historic building is beautiful, it has some serious needs. It is a challenge to work without office space. There is little privacy for working with the public and limited areas for the public to work on their own in quiet space. There is too little space for public programs, classes and collections. Maintenance on this facility can be challenging, but the sense of history and opportunity for every citizen of Goffstown merits the challenges.

THE VALUE OF YOUR LIBRARY

The NH Library Association provides a value calculator so that community members can tabulate the value of the services they use at their public library. This tool assigns a monetary value to each service used. We make the calculator available through our web site at www.goffstownlibrary.com or directly at www.nhlibrarians.org/calculator.html for you to tally your own savings. As I do annually, I tabulated our numbers for the entire community based on the statistics we gathered in 2013. The result: the budget for the Goffstown Public Library was **\$704,586** in 2013. The value of our services to the community through the calculator was **\$1,756,725** way more than double the library budget. The public library is a GREAT return on our community's investment!

In a time when we still hear people telling us that libraries and books are becoming obsolete, I am happy to say that studies and research actually report the opposite, that Americans still value libraries and reading and that libraries are more popular than ever. Our staff takes their job very seriously and strives to provide the best service possible to the Goffstown community. Libraries are evolving and changing in ways we couldn't imagine 15 years ago and that is why we are still vital, relevant and important in the daily lives of our community. Your Library Board of Trustees works hard to plan for the future and keep our library as innovative and vital as possible, including advocating for programs, services and a budget to meet the needs of our community. Regular meetings of the Board are held on the third Wednesday of each month and all meetings are open to the public. They welcome your comments and input.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dianne G. Hathaway, MSLIS
Library Director

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES



*Seated L-R: Wayne Eddy and Mike Lawler, Vice Chair
Standing L-R: Suzanne Riel, Kathy Holt and Jen Phillips
Trustees not present in photo: Kurt Huxel and Tess Marts, Chair*

GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES FINANCIAL REPORT* JANUARY 1, 2013 – DECEMBER 31, 2013

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

<u>Revenues</u>		<u>Expenses</u>	
Fines:	\$ 5,453.59	Programs & Materials:	\$ 1,665.50
Interest:	458.99	Misc Expenses:	675.21
Fundraising/Grants	2,549.85		
Other Revenue-			
Gifts/Donations:	920.00		
**Miscellaneous:	3,493.56		
Total Revenues	\$ 12,875.99	Total Expenses	\$ 2,340.71
Net	\$ 10,535.28		

**Miscellaneous: Fees collected for Library cards and lost books.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES BALANCE SHEET
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013

<u>Account</u>		<u>Balance</u>
80 -	Library Trustee Fund	
<u>Assets</u>		
10120	Cash-Checking	\$ 1,270.90
10180	Cash-TD Bank	190,075.91
	Total Assets	<u>\$ 191,346.81</u>
		<u><u>\$ 191,346.81</u></u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
20100	Accounts Payable	\$.00
<u>Equity</u>		
28160	Fund Balance-Undesignated	191,346.81
	Total Liabilities & Equity	<u>\$ 191,346.81</u>
		<u><u>\$ 191,346.81</u></u>

BUDGET COMMITTEE



*Seated L-R: Richard "Lee" Sperry, Adrien "Sonny" Tremblay, Joe Spoerl
Standing L-R: Dian McCarthy, School Board Rep, Ruth Gage, Richard Fletcher, Goffstown
Village Water District Rep., Lisa Jukes, Vice Chairman Guy Caron, Chairman Peter Georgantas,
Shea Sennett, Mark Lemay, Selectmen's Rep., and Brian Lewis.
Members not present in photo: Bryan Fournier, Elizabeth Dubrulle, and Liz Mitchell*

The primary purpose of the Budget Committee is to prepare both the Town and School District operating budgets for recommendation to the Deliberative Session, which is the first Session of the Town Meeting under the SB2 form of government. Throughout the year, we study both the expenditures and revenues for the town and school budgets for the purpose of gaining a better understanding of the needs and wants of the community.

Budget season begins in October when the entire committee meets twice a week until mid December. The town budget was reviewed line by line with each department head and various questions were asked by the committee members. The Budget Committee also meets during this time with SAU #19 administrative officials for the purpose of reviewing the school district budget. Adjustments are made to both the town and school budgets during this review period and ultimately, the Budget Committee holds a public hearing for the purpose of hearing comments from the voters. At the conclusion of this hearing, The Budget Committee has an opportunity to make any final changes to the budget based on feedback from the public. Final budgets are sent on to the Deliberative Sessions for both the town and school district meetings. The Budget Committee either recommends or not recommends any money articles.

This year, there were again increases experienced by increasing health care cost and the loss of tuition from Dunbarton. The town side of the budget went to the deliberative session with a budget less than the default budget. The school budget is up and with the loss of revenues there will be a tax impact.

I would like to thank all of the department heads, school board members and staff that worked with the Budget Committee to complete budgets that will serve the Town of Goffstown well in the coming year. The Budget Committee requires a great deal of time and dedication, and I would like to thank them for a job well done.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Georgantas, Chair
Goffstown Budget Committee

CABLE TELEVISION COMMUNITY ACCESS COMMITTEE



*L-R: Michael Przekaza, Brad Parkhurst, Michael Przekaza,
Chairman Jason Cote, and Barbara Doody, alternate.*

Members not present in photo: David Joseph Clarke, Pam Manney, and Charles Minnich

The Cable Television Community Access Committee is a committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen to plan and govern the establishment and operation of the Goffstown Cable Television Community Access System. A full report of Goffstown Television can be found on page 128 of this report.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (CIP) COMMITTEE



*L-R: Earl Carrel, Vice Chair, Gail Labrecque, Community Representative and
Recording Secretary, and Hank Boyle, School Board Representative.*

*Members not present in photo: John Hikel, Planning Board Representative and Chairman,
Allen Brown, Selectmen's Representative, Bryan Fournier, Budget Committee
Representative, and Peter Georgantas, Community Representative.*

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

Last year the committee recommended and the Planning Board approved a CIP recommended amount of \$5,869,105. After review by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee, the voters approved \$1,240,282 for capital projects and vehicles.

The 2014 requests for both capital improvements and vehicles totaled \$5,733,320 as presented by department heads. After consideration and deliberation by the Capital Improvements Program Committee, \$5,075,160 was presented to the Planning Board and approved to be forwarded to the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

The Police Department requested three cruisers. All three remained in 2014. The Fire Department requested a new Engine #1, a new forestry vehicle and a new ambulance #3 as well as an additional \$150,000 to be placed in a capital reserve fund for future purchases. All these requests remained in 2014. The Public Works Department requested ten vehicles this year, four of them were moved out in the matrix.

The Administration Department made requests for four capital projects; one was split into two projects. The ADA lift, the Master Plan Update, and the Server Virtualization Project were all kept in 2014 while the Grasmere Town Hall re-siding and the Town Hall Revenue Collection Office were moved out to 2015. The Police Department made one request for capital projects to replace the rooftop HVAC units which was left in 2014. The Fire Department requested \$4,563,000 to fund a bond for the Fire Station Improvement Program for all three stations currently in use. This was also left in 2014. Parks and Recreation requested funds for one capital projects – the Barnard Pare Recreation complex, through recreation impact fees. This was left in 2014. Public Works requested funds for six projects, all of which were kept in 2014. The largest of the Public Works capital projects is the Road Plan at \$2,737,524 in 2014. Solid Waste made no requests; however, the bond payment for the landfill closure is in the matrix in 2014 and remains there until 2017 when it is paid off.

The Sewer Commission, Village Water Precinct and Grasmere Water Precinct are all enterprise funds and collect their revenue from users. There is no tax impact from their submissions.

The School Board has presented requests for individual items at several of the schools including portable classrooms at both elementary schools, locker replacements on the 300 wing at the high school and payments on the GAHS Renovation and Addition Bond. The proposed additions/renovations to Maple Avenue and Bartlett Elementary Schools have been put off until 2015.

Many of the items that the CIP Committee left in 2014 require special Articles in order to fund. The committee decided to let the voters decide whether to move forward with or to reject these Capital Projects at the Polls in March.

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

Respectfully submitted,
John Hikel
Chairman

CEMETERY TRUSTEES



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

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

Once again all rules and regulations were gone over by the Cemetery Trustees and adjusted and/or adapted as necessary. The Cemetery Supervisor will order new signs as soon as possible this spring at a minimal charge from the Hillsborough County Department of Correction. The Cemetery Foreman is to have the information book that is posted in the box at Westlawn updated for visitors and families who come to search for loved ones buried there. The book as it is now does not include the last decade interments. When completed, it is hoped that with the numbers mounting at Shirley Hill that an information book can be kept there also.

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

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

Again, 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, Joan Konieczny, and Linda Reynolds Naughton
Goffstown Cemetery Trustees

CONSERVATION COMMISSION



*Seated L-R: Evelyn Miller, Jean Walker, Chair, Charles Freiburger, Karen McRae
Standing L-R: Nick Campasano, Selectment's Rep., Amy Pollock, David Neiman,
and Susan Tcuker, Vice Chair.
Member not present in photo: Kimberly Peace, alternate.*

In 2013 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, writes grant proposals to obtain funds for conservation projects and works closely with local land trust. These land trust include The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) and The Piscataquog Land Conservancy (PLC).

The Commission is looking to increase recreational trail and vista on the Uncanoonuc Mountains. Work has been completed on some of the vistas of the South Mountain, with views to the White Mountains.

This year the Open Space Committee is pleased to announce that after months of cooperative efforts an easement has been placed on the Fullerton and Mahoney property. It is 38 beautiful acres, south of Snook Road. These acres are part of a drumlin and wetland complex with all types of wildlife. The overall area drains down to our aquifer recharge along the river. On either end are two of the town's prime wetlands and one in the center. This land is now preserved forever. Thank you.

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

Milfoil, an invasive aquatic plant has entered both Glen Lake and Namaske Lake with

vengeance. Goffstown community associations have been formed to establish programs to control the spread of the milfoil. The Conservation Commission is in support of these efforts. The program includes community education, herbicide treatments, and constant prevention monitoring of the lakes to eliminate new introduction of the milfoil plant.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Walker, Chairman

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



*Seated L-R: Charlie Tentas, Vice Chair, Stephen Langley, Chairman,
and John Allen Brown, Selectmen's Rep.*

*Standing L-R: Derek Horne, Town Administrator's Rep., Tim Redmond,
Andrew Cadorette, alternate, and John Hikel, Planning Board Chair*

Members not present in photo: Chris Nadeau, Planning Board Rep. and Richard Bruno, alternate

In 2013 the Board of Selectmen set economic development as a priority goal for the Town. In response the Economic Development Council (EDC) began meeting quarterly with the Board.

In May the Board and EDC met with representatives from the NH Department of Transportation to discuss the I-293 Exit 6 & 7 Planning Study. The NHDOT Planning Study was the first phase of a three phase project to address transportation needs of a 3-mile segment of I-293 extending northerly from the Granite Street interchange (Exit 5) to approximately one mile north of the NH Route 3A interchange (Exit 7) in Manchester, NH. During the planning process the Selectmen and members of the EDC expressed a desire to create a new direct connection between I-293 and Goffstown, which would provide access to Industrial Land on Goffstown Back Road. In response to this involvement NHDOT developed alternative designs to address these comments. During the next phase NHDOT will study the potential impact of a Goffstown Connector Road.

In July and August the NH Division of Economic Development provided two presentations to the Board and the EDC. The first presentation covered business services the state provides to help retain existing businesses and the second covered the type of information businesses seek when deciding to relocate or expand into a community. Both presentations generated discussion between the Board and EDC about potential improvements that can be made to promote economic development in Goffstown. These quarterly meetings will continue in 2014.

Throughout 2013 EDC worked on the ReadySetGo! Southern New Hampshire Certified

Site Program, an economic development and regional marketing program that would identify sites and buildings within the community ready for development. In October the EDC presented the concept of the certified sites program and proposed regulation changes to the Planning Board. This meeting generated a discussion on potential benefits and pitfalls. In 2014 the EDC will continue to working with the Planning Board to determine if a certified sites program is appropriate for Goffstown.

Finally, at the end of the year the EDC considered the installation of a “Welcome to Goffstown” sign along Route 114 at the Bedford-Goffstown town line. The EDC intends to install the sign using donated funds and is working towards presenting a concept of the sign in Spring 2014. In terms of other areas of the community, the Council has continued its support for the rail trail, mapping of hiking trails, and the now designated John Stark Scenic Byways, which extends through Goffstown to promote economic activity and tourism.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Langley, Chairman

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION & HERITAGE COMMISSION



L-R: Rodney Stark, alternate, Robert Mahoney, Ruth E. Gage, Chair, Lionel Coulon Corresponding Sec., Mary Sullivan Recording Sec., Philip D'Avanza, Vice Chair/Selectmen Rep., and Mark Collins. Member not present in the photo: Colleen Charest, alternate. Members are holding a piece of the stone cut to make Muster Rock.

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 2013 there were no applications for certificate of appropriateness in any of the districts.

In April the minuteman statue commissioned by the Commission was completed and delivered to the Transfer Station. The statue was stored there until the Commission was able to locate a stone to serve as the base of the monument. Paul Bedard, Jr., cut the 11 ton stone and the statue was installed in October. On Saturday, November 9th the Commission held a public unveiling and dedication ceremony for the new monument memorializing the 43 men that

mustered at Grasmere Common on April 20, 1775 before marching to Massachusetts to participate in the Battle of Bunker Hill. The unveiling and dedication was well attended by the community and concluded when the New Boston Artillery Company fired the Molly Stark Canon at Grasmere Town Hall.

The Commission is also charged with promoting a greater appreciation for the town's history and heritage. The Commission's historic marker program is a long-term effort, and the Commission has drawn up a preliminary list of historic locations for these markers and is conscientiously working to ensure that they cover all of the town's rich and varied history. In 2011 the first seven markers were installed throughout Town. The Commission worked with property owners in 2013 to finalize language for markers and will soon be installing markers marking the location of Gove House at St. Lawrence Church, the Villa Augustina, the Popcorn Stand, the Hillside Methodist Church, the Asa Pattee House at Carr Court District, and the Parker Tavern in the Parker Station District.

The HDC is actively involved with the General John Stark Scenic Byway Council, which seeks to promote historical tourism in the region. The Commission continues to sell 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 and hats, and paperweights with the town seal made in honor of the town's 250th anniversary.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruth Gage, Chairman, Goffstown Historic District Commission & Heritage Commission

PLANNING BOARD



L-R: Chris Nadeau, Mark Warden, Brian Hansen, Barbara Griffin, John Hikel, Chairman and Phillip D'Avanza, Selectmen's Rep. Members not present in photo: Richard Meaney, Vice Chair, Simone Duhamel, alternate Leah Wolczko, alternate, Calvin Pratt, alternate, Scott Callander, alternate, and Donna Pinard, alternate

As was the case last year, the Planning Board has seen fewer applications than in prior years due to the nation's economic downturn. There are still many approved subdivisions and site plans for residential and non-residential developments that have yet to be built. Additionally, there is an existing inventory of buildable house lots yet to be developed. The Planning board has seen applications for new buildings and projects, commercial signs and time extension requests of previously approved projects.

This past year, several projects were proposed and approved. The largest was a new dormitory at Saint Anselm College. Others included an AutoZone at Abingdon Square by the recently constructed Rite Aid. MB3 Contracting also received approval for a new equipment rental shop just west of the Irving Station along Mast Road.

Although unsuccessful, the Plan Pinarville project to do a master plan and SmartCode for the Pinarville area through the Community Planning Grant Program was a big undertaking that the Planning Board oversaw. While the plan and code were not adopted, many great ideas flowed out of simply going through the process. If at some point in the future a new plan is conceived for Pinarville, these ideas could be used to guide Pinarville's future. It also sparked some great participation – at levels the Town has not seen before on planning related issues. Thanks to all those who participated for their time and efforts.

This year, the Town saw a new spark of interest in the Goffstown Village Mill property. The approved a number of Conditional Use Permits to allow for proposed redevelopment and use of that property. That proposal is still moving forward.

The Board also listened to a conceptual presentation for an indoor self service storage facility on Tatro Drive. No action was taken on this by the Board as it was a conceptual plan presentation only.

Many time extension requests for approved projects were presented to the Board. Most applicants cited the poor economy and inability to obtain financing as the reasons for more time to begin their projects. All time extensions were granted.

Every year, the Planning Board oversees the organization and approval of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and the recommendation of the proposed CIP matrix to the Selectmen and the Budget Committee for inclusion in the Town's budget.

The Planning Board wishes to thank the Town staff. Every member of this Planning Board has unique experience and abilities that they willingly share during consideration of every project that comes before the Board.

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

Respectfully submitted, John Hikel, Chairman

SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE PLANNING COMMISSION



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

mandated by New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, as well as local projects which pertain more exclusively to a specific community.

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

Services performed for the Town of Goffstown during the past year are as follows. Hours listed represent work for the Town only; in projects involving multiple municipalities the total hours spent by SNHPC staff is higher. For example, 2,364 hours were spent by SNHPC staff working on the Granite State Future project for the 14 municipalities in the region; equally dividing the total hours results in 169 hours of benefits that can be attributed to the Town.

No.	Hours	Project Description
1.	169	 <p>Currently updating the SNHPC Regional Comprehensive Plan as part of a Statewide initiative to develop a vision and determine how SNHPC should plan for the future. The SNHPC Granite State Future program is referred to as Moving Southern New Hampshire Forward and involved the facilitation of both statewide and regional public visioning workshops and public outreach events to obtain public input and public participation that will guide the vision and plan that is developed for the region and the State. A regional Advisory Committee is leading the Moving Southern New Hampshire Forward program and consists of local community organizations and private institutions, as well as municipal representatives to guide the development and drafting of the regional plan;</p>
2.	108	Coordinated Gen. John Stark Scenic Byway meetings, including the marketing subcommittee; performed website updates, mapping;
3.	53	<p>Conducted surveys and prepared broadband maps showing available broadband technologies and services existing in the region and within each municipality, including facilitating Advisory Committee meetings made up of representatives and Information Technology staff from each of the 14 municipalities in the region to identify goals, objectives and recommendations for inclusion in a broadband plan for the region. This project was funded through a grant awarded to the University of New Hampshire. GIS staff worked with a contact in each town to verify broadband service availability data, as well as continuously made updates to the Regional Community Anchor Institutions maps;</p> 
4.	35	Assisted the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Geological Survey in conducting an river and stream assessment for fluvial erosion hazards within the Piscataquog Watershed;

No.	Hours	Project Description
5.	29	Updated the regional ITS Architecture to fulfill Federal requirement. The update included refinements to the ITS needs and associated services, ITS inventory, functional requirements of the ITS subsystems, interface requirements and information exchanges, interagency agreements, ITS standards, and project sequence;
6.	27	Updated the land use data using 2010 aerial imagery;
7.	19	Conducted traffic counts at 19 locations in and forwarded the data to the Town;
8.	16	Reviewed and updated New Hampshire's federal functional classification and National Highway System (NHS), and adjusted or "smoothed" the Census 2010-established urban area boundaries;
9.	14	Facilitated Advisory Committee meetings made up of representatives from each of the 14 municipalities in the region to identify and develop mutually beneficial service models to share municipal resources and pursue group purchasing to save costs. This project was funded through a grant awarded by the NH Charitable Foundation;
10.	13	Coordinated and facilitated a region wide Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Advisory Committee consisting of economic development representatives from the municipalities of Bedford, Goffstown, Hooksett, New Boston and Weare with similar representatives from all the communities located within the Central Regional Planning Commission area to develop a joint strategy and economic development plan for the region;
11.	10	Assisted the Town in the development of projects for the FY 2015 – FY 2024 Ten Year Highway Plan including attending a meeting of the Planning Board;
12.	10	Provided staff support to the Regional Trails Coordinating Council; provided meeting notes, finalized strategic plan, assisted with continued logo development/marketing;
13.	10	Compiled building permit data and certificate of occupancy permit records to record dwelling unit totals from all municipalities in the region and prepared a summary Land Use Report;
14.	9	Participated and served on the Technical Advisory Committee for the I-293 Exit 6/7 Planning Study on behalf of the Town;
15.	8	Assisted the New Hampshire Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forests in developing an interconnecting greenways and trails plan for the towns of Auburn, Bedford, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry and the City of Manchester, NH;
16.	7	Revised Developments of Regional Impact Review Guidelines for use by all communities in the region;
17.	6	Created interactive maps displaying traffic count locations and traffic volumes for Goffstown. Maps are now available on the SNHPC.org website;



No.	Hours	Project Description
18.	6	Represented the interests of the Town on the Region 8 Regional Coordination Council for the Statewide Coordination of Community Transportation Services Project;
19.	5	Analyzed NHDOT's crash database to identify high accident locations. A list of high accident locations for the community was prepared;
20.	5	 Facilitated the Southern New Hampshire Region Community Preparedness Program and provided plan updates and public service announcements for member communities;
21.	4	Provided staff assistance to Statewide Coordinating Council for Community Transportation (SCC);
22.	3.5	Supplied data for a request from the Town of Goffstown in support of the Pinarville Sustainable Community Plan and Smart Code Project;
23.	3	Participated on two subcommittees of the NH BPTAC (Bike-Ped Transportation Advisory Committee) – Outreach/Marketing and Counting, formed in October;
24.	3	Updated base maps for Goffstown. Updates included using GPS for any new roads to add them to the base maps;
25.	2	Organized and facilitated several Municipal Planners' Roundtable and Natural Resource Advisory Committee meetings for Planning Department staff and planning board members on a variety of planning topics both local and regional. These meetings were held on March 21, July 18, September 19 and December 19, 2013;
26.	2	Retained professional engineers and stormwater experts in New Hampshire to develop a GIS-based hydrologic runoff model to assess the vulnerability of existing stream crossings and culverts to severe rainfall events and storms within the Piscataquog Watershed;
27.	2	 Reached out and extended assistance to the community in promoting regional economic development, including developing and presenting the new "ReadySetGo!" certified site program to the Planning Board to promote economic growth and development in the community;

Goffstown's Representatives to the Commission

Barbara J. Griffin

Henry C. Boyle

Jo Ann Duffy

Anthony Marts – Alternate

David Pierce – Alternate

Executive Committee Member: Barbara J. Griffin

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST



L-R: Al Desruisseaux, Denise Lemay, Chair, and Christine Daniels

This past election year was much different than 2012, where there were six elections. 2013 had two elections with one in March and a special school election in December. We currently have 11,109 registered voters in Goffstown of which 20% participated in March with 1% in December. The Secretary of State's office required towns to update their street 911 listings and to eliminate duplicate voters of which we complied. Also, we continue to work on registration dates for voters transferred back in 2006, when Election Net was introduced. Although their election history was transferred, their registration dates defaulted to 1776. There were 5,000 voters that fell in this category of which 2,000 to date have been corrected. It is our goal to have the balance finished in 2014. We would like to thank the voters for their participation and patience at the polls and look forward to this coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Lemay, Chairperson
Christine Daniels and Al Desruisseaux, Supervisors

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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



*Seated L-R: Vivian Blondeau, Catherine Whooten, Chair, and Gail Labrecque, Clerk.
Standing L-R: Joseph Femino, alternate, Cathy Champagne, alternate,
Leonard Stuart, Vice Chair, Alan Yeaton, alternate, and Jo Ann Duffy.
Member not present in photo: Daniel Doucet.*

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

In 2013 the Goffstown ZBA heard 57 appeals and considered 2 requests for rehearing. The majority of variances and special exceptions requested in 2013 dealt with issues of setback requirements, accessory dwelling units, signage, lights, and poultry.

During the past year, the Goffstown Zoning Board lost the service of Edward Luppi II but gained the service of Len Stuart (Vice Chair), and re-elected Gail LaBrecque along with the appointment of two new alternates, Catherine Champagne and Alan Yeaton to form a board of 5 members and 4 alternates.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Whooten, Chairman

SEWER COMMISSION REPORT



L-R: James A. Bouchard, Chairman, Stephen R. Crean, and Catherine Whooten

The year 2013 proved to be as busy as previous years for the Goffstown Sewer Commission, with ongoing maintenance and improvements to our wastewater collection system, pump stations, and planning processes for system upgrades. The sewer extension and upgrade on Temple and Reed Streets for the benefit of the residences, begun and substantially completed in 2012, was finalized this year, including roadway paving.

Our annual maintenance program, conducted with the assistance of the Goffstown Department of Public Works, undertook the cleaning of approximately 32,335 linear feet of sewer mains and sewer manholes or approximately one-third of the total network of sewer mains. In addition, approximately 4,300 linear feet of root control was undertaken in pipe networks to eliminate root intrusion and restore pipeline capacity.

New discharges to the wastewater collection system came from a number of residences and 48 new apartment units, for added flow of approximately 20,000 gallons per day. Eight industrial pre-treatment permits for the discharge of Class III wastewater from non-residential sources were issued.

The Commission is now in the engineering design phase for upgrades to the Glenridge Street and West Side Avenue neighborhood. This residential area is supported by some of the oldest sanitary sewer piping in the entire system and is fast approaching the end of its useful service life. Engineering is being undertaken “in-house” through the Goffstown DPW and Town Engineering offices.

Historically, the wastewater collection system has seen higher discharges to the Manchester Wastewater Treatment Facility (MWWTF) during periods of wet weather. The additional discharge is directly related to Inflow and Infiltration (I & I). The Commission has worked diligently over several decades to minimize infiltration to the system through maintenance projects. However, that is only a small portion of the added flow; the most significant portion is derived from Inflow – flow from private yard basins, sump pumps, roof drains and similar storm water devices connected to a building’s sanitary service line. The Commission has maintained an active educational process through mailers, the Annual Report, and similar communications requiring the disconnection of these systems to reduce the spiking of flow during wet periods. This increase in flow means that Manchester charges the Commission and ultimately the users for treatment of clean water! To aid

in public education, an educational package describing I&I was added to the Town's website. We request that you visit the Sewer Department's website page with a reminder that these clean water sources need to be removed from the sanitary sewer line leaving your property.

The Commission contracted in 2013 for an independent study relative to our user rates. As one of three outlying communities that discharge sewer flow to the Manchester Wastewater Treatment Facility, we therefore share the burden of their routine operation and maintenance costs, as well as their capitalization for facility replacements and upgrades. As cited in previous Town reports, MWWTF is in the midst of a ten-year, \$68 million program to address 40-year-old systems that need replacement and upgrades due to age and/or new permit requirements. The rate study will assist us in long-term planning required to fund Goffstown's nearly \$3 million share. Currently, our rates appear to fall in line near or slightly below the median of those charged by other communities.

In an effort to maintain costs and rates, the Commission recently refinanced, at a substantial savings, debt service for the Mast Road Sewer Project completed in 2012. Since major components including the four pump stations are aging, the Commission continuously maintains a Capital Reserve to be able to handle replacements and upgrades to the system as they occur.

The Commission would like to thank Ms. Ellen Noyes for all her assistance as our Administrator. We also appreciate and thank the staff of the Goffstown DPW and Engineering Department, most notably Mike Yergeau, Mike Walton and Meghan Theriault who assist the Commission every day!

Respectfully submitted,
James A. Bouchard, Chairman
Stephen R. Crean, Commissioner
Catherine Whooten, Commissioner

SEWER COMMISSION BUDGET

REVENUE

2013 BUDGET 2013 ACTUALS 2014 BUDGET
(unaudited)

SEWER ADMINISTRATION

Interest & Penalties	35,046	25,351	35,046
Intergovernmental Revenue	20,042	113,128	20,042
Interest on Investments	0	410	0
Miscellaneous Revenue	0	967	0
Deferred Revenue	0	0	0
Budgetary Use of Retained Earnings	0	0	0
Subtotal	55,088	139,856	55,088

SEWER OPERATIONS

Sewer Use Charges	1,425,700	1,408,092	1,425,700
Accessibility Revenue	185,000	5,000	185,000
Special Assessment Knollcrest	0	839	0
Miscellaneous Revenue	750	1,169	750
Subtotal	1,611,450	1,415,100	1,611,450
TOTAL	\$1,666,538	\$1,554,956	\$1,666,538

EXPENDITURES

2013 BUDGET 2013 ACTUALS 2014 BUDGET
(unaudited)

SEWER ADMINISTRATION

Salaries & Benefits	62,391	62,568	164,454
Employee Development	100	0	100
Auditing Services	7,250	2,000	5,000
Legal Services	12,500	9,071	12,500
Banking Services	3,000	1,574	2,000
Contracted Services	6,600	6,800	0
Property Insurance	2,606	1,768	2,600
Postage	6,400	5,974	7,000
Office Supplies	1,500	879	1,500
Computers and Comm Equipmen	4,000	2,950	54,027
Telecommunications	600	600	600
Interest Expense	61,770	13,391	24,762
Principal Bond Expense	169,720	248,037	180,718
Subtotal	338,437	355,612	455,261

SEWER OPERATIONS

Contracted Services	90,600	97,307	0
Sewer Project Eng.	5,000	0	5,000
Maintenance Charges	4,000	3,437	4,000
Personnel Equipment	3,000	691	3,000
Maintenance & Repairs	235,000	60,934	235,000
Slope Stablization	0	0	0
Maint. Charges Vac Trk M&L	17,000	20,796	17,000
Manchester O&M Charges	900,000	592,037	950,000
Subtotal	1,254,600	775,202	1,214,000

SEWER PUMP STATION

Contracted Services	6,200	6,168	6,200
Operating Supplies	8,900	3,629	8,900
Electricity	21,750	14,322	21,750
Propane	3,000	2,488	3,000
Water	900	580	900
Telecommunications	2,000	1,609	2,000
Solid Waste Disposal	1	1,000	1
Chemical Expenses	750	0	750
Diesel Fuel	5,000	1,738	5,000
Pump Repairs	25,000	3,255	25,000
Subtotal	73,501	34,789	73,501
Sewer Enterprise Fund TOTAL	\$1,666,538	\$1,165,603	\$1,742,762

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 17, 2014

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, 2014, 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 and Clerk and Treasurer.

ARTICLE II

To elect one (1) member to the Board of Commissioners for a term of five (5) years.

ARTICLE III

To see if the Precinct will vote to accept the 2014 Budget as proposed by the Board of Commissioners and approved by the Budget Committee to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Thirty-One Thousand, Six Hundred and Ninety-One Dollars (\$631,691.00) for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE IV

To hear the reports of the various officers of the Precinct and to pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE V

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 14th day of January, 2014.

Allen D. Gamans, 2015

Henry C. Boyle, 2018

Raymond Taber, 2016

Richard Fletcher, 2014

Richard Coughlin, 2017

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2014 BUDGET

EXPENSES

	Budget 2013	YTD 2013 unaudited	Budget 2014
4130 Executive	\$ 146,260.00	\$ 142,747.01	\$ 149,900.00
salaries	\$ 146,260.00	\$ 142,747.01	\$ 149,900.00
4150 Fin. Administration	\$ 9,390.00	\$ 5,060.61	\$ 9,390.00
audit	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,500.00
bus. Supplies	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 872.22	\$ 2,400.00
office equipment	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 660.00	\$ 3,000.00
personnel supplies	\$ 400.00	\$ 440.89	\$ 400.00
safe dep box	\$ 90.00	\$ 87.50	\$ 90.00
4150 Personnel Adm	\$ 86,258.00	\$ 64,816.58	\$ 87,211.00
fica	\$ 10,863.00	\$ 11,073.57	\$ 11,500.00
health ins	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 45,697.05	\$ 65,000.00
w/c ins	\$ 1,895.00	\$ -	\$ 2,211.00
retir. Fund	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,545.96	\$ 8,000.00
unemp. Ins.	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
4194 Building Maint.	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 602.30	\$ 3,000.00
office buliding	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 271.49	\$ 1,000.00
filtration plant	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 330.81	\$ 1,000.00
wells tank	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
4196 General Ins.	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 3,757.63	\$ 4,100.00
liability/prop	\$ 3,700.00	\$ 3,557.63	\$ 3,900.00
bond	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
4153 Legal	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
4197 Adv/Reg. Assoc.	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 1,187.27	\$ 3,600.00
advertising	\$ 500.00	\$ 162.00	\$ 500.00
assn fees	\$ 500.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 500.00
license fees	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 405.27	\$ 2,000.00
meeting exp	\$ 600.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 600.00
4199 Other Gen Govt.	\$ 22,950.00	\$ 27,908.21	\$ 22,995.00
vehicle exp	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,913.99	\$ 8,000.00
office heat/elec	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,011.70	\$ 5,000.00
telephone/internet	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,470.82	\$ 4,200.00
postage	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 4,206.70	\$ 3,400.00
comp support	\$ 850.00	\$ 895.00	\$ 895.00
forestry	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
engineering	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 6,410.00	\$ 1,500.00

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2014 BUDGET

EXPENSES - cont.

	Budget 2013	YTD 2013 unaudited	Budget 2014
4332 Water Services	\$ 28,500.00	\$ 14,876.55	\$ 25,500.00
contract labor	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,812.50	\$ 4,000.00
hydrant repairs	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 400.95	\$ 3,000.00
dam repairs	\$ 9,000.00		\$ 6,000.00
service repairs	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 3,608.06	\$ 6,000.00
main repairs	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 6,278.00	\$ 1,000.00
meter repairs	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
pump repairs	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
equipment repairs	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,115.00	\$ 1,000.00
road repairs	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
new services	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 662.04	\$ 2,000.00
thawing	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00
4335 Water Treatment	\$ 76,600.00	\$ 48,733.56	\$ 66,600.00
chemicals	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 4,654.35	\$ 10,000.00
electric	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 21,992.81	\$ 28,000.00
heat	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 4,010.27	\$ 6,000.00
glenview exp.	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 2,745.95	\$ 3,600.00
supplies	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,552.97	\$ 3,000.00
water tests	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,218.00	\$ 4,000.00
mtn. laurel water	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 11,559.21	\$ 12,000.00
4326 Sewage	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 11,764.04	\$ 15,000.00
4711 Debt Service	\$ 70,170.00	\$ 70,050.00	\$ 67,350.00
bond principal	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
bond interest	\$ 10,170.00	\$ 10,050.00	\$ 7,350.00
4901 Capital Outlay/Improv.	\$ 175,672.00	\$ 159,534.77	\$ 148,145.00
contingency fund	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 17,242.00	\$ 10,000.00
capitalreplac. Septic	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 34,950.00	\$ 10,000.00
main/system upgrades	\$ 124,672.00	\$ 107,342.77	\$ 127,145.00
building improvements	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00
4902 Mach/Equipment	\$ 35,600.00	\$ 34,085.34	\$ 16,800.00
house meters	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,373.00	\$ 12,800.00
new equipment	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,526.34	\$ 4,000.00
new vehicle	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 28,186.00	\$ -
4915 Operating transfers out	\$ 10,600.00	\$ 10,600.00	\$ 10,600.00
septic	\$ 10,600.00	\$ 10,600.00	\$ 10,600.00
vehicle	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Savings tran.general		\$ 24,214.95	
TOTAL	\$ 689,000.00	\$ 619,938.82	\$ 631,691.00

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2014 BUDGET

REVENUES

	Budget 2013	YTD 2013 unaudited	Budget 2014
3402 Water Charges	\$ 517,765.00	\$ 492,089.35	\$ 517,765.00
metered water	\$ 358,190.00	\$ 332,583.90	\$ 358,190.00
flat bills	\$ 101,200.00	\$ 101,105.45	\$ 101,200.00
hydrants	\$ 58,375.00	\$ 58,400.00	\$ 58,375.00
3409 Other	\$ 92,676.00	\$ 71,283.12	\$ 92,676.00
booster station	\$ 4,176.00	\$ 6,991.62	\$ 4,176.00
3409 thawing	\$ 350.00		\$ 350.00
forestry	\$ 15,000.00		\$ 15,000.00
hyd repair	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 2,526.72	\$ 2,900.00
new services	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 1,540.00	\$ 8,000.00
on/off	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
service repair	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,206.57	\$ 2,000.00
meter repair	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00
ins .claim			\$ 1,500.00
Mtn Laurel water	\$ 26,600.00	\$ 23,378.51	\$ 26,600.00
safety grant	\$ -		\$ -
Mtn Laurel Septic	\$ 27,600.00	\$ 27,629.55	\$ 27,600.00
bond int refund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
pool fill	\$ 300.00	\$ 170.00	\$ 300.00
engineering	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
misc.	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 5,540.15	\$ 3,900.00
Savings Interest	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 106.35	\$ 1,000.00
Shared Revenue	\$ 20,520.00	\$ 21,510.00	\$ 20,250.00
3502 SUBTOTAL	\$ 631,961.00	\$ 584,988.82	\$ 631,961.00
3351			
Savings trans septic	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 34,950.00	
Sav. Transfer general	\$ 17,039.00		
3913			
TOTAL	\$ 689,000.00	\$ 619,938.82	\$ 631,691.00

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

The Grasmere Village Water Precinct enjoyed a stable year in 2013.

Keith Moore represented the Precinct with repairing water breaks, replacing hydrants, back-flow device testing, water testing, meter readings, snow removal and being on call 24/7. He is a great asset to our Precinct.

Keith, Bruce and Christine attended several workshops related to licensing.

Diane and Bruce kept the office running smoothly over the past year. Both are busier than ever with all the new requests from the State.

The Precinct has a good working team and I appreciate all they do.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christine Daniels

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

March 19, 2014

To the members of the 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 at seven [7:00 PM] o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 to act on the following articles.

ARTICLE #1 To choose a Commissioner for the years 2014-17.

ARTICLE #2 To choose a Moderator for the year 2014.

ARTICLE #3 To choose a Clerk for the year 2014.

ARTICLE #4 To choose a Treasurer for the year 2014.

ARTICLE #5 To see if the Precinct will vote to approve the budget by the Commissioners and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand One Hundred and Nine Dollars and six cents (\$198,109.06) for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE # 6 To hear the reports of the Treasurer and Clerk for the year 2013.

ARTICLE #7 To act upon any unfinished business from the previous meeting.

ARTICLE #8 To discuss and act upon any other 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 ATTEND AND SUPPORT THE PRECINCT.

Christine Daniels_____

William Swanson [RETIRED]_____

Raymond St. Pierre_____

**Commissioners of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct
Given this January 23, 2014 under our hands:**

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2014 BUDGET

EXPENSES

	2013 Budget	2013 Expenses unaudited	2014 Budget
EXECUTIVE	\$ 53,542.32	\$ 54,008.98	\$ 56,769.06
SALARIES	52,442.32	52,644.48	55,369.06
MILEAGE	1,100.00	1,364.50	1,400.00
FIN. ADMIN	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 6,043.82	\$ 6,300.00
AUDIT	4,500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	500.00	338.85	500.00
POSTAGE	800.00	704.97	800.00
POST OFFICE BOX	INCL	0.00	INCL
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	\$ 200.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 200.00
	200.00	0.00	200.00
INSURANCE			
LIABILITY/PROPERTY/WC	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,006.95	\$ 2,500.00
	2,200.00	2,006.95	2,500.00
LEGAL	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,000.00
	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
ADV./REG. ASSOC.	\$ 700.00	\$ 345.00	\$ 700.00
TRAINING	500.00	295.00	500.00
ASS.FEE	200.00	50.00	200.00
OTHER GEN/GOV	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 4,280.08	\$ 4,600.00
TELEPHONE	400.00	381.10	400.00
ELECTRIC	4,200.00	3,898.98	4,200.00
WATER SERVICES	\$ 125,340.00	\$ 100,304.21	\$ 126,040.00
MANCHESTER WW	100,000.00	81,281.53	100,000.00
SERVICE REPAIRS	1,540.00	0.00	1,540.00
CONTRACT LABOR	13,000.00	11,311.62	13,000.00
HYDRANT REPAIRS	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
METER REPAIRS	INCL	INCL	INCL
NEW SERVICES	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
WATER TESTS	1,800.00	2,424.50	2,500.00
MAINT. SUPPLIES	1,000.00	1,027.46	1,000.00
SNOW PLOWING	INCL	INCL	INCL
HYDRANT REPLACEMENT	4,000.00	4,259.10	4,000.00
BACKFLOW TESTS	INCL	INCL	INCL
TOTAL	\$ 193,382.32	\$ 166,989.04	\$ 198,109.06

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT 2014 BUDGET

	REVENUE		
	2013 BUDGET	2013 REVENUE	2014 BUDGET
		unaudited	
WATER CHARGE	\$ 180,072.32	\$ 172,025.38	\$ 193,509.06
WATER	163,827.97	152,856.67	174,339.71
FIRE PROTECTION	0.00		
HYDRANT RENTAL	19,144.35	19,144.35	19,144.35
MISC	100.00	24.36	25.00
 OTHER	 \$ 4,500.00		
HYDRANT REPAIR	1,000.00		
SERVICE REPAIR	200.00		
ON/OFF	100.00		
NEW SERVICE	3,000.00		
METER REPAIR	200.00		
 SERVICE CONTRACT	 \$ 4,900.00	 \$ 6,100.00	 \$ 3,700.00
 BACK FLOW TESTING	 \$ 910.00	 \$ 435.00	 \$ 900.00
LGC REFUND	0.00	332.03	
 SUB TOTAL	 \$ 193,382.32	 \$ 178,892.41	
 TRANSFER FROM FUND BALANCE			
 TOTAL	 \$ 193,382.32	 \$ 178,892.41	 \$ 198,109.06

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN
OFFICIAL BALLOT
MARCH 11, 2014

ARTICLE 1 - Election of Officers

SELECTMEN

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Peter Georgantas
John Burt
Write-In _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Four*
David Pierce
Elizabeth Dubrulle
David French
Pamela V. Manney
Write-In _____
Write-In _____
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Linda Reynolds Naughton
Kent H. Nolan
Dennis Sweeney
Write-In _____

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Three*
Jennifer Phillips
James Matthew Butcher
Wayne Eddy
Mike Lawler
Write-In _____
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

PLANNING BOARD

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*
Mark Warden
Phil D'Avanza
John A. Hikel
James Raymond
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

SEWER COMMISSION

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Stephen R. Crean
Write-In _____

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

For 6 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Denise Lemay
Write-In _____

TOWN CLERK

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Cathleen "Cathy" Ball
Write-In _____

TOWN MODERATOR

For 2 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Rodney L. Stark
Write-In _____

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than One*
Earl S. Carrel
Write-In _____

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

For 3 Years *Vote for not more than Two*
Alan Yeaton
Catherine Whooten
Write-In _____
Write-In _____

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 2, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Sections 6.6.1, 6.6.2, and 6.6.3 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow signs in the Industrial Zone to be 10% of the area of the wall to which they are affixed – not to exceed a cumulative maximum sign size of 100 sq. ft.? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 3, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 6.13 of the Zoning Ordinance – Temporary Signs - to change the number of days that temporary signs are permitted for each occasion from 10 days to 30 days and to change the number of occasions that temporary signs may be permitted for each calendar year from four (4) to three (3)? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 4, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 4.3 of the Zoning Ordinance – Table of Dimensional Regulations, to eliminate the Planning Board's ability to grant a Conditional Use Permit to have less front setback in the Residential – 2 and Village Commercial Districts? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 5

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 5, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 10.3.1 of the Zoning Ordinance – Conditional Use Permits Required for Telecommunications Facilities – to permit applications for collocations as defined in RSA 12-K:2, X to not require approval of a Conditional Use Permit or Site Plan, but to proceed directly to Building Permit application and review; and to require applications that constitute a “substantial modification” as defined in RSA 12-K:2, XXV, to obtain the approval of a Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan; and to require that the determination of requirements be done with the consideration of all cumulative changes to the tower since its original approval? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 6

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 6, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 3.11 Table H – Table of Principal Uses for Transportation, Communication and Utilities, and amending Section 5 – Supplemental Standards, and amending Section 7.2.5 – Table I – Parking Standards, and amending the Definitions Section of the Zoning Ordinance to allow Self Service Storage Facilities as a new principal use in the table of uses to be a permitted use in the Industrial and Commercial Industrial Flex Zone districts and in the Commercial district by Conditional Use Permit, and also instituting some applicable supplemental standards that self service storage facilities would have to follow? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 6-1-0.***

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 7, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 5.1 and the Definitions Section of the Zoning Ordinance – Accessory Buildings and Facilities, by clarifying in the section language that the rules of this section apply to buildings that have any portion of the building lying within the accessory building setback area and that the limitations do not apply to buildings that meet the underlying setback and by defining “yard” in the definitions section? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town adopt Article No.8, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 5.2.1 of the Zoning Ordinance by increasing the maximum allowable size for accessory dwelling units from six hundred fifty (650) square feet to eight hundred (800) square feet? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 9, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 3.12 of the Zoning Ordinance - Table of Accessory Uses – to allow an accessory dwelling unit to be considered a permitted use with no need to obtain a Special Exception (notwithstanding the fact that it is listed as a use permitted by Special Exception) if the lot is of a size that it meets or exceeds the buildable acreage requirement in Section 4.3 – Table of Dimensional Regulations, to allow a duplex to be built on the lot? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 5-2-0.***

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 10, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 3.12 and Section 5.5.2 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the keeping of poultry as permitted accessory uses in the Residential -1 and Residential -2 districts and that the keeping of livestock and poultry in the Town would be subject to applicable supplemental standards under Section 5.5.2 that limit these uses on non-conforming lots or on lots smaller than two acres in size? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 11, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 6.2.1 of the Zoning Ordinance – Sign Measurement – to change the way that awning signs are measured by making them measured in the same way as wall signs by eliminating the phrase “except that if the awning is lighted, the entire awning shall be considered signage, measured by the amount of wall area that is covered by the entire awning?” *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 12, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 14.7.3 of the Zoning Ordinance – Use of a non-conforming lot – to remove two conditions necessary to be met by applicants in order to apply for a Special Exception to develop a non-conforming lot, by eliminating in their entirety the two subsections 14.7.3.2 and 14.7.3.4 that require adjacent lots to have been held under separate ownership since 1961 and that require lots to be consolidated as necessary to eliminate non-conformity if under the same ownership? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 13, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending Section 6.6 and 6.7 and 3.12 of the Zoning Ordinance – to allow home occupations in existing residences within the Industrial Zone and also to allow home occupation signs to be erected for existing residences in the Commercial (C), Industrial (I), Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ), Residential Small Business Office (RSBO) and Village Commercial (VC) Districts by inserting a subsection into Section 6.6 and Section 6.7 that allows: “One sign of up to two (2) square feet in area for an approved home occupation (See Section 5.12)?” *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 14, as proposed by the Goffstown Planning Board, amending the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance, by changing the zoning of the properties identified as Tax Map 6, Lots 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-6, 1-6-1, and 1-6-2 from the Industrial (I) District to the Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ) District? *(Full-text copies of the proposed amendments may be obtained from the Planning Department and the Town Clerk's office).*

***Submitted by the Planning Board.
Recommended by the Planning Board 5-2-0.***

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 15, as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: "Shall the Town amend the Zoning Ordinance to change the zoning of all parcels that abut Mast Road to the Commercial Zone - This change shall be applied to all properties from the Manchester border to the Mast Road / Henry Bridge Road intersection on both sides of Mast Road?"

***Submitted by Petition.
Not Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 16, as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of 12 Joffre St. (Map 18, Lot 27) from Residential – 2 (R-2) to Residential Small Business Office -2 (RSBO-2)?"

***Submitted by Petition.
Not Recommended by the Planning Board 4-3-0.***

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town adopt Article No. 17, as proposed by petition by registered voters of the Town of Goffstown to amend the Zoning Ordinance as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of 75 Daniel Plummer Road (Map 16, Lot 21-2) from Residential – 2 (R-2) to Commercial(C)?"

***Submitted by Petition.
Recommended by the Planning Board 7-0-0.***

ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of four million five hundred sixty five thousand dollars (\$4,565,000) for the rehabilitation and expansion of the town's three fire stations and to authorize the issuance of not more than four million five hundred thousand dollars (\$4,500,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the Selectmen to apply for grants to offset project costs? An additional revenue amount of \$65,000 in Public Safety Impact Fees will be used toward this project. (3/5 ballot vote is required for passage.)

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0
and the Budget Committee 7-5-2.***

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Nineteen Million Five Hundred Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Five Dollars (\$19,580,945).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Nineteen Million Five Hundred Ninety Six Thousand and Sixty One Dollars (\$19,596,061), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1-0 and
Budget Committee 14-0-0.***

ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) for the purpose of reconstructing Pleasant Street Bridge sidewalk and the underlying structure, funding to come from unassigned fund balance? **No amount to be raised from taxation.** *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 8-6-0.***

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Seventy Three Thousand Dollars (\$73,000) for the purpose of reconstructing the Tyler Drive detention pond and the Maple Avenue/Smith Road treatment swale, funding to come from unassigned fund balance? **No amount to be raised from taxation.** *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 8-6-0.***

ARTICLE 22

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to replace an existing obsolete stair lift and install an ADA compliant vertical lift at Town Hall, funding to come from unassigned fund balance? **No amount to be raised from taxation.** *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 8-5-1.***

ARTICLE 23

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Thirty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars (\$34,999) for the painting and repairs to the exterior of the Public Library, funding from unassigned fund balance? **No amount to be raised from taxation.** *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

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

ARTICLE 24

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the server virtualization project at the Police Department to upgrade the servers, data storage and disaster recovery, funding from unassigned fund balance? **No amount to be raised from taxation.** *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 .
Not recommended by the Budget Committee 7-6-1.***

ARTICLE 25

Shall the Town raise and appropriate One Million Ninety Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Four Dollars (\$1,099,734) for the purchase and replacement of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus for area Fire Departments listed below contingent on a grant award of 90% of the purchase price and 10% match from each town listed below? The Town of Goffstown's match of \$25,763.07 will be funded from unassigned fund balance. **No amount to be raised from taxation.** *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

TOWN	APPROPRIATION	GRANT AMOUNT	TOWN'S MATCH
Bedford	\$211,580.65	\$190,422.59	\$21,158.07
Dunbarton	\$105,130.67	\$94,617.60	\$10,513.07
Goffstown	\$257,630.67	\$231,867.60	\$25,763.07
New Boston	\$149,130.67	\$134,217.60	\$14,913.07
Weare	\$188,130.67	\$169,317.60	\$18,813.07
Litchfield	\$188,130.67	\$169,317.60	\$18,813.07

Should any of the above towns choose not to participate at the time of the grant award, then the total appropriation and revenue will be reduced accordingly so as not to impact the Town of Goffstown's tax rate. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 14-0-0.***

ARTICLE 26

Shall the Town raise and appropriate One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 13-1-0.***

ARTICLE 27

Shall the Town raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of supporting the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc.? *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 13-0-1.***

ARTICLE 28

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of helping to support the programs of Goffstown nonprofit Crispin's House Coalition for Youth Inc., a youth drug, alcohol and suicide prevention agency? Crispin's House provides prevention programs designed to help kids make positive choices in their lives. Our programs include high school and middle school monthly Youth Forums and VolunTEENS programs, Juvenile Court Diversion, Youth Attendant Program and financial aid to families that cannot afford after school care for their children. We are a member of the Greater Manchester Regional Suicide Prevention Initiative. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 11-1-2.***

ARTICLE 29

Shall the Town raise and appropriate up to Five Thousand Fifty Dollars (\$5,050) for the purpose of supporting Goffstown Waterway Association effort to manage milfoil in Glen Lake also known as the upper portion of the Piscataquog River? The Goffstown Waterway Association (GWA) estimates the cost of beginning the milfoil management project to be \$16,750 which they plan to fund as follows: \$6,700 from the Department of Environmental Services (DES), Exotic Species Program from the State of NH; requesting donations from Enel North America (operator of the Kelly Falls Dam); and donations from Local Users of Piscataquog River, Glen and Namaske Lakes. *(This appropriation is in addition to Article 19.)*

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0-0 and
Budget Committee 10-2-0.
Submitted by Petition.***

ARTICLE 30

Shall the Town increase the safety and protect the citizens and children of Goffstown, by setting the speed limit on Tyler Drive at 25 mph from its current 30 mph limit for the street's 1,500 foot (0.3 mile) length?

***Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0-1.
Submitted by Petition.***

ARTICLE 31

Shall the Town reaffirm the existing authority of the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend unanticipated money from a State, Federal or other government unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year pursuant to RSA 31:95-b?

***Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-1.
Submitted by Petition.***

**GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICIAL BALLOT**

MARCH 11, 2014

ARTICLE 1 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

SCHOOL BOARD

For 3 Years

Vote for not more than Three

Steve Dutton

Jenelle Anne O'Brien

Heather Trzepacz

Write-In _____

Write-In _____

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 THIRTY SEVEN MILLION SIX HUNDRED NINETY TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$37,692,224.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY SEVEN MILLION TWO HUNDRED NINETY TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY THREE DOLLARS (\$37,292,833.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 7-0-0 To Recommend

The Budget Committee Voted 14-0-0 To Recommend

ARTICLE 3**Goffstown Teachers, Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the cost items included in the 2 year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2014-2015	\$528,091
2015-2016	\$394,596

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND NINETY ONE DOLLARS (\$528,091.00) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by FIFTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FOUR DOLLARS (\$15,304.00) from the Special Federal Revenue Fund with the remaining amount of FIVE HUNDRED TWELVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN DOLLARS (\$512,787.00) to be raised by taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. The first year of the CBA will have no tax impact because the District will use the 2.5% Contingency Fund. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.)

The School Board Voted 6-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 9-0-1 To Recommend

ARTICLE 4**Goffstown Support Staff, Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the cost items included in the 3 year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Educational Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2014-2015	\$117,299
2015-2016	\$214,176
2016-2017	\$246,687

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY NINE DOLLARS (\$117,299.00) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by EIGHTEEN THOUSAND SIXTY NINE DOLLARS (\$18,069.00) from the Food Service Revenues and FOUR THOUSAND, EIGHTY SIX DOLLARS (\$4,086.00) from the Special Federal Revenue Fund with the remaining amount of NINETY FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$95,144.00) to be raised by taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. The first year of the CBA will have no tax impact because the District will use the 2.5% Contingency Fund. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.)

The School Board Voted 7-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 9-0-1 To Recommend

ARTICLE 5

“Shall the school district accept the provisions of RSA 195-A:14, as amended, providing for the establishment of an area school or schools located in Goffstown to serve the following grades 7 through 12 from the school districts of Goffstown and New Boston in accordance with the provisions of the plan on file with the district clerk?” (Majority vote required.)

The School Board Voted 7-0-0 To Recommend

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT



*Seated L-R: Philip Pancoast, Vice Chair; Dian McCarthy, Chair
2nd Row L-R: Ben Hampton, Hank Boyle, Dan Cloutier, Keith Allard, Reta Chaffee
(absent) Ginny McKinnon, Suzanne Tremblay*

Throughout the past year, the Goffstown School District has continued its focus on advancing student learning through emphasis on data-driven curriculum initiatives as well as on attracting and maintaining high-quality, educational professionals.

The Board and the Administration are cognizant that funding for our schools comes from almost exclusively a residential base and have consistently demonstrated creativity and innovation coupled with frugality in running our exemplary school system. Our cost per pupil has historically been among the lowest in the state and this year is no different. At this time, there are only 12 districts out of 175 statewide with a cost per pupil lower than ours.

Conversely, our students are consistently ranking among the top 5 statewide through a variety of measures. Of particular note this year was our own Goffstown High School coming in at #4 on the 2013 US News and World Report's Best High Schools in NH list and in their top 6% nationally! This is a fabulous distinction based upon measures of college readiness, reading and math proficiency, as well as student/teacher ratios, and one for which we are very proud. Not only do we commend Principal Frank McBride, his faculty and staff for their excellent work towards this achievement, we simultaneously applaud the entire faculty and staff of SAU 19 whose work laid the foundation necessary for our students to achieve the academic success this recognition reflects.

In addition to these performance measures, Goffstown's students continue to thrive in a variety of other arenas as well. Our student athletes performed well in their respective sports demonstrating teamwork, skill and sportsmanship, with many of our teams making it to playoffs and some winning Championships. Our student organizations continued their work

developing leadership skills and through various drives, gave back to our community by donating non-perishable food items, pajamas, and books to name only a few. We are proud of our vibrant arts program whose students received both statewide AND national recognition this year. Additionally, our musical theatre team produced the Wizard of Oz that not only wowed sold out crowds through their amazing performance but enchanted the entire community as our town temporarily became the Emerald City. We express our sincerest gratitude to the Goffstown Main Street program for their work with this initiative that embodied the relationship between our schools and greater community partners in creating mutual success.

Over the last several months, the Board and Administration have been actively negotiating teacher and support staff contracts. As of now, the teachers and support staff, whose expertise, professionalism and hard work is instrumental in the achievements above, have worked for two years without contracts and therefore without a wage increase. The District and the collective bargaining units (Goffstown Education Association and Goffstown Educational Support Staff) have worked diligently this year to reach agreements on contracts and are pleased to present them to the voters on the upcoming March ballot.

The Board also developed an AREA Agreement with our neighbors in New Boston. After more than 40 years of partnership, the town of Dunbarton voted to end its relationship with Goffstown as of July 1, 2014. This created the need for Goffstown and New Boston to develop a new AREA. The communities of New Boston and Goffstown have enjoyed a long-standing relationship, and the students and families from New Boston are part of the fabric that makes our schools as vibrant as they are. We look forward to continuing that relationship for many years and are pleased to present a new AREA Agreement on the ballot in March.

While you won't see it on the March ballot, it is important to remember that our District continues to have concerns regarding space within our Elementary Schools. The residential growth throughout our town over recent decades has resulted in both Maple Avenue and Bartlett Elementary schools significantly exceeding capacity. Each has utilized portables for more than a decade to manage their population-driven space constraints, as well as creatively converted every available nook including bathrooms and closets to office and learning spaces. In response, the School Board and Administration joined with community members in developing a plan to address these issues and brought forth a Warrant Article for the renovation and expansion of both schools. This project, which was defeated in March, would have provided sufficient space to bring all classrooms and libraries into the buildings, while also allowing for appropriate Unified Arts instructional spaces and offices. The Board has developed a plan to meet these needs and will continue to look for the communities support in meeting the space needs of our elementary students and education professionals.

In closing, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Goffstown School Board for the countless hours they have worked together for the benefit of our town's students. I'd also like to thank our volunteers, parents, faculty and staff, community partners and community as a whole for their continued support of our schools. The education and success of our youth is indeed a group effort. We are lucky here in Goffstown to have the people we do coming together in support of our students. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Dian McCarthy, Chair
Goffstown School Board

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT

Brian Balke, Interim Superintendent

It is with pride and great optimism for the future that I lead the SAU 19 educational community. I am pleased to present this 2012-2013 Superintendent of Schools report on behalf of School Administrative Unit #19. SAU#19 has seen many changes during the 2012-2013 school year. Stacy Buckley resigned as Superintendent to accept a position as Superintendent of SAU#4, the Newfound School District. Jim Hunt resigned as Principal of Mountain View Middle School and Carol Thibaudeau retired as Principal of Dunbarton Elementary School.

During the 2012-2013 school year, School Board Representatives from Dunbarton, Goffstown and New Boston held a series of meetings that resulted in the successful creation of an AREA Plan document between the three school districts. The AREA Plan was approved by the State Board of Education and was subsequently rejected by the Dunbarton voters during their March 16, 2013 Town Meeting.

All SAU #19 schools continued to score well on 2012-2013 NECAP assessments and other assessment metrics. Glen Lake students showed improvement in reading and math scores. Bartlett and Maple Avenue Elementary schools showed an increase in the number of students performing in the proficient and proficient with distinction categories. The performance of Mountain View Middle School (MVMS) and Goffstown High School (GHS) students continues to be strong and above state averages. MVMS Grade 8 math students competed in the New England Mathematics League Contest and placed second for their region. Recognized by U.S. News and World Report, GHS was ranked among the top 6% of high schools nationally and the fourth best high school in the state of New Hampshire. New Boston Central School's (NBCS) overall district performance was above the state average on the 2012-2013 NECAP assessments for both reading and math. NBCS adopted the Reading Wonders program which is based on the best practices of both the reading and writing workshop models. Dunbarton Elementary's overall district performance was above the state average on the 2012-2013 NECAP assessments in both reading and writing and slightly below the state average in mathematics.

As the regional, national and world-wide economies continued to struggle, schools in Dunbarton, Goffstown and New Boston continued to provide a high-quality education at a low cost. Specifically, all SAU #19 schools have per-pupil costs well below the state average, teacher salaries that are below the state average and student assessment results that exceed the state averages. We are proud to offer a superior education at a reasonable and responsible cost. The educational return on investment remains high.

For the last 40 plus years, the communities of Dunbarton, Goffstown, and New Boston have partnered together to serve the safety, academic, social, emotional and physical needs for all of our children. Working together tirelessly has forged relationships that have positively impacted multiple generations of students, their families, and each community. Best wishes for continued success to the entire Dunbarton Community as you embark on a new journey with the Bow School District. It has been an honor to serve you. You will be missed.

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES DELIBERATIVE SESSION SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2013

Moderator James Raymond called the Deliberative Session to order at 10:17 a.m. The Goffstown High School cast of the Wizard of Oz led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 110 voters in attendance. The following counters were sworn in: Cathy Ball, Barbara French, Lionel Coulon and Mark Lemay.

Moderator Raymond: Goffstown, like other towns, rely on volunteer time to make it work. Moderator Raymond introduced the following:

School Board Members: Philip Pancoast, Chair; Dian McCarthy, Vice Chair; Keith Allard; Hank Boyle; Ginny McKinnon; Jennifer Theroux; and Sam Perron, Teacher Representative.

School Administration: Stacy Buckley, Superintendent of Schools; Mary Claire Barry, Assistant Superintendent; Raymond Labore, Business Administrator; Jim Hunt, MVMS Principal; David Bousquet, Bartlett Elementary School Principal; Suzanne Pyszka, Maple Avenue Elementary School Principal; and Leslie Doster, Glen Lake School principal.

Budget Committee Members: Peter Georgantas, Chair; Elizabeth Dubrulle; Lisa Jukes; Joe Spoerl; Lee Sperry; Bryan Fournier; Brian Lewis; Ruth Gage; Scott Gross, Board of Selectmen Representative; and Dian McCarthy, School Board Representative.

Also in attendance were Lou D'Allesandro, State Senator; Fred Plett, Assistant Moderator and Jo Ann Duffy, School District Clerk.

Ginny McKinnon presented the Dream Keeper Award. This year, the award goes to the MVMS PBIS team - Positive Behavior Intervention and Support Team. This is a new approach we have brought into MVMS this year. Brian Balke, Jessica Biron, Karen Bowden-Gurley, Leslie Brigagliano, Jenna Burns, Jessica Burton, Colleen Cassidy, Catherine Collins, P.J. Collins, Barbara French, Mary Grasset and Ken Martin. In April of 2012 a request was made to the MVMS faculty requesting interested staff to participate. Since that time, this dedicated team has brought a model to MVMS. The team received four full days of training in this model and continued to meet after school and over the summer. They created a common vision of expected student behavior. The members of the leadership have presented at faculty meetings and provided in-service training. This conviction is commendable. Through their dedication to MMVS, they have flourished and are helping to create a positive culture and climate there. This group has come forth with such enthusiasm and has engaged the entire population. They have spent a lot of their own time mentoring staff members.

There is excitement at MVMS. There is a saying about Paws Pride. The students are feeling good about their community. They started in April and by October we had reports about how engaged everybody was about this process. There are common expectations and everybody knows what they are. We have a certificate that will go to the school and the committee will be listed on the Dream Keeper Award.

Keith Allard: I would like to present the Corner Stone Award. The purpose of this award is to recognize an outstanding award for student learning. The Goffstown School District has the opportunity to recognize staff members and community members working within our schools. The Goffstown School District is pleased to present the Corner Stone Award to Gail Kenney. Gail works at the Glen Lake School. When you walk in the school she is the face of Glen Lake. They feel privileged to have her as part of their staff. Gail can be found getting a Band-Aid when the health office is vacant, passing on the principal's instructions when she is out of the building, mopping up a spill. She helps staff and volunteers with office machines. She is attuned to those around her. She doesn't do these things because she has to; she does it because she wants to. She does all of this while handling all of the responsibilities of her position. She goes about her job with grace, dedication and a smile. Her intelligence and dedication make us all look good. She is a big reason why working at Glen Lake is a pleasant place. She is truly a Corner Stone of Glen Lake School and the Goffstown School District.

Phil Pancoast: There are all kinds of reasons why people end up serving their community. They make a commitment showing up every night all year long, except for an occasional break in July. We should be grateful to everybody in the room who has done that. Jennifer Theroux has been an instrumental part of serving the community. She served on the policy committee. She took part in dealing with policies that were new and those that did not serve us any longer. Today, we have the benefit of the effort she put in serving on the elementary review process and the building committee. She also served on the Budget Committee. The Budget Committee is an enormous time commitment. Thank you for doing that and doing it really well.

Moderator Raymond explained the rules of procedure. Goffstown adopted the official ballot act, which changed the way we vote. Today we are discussing and debating to amend what we will vote on. We now vote on the second Tuesday in March. Today we are discussing articles and you may amend them. We will then move them on to the ballot. The warrant articles, as presented, will appear on the ballot. We will entertain a motion to bring the article forward for discussion. If no discussion, we will move on to the next article. If you want to speak, you need to be recognized and speak at the microphone. You have to introduce yourself. We do not allow any personal attacks. Everybody is working for the good of Goffstown. If you have questions, I will permit you to ask questions. You may pose a question and the people who have the answers may choose to answer. All questions should be addressed to the Moderator. If you want to make an amendment, you may do it orally; you also need to fill in the form and we will then act on the amendment. A secret ballot requires five votes. The other motion you may make is to restrict reconsideration. You may move that we not reconsider any action we have taken in the meeting. As we bring forward each article, I will read it quickly. The School Board will then make a motion to bring it forward. The School Board will explain it and the Budget Committee can add comments. We will then discuss it as a group.

Article 1

To choose one School District Clerk for the ensuing two years

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years

No action required.

Article 2

To see if the Goffstown School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FOURTEEN MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$14,532,000.00) (gross budget) for the purpose of construction, renovation and equipment at the Maple Avenue Elementary School and at the Bartlett Elementary School and for costs incidental and related to the foregoing purposes; and to authorize the issuance of not more than FOURTEEN MILLION ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$14,186,780.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the school district officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal THREE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS (\$345,220.00) from the Bartlett Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY SIX DOLLARS AND SEVENTY FIVE CENTS (\$271,566.75) for payment of the first year's debt service on the aforesaid bonds, such sum to be raised by taxation. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3 the Operating Budget. (3/5th majority vote required.)

The School Board voted 7-0-1 To Recommend

The Budget Committee voted 11-3-0 To Recommend

Moved by: Jennifer Theroux

2nd by: Keith Allard

Speak to: Jennifer Theroux

Jennifer Theroux: This is the second year this proposal is on the warrant. We have had some changes over the year. We bring this forward with a few changes. The price dropped because the construction company, Harvey Construction, dropped their price by about \$400,000. The interest rates have dropped a full percentage rate. This is a savings of about \$500,000. This article has been endorsed by the Budget Committee and endorsed by the School Board. The Board of Selectmen, though they did not endorse it, they have chosen not to put a bond article on the town side for a new fire station. They wanted to give the renovations committee the best opportunity to make sure this has a possibility to pass. Interest rates are low. Construction costs have dropped. The details are here in the flyer as well as on the School Board's web site: www.Goffstown.k12.nh.us. The plans are displayed out front. The plan includes new instructional space. New security will be provided. The portable units will be eliminated and the students will be placed back inside the building. Because of several years of budgets decreasing, maintenance costs have been reduced. We now have maintenance needs that need to take place. Those costs will be included in the article. I would ask you to support Article 2. Because if not now, then when.

Article 2 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Moderator Raymond introduced the members of the Board of Selectmen: David Pierce, Chairman; Scott Gross, Vice Chairman; Mark Lemay, Collis Adams and Phil D'Avanza. Larry Emerton former School District Moderator was also in attendance.

Article 3

“Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling THIRTY SEVEN MILLION THREE HUNDRED ELEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE DOLLARS (\$37,311,381.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY SIX MILLION SIX HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND NINETY ONE DOLLARS (\$36,616,091.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

The School Board voted 8-0-0 To Recommend

The Budget Committee voted 11-3-0 To Recommend

Moved by: Dian McCarthy
2nd by: Philip Pancoast
Speak to: Dian McCarthy

Dian McCarthy: This pertains to the adoption of the operating budget. It is asking to raise an operating budget of \$37,311,381. We are pleased that not only is this recommended by the School Board, but it is also recommended by the Budget Committee. The budget process starts at the building level with the principals to identify needs. We ask that they start with a zero based budget. The superintendent and staff reviews the budgets and they make adjustments. It goes back to the building and them work through and then present to the School Board. The School Board spends several meetings reviewing the budget. It then moves forward to the Budget Committee. They spent several evenings discussing the budget. The end result is being presented today. I was the Budget Committee representative. They worked very hard. This was a very open dialogue. There was a tremendous exchange of information. We need to consider our current and future needs and the common core standards coming up in 2014. We strive for excellence in the District. We saw an increase in our budget as a result of budgetary changes that have come down from the state level. We always consider the economic climate as we work through our budget. This was definitely on our minds this year. Goffstown does have a long standing history of being one of the lowest in the state of cost per pupil. There are eight districts in the state whose cost per pupil fell below Goffstown. Goffstown falls in the lowest five percent. The increases we had from the state were \$419,000 in retirement costs; they are no longer paying toward contributions. Charter School funding has decreased. We received increases in health insurance in the amount of \$153,000. We do have an allowance for Special Education tuition. This is required by IEP's. We have asked for

\$200,000 to go towards the roof at MVMS. The roof is leaking and is in need of replacement. There are new positions in the budget, based on need. These individuals are based in IEP's. We do have one special educator in the budget. This individual will help us avoid the expenses of an out of district placement. A new budget item is homeless student transportation. We need to provide transportation to students who have been displaced due to homelessness. We have budgeted \$25,000 for the track at Barnard Track. We are sharing the expense with the town budget for repair of the track. I thank you for your consideration and we ask for your support.

Elizabeth Dubrulle: The slide Dan showed with all of the increases, every item on there is required by law for the district to provide. We eliminated all new positions. All of those things must be funded whether the budget passes or not. If the budget doesn't pass, all those things will still have to be paid for out of the default budget.

Maurice Demers: The renovations seem very important. I am recommending an open house be set up for the residents so they can see for themselves.

Larry Emerton: Question on the budget under 1400, field rental, which is blank. Can somebody tell me about this? Why is it blank?

Phil Pancoast: Periodically, there are things we do to make sure dollars end up in the right places. The line you are talking about is a district line. It has been moved to the high school. The absence does not mean the category will disappear. It is still in the budget under a different line.

Article 3 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Anthony DeFranco moved to restrict reconsideration of Articles 2 and 3. Seconded by Peter Georgantas. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Article 4

To see if the school district will vote to authorize, indefinitely until rescinded, to retain year-end unassigned general funds in an amount not to exceed, in any fiscal year, 2.5 percent of the current fiscal year's net assessment, in accordance with RSA 198:4-b, II. Such fund balance retained may only be used to reduce the tax rate or for emergencies as described in RSA 32:11. In the case of emergencies, approval to expend must be sought from the NH Department of Education as required in RSA 32:11. (Majority vote required.)

The School Board voted 8-0-0 To Recommend

**Moved by: Keith Allard
2nd by: Philip Pancoast
Speak to: Keith Allard**

Keith Allard: The reserve fund will allow the District to put up to 2.5% of the yearly budget if an unreserved fund balance does exist. This could come from under spending or tuition. This is similar to the one the Board of Selectmen have had for many years. This was not an option, until the Legislature made changes in the last session. It could be used to offset the tax rate or for an

emergency situation.

Moderator Raymond asked for questions.

Peter Georgantas: How does this affect the town's revenues that they receive back from the school and how much can you accumulate?

Phil Pancoast: The opportunity is limited on a year to year basis. At the end of the year, I can't tell you what an individual Board will do. The Board will be faced with making a decision on allocating funds to place this money in a fund or returning it to the taxpayers. The Board will make a decision about what it needs and based upon unanticipated revenues and unexpended funds what it will need on an emergency basis for the following year. They need to provide a compelling reason to the Department of Education before expending these funds.

Article 4 will appear on the ballot as printed.

Article 5

“Shall the school district accept the provisions of RSA 195-A (as amended) providing for the establishment of an area school or schools located in Goffstown to serve the following grades 7 through 12 from the school districts of Goffstown and Dunbarton and New Boston in accordance with the provisions of the plan on file with the district clerk?”

Yes _____ No _____

The School Board voted 8-0-0 To Recommend

Moved by: Philip Pancoast

2nd by: Dian McCarthy

Speak to: Philip Pancoast

Philip Pancoast: The people I am about to thank have spent a great deal of time over the past several years: Betsy Holmes, Wendy Lambert, Keith Ammon, Ginny McKinnon, Dan Cloutier, Philip Pancoast, Rene Ouellet, Carl Metzger and Deb Foster. Their efforts were tireless as they sat around a table and did not always agree, but we found a way to produce an amended agreement that will be on the ballot. It will also be on the ballots of the other two districts. All three districts must pass the Area Agreement on their ballot. It is important the community supports it. The last of our communities is the community of Dunbarton. They will have two area agreements on its ballot. The Dunbarton/New Boston/Goffstown Area Agreement and the Bow/Dunbarton Area Agreement. We have had an effective marriage for 40 years. I believe we need to send a signal that we want to continue that relationship. We benefit from the students we receive and you enjoy the revenues we receive. The substantial changes in the Area Agreement over the existing agreement boiled down to one thing. The rental rate this community receives will change from 2.5% to 2%. We are returning to where we were ten years ago. That has to do with the fact that we needed to produce an agreement that was reasonable and favorable and recognize one of the communities will have an absolute choice and needed to be competitive on a price basis. There was a presentation this week that discussed the benefits of both of the districts that the Dunbarton voters will decide on. The remarkable thing is the systems and what is available at the schools is pretty similar. We are

doing a lot of the same things. There are district advantages that we offer and we offer the benefit of a 40 year relationship.

Jennifer Theroux: I had an interesting conversation with another taxpayer recently. This taxpayer said they were going to vote no for everything. I asked her to consider reconsidering her vote and share this information with other people. I want to reiterate, Dunbarton is watching and their vote is after ours. They have two area agreements on their ballot. They were at a point where they felt they needed to shop out their options. If they chose to go to Bow, it should be noted there would be a gap of revenue of about \$2 million. Our fixed costs wouldn't change. It is highly likely that our staffing requirements would be mostly unchanged, which leaves that \$2 million gap. I would ask all that consider voting no on all money articles, will reconsider voting no because that \$2 million will need to be made up somehow.

Senator Lou D'Allesandro: In the Legislative, I serve on the Finance Ways and Means Committee. I am the ranking Democrat. The revenues are stagnant. There may be a variation of one or two percent. The concern of our communities is the adequacy formula. The miscalculation was corrected. The Governor will deliver a budget message. The demands are high and the ability to address those demands depends on what is available. I thank everybody who came out and attended this meeting. I would like to see more participation. It is so important that each and every one of us express our opinion. My office is available to help. Mr. Boyle has been a truly great friend. We all felt the loss of his wife. New Hampshire is about people helping people.

Moderator Raymond: This concludes the meeting. I want to thank the School Board for their work and the Budget Committee for their work. I'd like to thank the staff for your work and the Board of Selectmen for attending. This is an important event even if we don't do that much. Your attendance is important. The Town Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 6, 2013. Make sure you vote on March 12, 2013, and try and attend the musical.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Peter Georgantas and seconded by Brad Parkhurst to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 a.m. So voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Duffy
School District Clerk

ELECTION RESULTS

GOFFSTOWN, NH SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 11, 2013

ARTICLE 1

To choose one School District Clerk for the ensuing two years

Jo Ann Duffy	1616
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To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years

Dian McCarthy	1173
Reta F. Chaffee	1168
Lorry D. Cloutier	1003
Benjamin H. Hampton	1135

ARTICLE 2

Shall the Goffstown School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FOURTEEN MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$14,532,000.00) (gross budget) for the purpose of construction, renovation and equipment at the Maple Avenue Elementary School and at the Bartlett Elementary School and for costs incidental and related to the foregoing purposes; and to authorize the issuance of not more than FOURTEEN MILLION ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$14,186,780.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the school district officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal THREE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS (\$345,220.00) from the Bartlett Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose? Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY SIX DOLLARS AND SEVENTY FIVE CENTS (\$271,566.75) for payment of the first year's debt service on the aforesaid bonds, such sum to be raised by taxation? This appropriation is in addition to Article #3 the Operating Budget. (3/5th majority vote required.)

The School Board voted 7-0-1 To Recommend

The Budget Committee voted 11-3-0 To Recommend

Yes – 1062

No - 1146

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling THIRTY SEVEN MILLION THREE HUNDRED ELEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE DOLLARS (\$37,311,381.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY SIX MILLION SIX HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND NINETY ONE DOLLARS (\$36,616,091.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only. This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

The School Board voted 8-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee voted 11-3-0 To Recommend

Yes – 1060

No – 1139

ARTICLE 4

Shall the school district vote to authorize, indefinitely until rescinded, to retain year-end unassigned general funds in an amount not to exceed, in any fiscal year, 2.5 percent of the current fiscal year's net assessment, in accordance with RSA 198:4-b, II? Such fund balance retained may only be used to reduce the tax rate or for emergencies as described in RSA 32:11. In the case of emergencies, approval to expend must be sought from the NH Department of Education as required in RSA 32:11. (Majority vote required.)

The School Board voted 8-0-0 To Recommend

Yes – 1361

No - 803

ARTICLE 5

Shall the school district accept the provisions of RSA 195-A (as amended) providing for the establishment of an area school or schools located in Goffstown to serve the following grades 7 through 12 from the school districts of Goffstown and Dunbarton and New Boston in accordance with the provisions of the plan on file with the district clerk?

The School Board voted 8-0-0 To Recommend

Yes – 1713

No - 457

2013 GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT FOR SPECIAL MEETING

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown qualified to vote in District affairs:

FIRST SESSION OF SPECIAL MEETING (DELIBERATIVE)

You are hereby notified to meet on Wednesday, October 30, 2013, at 7:00PM in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium at Goffstown High School for the first session of a special meeting of the School District, also known as the deliberative session. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of the warrant article numbered 1.

SECOND SESSION OF SPECIAL MEETING (VOTING)

You are further notified that the second session of the special meeting of the Goffstown School District shall be held on Wednesday, December 4, 2013, to vote on the warrant article from the first session by official ballot. The polls will open on December 4, 2013, at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. at the Central polling district at Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Goffstown School District will vote to approve the formation of an AREA School Planning Committee, pursuant to RSA 195-A:3, for the purposes of discussing and recommending an AREA agreement with the New Boston School District. The moderator will appoint committee members upon approval of this warrant article.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID GOFFSTOWN ON THIS 15 DAY OF OCTOBER
2013

SCHOOL BOARD:

Dian McCarthy, Chair

Philip Pancoast, Vice Chair

Daniel J. Cloutier

Benjamin H. Hampton

Henry Boyle

Keith Allard

Reta Chaffee

Virginia McKinnon

Suzanne Tremblay

**GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
DELIBERATIVE SESSION
OCTOBER 30, 2013**

PRESENT: Dian McCarthy, Chair; Philip Pancoast, Vice-Chair; Keith Allard; Hank Boyle; Reta Chaffee; Dan Cloutier; (Ginny McKinnon and Ben Hampton absent).

Also Present: James Raymond, Moderator; Jo Ann Duffy, School District Clerk; Brian Balke, Interim Superintendent; Ray Labore, Business Administrator.

Moderator James Raymond called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. There were five members of the public present.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Moderator Raymond: This is a special school district meeting. We follow the Official Ballot Act procedures. This is a Deliberative Session. The actual voting will occur on December 4, 2013 with polls set up here and at Bartlett School. We will have a motion to bring the article to the floor and then discuss it. It will go on the ballot as presented, unless amended.

A motion was made to dispel with the reading of the warrant and seconded.

H. Boyle moved, seconded by P. Pancoast to bring the article forward.

ARTICLE 1

To see if the Goffstown School District will vote to approve the formation of an AREA School Planning Committee, pursuant to RSA 195-A:3, for the purposes of discussing and recommending an AREA agreement with the New Boston School District. The moderator will appoint committee members upon approval of this warrant article.

Dian McCarthy: The Goffstown School Board has called this Special Meeting to create an area school planning committee for the purpose of discussing and recommending an AREA plan with the New Boston School District. Because the Town of Dunbarton has vote to educate their students in Bow and will no longer be part of the AREA Agreement with Goffstown and New Boston starting July of 2014, the Goffstown and New Boston School Boards must create an AREA Agreement without Dunbarton. In order for both towns to renegotiate a new AREA Agreement, Goffstown and New Boston voters must vote to create another planning committee per RSA 195-A:3.

We need the authorization from the voters to form this study committee. They will work together with the Town of New Boston to form an AREA Agreement. This article will be moved onto the Ballot for the December 4 election. The Dunbarton School District did vote to withdraw. The Town of New Boston is following this same process.

There were no questions from the public. The Article will appear on the ballot.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jo Ann Duffy, School District Clerk

**GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICIAL BALLOT
DECEMBER 4, 2013**

Official Ballot for
**GOFFSTOWN
DISTRICT MEETING
ELECTION
December 4, 2013**



Jo Ann Duffy
School District Clerk

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

1. **To vote.** Make a cross **X** in the box to the right of your choice. Do not mark more than one box. If you mark more than one box, your vote will not be counted.

Article 1

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the formation of an AREA School Planning Committee, pursuant to RSA 195-A:3, for the purposes of discussing and recommending an AREA agreement with the New Boston School District. The moderator will appoint committee members upon approval of this warrant article.

Yes

No

**SPECIAL ELECTION RESULTS
GOFFSTOWN, NH SCHOOL DISTRICT
December 4, 2013**

ARTICLE 1

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the formation of an AREA School Planning Committee, pursuant to RSA 195-A:3, for the purposes of discussing and recommending an AREA agreement with the New Boston School District. The moderator will appoint committee members upon approval of this warrant article.

Yes - 128

No - 8

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2014 WARRANT
School Deliberative Ballot Determination Meeting
February 1, 2014
The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet on Saturday, the First day of February 2014, in the Dr. Craig Hieber Auditorium, Goffstown High School at 10:00A.M. for the first session of the School District Meeting, also known as the first Deliberative Session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on Tuesday, March 11, 2014.

You are further notified to meet on Tuesday, the Eleventh day of March 2014, also known as the second session, to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls are open on March 11, 2014, at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. at the Central polling district at the Goffstown High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 1

To choose three members of the School Board for the ensuing three years

ARTICLE 2

“Shall the Goffstown School District raise and appropriate as an Operating Budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling THIRTY SEVEN MILLION SIX HUNDRED NINETY TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$37,692,224.00)? Should this Article be defeated, the Default Budget shall be THIRTY SEVEN MILLION TWO HUNDRED NINETY TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY THREE DOLLARS (\$37,292,833.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Goffstown School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised Operating Budget only.” This warrant article (the Operating Budget Article) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant articles. (Majority vote required).

The School Board Voted 7-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 14-0-0 To Recommend

ARTICLE 3

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the cost items included in the 2 year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2014-2015	\$528,091
2015-2016	\$471,065

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND NINETY ONE DOLLARS (\$528,091.00) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by FIFTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FOUR DOLLARS (\$15,304.00) from the Special Federal Revenue Fund with the remaining amount of FIVE HUNDRED TWELVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN DOLLARS (\$512,787.00) to be raised by taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.)

***The School Board Voted 6-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 10-0-4 To Recommend***

ARTICLE 4

Shall the Goffstown School District vote to approve the cost items included in the 3 year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Goffstown School Board and the Goffstown Educational Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2014-2015	\$117,299
2015-2016	\$214,176
2016-2017	\$246,687

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY NINE DOLLARS (\$117,299.00) for the 2014-2015 fiscal year; this amount to be offset by EIGHTEEN THOUSAND SIXTY NINE DOLLARS (\$18,069.00) from the Food Service Revenues and FOUR THOUSAND, EIGHTY SIX DOLLARS (\$4,086.00) from the Special Federal Revenue Fund with the remaining amount of NINETY FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR DOLLARS (\$95,144.00) to be raised by taxation for the purpose of funding the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #2 the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required.)

***The School Board Voted 7-0-0 To Recommend
The Budget Committee Voted 11-0-3 To Recommend***

ARTICLE 5

“Shall the school district accept the provisions of RSA 195-A:14, as amended, providing for the establishment of an area school or schools located in Goffstown to serve the following grades 7 through 12 from the school districts of Goffstown and New Boston in accordance with the provisions of the plan on file with the district clerk?”

Yes _____

No _____

The School Board Voted 7-0-0 To Recommend

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID GOFFSTOWN ON THIS 22nd DAY OF JANUARY 2014.

SCHOOL BOARD

- Dian McCarthy, Chair
- Philip Pancoast, Vice Chair
- Keith Allard
- Hank Boyle
- Reta Chaffee
- Daniel Cloutier
- Benjamin Hampton
- Virginia McKinnon
- Suzanne Tremblay

OCTOBER 1 PUPIL ENROLLMENT

2009-2013

School	Grade	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
BARTLETT	1	57	54	46	51	53
	2	43	51	50	43	55
	3	50	47	52	51	41
	4	41	53	43	51	51
Total - Bartlett		191	205	191	196	200
GLEN LAKE SCHOOL	Pre-School	56	48	53	58	57
	Kindergarten	110	109	127	118	118
Total - Glen Lake		166	157	180	176	175
MAPLE AVE	1	123	109	100	124	96
	2	122	128	110	101	128
	3	129	121	122	109	105
	4	102	133	129	121	110
Total - Maple Avenue		476	491	461	455	439
MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL	5	186	144	185	166	174
	6	178	193	149	184	170
	7	288	272	283	239	284
	8	305	299	281	283	245
Total - MVMS		957	908	898	872	873
GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL	9	363	364	345	340	335
	10	318	321	309	297	297
	11	287	279	292	277	278
	12	261	245	245	260	262
Total - GHS		1,229	1,209	1,191	1,174	1,172
GRAND TOTAL 2009- 2013		3,019	2,970	2,921	2,873	2,859

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013



MELANSON HEATH & COMPANY, PC
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
MANAGEMENT ADVISORS

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the School Board
Goffstown School District

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying 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, 2013, 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.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The 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; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that

are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our (1) unqualified audit opinion on each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information; and (2) qualified audit opinion on the governmental activities.

Basis for Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities

Management of the Goffstown School District has not adopted *Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)*, and accordingly has not reported the related liability and expense on the government-wide financial statements, nor has the required supplementary information or *Schedule of Funding Progress* been included in these financial statements. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the net OPEB obligation be reported which would increase liabilities and expenses and decrease net position in the government-wide financial statements. The amount by which this departure would affect the liabilities and expenses, and net position of the government-wide financial statements is not reasonably determinable.

Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph on the governmental activities, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities for Goffstown School District, as of June 30, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Opinion on Major Fund and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information for Goffstown School District, as of June 30, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Goffstown School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information appearing on page 33 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have issued our report dated December 17, 2013 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an

opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Melanson, Heath + Company P.C.

Manchester, New Hampshire
December 17, 2013

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Goffstown School District (the District), we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

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

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the 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 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.

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

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

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for gov-

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

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

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the District's own programs.

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

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

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$18,707,176 (i.e., net position), a change of \$584,525 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$4,339,566, a change of \$746,917 in comparison to the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$2,664,495, a change of \$846,859 in comparison to the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds and lease payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was \$5,706,872 a change of \$(888,093) in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years.

	<u>NET POSITION</u>	
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 5,722,563	\$ 4,741,962
Capital assets	20,112,822	21,163,999
Total assets	<u>25,835,385</u>	<u>25,905,961</u>
Long-term liabilities outstanding	4,852,773	5,706,872
Other liabilities	2,275,436	2,076,438
Total liabilities	<u>7,128,209</u>	<u>7,783,310</u>
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	14,628,876	14,793,328
Restricted	233,620	232,092
Unrestricted	3,844,680	3,097,231
Total net position	<u>\$ 18,707,176</u>	<u>\$ 18,122,651</u>

	<u>CHANGES IN NET POSITION</u>	
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 699,688	\$ 769,793
Operating grants and contributions	1,310,778	1,555,652
General revenues:		
Town assessment	19,392,009	17,495,332
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	8,163,112	7,973,448
Investment income	377	665
Tuition	6,859,113	6,976,452
Miscellaneous	39,855	46,928
Total revenues	<u>36,464,932</u>	<u>34,818,270</u>
Expenses:		
Administration	3,308,143	3,333,546
Instruction	24,226,620	23,235,385
Support services	3,713,184	3,775,357
Operation and maintenance	2,750,517	4,236,836
Transportation	1,687,376	1,626,609
Interest expense	194,567	179,216
Total expenses	<u>35,880,407</u>	<u>36,386,949</u>
Change in net position	584,525	(1,568,679)
Net position - beginning of year	<u>18,122,651</u>	<u>19,691,330</u>
Net position - end of year	<u>\$ 18,707,176</u>	<u>\$ 18,122,651</u>

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net position was \$18,707,176, a change of \$584,525 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net position \$14,628,876 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net position \$233,620 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position \$3,844,680 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$584,525. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further in Section D	\$ 701,627
Nonmajor fund activity - accrual basis	45,290
Excess of depreciation expense over principal debt service	(551,929)
Other	<u>389,537</u>
Total	<u>\$ 584,525</u>

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

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

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$4,339,566, a change of \$746,917 in comparison to the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations	\$ 701,627
Nonmajor fund activity	<u>45,290</u>
Total	<u>\$ 746,917</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$2,664,495, while total fund balance was \$3,883,020. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>6/30/13</u>	<u>6/30/12</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>% of Total General Fund Expenditures</u>
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 2,664,495	\$ 1,817,636	\$ 846,859	7.9%
Total fund balance	\$ 3,883,020	\$ 3,181,393	\$ 701,627	11.5%

The total fund balance of the general fund changed by \$701,627 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Revenues in excess of budget	\$ 536,232
Expenditures less than budget	1,378,074
Use of fund balance as a funding source	(886,181)
Expenditures of prior year encumbrances over current year encumbrances	(326,875)
Change in capital reserves	<u>377</u>
Total	<u>\$ 701,627</u>

Included in the total general fund balance is the District's capital reserve account with the following balance:

	<u>6/30/13</u>	<u>6/30/12</u>	<u>Change</u>
Bartlett Elementary School	\$ <u>350,597</u>	\$ <u>350,220</u>	\$ <u>377</u>
Total	<u>\$ 350,597</u>	<u>\$ 350,220</u>	<u>\$ 377</u>

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

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

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year end amounted to \$20,112,822 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of \$(1,051,177) from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system, improvements, and machinery and equipment.

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

Purchase of:		
Classroom equipment	\$	118,018
Flooring/carpet installation	\$	98,835
2012 Ford F250 pickup	\$	26,921
Locker installation	\$	25,910
Elementary renovation project	\$	1,369,679

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

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, total long-term debt outstanding was \$5,706,872, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

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

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

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

Office of the Business Manager
SAU #19
11 School Street
Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 2014-2015 EXPENDITURE BUDGET

Function		2012-2013 Actual	2013-2014 Appropriation	2014-2015 Proposed Budget Committee	Change from 2013-2014 Appropriation	% Change from 2013-2014 Appropriation
1100-1199	Regular Education	15,086,234	15,309,978	15,477,153	167,175	1.09%
1200-1299	Special Education	6,650,165	7,282,192	7,618,771	336,579	4.62%
1300-1399	Vocational Programs	146,120	159,650	165,150	5,500	3.45%
1410	Co-Curricular	402,132	410,343	428,814	18,471	4.50%
1420	Athletics	146,173	193,298	202,195	8,897	4.60%
1430	Summer School Programs	33,424	43,624	37,474	(6,150)	-14.10%
1490	Other Pupil Services	<u>4,547</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>6,600</u>	<u>4,600</u>	<u>230.00%</u>
1400-1499		586,276	649,265	675,083	25,818	3.98%
1600	Adult Education Programs	68,336	79,536	81,539	2,003	2.52%
1810	Field Rental	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
1600-1899		68,336	79,536	81,539	2,003	2.52%
2120	Guidance	1,134,913	1,153,182	1,149,306	(3,876)	-0.34%
2125	Guidance Records	14,026	15,755	14,495	(1,260)	-8.00%
2130	Health Services	387,075	409,997	427,311	17,314	4.22%
2150	Speech Pathology and Audio	<u>485,280</u>	<u>543,550</u>	<u>566,186</u>	<u>22,636</u>	<u>4.16%</u>
2000-2199		2,021,294	2,122,484	2,157,298	34,814	1.64%
2212	Curriculum Development	6,427	4,850	11,285	6,435	132.68%
2213	Staff Development and Training	35,437	43,400	67,000	23,600	54.38%
2222	Information Center Services	441,271	447,782	516,206	68,424	15.28%
2223	Audio-Visual Services	10,383	3,300	3,600	300	9.09%
2224	Educational TV	0	0	0	0	
2290	Technical Support Services	<u>173,152</u>	<u>182,447</u>	<u>183,907</u>	<u>1,460</u>	<u>0.80%</u>
2200-2299		666,670	681,779	781,998	100,219	14.70%
2311	School Board	79,147	46,921	50,602	3,681	7.85%
2313	Treasurer	1,637	1,879	1,905	26	1.38%
2314	District Meeting	3,812	4,478	4,506	28	0.63%
2317	Audit Services	9,500	9,500	10,500	1,000	10.53%
2318	Legal Services	<u>28,433</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>22,500</u>	<u>(2,500)</u>	<u>-10.00%</u>
2310-2319		122,529	87,778	90,013	2,235	2.55%
2321	SAU Services	1,123,584	1,075,102	1,286,506	211,404	19.66%

Function		2012-2013 Actual	2013-2014 Appropriation	2014-2015 Proposed Budget Committee	Change from 2013-2014 Appropriation	% Change from 2013-2014 Appropriation
2410	Administration	2,040,530	2,190,367	2,214,198	23,831	1.09%
2490	Other Student Support Services	<u>18,960</u>	<u>19,248</u>	<u>25,481</u>	<u>6,233</u>	<u>32.38%</u>
2400-2499		2,059,490	2,209,615	2,239,679	30,064	1.36%
2519	Other Fiscal Services	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
2620	Building Operations	3,037,493	2,872,632	2,971,150	98,518	3.43%
2630	Care and Upkeep of Grounds	72,553	29,400	35,700	6,300	21.43%
2640	Equipment Maintenance	<u>4,000</u>	<u>6,300</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>3,200</u>	<u>50.79%</u>
2600-2699		3,114,046	2,908,332	3,016,350	108,018	3.71%
2721	Transportation	1,034,999	1,087,446	1,146,879	59,433	5.47%
2722	Special Needs Transporta- tion	567,540	635,149	640,189	5,040	0.79%
2723	Skills Center Transportation	61,605	35,883	35,882	(1)	0.00%
2724	Athletic Program Transportation	70,390	68,520	69,020	500	0.73%
2725	Field Trip Transportation	8,255	8,150	12,450	4,300	52.76%
2790	Other Transportation	<u>29,540</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>12,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>25.00%</u>
2700-2799		1,772,329	1,845,148	1,916,920	71,772	3.89%
2800	Other Professional Services	0	1,430	1,490	60	4.20%
2834	GESS Course Reimbursement	<u>8,567</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
2800-2999		8,567	10,930	10,990	60	0.55%
4200	Site Improvement	0	0	0	0	
5110	Debt Service - Principal	640,000	625,000	620,000	(5,000)	-0.80%
5120	Debt Service - Interest	197,100	182,700	162,300	(20,400)	-11.17%
5251	Transfer to Capital Reserve	0	0	0	0	
5222	Transfer to Spec Rev Funds	510	0	0	0	
	Total General Fund	34,264,750	35,230,989	36,301,250	1,070,261	3.04%
Fund 21	Food Service Fund	970,536	1,097,520	1,066,006	(31,514)	-2.87%
Fund 22	Federal Grants Fund	900,248	287,582	324,968	37,386	13.00%
Fund 30	Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	0	
Total Goffstown School District			<u>36,616,091</u>	<u>37,692,224</u>	<u>1,076,133</u>	<u>2.94%</u>

* Note:

- The proposed fiscal year 2014 - 2015 column equals the MS-27 operating budget posted with the warrant.

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

PROJECTED REVENUES 2014-2015

	2012 - 2014 Approved MS-24	2013 - 2014 Approved MS-24	2014 - 2015 Proposed by School Board Revenues
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			
Adequacy Grant	7,123,509	6,828,547	6,586,628
School Building Aid	397,939	393,341	373,674
Kindergarten Construction Aid	-	-	-
Area Vocational School Transportation Aid	-	-	-
Kindergarten Bridging Aid	-	-	-
Catastrophic Aid	302,308	313,843	285,000
Child Nutrition	10,427	10,450	10,450
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			
Grant Programs	319,536	287,582	324,968
DOE / EdJobs Funding	-	-	-
Child Nutrition Programs	195,000	175,500	175,500
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES			
Tuition	6,580,000	5,975,000	5,991,300
Driver Education Program Receipts	-	-	-
Earnings on Investments	500	500	500
Food Service	780,255	775,000	873,000
Medicaid	120,000	120,000	200,000
School Impact Fees	-	-	-
Other Income	-	-	-
SUBTOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	15,829,474	14,879,763	14,821,020
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Sale of Bonds			
Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds			
GENERAL FUND BALANCE			
Reserved Fund Balance			
Unreserved Fund Balance	960,681	426,056	-
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	16,790,155	15,305,819	14,821,020
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	16,174,883	18,144,294	19,705,226
STATE ASSESSMENT	3,217,126	3,165,978	3,165,978
APPROPRIATION	36,182,164	36,616,091	37,692,224

Notes:

- FY 2014-2015 appropriation number equals the School Board and Budget Committee's Operating Budget
- Projected revenues are estimates and are subject to change.
- Fiscal year 2014-2015 Total Appropriation is prior to any individual or special warrant articles / GESS & GEA Contracts

GOFFSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

DEBT SCHEDULE

AS OF JUNE 30, 2013

Years remaining on Goffstown School District's general obligation bonds.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
2013-14	625,000.00	182,700.00	807,700.00
2014-15	620,000.00	162,300.00	782,300.00
2015-16	615,000.00	138,700.00	753,700.00
2016-17	605,000.00	118,425.00	723,425.00
2017-18	590,000.00	101,463.00	691,463.00
2018-19	580,000.00	81,975.00	661,975.00
2019-20	570,000.00	58,974.00	628,974.00
2020-21	565,000.00	36,275.00	601,275.00
2021-22	555,000.00	12,488.00	567,488.00
Total Outstanding Bonds	<u>\$5,325,000.00</u>	<u>\$893,300.00</u>	<u>\$6,218,300.00</u>

<u>Bond</u>	<u>Last Payment</u>	<u>Principal Balance</u>	<u>Interest Balance</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
GHS Renovation/Addition	7/15/2021	5,325,000.00	893,300.00	6,218,300.00
Total Outstanding Bonds		<u>\$5,325,000.00</u>	<u>\$893,300.00</u>	<u>\$6,218,300.00</u>

*Notes:

- The Goffstown High School Renovation Bond was refunded in November 2010 resulting in a savings of \$580,044 in interest cost over the life of the Bond.

GLEN LAKE SCHOOL

Leslie T. Doster, Principal

You can teach a student a lesson for a day; but if you can teach him to learn by creating curiosity, he will continue the learning process as long as he lives.

~Clay P. Bedford

Glen Lake School has three broad goals that provide the framework and guidance for all we do. Our first goal is to prepare each child for success in 1st grade. Our second goal is to foster in each child a lifelong love of learning, and our third goal is to provide a developmentally appropriate, nurturing learning environment that sparks a child's belief that school is a wonderful place. Through the efforts of staff, administrators, families and the community Glen Lake School is moving ever closer to reaching these goals.

2012-2013 was the third year of implementation for *Reading Street*, our core reading program. Teachers were very interested in comparing student performance before and after *Reading Street*, and the decision was made to administer the Developmental Reading Assessment or DRA in June 2012. Teachers were then able to compare these scores with our students' DRA scores from June 2009. In June 2009, when *Reading Street* had not yet been implemented, 70% of students scored below DRA level 4, or below the typical 1st grade level. However, in June 2012, among students who were instructed using *Reading Street*, only 15% scored below DRA level 4, a dramatic improvement in literacy achievement. Clearly, the use of a scientifically based, core reading program has been a giant step toward Glen Lake's first goal of preparing each child for success in 1st grade.

Goals two and three were further addressed in 2012-2013 through the exciting books and materials in both *Reading Street* and *Everyday Mathematics*, the staples of our curriculum. This material coupled with the skillful instruction of our teachers is a young child's dream. Stories spring to life with vivid pictures and exciting vocabulary. Math is authentic, hands on and manipulable. Activities are developmentally appropriate and peak a child's natural curiosity about the world around him. To add to the students' excitement Glen Lake began the school year with four new student computers for each kindergarten classroom as well as a 20-unit iPad cart to be shared among the classrooms. Teachers spent the year involved in professional development to hone their technology skills and student instruction rose to a whole new level. Without a doubt Glen Lake School is a wonderful place that opens the doors to exploration and learning for our 3 to 6 year olds.

Further enhancing the developmentally appropriate, nurturing learning environment at Glen Lake School is our commitment to our school constitution Three simple rules guide the actions of all students and staff: Be Safe, Be Kind and Take Care of Our Things. Adherence to these simple rules has created a calm, welcoming environment that enhances and advances student learning.

In 2012-2013 as always Glen Lake School recognized parents as full partners in their child's education. In order to enhance the home and school relationship, the staff provided the following curriculum-oriented family events. Before the first day of school in September, the staff welcomed all families with an Open House. In late September each classroom hosted a Parent Information Night focusing on curriculum and instruction. In November Glen Lake held a Family Math and Science Night, which was attended by over 300 people. In December parents attended

parent-teacher conferences, and in January we had another fantastic turn out for Family Literacy Night. In May staff welcomed incoming kindergarten parents with a kindergarten orientation evening and in June we celebrated with our families as we prepared to transition their children to new classrooms and new schools. During 2012-2013 parents supported the school by working as volunteers at the Fall and Harvest Theme Day in October, the Winter Wonderland Theme Day in December and Field Day in June. Parents provided additional support throughout the year as office volunteers preparing instructional materials for the classrooms. Glen Lake School Partnership, our parent group, provided financial support by purchasing classroom supplies and equipment, student snacks on special theme days, and by bringing assemblies to the school to enrich instruction. Behind every child who is successful in school is a team of committed educators and involved parents. At Glen Lake School we have the best of both!

BARTLETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

David A. Bousquet, Principal

Educator Jacques Barzun wrote, “In teaching you cannot see the fruit of a day’s work. It is invisible and remains so, maybe for twenty years.” At Bartlett Elementary School we provide an excellent foundation for every student to grow throughout his or her school years and into their adult years. Because of its small size, Bartlett provides a close, caring environment where everyone works together for the students’ academic and social growth.

Bartlett Elementary School opened in September with 195 students and several additions to our staff. We were very excited to have the following people join our dedicated staff this year:

Catherine Whitney – School Nurse

Justin Campbell– Music

Brett Wilcox - PE Teacher

Michelle Marzelli – ESOL Teacher

Bartlett Elementary School’s goals for the school year were:

1. To use a systematic, data-driven, multi-tiered instructional model that increases the capacity to educate all students resulting in increased achievement in literacy and math.
2. To carry out a proactive process that improves social, behavioral, and academic outcomes through positive, preventative strategies, collaborative teaming and data-based decision making for the school-wide community.

In order to meet these goals, the *Reading Street* and *Everyday Mathematics* programs were used as our core instructional programs and *My Sidewalks* and *Number Worlds* as our intervention programs. Ninety minute uninterrupted instructional blocks were implemented for both reading and math. Before and afterschool tutorial sessions were provided to give additional academic support. The Second Step program, which deals with conflict resolution, was taught in every classroom. PBIS continued to be the core behavioral system used throughout the school. Bartlett students and staff are taught what it means to be respectful, be responsible, and be safe throughout the school. Behavioral expectations are modeled and explained to the students at monthly all-school meetings. Children who are “caught” displaying these targeted positive behaviors are recognized with a special PBIS sticker. This year students were able to win the Golden Tray and Golden Sneaker Awards for good lunchroom and recess behavior. The school will continue its ongoing focus on behavioral expectations of all students and also focus on students who are at-risk or have chronic discipline issues.

Throughout the year, on-going assessments of student learning was collected to provide insight on student learning and to drive instruction. By reviewing the data, we saw growth in the areas of both literacy and mathematics. We are pleased to note that Bartlett Elementary School's results on the October 2012 NECAP assessment showed notable improvements. Our students made Annual Yearly Progress in both reading and math for the whole school and each subgroup, except the special education subgroup in math. Below are Bartlett's NECAP Scaled Scores compared to the average for the state.

Grade/Subject	Bartlett Score	State Score
3 - Reading	351	348
3 - Math	347	346
4 - Reading	452	448
4 - Math	451	448

Throughout the year, many events and programs took place at Bartlett Elementary School in order to provide a well-rounded education to our students. Some of these activities included monthly All-School Meetings, the Student Council, a Turkey Walk for food donations to the Goffstown Food Network, Grandparents' Lunch, Kids Voting, Dr. Seuss' Birthday, Science Fair, Memorial Day Program, and Field Day at the Sarette Fields. Also, every student and staff member received a copy of the novel, *Tales of Desperaux* as part of our schoolwide reading incentive program.

The school year ended with the retirement of teacher Mary Starvish. Mary dedicated fourteen years to the Bartlett community as a Reading Specialist and first grade teacher. In her honor, the staff at Bartlett Elementary decided to start The Mrs. Starvish Literacy Award. Each year a student who shows exceptional growth in reading will be recognized and his/her name will be added to the plaque in the school lobby. This was our way to thank Mrs. Starvish for all she did to help develop reading and literacy skills at our school. Her dedication and support to Bartlett will be greatly missed.

Because of its dedicated, caring, and professional staff and the support from our families and the community, positive things continue to happen at Bartlett. I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard to help make us a wonderful learning community for our students.

MAPLE AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Suzanne Pyszka, Principal

"A Community of Active Learners"

In the 2012-2013 school year, Maple Avenue Elementary School focused on fine-tuning and implementing our school's vision statement, "Maple Avenue is a place where understanding and compassion are cultivated. We use each day to make a positive difference in the lives of children, parents, staff, and the community. By working collaboratively, we strive to create life-long, self-directed learners. At our school, students learn and grow in an environment where they feel happy, safe, and valued."

The *Reading Street* Core Reading Program was in full implementation and in year three of the program. Program implementation ensured that the staff at Maple Avenue were providing students with consistent Tier I instruction, monitoring progress through data analysis, and having the ability to make data-informed decisions to meet the needs of all students. All parents had access to on-line *Reading Street* program materials, including the Main Selection and Leveled Readers that were used in the classroom for instruction. A core group of staff was introduced to Close Reading Strategies and began piloting this approach to literacy in their classrooms.

Maple Avenue teachers participated in on-going professional development on the revision of the *Everyday Mathematics* program, focusing on the eSuite component and Assessment Differentiation System (ADS) program. All students in grades 1 through 4 continued to be assessed in the area of mathematics at the end of each unit, mid-year, and at the end of the year. The District Math Committee focused on math fact practice, small group instruction, and developed a pacing calendar to support implementation across grades.

The Behavior Committee continued to monitor and revise the behavior matrix; a document that outlined expected behaviors in areas such as bathrooms, hallways, and assemblies. The matrix was aligned with the school-wide expectations: safety, respect, and responsibility. Posters promoting positive behavior were created by 3rd and 4th grade students and hung on the walls in the hallways, gym, cafeteria, and bathrooms. There was also a focus on identifying at-risk students and developing appropriate interventions to meet their needs through the Response to Intervention (RTI) process.

The Maple Avenue Student Council continued to lead the student body in making a positive impact in their community by collecting 1,300 items for the Goffstown Food Pantry. They also participated in the Warmth from the Millyard clothing drive, which collected 286 pairs of pajamas that were donated to children in need. In January, they collected pet supplies that were donated to the Friends of the Manchester Animal Shelter. The Student Council also promoted school spirit by organizing school spirit days such a pajama day and twin day.

Thank you to Maple Avenue's Parent/Faculty Together (PFT) group who not only provided financial support for student field trips, projects, and special events, but also provided thousands of hours of donated time that benefitted Maple Avenue students.

MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL
ACCREDITED MEMBER OF
THE NEW ENGLAND ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES
Wendy Hastings, Principal

The 2012-2013 school year at Mountain View Middle School (MVMS) continued to be a year dedicated to elevating student achievement- one of our primary missions. MVMS standardized assessment results provided our community with concrete feedback that we have indeed advanced student academic performance in the key areas of mathematics and language arts.

In addition to standardized assessments, MVMS students demonstrated their outstanding mathematics ability for a fourth consecutive year in the New England Mathematics League Math Contest. The 8th grade students placed 2nd in our region (Carroll, Cheshire, Grafton, Hillsborough, Merrimack, and Rockingham) with a team score of 120 points.

This year, MVMS adopted Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS). This school-wide initiative encourages a consistent, positive climate across all classroom setting focusing on the components of “Paws Pride”: Respect, Responsibility, Community and Pride. This program is a proactive systems approach to establishing the behavioral supports and social culture for all students to have the opportunity to achieve social, emotional and academic success

- Throughout the 2012-2013 School Year, our talented MVMS students demonstrated individual, ensemble, and team distinctive accomplishments including:
- Geography Bee Winner: Colin Mowen
- Spelling Bee Winner: Madeline Short
- Various Community fundraisers including the canned food drive, families in transition and \$855 dollars raised for the Liberty House
- Destination Imagination: 3rd place
- Grade 6-8 Hockey Club won the Martian League Championship
- Grades 7/8 Grade Chorus and Orchestra received an “A” rating at the NHMEA Large Group Music Festival
- Jakob Britton-Doucette, Meghan Cramb, Lucas Jones and Ellis Hatch were selected to perform with the NHMEA Middle School District Festival Band
- Madeline Keith, Casey Dalton, Emily Lescatre, Isabel Hills were selected to perform with the NHMEA Middle School District Festival Chorus.
- Five out of our 7 Athletic Teams were in the Tri-County League Playoffs
- Girls Cross Country Team finished 3rd place in the State
- Boys Soccer “B” Team: Runner-up in the Division Playoffs

The accomplishments outlined above reflect the hard-work and dedication of our remarkable staff working with our students to help nurture them and challenge them to work hard and “dream big”.

GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Francis J. McBride, Principal

U.S. News and World Report named Goffstown High School the fourth best high school in the state of New Hampshire and in the top 6% nationally. U.S. News analyzed 21,035 public high schools in 49 states and the District of Columbia, and Goffstown High School ranked 1,215th. A three-step process determined the Best High Schools. The first two steps used performance on state proficiency tests as benchmarks to ensure that GHS meets the needs of all students and the third step assessed how well students are prepared for college-level work.



In addition to our U.S. News and World Report recognition, Goffstown High School students earned numerous accolades and awards. I will share a few of the highlights:

- GHS Musician Stuart Goldstein received the highest score in the state for viola at the All-State competition.
- Jessica Wallace was awarded a gold medal in the National Scholastic Art Award program for her digital drawing “The Last Train Home”. This category had nearly 10,000 entries and is one of the most competitive categories of this prestigious nationally recognized competition.
- Two GHS students took home Winter Track Division II State Championships: Michele Tremblay – 300 meter and Brooke Simmons – Long Jump.
- Three GHS students took home Division II Wrestling State Championships: Connor Bourque, Jacob Nault and Peter Shea.
- Michele Tremblay was named First Team All-State and All New England in Girls Soccer.

Thank you to the Goffstown community for your support of the GHS Performing Arts production of “The Wizard of Oz.” Special thanks to Robbie Grady, the Goffstown Main Street Program, and the business community. It is undeniable that the collaborative efforts between Goffstown High School staff and students, area businesses and non-profits, the Main Street Program and the library went a long way toward our success.

Thank you all for your continued support of the great and important work occurring at Goffstown High School. Your continued commitment to providing us the resources to maintain and surpass our current level of success is appreciated. I can promise you that we will continue to provide quality educational opportunities for our students while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

I feel fortunate and proud to be a part of Goffstown High School during this very successful period.

SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING PROGRAM

SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING PROGRAM:

- GLASS - Clear, brown and green should be rinsed clean.
- ALUMINUM, TIN and STEEL CANS should be rinsed clean.
- PLASTIC should be rinsed clean. ALL PLASTICS MUST HAVE: the recycling symbol and the #1-#7 clearly marked on the item to be recycled.
- ASEPTIC PACKAGING such as juice boxes and milk completely emptied and rinsed if possible.
- CORRUGATED CARDBOARD should be flattened inside the recycling barrel. Corrugated cardboard consists of cardboard where the center layer is ridged.
- MIXED PAPER such as junk mail, magazines, newspaper, cartons and office paper are accepted. As a general rule “if it tears, it’s paper” and can be recycled. Packages partially comprised of foil, blueprints, and food soiled paper (such as napkins and paper plates) are excluded.

Please do not place food waste, cigarette butts, or personal hygiene products in the Blue Recycling Tote. Plastic bags should not be used.

TRANSFER STATION DROP-OFF PROGRAM:

- TEXTILES should be clean, dry and bagged.
- LEAVES must be removed from plastic bags and placed in the compost pile.
- BRUSH is limited to no larger than 5” in diameter.
- SCRAP METALS such as appliances, bikes, etc. are accepted.
- DRY CELL (HOUSEHOLD) BATTERIES including Ni-Cd, Lithium, Alkaline and other rechargeable batteries are accepted.
- WET-CELL BATTERIES such as automotive batteries are accepted, providing the cases are not broken.
- LEAD SINKERS, WASTE OIL, ANTI-FREEZE, and FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS are accepted.
- There are fees for disposal of: TIRES, PROPANE TANKS, COMPUTERS, MONITORS, TELEVISION SETS, OVERSIZED BULK WASTE (OBW), FREON BEARING APPLIANCES (FBA’S), MATTRESSES and BOX SPRINGS.
- There are fees for disposal of: CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION DEBRIS including painted lumber, windows, doors, asphalt roofing materials, sheet rock, etc.
- HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE is accepted by appointment.

Please contact the Transfer Station for a complete listing of fees and acceptable items (497-4824).

TRANSFER STATION SCHEDULE:

The transfer station is open Tuesday through Saturday, 7:30 am to 3 pm. The Transfer Station holiday schedule can be found at the following web link: <http://www.goffstown.com/information.html>

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to call 497-4824.

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

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

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

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

GOFFSTOWN TELEPHONE DIRECTORY
EMERGENCY

FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICE	911
POLICE	911
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND POISON CENTER	800-222-1222

TOWN HALL 497-8990

Admin/Selectmen	Ext. 100	Planning	117
Assessor	112	Sewer	116
Building	114	Tax Collector	110
Finance	104	Town Clerk	107

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Fire (Church St. – Station 18)	497-3619	Police	497-4858
Fire (Pinardville – Station 19)	622-6713	Public Works	497-3617
Library	497-2102	Transfer Station	497-4824
Parks & Recreation	497-3003		

SCHOOLS

Glen Lake School	497-3550	Mt. View Middle	497-8288
Bartlett Elementary	497-2210	Goffstown High	497-4841
Maple Ave. Elem.	497-3330	SAU #19 Admin.	497-4818

VILLAGE DISTRICTS

Goffstown Water	497-3621	Grasmere Water	497-8346
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