

ANNUAL REPORT TOWN OF GROTON



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013

Dedication of the Town Report

In keeping with the practice started in 2012, the Select Board has chosen to dedicate the 2013 Town Report to James “Jimmy” J. Albert. Jimmy was born and raised in Groton, NH, living here the majority of his 81 years. At the age of 17, Jimmy enlisted in the US Army and served for nine (9) years. While serving, he became a Jumpmaster in the 101st Airborne Division. This division was activated on August 16, 1942. Throughout its 70-year history, the Division has amassed a proud record, in both war and peace, unmatched by any other unit.

When Jimmy returned home, he started his own logging business. His family and friends say that this was his passion. He loved to raise and work with his own draft horses. This passion brought him to love horse pulling competitions as well.

Jimmy also held many key positions in the Town of Groton. He was on the Select Board for approximately 14 years during the time frame of 1977 to 1986 and 1994 to 1999. He handled a number of issues while on the Board, such as road maintenance concerns and school budget concerns. These same issues still exist today. He acted as the Chief of Police, the Road Agent, Deputy Fire Warden, and was also the Town Moderator. Jimmy had a wealth of knowledge to share with the Town throughout the years.

Jimmy passed away on Thursday, April 25, 2013 after a 2 ½ year battle with leukemia. Even throughout that battle, he continued to vote and keep the Town in his thoughts. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Bonnie Albert and four children as well as grandchildren, great-grandchildren and siblings. Hopefully you had an opportunity to talk to Jimmy. He was an honest and caring person, who put himself fully into whatever he did. He had a lot of experiences to share and will truly be missed. Groton was fortunate to have had such a hardworking man looking out for the Town all those years.



*James J. Albert
July 26, 1931-April 25, 2013*



Annual Report

of the Officers of the



(Incorporated December 7, 1796)

New Hampshire
Year Ending December 31, 2013

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Elected Town Officials as of December 31, 2013

Select Board Kyle Andrews 2014 Christina Goodwin 2016 Miles Sinclair 2015	Moderator Lou Lieto 2014
Treasurer Darlene Andrews 2014	Trustees of the Trust Fund Alison Bagley 2015 Michele Escobar 2014 Chuck Stata 2016
Town Clerk/Tax Collector Laura Hauser 2015	Library Trustees Marilyn Lieto 2015 Paula Stata 2014 Pamela Yinger 2014
Planning Board Jennifer Burnett 2016 Russell Carruth 2014 Deb Johnson 2014 Dave LaBar 2015 Celine Richer 2016 Stephen "Slim" Spafford 2015 Forest Blake (Alternate) Sharon Nelson (Alternate) Miles Sinclair (Select Board Liaison)	Zoning Board Helen Martyszyn 2015 Ken Gould 2014 Frank Grelle 2014 Glen Hansen 2016 Jiri Hajek 2014 Chuck Stata (Alternate)
Road Agent Glen Hansen 2016	Local Auditor Tammy Drolet 2014
Cemetery Trustees Pamela Hamel 2015 Christina Goodwin 2016 Sharon Nelson 2014	Supervisors of the Checklist Pamela Hamel 2016 Paula Stata 2014

Appointed Town Officials/Employees as of Dec. 31, 2013

Administrative Assistant	Health Officer
Pamela Hamel	Chuck Stata
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Deputy Treasurer
Ann Joyce	Paula Stata
Police Chief	Fire Chief/Fire Warden
Joseph Pivirotto	Roger Thompson
Police Officers	Deputy Wardens
EJ Thompson Andrew Newcomb	Bill Oakley Edward Smith Joe Pivirotto Norm Willey
Emergency Management Director	Deputy EMD
Roger Thompson	Glen Hansen
Transfer Station Superintendent	Transfer Station Attendants
Joe Koslow	George Evirs
Ballot Clerks	Road Agent Assistants
Judy Demers Bonnie Lane Helen Santoro	Robert Ellis Ron Madan Shannon Perkins
Janitorial	
Vickie Kimball	

Letter from the Groton Select Board

2013 has wound to a halt and taken its place amongst past years in the history of Groton. Like most years, it was not without its challenges.

Decisions made at the March 2013 Town Meeting resulted in significant reconstruction of an approximately 1,300 foot section of North Groton Road. This section was recommended to the Select Board by the Groton Road Committee. The project specifications needed to be adjusted modestly in order to keep the total cost within budget. The Board was pleased with the work performed by the contractor, D.A. White Excavating, LLC.

Efforts to construct a fire escape for the second floor of the Town House were derailed after the quoting contractor went back to work for his former employer and all submitted bids came in well beyond the funds allocated by the warrant article.

The purchase of land for the Jenny Decoste Smith Annex to the River Road Cemetery and construction of its access way were completed.

The Town House was repainted well under budget and repairs were made to the Transfer Station roof.

Repairs to the Salt Shed at the Highway Garage needed to be pared downward to stay within budget and were completed as well.

The former crossing to the Conservation land and Town Pond was removed and a new bridge constructed at a height that should preclude significant damage from future flooding.

As a result of discussions at the end of last year's Town Meeting, the Kimball Hill Property Acquisition Committee was formed to explore the possibility of the Town purchasing some, none or all of the approximately 2,730 acres owned by

Timbervest for conservation, recreation, Town Forest or any other purposes deemed appropriate by the townspeople. These parcels are currently in the process of being appraised to determine their fair market value, which will be used in the process of negotiating a potential purchase and sales agreement subject to the ultimate approval of the registered voters of the Town.

A lengthy and contentious process surrounded an application for Site Plan Review by EDP Renewables, seeking to erect a meteorological tower on lands owned by Maxam Northeast off Hardy Country Road. An ultimate approval of Site Plan Review subject to enumerated conditions was challenged on appeal to the Grafton Country Superior Court, who affirmed the decision by the Groton Planning Board, finding its actions and decisions both reasonable and lawful. It is anticipated that additional legal challenges lie ahead, leading to increased legal budgets and expenditures. It is hoped that those mounting such challenges are mindful of the financial impact such challenges have on the taxpayers of Groton and ensure that these challenges are of sufficient merit to justify litigation.

During this past year the Groton Conservation Committee was reformed and reinvigorated, seeking to fulfill its statutory role of conserving lands and offering input to Town decisions impacting sensitive areas.

Volunteers are still being sought for the Groton Recreation Committee, which has been inactive for too long now.

The long sought out land swap for the property located across from the Town's Transfer Station is finally coming to fruition. As we write this letter, the Board has worked out finalizing some minor details after the subdivision process and is expected to complete the process in early 2014.

The year came to a close with a blast from winters past, which were equaled by the response from a dedicated and resourceful Highway Department crew. At the end of 2013, there remains a level of uncertainty regarding the status of the Rumney Fire Contract with the Town of Groton. The Town's Fire Chief has been

in discussions with other municipalities to explore other viable options to ensure that the Town's Fire Safety needs are adequately met.

In closing, we would like to extend our thanks to all Town Officials, employees and volunteers for their efforts and professionalism, to include outgoing Select Board member Kyle Andrews. Kyle has contributed on many levels to the decisions, actions and accomplishments achieved over his five years of service. Christina, Miles and Pam are truly grateful for Kyle's efforts and wish him the best in all that his future brings.

Respectfully submitted,
The Groton Select Board

Town of Groton Warrant 2014 Annual Meeting

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WARRANT FOR 2014 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF GROTON

To the inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the county of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Groton Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, next, polls to be open at eleven o'clock in the morning until seven o'clock in the evening for voting on Article 1, and meeting for action on the remaining articles in the Warrant on the 15th day of March at nine o'clock in the morning at the Groton Town House.

BALLOT ARTICLES MARCH 11, 2014

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

DELIBERATIVE SESSION MARCH 15, 2014

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **six hundred forty-six thousand, six hundred fifteen dollars (\$646,615)** which represents the **Operating Budget** for the ensuing year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one hundred forty-five thousand (\$145,000)** for repair/reconstruction of a portion of North Groton Road. (submitted by the Road Committee)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue receiving Fire and EMS services from the Town of Rumney.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **eighty thousand, seven hundred ninety-one dollars (\$80,791)** for the purpose of purchasing a new truck for the highway department, to be offset by authorizing the transfer of forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) from the Truck/Sander Capital Reserve Fund and the remaining balance to come from taxation with any funds received from the trade in value from the 2006 Ford F350 to be used to offset the amount raised through taxation. Article 7 is contingent upon the passage of this article.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Truck/Sander Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2013 balance: \$42,021.44)

In the event Article 5 passes the Select Board Does Not Recommend This Article 3-0
In the event Article 5 fails the Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **seven thousand, four hundred seventy-five dollars (\$7,475)** for the purpose of purchasing a new sand and salt spreader. This article is contingent upon passage of article 5.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)** for the repair of Groton paved roads.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for the purpose of repairing and maintaining Province Road.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **twenty-nine thousand, six hundred fifty dollars (\$29,650)** to construct a fire escape for the second floor of the Town House.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **three thousand, five hundred dollars (\$3,500)** to purchase and equip a used vehicle to be used by the Police Department.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **four thousand, six hundred forty-four dollars (\$4,644)** to purchase an extended service protection plan for the backhoe.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two hundred dollars (\$200)** to maintain the Town's cemeteries, and to fund this appropriation by withdrawing \$200 from cemetery trust funds.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Public Works Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of relocating the Town Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of **ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)** to be placed in this fund, and to further appoint the Select Board as agents to expend from the fund.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **six thousand, five hundred dollars (\$6,500)** for deposit into the Assessing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2013 balance: \$13,003.67)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2013 balance: \$16,032.41)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2013 balance: \$29,167.07)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Disaster Relief Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2013 balance: \$58,029.22)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Atwell/Orange Brook Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2013 balance: \$41,006.00)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Perambulation Non Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2013 balance: \$14,820.73)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Town House Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 201 balance: \$18,072.98)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Fire & Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2013 balance: \$55,797.92)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 23: Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 72:37-b, Exemption for the Disabled from property tax, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers to be \$15,000. To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five (5) years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if

the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, then must have been married for at least five (5) consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$20,000 or if married, a combined net income of not more than \$30,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$40,000 or if married, combined net assets not in excess of \$55,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 24: Shall we modify the elderly exemption from property tax in the town of Groton, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$20,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$35,000; for a person 80 years of age and older, \$50,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least three (3) consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least five (5) consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$20,000 or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$30,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$40,000 or, if married, combined net assets not in excess of \$55,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **eight hundred fifty dollars (\$850)** for support of the Groton Historical Society.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 2-1

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five hundred dollars (\$500)** for support of the Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA).

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of the following tax deeded property using the services of a real estate broker to market such property rather than disposing of the property by public auction or sealed bid:

67 River Road	Map 1 Lot 92
Dodge Road	Map 6 Lot 87
Dodge Road	Map 6 Lot 88
856 & 858 North Groton Road	Map 7 Lot 34

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Old Home Day Expendable Trust Fund created in 2008. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund. (Dec. 31, 2013 balance: \$1,061.56)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to establish an Old Home Day Revolving Fund and to further raise and appropriate the sum of **one thousand, sixty-two dollars (\$1,062)** to be placed in this account by authorizing the transfer of \$1,062 from the unreserved fund balance as of December 31, 2013, and to further appoint the Select Board as agents to expend from this fund. Said sum represents the balance of the Old Home Day Expendable Trust Fund as of December 31, 2013.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to ratify the action taken at the 2004 Town Meeting authorizing the change of purpose of the Playground Expendable Trust Fund to the Groton Recreation Capital Reserve Fund.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 31: By petition, the undersigned eligible voters of the town of Groton, NH to see if the town will vote to urge:

That the New Hampshire State Legislature join nearly 500 municipalities and 16 other states, including all other New England states, in calling upon congress to move forward a constitutional amendment that: 1) guarantees the right of our elected representatives and of the American people to safeguard fair elections through authority to regulate political spending, and 2) clarifies that constitutional rights were established for people, not corporations.

That the New Hampshire Congressional delegation support such a constitutional amendment.

That the New Hampshire State Legislature support such an amendment once it is approved by Congress and sent to the State for ratification.

And furthermore, that this Town Meeting vote be a record that We the People want Congress and the NH State legislature to:

- Institute full, effective and immediate electronic disclosure of all election-related spending by any individual, group, corporation, party or institution.
- Provide for fair, nonpartisan and vigorous enforcement of existing campaign laws and regulations by federal and state agencies.
- Enact an absolute ban on campaign contributions by foreign governments, foreign agencies, foreign corporations or their subsidiaries and employees in the US who are not US citizens.

ARTICLE 32: Whereas: A road of historic significance completed in August 1771, so the Governor of the Province of New Hampshire could travel from Wolfeboro to Dartmouth College for commencement exercises.

Whereas: The last nearly pristine rural section lies in Groton, NH known as Province Road.


To be resolved: We the Petitioners of Groton NH Petition the board of Selectmen to include a Warrant Article to be presented to the town at the 2014 town meeting.

The purpose: to designate Province Road a Scenic Road according to RSA 231:157

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this 30th day of February 2014.

GROTON SELECT BOARD



Christina Goodwin, Chairwoman



Miles Sinclair

Kyle Andrews

TOWN OF GROTON - 2014 Proposed Budget & 2013 Expenditures									
						Proposed 2014 Budget	2013 Actual	Approved 2013 Budget	
II - EXPENDITURES (TOTAL)									
						996,786	766,886.85	865,248	
OPERATING BUDGET									
						646,615	548,957.72	619,411	
SPECIAL & INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES									
						350,171	217,929.13	245,837	
						\$ 257,081	217,818.13	\$ 254,830	
4130					1 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT	48,901	47,246.60	48,625	
	4130.1				Administrative Assistant Wages	33,480	33,935.45	34,120	
	4130.2				Selectmen Stipend	9,000	8,823.89	9,000	
	4130.3				Moderator/Assistant Salary	271	113.30	105	
	4130.4				Other Town Meeting Expense	50	0.00	50	
	4130.5				Contracted Services(Web hosting)	150	120.33	150	
	4130.6				Workshops & Seminars	150	40.00	150	
	4130.7				Telephone/Internet	1,200	1,238.87	1,250	
	4130.8				Mileage	350	195.43	350	
	4130.9				Supplies	1,000	916.12	1,000	
	4130.10				Postage	900	804.03	800	
	4130.11				Furniture / Fixtures	50	0.00	50	
	4130.12				Office Equipment Maintenance	600	0.00	600	
	4130.13				Hiring Expenses	200	111.00	200	
	4130.14				Other Expenses (CU recordings, etc.)	200	197.04	200	
	4130.15				Computer maintenance/software	1,300	64.95	200	
	4130.16				Computer/Software		686.19	400	
4140					ELECTION/REGIST/VITAL STATS	50,392	42,414.04	43,828	
	4140.1				Town Clerk/Tax Collector Salary	26,624	26,626.08	26,624	
	4140.2				Deputy Wages	5,000	3,942.33	4,000	
	4140.3				Town Clerk/Tax Collector Dues	85	65.00	65	
	4140.4				Town Clerk Expenses	2,000	1,105.70	1,250	
	4140.5				Tax Collector Expenses	2,000	1,394.42	2,000	
	4140.6				Workshops & Seminars	1,000	617.00	1,000	

	4140.7	Telephone/Internet				750	715.33	750
	4140.8	Computer Maintenance/Software				3,000	3,002.44	2,200
	4140.9	Advertising				74	0.00	74
	4140.10	Supplies/Advertising Election				421	230.56	315
	4140.11	Supplies-General				1,250	1,357.96	1,250
	4040.12	Postage				1,650	1,224.90	1,650
	4140.13	Ballot Clerks				2,225	437.75	510
	4140.14	Checklist Supervisors				2,653	545.90	540
	4140.15	Mileage				1,660	1,148.67	1,600
4150		FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION				18,450	18,006.50	18,350
	4150.1	Financial Reporting (Town Report)				900	802.50	900
	4150.2	Auditing				4,000	3,912.00	4,000
	4150.3	Assessing				10,600	10,479.00	10,500
	4150.4	Treasurer Salary				2,700	2,700.00	2,700
	4150.5	Deputy Treasurer Salary				50	0.00	50
	4150.6	Mileage				180	113.00	180
	4150.7	Supplies				20	0.00	20
4153		LEGAL EXPENSES				15,000	6,970.56	13,000
	4153.1	Claims, Judgments and/or Settlements				1,000	0.00	1,000
	4153.2	Attorney Fees - General Advice				8,000	3,227.98	5,000
	4153.3	Attorney Fees-Junkyard Compliance				3,000	1,341.28	4,000
	4153.4	Junkyard Compliance				3,000	2,401.30	3,000
4155		PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION				73,707	54,178.39	77,824
	4155.1	NH Retirement System				15,000	3,325.43	10,500
	4155.2	Life & Disability Insurance				1,707	734.75	1,200
	4155.3	Health Insurance				46,000	38,064.04	55,124
	4155.4	FICA				11,000	12,054.17	11,000
4191		PLANNING AND ZONING				11,001	12,066.10	11,026
	4191.1	Planning Board Postage				550	695.46	300
	4191.2	Planning Board Advertisement				250	141.45	250
	4191.3	Planning Board Mileage				100	82.35	100
	4191.4	Recording Fees				250	127.00	250
	4191.5	Planning Board Dues				1	0.00	1
	4191.6	Planning Board Supplies				150	28.15	150

	4191.7	Planning Board Seminars/Training			200		200
	4191.8	Planning Board Legal			6,000	6,266.90	6,000
	4191.9	Zoning Appeals (Legal)			3,000	4,408.74	3,000
	4191.10	Zoning Board Seminars			200	0.00	200
	4191.11	Zoning Postage			100	216.15	175
	4191.12	Zoning Mileage			50	7.00	100
	4191.13	Advertising/notices			100	83.00	200
	4191.14	Zoning Supplies			50	9.90	100
4194		GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS			16,030	15,559.81	14,475
	4194.1	Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance:			1,500	2,455.20	1,500
	4194.2	Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance: Wages			1,800	726.21	1,800
	4194.3	Town Garage Repairs & Maintenance			750	1,621.66	750
	4194.4	Transfer Station Repairs & Maintenance			800	526.78	500
	4194.5	Cleaning Supplies			125	111.19	125
	4194.6	General Supplies			300	422.83	300
	4194.7	Contracted Services(Security Monitoring/Elevator)			2,355	1,702.84	1,700
	4194.8	Town House Electric			2,400	2,188.95	2,300
	4194.9	Town House Heat			6,000	5,804.15	5,500
4195		CEMETERIES			4,260	3,124.23	3,810
	4195.1	Cemetery Repairs & Maintenance			1,500	638.24	1,900
	4195.2	Salaries			2,500	2,170.00	1500
	4195.3	Supplies			100	275.82	200
	4195.4	Mileage			75	0.00	125
	4195.5	Fuel			50	40.17	50
	4195.6	Advertising			35	0.00	35
4196		GENERAL INSURANCE			13,677	15,595.40	16,100
	4196.1	Property & Liability Insurance			8,149	7,996.24	9,600
	4196.2	Workers' Compensation			5,000	7,599.16	6,500
	4196.3	Unemployment Compensation			528		
4197		ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOC			2,261	1,756.50	1,990
	4197.1	Advertising			500	373.45	600
	4197.2	Dues			1,761	1,383.05	1,390

4199		OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT		3,402	900.00	5,802
	4199.1	Exigent/Hazardous Circumstances		1	0.00	1
	4199.2	Forestry		1	0.00	1
	4199.3	Tax Mapping		900	900.00	900
	4199.4 *	Grants	offset by revenues	2,500	0.00	4,900
		2 - PUBLIC SAFETY		167,166	128,362.41	156,779
4210		POLICE		105,269	72,362.57	96,251
	4210.1	Police Chief Wages		17,000	15,862.50	16,000
	4210.2	Police Officer Wages		48,400	25,943.88	10,400
	4210.3	Full Time Wages		-	0.00	36,000
	4210.4	Telephone/Communications		1,500	1,377.96	1,900
	4210.5	Dues & Subscriptions		500	500.00	500
	4210.6	Other-Equipment Repairs/Maint		1,400	2,484.11	350
	4210.7	Office Supplies		1,200	1,326.54	850
	4210.8	NH Special Ops Unit		3,000	400.00	1
	4210.9	Dispatch Service		7,000	6,923.00	8,000
	4210.10	Prosecutor		5,819	6,088.00	6,500
	4210.11	Vehicle Maintenance		1,500	768.09	1,000
	4210.12	Cruiser Equipment		600	703.71	600
	4210.13	Uniforms		2,000	938.27	2,000
	4210.14	Books/Periodicals		300	62.95	150
	4210.15	Equipment (guns/ammo/taser etc.)		1,200	1,655.96	1,200
	4210.16	Mileage		2,500	349.73	750
	4210.17	Postage		100	31.91	100
	4210.18	Gasoline for Cruiser		4,500	3,244.38	6,000
	4210.19	Advertising		250	151.50	250
	4210.20	Training		4,000	2,434.41	1,200
	4210.21	Animal Control		1,500	615.67	1,500
	4210.22	Special Detail		500		500
	4210.23	SOU Stipend		500	500.00	500
4220		FIRE/AMBULANCE		60,047	55,918.77	58,678
	4220.1	Administration		100	0.00	100
	4220.2	Communications/Training		300	0.00	300
	4220.3	Equipment		500	187.30	500

	4220.4	Contracted Services - Hebron			38,000	36,957.98	35000
	4220.5	Contracted Services - Rumney			13,000	11,145.53	15000
	4220.6	Lakes Region Mutual Aid			7,897	7,527.96	7528
	4220.7	Dues			100	100.00	100
	4220.8	Mileage			150	0.00	150
4290		EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT			1,850	81.07	1,850
	4290.1	Supplies			100	0.00	100
	4290.2	Workshops/training			300	0.00	300
	4290.3	Equipment			550	0.00	550
	4290.4	Equipment Maintenance			300	43.50	300
	4290.5	Mileage			100	37.57	100
	4290.6	Wages (emergency)			500	0.00	500
		3 - HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	Offset by Highway Block Grant		141,059	131,989.73	132,459
4311		ADMINISTRATION			82,533	82,234.13	80,133
	4311.1	Road Agent Wages			28,500	30,192.00	28,500
	4311.2	Assistants Wages			20,000	18,754.00	18,000
	4311.3	Telephone			600	568.61	800
	4311.4	Training & CDL Testing			350	0.00	350
	4311.5	Electricity			800	682.26	700
	4311.6	Heating Fuel			3,600	2,958.40	3,200
	4311.7	Mileage			100	76.84	100
	4311.8	Membership/Dues			25	25.00	25
	4311.9	Supplies			300	719.24	200
	4311.10	Truck Payment			28,258	28,257.78	28,258
4312		HIGHWAYS & STREETS			57,426	48,813.50	51,226
	4312.1	Vehicle Cleaning & Maintenance			900	1,828.19	900
	4312.2	Highway Vehicles-Equipment Repairs			9,000	6,559.60	9000
	4312.3	Equipment Rentals			5,000	2,783.00	3000
	4312.4	Material			4,000	3,040.95	3000
	4312.5	Signs			400	1,150.23	400
	4312.6	Uniforms			25	0.00	25
	4312.7	Tools & Equipment Purchases			1,500	812.83	1500
	4312.8	Gas			700	368.54	700
	4312.9	Diesel			17,000	15,137.40	15000
	4312.10	Salt, Sand, Deicer			15,000	14,262.93	14000

	4312.11	Hydrants				1	0.00	1
	4312.12	Culverts	2013 includes \$686 for tire removal			2,500	1,626.00	2500
	4312.13	Safety				700	763.83	700
	4312.14	Tree Maintenance				700	480.00	500
4316		STREET LIGHTING				1,100	942.10	1,100
	4316.1	Utility Charges				1,100	942.10	1,100
		4 - SANITATION				55,994	49,947.39	53,081
4321		MONITORING				8,314	9,642.25	6,306
	4321.1	Landfill Monitoring				6,814	9,642.25	6,306
	4321.2	Landfill Repairs				1,500		
4324		SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL				47,680	40,305.14	46,775
	4324.1	Wages				12,000	11,423.24	11,700
	4324.2	Stipend				3,000	3,000.00	3,000
	4324.3	Telephone				400	391.20	400
	4324.4	Training & Certification				250	175.00	250
	4324.5	Electricity				1,400	1,198.13	1,400
	4324.6	Propane				700	547.99	800
	4324.7	Supplies				300	486.16	175
	4324.8	Compactor Related Expenses				2,000	0.00	2,000
	4324.9	Mileage				200	140.57	200
	4324.10	Dues				555	592.28	675
	4324.11	Portable Toilet				1,400	1,320.00	1,400
	4324.12	Transportation Costs/Solid Waste				22,000	17,648.92	22,000
	4324.13	Recycle Costs				2,500	2,148.00	1,800
	4324.14	Uniforms				25	19.98	25
	4324.15	Safety				600	327.54	600
	4324.16	Tire disposal			offset by revenues	150	181.75	150
	4324.17	Other (brush hog rental, etc.)				200	704.38	200
		6 - HEALTH				5,996	4,560.00	6,225
4411		ADMINISTRATION				2,701	1,365.00	2,930
	4411.1	Stipend				1,250	1,250.00	1,250
	4411.2	Supplies/Postage				100	0.00	100
	4411.3	Mileage				200	0.00	200
	4411.4	Training				100	90.00	100

	4411.5	Dues				50	25.00	100
	4411.6	Water Testing				1	0.00	180
	4411.7	Legal				1,000	0.00	1,000
4415		HEALTH AGENCIES AND HOSPITALS				3,295	3,195.00	3,295
	4415.1	Mid-State Health				100		
		Plymouth Regional Clinic					0.00	100
	4415.2	Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency				2,295	2,295.00	2,295
	4415.3	Task Force / Domestic Violence				500	500.00	500
	4415.4	Genesis Behavioral Health				400	400.00	400
		7 - WELFARE				10,344	8,835.93	8,373
4441		Administration				1	0.00	30
	4441.1	Dues				1		30
4442		DIRECT ASSISTANCE				600	0.00	600
	4442.1	Direct Assistance				600	0.00	600
4444		INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE PAYMENTS				1743	1,743.00	1743
	4444.1	Tri-County Community Action				1543	1,543.00	1543
	4444.2	Grafton County Senior Citizens				200	200.00	200
4445		VENDOR PAYMENTS				8000	7,092.93	6000
	4445.1	Other Vendor Payments				8000	7,092.93	6000
		8 - CULTURE AND RECREATION				8,975	7,444.13	7,664
4520		PARKS & RECREATION				4499	4,224.67	4414
	4520.1	Maintenance of Parks				900	872.30	800
	4520.2	Maintenance of Recreational Facilities				50	3.37	50
	4520.3	Porta Potty				935	815.00	950
	4520.4	Advertising				80	0.00	80
	4520.5	Tappley Thompson Community Center				2,534	2,534.00	2,534
4550		LIBRARY				3,076	2,500.00	2,500
	4550.1	Wages				2,000	790.00	2,000
	4550.2	Library Other				1,076	1,710.00	500
4583		PATRIOTIC PURPOSES				100	99.70	100
	4583.1	Town Events				100	99.70	100

4611							1,300	619.76	650
	4611.1	Conservation					570	134.76	650
	4611.2	Workshops/seminars/dues					90	485.00	0
	4611.3	Postage/supplies					640	0.00	0
		13 - CAPITAL OUTLAY					293,671	171,429.13	199,337
4902		MACHINERY, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT					96,409		0
4903		BUILDINGS					29,650	9,190.00	30,337
4909		IMPROVEMENTS OTHER THAN BUILDINGS					167,612	162,239.13	169,000
		14 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS OUT					56,500	46,500	46,500
4915		TRANSFERS TO THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUN					56,500	46,500	46,500
4916		TRANSFERS TO EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS					0	0.00	0



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GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 323: V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Enacting FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Enacting FY (Not Recommended)
4130 - 4139	Executive	Add Warrant Article	\$48,625	\$47,247	\$48,901	
		-			\$48,901	
4140 - 4149	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	Add Warrant Article	\$43,828	\$42,414	\$50,392	
		-			\$50,392	
4150 - 4151	Financial Administration	Add Warrant Article	\$7,850	\$7,528	\$7,850	
		-			\$7,850	
4152	Revaluation of Property	Add Warrant Article	\$10,500	\$10,479	\$10,600	
		-			\$10,600	
4153	Legal Expense	Add Warrant Article	\$13,000	\$6,971	\$15,000	
		-			\$15,000	
4155 - 4159	Personnel Administration	Add Warrant Article	\$77,824	\$54,178	\$73,707	
		-			\$73,707	
4191 - 4193	Planning & Zoning	Add Warrant Article	\$11,026	\$12,066	\$11,001	
		-			\$11,001	
4194	General Government Buildings	Add Warrant Article	\$14,475	\$15,560	\$16,030	
		-			\$16,030	
4195	Cemeteries	Add Warrant Article	\$3,810	\$3,124	\$4,260	
		-			\$4,260	
4196	Insurance	Add Warrant Article	\$16,100	\$15,595	\$13,677	
		-			\$13,677	



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4197	Advertising & Regional Association ?	Add Warrant Article -	2	\$1,990	\$1,757	\$2,261	
4199	Other General Government ?	Add Warrant Article -	2	\$5,802	\$900	\$3,402	
General Government Subtotal				\$254,830	\$217,819	\$257,081	
PUBLIC SAFETY ?							
4210-4214	Police ?	Add Warrant Article -	2	\$96,251	\$72,363	\$105,269	
4215-4219	Ambulance ?	Add Warrant Article -				\$105,269	
4220-4229	Fire ?	Add Warrant Article -	2	\$58,678	\$55,919	\$60,047	
4240-4249	Building Inspection ?	Add Warrant Article -				\$60,047	
4290-4298	Emergency Management ?	Add Warrant Article -	2	\$1,850	\$81	\$1,850	
4299	Other (Including Communications) ?	Add Warrant Article -				\$1,850	
Public Safety Subtotal				\$156,779	\$128,363	\$167,166	



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AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER ?							
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 323, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by D&A	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	
4301 - 4309	Airport Operations ?	Add Warrant Article					
		-					
Airport/Aviation Subtotal							
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS ?							
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 323, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by D&A	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	
4311	Administration ?	Add Warrant Article	\$80,133	\$82,234	\$82,533		
		- 2			\$82,533		
4312	Highways & Streets ?	Add Warrant Article	\$51,266	\$48,814	\$57,426		
		- 2			\$57,426		
4313	Bridges ?	Add Warrant Article					
		-					
4316	Street Lighting ?	Add Warrant Article	\$1,100	\$942	\$1,100		
		- 2			\$1,100		
4319	Other ?	Add Warrant Article					
		-					
Highways and Streets Subtotal				\$131,990	\$141,059		

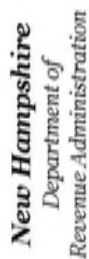


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SANITATION							
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	
4321	Administration	Add Warrant Article -					
4323	Solid Waste Collection	Add Warrant Article 2	\$46,775	\$40,305	\$47,680		
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	Add Warrant Article -			\$47,680		
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up	Add Warrant Article 2	\$6,306	\$9,642	\$8,314		
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other	Add Warrant Article -			\$8,314		
Sanitation Subtotal			\$53,081	\$49,947	\$55,994		

WATER DISTRIBUTION AND TREATMENT							
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	
4331	Administration	Add Warrant Article -					
4332	Water Services	Add Warrant Article -					
4335	Water Treatment	Add Warrant Article -					



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4415 - 4419	Health Agencies & Hospital & Other ⓘ	Add Warrant Article		\$3,295	\$3,195	\$3,295	\$3,295	
		-	2				\$3,295	
Health Subtotal				\$6,225	\$4,560		\$5,996	

WELFARE ⓘ								
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 323, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)		
4441 - 4442	Administration & Direct Assistance ⓘ	Add Warrant Article				\$601		
		-	2			\$601		
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments ⓘ	Add Warrant Article				\$1,743		
		-	2			\$1,743		
4445 - 4449	Vendor Payments & Other ⓘ	Add Warrant Article				\$8,000		
		-	2			\$8,000		
Welfare Subtotal			\$8,373	\$8,836		\$10,344		

CULTURE AND RECREATION ⓘ								
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 323, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)		
4520 - 4529	Parks & Recreation ⓘ	Add Warrant Article				\$4,499		
		-	2			\$4,499		
4550 - 4559	Library ⓘ	Add Warrant Article				\$3,076		
		-	2			\$3,076		
4583	Patriotic Purposes ⓘ	Add Warrant Article				\$100		
		-	2			\$100		



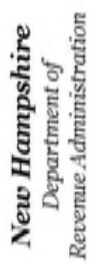
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4589	Other Culture & Recreation	Add Warrant Article							
		-							
Culture and Recreation Subtotal				\$7,014		\$6,825		\$7,675	

CONSERVATION									
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)			
4611 - 4612	Admin. & Purch. of Natural Resources	Add Warrant Article							
		-							
4619	Other Conservation	Add Warrant Article							
		-	\$650	\$620	\$1,300				
4631 - 4632	Redevelopment and Housing	Add Warrant Article							
		-			\$1,300				
4651 - 4659	Economic Development	Add Warrant Article							
		-							
Conservation Subtotal			\$650	\$620	\$1,300				

DEBT SERVICE									
Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)			
4711	Principal Long Term Bonds & Notes	Add Warrant Article							
		-							
4721	Interest Long Term Bonds & Notes	Add Warrant Article							
		-							
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	Add Warrant Article							
		-							



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Sewer	Add Warrant Article					
	-					
Water	Add Warrant Article					
	-					
Electric	Add Warrant Article					
	-					
Airport	Add Warrant Article					
	-					
4918 To Nonexpendable Trust Funds ^(?)	Add Warrant Article					
	-					
4919 To Fiduciary Funds ^(?)	Add Warrant Article					
	-					
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal						
Operating Budget Total		\$619,451	\$548,960		\$646,615	



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****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****



Special Warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations 1) In petitioned warrant articles; 2) Appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) Appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) An appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a non-lapsing or nontransferable article.

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, VI)	Warrant Article #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund 1	Add Warrant Article	\$46,500	\$46,500	\$56,500	
	Truck/Sander CRF	- 6			\$5,000	
	Public Works CRF	- 14			\$10,000	
	Assessing Revaluation CRF	- 15			\$6,500	
	Police Cruiser CRF	- 16			\$5,000	
	Heavy Equipment CRF	- 17			\$5,000	
	Disaster Relief CRF	- 18			\$5,000	
	Atwell/Orange Brook Bridge CRF	- 19			\$5,000	
	Parambulation Non CRF	- 20			\$5,000	
	Town House CRF	- 21			\$5,000	
	Fire & Equipment CRF	- 22			\$5,000	
4916	To Expendable Trust Fund 1	Add Warrant Article				
		-				
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds 1	Add Warrant Article				
		-				
	Other Special Warrant Articles	Add Warrant Article				
		-				
Special Articles Recommended			\$46,500	\$46,500	\$56,500	



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****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not the same as "Special Warrant Articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

Account #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3, V)	Warrant Article #	Add Warrant Article	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Other Individual Warrant Articles							
4909	Cemetery	-	13	\$32,037	\$23,613	\$200	
4909	Groton Historical Society	-	25	\$850	\$850	\$850	
4909	Newfound Lake Region Association	-	26	\$500	\$500	\$500	
4909	Old Home Day Revolving Fund	-	28			\$1,062	
4909	Road Work	-	3	\$136,000	\$132,073	\$145,000	
4909	Repair Paved Roads	-	8	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	
4909	Province Road	-	9	\$5,000	\$4,394	\$5,000	
4903	Town House Fire Escape	-	10	\$14,950		\$29,650	
4902	Truck	-	5			\$80,791	
4902	Police Vehicle	-	11			\$3,500	
4902	Sand/Salt Spreader	-	7			\$7,474	
4902	Extended Service Plan for Backhoe	-	12			\$4,644	
Individual Articles Recommended				\$199,337	\$171,430	\$293,671	

You have reached the end of the Appropriations Section. Please review the this section for accuracy, then move on to the Revenues Section.



REVENUES

TAXES

Account #	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
3120	Land Use Charge Taxes - General Fund	Add Warrant Article -	\$3,000	\$5,960	\$3,000
3180	Resident Taxes	Add Warrant Article -			\$3,000
3185	Yield Taxes	Add Warrant Article -	\$8,000	\$6,621	\$5,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	Add Warrant Article -	\$399,978	\$531,978	\$528,000
3189	Other Taxes	Add Warrant Article -			
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Tax	Add Warrant Article -	\$19,000	\$19,031	\$18,000
	Inventory Penalties	Add Warrant Article -			
3187	Excavation Tax (\$0.02 per cubic yard)	Add Warrant Article -			
Taxes Subtotal			\$429,978	\$563,590	\$554,000



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LICENSES, PERMITS, AND FEES

Account #	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	Add Warrant Article	\$200	\$140	\$140
		-			\$140
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	Add Warrant Article	\$82,000	\$92,802	\$88,000
		-			\$88,000
3230	Building Permits	Add Warrant Article	\$200	\$290	\$200
		-			\$200
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, & Fees	Add Warrant Article	\$4,000	\$4,218	\$4,000
		-			\$4,000
3311 - 3319	From Federal Government	Add Warrant Article			
		-			
Licenses, Permits and Fees Subtotal			\$86,400	\$97,450	\$92,340

FROM STATE

Account #	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
3351	Shared Revenues	Add Warrant Article			
		-			
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	Add Warrant Article	\$26,000	\$26,482	\$26,000
		-			\$26,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	Add Warrant Article	\$23,000	\$22,292	\$23,000
		-			\$23,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant	Add Warrant Article			
		-			



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3355	Housing & Community Development	Add Warrant Article	-				
3356	State & Fed. Forest Land Reimburse.	Add Warrant Article	-	\$550	\$290	\$300	\$300
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement	Add Warrant Article	-				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	Add Warrant Article	-	\$20,000	\$20,912	\$20,000	\$20,000
3379	From Other Governments	Add Warrant Article	-				
From State Subtotal				\$69,550	\$69,976		\$69,300

CHARGES FOR SERVICES

Account #	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
3401	Income from Departments	Add Warrant Article	\$4,000		
3402	Water Supply System Charges	Add Warrant Article			
3403	Sewer User Charges	Add Warrant Article			
3404	Garbage - Refuse Charges	Add Warrant Article			



3409	Other Charges ?	Add Warrant Article	\$500				
		-					
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$4,500				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES ?							
Account #	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year		
3501	Sale of Municipal/Village Property ?	Add Warrant Article		\$20,431			
		-					
3502	Interest on Investments ?	Add Warrant Article					
		-					
3503 - 3509	Other ?	Add Warrant Article	\$12,000	\$13,105		\$5,000	
		-				\$5,000	
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$12,000	\$33,536		\$5,000	
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN ?							
Account #	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year		
3912	From Special Revenue Funds ?	Add Warrant Article					
		-					
3913	From Capital Projects Funds ?	Add Warrant Article					
		-					
3914	From Enterprise Funds ?						
	Sewer - (Offset)	Add Warrant Article					
		-					



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Water - (Offset)	Add Warrant Article				
-	-				
Electric - (Offset)	Add Warrant Article				
-	-				
Airport - (Offset)	Add Warrant Article				
-	-				
3915 From Capital Reserve Funds ?	Add Warrant Article				\$42,000
-	-				\$42,000
3916 From Trust & Fiduciary Funds ?	Add Warrant Article				
-	-				
3917 Transfers from Conservations Funds ?	Add Warrant Article				\$7,000
-	-				\$7,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal					\$49,000

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES ?					
Account #	Source of Revenue	Warrant Article #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
3934	Proc. From Long Term Bonds & Notes ?	Add Warrant Article			
-	-	-			
Amount Voted from Fund Balance		Add Warrant Article	\$650	\$650	\$1,062
-	-	-			\$1,062
Estimated Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes				\$200,000	
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$650	\$200,650	\$1,062
Total Estimated Revenue & Credits			\$603,078	\$965,202	\$770,702



BUDGET SUMMARY		
Item	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended	\$619,451	\$646,615
Special Warrant Articles Recommended	\$46,500	\$56,500
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	\$199,337	\$293,671
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$865,288	\$996,786
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$603,078	\$770,702
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$262,210	\$226,084



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PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

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

Preparer's First Name

Pamela

Preparer's Last Name

Hamel

Pamela Hamel
Preparer's Signature and Title

Feb 18, 2014

Date

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

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

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

Christina Goodwin Select Board
Governing Body Member's Signature and Title

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NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL AND PROPERTY DIVISION
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Notes

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of GROTON Year Ending 12/31/2013**DEBITS**

UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR*		LEVY FOR YEAR	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2013	2012	2011	2010+
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	\$ 96,315.54	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		xxxxxx	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Prior Years' Credits Balance**		\$ 0.00			
This Year's New Credits		(\$ 171.00)			

TAXES COMMITTED THIS FISCAL YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 803,469.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	#3180	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	#3120	\$ 6,100.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 7,977.66	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	#3189	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

FOR DRA USE ONLY**OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS**

Property Taxes	#3110				
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187				
Credits Refunded		\$ 130.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$ 766.03	\$ 8,828.94	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 818,271.69	\$ 105,144.48	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

**Enter as a negative. This is the amount of this year's taxes pre-paid last year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a.

**The amount is already included in the warrant and therefore in line #3110 as a positive amount for this year's levy.

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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of GROTON Year Ending 12/31/2013**CREDITS**

REMITTED TO TREASURER	LEVY FOR YEAR	PRIOR LEVIES		
	2013	2012	2011	2010+
Property Taxes	\$ 692,223.41	\$ 59,058.91	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 5,970.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 6,621.29	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Penalties	\$ 766.03	\$ 8,828.94	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Converted To Liens (Principal only)	\$ 0.00	\$ 37,256.63	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Discounts Allowed	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	\$ 0.00			

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 130.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

UNCOLLECTED TAXES -- END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	\$ 110,745.59	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Resident Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$ 1,356.37	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Utility Charges	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance*	(\$ 41.00)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 818,271.69	\$ 105,144.48	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

*Enter as a negative. This is the amount of taxes pre-paid for next year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a.

(Be sure to indicate a positive amount in the Property Taxes actually remitted to the treasurer.)

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTFor the Municipality of GROTON Year Ending 12/31/2013**DEBITS**

UNREDEEMED & EXECUTED LIENS	2013	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2012	2011	2010+
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 45,898.53	\$ 29,025.69
Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 42,526.77	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Interest & Costs Collected	\$ 0.00	\$ 654.92	\$ 3,602.71	\$ 9,839.08
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$ 0.00	\$ 43,181.69	\$ 49,501.24	\$ 38,864.77

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		2013	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2012	2011	2010+
Redemptions		\$ 0.00	\$ 14,084.18	\$ 20,916.60	\$ 24,502.95
Interest & Costs Collected	#3190	\$ 0.00	\$ 654.92	\$ 3,602.71	\$ 9,839.08
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	#1110	\$ 0.00	\$ 28,442.59	\$ 24,981.93	\$ 4,522.74
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS		\$ 0.00	\$ 43,181.69	\$ 49,501.24	\$ 38,864.77

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? _____

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.

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Laura J Hauser

Town Clerk Report

January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013

Account	Amount
Motor Vehicle Permits	89,472.75
Title Fees	214.00
Municipal Agent Fees	2250.00
Building Permit Fees	270.00
Candidate Fees	6.00
Copy Fees – Select Board	426.50
Copy Fees – Town Clerk	62.50
Current Use Recording Fees	148.10
Dog Licenses	1154.50
Dog Fines/Civil Forfeiture	75.00
E-Reg. Fees	101.50
Junkyard Permits	140.00
NSF Check Fees	70.00
Old Home Days	415.74
Planning Board Fees	1043.78
Refunds	117.00
NSF Reimbursement	205.50
Transfer Station Fees	723.00
Recycle Income	1119.25
Vital Records Search	185.00
Welfare Reimbursement	675.00
Zoning Board Fees	250.00
Total	\$99,125.12

Treasurer's Report

January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013

Beginning Balance on January 1, 2013	\$	140,619.20
Total Deposits	\$	1,597,479.27
Total Orders Paid	\$	(1,522,656.21)
Total Bank Interest	\$	7.82
Deposits:		
Tax Collector	\$	854,965.33
Town Clerk	\$	100,057.62
Treasurer:		
Community Support-Iberdrola	\$	5,000.00
Firebill Reimbursement	\$	117.39
Forest Land Reimbursement	\$	289.54
Groton Wind Pilot	\$	531,978.08
Hazard Mitigation Grant	\$	2,400.00
Highway Block Grants	\$	22,291.60
LGC Health Trust Surplus	\$	6,525.95
LGC Insurance Refund	\$	1,002.08
N. Groton Rd. Reimbursement	\$	20,762.09
Old Home Day Sponsorship	\$	1,000.00
Radio Equipment Reimbursement	\$	3,951.19
Rooms and Meals Revenue	\$	26,482.39
Sale of Municipal Property	\$	20,431.01
UCC Quarterly Allocation	\$	75.00
Voter Checklist Sales	\$	150.00
Total Treasurer Deposits	\$	642,456.32
Adjustments:		
Capitla Reserve Transfer (see MS-9)	\$	(46,500.00)
NSF Checks	\$	(2,612.50)
PDIP Transfers	\$	(687,208.17)
PDIP Transfers	\$	713,000.00
Post Office	\$	(799.58)
Preamulation Transfer	\$	199.98
Voided Checks	\$	106,835.15
Total Adjustments	\$	82,914.88
Ending Balance on December 31,2013		
On Hand in Meredith Village Savings Bank	\$	298,364.96

Public Deposit Investment Pool

Beginning Balance January 1, 2013	\$ 256,309.59
Total Contributions	\$ 687,000.00
Total Withdrawals	\$(713,000.00)
Interest Earned	\$ 102.13
 Ending Balance on December 31, 2013	 \$ 230,411.72

Groton Conservation Fund

Beginning Balance on January 1, 2013	\$ 11,896.73
Total Deposits	\$ 829.10
Total Checks	\$ -
Total Bank Interest	\$ -
 Ending Balance on December 31, 2013	 \$ 12,725.83
On Hand In Meredith Village Savings Bank	

Parks and Recreation Revolving Fund

Beginning Balance on January 1, 2013	\$ 3,256.69
Total Deposits	\$ -
Total Checks	\$ -
Total Bank Interest	\$ 0.32
 Ending Balance on December 31, 2013	 \$ 3,257.01
On Hand In Meredith Village Savings Bank	

Police Department Revolving Fund

Beginning Balance on January 1, 2013	\$ 1,420.81
Total Deposits	\$ 658.31
Total Checks	\$ (1,926.23)
Total Bank Interest	\$ 0.08
Ending Balance on December 31, 2013	<u>\$ 152.97</u>
On Hand In Meredith Village Savings Bank	

Groton Yield Tax Account

Beginning Balance on August 2, 2013	\$ 1,558.75
Total Deposits	\$ -
Total Checks	\$ (1,559.00)
Total Bank Interest	\$ 0.25
Ending Balance on December 31, 2013	<u>\$ -</u>
Account Closed	

Local Auditor's Report

On July 31, 2013, I completed an audit of the Town of Groton's financial records and systems as requested of the Report of Locally Elected Auditors (MS-60), parts 1 & 2 relating to the Financial Report of the Town or City Budget (MS-5) and cash. The Treasurer, Darlene Andrews and Administrative Assistant, Pamela Hamel were both very accommodating in assisting with the completion of this task. I completed all applicable portions and submitted a copy of the MS-60 form to the Board for their review.

It appears that the records and systems comply with the pertinent requirements represented within the limited scope of the MS-60. As a part of the audit, there are a few recommendations I present for the Board's consideration as follows:

1. In the 2011 audit there were bulleted items for your consideration that still have not been implemented that I advocate for your review and continued consideration except for the item relating to petty cash as I understand it no longer exists.
2. As a part of the monthly bank account reconciliation, print a missing check report from QuickBooks, attach appropriate supporting documents and notes as part of submission to the Treasurer of Bank statement. This is an additional layer of checks and balances.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammy Drolet
Local Auditor

2013 MS-5

The 2013 MS-5 will be compiled on Friday, March 27. The Final Report should be ready for the public within three weeks of that date. The completed document will be posted on the Town's website, www.grotonnh.org and at the Town office.

2013 Report of the Trust Funds for the Town Of Groton										Trustees: Michelle Escobar, Alison Bagley, Charles Stata																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
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Groton Tax Totals

Tax Warrant: 2013P02 of 2

Number of Parcels: 740

Valuations

Non-Utility Land Value: 41,645,900

Current Use Credits: (13,643,672)

Non-Utility Improvements Value: 41,746,400

Utility Value: 10,692,400

Exempt Property Value: (3,074,500)

Valuation Before Exemptions: 77,366,528

Exemptions Applied: (30,000)

Net Valuation: 77,336,528

Net Non-Utility Valuation: 66,644,128

Net Utility Valuation: 10,692,400

Taxes

Total Property Tax: 823,735.00

Veterans Credits Applied: (20,266.00)

Commitment Amount: 801,522.00

Penalties: 1,917.00

First Bills Minus Abatements: 411,702.00

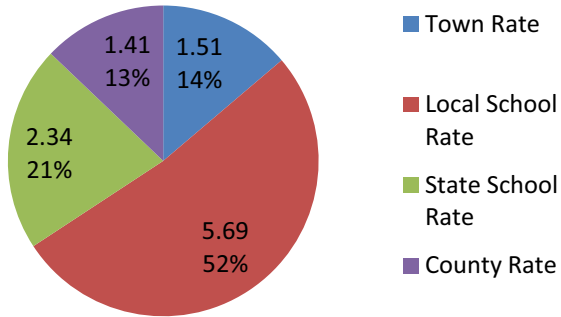
First Bills Exceeding Total Tax
Needing Refund: 0.00

Adjusted First Bills: (411,702.00)

Total Tax Bills: 391,767.00

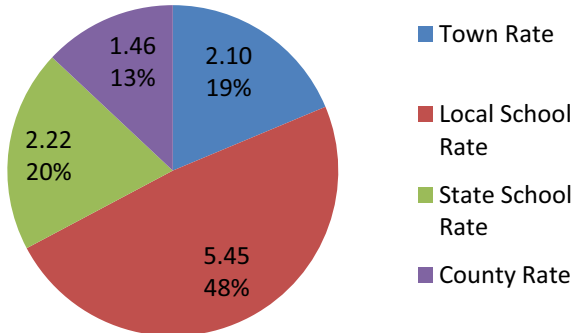
2013 Tax Rate

Town Rate	1.51
Local School Rate	5.69
State School Rate	2.34
County Rate	1.41
Total	10.95



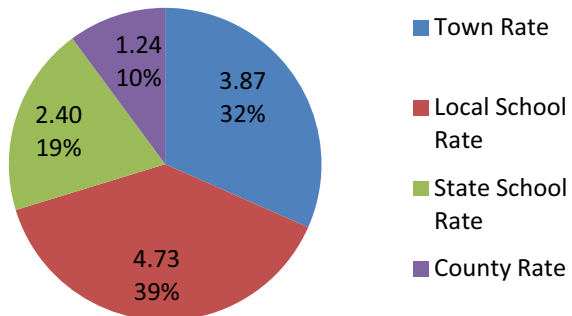
2012 Tax Rate

Town Rate	2.10
Local School Rate	5.45
State School Rate	2.22
County Rate	1.46
Total	11.23



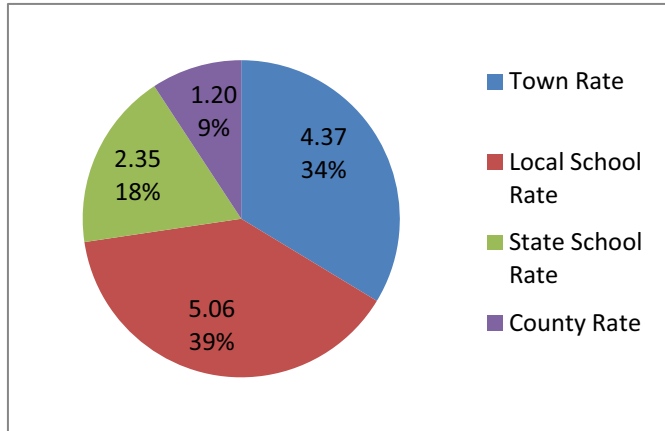
2011 Tax Rate

Town Rate	3.87
Local School Rate	4.73
State School Rate	2.40
County Rate	1.24
Total	12.24



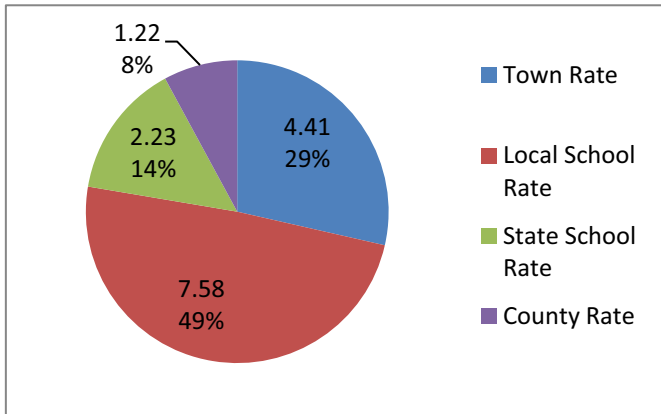
2010 Tax Rate

Town Rate	4.37
Local School Rate	5.06
State School Rate	2.35
County Rate	1.20
Total	12.98



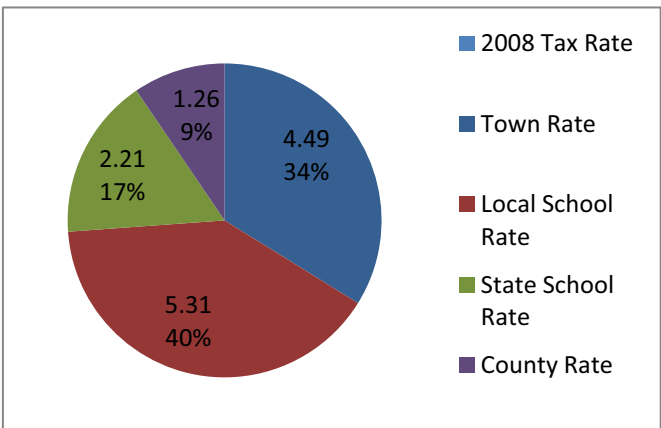
2009 Tax Rate

Town Rate	4.41
Local School Rate	7.58
State School Rate	2.23
County Rate	1.22
Total	15.44



2008 Tax Rate

Town Rate	4.49
Local School Rate	5.31
State School Rate	2.21
County Rate	1.26
Total	13.27



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Municipal Services Division
2013 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: GROTON

Gross Appropriations	865,248	
Less: Revenue	799,140	
Less: Shared Revenues	0	
Add: Overlay	30,162	
War Service Credits	20,750	
Net Town Appropriation	117,020	
Special Adjustment	0	
Approved Town/City Tax Effort	117,020	TOWN RATE
		1.51

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)	0	
Regional School Apportionment	873,600	
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(277,486)	
State Education Taxes	(155,980)	LOCAL
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	440,134	SCHOOL RATE
		5.69

STATE EDUCATION TAX

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x 2.390		STATE
64,057,510	155,980	SCHOOL RATE
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		2.34
66,685,766		

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	109,137	
Approved County Tax Effort	109,137	COUNTY RATE
		1.41

TOTAL RATE
10.95

PROOF OF RATE

	Assessed Value	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	66,685,766	2.34	155,980
All Other Taxes	77,378,166	8.61	666,291
			822,271

Welfare Assistance Report

In 2013, the Town saw an increase in general assistance to Groton residents, received reimbursement from assistance given in 2012, and authorized \$8,835.93 in Vendor Assistance payments.

2013 Expenditures/Reimbursements

Grafton County Senior Citizens		\$200.00
Tri-county Community Action		\$1,543.00
Electric Assistance		\$1440.70
Rental Assistance		\$5165.00
Mortgage Assistance		\$427.23
Gasoline		60.00
Security Deposit Reimbursement	\$675	
Total Expenditures		\$8,835.93

In addition to the assistance the Town provided, two clients were assisted through the Jim Darling Outreach Fund, which applied \$250 each toward outstanding electric bills. This fund, which is administered through the West Rumney Community Church, was set up by Jim Darling to provide basic emergency needs to residents of Rumney and neighboring communities. Requests for assistance must be made through the Town's Welfare Office. The Town would like to thank the West Rumney Community Church for their generosity.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Hamel
Welfare Officer

Schedule of Town Properties

Map/Lot	Land/ Building	Acres	Location	Valuation	Year Aquired
1-88	L	7.94	Katherine Lane	\$ 30,000	2010 tax deed
1-92	L/B	1.5	67 River Road	\$ 78,100	2006 tax deed
2-26	L	8.5	Old Rumney Road	\$ 26,700	2011 tax deed
2-123	L	47	North Groton Road	\$ 38,600	2006 tax deed
6-87	L	2	Dodge Road	\$ 26,300	2002 tax deed
6-88	L	1.7	Dodge Road	\$ 25,400	2002 tax deed
7-34	L/B	10	856 & 858 North Groton Road	\$ 160,200	2010 tax deed
7-36	L	3.25	North Groton Road	\$ 32,000	2006 tax deed
10-12	L	0.55	Halls Brook Road	\$ 400	2006 tax deed
10-22	L	50	Old Rumney Road	\$ 57,800	1985 tax deed
10-29	L	5	Halls Brook Road	\$ 11,800	2006 tax deed
10-40	L	1	Halls Brook Road	\$ 4,100	2012 tax deed
1-50-CEM	Bailey Hill Cemetery	0.1	Bailey Hill Road	\$ 15,200	
2-57-CEM	North Groton Cemetery	0.69	North Groton Road	\$ 39,900	
2-114-CEM	River Road Cemetery	0.232	River Road	\$ 25,000	
2-114-CEMA	Jenny Decoste Smith Annex	0.464	River Road	\$ 20,200	2012
4-1-CEM	Kimball Hill Cemetery	0.1	Kimball Hill	\$ 12,600	
5-61	Land	0.5	North Groton Road, adjacent to Garage	\$ 21,000	1992
5-62	Town Garage & Former Offices	5	63 North Groton Road	\$ 108,500	
5-62-1	Conservation/ Pond Area	1.6	North Groton Road	\$ 1,600	Entrusted to Cons. Comm. 2008
5-136	Park	6.67	Sculptured Rocks Road	\$ 70,500	
6-55	Transfer Station	11.4	677 North Groton Road	\$ 86,600	
7-54	Town Hall	1	754 North Groton Road	\$ 224,100	
7-54-CEM	Rolfe Hill Cemetery	0.51	North Groton Road	\$ 70,500	

Groton Police Department

It gives me pleasure to share with the citizens of Groton your Police Department's 2013 annual report. The following information will summarize the year in a few short pages.

We are where we are today because of the diligence of our Police Department employees along with the assistance from the Town of Groton community, the Select Board and other Town Departments.

This past year we have had several changes. John "Jack" Foley has left the Department to continue his employment at Waterville Valley. Officer Foley did a wonderful job while he was here and will be missed.

On the other hand, "Jack" will be replaced by Everett Knighton. Officer Knighton will be attending the part-time Police Academy beginning in February 2014. We hope to have him certified and ready for the summer months. In addition, after many months of searching, the Groton Police Department has hired a full time officer who will begin in January 2014. Sergeant EJ Thompson has accepted the position and we look forward to a great year for the Department.

The Groton Police Department is planning a vacant home check campaign this year. Citizens who will be away from their home for a period of time are encouraged to fill out a vacant home check request sheet. Request forms can be found in the lobby of the Town Office.

Following is a brief summary of the calls for service that the Groton Police Department has received during 2013. Please take a moment to review the list.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Pivrotto
Chief of Police

Crimes Against Persons

criminal assault: 1	stalking: 1	domestic disturbance: 8
credit card fraud: 1	criminal harassment: 3	criminal threatening: 1

Crimes Against Property

theft of property: 6	burglary: 8	criminal trespass: 2
illegal dumping: 3		criminal mischief: 7

Crimes Against Public Peace

suspicious person/motor vehicles: 11	minor possessing alcohol: 4	illegal parking: 3
neighborhood disturbance: 3	gunshot complaint: 1	disorderly persons: 1
illegal drug possession: 1	disorderly juvenile: 2	911 hang ups: 7

Motor Vehicle Violations and Complaints

speeding: 34	stop sign violation: 2	driving under the influence: 3
road hazard: 5	motor vehicle accident: 1	open container violation: 1
inspection sticker: 4		

Court Documents Served

domestic order violation: 3	subpoenas: 4	wanted person: 2
sex offender registry: 2	summons: 3	arrest warrant served: 1

Assist Citizen

vehicle identification check: 9	pistol permit issued: 21	civil standby: 11
motor vehicle lock out: 2	fire permit issued: 7	welfare check: 4
medical emergency: 6	house checks: 7	finger prints: 1

Miscellaneous

assist other law enforcement: 2	sudden death: 2	house alarms: 10
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Arrests

driving under the influence: 2	court order violation: 1	warrant arrest: 2
minor possession of alcohol: 4	disorderly juvenile: 1	

Animal Control

stray animal: 3	livestock complaints: 4	missing dog: 1
animal nuisance: 10	animal cruelty: 3	

Police Department

Chief of Police: Joseph Pivrotto

Patrol Officers: Sergeant Ernest Thompson

Officers Andrew Newcomb and Everett Knighton

Animal Control Officer: Miles Sinclair

Business Phone: (603) 744-3703

Grafton County Dispatch: (603) 787-2552

“CALL 911 FOR YOUR EMERGENCY”

Groton Fire Chief's Report

The activity for the town, in 2013, has continued on an upward swing. This trend predominantly relates to emergency medical calls. In the foreseeable future this trend is unlikely to change due to a population that continues to mature.

During this last year, the Groton Wind Farm began operation. As a result of the wind farm operation, EMS and Fire Departments from surrounding towns as well as myself, have had the opportunity to train and tour the grounds. The construction of the wind farm and its road structure will allow increased access to the area for wild land fires or injured persons. Winter access to the wind farm will be limited to snow cats located at the Operations & Maintenance Building and snowmobiles on a predetermined response dispatched by Lakes Region Mutual Aid.

Remember **fire permits** are required for any open outside burning when the ground is NOT completely covered by snow. Permits are issued for the burning of clean materials **ONLY**. If you have questions related to what can and cannot be burned this information is located on the backside of your fire permit. Permits can be obtained from the following people:

Roger Thompson	Warden	786-2138	72 River Rd
Norm Willey	Deputy Warden	744-5928	777 N. Groton Rd
Joe Pivirotto	Deputy Warden	786-2381	99 River Rd
Bill Oakley	Deputy Warden		22 Crosby Lane
Edward Smith	Deputy Warden	744-5768	11 Smith Rd
Pattie Oakley	Agent	520-4712	22 Crosby Lane
Debra Thompson	Agent	786-2138	72 River Rd

Wishing everyone a prosperous and safe 2014.

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Thompson
Fire Chief and Warden

Groton Emergency Management Director Report

During the last year, I have been appointed as the Emergency Management Director and Glen Hansen as the Assistant Director. Though I have not held this position in my past experience, my vast knowledge in Mass Casualty Response, Incident Command, and Fire and Emergency Medical Service will help me as I continue to learn and serve this community. Please feel free to contact me with any concerns at 786-2138 and leave a message.

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Thompson
Emergency Management Director

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

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

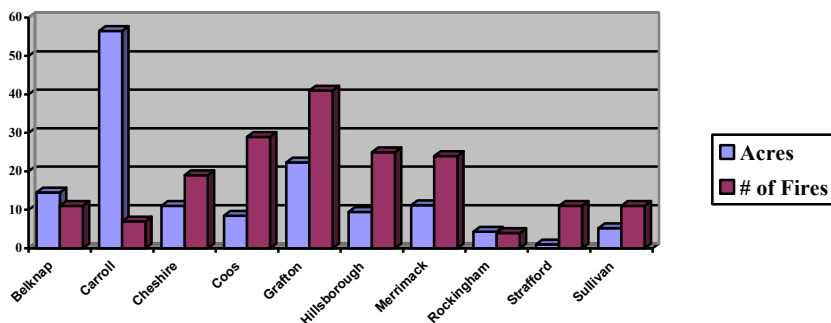
Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

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
Belknap	14.5	11
Carroll	56.5	7
Cheshire	11	19
Coos	8.5	29
Grafton	22.3	41
Hillsborough	9.5	25
Merrimack	11.2	24
Rockingham	4.3	4
Strafford	1	11
Sullivan	5.2	11



Causes Of Fires Reported

Total Fires

Total Acres

Arson	1	2013:	182	144
Debris	69	2012:	318	206
Campfire	12	2011:	125	42
Children	1	2010:	360	145
Smoking	10	2009:	334	173
Railroad	0			
Equipment	4			
Lightning	0			
Misc.*	85			

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

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

Highway Department

The Groton Highway Department had a fairly busy year for 2013. Early on we experienced personnel changes with Eric Ljunggren and Dalton Warner leaving to be replaced by Robert Ellis and Shannon Perkins. Robert Ellis (who we know as “Bubba”) immediately pursued and obtained his CDL which gave us some needed flexibility for our heavy truck operations. Additionally, his professional masonry talents enhanced our abilities to perform other projects. Shannon Perkins is our laborer who is accomplished in woodworking and is a great help in the laborer field.

A great amount of time was spent cutting back roadsides with the rental of a boom mower and hand cutting and chipping. More of this will need to be done this upcoming year, although not as extensive.

With the use of privately owned equipment which was lent to the Highway Department we were able to level and pave with asphalt about 475 linear feet of North Groton Road near the Dorchester town line. Bristol helped with trucking of the asphalt along with a hired truck. I would like to thank Bristol Road Agent Mark Bucklin for lending us the trucks and the use of their chipper on several occasions. Unfortunately, I have been made aware that Bristol may no longer lend equipment out in the future.

Early in the spring John Faucher, owner of T.L.C. Tree Company, helped us trim a good amount of low branches on North Groton Road. We thank him and his crew for their help and expertise.

“Mud” season was a little tricky with the fast outset of frost in the gravel roads. A great deal of material (crushed stone) and time with the trucks and equipment was spent to keep the roads passable.

Above all, the most important project was the reconstruction of approximately 1,300 linear feet of North Groton Road as designated by our Road Committee. D. A. White Excavating of Plymouth was awarded the project by the Select Board, and they did a fine job with true professionalism and diligence. Hopefully we will continue to move ahead on our road reconstruction process.

Another significant accomplishment was the replacement of the bridge over Hardy Brook that leads to the Groton Pond. After waiting seemingly forever for the permits we were able to begin the work toward the later part of August. As with most of these projects we had some setbacks due to weather, but were able to finish up in October. Railings and landscaping will be done in 2014.

In closing, I wish to thank you for reelecting me as Road Agent again, and I welcome the opportunity to serve you along with my staff.

Respectfully submitted,
Glen Hansen
Road Agent



Assistants:
Robert “Bubba” Ellis
Ron Madan
Shannon Perkins

Road Committee

At the March 2013 Town Meeting, a plan for road reconstruction/repair and continued maintenance was presented by the Groton Road Committee along with two Warrant Articles. The Warrant Articles passed unanimously and the plan will continue to be reviewed and modified as the Town moves forward with projects. The Committee members spent a lot of time researching and discussing different options to pursue and the areas that needed attention to develop this plan. The final decision for the area to be addressed for the 2013 project was on North Groton Road in the vicinity of Nadeau Lane.

After Town Meeting, the Road Committee submitted bid specifications to the Select Board and the Board moved forward in the bidding process, beginning with a site meeting. The site meeting was held, with prospective contractors interested in bidding the project, on location and the project specifications were reviewed and questions answered. After the site meeting, bids were submitted and reviewed and D.A. White Contractors of Plymouth, New Hampshire was awarded the project.

In the weeks that followed the awarding of the bid, the road surface, shoulders and ditch lines were completely reconstructed and new asphalt pavement was put in place. D. A. White did an excellent job and completed the project with little complications. If you haven't traveled along this section of North Groton Road, please take a moment to go out and look over the two sections that have been completed.

Additionally, as a separate Warrant Article submitted by the Select Board and Road Agent, approximately 475 linear feet of roadway was leveled and repaved by the Highway Department. This section of roadway, also on North Groton Road, is located in the vicinity of the Town line near Dorchester. Completing the paving for this area, although only a temporary fix, helped to eliminate the rough patches of roadway and concerns with safe passage.

The Road Committee continues to function and wishes to have the Town move forward with the road reconstruction/repair process by completing more exterior projects in the upcoming year and in the future. Each year the Committee will review the next planned project and make recommendations to the Town. We would like to thank the Town and the Select Board for their continued support and we look forward to seeing what the future brings for our Town's roads.

Respectfully submitted,

Road Committee: Jiri Hajek, Glen Hansen, Roger Thompson, Barrie Sawyer,
Chuck Stata, Christina Goodwin

Transfer Station

This year the Transfer Station saw an increase in revenue from our scrap metal, including the disposal of refrigerators and microwaves. We currently have a system in place that will provide the Town with a consistent source of revenue for these items. All the propane and butane tanks, tires and batteries were also properly disposed of as well as light bulbs. Revenue for the year exceeded \$2,000.

As we move forward recycling continues to be the main goal. The more we recycle the less we pay in disposal costs. The aluminum cans generate revenue with the scrap metal collection. When the compactor and the overflow dumpster, which handle our solid household waste, are picked up, the town pays a hauling charge and a dumping fee (\$59.00/ton at 10+tons). By recycling, the residents help reduce the number of hauling trips thereby reducing these costs. A new contract was also signed with Waste Management to enable us to more easily recycle cardboard, paper, plastic and glass into a single stream disposal system further reducing our hauling costs. An added bonus is that Waste Management does not charge a dumping fee thus the more recycling we do the less solid waste goes to the Landfill and the more money we save. In addition, we were able to dispose of the huge pile of broken glass bottles and replace it with a construction debris dumpster which has been a success.

Another program we are moving forward with is an electronics disposal day. This is scheduled for the last Saturday in May 2014 at the Town Office building, with an authorized vendor. Fees will be assessed and paid directly to the vendor. A fee schedule will be published prior to this event.

The Household Hazardous Waste disposal was a huge success this year and as a result the Transfer Station is clean and we are able to keep up with the Department of Environmental Services (DES) regulations more effectively. Continued cooperation from Town residents with recycling is appreciated.

Toward the end of the year we discovered that one of the water monitoring wells had shifted due to frost jacking. In conjunction with DES and our consultants, we are assessing our options for remediation.

Thank you to Ken Gould and George Evirs for helping to keep the Transfer Station clean and operating as smoothly as possible. Thank you to Ken Gould for

his years of service at the Transfer Station. Ken resigned in December 2013 and we wish him the best in his future endeavors.

Thank you to all the Town residents for your continued cooperation and support of the Groton Transfer Station.

Transfer Station Supervisor
Joe Koslow

Attendants
Ken Gould
George Evirs





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

Northeast Resource Recovery Association
2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234
Telephone: (603) 736-4401 or 1-800-223-0150
Fax: (603) 736-4402
E-mail: info@nrra.ne Web Site: www.nrra.net

Dear NRRA Member,

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

- Up-to-date **Technical Assistance** in waste reduction and recycling;
- **Cooperative Marketing** to maximize pricing and **Cooperative Purchasing** to minimize costs;
- Current **Market Conditions** and Latest **Recycling Trends, both regionally and nationwide;**
- **Innovative Programs** (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream);
- **Educational and Networking Opportunities** through our Annual Recycling Conference, our new Bi-weekly "Full of Scrap" email news, monthly Marketing meetings, website, and Fall Facility Tours;
- **School Recycling Club** - a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts;
- **NH DES Continuing Ed Credits;**
- **NH the Beautiful Signs, Grants, Bins and Recyclemobiles.**

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

Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 81,337 tons in fiscal year 2012-2013!

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

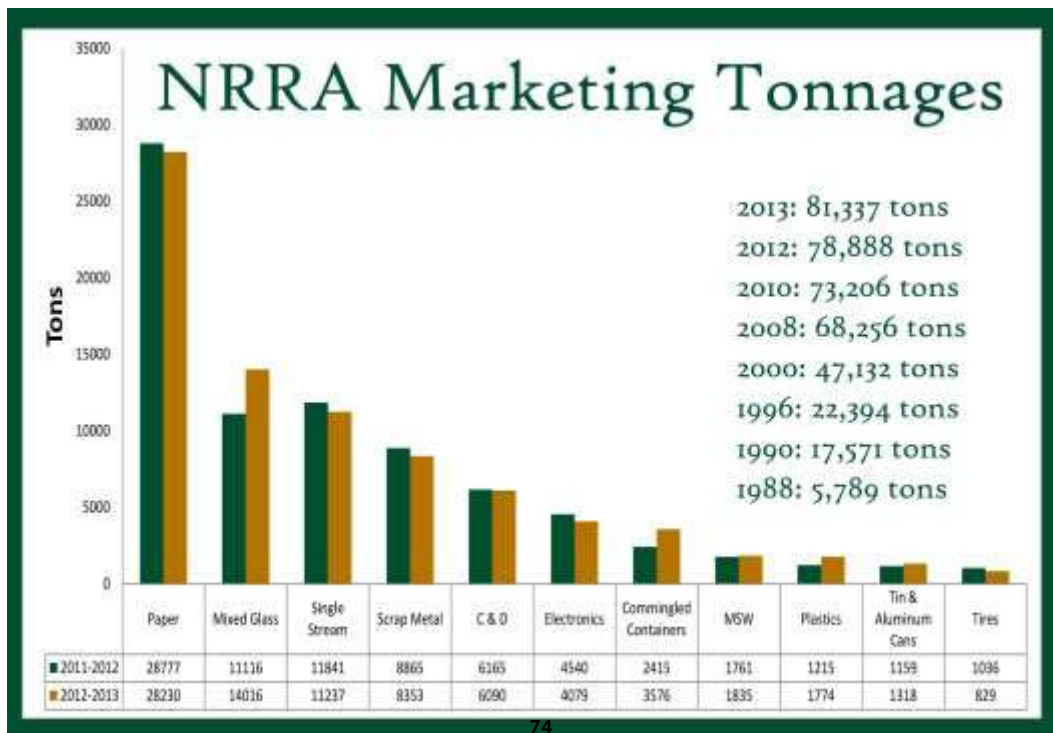
Town of Groton

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

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

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

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled in 2011	Environmental Impact
Paper	13.19 tons	Here is only <u>one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw material) to manufacture new products. Saved 224 trees!



PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Fred Garofalo, Chairman
Jeff Trojano, Vice-Chairman
Josh Trought, Treasurer
Dan Woods, Coordinator

c/o 264 Pettyboro Rd
Bath, NH 03740
(603) 838-6822
pemibakerswd@yahoo.com

2013 Annual Report

This past year, the Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District continued its cooperative efforts to promote waste reduction, increase recycling, and to provide residents with a means of properly disposing of their household hazardous wastes (HHW). The District held two (2) one-day collections, one in Littleton and the other in Plymouth. A total of 220 vehicles came to the collections. In 2013 we hired Clean Venture, Inc. to be our contractor. The District was very impressed with the staff's work effort and the professionalism that they exhibited. Both collections ran very smoothly and without any issues.

The total disposal costs were \$21,492 (Down from \$30,860 in 2012). The District was awarded a grant from the State of NH for \$5,490. It also received \$5,000 from Casella Waste and \$3,500 from North Country Council. The net expenditure for the HHW collections was \$7,502 (a cost of \$.24 per resident). The table below highlights the District's HHW collection data since 2009. The District also coordinated the pickup of fluorescent light bulbs that had been collected at member towns' recycling facilities. Over 44,000 feet of straight fluorescent tubing along with compact fluorescents and other types of fluorescents were recycled.

In 2014, the District will hold collections in Littleton (Sunday, August 24th) and in Plymouth (Saturday, September 27th). Individual residents can help keep the District's disposal costs down and reduce the toxicity of the environment by remembering a few of these helpful tips; Buy only what you need. If you have leftover product, properly store it so it will last. Use biological controls and organic products for pests and diseases in the garden when feasible. Apply chemical pesticides only as a last resort and be sure to follow the directions on the label. Lastly, air-dry your leftover latex paint. When completely dried, latex paint may be disposed of in your household trash.

As always, citizens interested in participating in the development of the District's programs are welcome to attend the District's meetings. Information regarding

the place and time of the meetings is available at all municipal offices and recycling centers. If at any time an individual community needs assistance in regards to their solid waste/recycling program, please contact the District at 838-6822 or by email at pemibakerswd@yahoo.com

Respectively Submitted,
Dan Woods, District Coordinator

2009 - 2013 Program Costs

Year	Program Pop.	# of Veh.	HHW Contractor Expenditures	NHDES HHW Grant	Revenue Non-District Participants / Other Rev.	Net Expenditures	Cost/ Vehicle	Cost/ Capita
2009 *	29,971	189	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$15,428	\$82	\$.51
2010	30,765	250	\$26,765	\$5,230	\$768	\$20,758	\$83	\$.67
2011	30,765	136	\$17,028	\$6,223	\$80	\$10,725	\$79	\$.35
2012	30,765	229	\$30,860	\$5,305	\$0	\$25,555	\$112	\$.83
2013	31,018	220	\$21,492	\$5,490	\$8,500	\$7,502	\$34	\$.24

* Note in 2009, the District took part in North Country Council's HHW program and was assessed \$15,428 based on our participation numbers.

Ashland - Campton - Danbury - Dorchester - Easton - Ellsworth - Franconia - Groton -
Landaff - Lisbon - Littleton - Lyman Plymouth - Rumney - Sugar Hill - Thornton - Warren -
Waterville Valley - Wentworth

Groton Planning Board

This year, in addition to Planning Board Meetings on the last Wednesday of each month, we had mid-month Master Plan Revision Committee meetings. Paula Stata, Mark Burnett, Ray Blake and Sandra Hutchins volunteered to join the Board in this endeavor. Thankfully, Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA) grant money is covering the time and expertise of consultants again this year. Two public meetings were held in 2012 to gather public input regarding Groton's future. At Town Meeting, we passed out surveys to gather even more information from community members to help us in revising our Master Plan. Surveys not picked up were mailed. Results of this survey can be found on the town's website. All of the completed surveys can be viewed by contacting Planning Board Chairman Slim Spafford at 744-9744. We are now writing our Town Master Plan using the opinions shared at the public meetings and on the surveys. Contact any of the board members listed below if you have more ideas for Groton's future.

2013 began as 2012 ended; with many meetings concerning EDP Renewables desired meteorological (Met) tower located on Maxam property. After several public meetings, the Board approved the Site Plan Review Application for the Met tower with the following conditions:

1. The final plan submitted to the Board for signature shall include a signature block consisting of seven signature lines and a date line.
2. The final plan submitted to the Board for signature shall identify the access from Hardy Country Road to the tower location.
3. The tower shall be installed in conformance with all manufacturer specifications.
4. The meteorological tower shall be removed from the property within six months of the end of its useful life. A bond sufficient to secure this obligation shall be provided by the applicant.

Following a hearing on the application, EDP's plan was approved. This approval was appealed. In December, the Grafton County Superior Court upheld the Planning Board's decision.

The Board also dealt with two lot line adjustments and one sub-division. By the end of December, we should be finalizing a sub-division plan from Green Acre Woodlands that will benefit the Town.

Respectfully submitted Groton Planning Board,

Steve (Slim) Spafford, Chair

Jenny Burnett, clerk

Russ Carruth

Deb Johnson

Dave Labar

Celine Richer

Miles Sinclair, Select Board liaison

Sharon Nelson and Ray Blake, Alternates

Groton Zoning Board

We want to express appreciation to all members for their services and welcome new alternate members. Mr. Jiri Hajek was elected as the current Chairman.

During the year 2013, the Board's spending and legal costs exceeded the allocated and approved budget amount due in large part to legal assistance needed for the EDP Renewables' application for Special Exception. Based on the activities of 2013 and due to anticipated commercial inactivity in Town during the upcoming year, the proposed budget will remain almost unchanged.

We like to encourage any Groton citizen interested to provide free public services to his or her fellow citizens and neighbors to contact our Board. The Board meets in Groton Town Hall the first Monday of each month. A public hearing is held only when an application for Special Exception is submitted to the Town.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jiri Hajek, Chairman
Ken Gould
Frank Grelle
Glen Hansen
Helen Martyszyn
Chuck Stata (Alternate)

Conservation Commission Report

The Groton Conservation Commission was re-established this year and held its inaugural meeting on March 28, 2013. Officers and terms of tenure on the Commission were established. All being newly involved in the Conservation Commission, we quickly focused on obtaining training for ourselves so as to more effectively execute our role for the Town. In brief, Conservation Commissions are a resource for the Town that they serve. The Town and any of its committees may call upon the Commission for information, expertise or recommendations regarding any issue that could impact the quality of the environmental in the Town. The Commission, itself, has no regulatory or enforcement authority.

Various Commission members have attended several workshops on assessing natural resources, establishing and managing conserved lands as well as numerous other topics. At an earlier time, the Town elected to grant the Conservation Commission the right to manage the property known as the Groton Town Pond. Thru efforts in the past, the Town secured funding to replace the crossing over Hardy Brook which had been destroyed by the flood of 2011. That work is nearing completion and we are excited to help this lovely area to be enjoyed by all.

In addition to education, the Conservation Commission has devoted considerable time and resources to support the work being undertaken by the Kimball Hill Property Acquisition Committee. This 2730 +/- acre parcel is an outstanding natural resource in the Town and we are hoping for the acquisition to be successful. In this effort, we have committed \$7,000 of the Commission's funds to help with the assessment of the property. We also have begun a dialogue with members of the Department of Environmental Sciences and Policy at Plymouth State that we hope will result in a collaboration to bring a high level of expertise to us as we help manage our natural resources.

Our first year has been mostly focused on educating ourselves. We anticipate that in the coming year we will be a significant resource to Groton's efforts to preserve the health of our environment and the quality of our rural life.

Our meetings are scheduled for the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Town House. All are welcome.

Louis R. Lieto, Chair
Groton Conservation Commission

Members:
Robert Ferriere (Vice Chair)
Miles Sinclair (Select Board representative)
Paula Stata
Nancy Watson

Old Home Day Committee

For 2013, the Old Home Day Committee introduced new events and a new schedule in an attempt to boost participation. This was a do or die change, as the members of the Committee were feeling it was time to give up the Groton Old Home Day event as participation and turnout has continued to dwindle each year. The good news is that the changes worked.

The Committee moved the day's events to the late afternoon evening, beginning with the annual parade. Participants ranged from kid's entries to tractors. Parade goers were also thrilled and surprised by a miniature working cannon. The Committee chose winners from the following categories and each winner received a small cash prize:

- Tractors: 1st place - Jerry Shinn
- Animals: 1st place - Makayla Madan & Baron
- Kids: 1st place - Kasandra McClay/2nd place - June Hagan
- Floats: 1st place - Glen Hansen
- Antique vehicles: 1st place - Joe Pivrotto

After the parade, the event moved on to music, games, food and vendors. The Big Lake String Band provided bluegrass music with a great attitude and show that was a pleasant addition to the night. The food, which was a cookout by Committee members, consisted of hotdogs, hamburgers, sausage, chips and soda. Thank you to Miles & Cheryl Sinclair, Glen & Terri Hansen and Vickie Kimball for providing the food and cooking during the event. The Vendors, ranged from waterproof cell phone holders, jewelry and beautiful handcrafted scarves to sweaters. Kids were able to use the playground or eat free popcorn and bounce in a jumping tent courtesy of Ron Madan. Also, during the evening, there were various raffles and donations, giving the Committee a total of \$328.73. The following lucky raffle winners were:

- 50/50 – Winner collected \$61.50 – Kasandra McClay
- \$25 Gas Card – Gail Curseaden
- \$25 Hannaford – Gail Curseaden

- \$25 Common Man – Becky Moulton
- \$10 Dunkin Donuts – Jami-Lynn McClay
- \$10 Dunkin Donuts – Jami-Lynn McClay

Also, during the evening, the Select Board participated in a pie eating contest. Christina Goodwin edged out Kyle Andrews and the reigning champion Miles Sinclair for the win. Although this might not be something to brag about, it sure was a fun time.

The evening ended with a brilliant display of fireworks, which were purchased from Tilton Fireworks. The company donated over and above the amount purchased and helped with the line-up for shooting. Thank you to Glen Hansen for soliciting donations, purchasing the fireworks and providing a great show.

Overall, this event was a great night, with about 150 people attending. The Committee would like to thank the Town of Groton for their continued support and future participation. We would also like to thank Groton Wind, LLC for their \$1,000 donation that helped support the changes made in this year's event. We look forward to another great year in 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Old Home Day Committee Members: Pamela Yinger, Vickie Kimball, Miles Sinclair, Christina Goodwin

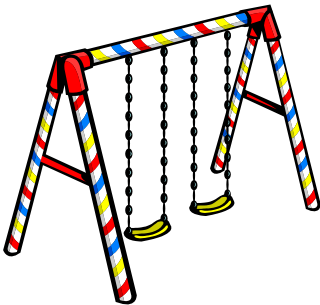
(Groton Select Board hard at work!)



Groton Recreation Committee

Over the years the Groton Recreation Committee has hosted a variety of events and realized its dream of creating what is now known as the Everett Hobart Memorial Park. At present there are no members serving on the committee. The Select Board would like to encourage those with interest and passion to contact the Board so that a new team of committee members can be formed to ensure that future recreational events and opportunities continue.

Our community and the lives of its residents are enriched when we come together to socialize, recreate and enjoy the pleasures that life in Groton has to offer.



Groton Public Library

2013 was a year of change for the Groton Public Library. In the spring, Annie Tobine resigned as a Library Trustee; a position she had held for many years. Annie has long been active in all phases of library work and we will miss her dedication and pleasant personality. The Trustees sincerely thank her for the many years of service that she and her family members devoted to Groton Library functions.

In the fall, Christina Goodwin also resigned from the Library Board. As Chairperson for the Trustees, Christina helped to start many initiatives. Chief among those is a program to relocate the Library to a new and expanded location. This effort continues and the current Board is hopeful that we can complete Christina's initiative in the future. Christina's enthusiasm for a variety of Library activities will also be missed.

In this time of change, we have added two Trustees to bring the Board back to full strength. Pam Yinger, a former grade school teacher, librarian and present author of children's books is one of the new Trustees. Paula Stata, also a former teacher, library volunteer and active in community programs is the other new trustee. We are very fortunate to have found two persons with the time, enthusiasm and experience to fill out our Board.

Cassandra Viger has joined the Library as a part time librarian. Cassandra is a graduate of PSU and comes to us with an excellent background in operating the library and making it an important part of the Town for both adults and students. In her short time in the job, she has brought considerable order to our operation.

We have re-established regular library hours designed to be convenient for the Town's students. These are currently 2:30 PM-6:30 PM on Tuesdays. As in the past, anyone wishing to use the Library's resources may do so any time the Town Offices are open and may check out books on the honor system by leaving a note for the librarian giving your name, the date and the title & author of the book.

As we look forward to 2014, we hope to make progress with obtaining grant funding for an improved Library location. We also hope to increase the hours of operation and to offer programs of general interest to adults.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Lieto, Chair
Groton Library Board of Trustees

Groton Historical Society

As the Groton Historical Society (GHS) looks forward to celebrating its 25th Anniversary in August 2014, it looks back on much accomplishment, and this past year was no exception. School House #4, the only Schoolhouse left in Groton, acquired in 1995 by GHS and restored by 2005, opened its doors in 2006 as our Museum and is still being lovingly cared for. In 2013, it received a new porch and newly glazed windows. In 2014, the exterior will once again be painted.

Long before GHS called the schoolhouse its Museum, constant work was going on to gather Groton's history. Interviews with families in Groton were conducted, photos and documents were collected, and artifacts were gathered as the community grew interested and became supportive of our endeavors. Funds were raised, grants were written and granted, sweat equity was loyally provided and our goals were achieved. This still goes on today. We have a great membership!

Three of our achievements that are most notable in the Groton Community are:

- the restoration of the Town House - for which half of our membership joined the Committee to 'Save the Town House' and worked diligently on bringing that about
- the displaying of the Union Church Bell beside our Schoolhouse - for which we accepted that responsibility from the Longyear Foundation of Boston
- the Monument honoring our Groton Veterans - that stands near the Town House which we gifted to the Town.

Our many programs over the years have been received with pleasure and 2013 was no exception. We had a ceremony at our Veteran's Monument followed by a gathering for visiting and sharing luncheon at the Town House with those who came to honor our Veterans. We plan to do this each year. We presented talks about the Grange movement in NH followed by a Pie Buffet; Wild Life in NH followed by refreshments; Civil War Machinery and its effect on future manufacturing and refreshments. We were a presence at the Hebron Fair and enjoyed meeting so many of the community that are interested in the beginnings of Cockermouth and its development into the towns of Groton and Hebron.

Most of our quarterly newsletters are now sent by e-mail; the rest, of course, by snail-mail. We have a Committee working weekly on coding and listing every item we have in our archives into a database. We have a Committee working on

locating and tracing histories of the original homes in Groton to develop a Heritage Trail. We are writing grants, and recently were awarded funds from the NH Electric Coop Foundation.

At our Annual Meeting in October, our Board Members elected these officers for the ensuing year. President, Louise Traunstein; Vice-President, Pam Hamel; Secretary, Sherry Nelson; Treasurer, Deb Lindsey; Curator, Kathy Sobetzer.

The GHS Board of Directors would like to express thanks and appreciation to the people of Groton for their continued support of our efforts. We are dedicated in our determination to “preserve Groton’s past for its Future”. To join us in our endeavors, consider a membership and participation in our planning programs and gathering more history about this very special community.

Our mailing address is still P.O. Box 50, Rumney, NH 03266. We are looking forward to celebrating our **25th Anniversary**. We invite you to join us.

Groton Historical Society

Board Members

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Deb Lindsey

Sharon Nelson

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Tony Tavares

Louise Traunstein



North Country Council, Inc.

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Dear Friends,

As we celebrate our 40th year of regional planning, opportunities to make the organization more sustainable have never been greater but we need your membership support. NCC and its communities will face challenges in the coming months particularly in such a large remote region, experiencing both accelerated change and declining state and federal funding. But this is the very reason for the existence of North Country Council—to be aware of problems and pressures and to be ready to provide assistance and advice to each town and to lead the region forward. North Country Council is your Council. It is responsive to your requirements and requests, and above all, it is willing and capable of successfully addressing your needs, large and small. As one of our greatest supporters Colonel Oliver Nelson put it, “Over the past several years, the Council and my small town have worked closely together on problems with both local and regional impact. The solutions have saved my town money, solved the problems, and provided the Council with yet more knowledge and experience which could be used to assist other towns in the North Country”

Building communities and regional capacity is no small task and certainly is not a straight forward one. To prepare for the future, the NCC Board of Directors and staff just completed a strategic planning process to meet our regional challenges head on. North Country Council’s FY 2014-2016 Strategic Plan not only reorients our regional planning focus to our seven subregions including Upper Coos, Lancaster Area, Androscoggin Valley, Littleton area, Haverhill area Plymouth area, and Mount Washington Valley but identifies five strategic priorities that the organization is determined to address in the next three years. A summary of these five strategic priorities include:

1. **Leadership:** *NCC identifies and effectively addresses local and regional issues and opportunities. As a regional leader NCC is focused on continuous education and productive teamwork through its board, staff, and partners (members, funders...).*
2. **Evaluation and Assessment:** *Within each program area (planning and economic development), evaluate projects and services, focus on outcomes. Identify emerging issues and project opportunities at the local and regional level – assess stakeholder needs, impact, staffing, cost, and availability of resources.*
3. **Financial Sustainability and Asset Utilization:** *Strengthen long-term viability through revenue diversification, asset utilization, and establishment of reserve funds.*
4. **Stakeholder and Public Relations:** *Further engage stakeholder groups through targeted communication. Spotlight regional issues, forums, and leaders. Communicate NCC accomplishments, value of service, and impact.*
5. **Strategic Development:** *Advance NCC's commitment to quality work and relevancy through the implementation of the FY 2014 - 2016 Strategic Plan.*

NCC is now stronger and better prepared for the future as a result of the FY 2014-2016 Strategic Plan.

Thank you for your on-going support of North Country Council and our mission to strengthen the North Country. If there is a project or need in your town, please call us because we are at your service.

Sincerely,
Jeffrey R. Hayes
Executive Director



TapPLY-Thompson Community Center

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It is hard to believe that our Community Center is entering its 69th year of serving the Newfound Community but we are. The success of the Community Center program is a direct result of the amazing support that we receive from our communities and beyond. This support comes in many forms - volunteer hours, financial donations, program participation and sponsorships. Some examples of how blessed we are:

- 450 individuals volunteered an average of 20 hours each in 2013.
- Donations increased by 17% in 2013 to \$49,000.
- Youth participation in programs increased 23% in 2013 bringing it to 744 individual youth.
- 180 business sponsorships provided \$32,600 in revenue for 59 sports teams, our 5K Jingle Mingle, the NH Marathon, our Tee it Up 'Fore the Kids' Golf Classic and the Westward Bound Teen Expedition.

The Center is built on community collaboration and is truly the hub for the planning & implementation of events and programming for the Newfound Region. We took over the NH Marathon when the Newfound Chamber of Commerce disbanded. Dan MacLean, TTCC Assistant Director became the new Race Director in 2013 taking over the reins from Everett Begor. Everett served in that capacity for 13 years and built this event into a world class race that was named as the 'Best small town race' by Runner's World in January 2013. This year the race raised \$28,500 that was split between the TTCC, the Mayhew Program and the Circle Program.

The TTCC staff serves on the Bristol Community Events Committee which oversees the Summer Concert Series on Kelley Park as well as other town

events. These concerts are a collaboration of the Town of Bristol, Bristol Shop n Save and the TTCC.

The Center is the Community Based Organization for the 21st Century Learning Centers Grant which the Newfound Area School District received. In the past two years these grants have brought in \$1,600,000 to the Newfound communities for quality after School programs for our youth. A portion of these grant funds provide the TTCC with additional summer staff and employment and program opportunities for High School youth.

For these reasons and many others the TTCC continues to be a vibrant resource for our communities. But clearly the most important reason that we thrive and grow is that we put the youth of our community as our primary focus. Our Council & Staff believe that our purpose is to offer a safe & healthy atmosphere that enables our youth to be challenged and valued as individuals. We are so fortunate to live in a community that continues to prioritize the nurturing of our amazing kids. Thank you for making this all possible through your donations. Our success is a direct result of your support!

We would like to express our continued gratitude to the Bristol United Church of Christ for their many donations towards scholarships & building insurance. Thanks to the Newfound Area School District for the use of their buildings and playing fields. Many thanks to Bristol Rotary Club and the WLNH Children's Auction for donations to our scholarship fund. We are grateful to the Slim Baker Foundation for their continued support of our summer program through the use of the Slim Baker Area and their donation of program funds. And last, but certainly not least, we are so very thankful for the many volunteers that give of their time to make our programs a success. We could not do it without them!

The TTCC Staff & Council would like to wish everyone a Happy & Healthy 2014!



Respect Advocacy Integrity Stewardship Excellence

To the Residents of Groton:

During Fiscal Year 2013 (July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013), we served **5 Groton residents and provided emergency services to 0 residents.** We provided \$145.63 in charity care to these residents.

Age Range	Number of Clients
Ages 1 – 17	3
Ages 18 – 61	1
Age 62 and over	1

What is a Mental Health Emergency?

A mental health emergency is a sudden change in the mental status of an individual due to a one-time event or as the result of a pre-existing mental illness. Events causing a mental health emergency can include loss of job, divorce, natural disaster or the sudden loss of a loved one. A mental health emergency can occur at any time to anyone, regardless of age, gender or class. Symptoms of a mental health emergency can include but are not limited to:

- Suicidal or homicidal thoughts
- Feelings of desperation or anxiety
- Delusional thoughts

What are Emergency Services?

Emergency Services are provided by Genesis Behavioral Health in accordance with regulations governing community mental health centers in the State of New Hampshire. Services include 24 hour a day, 7 days a week access to Master's level clinicians and psychiatrists by individuals of all ages, hospitals, schools, police and others experiencing or dealing with a mental health emergency. The goal of Emergency Services is to reduce the individual's acute psychiatric symptoms, decrease risk of harm to self and others and assist in

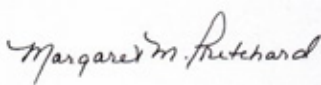
returning the individual to pre-crisis level functioning. Emergency Services are provided through a 24-hour emergency hotline, mobile crisis response, crisis stabilization, assessments and evaluation and voluntary/involuntary hospitalization. Services are provided in person, other the telephone and via telehealth ensure rapid access to care.

How does the Town of Groton benefit? Why should you invest in Emergency Services?

Sadly, today we have a greater understanding of the devastating effects of a mental health crisis. We may get a glimpse of it when a tragic event affects our own community: a horrific crime, a suicide, the aftermath of an accident. The role of the Genesis Behavioral Health Emergency Services team is not simply to work with the individual in crisis, but to work with the community in its wake. This may include meeting with emergency responders as they cope with a difficult case or with school children and teachers as they mourn the loss of a classmate and student.

An investment from the Town of Groton will be leveraged with appropriations from other communities to offset the cost of staffing the Emergency Services program round the clock. It will help us expand mental health services and increase awareness. Emergency Services is a safety net for ***all*** residents of Groton, not just those utilizing the service. Your appropriation will ensure the provision of this essential service for the residents of your community and reduce the burden on your town.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margaret M. Pritchard". The ink is dark and the signature is written on a light-colored background.

Margaret M. Pritchard, Executive Director



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GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our communities' older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible. The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln; and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink Resource Center and RSVP and the Volunteer Center. Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, community dining programs, transportation, outreach and counseling, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2012-2013, 29 older residents of Groton were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Plymouth Regional Senior Center or Newfound Area Senior Services:

- Older adults from Groton enjoyed 143 balanced meals in the company of friends in the center's dining room.
- Frail older adults in Groton received 105 hot, nutritious home delivered meals, brought to their homes by caring volunteers.
- The lift-equipped bus transported Groton residents to medical appointments, shopping, the senior center, or other destinations on 21 occasions.
- They benefited from 22 visits with a trained outreach worker.
- Groton citizens volunteered 155 hours of their time and talent to GCSCC during the past year.

The cost to provide Council services for Groton residents was \$2,871.53. Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical. **Groton's population over age 60 increased by 169.2% over the past 20 years, according to U.S. Census data from 1990 to 2010.**

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Groton's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner, Executive Director

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.

Statistics for the Town of Groton

October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013

During the fiscal year, GCSCC served 29 Groton residents (out of 140 residents over 60, 2010 U.S. Census).

<u>Services</u>	<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Units of Service</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>Unit (1) Cost</u>	<u>=</u>	<u>Total Cost of Service</u>
Congregate/Home Delivered	Meals	248	x	\$8.60		\$2,132.80
Transportation	Trips	21	x	\$12.79		\$268.59
Social Services	Half-hours	22	x	\$21.37		\$470.14
Activities		26		N/A		
Chore Assistance		3		N/A		

Number of Groton volunteers: 2. Number of Volunteer Hours: 155

GCSCC cost to provide services for Groton residents only	<u>\$2,871.53</u>
Request for Senior Services for 2013	\$300.00
Received from Town of Groton for 2013	\$200.00
Request for Senior Services for 2014	<u>\$200.00</u>

NOTE:

1. Unit cost from GCSCC Statement of Revenue and Expenses for October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013.
2. Services were funded by Federal and State programs 56%; municipalities; County and United Way 11.5%; Client donations for services 9%; Charitable contributions 20%; Other 3.5%.

Pemi-Baker Community Health (PBCH)

Pemi-Baker Community Health (PBCH) is a non-profit offering home health, hospice, outpatient rehab, aquatic & fitness memberships, and community services. Our mission is *to improve the health and wellbeing of the communities by providing excellence in health care services through outreach, in-home and facility based programming.*

Health is not a moment in time, but an ongoing adventure. Decisions about being healthy happen from the day we are born until the day we die. PBCH's programs assist members of our community in this journey to become and stay healthy through life and with Hospice we can make the end of life journey one of hope, and dignity while putting the patient/family in the driver's seat. Most of our community members would choose to remain healthy at home and many have been able to realize this possibility.

Town funds are used to match grant funding, to provide services to those with limited or no ability to pay and to augment (as in Hospice Care) the cost of services that are not covered through third party payers. The agency is dependent upon charitable donations and town funds to continue to provide services. Our website www.pbhha.org is a resource for the many programs offered at PBCH.

The programs at PBCH are designed to interact with the community and strengthen the many things that make our community healthy. Communication and input is essential so please do not hesitate to call 536-2232 or email me at cengelbert@pbhha.org.

Pemi-Baker Community Health is interested in the complete health of the community. As one person said after meeting the team, *"This might seem logical by just looking at your name, but discussion about local foods, renewable energy, coordination of programs throughout a lifetime were above and beyond our knowledge of you. You are fun. From sitting and talking with you we found you all to be witty and engaging. Last time I sat with my doctor it was tense and awkward. Now we were in a different setting, but we are assuming that this attitude permeates all you do."*

Our success is thanks to our skilled, passionate, customer oriented, fun loving staff (they do tend to give above and beyond!) and to a community who has supported us in so many ways. We are known to be friendly and we are in the helping business. We are pleased to be a part of the community and touching lives: yours, your family's, your neighbor's, with a customer oriented, client centered approach in a partnership to improve health and lives.

Respectfully,
Chandra Engelbert, RN, BSN, MBA
Executive Director

Voices Against Violence

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From July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 **Voices Against Violence** worked with **795** adult and child victims/survivors who have been affected by domestic or sexual violence, or stalking. We have provided free services to all male and female victims of domestic violence or sexual assault, as well as provided countless hours of education and support around these issues to other individuals and organizations in your town.

Direct services included crisis counseling through our 24-hour hotline; one-on-one crisis and ongoing advocacy; providing emergency shelter to women and children; support groups; hospital, police and court accompaniment; restraining orders and other legal assistance; providing food, clothing, and transportation; advocating for families' medical/mental health, housing, and financial needs; assisting with educational and employment opportunities; and much more.

Voices reached an additional 2,971 individuals through our education and outreach programs. Among those programs were workshops for students and faculty at area schools on topics such as bullying prevention, healthy relationships and boundaries, how to help a friend in an abusive situation, and teen dating violence. We are also working with law enforcement and community agencies in your area to create a unified community response to domestic and sexual violence, and will be placing a great deal of effort in our prevention activities that will hopefully alleviate long-term burdens on the town that result from family violence.

With this in mind, I submit this annual budget request in the amount of \$500.00 for the 2014 fiscal year, which is this year's base request for the smallest towns we serve. We greatly appreciate all of your past support and your consideration of this year's request. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 536-5999 with any questions, or if I can provide additional information to the Committee.

Sincerely,
Meg Kennedy Dugan
Executive Director

Tri-County Community Action Program Inc.

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Tri-County Community Action Program is a private, non-profit agency that is requesting at your 2014 Town Meeting \$1,543.00 in funding from the Town of Groton to help support its Community Contact Division located in Ashland.

The following is a report of services provided in fiscal year 2012-2013:

<u>Services Provided</u>	<u># of Households</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
Fuel Assistance: Includes 6 emergencies	36 (71ppl)	\$29,988.75
State-Wide Electric Assistance Program	25 (63ppl)	\$8,599.01
USDA distribution to Bristol Food Pantries for your use via CAP		\$6,458.92
Referrals Provided for Project Care to Prevent Utility Disconnects	1	\$303.07
Total		\$42,932

Through the efforts of the Tri-County Community Action, the citizens of Groton have received a total of \$38,587.79 in direct funds for essential services for this fiscal year, not including indirect funds for food pantries and Project Care applications.

Community Contact provides these and other necessary services for the less fortunate citizens in your town and surrounding vicinities. We are depending upon funding from your town and others county-wide to enable us to continue our services. We sincerely appreciate the Town of Groton's past support and look forward to our continuing partnership to provide essential services to your residents.

Very truly yours,
Carly Rhodes
Ashland Community Contact Coordinator

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Newfound Lake Region Association

In 2013, the Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA) continued our work with watershed towns, businesses, summer camps, and permanent and seasonal residents to steward Newfound's clean water and healthy forests. We are making progress, but not fast enough for comfort!

Highlights for 2013 include:

- Working with summer camps and homeowner associations to design and implement practical stormwater management programs. Camps Berea, Mayhew, Onaway and Pasquaney; the Whittemore Shores, Sleepy Hollow, Stonegate Acres, Ledges and Camelot Acres associations; as well as the Towns of Hebron and Bristol (Town beaches), are working with us to identify and implement projects that reduce stormwater pollution.
- Completing our 29th consecutive year of water quality sampling and analysis in Newfound Lake. As noted in NLRA's Fall *Monitor* (go to our Newsroom at www.NewfoundLake.org), water quality is declining at the southern ends of Newfound Lake. While still clean overall, Newfound Lake is feeling the pressures from increasing storm intensity and human development.
- Continuing to monitor tributaries and headwater streams. While the extensive, healthy forests that surround the upland drainages are the source of our clean water, major storms and various changes in land use (buildings, roads and forestry) can accelerate erosion and reduce water clarity while increasing flooding.
- Coordinating the Lake Host program to prevent exotic milfoil and other invasive species from entering Newfound Lake via the Wellington boat ramp. In 2013 paid and volunteer personnel inspected over 3,000 boats and covered all sanctioned fishing tournaments. Newfound remains invasive-free, preserving property values and tourism revenue for the region.

- Protecting over 1,100 acres of critical lands through public education and conservation easements. Strategic land conservation protects water resources, wildlife habitat, rural character and the economic stability of the Newfound watershed.
- Supporting State-level energy policy and planning. In reaction to the rapid leasing and planned development of nearly 10,000 acres of ridgelines and unfragmented forests by commercial wind ventures, NLRA supported successful legislation designed to revise existing energy facility siting standards and the expired State Energy Plan. We will continue to advocate for informed civil discourse and seek ways to permanently protect our large forest tracts and viewsheds from poorly-planned uses.

We are committed to our mission of preserving the Newfound watershed. Because clean water depends on healthy forests and sustainable land use, we will be appealing to all property owners to include conservation and stormwater management in their land-use planning and actions, and to all tax-paying citizens to engage with their town boards to adopt sustainable and low-impact ordinances such as riparian buffers, steep slope / erodible soil protections, and aesthetic policies such as visual screening and dark sky standards.

Please contact us at info@NewfoundLake.org or 744-8689 if you have any questions or want to help out.

Thanks to all our supporters – see you around the Watershed!

The Newfound Lake Region Association

Minutes for 2013 Annual Meeting

BALLOT ARTICLES MARCH 12, 2013

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Results for March 12, 2013 Town Election

SELECTMAN	3 year term	Christina M. Goodwin
ROAD AGENT	3 year term	Glen R. Hansen
LIBRARY TRUSTEE	3 year term	Christina M. Goodwin
PLANNING BOARD	3 year term	Jennifer P. Burnett
PLANNING BOARD	3 year term	Celine A. Richer
CEMETERY TRUSTEE	3 year term	Christina M. Goodwin
TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUND	3 year term	Charles Stata
ZONING BOARD	3 year term	Glen R. Hansen
ZONING BOARD	3 year term	To be appointed
ZONING BOARD	2 year term	Helen Martyszyn
TOWN AUDITOR	1 year term	Bill Jolly

DELIBERATIVE SESSION MARCH 16, 2013

Attendees were:

Board of Selectmen: Christina Goodwin, Miles Sinclair, Kyle Andrews

Administrative Assistant: Pamela Hamel

Town Clerk /Tax Collector: Laura Hauser

Town Moderator: Louis Lieto

Meeting was called to order at 9:05 am by Louis Lieto, Town Moderator.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **six hundred nineteen thousand, four hundred eleven dollars (\$619,411)** which represents the **Operating Budget** for the ensuing year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed.

ARTICLE 2 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ninety-six thousand dollars (\$96,000)** for repair/reconstruction of a portion of North Groton Road. (submitted by Road Committee)

ARTICLE 3 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)** for repair/reconstruction of a portion of North Groton Road. (submitted by Road Committee)

ARTICLE 4 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)** for the repair of Groton paved roads.

An Amendment to Article 5 is submitted:

AMENDED ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000)** for the repair of Groton paved roads. (submitted by Charles Stata)

TO AMEND ARTICLE 5 **FAILS**

A vote is called on Article 5 as written.

ARTICLE 5 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for the purpose of repairing and maintaining Province Road.

Tammy Drolet asks to discuss Article 27 before we vote on Article 6. A vote is taken to move Article 6 after Article 27

To move Article 6 after Article 27 **PASSES**

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)** for construction of the access way to the Jenny Decoste Smith Annex to the River Road Cemetery.

ARTICLE 7 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fourteen thousand, nine hundred fifty dollars (\$14,950)** to construct a fire escape for the second floor of the Town House.

ARTICLE 8 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **eleven thousand, seven hundred dollars (\$11,700)** for painting of the Town House.

ARTICLE 9 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one thousand, one hundred ten dollars (\$1,110)** for repairs to the Transfer Station Roof.

ARTICLE 10 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two thousand, five hundred seventy-seven dollars (\$2,577)** for repairs to the salt shed.

ARTICLE 11 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **three thousand, five hundred dollars (\$3,500)** to complete the repairs/reconstruction of the access way to the Municipal Conservation/Recreation Area.

ARTICLE 12 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **six thousand, five hundred dollars (\$6,500)** for deposit into the Assessing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2012 balance: \$6,501.10)

ARTICLE 13 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2012 balance: \$11,028.09)

ARTICLE 14 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Truck/Sander Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2012 balance: \$37,008.22)

ARTICLE 15 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2012 balance: \$32,459.02)

ARTICLE 16 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Disaster Relief Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2012 balance: \$53,010.30)

ARTICLE 17 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Atwell/Orange Brook Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2012 balance: \$35,993.07)

ARTICLE 18 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Perambulation Non Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2012 balance: \$10,016.76)

ARTICLE 19 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Town House Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2012 balance: \$13,068.03)

ARTICLE 20 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for deposit into the Fire & Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Dec. 31, 2012 balance: \$50,780.00)

ARTICLE 21 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **six hundred fifty dollars (\$650)** for deposit in the Conservation Fund, and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the transfer of six hundred fifty dollars (\$650) from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2012. This sum represents the balance of the 2012 appropriation for conservation.

ARTICLE 22 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two thousand dollars (\$2,000)** for a fire proof file cabinet.

ARTICLE 23 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **eight hundred fifty dollars (\$850)** for support of the Groton Historical Society.

ARTICLE 24 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five hundred dollars (\$500)** for support of the Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA).

Hand count is done. 25 yes and 24 no.

ARTICLE 25 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five hundred dollars (\$500)** for the purchase of surveillance equipment for the Town House.

ARTICLE 26 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to designate the historic 1771 Dartmouth College Road, known as Province Road, located in Groton, as a scenic road according to RSA 231:157. This article will take effect immediately upon passage. (submitted by petition)

Hand count is done. 20 yes and 26 no.

ARTICLE 27 **FAILS**

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **five thousand dollars (\$5,000)** for the purpose of repairing and maintaining Province Road.

An Amendment to Article 6 is submitted:

AMENDED ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one thousand dollars (\$1,000)** for the purpose of repairing and maintaining Province Road. (submitted by Tammy Drolet)

TO AMEND ARTICLE 6 **FAILS**

A vote is called on Article 6 as written.

ARTICLE 6 **PASSES** as written

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to require the Board of Selectmen and/or Planning Board to suspend all negotiations and/or planning relative to commercial wind turbines until the State of New Hampshire updates its Energy

Master Plan as put by the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services, November 2002, pursuant NH Chapter 121 (2001). (submitted by petition)

An Amendment to Article 28 is submitted:

AMENDED ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to require the Board of Selectmen and/or Planning Board to suspend all negotiations and/or planning relative to new commercial wind turbines for a maximum of one year or when a new Energy Master Plan is adopted by the State of New Hampshire, whichever is sooner. (submitted by Nancy Watson)

A vote is taken by secret ballot to Amend Article 28.

TO AMEND ARTICLE 28 PASSES

(secret ballot 26 yes 21 no)

A vote is taken by secret ballot on Amended Article 28.

AMENDED ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to require the Board of Selectmen and/or Planning Board to suspend all negotiations and/or planning relative to new commercial wind turbines for a maximum of one year or when a new Energy Master Plan is adopted by the State of New Hampshire, whichever is sooner. (submitted by Nancy Watson)

AMENDMENT to ARTICLE 28 FAILS

(secret ballot 21 yes 28 no)

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to require all wind energy facilities that may come to be located in the Town to post security in the form of cash or bond, prior to initiating construction, in order to cover the costs of removing all of the facility upon ceasing operations for a period of more than 12 months, said amount to be determined by an independent engineer. (submitted by petition)

ARTICLE 29 PASSES as written

(secret ballot 25 yes 22 no)

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

There was a motion made and seconded to adjourn the Town Meeting.

Motion **PASSES** and the meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

This is a true attest of warrant and the Groton Town Meeting on the 16th day of March 2013.

Laura J. Hauser, Groton Town Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF STATE					
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION					
GROTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE					
Resident Death Report					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
Albert, James	04/25/2013	Groton, NH	Albert, Edward	Hache, Elise	Y
Matthews JR, Ernest	06/01/2013	Groton, NH	Matthews SR, Ernest	Woodward, Ellen	Y
Resident Marriage Report					
01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013					
Person A's Name	Residence	Person B's Name	Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage
Crawford JR, Robert W.	Groton	Giordani, Stephanie J.	Ashland	Plymouth	Campton
Watrous, Cameo J.	Groton	Morton, Glen W.	Groton	Groton	Groton
Siek, Dairren P.	Groton	Howard-Crowley, Errign	Groton	Groton	Holderness
Resident Birth Record					
01/01/2013-12/31/2013					
Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's Name	Mother's Name	
Paquette, Alexia Rain	10/14/2013	Plymouth, NH	Paquette, Shawn	Hanright, Melissa	



Don't Forget to Register Your Dog!

All dog licenses are due by April 30th. If they are not licensed by June 1 there will be a forfeit of \$25.00 and a fine of \$1.00 monthly.

License Fees are:

Male or Female	\$9.00
Spayed or Neutered	\$6.50
First Dog for Owner over 65	\$2.00

Current Rabies Certificate should be presented at time of registration.

Laura J. Hauser
Town Clerk
Groton, New Hampshire

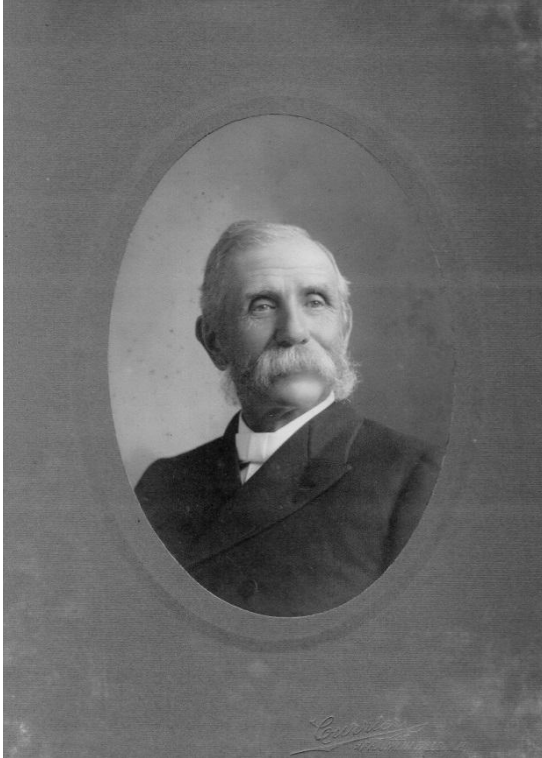


Just a reminder, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Office hours are:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday	9:00am – 4:00pm
Tuesday	5:30pm – 7:30pm

George J. Cummings¹

1838-1934



The Cummings family moved to Groton in 1800 from Plymouth, New Hampshire. George was the son of Jotham and Mary (Cheney) Cummings. Their home was located on the parcel most recently occupied by Geoff Gannon on the corner of Edgar Albert Road and North Groton Road. Jotham was a farmer and, as was custom, a minor child's time belonged to his father until he was twenty-one. Thus each summer George worked on the farm with his father beginning at age nine. George's father bought him a seraphine (a wind instrument whose sounding parts are reeds), which spurred his interest in music and led to his being an accomplished organist. In those days social gatherings consisted of grain thrashing, corn husking, apple bees,

and quilting bees. George participated in sports gatherings such as sliding on sleds down the hills near schoolhouse #4. In February, "Spelling Matches" between South and North Groton took place in the evening with a sleigh ride to the host school.

During the Civil War, towns could pay a "commutation fee" to keep young men from being drafted. The Town of Groton paid \$300 for a half dozen draftees including George. At twenty-two he left home to attend Kimball Union Academy (KUA) in Meriden, NH and graduated in 1865. While in school he also taught in local one-room schools. When assigned to the Intervale District of Groton (School #9 on Sculptured Rocks Rd) he met Lucy Hardy who became his wife in 1869. George has just graduated from Dartmouth College with a Master of Arts Degree. He remained at Kimball Union Academy as an assistant teacher, teaching

Latin and the Sciences. In 1875, he became the seventh Principal of the Academy and served in that capacity until 1880. In the spring of 1875, St. Johnsbury Academy had offered Cummings a good teaching position which he considered accepting as KUA was experiencing financial difficulties. The KUA trustees, not wanting to lose him, asked under what conditions would he agree to stay on as the new principal. "I would stay," he said he told them, "if I could have all the income to spend as I thought wise and could have a few changes made in the Academy building." He said, "I had no idea that the Trustees would consent to any such arrangement". They did consent and the teachers agreed to stand by him. He later wrote that he had "... a love for the school that led me to wish to help it, if possible to pass the present crisis." Lucy was also on staff and taught French, German, Geometry, Algebra, Mental Science and Botany there. Two daughters were born while they were at KUA. From 1881 to 1885, Cummings was the principal of Monson Academy in Massachusetts. In 1885, he received an urgent request from Cyrus Richards (former principal of KUA) urging him to come to Howard University and work as his assistant; it was too good an offer to refuse. After Richards retired from Howard, Cummings took over as Professor of Ancient Languages and Dean of the Preparatory Department where he remained until 1919. He also was the organist and choir director. In 1919, his department was terminated and he retired at age 80 to Andover, MA and to Groton, NH.

Speaking of George Cummings, the President of Howard University stated, "It is difficult to speak of him except in superlatives. He was a dynamic and constructive influence for good in the lives of young men and women". Under Cummings leadership enrollment increased, and he enlarged the curriculum offered at each of the institutions where he served as a Principal, Headmaster, or Dean.

¹ Information gathered from the Cummings File, Groton Historical Society, Groton, N.H., and Kimball Union Academy archives.

NOTICE

If you own real estate lots that were involuntarily merged by municipal action, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status.

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

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

To restore your property to pre-merger status, you must:

- Make a request to the local governing body
- No later than December 31, 2016.

Once restored:

- Your properties will once again become separate lots; however, they must still conform to applicable land use ordinances. Restoration does not cure non-conformity.

This notice must be:

- *Posted continuously in a public place from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2016, and*
- *Published in the 2011 through 2015 Annual Report*

Read the full statute at [RSA 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots.](#)

TOWN OF GROTON

SELECT BOARD OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:00-4:00
Friday: 8:00-12:00

744-9190
744-3382 fax

selectmen@grotonnh.org
www.grotonnh.org

SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Tuesday Evenings: 7:00 pm

Please call 744-9190 by noon on Fridays to get on the following week's agenda.

Administrative Assistant:
Pamela Hamel

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00-4:00
Tuesday evenings: 5:30-7:30
All other times by appointment

Laura Hauser
Ann Joyce – Deputy
744-8849 (phone & fax)

townclerk@grotonnh.org

TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Wednesday: 1:00-7:00
Saturday: 9:00-5:00
Sunday: 12:00-6:00

744-3623

Transfer Station Superintendent:
Joe Koslow

744-9190

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Joseph Pivrotto

744-3703
744-7894 (fax)

police@grotonnh.org

Animal Control Officer: 744-3831

EMERGENCY: 911

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Road Agent: Glen Hansen

744-3758

