

Dedication of the Town Report

Like last year, instead of choosing one person to dedicate the report to this year, the Select Board has chosen to dedicate the 2022 Annual Town Report to all of the residents that we have lost this past year. Please take a moment to honor these residents. They may be gone, but will never be forgotten!

- Susan Ann Bowe who passed away on March 2, 2022
- ❖ Wayne Cash who passed away on May 4, 2022
- ❖ Hartley Forrest Kimball who passed away on July 13, 2022
- ❖ Elizabeth Watson Jeffrey who passed away on December 3, 2022



This is my first meeting as town moderator. I am looking forward to doing my best during the next few years to help to encourage more participation in our town government. Although there is a lot to learn, participation from our residents in crucial to successfully support and grow our community.

"Liberty cannot be preserved without the general knowledge among the people, who have a right... and a desire to know."- John Adams 1765

Amy Hardy, Moderator

- 1. Our purpose is to have a meeting that is civil, informative, and as brief as possible
- 2. A request to change any of these rules may be made at the start of the meeting: and accepted by a majority of the voters present. (Rules listed with an RSA may not be modified)
- 3. You are a legislative body by law, and only registered voters of the town may participate
- 4. Registered voters of the town must have a voter card received from the supervisors of the checklist at the start of this meeting; without it you may not speak or vote on the articles.
- 5. Articles will be considered in the order presented in the warrant
- 6. Articles will be read as presented; a motion to accept the article and a second will be called for. When seconded, the person moving the article will be recognized to speak for the article; then the article will be open for discussion and debate.
- 7. Persons that move and second an article or motion must state their name (RSA91A:2)
- 8. Comments and questions are to be directed to the moderator; not to others in the room.
- 9. Persons wishing to speak on the article must raise their hand or stand at their seat, showing their voter card, and be recognized by the moderator in order to have the floor. The person recognized must first state their name before speaking. While that person has the floor, everyone else should be courteous and refrain from speaking so that everyone can hear the person having the floor.
- 10. Everyone wishing to speak on an article will have an opportunity to speak at least once.
- 11. Non-residents may speak only by approval of the voters

- 12. If a motion to move the article is made, all persons who, prior to the motion, have indicated that they wish to speak may be allowed to speak, if they have not already spoken to the article, before the motion is accepted. Once the motion has been made no additional voters may request to speak. Once the motion is accepted, a vote on the motion will be taken; a simple majority vote will be required to pass the motion; if it passes, all discussion on the article stops and a vote on the article will be taken.
- 13. Articles may be amended; this must be made in writing and not change the intent of the article.
- 14. Secret Yes/No ballots can be requested prior to a voice vote; this requires a written request by five voters, present at the meeting: (RSA40:4a).
- 15. If a vote is questioned by seven or more voters immediately after the moderator declares a non-ballot vote and before other business is begun, a secret ballot will be taken: (RSA40:4b). The request may be oral or in writing.
- 16. A motion to restrict reconsideration of any prior vote taken may be made; if passed, this means that those votes are protected by RSA40:10 at the current meeting. If it is desired to reconsider a protected vote, it will be done at a separate meeting with notice, at least seven days later.
- 17. Finally, RSA40:7 requires everyone to "be silent at the desire of the moderator, on pain of forfeiting \$1 for each offense, for the use of the town." (A potential fund raiser)

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Annual Report

of the Officers of the



(Incorporated December 7, 1796)

New Hampshire Year Ending December 31, 2022

Appointed Officials/Employees as of December 31, 2022

Administrative Assistant	Health Officer
Sara Smith	Tony Albert
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Deputy Treasurer
твн	Debra Lindsey
Police Chief	Fire Warden
Michael Bagan	Jeremy Haney
Police Officers	Deputy Wardens
ТВН	Bill Oakley Norm Willey
Emergency Management Director	Deputy Emergency Management Director
Bill Oakley	Patti Oakley
Transfer Station Superintendent	Transfer Station Attendants
Norm Willey	George Evirs Ron Madan TBH
Public Works Director	Equipment Operators
Robert Ellis	Fred Brooks Norm Willey Jeremy Haney
Custodial	Ballot Clerks
Gina Rescigno	Annie Tobine Dawn Lemieux Sara Smith

Elected Town Officials as of December 31, 2022

Select Board		Moderator	
Tony Albert	2023	1/20 001 0001	
John Rescigno	2024	Amy Prive-Hardy	2024
Ron Madan	2025		
Treasurer		Trustees of the Trust Fun	d
		Michele Lacroix	2023
Pamela Hamel	2023	Gina Rescigno	2023
	2020	Gina reseigno	2021
Town Clerk/Tax Collect	or	Library Trustees	
		Gina Rescigno	2023
Ruth Millett	2024	Bonnie Lane	2023
		Virginia Parker	2023
		5	
Planning Board		Zoning Board	
Deb Johnson	2023	Ann Joyce	2023
Russell Carruth	2023	Peter Smith	2025
Dave LaBar	2024	Gary Easson	2023
Forest Blake	2024	Barrie Sawyer	2023
Dave Madden	2025		
Kristina Madden	2025		
John Rescigno (Select Board Liais	on)		
Cemetery Trustees		Supervisors of the Checkli	ist
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Jim Gaffey	2023	Pamela Hamel	2024
Michelle Sharp	2025	Gina Rescigno	2026
ТВН		Virginia Parker	2028
Local Auditor			
Ann Joyce	2023		

Letter from the Groton Select Board

We would like to start off by thanking all town employees and residents that serve on committees. Without your dedication we would not be the great community that we are today.

With the Town Garage still in a flood plain, a new Building Committee for the Town Garage was formed. The committee members consist of town residents with knowledge of building such structures. With their help a new building design was developed. This new plan will not only meet the town's requirements but is coming in at a budget that should be pleasing to the residents. USDA made it clear at our last meeting with them that the town will lose the \$250,000.00 grant money if we do not move forward with the building at the 2023 town meeting in March. It is looking promising that even with the changes to the building cost, that we should still be able to get the full \$250,000.00 as long as the building is voted to move forward.

Thank you, Sara and Bubba, for your tenacity in working with FEMA in order for the town to recover the money owed for the 2017 and 2019 storms. A letter was drafted, signed by the Selectboard, and sent to Senator Bob Guida. A meeting was held at the State Capitol. Members of the town, Homeland Security and our Senator discussed the issues at hand. It was determined that money was still owed to the town and that the town should see the money shortly. The Town did receive the money in December of 2022.

Throughout the year several meetings were held on Article 5. This is the article that was written by Alexandria in which they proposed changing the way taxes are collected for the school. This committee consisted of one resident from each town. Groton was represented by John Rescigno. With every new proposed change to the tax funding formula, the Town of Groton would have been taxed out of existence. Since no resolution could be reached due to the destructive nature of each proposal to Groton and other towns in the SAU, the committee disbanded. Currently each town pays for the number of students that attend the school.

Your Select Board worked hard once again to maintain a balanced budget even with the extreme inflation taking over our Nation. We cut where we could and balanced out that money where we felt inflation could increase a line.

Stay safe and healthy!

Respectfully submitted,

The Groton Select Board (John Rescigno, Tony Albert and Ron Madan)

Town of Groton Warrant 2023 Annual Meeting

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WARRANT FOR 2023 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 14th 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 Articles 1 and 2, and meeting for action on the remaining articles in the Warrant on the 18th day of March at nine o'clock in the morning at the Groton Town House.

BALLOT ARTICLES MARCH 14, 2023

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

ARTICLE 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of the Zoning Amendments as proposed by the Planning Board of Groton?

The effect of adopting the proposed Zoning Amendments will be to <u>add permitted uses</u> and clarify sections and definitions of the current Zoning as follows:

- A. Subject to issuance of a building permit, the right of a property owner to construct a storage structure on their vacant/unoccupied lot
- B. The right of property owners to rent their single-family dwelling or seasonal camp subject to Town and state regulated water and sewage disposal systems, other appropriate local and state laws and to Life-Safety requirements.
- C. The right of resident property owners to build one separate/detached structure as a home business, to rent to a single family, either short-term or long-term, subject to Town and state regulated water and sewage disposal systems, other appropriate local and state laws and to Life-Safety requirements.
- D. Subject to issuance of a building permit, the right of a property owner to construct a cabin for seasonal habitation, subject to Town and state regulated water and sewage disposal systems, other appropriate local and state laws and to Life-Safety requirements.
- E. The right of resident property owners in Districts A and B, to store one (1) Recreational Vehicle, as defined in the Ordinance, on their lot on which there is a pre-existing principal dwelling. The Recreational Vehicle shall not be occupied as a rental while on the property, including use as a seasonal or year-round dwelling, Home Occupation, or Home Business. However, it may be occupied as a guest house, rent-free, by family guests and members during short visits.

Should the proposed Zoning Amendmen	ts fail to receive	e an affirmative vote	, the 2022 Zoning
Ordinance will continue in the present for	rm.		

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☐ Yes	□ No		

DELIBERATIVE SESSION MARCH 18, 2023

ARTICLE 3: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **six hundred seventy nine thousand dollars (\$679,000)** to design and construct a new Department of Public Works building, with **one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)** to come from the unassigned fund balance; **two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000)** to come from a USDA Rural Development grant; and to authorize the withdrawal of **one hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$160,000)** from the Public Works Capital Reserve Fund; with the remainder of **one hundred sixty nine thousand dollars (\$169,000)** to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required).

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **eight hundred fifty-three thousand**, **nine hundred thirty-five dollars** (\$853,935) 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 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ninety-seven thousand five hundred one dollars (\$97,501)** to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Funds. (Majority vote required)

Disaster Relief CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2022 balance: \$81,391.98): \$50,000 Police Cruiser CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2022 balance: \$15,971.74): \$10,000 Town House CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2022 balance: \$34,137.03): \$10,000 Truck/Sander CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2022 balance: \$11,178.35): \$10,000 Heavy Equipment CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2022 balance: \$1,347.49): \$10,000 Assessing Reval CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2022 balance: \$10,657.58): \$7,500 Public Works CR Fund (Dec. 31, 2022 balance: \$161,886.66): \$1

Total Capital Reserve Funds \$97,501

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a Road Repair and Paving Capital Reserve Fund to be used for road repairs and paving. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifteen thousand (\$15,000)** to be placed in the Fund and to appoint the selectmen as agents and expend from the fund. Recommendations Required (Majority Vote Required)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **thirty-five thousand** (\$35,000) to refurbish the 2012 International 6-wheeler body and frame.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 8: To see in the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two hundred twelve dollars** (\$212) for deposit in the Conservation Fund, with said amount to come from the unassigned fund balance. This sum represents 3% of the Timber Tax revenue received in 2022. (submitted by the Conservation Commission) (Majority vote required)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 9: STANDARD AND OPTIONAL VETERANS' TAX CREDIT (RSA 72:28)

Shall the town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28, Optional Veterans' Tax Credit? If adopted, the credit will apply to every resident of this state who is any person who is a veteran, as defined in RSA 21:50, and served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States in any qualifying war or armed conflict listed in this section, and continues to serve or was honorably discharged or an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that training for active duty by a member of the national guard or reserve shall be included as service under this subparagraph; (b) Every resident of this state who was terminated from the armed forces because of service-connected disability; or the surviving spouse of such resident; and (c) The surviving spouse of any resident who suffered a service-connected death. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$500, which is the amount previously adopted by the town.

NOTE: This article is required because the legislature expanded the eligibility criteria for this credit to include individuals who have not yet been discharged from service in the armed forces.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 10: ALL VETERANS' TAX CREDIT (RSA 72:28-b)

Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veteran's Tax Credit? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident who is a veteran, as defined in RSA 21:50, and served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and continues to serve or was honorably discharged or an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that training for active duty or state active duty by a member of the national guard or reserve shall be included as service under this paragraph; provided however that the person is not eligible for and is not receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$500, the same amount as the optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town under RSA 72:28.

NOTE: This article is required because the legislature expanded the eligibility criteria for this credit to include individuals who have not yet been discharged from service in the armed forces.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this 21st day of February 2023.

GROTON SELECT BOARD

John Rescigno, Chairman

Tony Albert

Roy Moedur

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			Proposed	2022	Approved	
			2023 Budget	Actual	2022 Budget	
<u>=</u>	PENDITUR	- EXPENDITURES (TOTAL)	1,170,648	1,021,756.40	1,164,376	
OPER	OPERATING BUDGE	OGET	853,935	720,944.40	802,085	
SPEC	AL & INDI	SPECIAL & INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES	316,713.00	300,812.00	357,291.00	
		1 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 326,655	268,160.74	\$ 303,512	
4130		EXECUTIVE	72,785	68,539.82	69,408	
	4130.1	Administrative Assistant Wages	51,735	49,984.83	48,698	
	4130.2	Selectmen Stipend	13,200	13,200.00	13,200	
	4130.3	Moderator/Assistant Salary	640	352.00	200	
	4130.4	Other Town Meeting Expense	20	0.00	200	
	4130.5	Contracted Services (Web hosting)	150	141.25	150	
	4130.6	Workshops & Seminars	200	150.00	400	
	4130.7	elephone/Internet	1,560	1,436.12	1,560	
	4130.8	Mileage	200	238.97	400	
	4130.9	Supplies	1,000	609.32	1,000	
	4130.10	Postage	006	802.83	006	
	4130.11	an i	20	0.00	20	
	4130.12	Office Equipment Maintenance	009	550.00	009	
	4130.13	Hiring Expenses	400	180.50	400	
	4130.14	Other Expenses (CU recordings, etc.)	200	0.00	200	
	4130.15	Computer/maintenance/software	1,300	894.00	1,300	
4140		ELECTION/REGIST/VITAL STATS	61,551	50,300.17	58,693	
	4140.1	Town Clerk/Tax Collector Salary	33,675	32,475.00	32,475	
	4140.2	Deputy Wages	9,500	3,001.71	9,500	
	4140.3	Town Clerk/Tax Collector Dues	140	00.09	140	
	4140.4	Town Clerk Expenses	1,400	89.666	1,400	
	4140.5	Tax Collector Expenses	2,500	3,274.09	2,500	
	4140.6	Workshops & Seminars	1,500	1,116.00	1,500	
	4140.7	Telephone/Internet	2,100	2,052.93	2,000	
	4140.8	Computer Maintenance/Software	2,000	623.49	1,500	
	4140.9	Advertising	50	0.00	50	
	4140.10	Supplies/Advertising Election	400	372.35	200	
	4140.11	Supplies-General	1,200	164.80	1,200	
	4140.12	Postage	2,000	1,400.00	1,400	
	4140.15	Ballot Clerks	2,035	1,463.50	1,600	
	4140.16	Checklist Supervisors	2,051	2,238.24	2,428	
	4140.17	Mileage	1,000	1,058.38	800	
4150		FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	25,165	23,101.20	24,165	
	4150.1	Financial Reporting (Town Report)	1,600	1,331.20	1,200	
	4150.2	Auditing	4,750	4,000.00	4,750	

	4150.3	Assessing	15,000	14,770.00	15,000	
	4150.4	Treasurer Salary	3,600	3,000.00	3,000	
	4150.5	Deputy Treasurer Salary	20	0.00	50	
	4150.6	Mileage	150	0.00	150	
	4150.7	Supplies	15	0.00	15	
4153		LEGAL EXPENSES	13,000	2,157.79	13,000	
	4153.1	Claims, Judgments and/or Settlements	1,000	0.00	1,000	
	4153.2	Attorney Fees	000'6	986.50	000'6	
	4153.4	Junkyard Compliance	3,000	1,171.29	3,000	
4155		PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	85,100	75,140.79	76,400	
	4155.1	NH Retirement System	14,000	13,950.63	13,800	
	4155.2	Life & Disability Insurance	1,100	691.20	1,100	
	4155.3	Health Insurance	53,500	44,403.34	49,000	
	4155.4	FICA/Medicare	16,500	16,095.62	12,500	
4191		PLANNING AND ZONING	7,212	1,786.56	7,061	
	4191.1	Planning Board Postage	200	720.00	500 offset by revenues	
	4191.2	Planning Board Advertisement	400	400.00	400 offset by revenues	
	4191.3	Planning Board Mileage	25	0.00	25	
	4191.4	Recording Fees	425	64.00	425 offset by revenues	
	4192.41	Application Fees	240	0.00	240 offset by revenues	
	4191.5	Planning Board Dues	1	0.00	1	
	4191.6	Planning Board Supplies	200	292.50	150	
	4191.7	Planning Board Seminars/Training	1	0.00	400	
	4191.8		2,500	0.00	2,500	
	4191.81	Planning Board Master Plan & Zoning	1,500	278.81	1,000	
	4191.9	Zoning Board Legal	1,000	0.00	1,000	
	4191.10	Zoning Board Seminars	200	0.00	200	
	4191.11	Zoning Postage	100	0.00	100 offset by revenues	
	4191.12	Zoning Mileage	10	0.00	10	
	4191.13	Advertising/notices	100	0.00	100 offset by revenues	
	4191.14	Zoning Supplies	10	31.25	10	

4194		GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	26,100	18,100.20	22,900	
	4194.1	Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance:	3,000	2,659.19	3,000	
	4194.2	Town Hall Repairs & Maintenance: Wages	1,800	1,374.94	1,800	
	4194.3	Town Garage Repairs & Maintenance	4,250	788.50	4,250	
	4194.4	Transfer Station Repairs & Maintenance	1,500	1,543.19	1,500	
	4194.5	Cleaning Supplies	200	24.56	200	
	4194.6	General Supplies	200	354.25	200	
	4194.7	Contracted Services(Security Monitoring/Elevator)	2,850	2,343.46	2,850	
	4194.8	Town House Electric	4,000	2,760.72	2,800	
	4194.9	Town House Heat	8,000	6,251.39	6,000	
4195		CEMETERIES	6,152	5,290.00	5,152	
	4195.1	Cemetery Repairs & Maintenance	2,500	1,230.00	2,500	
	4195.2	Salaries/Lawn Care	2,000	2,000.00	2,000	
	4195.3	Supplies	100	00.09	100	
	4195.4	Mileage	1	0.00	1	
	4195.5	Fuel	1	0.00	1	
	4195.6	Advertising	20	0.00	50	
	4195.7	Site Work-River Road Cemetery	1,500	2,000.00	200	
4196		GENERAL INSURANCE	17,848	14,240.21	15,002	
	4196.1	Property & Liability Insurance	13,371	11,176.26	11,938	
	4196.2	Workers' Compensation	4,134	2,799.55	2,800	
	4196.3		343	264.40	265	
4197		ADVERTISING & REGIONAL	4,450	4,254.00	4,450	
	4197.1	Advertising	200	380.00	200	
	4197.2	Dues	1,950	1,874.00	1,950	
	4197.3	GHS	1,000	1,000.00	1,000	
	4197.4	NLRA	1,000	1,000.00	1,000	
4199		OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	7,292	5,250.00	7,281	
	4199.1	Exigent/Hazardous Circumstances	1	0.00	1	
	4199.2	Forestry	200	20.00	200	
	4199.3	Tax Mapping	1,791	1,780.00	1,780	
	4199.4	Grants/Engineering	5,000	3,400.00	5,000 off set by revenues	

		2 - PUBLIC SAFETY	189,886	164,195.27	189,736	
4210		POLICE	78,004	61,449.43	77,854	
	4210.1	Police Chief Wages	47,000	39,496.54	46,350	
	4210.2	Police Officer Wages (FT)	-	0.00	1	
	4210.3	Police Officer Wages (PT)	1	0.00	1	
	4210.4	Telephone/Communications	3,000	2,742.54	3,000	
	4210.5	Dues & Subscriptions	200	650.00	200	
	4210.6	Other-Equipment Repairs/Maint	1,500	641.50	1,500	
	4210.7	Office Supplies	1,000	1,025.62	1,000	
	4210.8	NH Special Ops Unit	1	0.00	1	
	4210.9	Dispatch Service	000'9	6,040.85	5,500	
	4210.10	Prosecutor	2,500	5,280.00	000'9	
	4210.11	Vehicle Maintenance	1,500	1,434.80	1,000	
	4210.12	Cruiser Equipment	1,500	00:00	1,500	
	4210.13	Uniforms	1,000	1,008.00	2,000	
	4210.14	Books/Periodicals	100	0.00	100	
	4210.15	Equipment (guns/ammo/taser etc.)	1,000	00:0	1,000	
	4210.16	Mileage	400	00:0	400	
	4210.17	Postage	20	36.08	20	
	4210.18	Gasoline for Cruiser	3,500	2,893.50	3,500	
	4210.19	Advertising	250	00.00	250	
	4210.20	Training	2,500	00:0	2,500	
	4210.21	Animal Control	200	200.00	200	
	4210.22	Special Detail	1,000	0.00	1,000	
	4210.23		1	0.00	1	
4220		FIRE/AMBULANCE	110,604	101,870.84	110,604	
	4220.1	Stipend	1	0.00	1	
	4220.2	Communications/Training	1	0.00	1	
	4220.3	Equipment	200	0.00	200	
	4220.4	Contracted Services - Hebron	82,000	78,742.46	82,000	
	4220.5	Contracted Services - Rumney	15,000	9,937.45	15,000	
	4220.6	Lakes Region Mutual Aid	13,400	13,190.93	13,400	
	4220.7	Dues	1	0.00	1	
	4220.8	Mileage	1	0.00	1	
4290		EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	1,278	875.00	1,278	
	4290.1	Supplies	200	0.00	200	
	4290.2	Workshops/training	-	0.00	1	
	4290.3	Equipment	_	0.00	1	
	4290.4	Equipment Maintenance	200	0.00	200	
	4290.5	Mileage		0.00	-	
	4290.6	Wages/Stipend	875	875.00	875	

		3 - HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	206,193	186,533.82	192,997 offset by Highway	ghway
4311		ADMINISTRATION	90,352	76,750.50	86,396 Block Grant	
	4311.1	Road Agent Wages	51,687	49,236.17	48,271	
	4311.2	Assistants Wages	30,000	20,786.69	30,000	
	4311.3	Telephone/Internet	2,000	2,002.90	1,900	
	4311.4	Training & CDL Testing	200	325.00	200	
	4311.5	Electricity	1,540	1,253.83	1,100	
	4311.6	Heating Fuel	3,600	2,842.98	3,600	
	4311.7	Mileage	200	33.93	200	
	4311.8	Membership/Dues	25	00.0	25	
	4311.9	Supplies	200	269.00	200	
4312		HIGHWAYS & STREETS	114,301	108,279.35	105,301	
	4312.2	Vehicles-Equipment Maintenance & Repairs	15,000	17,881.07	15,000	
	4312.3	Contracted Services/Equipment Rentals	16,000	9,625.00	16,000	
	4312.4	Material	2,500	7,434.98	7,500	
	4312.5	Signs	200	29.99	200	
	4312.6	Uniforms	200	649.00	200	
	4312.7	Tools & Equipment Purchases	2,000	7,835.94	2,000	
	4312.8	Gas	4,000	3,206.76	3,500	
	4312.9	Diesel	0,500	7,208.37	2,500	
	4312.10	Salt, Sand, Deicer	30,000	25,349.28	24,000	
	4312.11	Hydrants	1	310.00	1	
	4312.12	Culverts	2,000	1,715.00	1,500	
	4312.13	Safety	800	383.96	800	
	4312.14	Tree Maintenance	4,500	4,250.00	3,500	
	4312.15	Groton Roads Repair and Maintenance	25,000	22,400.00	25,000	
4316		STREET LIGHTING	1,540	1,503.97	1,300	
	4316.1	Utility Charges	1,540	1,503.97	1,300	

		4 - SANITATION	110,595	85,908.06	101,710	
4321		MONITORING	2,500	1,260.00	9,450	
	4321.1	Landfill Monitoring	2,000	1,260.00	8,950	
	4321.2	Landfill Repairs	200	00.00	200	
4324		SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	108,095	84,648.06	92,260	
	4324.1	Wages	25,000	19,019.24	23,500	
	4324.2	Stipend	3,500	3,500.00	3,500	
	4324.3	Telephone	650	567.44	650	
	4324.4	Training & Certification	200	150.00	200	
	4324.5	Electricity	2,500	1,140.54	2,000	
	4324.6	Propane	800	408.15	400	
	4324.7	Supplies	450	418.58	350	
	4324.8	Compactor Related Expenses	200	00.00	200	
	4324.9	Mileage	300	212.94	300	
	4324.10	Dues	945	585.80	009	
	4324.11	Portable Toilet	2,100	2,040.00	1,860	
	4324.12	Transportation Costs/Solid Waste	66,000	53,386.15	55,000	
	4324.13	Recycle Costs	2,000	2,113.00	2,400 offset by revenues	
	4324.14	Uniforms	200	200.00	200	
	4324.15	Safety	150	125.00	150	
	4324.16	Tire disposal	009	579.25	550 offset by revenues	
	4324.17	Other (brush hog rental, etc.)	200	201.97	100	
	4324.18	Backoe Maintenance	2,000	0.00	0	
		6 - HEALTH	699'2	6,235.00	6,493	
4411		ADMINISTRATION	2,803	1,295.00	1,553	
	4411.1		2,500	1,250.00	1,250	
	4411.2	Supplies/Postage	-	0.00	-	
	4411.3	Mileage	1	0.00	1	
	4411.4	Training	150	0.00	150	
	4411.5	Dues	50	45.00	50	
	4411.6	Water Testing	100	0.00	100	
	4411.7	Legal	-	0.00	-	
4415		HEALTH AGENCIES AND HOSPITALS	4,866	4,940.00	4,940	
	4415.1	Mid-State Health	200	200.00	200	
	4415.2	Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency	2,866	3,020.00	3,020	
	4415.3	Task Force / Domestic Violence	250	550.00	550	
	4415.4	Lakes Regional Mental Health Center	400	400.00	400	
	4415.5	CASA	250	250.00	250	
	4415.6	Transport Central	100	20.00	20	
	4415.7	CADY	500	200.00	500	

		7 - WELFARE	4,701	2,677.00	4,701	
4441		Administration	0	00.0	0	
	4441.1	Dues	0	00'0	0	
4442		DIRECT ASSISTANCE	1	00'0	1	
	4442.1		1	0.00	1	
4444		INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE PAYMENTS	1700	1,700.00	1700	
	4444.1	Tri-County Community Action	1200	1,200.00	1200	
	4444.2	Grafton County Senior Citizens	200	200.00	200	
4445		VENDOR PAYMENTS	3000	977.00	3000	
	4445.1	Other Vendor Payments	3000	977.00	3000	
		8 - CULTURE AND RECREATION	8,236	7,234.51	7,936	
4520		PARKS & RECREATION	6809	5,897.76	5739	
	4520.1	Maintenance of Parks	200	665.01	500	
	4520.2	Maintenance of Recreational Facilities	20	0.00	50	
	4520.3	Porta Potty	1,265	1,525.00	1,265	
	4520.4	Advertising	08	00'0	80	
	4520.45	Electricity	360	223.75	360	
	4520.5	Tapply Thompson Community Center	3,034	2,734.00	2,734	
	4520.6	Old Home Day	250	750.00	750	
4550		LIBRARY	2	0.00	2	
	4550.1	Services	1	00.00	1	
	4550.2	Library Other	1	0.00	1	
4583		PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	100	77.94	100	
	4583.1	Patriotic	100	77.94	100	
4611		CONSERVATION	2,095	1,258.81	2,095	
	4611.1	Conservation	200	00:00	500	
	4611.2	Workshops/seminars/dues	275	00:00	400	
	4611.3	Postage/supplies	0	0.00	0	
	4611.4	Mileage	20	98.79	02	
	4611.5	Other/Fishing Derby	1,000	1,010.95	875	
	4611.6	Water Testing	250	180.00	250	
		13 - CAPITAL OUTLAY	219,212	118,312.00	174,791	
4905	4902	MACHINERY, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT	35,000	111,750.00	165,000	
4903	4903	BUILDINGS	169,000			
4909	4909	IMPROVEMENTS OTHER THAN BUILDINGS	15,212	6,562.00	9,791	
		14 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS OUT	97,501	182,500	182,500	
4915	4915	TRANSFERS TO THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	97,501	182,500	182,500	
4916	4916	TRANSFERS TO EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS	0	00:00	0	



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Proposed Budget

Groton

For the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023 Form Due Date: **20 Days after the Annual Meeting**

This form was posted with the warrant on: 2/22/23

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

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

Name	Position	Signature
John Resgigno Ron Mada	Select board of Select man	Chair Roy Man
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Appropriations

		App	opriations			
Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Approp	riations for period ending 12/31/202
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended
General Gove	ernment					
4130-4139	Executive	04	\$68,540	\$69,408	\$72,785	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	04	\$50,300	\$58,693	\$61,551	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	04	\$23,101	\$24,165	\$25,165	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	04	\$2,158	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	04	\$75,141	\$76,400	\$85,100	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	04	\$1,787	\$7,061	\$7,212	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	04	\$18,100	\$22,900	\$26,100	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	04	\$5,290	\$5,152	\$6,152	\$0
4196	Insurance	04	\$14,240	\$15,002	\$17,848	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	04	\$4,254	\$4,450	\$4,450	\$0
4199	Other General Government	04	\$5,250	\$7,281	\$7,292	\$0
Public Safety 4210-4214	Police	04	\$61,449	\$77,854	\$78,004	\$0
4210-4214	Ambulance	04	\$61,449	\$77,854	\$78,004	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	04	\$101,871	\$110,604	\$110,604	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	04	\$875	\$1,278	\$1,278	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)	01	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1200	Public Safety Subtotal		\$164,195	\$189,736	\$189,886	\$0
Airport/Aviati						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways an	d Streets					
4311	Administration	04	\$76,751	\$86,396	\$90,352	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	04	\$108,279	\$105,301	\$114,301	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	04	\$1,504	\$1,300	\$1,540	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Highways and Streets Subtotal		\$186,534	\$192,997	\$206,193	\$



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Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Appropri	ations for period ending 12/31/2023
					(Recommended) (I	Not Recommended
Sanitation						
4321	Administration	04	\$1,260	\$9,450	\$2,500	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	04	\$84,648	\$92,260	\$108,095	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Sanitation Subtotal		\$85,908	\$101,710	\$110,595	\$0
	oution and Treatment		¢o.	60	0.0	
4331	Administration		\$0		\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0		\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other Vater Distribution and Treatment Subtotal		\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0 \$0	\$0
	rater distribution and Treatment Subtotal		ΦU	20	\$0	\$0
Electric						
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Electric Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Administration	04	\$1,295	\$1,553	\$2,803	\$0
4414	Pest Control		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	04	\$4,940	\$4,940	\$4,866	\$0
	Health Subtotal		\$6,235	\$6,493	\$7,669	\$0
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	04	\$0	\$1	\$1	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	04	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	04	\$977	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
	Welfare Subtotal		\$2,677	\$4,701	\$4,701	\$0
Culture and F	Recreation					
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	04	\$5,898	. \$5,739	\$6,039	\$0
4550-4559	Library	04	\$0	\$2	\$2	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	04	\$78	\$100	\$100	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Culture and Recreation Subtotal		\$5,976	\$5,841	\$6,141	\$0



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Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Approp	riations for period ending 12/31/2023
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended
Conservation	n and Development					
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	04	\$1,259	\$2,095	\$2,095	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$291	\$291	\$0	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Conservation and Development Subtotal		\$1,550	\$2,386	\$2,095	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Debt Service Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outla	пу					
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$111,750	\$165,000	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$6,562	\$9,500	\$0	\$0
	Capital Outlay Subtotal		\$118,312	\$174,500	\$0	\$0
Operating Tr	ansfers Out					
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
49140	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Operating Transfers Out Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Operating Budget Appropriations				\$853,935	\$0
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Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Approp	riations for period ending 12/31/2023
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4903	Buildings	03	\$679,000	\$0
		Purpose: Public Works Building		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	05	\$97,501	\$0
		Purpose: add to previously established CRFs		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	06	\$15,000	\$0
		Purpose: Establish a Road Repair and Paving CRF, add	\$ and	
	Total Proposed Sp	ecial Articles	\$791,501	\$0



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Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations ending	s for period g 12/31/2023
			(Recommended) (Not Re	commended)
4619	Other Conservation	08	\$212	\$0
	Pui	pose: Conservation Commission 3% Timber Tax		
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	07	\$35,000	\$0
	Pui	pose: Refurbish the 2012 International 6-wheeler		
	Total Proposed Individual A	rticles	\$35,212	\$0



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Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	04	\$7,258	\$1,000	\$2,500
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	04	\$7,056	\$10,000	\$7,500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	04	\$655,380	\$639,395	\$655,379
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$(
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	s 04	\$11,838	\$10,000	\$10,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Taxes Subtota	al	\$681,532	\$660,395	\$675,37
Licenses, P	ermits, and Fees				
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	04	\$155	\$155	\$140
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	04	\$192,901	\$160,000	\$175,000
3230	Building Permits	04	\$492	\$412	\$400
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	04	\$5,707	\$4,000	\$4,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$
	Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtota	al	\$199,255	\$164,567	\$179,540
State Source					
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$6
3351 3352	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	04	\$50,449	\$50,449	\$50,449
3351 3352 3353	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant	04 04	\$50,449 \$43,526	\$50,449 \$26,258	\$50,449
3351 3352	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution		\$50,449 \$43,526 \$0	\$50,449 \$26,258 \$0	\$50,448 \$43,000
3351 3352 3353	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant Water Pollution Grant Housing and Community Development		\$50,449 \$43,526	\$50,449 \$26,258	\$50,448 \$43,000 \$6
3351 3352 3353 3354	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant Water Pollution Grant		\$50,449 \$43,526 \$0	\$50,449 \$26,258 \$0	\$50,445 \$43,000 \$6
3351 3352 3353 3354 3355	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant Water Pollution Grant Housing and Community Development State and Federal Forest Land	04	\$50,449 \$43,526 \$0	\$50,449 \$26,258 \$0 \$0	\$50,44\$ \$43,000 \$6 \$0 \$242
3351 3352 3353 3354 3355 3356	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant Water Pollution Grant Housing and Community Development State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	04	\$50,449 \$43,526 \$0 \$0	\$50,449 \$26,258 \$0 \$0	\$50,445 \$43,000 \$6 \$242 \$6
3351 3352 3353 3354 3355 3356	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant Water Pollution Grant Housing and Community Development State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement Flood Control Reimbursement	04	\$50,449 \$43,526 \$0 \$0 \$242	\$50,449 \$26,258 \$0 \$0 \$242	\$50,44\$ \$43,000 \$6 \$242 \$6 \$251,000
3351 3352 3353 3354 3355 3356 3357 3359	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant Water Pollution Grant Housing and Community Development State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement Flood Control Reimbursement Other (Including Railroad Tax)	04	\$50,449 \$43,526 \$0 \$0 \$242 \$0	\$50,449 \$26,258 \$0 \$0 \$242 \$0 \$1,000	\$50,449 \$43,000 \$6 \$242 \$6 \$251,000
3351 3352 3353 3354 3355 3356 3357 3359	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant Water Pollution Grant Housing and Community Development State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement Flood Control Reimbursement Other (Including Railroad Tax) From Other Governments State Sources Subtota	04	\$50,449 \$43,526 \$0 \$0 \$242 \$0 \$0	\$50,449 \$26,258 \$0 \$0 \$242 \$0 \$1,000	\$50,44\$ \$43,000 \$6 \$242 \$6 \$251,000
3351 3352 3353 3354 3355 3356 3357 3359 3379	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution Highway Block Grant Water Pollution Grant Housing and Community Development State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement Flood Control Reimbursement Other (Including Railroad Tax) From Other Governments State Sources Subtota	04	\$50,449 \$43,526 \$0 \$0 \$242 \$0 \$0	\$50,449 \$26,258 \$0 \$0 \$242 \$0 \$1,000	\$50,44\$ \$43,000 \$6 \$242 \$0 \$251,000 \$6 \$344,691
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Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	period ending	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023
Interfund (Operating Transfers In				
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
39140	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	03	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$160,000
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Fine	Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal		\$50,000	\$50,000	\$160,000
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	08, 03	\$0	\$0	\$100,212
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Other Financing Sources Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$100,212
	Total Estimated Revenues and Credits		\$1,039,669	\$966,739	\$1,459,822



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Budget Summary

Item	Period ending 12/31/2023
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$853,935
Special Warrant Articles	\$791,501
Individual Warrant Articles	\$35,212
Total Appropriations	\$1,680,648
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,459,822
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$220,826

Notes



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Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning Jan 1, 2022 and ending Dec 31, 2022

This form is due March 1st (Calendar Year) or September 1st (Fiscal Year)

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ENTITY'S INFORMATION

- Specify the period begin and period end dates above
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NH DRA Municipal and Property Division

Phone: (603) 230-5090 Fax: (603) 230-5947 http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/

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Municipality: GROTON	County: GRAFTON	Report Year: 2022
PREPARER'S INFORMATION		
First Name Last Nam	e	
Ruth		
Street No. Street Name	Phone Number	
754 North Groton Rd	(603) 744-8849	
Email (optional)		
townclerk@grotonnh.org		



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Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Year:	2021	Year:	2020	Year:	2019
Property Taxes	3110			\$75,701.09				
Resident Taxes	3180							
Land Use Change Taxes	3120			\$148.30				
Yield Taxes	3185							
Excavation Tax	3187							
Other Taxes	3189							
Property Tax Credit Balance	Γ	(\$3,516.16)						
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance	Ī							

	Levy for Year			Prior Levies
Taxes Committed This Year	Account	of this Report	2021	
Property Taxes	3110	\$958,980.00		
Resident Taxes	3180			
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$7,110.00		
Yield Taxes	3185	\$13,123.23		
Excavation Tax	3187	\$45.76		
Other Taxes	3189			

	Levy for Year	Prior Levies			
Overpayment Refunds	Account	of this Report	2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	3110	\$1,254.03			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$1,625.04	\$4,699.46		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				
	Total Debits	\$978,621.90	\$80,548.85	\$0.00	\$0.00



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Credits	Mary Mary Mary 1			
	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
Remitted to Treasurer		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$855,012.77	\$43,567.73		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$7,110.00	\$148.30		
Yield Taxes	\$13,123.23			
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$1,561.75	\$3,330.86		
Penalties	\$63.29	\$1,368.60		
Excavation Tax	\$45.76			
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$32,133.36		
Discounts Allowed				

	Levy for Year	Prior Levies		
Abatements Made	of this Report	2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Current Levy Deeded				



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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	2021	Prior Levies 2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$102,173.31			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$468.21)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance				
Total Credits	\$978,621.90	\$80,548.85	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$101,705.10
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$53,748.19



	Lien Summar	у		
Summary of Debits				
		Prior	Levies (Please Specify Yo	ears)
,	Last Year's Levy	Year: 2021	Year: 2020	Year: 2019
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year			\$36,728.39	\$17,883.18
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year		\$35,125.71		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)		\$1,090.71	\$1,281.44	\$5,508.45
Total Debits	\$0.00	\$36,216.42	\$38,009.83	\$23,391.63
Summary of Credits	the transfer			
			Prior Levies	
	Last Year's Levy	2021	2020	2019
Redemptions	Last Year's Levy	2021 \$12,470.35	2020 \$7,582.49	2019 \$15,936.25
Redemptions	Last Year's Levy			
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	Last Year's Levy	\$12,470.35	\$7,582.49	\$15,936.25
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Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	Last Year's Levy	\$12,470.35	\$7,582.49	\$15,936.25
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Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$101,705.10
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 -All Years)	\$53,748.19



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GROTON (193)

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

 Preparer's First Name
 Preparer's Last Name
 Date

 Ruth
 Millett
 01/09/2023

2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM

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

3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM

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

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best

of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's Signature and Title

Town Clerk Report

JANUARY 1, 2022 – DECEMBER 31, 2022

Account	Amount
Motor Vehicle Permits	\$189,242.84
Title Fees	\$338.00
Municipal Agent Fees	\$2,850.25
Building Permit Fees (includes burner inspections)	\$492.00
Candidate Fees	\$7.00
Copy Fees	\$126.36
Dog Licenses Town & State	\$787.00
E-Reg. Fees	\$33.80
Junkyard Permits	\$155.00
Recycle Income	\$4511.67
Transfer Station Fees (includes TFS stickers)	\$3,904.00
Vital Records Town & State	\$395.00
Sub Division Fees	\$452.35
Refunds	\$109.95
NSF Check Reimbursement	\$932.35
Cemetery Fees	\$950.00
State Wash Account *	\$58,039.50
Total	\$263,327.07

^{*}State Wash Account are monies that are transferred from the Town of Groton to the State of NH DMV. This began in October 2020 with the beginning of the "One Check" status with the State DOS. These monies are deposited into the Town of Groton and then an ACH transfer is made to the State of NH for the State portion of the auto registrations. These transfers are done daily at end of day.

Ruth Millett, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Treasurer's Report

January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022

Beginning Balance on January 1, 2022 Total Deposits Total Orders Paid Total Bank Interest Deposits:	\$ \$ \$ \$	317,058.96 2,081,520.18 (1,772,986.29) 15.64
Tax Collector Town Clerk Treasurer:	\$ \$	970,343.95 263,327.07
Refunds	\$	271.14
Sale of Town Property (flag pole, prop. deposit)	\$	1,922.50
Forest Land Reimbursement	\$	242.41
Groton Wind Pilot	* * * * * * * * * * * *	655,379.76
Highway Block Grants	\$	48,577.93
Insurance Reimb. (backhoe)	\$	8,450.60
Grants	\$	60,995.44
Rooms and Meals Revenue	\$	50,449.13
Sex Offender Registration	\$	30.00
One Time Bridge PMT	\$	19,831.52
UCC Quarterly Allocation	\$	90.00
State Fire Suppression	\$	58.73
Voter Checklist	\$	350.00
OHD grant		1,200.00
Total Treasurer Deposits	\$	847,849.16
Adjustments:		
Returned Checks	\$	(5,071.67)
Heavy Equip CRF Transfer (backhoe)	\$	67,000.00
Deposit Error correction from 12/21	\$	(20.00)
ACH State Motor Vehicle Pmts	\$	(57,224.58)
ACH Fees	\$	(75.00)
ACH Fees Reimb (\$100 from 2021)	\$	150.00
Unauthorized Debit	\$	(500.00)
Unauthorized Debit Reimbursement	\$	500.00
Clerk & Tax E-Gov duplication error	\$	162.42
E-Gov refund	\$	(162.42)
PDIP Contributions	\$	(575,000.00)
PDIP Redemption	\$	275,000.00
Voided Checks	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	374.97
Stop Payment Fee	\$	(35.00)
Stop PMT check	\$	825.00
Capital Reserve Fund Transfer per warrant	\$	(182,500.00)
Total Adjustments	\$	(476,576.28)
Ending Balance on December 31, 2022	\$	149,032.21

Public Deposit Investment Pool

Beginning Balance January 1, 2022	\$ 381,146.96
Total Contributions	\$ 575,000.00
Total Withdrawals	\$ (275,000.00)
Interest Earned	\$ 8,952.77
Ending Balance on December 31, 2022	\$ 690,099.73

Groton Conservation Fund

Beginning Balance on January 1, 2022		\$ 8,554.98
Total Deposits	Balance of unused funds from 2021 GF, 3% 2021 Timber Tax, 2 Yrs. 3% LUCT	\$ 1,409.90
Total Checks		\$ -
Total Bank Interest		\$ 0.97
Ending Balance on De	ecember 31, 2022	\$ 9,965.85
On Hand In Meredith Village	Savings Bank	

Parks and Recreation Revolving Fund

Beginning Balance on January 1, 2022	\$ 2,988.09
Total Deposits	\$ -
Total Checks	\$ -
Total Bank Interest	\$ 0.30
Ending Balance on December 31, 2022	\$ 2,988.39
On Hand In Meredith Village Savings Bank	

Police Department Revolving Fund

Beginning Balance	on January 1, 2022	\$ 1,860.66
Total Deposits		\$ 77.00
Total Checks	Identity theft & emergency guides	\$ (253.90)
Total Bank Interest		\$ 0.19
Ending Balance on	December 31, 2022	\$ 1,683.95
On Hand In Meredith Villa	age Savings Bank	

Groton Yield Tax Account

Beginning Balance on January 1, 2022	\$ 170.56
Total Deposits	\$ **
Total Checks	\$ -
Total Bank Interest	\$ 0.07
Ending Balance on December 31, 2022	\$ 170.63
On Hand In Meredith Village Savings Bank	

Old Home Day Fund

Beginning Balance on January 1, 2022		\$ 2,542.45
Total Deposits	Proceeds from OHD	\$ 477.00
Total Checks		\$ -
Total Bank Interest		\$ 0.27
Ending Balance o	n December 31, 2022	\$ 3,019.72

Local Auditor's Report

The local auditor's report for the Town of Groton should be available by March 2023.

2022 MS-5

The 2022 MS-5 will be compiled by April 1, 2023. The Final Report should be ready for the public in April 2023. The completed document will be posted on the Town's website, www.grotonnh.org and at the Town office.



2023 MS-9

For reporting year Jan 1, 2022 through Dec 31, 2022.

Trustees

Name	Position	Term Expires
Michele Lacroix	Trustee	3/31/2023
Gina Rescigno	Trustee	3/31/2024

Ledger Summary

Number of Fund Records	14
Ledger End of Year Balance	\$345,173.05

This ledger was reviewed for accuracy and submitted electronically under penalty of perjury on January 26, 2023 by Michele Lacroix on behalf of the Trustees of Trust Funds of Groton.



Fund Name		Da	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Assessment/Re	eavaluation 10/1/2012 \$			\$10,657.58			
Type: Capital F 34/35)	leserve (RSA	Purpose: Capital	rpose: Capital Reserve (Other) How Invested: Public Depo		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool		
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$1,800.00	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,300.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$1,202.18	\$155.40	\$0.00				\$1,357.58
Fund Name		Da	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Atwell Bridge		3/	1/2006				\$8,399.84
Type: Capital F 34/35)	leserve (RSA	Purpose: Capital	Reserve (Other)	ŀ	How Invested: Pub	lic Deposit Inves	tment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$3,010.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,010.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$5,252.14	\$137.70	\$0.00				\$5,389.84
Fund Name		Da	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Cemetery General Maintenance 10/1/2011						\$810.79	
Type: Expenda 31:19-a)	ble Trust (RSA	Purpose: Cemete	ery Trust (Other)	ı	How Invested: Pub	lic Deposit Inves	tment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$47.50	\$13.29	\$0.00				\$60.79
Fund Name		Da	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Common Fund		7/	1/1963				\$2,684.74
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemete	ery Perpetual Care	ı	How Invested: Pub	lic Deposit Inves	tment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$767.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$767.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$1,873.74	\$44.00	\$0.00				\$1,917.74
Fund Name		Da	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Conservation		7/	1/2007				\$112.40
Type: Capital F 34/35)	leserve (RSA	Purpose: Capital	Reserve (Other)	ŀ	How Invested: Pub	lic Deposit Inves	ment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
Income	DO I Balance						



Fund Name		D	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Disaster Relief	:	12	2/1/2004				\$81,391.98
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Capital	Reserve (Other)	I	How Invested: Pub	lic Deposit Inves	tment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$24,389.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$74,389.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$5,797.57	\$1,205.41	\$0.00				\$7,002.98
Fund Name		D	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Dump Site			1/1989				\$6.596.71
Type: Capital I	Reserve (RSA	Purpose: Capital		I	How Invested: Pub	lic Deposit Inves	* - ,
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$1,382.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,382.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$5,106.57	\$108.14	\$0.00				\$5,214.71
Fund Name		D	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Electronic Equip/Software 8/1/2018					\$8,559.83		
Type: Capital I 34/35)	Reserve (RSA	Purpose: Capital	Reserve (Other)	I	How Invested: Publ	lic Deposit Inves	tment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$3,258.30	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,258.30
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$174.08	\$127.45	\$0.00				\$301.53
Fund Name		D	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Groton Recrea	tion Fund	6/	1/1995				\$854.45
Type: Expenda 31:19-a)	able Trust (RSA	Purpose: Parks/F	Recreation	ı	How Invested: Pub	lic Deposit Inves	tment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$790.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$790.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$50.45	\$14.00	\$0.00				\$64.45
Fund Name		D	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Heavy Equipm	ent	3/	1/2006				\$1,347.49
	Reserve (RSA	Purpose: Capital	Reserve (Other)	I	How Invested: Pub	lic Deposit Inves	tment Pool
Type: Capital I 34/35)					Cook Con Coine	Wilder deserved to	FOY Falls Value
	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
34/35)	BOY Balance \$62,675.00		Unrealized Gains \$0.00	Realized Gains \$0.00	\$0.00	\$62,675.00	\$0.00
34/35)		\$0.00			-		



Fund Name	Date Of Creation Fund EOY Bala			nd EOY Balance			
Police Cruiser	1/1/1991 \$			\$15,971.74			
Type: Capital I 34/35)	Reserve (RSA	Purpose: Police/	Fire	ŀ	How Invested: Publ	lic Deposit Invest	tment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$5,655.30	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,655.30
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$80.38	\$236.06	\$0.00				\$316.44
Fund Name		D	ate Of Creation			Fui	nd EOY Balance
Public Works		10	0/1/2014				\$162,470.12
Type: Capital I 34/35)	Reserve (RSA	Purpose: Capital	Reserve (Other)	ŀ	How Invested: Publ	lic Deposit Invest	tment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$59,779.98	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$159,779.98
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$284.46	\$2,405.68	\$0.00				\$2,690.14
Fund Name		D	ate Of Creation			Fu	nd EOY Balance
Town House F	und	nd 12/1/1995			\$34,137.03		
Type: Capital I 34/35)	Reserve (RSA	Purpose: Capital	Reserve (Other)	ŀ	How Invested: Publ	lic Deposit Invest	ment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$33,298.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$33,298.85
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$278.56	\$559.62	\$0.00				\$838.18
Fund Name		D	ate Of Creation			Fui	nd EOY Balance
Truck Sander F	Fund 6/1/1989				\$11,178.35		
Type: Capital I 34/35)	Reserve (RSA	Purpose: Capital	Reserve (Other)	ŀ	How Invested: Publ	lic Deposit Invest	ment Pool
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$928.82	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,928.82
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$92.05	\$157.48	\$0.00				\$249.53

Groton

Tax Totals

Tax Warrant:	2022P02 of 2	
Number of Parcels:	787	
	Valuations	
Non-Utility Land Value:	51,321,600	
Current Use Credits:	(17,864,463)	
Non-Utility Improvements Value:	65,762,900	
Utility Value:	14,630,460	
Exempt Property Value:	(2,636,900)	
Valuation Before Exemptions:	111,213,597	*
Exemptions Applied:	(1,162,800)	*
Net Valuation:	110,050,797	
Net Non-Utility Valuation:	95,420,337	
Net Utility Valuation:	14,630,460	

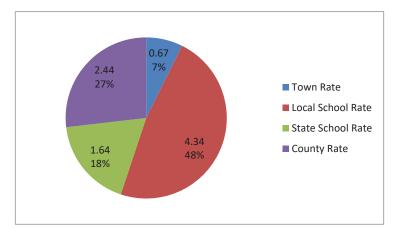
^{*} These values include one or more Religious, Charitable, and/or Educational Exemption(s). When comparing these values to the corresponding values on the MS-1 Report, note that on the MS-1 Report Religious, Charitable, and Educational Exemptions are deducted from the Total of Taxable Buildings and thus the Total Valuation Before Exemptions rather than included as a portion of the Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions.

	Tax Rates			
Total: 9.09	Municipal:	0.67	State Education Tax:	1.64
	School:	4.34	County:	2.44
	Taxes			
Total Property Tax:	97	6,370.00		
Veterans Credits Applied:	(20	,244.00)		
Commitment Amount:	95	6,126.00		
Penalties:		2,854.00		
First Bills Minus Abatements:	46	0,081.00		
First Bills Exceeding Total Tax Needing Refund:		(0.00)		
Adjusted First Bills:	(460	,081.00)		
Total Tax Bills:	49	8,899.00		

2022 Taxes

Town Rate 0.67
Local School Rate 4.34
State School Rate 1.64
County Rate 2.44

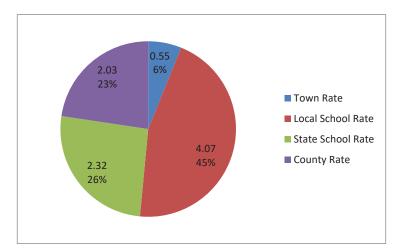
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2021 Taxes

Town Rate 0.55
Local School Rate 4.07
State School Rate 2.32
County Rate 2.03

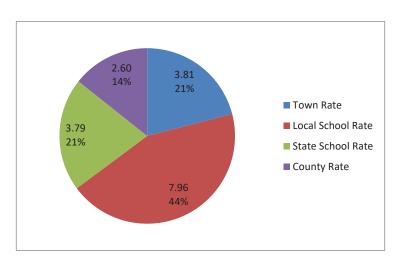
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2020 Taxes

Town Rate3.81Local School Rate7.96State School Rate3.79County Rate2.60

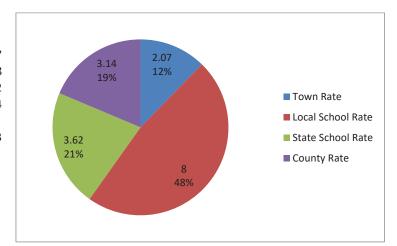
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2019 Taxes

Town Rate	2.07
Local School Rate	8
State School Rate	3.62
County Rate	3.14

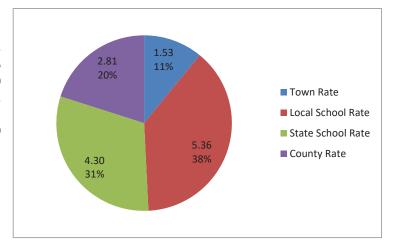
Total 16.83



2018 Taxes

Town Rate	1.53
Local School Rate	5.36
State School Rate	4.30
County Rate	2.81

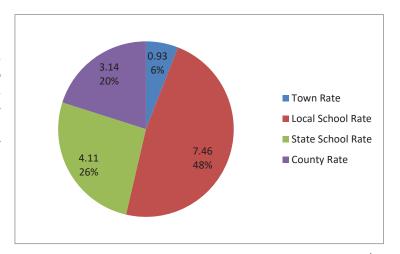
Total 14.00



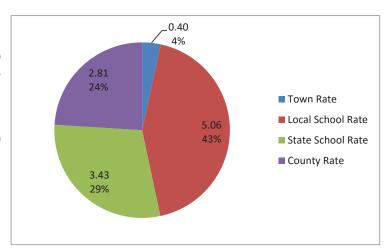
2017 Taxes

Town Rate	0.93
Local School Rate	7.46
State School Rate	4.11
County Rate	3.14

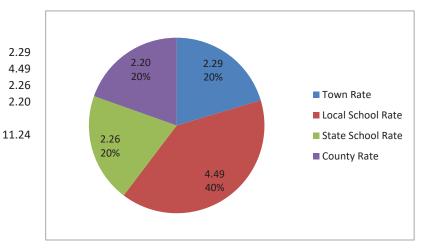
Total 15.64



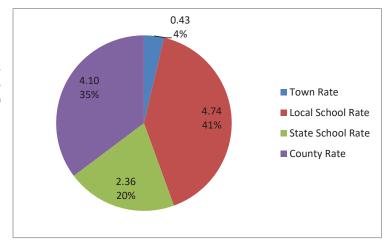
2016 Taxes	
Town Rate	0.40
Local School Rate	5.06
State School Rate	3.43
County Rate	2.81
Total	11.70



2015 Taxes	
Town Rate	2.29
Local School Rate	4.49
State School Rate	2.26
County Rate	2.20
Total	11.24



2014 Taxes	
Town Rate	0.43
Local School Rate	4.74
State School Rate	2.36
County Rate	4.10
Total	11.63



DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION Municipal Services Division 2022 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: GROTON Gross Appropriations Less: Revenue Less: Fund Balance to reduce taxes Less: Fund Balance voted surplus Add: Overlay War Service Credits	1,164,376 966,739 125,000 65,291 45,250 21,000	
Net Town Appropriation	73,596	
Special Adjustment Approved Town/City Tax Effort	0 73,596	TOWN RATE .67
SCHOOL PORTION Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp Revenue) Regional School Apportionment Less: Adequate Education Grant State Education Taxes Approved School(s) Tax Effort	0 967,518 (334,159) (156,011) 477,349	LOCAL SCHOOL RATE 4.34
STATE EDUCATION TAX Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x 2.390 95,311,591 Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities) 95,311,591	156,011	STATE SCHOOL RATE 1.64
COUNTY PORTION Due to County	268,425	
Approved County Tax Effort	268,425	COUNTY RATE 2.44
		TOTAL RATE 9.09

PROOF OF RATE

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	Assessed Value	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	95,311,591	1.64	156,011
All Other Taxes	109,942,051	7.45	819,369
			975,380

Welfare Assistance Report

In 2022, the Town saw a decrease in general assistance to Groton residents and authorized \$2,677.00 in Vendor Assistance payments.

2022 Expenditures

Grafton County Senior Citizens	\$500.00
Tri-county Community Action	\$1,200.00
Electric Assistance	\$227.00
Rental Assistance	\$750.00
Fuel Assistance	\$0.00
Food	\$0.00
Gasoline	\$0.00
Other- Cremation	\$0.00
Total Expenditures	\$2,677.00

Organizations in local communities and local residents reached out to the Town of Groton to see if we had any families in need for Thanksgiving. Due to their donations, we were able to assist four families in Groton with either food baskets or gift cards for Thanksgiving. We also had local residents reach out to donate gift cards for families for Christmas.

Once again, the Town collected donations of food for our residents. This year we put a table out and many residents continuously have dropped of donations. The table always had food on it. Residents in need were able to help themselves to whatever they needed. This was a huge help to many families in Town.

Thank you to all who donated and took a part in helping out the families in need in Groton.

Requests for assistance must be made through the Town's Welfare Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Smith Welfare Officer

Schedule of Town Properties						
Map/Lot	Land/ Building	Acres	Location	V	aluation	Year Aquired
2-26	Land	8.5	Old Rumney Road	\$	26,600	2011 tax deed
2-123	Land	47	North Groton Road	\$	36,400	2006 tax deed
5-61	Land	0.5	adjacent to Garage	\$	30,800	1992
6-61	Land	2.9	559 North Groton Road	\$	50,700	2018 tax deed
10-12	Land	0.55	Halls Brook Road	\$	500	2006 tax deed
10-22	Land	50	Old Rumney Road	\$	56,100	1985 tax deed
10-40	Land	1	Halls Brook Road	\$	2,600	2012 tax deed
10-41	Land/old building Bailey Hill	1	404 Halls Brook Road	\$	35,000	2019 tax deed
1-50-CEM	Cemetery	0.1	Bailey Hill Road	\$	13,000	
	North Groton		-			
2-57-CEM	Cemetery	0.69	North Groton Road	\$	41,400	
	River Road					
2-114-CEM	Cemetery	0.232	River Road	\$	20,100	
2-114-CEMA	Jenny Decoste Smith Annex	0.464	River Road	\$	35,900	2012
4-1-CEM	Kimball Hill Cemetery	0.1	Kimball Hill	\$	10,800	
7-54-CEM	Rolfe Hill Cemetery	0.51	North Groton Road	\$	38,600	
5-62	Town Garage & Former Offices	5	63 North Groton Road	\$	119,700	Littusted to
5-62-1	Conservation/ Pond Area	1.6	North Groton Road	\$	9,500	Cons. Comm. 2008
5-136	Park	6.67	Sculptured Rocks Road	\$	67,300	
6-1-3	Land- Future Town Garage	6	North Groton Road	\$	36,700	from Green Acre Woodlands
6-55	Transfer Station	11.4	677 North Groton Road	\$	85,500	
7-54	Town Hall	1	754 North Groton Road	\$	·	

GROTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2022

I would like to wish the members of our Groton community good health and prosperity during these uncertain economic times and thank all of you for your outstanding support of this Department.

This year we fared pretty well with a moderate increase in call volume while reported criminal activity remained roughly the same. There was a noticeable increase of vehicle traffic through Groton, producing an increase in vehicle stops. Hopefully deterring continued violations. Unfortunately, we had that horrible nails on North Groton Road event. I know a lot of residents were affected by that and it cost them time and money, thank you to those good citizens who helped in locating and picking up many nails in the roadway. To this day we have no information or evidence to definitively rule whether it was an act of negligence or a malicious event.

Going forward I will continue to make every effort to provide quality police service with the time and resources I have available. While there is an ever-increasing annual training requirement being implemented that will tax my time it does ensure that your police department remains up to date in its policy and current in its ability to offer competent professional service.

I would like to remind everyone to fill out a vacant house check request if you plan to be away for any reason, this will allow me to know when and how long your home needs attention and who and what authorized persons and vehicles may be at that location as well as any available key holder. As always please let me know your concerns as there are no stupid questions or issues to small. I will always return your call and help to resolve whatever questions you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

Your Chief of Police Michael Bagan

Groton PD call list provided by Plymouth Police Dispatch.

Calls received at the Police Department are not included.

OFF AT COURT: 1 MOTORIST ASSIST: 4

911 HANG UP: 1 MEDICAL EMERGENCY: 61

ANIMAL COMPLAINT: 7 NOISE COMPLAINT: 1

ALARM: 6 ON CALL: 234

ANIMAL LOST/FOUND: 1 PARKING COMPL/INQ.: 2

ASSAULT: 3 POLICE INFORMATION: 5

CIVIL COMPLAINT: 7 POLICE SERVICE: 51

CRIME AGAINST PERSON: 3 PROPERTY LOST/FOUND: 3

CRIME AGAINST PROPERTY: 6 SERVE PAPERWORK: 4

CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK: 2 SEX OFFENDER REG.:1

CRUISER MAINTAINANCE: 58 SUSP. ACTIVITY: 11

CIVIL STAND-BY: 5 THEFT REPORT:1

DAILY LOG ITEM: 11 VEHICLE ACCIDENT: 2

DISTURBANCE: 4 VEHICLE COMPLAINT: 2

DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE: 2 VEHICLE STOP: 30

FIRE DEPT ASSIST: 22 VEHICLE TOW: 1

FISH & GAME CALLOUT: 1 UNSECURED PREMISES: 2

FOLLOW-UP: 30

HARRASSMENT: 2

HAZMAT INCIDENT: 3

HIGHWAY/MUNIC. SERVICES: 4

JUVENILE INCIDENT: 2

Groton Fire Information

This is your yearly reminder to make sure you check and test your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. You should have carbon monoxide detectors on each floor of your residence. Good chimney maintenance is important when it comes to heating appliance devices, whether it is LP gas, oil or wood heat. If you have auxiliary emergency power, the exhaust should be 10' away from doors and windows and should never be operated inside any residence or garage. Safety is very important so please call if you have any questions.

Remember <u>fire permits</u> are required by law for any open outside burning when the ground is <u>NOT</u> 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 back of your fire permit.

Jeremy Haney is the current Fire Warden. Thank you, Jeremy, for taking on this role. Jeremy and Sara Smith worked together to get the burn permits online. There are links on the burn permit page of our Town website if you are interested in obtaining a permit online. There is a cost to do so. Permits can also be obtained from the following people:

Jeremy Haney	Warden	254-6037	28 Smith Road
Norm Willey	Deputy Warden	744-5928	777 N. Groton Rd
Bill Oakley	Deputy Warden	236-2269	22 Crosby Lane
Patti Oakley	Agent	520-4712	22 Crosby Lane

Stay safe everyone!



Hebron Fire Department- Groton Coverage

Hebron Fire Department responded to 242 calls in 2022. Of those 242 calls, 79 were in the township of Groton. We responded to 55 Medical, 4 Alarm activations, 6 Service calls, 1 Chimney fire, 1 Equipment fire, 2 Outside fires and 10 Tree/wire calls. We also responded to 32 Mutual Aid and 131 Hebron Calls. A busy year!

I joined Hebron Fire in May of 2022 as Chief to step into retiring Chief John Fischer's shoes and attempt to learn the ways of Hebron and Groton safety needs. Those are big shoes to step into! John has graciously filled me in on the life and routine of this department. I am carefully taking it all in and moving forward to help this fire/ medical system to grow to always be ready for any emergency or need of our communities.

I come to this position with 31 years in the fire/medical field. I am Fire Fighter III certified, AEMT licensed, Fire Inspector II certified and have many other training and certifications. My goal is to lead my colleague's by working beside them, using their knowledge and experience to create a stronger team that can work cohesively to get the job done.

We as a department thank all of our citizens that stand behind and beside us, supporting and applauding us! We welcome anyone who is interested in being part of our rewarding world to come join us!

We also look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events this year!

Jamie Moulton, Chief Hebron Fire Department 37 Groton Rd. PO Box 97 Hebron, NH 03241 (603) 744-9468 Station firechief@hebronnh.gov (603) 455-4670 Chief Cell

Rumney Fire Department- Groton Coverage

This year has brought many changes to the Rumney Fire Department.

In March, the Department Members voted me in as Fire Chief. I have been on the Department since 2006, serving in several different capacities, including Lt, training officer, and Captain.

In the past, Rumney Fire has provided gas and oil permitting to Groton, but this year it was decided to discontinue that service.

The Department still provides fire coverage for the eastern portion of the Town of Groton, through a contract between Rumney and Groton. Medical calls are still strictly assisting with things such as lifting patients, or helping to carry out to the ambulance, as we do not provide medical services at this time.

This year we were able to purchase new gear and equipment to help provide the best service we can when responding to emergencies.

We now have new swift water rescue gear, in case of water emergencies, a new boat with life jackets for water and ice rescues. We also had donated to the department, an Ice Rescue Sled, and an ATV and trailer for forest fires and injured or lost hikers. We thank those that have donated, and helped make these purchases possible.

During 2022, the Department responded to 17 calls to Groton.

They were as follows: 2 MVA,1 Service Call,1 Chimney Fire,1 Brush Fire,1 Outdoor Fire,2 Lift Assist,3 EMS Assist,1 C/O Odor,3 Trees/Wires down,1 FAA, and 1 Mutual Aid.

As a new year begins, I look forward to continuing the good relationship we have with Groton, and look forward to serving both our communities this coming year.

Respectfully,

Evan Hacker Fire Chief- Rumney Fire Department

Highway Department

Even though we did not have as many large projects in 2022 like we have the past few years, the Highway Department stayed busy with smaller projects and maintenance work.

The projects completed in 2022:

- Grading of Bailey Hill Road, Edgar Albert Road, North Fletcher Road, and Province Road.
- Two culverts were replaced on Edgar Albert Road.
- Smaller road work and maintenance on Spectacle Pond Road and Blanchette Lane.
- With the addition of the long reach mower that the Town purchased for a great deal, mowing was completed on a significant number of roads in Town. 100+ hours were spent on this. Owning this piece of equipment will allow for regular mowing to take place annually. This unit should pay for itself within the next year.
- TLC Services once again completed some tree trimming in Town. We will continue to do this each year as the budget allows.

We were fortunate that in 2022 Groton had an extremely mild mud season compared to other Towns in the area.

The new backhoe was ordered immediately after March 2022 Town Meeting. However, due to the world we are living in now, at this time we are still waiting for the delivery.

For 2023, we will continue to maintain the roads and look for ways to save the Town money. A new Town Garage is still being worked on and will be discussed at the Town Meeting in March of 2023.

I would like to thank Fred Brooks, Jeremy Haney, Norm Willey, and Sara Smith for their hard work and continued service and loyalty to the Town. I would also like to thank the Select Board which is John Rescigno, Tony Albert and Ron Madan for their continued support of the Highway Department and our projects.

I would like to thank some of the companies that are always willing to assist the Town when needed, even if it is short notice. Thank you to Gordon Coursey & Son for always providing exceptional vehicle maintenance. Thank you to Morrison Construction for your assistance with road work. Thank you to M.E. Latulippe for always supplying material when needed. Thank you to TLC Services for taking care of the tree trimming needs for the Town.

In closing, I appreciate the continued support of the townspeople. I am available on the nights of the Select Board meetings from 6:30pm to 7:00pm, at the Town House, if any residents have any questions or concerns regarding the Highway Department. I will also provide the Town residents with Department updates at the Select Board meetings. I welcome any and all feedback that you may have.

Thank you again for allowing us the opportunity to be of service to you.

Respectfully submitted, Robert "Bubba" Ellis Highway Department

Assistants: Fred Brooks Norm Willey Jeremy Haney





Transfer Station

Another busy year at your Transfer Station gone by already! The concrete slab for the dumpsters is working out well as we had planned. On that note, we have decided to wait on the construction of the overhead cover due to cost versus savings at this time. The quotes we received were greater than any savings over a twenty-year period.

We, like everyone else, have received price increases from all of our vendors in the form of fuel surcharges, electricity, heating and supplies, making it difficult to stay within budget limits a year in advance. Please remember this when reviewing our budget.

Transfer Station stickers are available at the Town Office and the Transfer Station, for the same fee of \$1.00. Please see the attendant if you need a sticker as there is a form to fill out and then he will issue you one. This is for Groton residents only. If you have a new or different vehicle, you will need a sticker for that vehicle.

Because of the issues with the State DOT the last few "mud seasons" and the weight limit ban in the Spring, we will <u>NOT</u> be accepting construction debris, <u>ANY</u> furniture, mattresses included for the duration of the road bans. This will be posted in advance as soon as we are informed of the dates of the road bans and the postings about this will go up.

Please remember we are recycling aluminum cans, batteries, tires, electronics, waste oil, light bulbs, and scrap metal. Revenues from aluminum cans and scrap metal continue to go up. Thank you for your efforts recycling these items.

At this time we are still looking for a team member to help operate the facility. If interested, please see Norm Willey or the Administrative Assistant Sara Smith.

Also, a reminder that all fees charged for items reflect our costs to have them hauled away.

We look forward to another year of serving the people of Groton.

Respectfully submitted,

Norm Willey, Transfer Station Supervisor George Evirs, Transfer Station Attendant Ron Madan, On Call Operator Jeremy Haney, On Call Operator



GROTON, NH, TOWN OF CONGRATULATIONS FOR BEING SUCH ACTIVE RECYCLERS!

Below please find information on the positive impact your recycling has had on our environment. The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling organization, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

RECYCLABLE MATERIAL	2022 RECYCLED AMOUNTS	ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT! Here is only one benefit of recycling materials rather than manufacturing products from virgin resources.		
ELECTRONIC DEVICES	3,050.00 LBS	You conserved enough energy to fire up about 66.03 propane BBQ grills!		
TIRES	3,930.00 LBS	You conserved the equivalent of about 825.30 pounds of coal being burned!		

AVOIDED EMISSIONS



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

By recycling the materials above, you avoided about **4,285.57 lbs.** of carbon dioxide emissions. This is the equivalent of removing about **0.42** passenger cars from the road for an entire year.

^{**}The above data was calculated using the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Waste Reduction Model (WARM).

2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234 | 603.736.4401 | Sinfo@nrrarecycles.org | www.nrrarecycles.org | NRRArecycles

PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Jessie Jennings, Chairman Jim Mayhew, Vice-Chairman Erik Rasmussen, Treasurer Vacant, Secretary c/o 161Main Street Littleton, NH 03561 (603) 444-6303 ext. 2015 isteele@nccouncil.org mmoren@nccouncil.org

2022 Annual Report

In 2022, Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District continued its cooperative efforts to promote waste reduction, increase recycling, and provide residents with a means of properly disposing of their household hazardous waste (HHW).

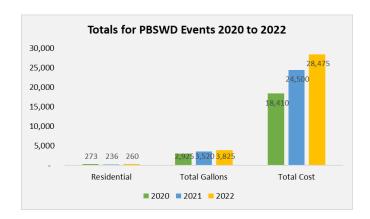
The District held two (2) one-day HHW collections, one in Littleton on Sunday, August 7th, and the other in Plymouth on Saturday, September 26th. A total of 260 vehicles participated, representing every community in the District. 3,825 gallons of material was collected, which was an 8% increase from 2021. Total expenses for 2022 HHW programming, which includes advertising, setup & disposal, totaled \$28,475, an 11% increase from 2021. The District received a \$5,000 donation from Casella Waste Management and NH Department of Environmental Services granted \$4,958. Net expenditures for the program were \$22,445. The district also coordinated two (2) fluorescent light bulb collections in the spring and fall, where all member towns were able to dispose of their bulbs and ballast. This year, fluorescent light bulb collections resulted in over 43,850 linear feet of fluorescent tubes being properly disposed of and 1,062 PCB containing light ballasts. Other materials collected were 49 fire/smoke detectors and an additional 1,300 specialty bulbs. The total cost for this effort was \$6,410, covered by district dues.

The District voted in favor of extending its waste disposal contract with North Country Environmental Services in Bethlehem, NH. This extension will provide an additional 4 years of waste disposal services through April 30, 2027. The agreement will also see an increase of Casella Waste Management's HHW support to \$10,000 to help with rising disposal costs.

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 regard to their solid waste/recycling program, please contact the District by email.

Respectively Submitted,

Jim Mayhew, Acting Chairman



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

Planning Board Report

During 2022, the Planning Board (PB) regularly preformed public business – reviewed applications, provided advisory opinions and worked with the selectman on many additional matters. Some examples include:

- Building Permit, RSA 674:41, on Running Bear RD. for house, Charles Coleman, Town Release required for Map 5 Lot 78
- Tim and Monica Foy of 94 Kimball Road in Amesbury, MA, submitted an amended permit to build a 20 x 20 sawmill shed on the property they purchased on Old Rumney Road. The property is located on Map 10, Lot 21 and consists of 37.3 acres.
- Katlin Sullivan Simula of 239 River Road is proposing running an Air BnB from her property with one camper to sleep 2 4 people. on Map 2 Lot 115-2
- Aaron Detrick inquires can a RV/camper be used as a dwelling
- Lori Desmarais is 17 Karkheck Lane in a flood zone
- Subdivision of Map 2 Lot 51, subdivision request from Timothy & Pamela Crosby
- Inquiry by Bruce Blye, Map 2 Lot 41 relating to Zoning requirements
- 4 separate inquiries wanting to build Clamping facilities 82 Beaver Pond Rd, Map 5 Lot 47-2, 1.3 acres, Justin Vale, <u>Building Permit</u> – Solar Panels
- Old Fields Rd, Map 6 Lot 63-6, 10.05 acres, David & Jeanne Bradley, <u>Building Permit</u> – post & beam 14x28 storage shed
- Kristina Salvail Map 1 Lot 1 864 Route 118 subdivision.
- Robert Ellis & Janet Wallace, <u>Giovanna Rd</u> Map 6 Lot 47 building permit House & rhino shelter (portable canvas garage)
- Nicholas & Jennifer Blodgett, <u>Giovanna Rd</u> Map 6 Lot 38 building permit- rhino shelter (portable canvas garage)

Your Planning Board ('PB") has many functions, both non-regulatory and regulatory. The obligations and duties of the Board arise through state law.

We were reminded of our obligation to propose zoning amendments, for you to vote on, by several factors:

- The PB realized that the March 8 2022 Ordinance failed to list seasonal camps as an allowed use. We needed to rectify that error.
- In addition, when the Select Board was forced to deny several building permits where the applicant wanted to build storage on their lot pre-build of their primary single-family dwelling the PB was requested to draft an amendment allowing for that need.
- Also, the Board and individuals of the PB received numerous comments on problems relating to short-term rentals.
- Finally, the PB also considered the impacts of growth in Groton. The population has been expanding and housing often bought by speculators with no attachment or even love for our rural, family town. These non-residents want to rent short-term, not provide housing stock to raise a family. With that growth, the development in areas of town is much denser, increasing cost to the town for public services and county requirements all affecting our tax bills.

To respond to these needs and avoid the negative impacts we advertised and posted Hearings and finally sent you a letter. The process, which led us to proposing zoning amendments for the town's voters to consider, was as transparent as now possible. Yet it could be even more inclusive <u>if you would provide the Town Clerk or PB with your email so we can reach out to you directly.</u> Alerting you, receiving your comments well in advance of drafting proposals could significantly help.

Respectfully Submitted,

Submitted by Deb Johnson, David Madden, Dave LaBar, John Rescigno, Ray Blake, Kristina Madden, Russ Carruth

Conservation Commission Report

The mission of the Groton Conservation Commission is to promote the public awareness and protection of our natural resources.

The Groton Conservation Commission continued its service to the town with our annual kids fishing derby, semiannual road cleanups, and funding of Spectacle Pond water testing.

The results of the Spectacle Pond water testing are available on the Conservation Commission's page of the town website. Thank you to the Selectboard for continuing to provide a portable toilet at the boat launch which helps keep E Coli levels low.

We are sorry to report that the adult male loon who has raised chicks on Spectacle Pond every year since 2011 has died. His death was the unfortunate result of becoming tangled in a fishing line.

We thank the volunteers who cleaned up our roads this spring and fall. We appreciate everyone's efforts to keep their trash in their vehicle as they drive through town.

Walks on Open Space trails took place to familiarize the GCC with some of the jewels of the town. Groton Conservation Commission encourages everyone to get out and enjoy the Open Space Land in Groton.

- Cockermouth Forest maintained by Society for the Protection of NH Forests
- ❖ Kimball Hill Wildlife Management Area maintained by NH Fish and Game
- ❖ Province Road State Forest maintained by the Department of Forests and Lands
- ❖ Sculptured Rocks Natural Area maintained by NH Division of Parks and Recreation

The Conservation Commission meets on the 2nd Thursday of every month, and the public is always welcome.

Respectfully Submitted,

Groton Conservation Commission Slim Spafford, Chair Ray Blake, Planning Board Liaison Cindy Carpenter Gina Rescigno Virginia Parker Justin Weekley

Spectacle Pond Water Quality Summary - 2022 10/20/22

2022 is the 8th year SPA has participated in the VLAP program. Water samples were taken on 6/16/22, 7/26/22 and 8/25/22. A biologist from the NHDES VLAP took samples with volunteers from SPA on 8/25/22.

The 2021 VLAP annual report highlighted 3 problem areas and E Coli has become a problem in 2022.

Phosphorus – VLAP Category "Cautionary"

"Phosphorus is the most important water quality parameter measured in our lakes. It is the nutrient that limits algae's ability to grow and reproduce." Samples are taken at 3 depths at the deep spot of the pond -10° , 23' and 36'. Goal is less than 12 ug/l for mesotrophic pond.

Averages:

2015 = 15.3 2017 = 13.0 2019 = 11.9

2021 = 13.8

2016 = 14.0

2018 = 13.7

2020 = 10.8

2022 = 16.0

According to the NHDES in the 2021 VLAP Data Summary "Management efforts should focus on ways to reduce nutrient loading and stormwater runoff to the pond such as preventing agricultural run-off, pumping and maintain septic systems, and maintaining vegetative buffers along the shoreline and inlets".

Chlorophyll-a – VLAP Category "Cautionary"

"Elevated levels indicate excessive algal growth typically caused by too many nutrients (phosphorus)."

Samples are taken at a depth of 23' in the deep spot.

Goal is less than 5 ug/l for mesotrophic pond.

Averages:

There has not been a dinoflagellate bloom since 2019.

PH – VLAP Category "Bad"

Samples are taken at 3 depths at the deep spot of the pond -10° , 23' and 36'. Goal is 6.5-8

Averages:

$$2015 = 6.0$$
 $2017 = 6.5$ $2019 = 6.2$ $2021 = 5.9$ $2016 = 6.5$ $2018 - 6.4$ $2020 = 6.0$ $2022 = 6.2$

E. Coli

Goal is less than 88 cts/100ml at a public beach and less than 406 cts/100ml for surface waters.

Samples are taken in 2' of water at the boat launch and where the brook that flows through Circle Camp property enters the pond.

All samples taken from 2015 to June 2022 were well below goal except for a sample taken at the boat launch in 2017.

In 2021 all samples were less than 10 cts/100ml.

2022 samples	6/16/22	7/26/22	8/25/22
Boat Launch	<1	<1	2
Circle Camp	8.6	101.2	547.5

Plan

Continue to participate in VLAP program

Maximize flushing rate of the pond

Encourage Groton to continue placing portable toilet at boat launch.

Encourage the circle Camp to identify and correct sources of high E Coli

Old Home Day Committee

We were all able to enjoy another successful Old Home Day. Thank you to the residents who were able to attend.

The evening started with our usual Groton Parade. Thank you to all who participated.

I would like to thank Craig Engel who helped me get a band last year which was difficult with Covid and he played with his band this year. They were fantastic!

We had our usual free hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, chips, drinks and desserts. It was all amazing. Thank you to all who donated.

We would like to thank Avangrid Renewables for continuing to donate to our great celebration!

Finally, I would like to thank all the people who I can always depend on. John Rescigno for cooking; Robert Ellis and Fred Brooks for helping with setting up and clean up; Russ Coutu for his helping hand; Janet Wallace for her help with the Chinese auction and raffles; Sara Smith for her continued hard work behind the scenes and donation of food. I greatly appreciate the Towns wonderful residents!

Thank you for another amazing year!!

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Rescigno on behalf of the Old Home Day Committee





Groton Recreation Committee

In the past few years, the Groton Recreation Committee has been vacant. It has been recommended that the Select Board combine the Recreation Committee and the Old Home Day Committee into one Community Events Committee. Due to COVID-19 taking over 2020 and 2021, and continuing into 2022, this still has not happened as of yet.

With that said, members are still needed. The Select Board would like to encourage those with interest and passion to contact the Board so that a team of committee members can be formed to ensure that future recreational events and opportunities continue.

We ask for your feedback as we continue to look at ways to keep the community coming together and providing a place for families and friends to gather for events. Please let us know if you have ideas for ways that we can improve the Everett Hobart Memorial Park.

If you are interested in holding an event at the park, please contact the Select Board office at (603)744-9190.

Respectfully submitted,

Groton Select Board





GROTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Groton Historical Society (GHS) had a work session around the Town Pound on May 14 to remove the brush and cut up trees to make the Pound more accessible. We still need to place the signs but waiting for the Town to decide where their Town Shed's location will be so the signs won't be in the way.

The 2023 calendar this year is called "Honoring Groton Heroes, Part 2: 1914-1972".

GHS decided not to sponsor a Memorial Day program still due to Covid concerns and the flag pole at the Town House was down for repairs.

The School House was open to the public on June 25 and July 16, and by appointment.

GHS participated in the Hebron Fair on July 30.

Bea Fligg's family donated old Groton Town Reports to GHS.

GHS is researching the "Nathan Phelps house" then Horace Warner house which is 266 North Groton Road. Horace Warner was a Civil War Veteran and summered in South Groton. Horace and John Brown are in a picture in front of the World War 1 monument in Groton.

The Bristol Enterprise newspapers are online through the Minot Sleeper Library in Bristol and have been a big help with the calendar and Groton research.

GHS Board Members

Paul Cole (Building Manager) Debra Lindsey (Secretary) Steve "Slim" Spafford Roger Daniels (Vice President) Sharon Nelson Ray Gagnon Kathy Sobetzer (President)

Groton Historical Society, PO Box 50, Rumney, NH 03266 grotonhistorical@yahoo.com

The Groton Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Groton Public Library

Just a reminder that Groton residents voted at the 2021 Town meeting to dissolve our contract with Hebron Library.

Anyone who would like reimbursement for a library card from another facility, please contact Gina Rescigno.

Respectfully submitted,

Groton Library Trustees



Groton Cemeteries

Our town cemeteries had a fortunate year in 2022. Unlike in years past, there were no major maintenance issues that compromised our budget such as collapsing stone walls, tree removal or flooding. This enabled the committee to move forward in 2023 with planning for some projects that have been put off in the past.

The first and most important is the survey work and layout of the annex at River Road Cemetery. The committee received a proposal from Barnard Survey Associates of Hebron for the laying out of rows, aisles and parking for the annex which will make it available for future burials. The survey will be based on a schematic map provided in 2020 by Cemetery Solutions of Massachusetts. Hopefully, the survey can begin this spring, pending budget approval.

The second project planned for 2023 is the repair of several headstones in the Rolfe Cemetery behind the town house. Several of the oldest stones are leaning over and in danger of breaking and must be dug out and reset. Not only will this save these historic markers, including one marking the grave of one Groton's Revolutionary War veterans, it will greatly improve the overall appearance of the cemetery, especially at the north end where most of the endangered headstones are located. We have contracted with Beede Cemetery Monuments of Laconia to make the repairs which will also be done next spring. In addition to headstone repair, the rail fencing at Rolfe Cemetery is also in need of attention. Several lengths of the fencing are broken or rotted and will need replacement next year.

Finally, we are pleased to welcome Michelle Sharp to the cemetery commission this year. Michelle has expressed a willingness to help with the ongoing efforts to enter data into our online record keeping service, Crypt Keeper. Currently only data from Rolfe Cemetery has been entered into our online data base. It is the commission's goal to have all other

town cemeteries properly entered to make it more accessible, particularly for those researching family histories.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Gaffey Cemetery Trustee



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North Country Council Regional Planning Commission and Economic Development District is one of nine regional planning commissions in New Hampshire established by RSA 36:46. The Commission's region consists of serving 50 communities and 25 unincorporated places in the northern third of New Hampshire. The Council serves in an advisory role to local governments in order to promote coordinated planning, orderly growth, efficient land use, transportation access, and environmental protection. The Council's professional staff provides transportation, land use, economic development, community, and environmental planning services; geographic information services (GIS); data collection and analysis; grant writing; grant administration; facilitation; and project management.

In 2022 North Country Council undertook the following activities in the region:

Coordinated the regional Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and held five (5) meetings to discuss regional transportation issues and identify priority projects for funding opportunities.

Represented the region's transportation needs in the Ten-Year Plan process, including managing the project solicitation process, providing technical assistance to applicants, scoring and prioritizing projects, and promoting public input opportunities to the region's communities.

Secured an on-call engineering firm to support submitting projects for the Ten-Year Plan process and for other regional projects needing conceptual design.

Continued efforts to update the Regional Transportation Plan, which identifies the important transportation corridors in the region and presents the needs, opportunities, and recommendations to improve the region's system.

Supported the work of two (2) Regional Coordinating Councils (Carroll County and Grafton-Coos) to promote the coordination of transportation services for the region's residents and institutions, including facilitating fourteen (14) meetings, updated bylaws, assisted with the submittal of applications to the CDC COVID Disparity grant program, and worked closely with the new regional mobility managers to improve coordination and services.

Supported the work of the North Country Scenic Byways Council (NCSBC) to steward and promote the region's scenic and cultural byways, including facilitation NCSBC meetings and submitted an application for Federal funding of a regional byways project.

Participated in statewide efforts such as the Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, Alternative Transportation Planning, and the Complete Streets Advisory Committee and provided input about major statewide processes that benefit our regional communities.

Conducted over 150 traffic counts throughout the region for the New Hampshire DOT and local communities through the regional Transportation Data Collection Program.

Worked to develop the Surface Management System (RSMS) data collection and forecasting program to inventory the condition of local roadways and forecast infrastructure budgeting needs for municipalities over the medium and long term.

Community Profile Map Viewer was created to explore the region through demographic data. Each community profile provides information on population, housing, income, workforce, transportation, and more for every municipality in the region.

Coordinated six (6) North Country Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee meetings (CEDS) for the Economic Development District. The meetings focused on connecting resources in the region, learning about innovative strategies for improved economic prosperity, and sharing regional information. The Committee reviewed and placed 3 projects on the CEDS Project Priority List.

Completed the North Country Rising Plan and Business Resource Roadmap with feedback from businesses and employers throughout the region, which provides goals, strategies, and solutions for a collaborative approach to economic and community resilience.

Facilitated collaborative sessions with the food and agriculture industry in an effort to host the first North Country Food and Agriculture Summit, bringing together industry leaders from around the region to discuss food equity, access, training for the next generation of farmers, and the opportunity to develop a North Country Food Council.

Continued to implement the Regional Brownfields Program through funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Continued to assist the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) & State of NH Bureau of Economic Affairs (BEA) in providing development assistance to potential and awarded grantees. In 2022 the Council provided pre-project development coaching to over 45 NBRC grantees and potential grantees.

Provided mapping and data services to communities throughout the region in support of project development and funding opportunities.

Responded to multiple requests for reviews of Development of Regional Impact, prepared comments corresponded with state and local officials.

Provided technical support to communities relating to municipal land use regulations, best practices, planning opportunities, and changes to state land use statutes.

Supported four (4) small working groups of employers and housing professionals in identifying and exploring opportunities for employer-assisted housing solutions in the region.

Partnered with NH Office of Planning and Development and all NH Regional Planning Commissions to complete simultaneous Regional Housing Needs Assessments, which document current conditions and forecast housing needs across communities and the region over the coming 20 years.

Continued to assist Coos County with the Coos County Broadband Committee, as well as providing technical support to the Carroll County Broadband Committee

Collaborated with other Regional Planning Commissions through the NH Association of Regional Planning Commissions and Director meetings in Concord.

Supported efforts and attended the NH Planners Conference and NH Municipal Association Conference.

Bulk ordered and distributed New Hampshire Planning and Land Use Regulation books to local land use boards (estimated savings of \$75.00 per book).

2022 Tapply-Thompson Community Center Report to Our Towns

Our Mission: Building a stronger community through enriching activities, recreation and family support!

Our Vision: A community where people of all ages are engaged, encouraged, and nurtured!

The Board and Staff of the Tapply-Thompson Community Center want to express their sincere gratitude for the support we received from the Towns and Supporters in 2022.

2022 was an exciting year for us and one that has brought back a feeling of normalcy to our programs and activities. A lot has happened over the past year that will bring about some incredible opportunities and plans for the future. Some of the highlights include:

- A Strategic Planning Retreat was held in March under the guidance of Teri Bordenave of the Thalia
 Group. Our Board members came together for a day long retreat to update our mission and vision and
 set goals for what we will accomplish over the next three years. We are grateful to those in the
 community that participated in our survey and personal interviews that provided us with important
 information during this energizing process.
- We hired Frank Marinace, Architects to conduct a full survey of our TTCC Building to assess what renovations can be done to make the building more efficient, accessible, and gain additional space. We plan to begin work on the building in 2023.
- A local donor offered \$25,000 towards our project and offered an additional \$25,000 if we could find four other matches. We accomplished this in short order and will be continuing to fundraise for these exciting projects. All donations are welcome and can be designated for 'Capital Projects' if desired.
- Our Every Child is Ours program that delivers weekend food bags to our Newfound students has continued and is currently serving 125 youth weekly. The 22 & Under program at NRHS comes to load the bags each week for which we are very grateful.
- Operation Warm is the program that provides coats, snow pants, boots and mittens to local families in need. This winter we supplied items to 137 local youth.
- We were thrilled to be able to bring back the full summer camp experience this year complete with weekly field trips, overnights and record numbers of over 120 campers daily. The camp experience is one that creates lasting memories for all and we are so lucky to be able to provide this program.
- Our Adult Pickleball program is growing in leaps and bounds and filling our gym every day from early
 morning until the kids arrive for after school. If you have ever wanted to try it out the info is on our
 website at www.ttccrec.org.
- And...one of the best highlights of 2022 was bringing Santa's Village back inside after two years outside. We had over 1,000 visitors to the Village this year. We couldn't accomplish this annual event without the many volunteers that help with set up, our 4th & 5th grade Elves, and our Village Director, Matt Greenwood!

In closing it is clear that none of this would be possible without the support of the towns, our donors and our amazing volunteers. From donations of food for the weekly bags, to donations of new winter clothing items, to coaching of our many sports teams and beyond – we are truly blessed. A heartfelt thank you to all of you and we wish you a Happy & Healthy 2023!

With Gratitude, The Bristol Recreation Advisory Council & TTCC Staff



Request for Groton Allocation in Fiscal Year 2023: \$1,050 (increase based on new 2020 Census data)

Founded in 1966, Lakes Region Mental Health Center (LRMHC) provides comprehensive, integrated mental health treatment for people living with - and recovering from - mental illness and/or emotional distress, and is designated by the State of New Hampshire as the community mental health center (CMHC) serving 24 towns in Belknap and southern Grafton Counties.

Nearly half of the 60 million adults and children living with mental health conditions in the United States go without any treatment. People who seek treatment must navigate a fragmented and costly system full of obstacles. As a result, many people cannot access mental health care when they need it most. With the passage of the new 988 number for suicide prevention and mental health crises, there is a new 2022 priority for mental health in America: to create a continuum of crisis care with adequate funding that ensures increased response and access to care. According to 2022 survey data from Mental Health America, New Hampshire is currently ranked 30th in the nation in access to care for youth and adults. We can do better.

Initiatives at the state level lead to improvements in our mental health system, and additional resources for communities result in better outcomes for Granite Staters living with, and recovering from, mental illness. LRMHC is an active leader in many of these statewide initiatives, including rapid response and critical time intervention (CTI).

LRMHC is committed to providing members of the 24 communities we serve *the right care at the right time*. Our access to care staff provides the first contact to those requesting services from LRMHC through answering all calls, scheduling patients, screening for admission, and/or identifying individuals in crisis and linking them to immediate care. The team ensures all individuals discharging from the hospital get access within 48 hours of discharge to community-based services. Access to care services LRMHC are provided to *everyone*- regardless of whether they become a patient at LRMHC, all without financial support from the state or insurance companies.

Every dollar the town of Groton contributes is invested in care for people in Groton. It is leveraged with funds from other towns to offset the tremendous cost of high-quality access to care.

From July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, LRMHC served 3,512 patients, and provided over \$372,000 in charity care. 5 residents of Groton accessed LRMHC services and LRMHC provided \$4,157 in charity care to Groton residents. The breakdown is as follows:

GROTON	Patients Served-LRMHC	Total Charity Care provided by LRMHC
Children (0 to 17 years)	0	
Adults (18 to 61 years)	4	\$3,197
Elder (62 + years)	1	\$960

Similar to the police or fire department, Mental Health Care is a municipal service and a safety net for *all* residents of your town, 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.

*Costs associated with Groton families correlate with the number of Groton residents requesting access to care and the new 2020 U.S. Census data. Groton residents represent 8% of the LRMHC 24-town catchment area.

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GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC. ANNUAL REPORT 2022

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. (GCSCC) is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our communities' older citizens. GCSCC's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

GCSCC operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln; and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink Resource Center and RSVP's 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 2021-22, 77 older residents of Groton were served by one or more of GCSCC's programs offered through the senior centers or RSVP. Five residents were provided services through ServiceLink,

- Older adults from Groton enjoyed 113 meals prepared by GCSCC employees.
- Groton residents received assistance with problems, crises, or issues of long-term care through three visits with a trained outreach worker and 9 contacts with ServiceLink.
- Groton residents also participated in 54 health, educational, or social activities.

The cost to provide GCSCC services for Groton residents in 2021-22 was \$2,582.70.

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. The services 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 GCSCC become even more critical. <u>Groton's population over age 60 increased by 102.7% over the past 20 years according to U.S. Census data from 1990 through 2010.</u>

GCSCC would very much appreciate Groton's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older adults and adults with disabilities. GCSCC enables our community members to meet the challenges of aging, while remaining in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Kathleen Vasconcelos, Executive Director

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.

Statistics for the Town of Groton

October 1, 2021 - September 30, 2022

During the fiscal year, GCSCC served 77 Groton residents (of 140 residents over 60, 2010 U.S. Census) ServiceLink assisted 5 Groton residents.

	Type of	Units of		Unit	Total Cost
<u>Services</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Service</u>		<u>Cost</u>	Of Service
Nutrition	Meals	113	x	\$11.16	1,261.08
Social Services	Contacts	3	х	\$39.17	117.51
ServiceLink	Contacts	9	X	\$39.17	352.53
Activities		54	х	\$15.77	851.58
Number of Volu	nteers:	1			
Number of volur	iteer hours:	85			
GCSCC cost to pr	ovide services fo	or Groton reside	ents only	У	\$2,582.70
Request for Seni	or Services for 2	023			\$500.00

NOTE:

- 1. Unit cost from GCSCC Statement of Revenue and Expenses for October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022
- 2. Services were funded by Federal and State programs 52%; Local government appropriations 11%; Client donations 4%; Charitable contributions 14%; Grants and contracts 15%; Other 4%.



Health & Nutrition

Head Start RSVP Senior Meals ServiceLink Tamworth Dental Center

Economic Supports

Energy Assistance Guardianship Transit

Housing Stability

Cornerstone Housing Homeless Intervention & Prevention Burch House Shelter Tyler Blain House Shelter

Facilities Administration & Operation

Weatherization

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OUR MISSION

Tri-County Community Action Program provides opportunities to strengthen communities by improving the lives of low to moderate income families and individuals.

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION

OUR VISION

Individuals and families are empowered to create vibrant communities and foster self-sufficiency.

OUR VALUES

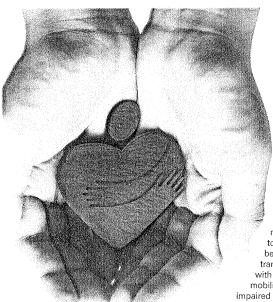
Tri-County Community Action Program values a culture of integrity. This includes:

- Transparency in all our interactions and communications, stressing accountability to ourselves as an organization and to those we serve.
- Connection to community. We value our community partners and work to build strong partnerships that unite us all in the common goal of improving the lives of others.
- Recognition of our mutual humanity. We treat customers, co-workers and colleagues with compassion, fairness, dignity and respect.
- 4. We value the empowerment of those who seek our services, believing that empowerment leads to improved self-worth and enables those we serve to fully participate in their communities and share their success with others.









New Hampshire Emergency Rental Assistance Program

"I couldn't be more grateful for the NHERAP program. I am a single mother that is fleeing a domestic violence situation. There is no family or friends that could help me in my time of need. I was in a small car with three children and two dogs. I reached out to NHERAP, and they quickly got us in a motel room; I am currently getting moved into an apartment that they helped me find and fund. They were so easy to work with, and the hearts of all the workers were unbelievable. They idin't look down on me once. They lifted me and helped in the most fantastic way possible. I'll always be in their debt."

Energy Assistance Services

"We recently had a new client that wanted help with her application and we were happy to do so. She came into the office and we helped her complete the application. She left the office and returned an hour later with two donuts and coffee. She was also in tears and wanted to share that her husband had recently passed away and she did not know if she would make the winter alone, but knowing her income fell within the income guidelines she said she was feeling better about keeping her home and hoping to be able to afford her fuel. Her exact words were "my heart is empty without my husband, I hope you can help to fill my empty fuel tank, it will fill my heart too."

Our Family **Helping Yours**

Tri-County Transit

"I choose to ride the bus. I want to lower my carbon footprint, decrease traffic, and support public transportation. I have learned over the past nine years that many people do not choose to ride the bus. They ride because it is their only source of transportation. Sharing the bus with our elders using walkers or mobility scooters, or people with

impaired vision, listening to hear the announcement for their stop, I have gained an understanding of the importance of our transit system to so many of our fellow citizens who are unable to drive or to afford a car and the ridiculously high gas prices.

The majority of riders on my bus are going to and from work or shopping. I have realized that the bus is the backbone of our economy. I started riding the bus to be a "green" example. I keep riding the bus because I now have a better understanding of the importance of transit of our area – and because I like it and I have made many friends!"

Senior Meals & Guardianship

"One year ago today, I received a phone call from Meals on Wheels, an organization who delivered food to my mom for several years. They asked if I'd heard from her because she hadn't picked up the most recent delivery they'd dropped outside her door or answered when they knocked to check on her.

Because I'm an hour away, I called the Northumberland police, who did a well-check. After breaking into the locked door, they found my mom, who lived alone, had a stroke. We don't know which day it happened; we don't know how long she was there. But, without Meals on Wheel's care and attention, she would not have been saved by first responders.

My mom then spent months at Weeks Medical Center, getting better, having some setbacks, and then getting better again. Because of the damage from the brain injury, in addition to some dementia from her long struggle with alcoholism, she now needs around-the-clock care and requires a legal guardian to oversee her well-being.

In addition to administering the Meals on Wheels program, Tri-County CAP also offers guardianship services, and this local team currently looks after my mom. If my mom and I had a different kind of relationship, maybe with less trauma, I may have been prepared to step into this role - typically, it is a family member who does. However, in my situation, I needed to leave this level of administration and oversight to professionals. I know it's the right choice.

I'm grateful to Tri-County CAP for so many reasons, including: Providing assistance to my mom when she was still independent, saving her life by their concern and alert-thinking, and watching over her and guiding us through the process of getting her into a long-term care facility.

My hope is that I may be able to give back to this organization that has done so much good in our local community, specifically for my mom and me."

Tyler Blain Shelter

"I did it. I overcame every hurdle there at the house and look at me now. I have my own place. I'm so excited. I have accomplished so much. The other thing I wanted to say is Thank you. If not for you and a couple other staff members I don't think I could have made it but with your support. I thank you so much. Today I walk with my head higher. I still have a few more obstacles to overcome but I am sure I can do this. But know that you got your letter and finally heard the words: I'm PROUD of myself."

Weatherization

"The Weatherization team was professional and worked long hours to complete the job. These guys work nonstop and cannot express how professional everyone we dealt with was. It all started with the office staff and continued to the Weatherization crew themselves. We appreciate everything you have done."

Groton

Total Clients: 45 Total Value: \$37,630

A JENCY EMPLOYMENT

Total	\$8,016,266
Benefits (Fringe, Taxes, etc.)	\$1,531,781
Payroll (No Fringe)	\$6,484,485

ECONOMIC SUPPORTS

Energy Assistance Services

Fuel Assistance	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Households	1,455	1,957	1,792	5,204
Value	\$2,006,122	\$2,693,852	\$2,351,614	\$7,057,589
Skoton			26	\$10,970
Electric Assistance	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Households	1,350	2,039	2,302	5,691
Value	\$584,209	\$848,999	\$990,417	\$2,423,624
Shoton			1)1	\$6,646
Suardianship	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Clients	28	25	54	107
Value	\$55,680	\$44,412	\$201,240	\$301,332

Door to Door Service	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Clients	692	1,621	433	2,746
Trips	3,624	13,593	927	18,144
Value	\$318,572	\$423,357	\$180,604	\$922,533
Flex Route Service		Coos	Grafton	Total
Trips		9,788	5,445	15,233
Value		\$180,019	\$101,260	\$281,279
Long Distance Medical Service		Trips	Miles	Value
		1,078	47,960	\$29,736
All Services			Trips	Value
Total			34,445	\$1,233,548



We expedited treatment for two patients that needed open-heart surgery and gave them medical clearance. Both are leading healthy lives now.

Christine Federalo, Dentai Operations Disease

FACILITIES, ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONS

Weatherization	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Clients	45	131	113	289
Value	\$221,127	\$759,760	\$373,008	\$1, 353,895
Heating Systems	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Total Installed	26	69	24	119
Value	\$91,223	\$194,898	\$57,781	\$343,902

REACTE & NUTRETION

Head Start	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Students	41	116	59	216
Value	\$534,409	\$1,551,177	\$838,648	\$2,924,233
Retired Senior Volunteer Program	Active Volunteers	Total Volunteers	Hours Served	Value
Coos County	42	227	8,300	\$141,100
Senior Meals & Senior Center		Clients	Total Meals	Value
Congregate Meals		198	4,181	\$29,064
Delivered Meals		647	135,429	\$967,739
Total		845	139,610	\$996,803
ServiceLink	Options Counseling	Caregiver Grant	Info & Referrals	Total
Clients	2,146	44	558	\$2,748
Value	\$35,602	\$88,000	\$9,307	\$132,909
Tri-County CAP Family Dental	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Clients	4,139	116	82	4,337
Value	\$462,126	\$16,237	\$9,373	\$28,844

HOLLSTON STABILITY

Cornerstone North			Residents	Total Rent Paid
Coos	······································		12	\$160,704
Homeless Intervention	Outreach	Case Management	Rental Assistance	Total Value
Carroll	209	42	1	\$242,554
Coos	362	52	4	\$503,261
Grafton	546	207	5	\$325,161
NHERAP	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Clients	377	514	1,304	415
Value	\$3,156,815	\$3,611,042	\$13,293,136	\$20,060,993
Shelter Services				
Tyler Blain House	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Bed Nights	1	463	130	594
Value	\$381	\$176,403	\$49,530	\$226,314
Burch House	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Bed Nights	2	514	667	1,183
Value	\$762	\$195,834	\$25,127	\$221,723
211 Response	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Clients	43	52	247	342
Value	\$4,904	\$5,930	\$28,168	\$39,002
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USDA Food Distribution	Carroll	Coos	Grafton	Total
Cases of Food	6,356	6,257	8,853	21,464
Value	\$262,218	\$229,143	\$332,962	\$824,322



The RSVP knitters are the heroes of our story. They have knitted dozens of adult and child hat and mitten sets that have been donated to local agencies. The response is always positive, with many saying that they would not have been able to have a hat or gloves without the donated item.

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TCCAP Business Office

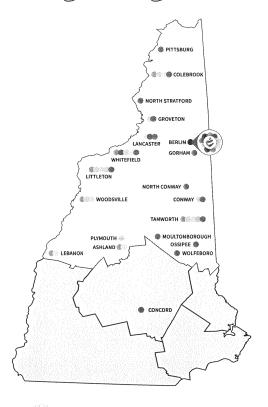
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2022 Report to New Newfound Lake Region Association

2022 Report to Newfound Watershed Towns

The mission of the Newfound Lake Region Association is to protect Newfound Lake and its watershed. The Association--through education, programs, and collaboration--promotes conservation and preservation of the region's natural, social, and economic resources.

In 2022, the NLRA experienced a boost in capacity and programming as we brought on new staff and expanded our existing programs. Our successes for 2022 include:

- We ran 34 programs at Grey Rocks Conservation Area and 5 programs around the watershed for community members, including Nature Station, guided paddles and hikes, and a Story Walk.
- With our partners including the Newfound Land Conservation Partnership and NH Audubon we co-hosted 10 hikes and summer programs at the Red Barn.
- We worked with kids at the Tapply-Thompson Community Center 10 times and provided support to their summer camp.
- We ran 10 science activities for local preschooler and began working with Danbury Elementary School's 3rd graders 1-2 times per month to explore the environment around the school.
- We expanded our Weed Watchers program, training 28 volunteers in aquatic plant identification
 and successfully ran the first lake-wide survey event. In 2022 Weed Watchers surveyed 94% of
 Newfound's nearshore area, with no invasive species reported.
- In partnership with NH LAKES, our Lake Hosts performed 4,270 courtesy boat inspections at Newfound's public boat launches, protecting the lake from invasive aquatic species and the devastation they cause.
- Water quality in Newfound Lake remains high. Nine water quality volunteers added 262 samples to a 35 year record of water quality during 2022.
- With partners from the Town of Groton, NH Fish and Game, and NH Department of Environmental Services, we created an engineering plan to address a major erosion problem along Atwell Brook in Groton.
- Thanks to the generosity of landowners, the Newfound Land Conservation Partnership secured new conservation easements, including the first Bridgewater conservation easement within the watershed, bringing the total of conserved land in the Newfound Watershed to 14,786 acres, or 23% of the watershed.
- AmeriCorps Watershed Stewards completed an impactful five-month term of service in October–engaging over 60 people through guided exploration programs, collecting hundreds of water quality samples, and working with the Hebron Conservation Commission to improve trails and build a new footbridge in the Hebron Town Forest.
- Grey Rocks Conservation Area continues to see high usage, with thousands of area residents and visitors making use of the 1.5 miles of trails and non-motorized public boat launch.

Looking forward to 2023, NLRA is building on our increased capacity to further lake and watershed conservation. We rely on the support and partnership of our watershed towns to ensure our work to protect the natural resources of the Newfound Watershed for the benefit of all.

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Annual Report 2022

The mission of **UNH Cooperative Extension** is to strengthen people and communities in New Hampshire by providing trusted knowledge, practical education and cooperative solutions, working in collaboration with county, state and federal government. Some examples of how Extension has been working towards this mission in Grafton County are summarized below in a few highlights of the past year.

Through the Nutrition Connections program, guidance on building raised garden beds, seeds, and nutrition lessons were provided to residents at a housing location who built raised beds for its tenants. In addition, recipe cards, and vegetables grown by Master Gardeners were provided so participants could apply lessons they learned in class. Master Gardeners were also involved in several community gardens that resulted in donations to food pantries.

Food and Agriculture staff conducted the second year of its cucumber variety trial in the high tunnel at the county complex. The trial looks to find marketable varieties while also monitoring yields and pest and disease resistance. Over 800 pounds of cucumbers from the trial were donated.

The Jumpstart to Farm Food Safety program continues to assist farmers in Maine and New Hampshire. This joint initiative aids fruit and vegetable farmers with farm food safety planning and offers them the chance to work individually with an Extension educator, trained in produce safety.

As part of a Building Community Resilience grant, Community and Economic Development staff worked with Mascoma and Greater Haverhill communities, providing technical support and training to build partnerships, identify needs, and develop a more resilient future.

Members of our Natural Resources team secured a Wildfire Risk Reduction grant for a fire management plan and prescribed fire projects at the Grafton County property. This will include education and training for local fire departments, forest rangers, DOC residents, natural resource professionals, and the public.

4-H youth from several counties took part in the Bunny Basics workshop in March, learning about the care of rabbits and how to exhibit them at a show. Many participants went on to demonstrate their knowledge at the Pint-size Pet Showcase at the North Haverhill Fair.

Please visit our website, extension.unh.edu for more information on programs and upcoming events.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Lee, UNH Extension, Grafton County Office Administrator

2022 TOWN MEETING MINUTES

Meeting comes to order at 9:00am on March 12th at the Groton Town Hall Community Room at 754 N Groton Rd, Groton, NH

Moderator: Tony Tavares

Select Board Members: Ron Madan (not present); John Rescigno; Tony Albert
Supervisors of the Checklist: Pamela Hamel; Gina Rescigno; Virginia Parker
Administrative Assistant: Sara Smith; Town Clerk: Ruth Millett
Non-residents in Attendance and allowed by the body to answer questions related to any Police issues;

Groton Police Chief: Michael Bagan

Moderator begins the meeting with the Pledge to the American Flag

There are 404 registered voters in the Town of Groton – information from the Town of Groton Alpha List 03/12/2022.

48 registered voters in attendance at Town Meeting on March 12, 2022

There were 127 voters who came out to vote on March 8th Town Election.

Moderator draws attention to the Rules of the Town Meeting in the Town Report

BALLOT ARTICLE 1:

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Moderator lists the names of newly elected Town Officials:

Select Board for 3 years: Ron A Madan; Moderator for 2 years: Amy Prive-Hardy; Town Auditor for 1 year: Ann M Joyce; Supervisor of the Checklist for 6 years: Virginia Parker; Supervisor of the Checklist for 2 years: Pamela Hamel; Planning Board Members for 3 years: David M Madden and Kristina Lyn Madden; Zoning Board Members for 3 years: Glen R Hansen and Peter W Smith; Cemetery Trustee for 3 years: Michelle Sharp.

The above elected Officials are the results of the Groton Town Elections held March 8, 2022.

BALLOT ARTICLE 2:

Town of Groton Zoning Ordinance –

Are you in favor of the adoption of the Town of Groton Zoning Ordinance, ("Ordinance") as proposed by the Planning Board?

The effect of a Yes vote is summarized as follows:

- 1. Replacing the current one-page zoning with the proposed Ordinance, known hereafter as <u>The Town of Groton</u> Zoning Ordinance will:
 - a. Establish zoning districts: A. Residential and Forestry/Agriculture; B. Rural Residential, Forestry/Agriculture; C. Renewable Energy/Other Businesses, Forestry/Agriculture, Conservation Cluster and Recreation
 - b. Guarantee personal property uses, and distinguish size and priorities within each district
 - c. Integrate the 2007 approved Floodplain Development Regulation as Article 6.
 - d. Integrate the 2015 approved Large Wind Energy Systems Ordinance (LWES)as Article 7

Should the proposed Zoning Ordinance fail to receive an affirmative vote, the 2007 Zoning Ordinance, the LWES and Floodplain Development Regulation will continue in their present forms as Groton's zoning.

This Ballot Article passed during elections held on March 8, 2022 YES- 95; NO- 32

Deliberative Session March 12th 2022

Moderator reads Article 3:

Article 3:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred ninety-nine thousand, five hundred eighty-five dollars (\$799,585) 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

Tony Albert moved the Article, John Rescigno seconded:

John Rescigno presented an amendment to Article 3 that reads:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **eight hundred seven thousand**, **eighty-five dollars** (\$807,085) 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

This amendment to warrant article 3 is due to having to amend the Contracted Services for Hebron line from \$74,500 to \$82,000 due to the increase of \$7,500/yr. for the three-year agreement from 2022-2025 which was just received from Hebron and the budget was already created. This makes the Fire/Ambulance budget increase from \$103,104 to \$110,604 which increases the overall operating budget from \$799,585 to \$807,085.

<u>John Rescigno</u> – After we made the budget, we received a bill from the Hebron Fire Department which increased from \$74,500 to \$82,000, so we would like to increase that budget line and thus increase the overall budget to \$807,085.

Stacy Darlington - Which budget line is this?

<u>Sara Smith</u> – under Fire and Ambulance services, you'll see "contracted services Hebron". That is the line John is referencing which increased from \$74,500 to \$82,000.

<u>Dave Darlington</u> – Was it \$82,000 that they submitted for?

Sara Smith - No, it was a little under the \$82,000, but then there are other things that come up they will need to pay for, so it brought the budget to \$82,000.

<u>Dave Leone</u> - Was there a reason for the increase? Did they give you a reason why their number jumped up?

<u>Tony Albert</u> - They are starting to put people on daytime shifts so there's going to be an increase there. These will be per diem people, not full-time people. We're having trouble finding people for shifts during the day.

Sara Smith - and with everything else going up, like increased cost of gas.

Moderator reads the amendment and calls the vote:

Steve Marston moves the amendment, Holly Ann Marston seconds that

Vote taken and Amendment is passed.

Moderator now reads the Amended Article 3 to proceed to a vote on this amended Article.

Doug Millett makes a motion to accept the amended article, Jeremy Elder seconds

Amended Article passes by a clear majority.

Moderator reads Article 4 as written:

Article 4:

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Total Capital Reserve Funds \$182,500.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

John Rescigno moves to accept the article as written, Tony Albert seconds.

Sharon Nelson – How are we going to figure the majority vote; it says the majority vote required?

Moderator - We are voting on all, instead of voting on each one separately. They've been combined.

<u>Dave Darlington</u> – Last year the Town agreed to liquidate a bunch of its capital assets and it all went into the general fund. We liquidated two funds, the reserve funds for \$100,000. We sold off a bunch of property for another \$50,000. So, we built up the general fund at the end of the year it went from \$100,000 to \$380,000 in the open general fund, but I think this is the time we use that money that we liquidated from our capital assets and but it back into the capital assets. I'm proposing to change this article to read at the end that the \$100,000 come from the unassigned balance as of December 31st and the remainder to come from taxation. (Some comments in there are unclear), I propose we use the \$100,000 from the existing funds to put back into the capital funds. Dave Darlington hands the written amendment to the Moderator and the Moderator reads the amendment:

"To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one hundred eighty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$182,500)** to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Funds <u>with one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)</u> to come from the unassigned fund balance as of December 31, 2021, and the remainder to be raised through taxation.

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Stacy Darlington makes a motion to accept the amendment, Dave Leone seconded

<u>John Rescigno</u> – Part of that money, the unassigned balance is also being used in Article 6, \$65,000. So, we would take that money out. That money is usually what is used to offset the taxes when we need to offset the tax rate. This year with the tax rate being so low there will not be additional money going into that fund which would affect us next year. It would result in a negative impact on the budget.

<u>Dave Darlington</u> – This will also decrease the taxes. We will be assigning back to the funds that money came out of.

John Rescigno – Which leaves less money in that fund to offset the taxes in the future.

Dave Darlington – It's still gone up by \$100,000 from last year.

<u>John Rescigno</u> – Keep in mind that there were a lot of things that weren't voted in last year because there was a little bit of confusion during that meeting. We were hoping the building was going to go through so there were less warrant articles, so those all affected the overall tax rate. Last year was an anomaly. You really need to compare the budget to a previous year.

<u>Dave Darlington</u> – All I am saying is we should take \$100,000 out of that fund to lower the taxes so we know where that money went, so it goes back into the funds for the capital.

<u>Ted Yeaton</u> – How are we going to know how to vote on this if we're going to maybe use that money for article 6, but we haven't even got to article 6 yet, (recording poor for the rest of this comment).

Dave Leone – Is this money that came out of other Capital Reserve funds that we had?

John Rescigno - Part of that money did, yes.

Dave Leone - So this \$100,000 money that he is referring to came out of other capital reserve funds that we closed?

<u>John Rescigno</u> - Last year we closed 2 reserve funds. It was money that we were going to put towards the Town Garage and when the Town Garage did not pass the money went goes into that fund.

<u>Dave Leone</u> – So the \$100,000 that he is referring to came from other Capital Reserve funds that we had?

<u>John Rescigno</u> – Yes and No. Part of that money, that \$100,000 is in there, but also when we raise the tax money and that money is not spent, that money also goes into that.

<u>Dave Leone</u> – I understand that, but the \$100,000 that he's referring to, did that come from these capital reserve funds that we had closed?

<u>Dave Darlington</u> – We liquidated 2 or 3 funds last year and they went into the general fund without anything specific and the general fund went up by \$100,000 over the year one way or other, it hasn't been spent yet, so I see putting it back into these Capital Reserve Funds rather than additional taxation.

Pam Hamel – What percentage of money did we keep back?

<u>Dave Darlington</u> – The fund balance is on page 39. (Dave is talking but I can't make out what is being said).

Sara Smith - 17.37 %

Pam Hamel - and the prior year we were down to....

<u>Sara Smith</u> – It was actually 4 point something %. The lowest the DRA recommends we retain 5% and the Selectmen chose, so that we could add money to taxes to reduce the tax rate, we went below that 5% to reduce the tax rate. Each year it can jump a lot and if we take too much from it this year and apply it to so many other things, we don't know what the situation will be next year.

<u>Pam Hamel</u> – The disaster relief capital reserve fund only has \$30,000 in it and I know we can easily spend over \$100,000 like a drop in the bucket when we have a disaster.

<u>Sara Smith</u> – Our cheapest disaster was \$40,000 and that was the first one in 2017. The other one since then, that was October of 2017 was like \$300,000 and July of 2019 was over \$100,000, that money would not cover the cost of a storm with the minimum damage.

<u>Pam Hamel</u> — We are adding \$50,000 giving us a total of \$80,000 which still in not a whole lot of money, so having an unreserved fund balance of \$300,000 is not crazy money. Its actually good to have, and we always tried to keep 15% - 17% in there because you don't know what might come up. For this reason, I would vote against this amendment.

<u>Sara Smith</u> – That money is also used for emergencies that happen in Town and other things that might come up, the unforeseen things.

<u>Stacy Darlington</u> - Based upon the comments that were just made about the Disaster Relief Fund, the \$50,000 Recommended here by the Select Board is that underfunding the Disaster Relief Fund? Should that be more?

<u>John Rescigno</u> – (Some comments can not be heard, too many people talking at once), We want to lower the taxes and then we want to raise the taxes, so if we raise the taxes, we pay for it with that we're not accomplishing anything. We already have he money on hand. There's no point in raising more.

<u>Stacy Darlington</u> – I understand that, but the argument she's using is that this \$50,000 is insufficient, therefore, that's why we have the reserve fund. It seems illogical to me. That's all I'm saying.

<u>Sara Smith</u> — so, the gentleman next to you put in to take money from the unreserved fund balance. When the Select Board made those numbers, they kept that unreserved fund balance in mind, so they technically already did what he is proposing to do with the amendment, that's why they did \$50,000 because they know they have that money in the unreserved fund balance. So they have already taken that in mind, this could be a lot higher for a lot of those categories.

Stacy Darlington – It's not written that way.

<u>Sara Smith</u> – We're telling you that. That's their job when they make those numbers.

Stacy Darlington – It's not written there.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> – I walked in half-way through this but, I did have a question about it. I just want to get some clarity. When we had a really big flood, when was that?

Sara Smith - Which one? There have been many.

Bill Jolly – The one that blew up all of Sculptured Rocks Road.

<u>Sara Smith</u> – There was one that affected Sculptured Rocks Road in 2017 and July 2019 was the most recent one that did a lot of the damage.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> — If there's an emergency, the reserve funds generally can't be pushed into another need. If we have an emergency, does the Select Board have the right to move funds or is it always locked up?

<u>John Rescigno</u> – We can take money out of that fund to do the repair work that's necessary. Money that is set aside, say for a Police cruiser must be used to that.

Sara Smith – if it was voted on for the cruiser it must be used for the cruiser.

<u>John Rescigno</u> – That is very specific, so if you vote on a Ford 2020 cruiser, that is what we must buy. That is very specific. The general fund moneys we can use for emergencies.

Bill Jolly – So no capital reserve fund can be used for another purpose.

Sara Smith - We can't take money from Public Works for a disaster. It must be used for what that fund is set up for.

<u>Dave Darlington</u> — We took \$150,000 of capital assets that we had reserved last year and liquidated it and put it into the General fun fund. It can be used for anything. All I'm asking, if we don't need to raise taxes for this and we put it back into the fund we could use that money to build our capital reserves up to what we need to by not raising our taxes. We already liquidated those assets we paid for before. This is just making sure that \$100,000 doesn't come out of this year's taxes if it was raised for certain assets in the past.

John Rescigno — Just to clarify, we don't spend the money for whatever we want to. The budget's very clear, you see where the money goes. It would not be wise for us to decide to put in a park or something and use that money. That money is there right now as a safety cushion for the Town and if you want to remove that safety cushion it's not very wise. You would be doing two things; one, if the tax rate did go up for some reason and we needed to use that money to offset the rate, we would no longer be able to do that, and two, if an emergency did come up, whatever that may be in the Town and that money is not there, we could do nothing to take care of that. You are just looking to shuffle money around which is not a wise thing to do, especially with what is going on in this country. There are a lot of uncertainties. It's nice to have that safety cushion there.

<u>Dave Leone</u> – I agree with Pam, with the 7-15%. I've been a Selectman, been in office. 15% is a number that the DRA has come up with that's a good fund balance to have. I'm personally in favor of having that higher number because it's nice to have money on hand in case something goes wrong. Can you tell us what that percentage would be if it was 15%? Is that where we're at? Do we have an idea of what we have in that reserve fund balance percentage?

Sara Smith - What I told Pam, it's 17.37%.

Dave Leone – So we have a little more than 15%.

<u>Sara Smith</u> – They recommend between 5 and 17%. Last year the Town was forced to go below that 5% to keep the taxes as low as they could and you could see that last year, we did not have low taxes and that was with even going below that 5%. The number that they gave is close to that 17%.

John Rescigno – Keep in mind that 17% is there as of today. If something were to happen tomorrow, that could go down.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> – (cannot understand first part – too much talking), The smart kids on Wall Street right now are saying we could be looking at diesel over \$9/gallon. We don't know what we're facing. I think what the Town's people are saying is that they are concerned that there will be behavior at the Select Board level that they will spend that money for purposes that would not be desirable. The one thing I was thinking of is that in the past we've spent money on doing architectural work for the building. Is there a way to make sure that we are protected from that? To make sure we have this money and that it won't be used for other expenses over which we have no control?

<u>Sara Smith</u> – The other fund balances there are only certain things you may use that for. The Selectmen could not say, we want money from the unreserved fund balance to get an architectural plan. They got the architectural plan because that came out of the public works which is what the money was in there for. The unreserved fund balance is only to offset taxes or for emergencies. There are specific things through the DRA. The Town would need to go to the DRA to tell them what the money would be used for.

Bill Jolly - So if the Town wanted to pull \$60,000 out for an architect, this money would not be available?

Sara Smith – It would not come out of the unreserved fund balance.

John Rescigno – What the Town did in the past was not hidden. It was clear on everything we were doing.

Bill Jolly – I'm trying not to be confrontational.

<u>John Rescigno</u> – I just want to make it clear the Select Board has never done anything deceptive to the Town as you suggested.

Sara Smith - It was not like it was hidden.

<u>Pam Hamel</u> – I just want to say that the comment I made that the line is underfunded. I was just saying it doesn't bring us where we eventually need to go. Words do matter.

Miles Sinclair - As I understand, you must get DRA's permission before you can use any of the unreserved fund balance.

Sara Smith - Yes, that is correct.

<u>Gina Rescigno</u> – There have been suggestions that the Select Board is doing something funny all the time. They should be addressed in a way that they are not stealing from you. They have been more than clear.

Jeremy Elder moved to vote on the Amendment, Ann Joyce seconded.

Moderator reads the amendment again as was written:

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Vote is taken and the amendment fails.

Back to Article 4 as it is written:

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The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Moderator asks if there is any more discussion on this article.

<u>Dave Leone</u> – Is this the first year we have put all the Capital Reserve Fund balances in one Article?

<u>Sara Smith</u> – They used to be their own separate articles and it took too much time to go through each CRF individually. Other towns were grouping them together so it was decided to group them together about 5 years ago.

Moderator wraps up discussion and calls for a vote.

Article 4 passes as written.

Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **thirty thousand dollars**, **(\$30,000)**, to conduct sitework and plan design at the land across from the Transfer Station which is the potential site for the future Highway Garage. (Submitted by the Highway Department)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 2-1

John moves the article as written, Tony seconded

Bill Jolly – It was 2-1 in favor of it. What was the dissenter's reason for voting no?

John Rescigno – That would be me. The reason I was against this is because we have already put money into that land and I didn't want us to go into a step process, where one year we do excavation, the next year a foundation and all these different steps, because doing it that way will, A, take longer to put the building up and it's going to cost more money and, B, there's always a chance that there will be a step along the way that the Town will vote against something and then all that money that was spent would be wasted. That was my reason. I just felt that if we're going to vote for a building we need to vote for a building and have a plan and put that building up.

<u>Ted Yeaton</u> – Shouldn't we decide on if we even approve of the Town Garage before we spend the money on something we haven't even decided about the garage we're going to have? How do we do this without deciding that first?

Tony Albert – We brought this up in a discussion and Ron and I agreed to it for this reason, we need to move the garage, it floods out. It's not a question of whether or not we need to do this – we need to do this. Talking to other people in Town we got a quote to level the site and stabilize the site, put down rip wrap and seed it so it's stable and flatten it out so we can have a design and part of this money is a septic design and the layout of a different building and the piecemeal is the only way I feel we're going to get this done. We got a quote from an Amish Company doing Kuplin's garage. It's wood with steel on it and we got an estimate for the building only enclosed with doors and windows and insulation, not electricity or plumbing for \$174,000 using the same design that we have. We're not moving on that today, but we're trying to work on getting a building Committee together for next year to try to move on that. We've got to have more than the Selectmen. If it's just Selectmen, it won't go forward again. We've got to put money away. We have to move. The insurance company has not said they won't insure us, but this is like the third time the building has flooded out and we have \$1 million of equipment down there and every big rainstorm we have to go down and move the equipment in case it floods. This \$30,000 will be well-spent. We put \$100,000 in the budget but we got an estimate and this if for septic design and then we can come back to the Towns people. This will stabilize and stop the erosion and drainage will go where it's going to be and then we can decide what we're going to do later.

Robert Ellis – The thought process was that we may come to you next year and ask about putting the salt and sand shed up there and it goes along with the next article about keeping the old backhoe and then the backhoe would be up there for that. So, if we can get the site and least stable and flat, we can figure out where we actually want to put things, but it's also so we can put the sand and salt shed up out of the flood zone. It will start out with that. It seems that's the way people want to do it in actual steps.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> – In the interest of being good stewards of the land that we own, how much of that \$30,000 is for doing site work specifically to make sure it doesn't erode or damage adjoining property and things like that?

Sara Smith - \$21,000 as of today's date depending on increases etc.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> — What if we were to change that to \$20,000 specific for site work knowing we own the property and we don't want it to disappear on us, but we don't necessarily know we're going to have a building as John said and I tend to agree, we don't know what's going to happen with the building itself, but at some point that land's going to have a purpose, or we'll sell it and we want the land to be intact when we do that, so what's the process of doing that?

<u>Moderator</u> – You can write an amendment specific to this article as long as it doesn't change the purpose of the article but change the amount and then we can vote on it.

Bill Jolly – It will be changing the article in that it would remove the septic design.

Robert Ellis – (recording not clear).

Dave Leone – To give you a little history of myself and that property and the building we have now. At one time I had a deal with the, then, landowner to give us that land for one dollar. This was when we were going to build the garage we have now. I designed the garage, I drew plans for the garage, presented them to the Town at Town Meeting and those plans were accepted and it was done in 2 years. With that being said, the reason the garage was put where it is now was because the, then, Select Board, chose not to move forward with putting it at the top of the hill. They wanted to leave it where it was for whatever reason, so that's the reason the garage is build where it is now. I have a few questions on this article. First of all, I would like to ask where we got the bid from. One reason I ask this is that last year I donated wood to do the bridge that goes up to the pond which I never ended up donating because I didn't know the price that was given also included the labor to have it taken out and the new put in. I thought the price was just for wood. I thought it was townspeople that were going to put it in and it didn't happen that way. So, now I would like to know who you got a bid from to do the work. Before you answer that, I have a couple other comments. As for the peptic design. The Town has had a test pit done in the past. I'm not sure if they had a design done with it. I'm a licensed septic installer. The septic design isn't worth anything unless you already know what you're going to do for a building and the size of the building. The septic design we had done the last time and the test pit, that's all money that's thrown out the window because once you change the grades of the land that septic design is no good anymore. You will need to start from scratch again. So, the bottom line, once the Town started doing any dirt work on that site, the Town should have gone back immediately and seeded it to follow good practice rules that are in place in the State. I don't know why that wasn't done. Then we have more materials dumped where we spent money to look for ledge. I believe we spent \$12,000 to look for ledge. I can tell you, the rock that they found wouldn't have cost \$3000 to get rid of it. So, we're spending more and more money. Now we're looking to level out the material we had trucked in there to prep the site to do something different that we don't know what we're going o do. I can tell you right now, all that it would take is a 100-pound bag of grass seed covered over that whole area and let the grass grow in and we're done. We can go back in when we have a plan, reshape it, have a building plan, have a site plan, reshape it. The grass seed isn't going to do anything that will affect what is done in the future. We're looking a 100 pounds of grass seed to seed the whole area and just let it grow in. If we need to put a berm in so we can stop any run-off if that's what is happening, I'm not sure, that can easily be done. We have a backhoe that works. So, I guess I'm really confused as to why we'd want to spend another \$20-\$30,000, or any more money to do something to hold it so that we can decide in the future what we're going to do. We need the building at the top. I wanted to build the current building at the top. Who did you get a bid from, or an estimate from to do the dirt-work?

<u>Sara Smith</u> – Casey Kuplin, but it's not a bid, it's a quote. There's a difference between a bid and a quote. To do a warrant article we just reached out for a quote, so we have an estimate. Once the amount is approved, we then send out for a bid to more than just one company. So, this is just our starting point to know what amount to put in the article.

Miles Sinclair — At the budget hearing, I asked Sara to produce a total of all the money we have put on that property up to this point and she gave me that information and it was \$64,907.76. What that doesn't include is that this was supposed to be a land swap with a property off of Old Rumney Road, but there were problems with the deed search or something with that, and with the title search, and so it wound up the Town had to pay the \$50,000 for that piece of property. So as of right now we have spent \$114,907.76 on that property and that excludes the survey. I guessing that was \$1-\$2,000. My concern is similar to some of the questions that other people have raised. Up to this point, we have spent all that money and now that we're looking at an entirely different proposal, a brand-new proposal, much of the money we have already spent on the Turn Stone and the excavation that took place before, and the \$7606 that we spent applying for the grant, in hindsight that hasn't been well spent. I would like to think we can agree on that. My concern is that we shouldn't be doing anything more with this property until we have a complete proposal on what we're going to do next. Dave's concerns that he brought up, the septic and if you do this and that; the people heard what he had to say. I think it's unwise to do anything more until we have a concrete proposal to move forward on. Beyond that, to me these are the worst financial times of my lifetime, so I would like to think that we're not going to

spend money on anything that isn't absolutely necessary at this point, and to me, this is not absolutely necessary, Thank you.

Stacy Darlington – I just wanted to state, I don't think anyone here is disputing the fact that we need to move the Town garage. That's a given, and we understand that, but I think at this point, just to continue on what these two gentlemen said, we're at that stage where we need to look at this wholistically, complete, before we add any more dollars to this. I understand the thought of perhaps moving the sheds up there in the interim. We don't know where the sheds are going to fit in yet with the entire picture, so until we have the entire picture, I'm not sure it is in our best interest to apply any more money at this time.

Ann Joyce moves the article, Bill Jolly seconds.

Moderator reads Article 5 again and calls for the vote.

Article 5 fails

Article 6 -

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred sixty-five thousand dollars (\$165,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new Backhoe/Loader for the highway department with fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to come from the Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) to come from the unassigned fund balance as of December 31, 2021, and fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) from a RSDA grant. If the grant is not received, the fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) will be raised through taxation. (Submitted by the Highway Department).

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Tony moves the article and John seconds

Robert Ellis – The backhoe that we have now is getting pretty tired and a lot of that is it has to come up to the dump and pack the dump. Mostly once a week but in the summertime, it can be twice a week. It's 10 years old which doesn't seem very old, but climbing that hill is actually pretty hard on it. It has just under 4500 hours. It's real tired. The other thing, the old back hoe has a trade-in value of \$22,000. We were actually thinking about leaving the old backhoe at the transfer station so that the new backhoe wouldn't actually need to climb up and down that hill. If there are things, I can do with the old backhoe on this end of town, then I would still use the old backhoe.

<u>Stacy Darlington</u> – Our house is directly across from the Town garage. I call her Old Bessie and I can attest to how busy Old Bessy is especially during the summer.

<u>Deb Johnson</u> – I don't understand if the issue is bringing the backhoe back and forth from the bottom of the hill up to the top of the hill, why can't you build a lean-to for \$2-\$3,000 and keep it up there now?

<u>Robert Ellis</u> – Most of the time, I need it at the garage to load the sand and material at the garage in the wintertime especially.

<u>Deb Johnson</u> – So you're really talking about keeping two backhoes.

Robert Ellis- Yes, instead of trading the old backhoe in we'd leave the old backhoe at the transfer station and use it there. Newer backhoes are definitely made to go over the road, but 90% of the time they are not climbing on hills like "dump hill".

Steve Marston – What kind of a backhoe do you have numbers on?

Robert Ellis – JP, Caterpillar, and John Deere.

<u>Steve Marston</u> – Do you know if any of those machines are made so that you can replace components; like a transmission if it's modular so you can take it out and put in a new one?

Robert Ellis – The backhoe that we're leaning towards is a backhoe that I believe the State uses as well and most towns around here, so parts are more readily available for that machine.

<u>Steve Marston</u> – Most of that kind of equipment is designed so that you can replace modules so that it can be done easily. If this backhoe that we have now had been designed that way, chances are you could replace the transmission and it would make a lot of difference. 4500 hours is not a lot of hours. Most machines today are designed for 10000 hours.

Robert Ellis - I don't disagree and again, climbing that hill is a totally different animal.

Bill Jolly – To follow what they're saying, it is bad practice to purchase a backhoe during the summer months when you aren't having to move sand as often and then keep it down where it is now. You also have labor involved and it's a long ride in that. What is the obstacle to perching it up at the dump in the summertime and then having it down where it needs to be near the sand and salt in the wintertime?

Robert Ellis – It's not practical. I use that machine a lot more than people think I do. If I needed to do something, let's say on Province Road, I'm still going to need to take it down the mountain and back up the mountain again.

Bill Jolly - Can it be trailered?

Robert Ellis – We don't have the means to do that, no. or the drivers with the correct licenses.

Dave Darlington - I'd like to know what is the status of the grant request?

Sara Smith - We won't know till July.

Robert Ellis - We've never been denied it, but there's no promise.

<u>Sara Smith</u> – It has been submitted. It was on time; they have everything they need. We've never been denied when we've gone for it, not to say that we won't.

<u>Dave Darlington</u> – If we do get the grant, will we get it before the tax rate is set?

Sara Smith – The rate is not set usually till November and then you get the tax bills.

<u>Dave Leone</u> – This backhoe, is it just the backhoe or are there other attachments to go with it? What is the make of the backhoe?

<u>Robert Ellis</u> – I can't specifically say the make because one time we got forced into a brand. That's why it is not written exactly. I'm leaning towards a John Deere because that's what the State is using and most of the towns around us. It does have more than what we have now, it has a wrist on the back and a thumb.

Dave Leone – So, as an excavation person, as an equipment operator and owner. I have an excavator. I have minimal attachments on my excavator because the machine is built to do what it does, anytime you add something to it, it changes the weight distribution in the machine. You're making the machine heavier; you're asking the machine to do something else other than it's made to do. I have minimal attachments. I don't have a twister wrist because that's more weight. I don't have a hydraulic coupler; I have to get out and manually loosen two bolts and take them off so I can change buckets which is the only attachment I have. With that being said, by adding more things to a piece of equipment, you're asking it to do more. You're asking it to be the Town's sweeper. Sweeping is the worst thing you can do with a piece of equipment. When I was down in the southern part of the state, part of what I did was sweeping. I had one particular machine I used for that and I leased that machine. Has the Town looked into leasing a backhoe that would do what we need as far as loading the trucks with sand and push down the dumpsters at the transfer station? Did you look at a machine that would be a basic machine and have you looked at leases? My other question, has the Town looked into trailers or asking anyone what they would charge to move that machine for them? In the past I have moved the machine for the Town at no cost because if I charge the Town to do it, then I have to pay more insurance.

Robert Ellis – It's a little tough moving that. You'd be moving that machine every week and if something happened out on the River Road, it would need to be moved... (hard to hear on the recording) ... I weighed all the options and went with the best option obviously.

<u>Ted Yeaton</u> – If we get this new backhoe, where are we going to put it? We have a garage that floods. We're worried about that, what are we going to do with it?

Robert Ellis – The same thing we do with the old one. I move it every time it rains now.

John Rescigno – As far as leasing goes, you have an ongoing payment and get yourself nowhere. If we take care of the machine, we'll have it paid off and have a machine to be used for the future. If we lease something we just have a constant payment. You don't really benefit from that.

Rich Bellanger – The State puts out bids on everything in the world. They put out bids for backhoes. If we were to buy a backhoe through the State, they tend to like John Deere right now. It'd be \$24,000 a year. I think that might be the way to go. One of the reasons I think that's the way we should do it is that these new modern pieces of equipment are all full of emissions stuff that go bad and cost a ton of money to fix. If we lease the vehicle for 5 years and we get rid of it in 5 years we're not paying for emissions repair. A lot of the big construction companies figure \$10-15 grand per year just on emissions stuff. That's not cost effective. So, it's worked out well. I've seen towns do it, lease the backhoe for 5 years then lose it and get another new one. I understand the Yankee frugal way is to keep it till it's no good, unfortunately because of the Federal Government, it's not cost effective to do that anymore. I'm way against having two backhoes. We should always have the amount of shovels that we need, not more because it will sit around. If that backhoe is not good enough to use it ain't good enough to keep around and 4500 hours ain't the end of the world. It'll be OK, but I'm not opposed to getting a backhoe, but let's lease it and get rid of it in 5 years. Always have been against it, now I think it's a good idea.

Miles Sinclair — I also have a concern about keeping extra equipment. We have been spoiled up to this point in recent years with the money we get from the windfarm. With out current thirst for spending, we better hope that the wind farm gets repowered, because if it doesn't, we're going to have a collision course with financial reality. Somehow, perhaps magically this Town used to be able to get by with one backhoe, with one 6-wheeler, with one extra truck and again, we've been spoiled and we've been able to do more up to this point, but to me, a lot of this, I have similar concerns to ones that have been raise already. I don't think we're getting our value from it once we start adding additional equipment and this "back-ups for back-ups". I don't know about other people, but I don't have a "back-up" pick-up truck in case my truck has a problem with it. I don't have a "back-up" for my lawn mower, my Kubota tractor. If something goes wrong, you get it fixed. If you need something short-term, we can always use a rental.

Robert Ellis - I don't disagree with you on some of what you're saying, but it's not 20 years ago. The dump didn't used to get packed once a week. The dump never got packed. The dumpsters would be only half full, they didn't pack the dump, right? That's the truth and during COVID there's been a lot more garbage coming in. I'm all right with one backhoe, the only thought process behind that was, to trade it in for \$20,000 when we could leave it at the dump and maybe get another 5 years out of it just to pack the dump and maybe use it for some projects on this end and save the new backhoe. It's over 50 minutes to get down to Bailey Hill Road in the backhoe. I know there's a lot of questions about if we could trailer it. We could buy a \$50,000 trailer, but no one in Town has a class A license that works for the Town. There's only 2 of us that can actually drive the big 6-wheeler with a class B license. Things are getting out of control with being able to afford the people that we have. We're lucky right now with the 3 guys that work with me don't necessarily have to be here, but they are. It's not easy, but I've had zero turn-over in the last 4 years in the guys. When I worked here the first 3 years there were 7 people that came and went. Anyway, that getting a little off the subject.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> – If we reread the article, because that's what we're talking about, if we read the article, the sentence I'm focusing on is the last one..." if the grant is not received, the \$50,000 will be raised through taxation." Everything else is accounted for already, so if in the future, if this fails, we can look at a lease, sure, but right now, it appears as though we have a lot of funds already available. Is there a way to remove that sentence, or is that disallowed right now?

<u>Sara Smith</u> – You can't remove that sentence. You're required to have that since we don't know the status of the grant. So that is the amount that would need to be raise from taxation if we don't get that grant. You have to have that in there. We've applied for the grant, but we have not been awarded it.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> – Can we change the language to say, in the event that the grant is not funded, this will be a moot article, or something to that effect? I'm asking the moderator 'cause he's the guy.

<u>Moderator</u> – To be honest, I don't have the answer. We can do anything to any article that you want. You guys are legislators. You can write this article anyway you want. The DRA will review it and disallow it if it's not passable.

Bill Jolly – So is anyone apposed to that idea? So, I'd like to amend...

John Rescigno – I just want to point one thing out, I'm open to the discussion of whether we keep or get rid of the old unit, but keep one thing in mind, when you talk about a back-up unit and all these other components and what you own and what the Town owns, you're relying on yourself, if your mower breaks down, it's your yard, When a piece of equipment breaks down in the Town, it's 600 people that are relying on the piece of equipment. It's a bigger picture than when you're just looking in your own yard and what you have and that you don't have a back-up for x,y,z.

Sara Smith - We can't use the grant on a lease.

<u>Ann Joyce</u> – I just want to move this article. I think we've gone around in circles enough times. Your either vote for it or you don't. Jeremy Elder second this.

Moderator reads the article again and call for a vote.

The results were very close, so Virginia Parker does a count: Opposed 20, in Favor 24.

Article 6 passes.

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)** to pave the parking lot at the Town House.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

John moves to accept the article as written, Tony seconds.

<u>Tony Albert</u> – This was brought up to us by the Town's people, to ask us if we'd consider paving the parking lot. You can see the reason why, with all the mud. We got a quote/estimate on doing it and it's up to you people if you want it to be done.

Stephen Spafford — At the deliberative session that we had, Miles brought up that since 1769 it hasn't been paved, what do we need it now for? Since this came up, I've been talking to people and trying to get a feeling for it, and there's a couple of things that weren't brought up at that meeting and nobody asked; what kind of pavement? If we put pavement that's impervious, all that water's going to end up running down into Norm Willey's yard. They do make a pervious, where it does allow water to drain down and through. That was never discussed. I don't know what the plans were when this was drawn up. Also, being the chair of the Conservation Commission, I should be concerned about these sorts of things and as a result of that, and also in these questions I've asked people, I've asked, "When did you get stuck in the parking lot?" I don't think I've known anyone who got stuck. Someone the other day said to me, "When I go to Town Meeting, I get all muddy." When you bring people in from the outside, and I'm one of them, you want to pave? Bring in the city to us? No, we moved here to get away from the city. We kind of like it the way it is as much as we possibly can. Therefore, I have written and amendment.

Motion to ament article 7: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to build the recycle bays at the Town Transfer Station.

Moderator instructs that this cannot be done because it changes the purpose of the article.

Moderator - You cannot change the intent of the article.

Stephen Spafford - We've put in the concrete pads...

John Rescigno – There's a \$116,000 quote for that. There wasn't electricity in the townhouse then either and they chose to do that, or there wasn't plumbing, so just because this wasn't in the Town house doesn't mean you can't progress forward. The parking lot is a mess, it brings a lot of dirt into the building. There's nothing wrong with enhancing the Town and making the Town look nicer and more appealing. I'm totally for the project and it should be passed.

Holly Ann Marston - What area are we paving? I just want to know how big it will be, like how many cars will it fit?

<u>John Rescigno</u> – Basically the foot print that's out there now.

Anne Tobine – I have a farm out back so I'm a little concerned about this. With pavement there is run off with oils and stuff. I already have run off from the cemetery so I don't really need stuff getting to my animals. What would it cost to re-gravel it so it's not a mud bath, so there's good gravel here, so you can fix it rather than have a pavement that would need to be repaved every 5 years or so?

<u>Ruth Millett</u> – I wondered if you had looked into putting hard pack instead of pavement. When we lived in Ascutney we had a sand and clay base and my dad put down hardpack. The parking lot and driveway withstood 20 years and still is firm today.

John Rescigno – We have not looked into that as an option. We were looking for something that was a little more permanent.

Stacy Darlington – Is this area a part of the Newfound Watershed?

John Rescigno – No

Stephen Spafford – The signs are right up here.

John Rescigno – It doesn't begin here, it's down a little bit.

Stacy Darlington – The reason I ask that is because the Newfound Watershed has specific requirements of paying within the Watershed area. My question is if it's part of that watershed area.

John Rescigno – No, the first sign for the Watershed is down the road slightly. We can confirm that, but to the best of my knowledge that sign is where it begins.

Stacy Darlington – I suggest that the Town confirm that, because the Watershed does have specific requirements within the Watershed area.

Ted Yeaton – Do you think this is an accurate figure with the cost of what things are today? The cost will probably go over what you're asking for with the cost of oil now.

John Rescigno – It was an accurate figure to the estimate we received and we did add a little cushion on to it.

Sara Smith – We got a quote and then increased a little bit so the quote's a little under what they're asking for knowing that fuel and everything went up.

Steven Marston – Does this use pervious material or is it going to be impervious?

Robert Ellis - Impervious

Steve Marston - Does the pervious work this far north? I don't know.

Robert Ellis - That is questionable still.

Miles Sinclair - I have 3 concerns with this. First and foremost, it's not historical. The work that has been done to this building up to this point we've tried to maintain some historic character. The second is similar to what Mrs. Darlington had raised. We give \$1000 every year to the Newfound Lake Region Association. They advocate to minimize impervious surfaces to the extent possible, which, if we're going to give money to that we should perhaps practice what they preach in that regard if it's reasonable. And then the third thing is, like I said, these are the worst financial times of my lifetime and as I said earlier, I don't thing we should spend any money on anything unless it is absolutely necessary. No body with a straight face can claim that this is a need, because we've been able to get away without it for 220+ years. So, at its best it's a "want". Because of where we're at and the uncertainty going forward, I don't think we should spend this money on this. I think that it's unnecessary.

Bill Jolly - If we're looking at this as something we want to pave, we want to be good stewards as something that will not affect the neighbors and will not affect the soil in general. We are in very uncertain times. If we just say we're going to wait a year and if the Select Board would like to revisit this, I think most people would be in favor of not having their cars covered in mud. We also want to make sure we're doing the right thing by all the other things we have discussed.

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financially, just get a price on ledge pack and revisit it next year. At least then we'd know what we're dealing with. Hopefully we'll be out of these financial times. I'd like to ask that we move on this.

Moderator – We had 2 hands who wanted to speak before we move.

<u>John Rescigno</u> – I just want to point out that, yes, these are difficult times but the housing crisis was equally as devastating to what we're going through right now, so let's focus on the whole picture, and not emphasize why we should not do something. Let's consider whether the job should be done or should not be done.

Dave Leone – To answer the Watershed question, I'm a water guy. I can tell you that there's a spot out be hind the Townhouse that's actually where the water either goes towards Newfound Lake or it goes down Halls Brook Road. When it falls there it goes towards Newfound Lake, I can tell you that for sure. There's another spot in Town that I find very interesting, there's a beaver dam. It's on the line and at that beaver dam the water comes out two ways. When it comes out on this side it goes to Hall's Brook Road, when it comes out of the other side it goes down in the Newfound Lake. It's funny where water goes, but I can tell you that water that falls here goes to Newfound Lake. To address Pam's comment or the comment of whether there is something else we can put down, by driveway is a gravel driveway. I don't have any mud in my driveway for 2 reasons. On the top of my driveway, I put a layer of 1 1/2" stone and I compacted it in. You can walk on my driveway right now and you'll be walking on that 1 ½" stone. It's compacted in, it's tight. Every once in a while, I put more stone down and press it up, compact it in. I don't get any mud. Another concern that I have is the fact that they're using salt to treat this driveway. I have a picture I took on my phone when I was up here last week. I can show anyone the picture if they want to see it. Pure salt to salt the driveway. Salt is the worst thing you can do on a gravel surface; it holds the moisture and turns into mud. To that's contributing to why this is mud. My other concern is if we voted to pave it, we have drainage concerns, there's a drainage issue in the front of the driveway that has been there forever. There's a puddle that has been there forever. To address that we need to spend more money initially to shape the driveway or put a culvert in that will cost money. The State didn't want to put a culvert in. I tried to get them to do it years ago, to there's drainage issues, there issues with the material that's on the ground there now. Paving the driveway the way it is right now is not the thing to do.

The Article has been moved; Jeremy Elder seconded

The moderator reads the article again and calls for a vote.

The article fails

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000)** to pave the intersections in Groton.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

John Rescigno moves to accept the article as read, Tony Albert seconded.

<u>Robert Ellis</u> – So, this is to put 6-8' aprons on intersections with Town roads, Old Rumney Road, Edgar Albert and Blanchette. The highest stopping spot at the end of the road. We're just trying to save the end of the road and most of the other gravel roads do have a 5-7' apron.

<u>Dave Leone</u> – I think this is a waste of our money. If we are going to pave them, we need to totally reshape the ends of those roads to accept the pavement. They really should be rebuilt so it will last. We did it on the Old Rumney Road and the reason to do it there was because the Town's truck was coming up the hill and having to stop on that gravel hill and then go up from there. I don't see any purpose in doing this.

<u>Robert Ellis</u> – I actually disagree with you. From a lot of the classes I've gone to, and one of the people actually said, that paving the end of the road will save the gravel and we're losing the gravel.

The one reason we have salt going out into the road out here is because when we empty the truck out and you don't run the chain and the spinner it puts down quite a bit of salt. I'm not disagreeing with you that there was salt out there.

<u>Ted Yeaton</u> – Edgar Albert Road has access onto a state Road. Is there a permit we need to do that from the State? Can we do whatever we want?

<u>Dave Leone</u> – I'm on a private road and I have to ask the State about paving the end of my private road and they told me I had to get a permit to do it.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> – This is specific to Orange Road which still needs to be done. For those of you who don't know on this side of town, if you didn't check it out after the last flood, we had one flood that washed out the bridge.

Moderator questions whether this is about the article.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> – It is. There's just a back story to it. The bridge got knocked out and then an entire section. When they rebuilt it they elevated the road. It needed to be done, no fault there but what happened was, now it's creating a dam at the bottom of Orange Road and so what's happening it it's retaining water which will cause damage to the newly paved road that was just built through grant money. We don't want to have to rebuild it. What happened when they put the new box culvert in everything got elevated now it's creating a dam. With what you're suggesting be done, will it be used for something like that or something else?

Robert Ellis – Will it stop it? We're not doing anything to the end of Orange Road.

<u>Moderator</u> - You must ask questions specific to the article. Is that road part of this article?

Select Board - No.

Jeremy Elder makes a motion to move the article, Ann Joyce seconded

Moderator closes comments and call for the vote.

Moderator reads the article again.

Article fails.

Article 9 -

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$9,500)** to recoat and restripe the basketball court at the Everett Hobart Memorial Park.

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

Tony Albert moves to accept the article as written, John Rescigno seconds.

<u>John Rescigno</u> – We are all familiar with the basketball court that's down at the Town Park. It requires maintenance. There are cracks in it and we want to address the cracks and have it resurfaced and restriped to maintain the integrity of the basketball court. Otherwise, it will deteriorate and just need to be torn up.

<u>Celine Richer</u> – I'm all for basketball courts and for kids being able to have a nice basketball court. Right now, at this time, I think that's really a lot. It's nice to have and maybe next year, but I don't see spending \$9000 to do this at this point.

Robert Ellis – I don't disagree with you, but this is the only court that I see getting used a lot at the park. Not necessarily the baseball diamond, not necessarily soccer. The basket ball court is used by a lot of kids and a lot of adults play. The cracks are just getting worse and worse. We actually tried to fix it about 4 years ago. I just bring this stuff forward to the people and obviously you can decide on it. I do see a lot of use by kids and young adults on the basketball court.

<u>Sara Smith</u> – This is the cheapest quote we've been able to get. When we looked into it a few years ago it was almost \$20,000 from that company to redo it, so this company was one that Bubba found that he's worked with and they were able to get us this quote. So that's another reason, seeing this lower quote, seeing that it is used, that's why it was brought forward.

<u>Gina Rescigno</u> – I'm just curious if the majority voted for the park to be part of the community, when is the right time to take care of it? It seems like every year it's not the right time to take care of everything. You can't put something in and the not take care of it.

<u>Pam Hamel</u> – So few things in town we call our own and are nice and well-kept. I understand times are difficult and if I asked most people in this room whether or not they're still spending money on wants, I bet you are in your personal life. I think we just voted down \$89,000 worth of stuff. I think we should do this. We needed to do it a few years ago and time just keeps going on. I just think we should do this.

Anne Tobine — I was actually part of the group many years ago, 10 or 12 years ago that actually got the money for the park after 3 or 4 years we finally got it together. Sadly, most of the people who helped put the park together are no longer here on earth. So, I'm going o speat up. There was a lot of hard work that went into building that park, now, sadly there's no longer a recreation committee mainly because a lot of people just don't see the need for it, but just redo that basketball court if we keep putting it off it will have to be dug up because it will become a danger to people. We did the park for the kids in Town. A lot of people think, well, no one goes there. There are kids there that go and play basketball. Groton has no other outlet. We don't have store. The park is all the kids have. So, I think \$9,500 is pocket change. I know how hard it is. I live in a one salary household, so I know how hard it is right now. But the thing is, there are a lot of kids in Town that don't have anything. If their parents can take them down there to play basket ball at the park for free, that's what they're going to do. So please remember that. It's not just about, we don't have money, well you know what? There's a lot of people in this town who have even less. There was a lot of work that went into that park and a lot of blood, sweat and tears and time that people put into it so please just help keep it so it can be used.

<u>Ruth Millett</u> – Just to emphasize what she is saying, if we don't maintain it, it will be destroyed. Water gets in there and ruins the pavement. Just resurfacing it alone would be wonderful.

<u>Stacy Darlington</u> – I also want to speak to this. Please keep in mind that this road the park is on is a main thoroughfare to a New Hampshire State Park, Sculptured Rocks, and this also speaks to the overall quality of the Town of Groton. I do believe that this is money well spent, not only for the children and adults that use it, but also for our reputation and what people perceive as the quality of the Town. I believe it will be money well-spent.

<u>Bill Jolly</u> – I have Scottish ancestry that makes us really cheap. My daughter doesn't use the court, she doesn't like basketball, but I think that it's important. We have a culture right here and we want to make sure our kids have something to do. There's a direct correlation... (most of this comment is unclear on the recording), I think this is something that strengthens the Town and helps us be more resilient against these hard times we are facing.

<u>Celine Richer</u> – When I said this, I wasn't aware of all the history. Understanding the history, understanding how bad the court is. I'm in favor of basketball and sports for the kids. I don't have kids in the Town and I don't come from this town originally. Now hearing how passionate people are about this and that it is used as much as it is. I take back what I said.

<u>Robert Ellis</u> – We aren't taking the whole court up or anything, we're filling the cracks and resurfacing the top basically. I didn't want you to think it was being ground up.

Dave Leone – I think you just answered my question about what material is being used to recoat.

Robert Ellis – I can't honestly tell you. This is what the company does.

<u>Dave Leone</u> – I'm in favor of doing this and I'm one of the people that donated a lot of time and material to set up the park.

Ann Joyce makes a motion to move the article, Jeremy Elder seconds

Moderator reads the article again and then call for the vote.

Article passes

Article 10 -

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **two hundred ninety-one dollars (\$291)** for deposit in the Conservation Fund. Fund to be offset by **two hundred ninety-one dollars (\$291)** from the unassigned fund balance. This sum represents 3% of the Timber Tax revenue for 2021. (Submitted by the Conservation Commission) (Majority vote required)

The Select Board Recommends This Article 3-0

<u>Virginia Parker</u> – I'm a member of the Conservation Commission. We have added this item in because the Conservation Commission has recently become a member of the Spectacle Pond Association. Spectacle Pond is the largest body of water that we have. From the discussion I've seen in this room you all understand the importance of the watershed. You understand hopefully the importance of having clean water. This additional testing which will be shared 50/50 with the Town of Hebron since they share the water with us, this test will allow us to make sure that e coli levels are not getting out of hand. It will make sure the camp that is on the western border of the pond is not unduly polluting on a regular basis, there are some septic issues that have happened in the past. I personally believe that a few hundred dollars to protect the largest body of water isn't too much.

<u>Stacy Darlington</u> – How much money is currently in the Conservation Fund?

Virginia Parker - Approximately \$8,500.

<u>John Rescigno</u> – So this is money that is offset by the Timber Tax that's raised every year. A percentage of that money – 3% is handed over to the Conservation Fund. We started this a couple years ago.

Bill Jolly motions to move the article,

<u>Dave Darlington</u> – I don't think you can spend it unless you have another appropriation. We already have the \$200 in the the regular budget for doing the sampling of the water. I'm not against it, but I don't think it can be used "willy, nilly" without an appropriation to pull it out of the fund.

Jeremy Elder seconds Bill's move of the article.

Moderator reads the article and again and calls for the vote.

Article passes.

Article 11 passes.

Sherry Nelson speaks up to thank Tony Tavares for his excellent service to the Town as Moderator for the past two years.

Moderator concludes the Town Meeting for 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Millett, Town Clerk

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Office of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector 754-A North Groton Road Groton, NH 03241 (603) 744-8849

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.

Ruth Millett Town Clerk Groton, New Hampshire



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

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday Tuesday *closed Friday, Saturday & Sunday 9:00am – 4:00pm 12:00pm – 7:00pm

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Executive Council

JOSEPH D. KENNEY EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR DISTRICT ONE



STATE HOUSE ROOM 207 107 NORTH MAIN STREET CONCORD, NH 03301 (603) 271-3632

The year of 2022 brought forward a strong economy and a transition back to normalcy from the previous COVID-19 years. State government, as in the private sector, has noticed a strong demand for workforce, housing, and childcare. Additionally, there have been strong trends in the state with the growth of Airbnb to support a growing travel and tourism industry. Furthermore, the state has witnessed a growing homelessness population.

During and after the pandemic, the state of New Hampshire received millions of dollars from the federal government in the form of CARES Act and ARPA funding. In response to this, the State of New Hampshire Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) was created to distribute funds under various programs: Local Restaurant Infrastructure Investment Program; County Emergency Equipment Program; NH Emergency Rental Assistance Program; Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Program; County Nursing Home Infrastructure Program; and the NH Homeowners Assistance Fund.

Other initiatives included federal and state funding for broadband in underserved or not served areas of the state. The initial award of \$50 million went to NH Electric Cooperative to build out broadband in the rural areas of NH. A second round will be awarded in 2023. The Governor's office put forward a \$20 million initiative to create grants for community center projects around the state which will be administered through the Community Development Finance Authority. The Department of Environmental Services received over \$200 million in ARPA funding to support water and sewage projects around the state in the form of grants and low interest loans.

Additionally, the GOFFER team put forward a \$100 million InvestNH Capital Grant Program to assist in gap funding for workforce and affordable housing projects and to assist local municipalities with local grants to support zoning and planning board technical assistance. Through the efforts of GOFFER and federal funding, the state was able to purchase the Hampstead Hospital as a children's inpatient psychiatric facility, a critical need in our state. Lastly, through GOFFER, the state was able to negotiate a contract with Easterseals NH for \$23 million to build a veteran's campus in Franklin to support veterans with mental health, substance misuse treatment and respite beds for short term stays.

Between January to December 2022, the Executive Council conducted 10 separate public hearings concerning the nominations of five Circuit Court judges, one Superior Court judge and four state Commissioners. The Council approved a new Banking Commissioner; new Commissioner of Transportation; new Acting Commissioner of Health and Human Services; and a previous Commissioner of Agriculture. The Council approved the confirmation of a new Director of Motor Vehicle for the Department of Safety; new Director of the Division of Aeronautics under the Department of Transportation; new Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management under the Department of Safety; and new Director of the Child Advocate Office. Three other state Commissioners were reappointed and confirmed at the Departments of Labor, Environmental Services and Natural and Cultural Resources.

The total contract items approved were approximately 2,669 to include late items during 23 meetings. Of the 322 confirmations to serve on board and commissions, 62 were from District 1. On September 7th, the District 1 on the road meeting was held on top of Mount Washington inside the Sherman Adams building.

The Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transpiration (GACIT) had completed its work in 2021, and the NH Legislature and Governor approved of its findings in 2022. GACIT directed \$242 million in additional new federal funds for bridges (\$22 million total/\$45 million per year) and electric vehicles charging (\$17 million) as part of the IIJA. Fifteen percent (\$6.75 million annually) of the bridge funds will be allocated to the municipal bridge program, and the remainder, to existing bridge projects to free up funds that have greater spending flexibility. Contact William Watson at NHDOT for any additional details at (603)-271-3344.

As stated in the past, I have made economic development my top priority along with mental health and drug prevention, treatment, and recovery programs. In 2022, the state sold the Route 25 Rest Stop to the Town of Rumney, it continues to work on the transfer of 7 acres to the City Lebanon at Westboro Yard for recreational purposes, it acquired \$55 million of federal funding to upgrade the state's fish hatcheries, and as always, the state continues work on retention and recruitment of old and new businesses.

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of state boards and commissions. If you are interested, please send your resume to Governor Chris Sununu, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 attention Deanna Juris, Director of Appointments/Liaison or call at (603) 271-2121. A complete list of all state boards and commissions are available at the NH Secretary of State website: www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm

My office is open to receive state constitutions, council maps, etc. I periodically email my weekly schedule and Wrap Up Newsletter. If you would like to be included on this list, contact me at joseph.d.kenney@nh.gov. I also have an internship program for college students. My office number is (603) 271-3632. As a reminder, due to redistricting my District has taken me out of Sullivan County and most of Grafton County and pushed me to northern Strafford County. Nonetheless, I am always available to old friends. Please stay in touch.

Serving you,

Executive Councilor Joe Kenney District 1

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TOWN OF GROTON

SELECT BOARD OFFICE HOURS	SELECT BOARD MEETINGS
Monday-Thursday: 8:00-4:00 *closed Friday, Saturday & Sunday	The 1 st and 3 rd Tuesday Evening of the month: 7:00 pm
744-9190 744-3382 fax selectmen@grotonnh.org www.grotonnh.org	Please call 744-9190 by noon on Mondays to get on the current week's agenda. Administrative Assistant:
	Sara Smith
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR OFFICE HOURS	TRANSFER STATION HOURS
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday:9:00-4:00 Tuesday evenings: 12:00-7:00 *closed Friday, Saturday & Sunday All other times by appointment Ruth Millett Joanna Peel – Deputy	Wednesday: 12:00-6:00 Saturday: 9:00-5:00 Sunday: 12:00-6:00 744-3623 Transfer Station Superintendent: Norm Willey
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Chief Michael Bagan	Road Agent: Robert Ellis
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