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TOWN OF NEW CASTLE

NEW HAMPSHIRE



ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR 2005

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**Annual Report
For the Town of New Castle
Fiscal Year 2004-2005**

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

THE ANNUAL TOWN REPORT OF NEW CASTLE IS
DEDICATED TO

RUTH & BILL LANHAM



Ruth's town career

Current: Vice President NC Historical Society
NCCC Trustee & Deacon
Former: Supervisor of the Checklist
President of NCCC Guild
President of Daily Circle of King's Daughters
Friend of the Library
Friend of the Wentworth
Historic District Initiative
Building Committee for old Library renovation
Soups' On
Great Island Road Race – food chair

Bill's town career

Current: Cemetery Trustee
Former: Fire Ward

We dedicate this town report to Ruth and Bill Lanham and take this opportunity to thank them both for all their contributions to the Town of New Castle both past and present.

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SELECTMEN'S LETTER

Putting first things first, we sincerely thank all of you who volunteer your time and talent to help make our town the special place it is!

New Hampshire has again been rated the most livable state in the good old US of A! We believe that New Castle is at, or very close to, the top of the list of towns that pushed the State up there!

UNH plans to commence with the proposed marine facility on its 5.5 acre property at Fort Point in town. UNH will be using federal funds through a grant from National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration to construct a 325 foot pier along with a support facility to include offices, a dive locker, workshop and storage space. A complete text entitled "Draft Environmental Assessment – UNH Pier Facility" can be reviewed at the Town Hall.

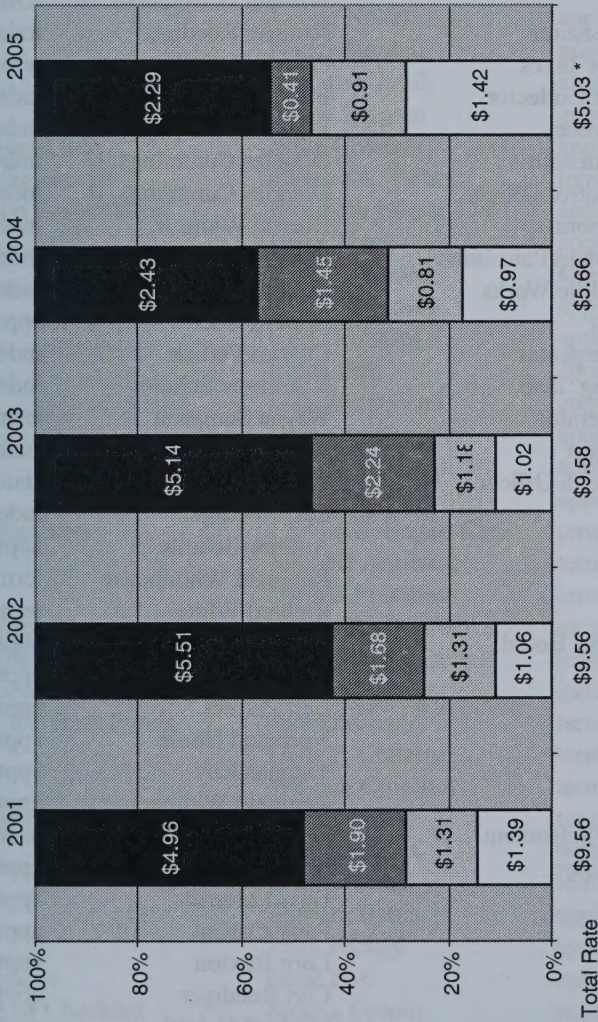
As you may have noticed we acquired and "decked out" a new Police SUV. Among its many benefits is that as a six cylinder vehicle it consumes less gas than the "standard cruiser" it replaced and cost no more. In addition we have a new Public Works truck which is scheduled for replacement on an 8 year basis. This new vehicle brings us in full compliance with all safety rules now in effect.

We remain strong financially and expect to continue to have the lowest tax rate in the State. On the other hand, just when we thought it had finally gone away there are rumblings of reviving some version a State Education Tax. Hopefully, the Supreme Court will rule in a manner that will not result in any significant reincarnation of the ghost which just departed.

We continue to add to our website – as they say, check us out at www.newcastlenh.org/town.

Board of Selectmen
Robert W. Beecher, Chairman
Peter Gamester
Charles A. Tarbell

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN 2001 - 2005



* Reduction in all rates reflects revaluation of property.

Town
 County
 Local Educ.
 State Educ.

TOWN OFFICERS - MAY 2004 TO MAY 2005

Town Clerk	Willard Gleason	term exp 5/06
Assistant Town Clerk	Barbara J. Ross	indef appt
Selectmen	Robert Beecher, Chr.	term exp 5/07
	Peter Gamester	term exp 5/08
	Charles A. Tarbell	term exp 5/06
Treasurer	William B. Marshall, III	term exp 5/06
Deputy Treasurer	Jennifer Roediger	indef appt
Collector of Taxes	Pamela P. Cullen	term exp 5/06
Deputy Tax Collector	Barbara J. Ross	indef appt
Chief of Police	James C. Murphy	indef appt
Police Lieutenant	Douglas Cummings, II	indef appt
Animal Control Officer	Douglas Cummings, II	indef appt
Police Corporal	Donald White Jr.	indef appt
NCFD Captain/Patrolman	David Blanding	indef appt
Supt. of Public Works	Brad Meade	indef appt
Road Agent	Brad Meade	appt exp 5/06
Building Inspector	Charles Petlick	indef appt
Deputy Bldg. Insp.	F. Andrew Schulte	indef appt
Town Moderator	Wayne Semprini	term exp 5/06
Health Officer	James Rini	state appt
Deputy Health Officer	Peter Dicks	state appt
Fire Chief	Carl Roediger	indef appt
Fire Wards	Andrew Schulte	appt exp 5/06
	Reginald Whitehouse	term exp 5/07
	Richard White	term exp 5/08
Public Works Board	Walter Liff, Chr.	appt exp 5/06
	Norman Kent	appt exp 5/07
	Bert Palmer	appt exp 5/08
	Normand Houle	appt exp 5/06
Alternate	Thomas Roy	appt exp 5/07
Alternate	Reginald Whitehouse	appt exp 5/08
Ex-Officio/Selectman	Peter Gamester	term exp 5/08
Planning Board	Stuart Levenson, Chr.	appt exp 5/06
	David Merrill	appt exp 5/07
	Patty Cohen	appt exp 5/07
	Lorn Buxton	appt exp 5/06
	Carl Roediger	appt exp 5/06
	Michael Colotti	appt exp 5/08
Alternate	Thomas Boisvert	appt exp 5/08
Alternate	Mark Connolly	appt exp 5/08
Alternate	Chris Russell	appt exp 5/08
Ex-Officio/Selectman	Robert W. Beecher	term exp 5/07

Board of Adjustment	Donald Moore, Chr.	appt exp 5/06
	Janet Harrigan	appt exp 5/07
	Russell Cox	appt exp 5/07
	Raymond Ambrogi	appt exp 5/08
	Susan Stetson	appt exp 5/08
Alternate	Lorn Buxton	appt exp 5/07
Alternate	Will Smith	appt exp 5/08
Historic District Committee	Barbara Becker, Chr.	appt exp 5/08
	Richard Yeaton	appt exp 5/07
	Elaine Nollet	appt exp 5/07
	Nancy Borden	appt exp 5/06
Alternate	Marjorie Smith	appt exp 5/07
Alternate	Diane Seagren	appt exp 5/08
Planning Board Rep.	Mike Colotti	appt exp 5/08
Ex-Officio/Selectman	Charles A. Tarbell	term exp 5/06
Conservation Commission	Elisabeth Hume, Chr.	appt exp 5/08
	Brian Mack	appt exp 5/08
	Diana Mattoon	appt exp 5/07
	Lorna Robinson	appt exp 5/06
	Curt Gulliespi	appt exp 5/08
	Linda Ball	appt exp 5/07
	Lisa Williamson	appt exp 5/06
Alternate	Diana Appleton	appt exp 5/08
Alternate	Wm. B. Marshall, III	appt exp 5/06
Alternate	James Rini	appt exp 5/08
Budget Committee	Clinton Springer, Chr.	term exp 5/06
	Michael Armitage	term exp 5/07
	Damon Frampton	term exp 5/08
Ex-Officio/Selectman	Robert W. Beecher	term exp 5/07
Ex-Officio/School Board	Roderick MacDonald	term exp 5/06
Town Historian	Deborah Schulte	indef appt
Trustees of the Trust Funds	Russell Cox	term exp 5/08
	Gene F. Doherty	term exp 5/07
	William Cronin	term exp 5/06
Library Trustees	Mark Gardner	term exp 5/06
	Joan Lockhart	term exp 5/07
	Brad Greeley	term exp 5/08
Alternate	Barbara Battis	appt exp 5/06
Alternate	Patty Hickey	appt exp 5/06
Library Director	Gene Fox	indef appt
Supervisors of Checklist	Marcia Cronin	term exp 5/06
	Leslie Parker	term exp 5/10
	Roddi Smith	term exp 5/08
Cemetery Trustees	David Merrill, Chr.	term exp 5/07
	Thomas Boisvert	term exp 5/06
	William Lanham	term exp 5/08
Recreation Committee	Guy Stearns, Chr.	appt exp 5/08

TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE ELECTED POSITIONS AND SALARIES

<u>Position</u>	<u>Annual Salaries</u>
Selectman, Chair	\$2,000
Selectmen (2)	1,800
Town Clerk.....	7,200
Treasurer	1,700
Collector of Taxes	2,000
Cemetery Trustee (3).....	100
Moderator.....	100 per election
Supervisor of Checklist (3)	100 plus \$100 per election
Trustee of Trust Funds (2).....	100
Trustee of Trust Funds, Bookkeeper	250

There are many others who participate in Town Government on an unpaid basis, and their service is most valuable to the success of our Town. These individuals deserve the whole hearted thanks of the community for their civic involvement.

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD
AT THE GREAT ISLAND COMMON
MAY 10, 2005**

Articles I through IV were voted by ballot with the results indicated. Moderator Wayne Semprini opened the polls at 10:00AM and declared them closed at 7:00PM.

ARTICLE I: Balloting for the town officers produced the following results:

Town Clerk (one year)	Willard Gleason	432 votes
Selectman (three years)	Peter Gamester	319 Votes
	Susan Follansbee	188 Votes
Treasurer (one year)	William Marshall III	456 Votes
Tax Collector (one year)	Pamela P. Cullen	453 Votes
Fire Ward (three years)	Richard White	444 Votes
Fire Wards (one year)	F. Andrew Schulte	439 Votes
Trustee of Trust Fund (three years)	Russell Cox	448 Votes
Budget Committee (three years)	Damon H Frampton II	441 Votes
Library Trustee (three Years)	W. Bradford Greeley	429 Votes
Supervisor of Checklist (one year)	Marcia Cronin	435 Votes
Cemetery Trustee (three years)	William Lanham	441 Votes

The ballot for the School District officers was conducted simultaneously with the election of Town Officers and had the following results:

School Board (three years)	Jeffrey Robinson	56 Votes
Clerk (three years)	No one had enough votes to qualify	
Treasurer (three years)	No one had enough votes to qualify	

ARTICLE II: Zoning Amendment Number 1: Section 9.1 Flood Plain Development District

Are you in favor of adopting Zoning Amendment Number 1, as proposed by the Planning Board for the New Castle Zoning Ordinance 9.1 the Flood Plain ordinance by incorporating the following language:

The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for Rockingham County, New Hampshire" dated May 17, 2005 or as amended, together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Map Panels numbered 278, 279, 286, 287 dated May 17, 2005 or as amended, which are declared to be part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference.

BALLOT VOTE — (YES) 383 (NO) 84

ARTICLE III: Zoning Amendment Number 2: Section 11.1 Enforcement; Fines

Are you in favor of adopting Zoning Amendment Number 2, as proposed by the Planning Board for the New Castle Zoning Ordinance to replace section 11.1 as follows:

Section 11.1

- (1) Enforcement Authorization. If a violation of the Zoning Ordinance comes to the attention of the Selectmen, they shall have the authority to take whatever steps are necessary to enforce the law.
- (2) Penalty. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than \$275.00 upon conviction for each day such violation shall exist.
- (3) A property owner who plans any building activity shall ascertain from the building inspector whether the activity requires a building permit. Any property owner or other individual who commences any building activity without obtaining all required municipal approvals, including a building permit (where required), shall be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$275.00 for each day the building activity has taken place without the required approvals having been obtained.

BALLOT VOTE — (YES) 336 (NO) 140

ARTICLE IV: Subdivision Amendment Number 1: Section 10.2 Fines and Penalties

Are you in favor of adopting Subdivision Amendment Number 1, as proposed by the Planning Board for the New Castle Subdivision Regulations to replace section 10.2 as follows:

Any person, firm or corporation violating a provision of these regulations or the conditions of an approved subdivision plan or Subdivision Agreement, shall, in accordance with the terms of RSA 676:17, be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$275 for each day that the violation has taken place.

BALLOT VOTE — (YES) 369 (NO) 104

Immediately after closing the polls Wayne Semprini opened the Town Meeting. He started by introducing himself and than asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. He than asked for a moment of silence for those citizens who passed away during the proceeding year. Semprini than introduced the Selectmen. He than went over the rules of the meeting which were adopted by voice vote. Semprini than went over each article that was not on the ballot.

ARTICLE V: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Sanitary Land Cleanup Capital Reserve Fund created in 1985; said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund. There was no discussion and the article was adopted by voice vote.

ARTICLE VI: Veterans Article (RSA 72:28)

Shall we modify the provisions of RSA 72:28 for an optional tax credit on taxes due on residential property for a veteran? The optional veteran tax credit will be \$500, rather than \$300. This article was adopted by voice vote without any discussion.

ARTICLE VII: Blind Exemption Article (RSA 72:37)

Shall we modify the provisions of RSA 72:37 for a blind exemption on taxes due on real estate property? The blind tax exemption on residential real estate will be \$50,000 rather than \$15,000. This article was adopted by hand count.

ARTICLE VIII: Deaf Exemption Article (RSA 72:38.b)

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:38-b for the deaf exemption to receive a tax exemption in the amount of \$50,000 for the taxes due upon real estate property? Article was adopted by voice vote without any discussion.

Pamela P. Cullen advised everyone that Articles VI, VII and VIII would not be effective until the 2006 Tax Year. Please note that the Veteran is a credit, i.e. a deduction from the tax due and the blind/deaf is an exemption i.e. a deduction from the appraised valuation.

ARTICLE IX:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be needed to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. Clint Springer made a motion that the budget of \$1,895,746 be approved. Motion was adopted by voice vote.

ARTICLE X:

To hear the reports of agents, officers, committees, boards, and others heretofore chosen and to pass any vote in relation thereto. Beth Benoit read the Attached report concerning the building of side walk from the Wentworth Association to the Town Common. Motion was approved by voice vote.

ARTICLE XI:

To transact such business as may legally come before the meeting. Nothing to report thus meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

A true and correct record of the Town Meeting and Election of Officers of New Castle, May 10, 2005, Attest:

Willard C. Gleason
Town Clerk

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN OFFICIALS SURETY BONDS IN FORCE
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2005**

NHMA PROPERTY /LIABILITY INSURANCE TRUST

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
TAX COLLECTOR	\$75,000
DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR.....	75,000
TREASURER	86,000
DEPUTY TREASURER.....	86,000
TOWN CLERK	36,000
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK.....	36,000
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS (3)	90,000
LIBRARY TRUSTEES (3).....	5,000
BOAT AGENT (2)	1,000

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
ASSESSMENT YEAR APRIL 2005 TO MARCH 31, 2006**

1.	Town Hall, land, and building (.23 acres)	\$399,300
	Furniture and equipment (Map 13 Lot 8)	344,500
2.	Recreation Building (Library) & out buildings (32.277 acres)	8,745,900
	Common – Furniture and equipment (Map 5 Lot 13)	1,478,200
3.	Police Department – equipment	17,500
4.	Fire Department, land, and building (.50 acres)	609,300
	Equipment (Map 13 Lot 7) Bicentennial Park	89,300
5.	Highway Department, land, and building	0
	Equipment	45,000
	Material and supplies	6,000
6.	Water supply facilities	396,197
	Owned by Town of New Castle	
7.	Sewer plant and facilities – River Road (.05 acres)	75,000
	Land and building (Map 16 Lot 48)	340,300
8.	School, land, and building - Cranfield Street (3.1 acres)	2,366,200
	Equipment (Map 12 Lot 33)	426,900
9.	All other property and equipment	
	Cemeteries: Riverside (Map 15 Lot 10) 2.40 acres	1,652,800
	Frost (Map 18 Lot 54) .090 acres	304,300
	Prescott (Map 17 Lot 57) .19 acres	261,600
	Oceanside (Map 5 Lot 13-1) 2.066 acres	1,005,700
10.	Other town owned lands and town landings:	
	Pit Lane lot (Map 10 Lot 9) 1.47 acres	139,400
	Pit Lane lot (Map 10 Lot 9-1) .40 acres	368,800
	Town Landing, Laurel Lane (Map 11 Lot 30) .04 acres	143,600
	Sand Pit (Map 12 Lot 3) 2.48 acres	570,800
	Town garage, land, & cemetery (Map 17 Lot 56) .24 acres	369,700
	Old library building & land (Map 17 Lot 58) .12 acres	416,200
	Land-Walbach (Map 19 Lot 01) .18 acres	1,137,500
	Land-Fort Point (Map 19 Lot 02) 1.970 acres	2,128,000
	Other land (Map 16, Lot 50) Cape Road .16 acres	16,800
	Other land (Map 16, Lot 51) River Road .11 acres	15,600
	Wentworth Road (Map 4 Lot 25) .18 acres	<u>35,000</u>
TOTAL		\$23,617,597

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FY2006 ASSESSED VALUATION REPORT**

	NUMBER OF ACRES	ASSESSED VALUATION
LAND AND BUILDINGS:		
Value of Land Only		
Current Use	9.08	\$136
Conservation Restriction Assessment	14.52	6,170
Discretionary Easement	1.76	387
Discretionary Preservation Easement	0	0
Residential	266.499	368,502,700
Commercial/Industrial	10.049	13,655,300
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Total of Taxable Land	301.908	382,164,693
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable (\$55,310,200)	160.401	
Value of Buildings Only:		
Residential		174,743,900
Commercial/Industrial		24,534,900

Total Taxable Buildings		199,278,800
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable (\$6,291,700)		
Public Utilities: Electric		1,006,900
Other Public Utilities		0

Valuation Before Exemptions		582,450,393
Blind Exemption (\$15,000 each)	2	30,000
ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS:		
Age 65 - 74 (\$100,000 each)	4	400,000
Age 75 and over (\$150,000 each)	2	300,000

TOTAL DOLLAR OF EXEMPTIONS		730,000
 NET VALUATION FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX RATE COMPUTATION		
		581,720,393
Less Public Utilities		1,006,900

NET VALUATION FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX		\$580,713,493
 TAX CREDITS:		
Totally & Permanently Disabled Veterans their spouses and widows (\$2000 each)	1	\$2,000
Other War Service Credits (\$300 each)	87	26,100
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TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT	88	\$28,100
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**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FY2006 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

	---Municipal Portion---		
Gross Appropriations	\$1,895,746		
Less: Revenues	1,163,672		
Less: Shared Revenues	3,763		
Add: Overlay	72,567		
Add: War Service Credits	28,100		

Net Town Appropriation	828,978		
Special Adjustment	0		

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	828,978		
Town Tax Rate			\$1.42
	---School Portion---		
Net Local School Budget	1,277,307		
Regional School Apportionment	0		
Less: State Education Taxes	1,041,326		

Approved School Tax Effort	235,981		
Local School Tax Rate			0.41
	---State Ed Taxes---		
Equalized Valuation (no utilities)=			
468,227,510 x 2.84 / 1000	1,329,766		
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			2.29
	---County Portion---		
Due to County	532,402		
Less: Shared Revenues	3,379		

Approved County Appropriation Effort	529,023		
County Tax Rate			0.91

Combined Tax Rate			\$5.03
Total Property Taxes Assessed	2,923,748		
Less: War Service Credits	28,100		
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0		

Total Property Tax Commitment	\$2,895,648		
---PROOF OF RATE---			
	<u>NEW ASSESSED VALUATION</u>	<u>TAX RATE</u>	<u>ASSESSMENT</u>
State Education Tax	\$580,713,493	2.29	1,329,766
All Other Taxes	581,720,393	2.74	1,593,982

			\$2,923,748

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Selectmen

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of the Town of New Castle, NH as of and for the year ended June 30, 2005, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these annual financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the USA and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Governmental Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the US. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the annual financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the annual financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the government activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of the Town of New Castle, NH, as of June 30, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the USA.

The Town has implemented several new Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements which has established net assets for governmental and business-type activities.

The management's discussion and analysis, appearing on the following pages, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. I have applied certain limited procedures which consist principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

R.R. Bergeron
December 7, 2005

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
June 30, 2004 and June 30, 2005**

	6/30/2004	6/30/2005
ASSETS:		
Cash & Equivalents	\$461,904	538,008
Taxes Receivable	0	0
Tax Liens Receivable	22,853	2,641
Accounts Receivable	16,146	4,150
Tax Deeded Property	0	1,029
Due From Other Funds	21,979	0
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TOTAL ASSETS	522,882	545,828
	=====	=====
LIABILITIES:		
Warrants & Accounts Payable	93,065	64,799
Escrow Deposit	0	15,000
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Total Liabilities	93,065	79,799
FUND EQUITY:		
Unreserved Fund Balance	429,817	466,029
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	\$522,882	545,828
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**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005**

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u>
<u>REVENUES</u>			
TAXES:			
Property Taxes	\$3,255,433	3,252,512	(2,921)
Boat Taxes	6,000	7,103	1,103
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	9,000	8,090	(910)
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	3,270,433	3,267,705	(2,728)
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES:			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	245,000	251,783	6,783
Building Permits	24,000	12,413	(11,587)
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	1,400	2,578	1,178
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	270,400	266,774	(3,626)
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE:			
Shared Revenue	15,909	15,909	0
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	33,805	33,805	0
Highway Block Grant	15,411	16,141	730
Water Pollution Subsidy	8,133	8,133	0
Other State Funds	15,000	0	(15,000)
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	88,258	73,988	(14,270)
Income from Departments	95,250	113,520	18,270
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Transfer from trust fund reserve	0	61,673	61,673
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Proceeds from long-term bonds	500,000	0	(500,000)
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MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES:			
Emergency Management Training	15,300	10,832	(4,468)
Interest on Investments	10,000	11,924	1,924
Sale and Rental of Property	11,400	12,740	1,340
Fines and Forfeits	1,500	3,400	1,900
Insurance Dividends & Reimbursements	1,000	1,447	447
Other Miscellaneous Sources	2,000	7,775	5,775
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	41,200	48,118	6,918
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TOTAL REVENUES	\$4,265,541	3,831,778	(433,763)

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005**

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</u>			
Executive	\$49,350	49,557	(207)
Election, Reg. & Vital Stats	17,161	17,006	155
Financial Administration	64,572	67,942	(3,370)
Revaluation of Property	25,600	23,577	2,023
Legal Expense	13,300	3,848	9,452
Planning and Zoning	13,742	8,599	5,143
General Government Buildings	8,000	2,115	5,885
Cemeteries	9,000	3,998	5,002
Insurance - Unallocated	200	98	102
Other General Government	10,000	0	10,000
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	210,925	176,740	34,185
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY:</u>			
Police & Animal Control	242,484	243,122	(638)
Ambulance	15,140	15,140	0
Fire	156,953	158,584	(1,631)
Emergency Medical Services	10,000	9,403	597
Hazardous Materials	900	734	166
Building Inspection	20,847	13,237	7,610
Emergency Management	15,440	14,365	1,075
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	461,764	454,585	7,179
<u>HIGHWAYS & STREETS:</u>			
Highways & Streets Maintenance	55,488	55,105	383
Street Lighting	7,000	6,648	352
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	62,488	61,753	735
<u>SANITATION:</u>			
Administration	1,537	1,537	0
Solid Waste Collection	38,000	36,400	1,600
Solid Waste Disposal	53,900	53,708	192
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	93,437	91,645	1,792
<u>HEALTH:</u>			
Pest Control	12,100	12,280	(180)
Health Agencies & Hospitals	10,000	9,500	500
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	22,100	21,780	320
<u>WELFARE:</u>			
Direct Assistance	15,000	5,539	9,461
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**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND**

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u>
CULTURE AND RECREATION:			
Parks and Recreation	\$84,353	80,607	3,746
Library	48,346	48,316	30
Recreation/Library Building	41,525	43,612	(2,087)
Recreation Commission	5,050	4,580	470
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	179,274	177,115	2,159
CONSERVATION:			
Other Conservation	26,142	4,393	21,749
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DEBT SERVICE:			
Principal - Long-Term Debt	22,200	22,200	0
Interest - Long-Term Debt	2,220	2,220	0
Interest - Short-Term Debt	500	0	500
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	24,920	24,420	500
Capital outlay - land	500,000	0	500,000
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CAPITAL OUTLAY:			
Transfers To Trust Funds	65,000	65,000	0
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PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS:			
County Taxes	470,260	470,260	0
School District Taxes	840,122	840,122	0
State Education Tax Assessment	1,402,214	1,402,214	0
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	2,712,596	2,712,596	0
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,373,646	3,795,566	578,080
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(108,105)	36,212	144,317
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Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	0	0
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Excess of Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures & Other Uses	(108,105)	36,212	144,317
Fund Balance - July 1, 2004	429,817	429,817	0
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Fund Balance - June 30, 2005	\$321,712	466,029	144,317
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TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
BALANCE SHEET
ENTERPRISE FUNDS
June 30, 2005

	<u>WATER</u>	<u>SEWER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Current Assets:			
Cash and Investments	\$199,897	(26,388)	173,509
Accounts Receivable	900	3,775	4,675
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Total Current Assets	200,797	(22,613)	178,184
Property, Plant, & Equipment:			
Equipment	5,123	0	5,123
Service Lines and Stations	657,806	1,620,403	2,278,209
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(162,455)	(7,614)	(170,069)
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Total Property, Plant & Equipment	500,474	1,612,789	2,113,263
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TOTAL ASSETS	701,271	1,590,176	2,291,447
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<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Current Liabilities:			
Deposits and Accounts Payable	3,925	11,670	15,595
Due to General Fund	0	0	0
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Total Current Liabilities	3,925	11,670	15,595
<u>EQUITY</u>			
Contributed Capital, net *	470,811	1,332,844	1,803,655
Retained Earnings	226,535	245,662	472,197
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Total Equity	697,346	1,578,506	2,275,852
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TOTAL LIABILITY & EQUITY	\$701,271	1,590,176	2,291,447
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* = Contributed by federal, state, and local governments and by developers.

TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES &
CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS
ENTERPRISE FUNDS
For fiscal year ended June 30, 2005

	<u>WATER</u>	<u>SEWER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
OPERATING REVENUE	\$48,066	93,081	141,147
OPERATING EXPENSES:			
Water Purchases	15,309	0	15,309
Sewerage Assessment	0	71,951	71,951
Personnel Services	9,579	19,309	28,888
Non-Personnel Services	9,472	23,116	32,588
Depreciation (Note 5)	10,956	0	10,956
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Total Operating Expenses	45,316	114,376	159,692
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Operating Income (Loss)	2,750	(21,295)	(18,545)
Non-Operating Revenues:			
Investment Earnings	2,334	20	2,354
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Net Income for the Year	5,084	(21,275)	(16,191)
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Retained Earnings, July 1, 2004	221,450	266,936	488,386
Net Income for the Year	5,084	(21,275)	(16,191)
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Retained Earnings, June 30, 2005	\$226,534	245,661	472,195
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TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION
ENTERPRISE FUNDS
For fiscal year ended June 30, 2005

FUNDS PROVIDED:

Net Income for the Year	(\$16,189)
Add Back Depreciation	10,956

	(5,233)

Funds Applied to New Equipment, net	(74,718)
Funds Provided by Contributed Capital	74,718

Increase (Decrease) in Working Capital	(\$5,233)
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CHANGES IN ELEMENTS OF WORKING CAPITAL:

<u>Increase (Decrease) in Current Assets:</u>	
Cash and Investments	(\$23,356)
Accounts Receivable	(1,330)

	(24,686)
 <u>Increase (Decrease) in Current Liabilities:</u>	
Deposits and Accounts Payable	(19,453)
Other Payables	

	(19,453)

Increase (Decrease) in Working Capital	(\$5,233)
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**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM DEBT—ALL FUNDS
 For fiscal year ended June 30, 2005**

BOND PRINCIPAL

	Original Issue	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Balance 6/30/2004	Paid 07/01/04-6/30/2005	Balance 6/30/2005	Due 07/01/05-6/30/2006	Due Subsequently
Sewer System	\$645,000	5.00%	01/15/06	\$44,400	22,200	22,200	22,200	0
				<u>\$44,400</u>	<u>22,200</u>	<u>22,200</u>	<u>22,200</u>	<u>0</u>

BOND INTEREST

	Paid 07/01/04-6/30/2005	Due 07/01/05-6/30/2006	Due Subsequently
	\$2,220	1,110	0
	<u>\$2,220</u>	<u>1,110</u>	<u>0</u>

TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For fiscal year ended June 30, 2005

	BALANCE			BALANCE
	<u>6/30/2004</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>DISBURSED</u>	<u>6/30/2005</u>
PRINCIPAL:				
Library Funds	\$9,626	272	0	9,898
Marchand Fund	4,782	164	0	4,946
CAPITAL RESERVE:				
Land Cleanup	20,000	0	20,000	0
Town Vehicle & Equip	71,078	69,714		140,792
New Cemetery	5,566	0	0	5,566
Road Race Funds	24,751	10,299	18,750	16,300
Water/Sewer Fund-Depr Fund	275,244	7,827		283,071
Cemetery Maintenance	106,322	1,100	2,344	105,078
SAU 50-Special Educ Fund	10,000	80,000	220	89,780
Conservation	100	1,286	0	1,386
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TOTAL PRINCIPAL	527,469	170,662	41,314	656,817
INCOME:				
Library Funds	0	262	262	0
Marchand Fund	912	267		1,179
CAPITAL RESERVE:				
Land Cleanup	39,209	2,794	41,902	101
Town Vehicle & Equip	22,345	8,074	0	30,419
New Cemetery	2,197	245	0	2,442
Road Race Funds	0	876		876
Water/Sewer Fund-Depr Fund	0	13,357		13,357
Cemetery Maintenance	0	3,203	3,203	0
SAU 50-Special Educ Fund	766	2,442	0	3,208
Conservation	10	18	0	28
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TOTAL INCOME	65,439	31,538	45,367	51,610
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	<u><u>\$592,908</u></u>	<u><u>202,200</u></u>	<u><u>86,681</u></u>	<u><u>708,427</u></u>

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of New Castle, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 20, 2005.

A. Financial Highlights

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total assets exceeded liabilities by \$26,294,719.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, the unreserved fund balance in the general fund was \$466,029, an increase of \$36,212 over the preceding fiscal year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was \$22,200, a decrease of \$22,200 in comparison with the preceding fiscal year. It is anticipated that the Town will have no long-term debt after fiscal year 2006.

B. Overview of the Financial Statements

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

Government-Wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances in a manner similar to a private sector business.

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

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

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

**TOWN OF
NEW CASTLE
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

2006 WARRANT

FY06/07 BUDGET

ACCT #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	WORKS R ART #	2005-2006 APPROPRIATION NS PRIOR YEAR	2004-2005 ACTUAL EXP PRIOR YEAR	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMM APPROPRIATIONS	
					RECOMMENDED	BT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	BT RECOMMENDED
					ENSURING FISCAL YEAR	ENSURING FISCAL YEAR	RECOMMENDED	BT RECOMMENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4139	EXECUTIVE		60,046	49,557	58,296		58,296	
4140-4149	ELEC., REG. & VITAL STATS		16,433	17,006	18,884		18,884	
4150-4151	FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION		74,795	67,942	84,724		84,724	
4152	REVALUATION OF PROPERTY		10,192	23,577	14,600		14,600	
4153	LEGAL EXPENSE		12,300	3,848	11,800		11,800	
4155-4159	PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION		0	0	0		0	
4191-4193	PLANNING & ZONING		16,142	8,599	14,142		14,142	
4194	GENERAL GOVERNMENT BLDG		8,000	2,115	26,300		26,300	
4195	CEMETERIES		7,000	3,998	7,383		7,383	
4196	INSURANCES		200	98	200		200	
4197	ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOC		0	0	0		0	
4199	OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT		10,000	0	10,000		10,000	
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4210-4214	POLICE & ANIMAL CONTROL		267,562	243,121	307,684		307,684	
4215-4219	AMBULANCE		15,140	15,140	15,140		15,140	
4220-4229	FIRE, EMS & HAZMAT		180,297	168,721	304,045		304,045	
4240-4249	BUILDING INSPECTION		19,030	13,237	14,216		14,216	
4290-4298	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		22,464	14,365	24,503		24,503	
4299	OTHER (INCLUDING COMMUNICATIONS)		0	0	0		0	
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER								
4301-4309	AIRPORT OPERATIONS		0	0	0		0	
HIGHWAYS & STREETS								
4311	ADMINISTRATION		0	0	0		0	
4312	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		84,343	55,105	98,626		98,626	
4313	BRIDGES		0	0	0		0	
4316	STREET LIGHTING		7,000	6,648	7,100		7,100	
4319	OTHER		0	0	0		0	
SANITATION								
4321	ADMINISTRATION		1,536	1,537	1,654		1,654	
4323	SOLID WASTE COLLECTION		46,800	36,400	49,920		49,920	
4324	SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL		63,491	53,708	72,783		72,783	
4325	SOLID WASTE CLEAN-UP		0	0	0		0	
4326-4329	SEWAGE COLL. & DISPOSAL & OTHER		0	0	0		0	

ACCT #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	WARR ART #	2005-2006		2004-2005 ACTUAL EXP PRIOR YEAR	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMM APPROPRIATIONS	
			APPROPRIATIONS	YEAR		ENSURING FISCAL YEAR	RECOMMENDED	ENSURING FISCAL YEAR	RECOMMENDED
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT									
4331	ADMINISTRATION		0		0	0	0	0	0
4332	WATER SERVICES		0		0	0	0	0	0
4335-4339	WATER TREATMENT, CONSERV& OTHER		0		0	0	0	0	0
ELECTRIC									
4351-4352	ADMIN. AND GENERATION		0		0	0	0	0	0
4353	PURCHASE COSTS		0		0	0	0	0	0
4354	ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT MAINT		0		0	0	0	0	0
4359	OTHER ELECTRIC COSTS		0		0	0	0	0	0
HEALTH/WELFARE									
4411	ADMINISTRATION		0		0	0	0	0	0
4414	PEST CONTROL		12,540		12,280	12,980	12,980	12,980	12,980
4415-4419	HEALTH AGENCIES & HOSPITALS		10,000		9,500	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
4441-4442	ADMIN & DIRECT ASSISTANCE		10,000		5,539	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
4444	INTERGOVERNMENTAL WELFARE PMTS		0		0	0	0	0	0
4445-4449	VENDOR PAYMENTS & OTHER		0		0	0	0	0	0
CULTURE AND RECREATION									
4520-4529	PARKS & RECREATION		123,088		128,799	124,890	124,890	124,890	124,890
4550-4559	LIBRARY		48,493		48,316	49,934	49,934	49,934	49,934
4583	PATRIOTIC PURPOSES		0		0	0	0	0	0
4589	OTHER CULTURE & RECREATION		0		0	0	0	0	0
CONSERVATION									
4611-4612	ADMIN & PURCH OF NAT RESOURCES		16,742		4,393	20,217	20,217	20,217	20,217
4619	OTHER CONSERVATION		0		0	0	0	0	0
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING		0		0	0	0	0	0
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		0		0	0	0	0	0
DEBT SERVICE									
4711	PRINC. - L-T BONDS & NOTES		22,200		22,200	0	0	0	0
4721	INTEREST - L-T BONDS & NOTES		1,110		2,220	0	0	0	0
4723	INT. ON TAN		500		0	500	500	500	500
4790-4799	OTHER DEBT SERVICE		0		0	0	0	0	0

ACCT #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WAR R ART #	2005-2006 ESTIMATED REVENUES PRIOR YEAR	2004-2005 ACTUAL REVENUES PRIOR YEAR	2006-2007 ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING YEAR
TAXES					
3120	LAND USE CHANGE TAXES		0	0	0
3180	RESIDENT TAXES		0	0	0
3185	TIMBER TAXES		0	0	0
3186	PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES		0	0	0
3189	OTHER TAXES - BOAT		6,000	7,103	6,000
3190	INT & PEN ON DEL TAXES		4,000	4,586	4,000
	INVENTORY PENALTIES		3,000	3,504	3,000
3187	EXCAVATION TAX (\$.02 PER CU YD)		0	0	0
3188	EXCAVATION ACTIVITY TAX		0	0	0
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	BUSINESS LICENSES & PERMITS		0	0	0
3220	MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS		245,000	251,783	245,000
3230	BUILDING PERMITS		21,400	12,413	17,150
3290	OTHER LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		1,800	2,578	1,800
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				114,000
FROM STATE					
3351	SHARED REVENUE		15,909	15,909	15,909
3352	MEALS & ROOM TAX DISTR		37,577	33,805	37,577
3353	HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT		15,904	16,141	16,338
3354	WATER POLLUTION		7,772	8,133	0
3355	HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOP		0	0	0
3356	STATE & FED FOREST LAND REIMB		0	0	0
3357	FLOOD CONTROL REIMBURSEMENT		0	0	0
3359	OTHER - INCLUDING RR TAX		0	0	0
	CONSERVATION GRANT		5,000	0	0
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-3406	INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS		100,250	113,520	108,600
3409	OTHER CHARGES		0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	SALE/MUNICIPAL PROP		0	0	0
3502	INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS		7,000	11,924	7,000
3503-3509	OTHER		36,900	36,194	22,775

ACCT #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WAR R ART #	2005-2006 ESTIMATED REVENUES PRIOR YEAR	2004-2005 ACTUAL REVENUES PRIOR YEAR	2006-2007 ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING YEAR
INTERFUND OPER TRANSFERS IN					
3912	FROM SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS		0	0	0
3913	FROM CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS		0	0	0
3914	ENTERPRISE FUNDS:				
	WATER (OFFSET)		53,350	45,315	53,350
	SEWER (OFFSET)		109,952	114,375	138,788
	ELECTRIC (OFFSET)		0	0	0
	AIRPORT (OFFSET)		0	0	0
3915	FROM CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS		0	61,673	0
3916	FROM TRUST & AGENCY FUNDS		0	0	0
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	PROC FROM L-T BONDS & NOTES		500,000	0	500,000
	AMTS VOTED FROM F/B (SURPLUS)				
	FUND BALANCE (SURPLUS) TO REDUCE		100,000	150,000	
	TOTAL EST REVENUES & CREDITS		1,270,814	888,956	1,291,287

BUDGET SUMMARY	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDE D BUDGET
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	1,395,746	2,132,659	2,132,659
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	500,000	0	0
SUBTOTAL 3 Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	0	0	0
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1,895,746	2,132,659	2,132,659
LESS: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above, column 6)	-1,173,910	-1,291,287	-1,291,287
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	721,836	841,372	841,372

1 TOTAL RECOMMENDED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE		2,132,659
LESS EXCLUSIONS:		
2 PRINCIPAL LONG TERM BONDS & NOTES	0	
3 INTEREST LONG TERM BONDS & NOTES	0	
4 CAPITAL OUTLAYS FUNDED FROM L-T BONDS & I	(500,000)	
5 TOTAL EXCLUSIONS	(500,000)	
6 AMOUNT RECOMMENDED LESS EXCLUSIONS	1,632,659	
7 LINE 6 X 10%		163,266
MAXIMUM BUDGET IS		2,295,925

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN OF NEW CASTLE
TOWN WARRANT FOR 2006**

**ROCKINGHAM, SS
NEW CASTLE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of New Castle, in the County of Rockingham and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the New Castle Recreation Center, Great Island Common, in said New Castle, on Tuesday, the 9th of May 2006, to act upon Articles I through VII. The business session of the Annual Town Meeting will commence at seven o'clock in the evening to act upon Articles VIII through XIII. The polls for the election of Town Officers and Ballot Articles will open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and shall not be closed before seven o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE I:

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the following year.

(ON THE BALLOT)

ARTICLE II: Zoning Amendment Number 1: Section 2.2 Terms Not Defined.

Are you in favor of adopting Zoning Amendment Number 1, as proposed by the Planning Board to read as follows:

Where terms are not defined in this section or elsewhere in the Zoning Ordinance, or in the New Castle Subdivision or Site Plan Review Regulations or other regulations or bylaws of the Town, but are defined in The 2000 International Residential Code, and/ or The 2000 International Building Code then The 2000 International Residential Code and/ or The 2000 International Building Code definitions shall be used. Where terms are not defined in any of the aforementioned sources, such terms shall have ordinary accepted meanings such as the context of their use implies.

(ON THE BALLOT)

ARTICLE III: Zoning Amendment Number 2: Section 9.2 Wetlands

Conservation District. Are you in favor of adopting Zoning Amendment Number 2, as proposed by the Planning Board for the New Castle Zoning Ordinance to read as follows:

9.2.1 Purpose and Intent:

The purpose of the Wetlands Conservation District is to protect the public health, safety and general welfare of the community by controlling and guiding the use of land areas defined as wetlands. It is intended that this Article shall:

1. Prevent the development of structures and land uses on or within a functional buffer of naturally occurring wetlands which will contribute to pollution of surface and groundwater by sewage or toxic substances or sedimentation;
2. Prevent the destruction of, or significant changes to, natural wetlands which provide flood protection; provide filtration of water flowing into ponds and streams, augment stream flow during dry periods and are connected to the ground or surface water supply;
3. Protect wildlife habitats, maintain ecological services and support other public purposes such as those cited in RSA 482-A:1;
4. Protect potential water supplies and existing aquifers (water bearing stratum) and aquifer recharge areas;
5. Prevent unnecessary or excessive expense to the Town for the purpose of providing and/or maintaining essential services and utilities which might be required as a result of development in wetlands;
6. Prevent unnecessary or excessive expense to individual property owners arising from damages by flooding or other consequence resulting from development in wetlands.

9.2.2 Non-Local Permits:

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article or local approval of proposed uses, any permits required by the N.H. Department of Environmental Services under RSA 485-A:17 or RSA 482-A, or the U.S. Army Corps. of Engineers under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act shall be obtained prior to the use or alteration of wetlands in the Town of New Castle.

9.2.3 Area of Jurisdiction:

1. Definition of Wetlands:

- a. Wetlands: Pursuant to RSA 482-A:2 and RSA 674:55, "Wetlands" means an area that is inundated or saturated by surface water or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal conditions does support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. They include, but are not limited to, swamps, bogs, marshes, ponds, as well as any other area falling within the state wetlands jurisdictional definition of RSA 482-A:4. Wetlands may include soils that are defined as poorly and very poorly drained.
- b. Tidal Lands: All lands submerged by the highest observable tide including land which borders on tidal waters, such as banks, bogs, salt marsh, swamps, meadows, flats or other lowlands subject to tidal action. The highest observable tide line shall mean the "reference line" as defined in RSA 483-B:4, XVII and is hereinafter referred to as such.

- c. Isolated Nonbordering Wetlands: Those areas of 3000 square feet or less which satisfy the definition above of “wetlands” but which (1) are not within 100 feet of any other wetlands and do not abut a marsh, pond, bog, river, natural intermittent or perennial stream; (2) do not contribute to flood storage or the proper conveyance of surface water runoff; (3) are not identified as a vernal pool, and (4) have not been identified in the surveys referenced in Section 9.2.3.2 as having high function and value.

2. Definition of Wetland Buffers: Variable wetlands buffers are established for wetlands and tidal lands as follows:

- a. Class A Wetland Buffers: buffers of 100 feet are established from the edge of the named wetlands listed below. These wetlands are identified in the 2005 Wetlands Study (“Wetland Survey – Town of New Castle” and “2005 Wetland Study Map”) and evaluated to be wetlands with the highest functional values and requiring a higher degree of protection:

Wetland ID# 23 Lavenger Creek

Wetland ID# 22 Secret Pond

Wetland ID# 24 Quarterdeck

Wetland ID# 16 Pit Lane “A”

Wetland ID# 26 River Road

- b. Class B Wetland Buffers: Buffers of fifty (50) feet are established from the edge of all wetlands that are not named as Class A or as non-bordering wetlands. Isolated non-bordering wetlands shall have no required buffers.
- c. Tidal Lands Buffers: Buffers of 100 feet are established from the reference line of any tidal lands.
- d. Managed Area: A managed area is defined as the area between 75 feet and 100 feet for wetlands and tidal lands with 100 foot buffers.

3. Delineation of District Boundaries: The limits of the Wetlands Conservation District are hereby determined to be the following:

- a. Town Level Map: Those areas identified, classified and mapped as wetlands in the study entitled “Wetlands Study, Town of New Castle, New Hampshire” prepared for the Town of New Castle by Oak Hill Environmental Services and dated October 2005 (herein after referred to as the “2005 Wetlands Study”). The map contained in this Study shall serve as the general delineation of the District, and may be supplemented with other Town level wetlands mapping sources prepared using the

standards of the evaluative criteria for wetlands delineation referenced in the following section.

- b. **Site Level Delineation:** For the purposes of the administration of the Wetlands Conservation District, the area of jurisdiction shall be delineated through site specific wetlands identification prepared by a certified wetlands scientist using the standards of the evaluative criteria for wetlands delineation as set forth in the publication entitled Federal Manual for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands, January, 1989. Such delineation shall include all swamps, bogs, salt and fresh water marshes, vernal pools, and ponds, and all other wetlands as defined by Section 9.2.3.1. Site level wetlands delineation shall be carried out at the expense of the landowner.
4. **Boundary Appeals:** In the event that the Building Inspector, Planning Board, or Conservation Commission questions the validity of the boundaries of a wetland area on a specific parcel of land, or upon the written petition of the owner or any abutter of the said property to the Planning Board, the Board may call upon the property owner to secure the services of a certified wetlands scientist to examine said area and report the findings to the Planning Board for their determination of the district boundary. Site level wetlands delineation necessary to resolve boundary appeals shall be conducted at the expense of the landowner.

9.2.4 Permitted Uses:

1. Any use otherwise permitted by the zoning ordinance and state and federal laws that does not involve the erection of a building or structure or that does not alter the surface of the land by the addition of fill or by dredging or any other means.
2. Forestry and tree farming, excluding the construction of access roads.
3. Wildlife habitat development and management.
4. Recreational uses consistent with the purpose and intent of this Article as defined in Section 9.2.1.
5. Conservation areas and nature trails.

9.2.5 Conditional Uses:

1. **Conditional Use Permit:** A conditional use permit may be granted by the Planning Board (RSA 674:21 II) for the following uses or alterations in the Wetlands Conservation District provided that all of the conditions listed in subsection 9.2.5.2 below are met. Conditional use permits may only be granted

after review and recommendation by the Conservation Commission and may require the submission of such information as contained in the DES Wetland Bureau "Minimum Impact Expedited Application" as necessary and reasonable to determine that the proposed use will meet the conditions set forth below.

- a. Construction of roads and other access ways, and for pipelines, power lines, and other transmission lines, provided that the proposed construction is essential to the productive use of land not within the Wetlands Conservation District;
- b. Construction of those uses that constitute common treatment associated with a permitted use, e.g., boardwalk for use in nature trail, etc.
- c. Water impoundments constructed for the enhancement of a wetland area.
- d. Buildings, structures and site improvements or any alteration to the surface configuration of the land placed within the managed area of wetlands and tidal lands buffers as set forth in section 9.2.3.2.d.

2. Conditions:

- a. That the use for which the permit is sought cannot feasibly be carried out on a portion or portions of the lot which are outside the Wetlands Conservation District or associated buffers;
- b. That the design, construction and maintenance of the proposed use will, to the extent feasible, minimize detrimental impact on the wetland and be consistent with the purpose and intent of this Article;
- c. There is no feasible alternative to the proposed use that has less detrimental impact on wetlands or tidal lands;
- d. In cases where the proposed use is temporary or where construction activity disturbs areas adjacent to the immediate use, the landowner agrees to restore the site as nearly as possible to its original grade and condition following construction, if required as a condition by the Planning Board;
- e. That the proposed use will not create a hazard to individual or public health, safety and welfare due to the loss of wetland, the contamination of groundwater, or other reason;

- f. Where required, permits shall be obtained from the N.H. Department of Environmental Services under RSA 485-A:17 or RSA 482-A, or the U.S. Army Corps. of Engineers under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act;
- g. In cases where buildings, structures or other alterations of the surface configuration of the land are proposed within the managed area of wetlands and tidal land buffers as set forth in section 9.2.3.2.d, the Planning Board shall determine that the proposed use:
 - 1. does not result in the construction of any detached permanent structure in the subject area;
 - 2. is designed and constructed in a manner which minimizes the following impacts:
 - creation of impervious surface,
 - ground or soil disturbance;
 - removal of natural vegetation;
 - capacity of the buffer area to provide filtration and toxicant removal from the site to the buffered wetland.
- h. The Planning Board, after consultation with the Conservation Commission, may require the applicant to submit an environmental assessment when necessary to evaluate an application made under this Section. In cases where the Planning Board has determined that the proposed use may result in detrimental impacts to the subject wetland, the applicant may be further required to submit a mitigation plan to reduce or eliminate said impacts. The cost of this assessment and mitigation plan shall be borne by the applicant. The Planning Board may also assess the applicant reasonable fees to cover the costs of the review of technical studies required under this section.
- i. Where required by the Planning Board, the applicant shall agree to submit a performance security to ensure that all construction and any required restoration or mitigation per 9.2.5.2.d. or 9.2.5.2.h. is carried out in accordance with an approved design or stated conditions. The security shall be submitted, in a form and amount and with surety and conditions satisfactory to the Town, prior to the issuance of any permit authorizing construction.

9.2.6 Special Exceptions:

1. Non-Conforming Lots:

Special exceptions to permit the erection of a structure in wetlands on nonconforming lots of record shall be made by authorization of the Board of Adjustment provided that the Board finds that each of the following criteria are met:

- a. That the lot upon which an exception is sought was an official lot of record, as recorded in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds prior to the date on which this amendment was posted and published in the Town.
- b. That the use for which the exception is sought cannot feasibly be carried out on a portion or portions of the lot which are outside a wetland area.
- c. That due to the provisions of this Article no reasonable and economically viable use of the lot can be made without the exception.
- d. That the design and construction of the proposed use will, to the extent practical, be consistent with the purpose and intent of this Article.
- e. That the proposed use will not create a hazard to individual or public health, safety and welfare due to the loss of wetland, the contamination of ground water, or other reason. The Board of Adjustment may themselves, or upon petition from the Building Inspector, Conservation Commission or abutters, hire a qualified consultant or consultants to prepare such studies as are necessary to determine whether the conditions set forth above have been met. The cost of such studies shall be borne by the applicant.

2. Water Dependent Structures

The construction of footbridges, boardwalks and wharves only may be erected within the Wetlands Conservation District, provided: (1) said structures are constructed on posts or pilings so as to permit unobstructed flow of water; (2) the natural contour of the wetland is preserved; and (3) the Conservation Commission has reviewed the proposed construction. The Board of Adjustment shall review applications for such uses in accordance with the procedures and criteria established in Section 6.3 MARINAS, DOCKS AND PIERS.

9.2.7 Lot Size Determination:

Wetland areas may be used to fulfill up to 25% of the minimum lot size or other density limitation required by the zoning ordinance and subdivision regulations, provided that the non-wetland area of the lot is sufficient in size and configuration to adequately accommodate all required structures and utilities such as sewage disposal and water supply, including primary and auxiliary leach field locations.

9.2.8 Wetland Buffers:

1. No subsurface wastewater disposal system shall be constructed within 75 feet of any wetland or tidal lands.
2. Construction of a building, structure, site improvements or any other alteration to the surface configuration of the land, excluding minor landscaping improvements, shall be prohibited within all Class A, Class B and Tidal Land buffers as established in Section 9.2.3.2, except as may be granted by Conditional Use Permit per section 9.2.5.1.

3. Marinas, docks, and piers as referenced in Section 6.3 shall be exempt from these buffer requirements – See Section 9.2.6.2 -- Water Dependent Structures.
4. Pesticides and/or fertilizer use is prohibited within 25 feet of the reference line for tidal wetlands and shoreline, or from the edge of the wetland for freshwater wetlands. From 250 to 25 feet, low phosphate, slow release nitrogen fertilizer may be used. (Reference RSA 483-B:9,II).
5. All construction, forestry and agriculture activities within 100 feet of any wetlands shall be undertaken with special care to avoid soil erosion and siltation of wetlands. The Planning Board, pursuant to its subdivision and site plan review authority, may require an erosion control plan approved by the Rockingham County Conservation District for any project that results in surface alteration or soil disturbance undertaken in this area.
6. Natural Woodland Buffer: Where natural woodland buffers exist within 50 feet of the edge of a wetland they must be maintained in accordance with the following:
 - a. Tree cutting is limited to 50% of the basal area² of trees, and 50% of the total number of saplings in a 20-year period. A healthy, well distributed stand of trees, saplings, shrubs, and ground covers must be maintained.
 - b. Stumps and their root systems must remain intact in the ground within 50 feet of the reference line. The opening for building construction is limited to 25 feet outward from the building, septic system, and driveway.
 - c. Tree clearing for access and egress to accessory structures is limited to 10 feet outward from the footprint.

9.2.9 Appeals:

Any order, requirement, decision, or determination of the Planning Board made under this ordinance may be appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as set forth in RSA676:5.

Appendix: Wetland Survey – Town of New Castle

ID#	Geographic Name	Historic Name	Size (Ac.)	Type
#1	Crosby "A"	Bartlett's Swamp	14.54	PEM1H
#2	Crosby "B"		.07	POWC
#3	Crosby "C"		.63	PFO/SS41C
#4	Crosby "D"		.43	PFO/SS41C
#5	Crosby "E"		.49	PEM1E
#6	Wild Rose Lane "A"		.03	PFO1Y
#7	Wild Rose Lane "B"		.04	PFO1Y
#8	Little Harbor Road "A"		.21	PFO1B
#9	Little Harbor Road "B"		.44	PFO1B
#10	Marina		1.10	E2AB1N
#11	Wild Rose Lane "C"		1.72	PEM1H
#12	Great Island Common		4.37	PEM1E
#13	Cemetery	Shaw's Pond	.57	PFO14/SS
#14	Bull Toad Pond	Bull Toad Pond	2.00	PEM/OW
#15	Wentworth Road "A"	Walford's Swamp	4.20	PEM1E
#16	Pit Lane "A"	Souter's Pond	2.50	PEM1E
#17	Pit Lane "B"		3.41	PSS/EM1E
#18	Wentworth Road "B"		1.27	PSS/EM1E
#19	Colonial Lane		.60	PFO1E
#20	Neal's Lane "A"	Kitt's Marsh	.33	PSS/EM1E
#21	Neal's Lane "B"		.41	PSS/EM1E
#22	Secret Pond	Secret Pond	3.45	PEM1H
#23	* Lavenger Creek	Lavenger Creek	9.35	E2EM1
#24	* Quarterdeck	Kitt's Marsh	1.06	PEM1E/E
#25	Ritson Street		.21	PFO1E
#26	* River Road	Muskito Hall	.85	E2EM1
#27	Duck's Head		.65	PEM1E

Note: *=Estuarine

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


²Basal area, as defined in RSA 483-B:4, shall mean the cross sectional area of a tree measured at a height of 4.5 feet above the ground, usually expressed in square feet per acre for a stand of trees.

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Proposed Wetlands Conservation District - Town Level Map



Wetlands Map
New Castle, NH

-  Coastal Wetlands
-  Wetlands 2006
-  New Castle Parcels
-  100 Foot Buffer
-  50 Foot Buffer

Wetlands delineated by the NH Dept. of Environmental Services in October 2005. Coastal wetlands were delineated by Normandus Assoc. from unrectified aerial photos in 1998. Digital Tax Parcels supplied by James W. Stewart Co. Inc. in 1994 and updated by the Planning & Zoning Commission in 1999.



0 300 750 Feet

ARTICLE IV: Zoning Amendment Number 3: Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District

Are you in favor of adopting Zoning Amendment Number 3, as proposed by the Planning Board for the New Castle Zoning Ordinance to change the title of the ordinance to “Personal Wireless Service Facility Overlay District” and to alter, provide conditions and requirements consistent with the purpose of this ordinance, siting standards and priorities to read as follows:

9.5 Personal Wireless Service Facility Overlay District:

9.5.1 Purpose and Intent

New Castle is a small, historic, densely populated island community. There are limits on the amount of land and how that land can be used. The total land area of the Town is .8 square miles; the population density of the Town is 1222.6 per square mile. Because Personal Wireless Service Facilities (“PWSFs”) are inherently intrusive unless deployed in an aesthetically sensitive manner, and given the distinctive physical and historical character of the Town, this ordinance has been adopted to permit and promote the siting of PWSFs in a manner which meets the public interest by permitting the siting of PWSFs in the manner described below and by providing for Personal Wireless Services throughout the Town. The purpose of the Personal Wireless Service Facility Overlay District is to effectuate the following legislative goals:

1. Preserve the full authority of the Town of New Castle to regulate and to provide for reasonable opportunity for the siting of PWSFs.
2. Reduce adverse impacts the siting of such facilities may create, including, but not limited to: impacts on aesthetics, environmentally sensitive areas, historically significant areas, flight corridors, health and safety and prosperity.
3. Provide for and promote co-location on PWSFs.
4. Provide for removal of abandoned facilities.
5. Promote personal wireless services throughout the Town.
6. Discourage applications for variances from this ordinance because the comprehensive scheme of regulation provided by this ordinance is in the public interest.
7. Legislate this ordinance pursuant to and consistent with relevant New Hampshire and federal law, including but not limited to RSA 12-K et.seq. and the Telecommunications Act of 1996, as each may be amended.

9.5.2 Establishment of Personal Wireless Service Facility Overlay District:

The Personal Wireless Service Facility Overlay District shall consist of the following and shall be subject to the hierarchical siting principles set forth below:

1. PWSFs may be deployed within existing structures, including legal nonconforming structures.

2. Town owned land located outside the Historic District which does not restrict by deed or otherwise the siting of PWSFs;
3. Town owned or controlled public rights of way.

9.5.3 Siting Standards and Priorities:

The following hierarchy for siting PWSFs shall apply, when consistent with the purpose and intent of this ordinance:

1. First, use of existing PWSFs;
2. Second, use of existing structures, including but not limited to legal nonconforming structures;
3. Third, use of Town owned land as described herein.

Siting of PWSF's shall be by Alternative Antenna Structures, as defined herein. The height at which PWSFs may be deployed shall be the height of any existing structure within which such deployment occurs, including the height of any legal nonconforming structure, or, in the case of deployment of a new Alternative Antenna Structure within the public right of way, the height of existing utility poles within the public right of way in the immediate vicinity of the proposed deployment or, in the case of a new Alternative Antenna Structure on Town owned land, which is qualified for such a siting under this ordinance, such Alternative Antenna Structure may be deployed at a height which shall not exceed 10 feet over the average tree canopy height. Average tree canopy height means, for purposes of establishing the permitted height of an Alternative Antenna Structure, the average height found by inventorying the height at above ground level of all trees over twenty (20) feet in height within a radius extending fifty (50) feet from the proposed Alternative Antenna Structure.

9.5.4 Definitions:

1. Alternative Antenna Structure: A structure, including supporting apparatus and antennas, that employs innovative siting techniques that disguise, camouflage or conceal the presence of the supporting apparatus in a manner which is compatible with the environs of the Alternative Antenna Structure. The alternative antenna structure and all related equipment must be concealed.
2. Public Rights of Way: all federal, state and town public streets, highways, roads, ways, including rights of ways, and all private ways open to the public or over which Town has an easement for public travel.
3. PWSFs: any facility as defined in the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. section 332 (c) (7) (C) (i)
4. FAA: An acronym that shall mean the Federal Aviation Administration.
5. FCC: An acronym that shall mean the Federal Communications Commission.
6. Height: Shall mean, when referring to a PWSF, the distance measured from ground level to the highest point on the tower or other structure, even if said highest point is an antenna.

7. Planning Board or Board: Shall mean the Town of New Castle Planning Board and the regulator of this ordinance.
8. Preexisting PWSFs: Shall mean any PWSF lawfully constructed or permitted prior to the adoption of this ordinance. Shall also mean any PWSF lawfully constructed in accordance with this ordinance that predates an application currently before the Board.

9.5.4 Conditional Uses:

1. Conditional Use Permit:

All applications under this ordinance shall apply to the Planning Board for site plan review in accordance with the requirements of the town site plan review regulations. The Planning Board shall act upon an application for siting by applying its site review regulations as well as the provisions of this ordinance and shall process application in accordance with the procedural requirements of its site plan review regulations and RSA 676:4. All decisions rendered by the Planning Board shall be in writing and any denial of an application to site a facility shall be in writing and shall be based upon substantial evidence contained in the written record. The Planning Board may impose conditions in granting a conditional use permit pursuant to this subsection to the extent the Board concludes such conditions are necessary to minimize any adverse effect of the proposed facility on adjoining properties and to effectuate the intent of this ordinance. The siting of a wireless telecommunications facility is permitted in the Wireless Telecommunications Overlay District by conditional use permit which may be granted by the Planning Board based on the following criteria and pursuant to the following procedure.

2. Application Requirements

- (a) Each applicant requesting a conditional use permit under this ordinance shall submit a scaled plan in accordance with the site plan review regulations of the Town of New Castle. The plan shall include at a minimum the following:
 1. A scaled elevation view depicting the proposed site and the property of all abutters and depicting structures located within a radius of one half mile from the proposed site;
 2. A topographic depiction of the site;
 3. Depicting all setbacks from existing structures, streets, rights-of-way, common areas and other structures, including existing PWSFs;
 4. Depicting proposed ingress and egress to the site;
 5. Depicting surrounding tree coverage and foliage; and
 6. Depicting visual impacts on view sheds, ridge lines, and other impacts by means of tower location, tree and foliage clearing and placement of incidental structures.

(b) Other information required:

1. Radio frequency coverage;
2. Written proof that the proposed facility complies with FCC regulations on radio frequency exposure guidelines;
3. Written proof that an evaluation has taken place and reporting the results of that evaluation, certifying that the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) have been met and certifying that any environmental assessment process required by FCC rules has been met;
4. Written inventory of existing sites which are within the jurisdiction of the Town and which are within two miles of the geographic borders of the Town, including specific information about the PWSF, as well as economic and technological feasibility for co-location on those PWSFs;
5. Written information demonstrating that no existing structure described in the inventory can accommodate the antenna the applicant proposes to locate.
6. Written statement confirming that the applicant will pay reasonable fees imposed by the Planning Board pursuant to RSA 12-K:4 and RSA 676:4 I(g).

3. Conditions

(a) The Planning Board shall grant a conditional use permit authorizing the siting of a PWSF within the Personal Wireless Service Facility Overlay District upon finding that the applicant has met each of the following conditions:

1. The proposed PWSF will not unreasonably interfere with the view of any park, natural scenic vista, historic building, or view corridor;
2. That the height of the proposed, PWSF meets this Ordinance.
3. That the hierarchy for siting PWSFs has been met.
4. That the proposed facility will be built to allow for maximum allowance of co-location upon the new facility. The Planning Board shall make a finding, based upon information submitted by the applicant, that the applicant will reasonably enable subsequent co-location on the facility to be sited by agreeing to make such co-location available for reasonable fees and costs to other telecommunications providers.
5. That the applicant has complied with all applicable site review regulations with the Town of New Castle.

(b) The Planning Board shall make written findings on each of these conditions.

9.5.5 Construction Performance Requirements

a. Aesthetic and Lighting

The guidelines in this subsection (A), shall govern the location of all PWSFs, and the installation of all antennas. However, the Planning Board may waive these requirements, only if it determines that the goals of this ordinance are served thereby.

1. PWSFs shall be painted so as to reduce visual obtrusiveness.
2. At a PWSF site, the design of the buildings and related structures shall, to the maximum extent possible, use materials, colors, textures, screening, and landscaping that will blend the PWSFs with the natural setting and built environment. These buildings and facilities shall also be subject to all other Site Plan Review Regulation requirements.
3. If an antenna is installed on an existing structure, , the antenna and supporting electrical and mechanical equipment must be of neutral color that is identical to, or closely compatible with, the color of the structure so as to make the antenna and related equipment as visually unobtrusive as possible.
4. PWSFs shall not be artificially lighted, unless required by the FAA or other applicable authority. If lighting is required, the governing authority may review the available lighting alternatives and approve the design that would cause the least disturbance to the surrounding views.
5. PWSFs shall not contain any permanent or temporary signs, writing, symbols, or any graphic representation of any kind.

B. Federal Requirements

All PWSFs must meet or exceed current standards and regulations of the FAA, FCC, and any other agency of the federal government with the authority to regulate towers and antennas. If such standards and regulations are changed, then the owners of the PWSFs governed by this ordinance shall bring such PWSFs into compliance with such revised standards and regulations within six (6) months of the effective date of such standards and regulations, unless a more stringent compliance schedule is mandated by the controlling federal agency. Failure to bring PWSFs into compliance with such revised standards and regulations shall constitute grounds for the removal of the PWSFs, as abandoned, at the owner's expense through the execution of the posted security.

C. Building Codes-Safety Standards

To ensure the structural integrity of PWSFs, the owner of a PWSF shall ensure that it is maintained in compliance with standards contained in applicable local building codes and the applicable standards for PWSFs that are published by the Electronic Industries Association, as amended from time to time. If, upon inspection, the Town concludes that a PWSF fails to comply with such codes and standards and constitutes a danger to persons or property, then upon notice

being provided to the owner of the PWSF, the owner shall have 30 days to bring such PWSFs into compliance with such standards. If the owner fails to bring such PWSFs into compliance within 30 days, such action shall constitute an abandonment and grounds for the removal of the PWSFs or antenna, as abandoned, at the owners expense through execution of the posted security.

D. Additional Requirements

These requirements shall supersede any and all other applicable standards found elsewhere in Town Ordinances or Regulations that are less strict.

1. Setbacks and Separation

- a. Alternative Antenna Structures must be set back a distance equal to 125% of the height of the structure from any off-site residential structure. This provision does not apply to Alternative Antenna Structures located within Town owned or controlled public rights of way.
- b. PWSFs and accessory facilities must satisfy the minimum zoning district setback requirements provided, however, that the Planning Board is authorized to waive this requirement in the case of deployment within a structure or within a right of way if the Planning Board determines that the PWSF and accessory facilities are concealed or camouflaged.

2. Security Fencing

PWSFs shall be enclosed by security fencing not less than six (6) feet in height and shall also be equipped with an appropriate anti-climbing device to the extent the Planning Board, in its reasonable discretion, believes such fencing is required to ensure public safety.

3. Landscaping

- a. Base equipment and other accessory facilities servicing a PWSF shall be landscaped with a buffer of plant materials that effectively screens the view of the base equipment and other accessory facilities from adjacent residential property. The standard buffer shall consist of a landscaped strip at least 10 feet wide outside the perimeter of the compound. Natural vegetation is preferred.
- b. In locations where the visual impact of the base equipment would be minimal, the landscaping requirement may be reduced or waived entirely.

- c. Existing mature tree growth and natural land forms on the site shall be preserved to the maximum extent possible. In some cases, such as PWSFs sited on large wooded lots, natural growth around the property may be deemed a sufficient buffer.

9.5.6 Bonding and Security and Insurance

Recognizing the extremely hazardous situation presented by abandoned and unmonitored PWSFs, the Planning Board shall set the form and amount of security that represents the cost for removal and disposal of abandoned PWSFs in the event that the PWSF is abandoned and the owner is incapable and unwilling to remove the PWSF. Bonding and surety shall be consistent with the provision in the Subdivision Regulations. Furthermore, the Planning Board shall require the submission of proof of adequate insurance covering accident or damage.

9.5.7 Removal of Abandoned PWSFs

Any PWSF that is not operated for a continuous period of twelve (12) months shall be considered abandoned and hazardous to the public health and safety, unless the owner of said PWSFs provides proof of quarterly inspections. The owner shall remove the abandoned structure within ninety (90) days of receipt of a declaration of abandonment from the Town notifying the owner of such abandonment. A declaration of abandonment shall only be issued following a public hearing, noticed per Town regulations, with notice to abutters and the last known owner/operator of the PWSF. If the abandoned PWSF is not removed within ninety (90) days the Town may execute the security and have the PWSFs removed. If there are two or more users of a single PWSF, this provision shall not become effective until all users cease using the PWSF.

(ON THE BALLOT)

ARTICLE V: Building Code Amendment No. 1 - Section 2, Establishment of Office of Building Official

Are you in favor of adoption of Building Code Amendment No. 1, as proposed by the Planning Board, to add section "d" to read as follows:

- (d) A deputy building official may be appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

(ON THE BALLOT)

ARTICLE VI: Building Code Amendment No. 2 - Section 3(a), Duties of the Building Official

Are you in favor of adoption of Building Code Amendment No. 2, as proposed by the Planning Board, for alterations to section (a) to read as follows:

- (a) It shall be the duty of the Building Official to enforce all laws relating to the construction, alteration, removal, and demolition of building and structures. If property markers are not visible or the applicant cannot provide other evidence of the property boundaries, the Building Official shall require the bounding of property for all exterior construction.

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ARTICLE VII: Building Code Amendment No. 3 - Section 8, Fees

Are you in favor of adoption of Building Code Amendment No. 3, as proposed by the Planning Board, for alterations to sections 8(b) and (c) plus adding a new section (g) as follows?

- (b) For a permit for the construction, installation, or alteration of a building or structure, the fee shall be at a rate of five (\$5.00) per one thousand (\$1,000) of estimated cost of projects estimated above twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). For projects with an estimated cost of between five hundred one (\$501) and twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), the fee shall be one hundred dollars (\$100).
- (c) For a permit for the removal of a building or structure from one lot to another, or to a new location within the same lot, the fee shall be at the rate of five dollars (\$5.00) per thousand dollars (\$1,000) of the estimated cost of moving, new foundations and work necessary to put the building or structure in usable condition in its new location.
- (g) A certificate of Occupancy is required before the habitation of any structure. A Certificate of Occupancy will not be issued until all relevant permits are secured and inspections are completed. The building owner may be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$275 for each day that a violation of Section 8(g) has taken place.

(ON THE BALLOT)

ARTICLE VIII: Deaf Exemption Article (RSA 72:38.b)

Shall we adopt the exemption for the deaf? The exemption based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers, shall be \$50,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years and own and occupy the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by a spouse, they must have been married for a least five years. In addition the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$25,000 or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$50,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$75,000 excluding the value of the person's residents. If passed, this exemption will be effective for 2006 taxes.

ARTICLE IX: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the New Cemetery Trust Fund created in 1999; said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund.

ARTICLE X: Shall the Town accept the provisions of RSA 31:95-b providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the town meeting, unanticipated money from state, federal, or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year?

ARTICLE XI: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be needed to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE XII: To hear the reports of agents, officers, committees, boards, and others heretofore chosen and to pass any vote in relation thereto.

ARTICLE XIII: To transact such business as may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 17th day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

A true copy of warrant – attest

Robert W. Beecher, Chairman

Peter Gamester

Charles A. Tarbell
Board of Selectmen

recreation. The business-type activities include water and sewer operations.

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

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

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

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

Proprietary Funds. Proprietary funds are maintained as follows:

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

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the water and sewer operations, both of which are considered to be major funds of the Town of New Castle.

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

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

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

C. Government-Wide Financial Analysis

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current fiscal year. Because fiscal year 2005 was the first year of GASB 34 implementation, prior year comparative data was not available for presentation. Comparative information will be provided in future years.

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>
<u>Total</u>		
Current & other assets	\$ 545,828	\$ 178,184
\$ 724,012		
Capital assets	<u>23,552,838</u>	<u>2,113,262</u>
<u>25,666,100</u>		
Total assets	24,098,666	2,291,446
26,390,112		
Total Liabilities	79,799	15,594
95,393		
Net assets:		
Invested in cap. Assets, net	23,552,838	1,803,655
25,356,493		
Unrestricted fund balance	466,029	472,197
938,226		
Total net assets	\$24,018,867	\$2,275,852
\$26,294,719	=====	=====
=====		

By far the largest portion of net assets, \$25,666,100 (97.6%) reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, machinery and equipment) less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related

debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay the debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be sued to liquidate these liabilities.

D. Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

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

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$466,029, an increase of \$36,212 in comparison with the prior year.

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

Unrestricted net assets of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to \$472,197. Factors concerning the finances of proprietary funds have already been addressed in the entity-wide discussion of business-type activities.

E. Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The Town of New Castle has been burdened with the statewide property tax that funds education throughout the state by providing funds to communities with low property values. Cities and Towns with high property values, such as the Town of New Castle, became donor communities. In FY 2005, New Castle required to send \$1,022,873 to the State.

The water rate has remained stable for over 13 years at \$1.74 per 100 cubic feet (748 gallons). The sewer rate was increased for the first time in 9 years in FY2004 from \$2.10 per 100 cubic feet to \$2.44 per 100 cubic feet. The increase was primarily due to additional costs passed on from the City of Portsmouth.

Requests for Information:

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

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FY2005 ASSESSED VALUATION REPORT**

	<u>NUMBER OF ACRES</u>	<u>ASSESSED VALUATION</u>
LAND AND BUILDINGS:		
Value of Land Only		
Current Use	9.08	\$136
Conservation Restriction	14.52	6,170
Discretionary Preservation Easement (Audubon)	1.76	387
Residential	264.478	368,207,800
Commercial/Industrial	10.733	13,808,900
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Total of Taxable Land	300.571	382,023,393
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable (\$55,407,500)	157.616	
Value of Buildings Only:		
Residential		170,660,300
Commercial/Industrial		24,527,000

Total Taxable Buildings		195,187,300
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable (\$6,284,700)		
Public Utilities: Electric		1,006,900
Mature Wood and Timber		0

Valuation Before Exemptions		578,217,593
Blind Exemption (\$15,000 each)	2	30,000
ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS:		
Age 65 - 74 (\$100,000 each)	4	400,000
Age 75 and over (\$150,000 each)	2	300,000

TOTAL DOLLAR OF EXEMPTIONS		730,000
NET VALUATION FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX RATE COMPUTATION		577,487,593
Less Public Utilities		1,006,900

NET VALUATION FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX		\$576,480,693
TAX CREDITS:		
Totally & Permanently Disabled Veterans		
their spouses and widows (\$700 / \$1400 each)	1	\$1,400
Other War Service Credits (\$100 each)	93	9,300
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TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT	94	\$10,700
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**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FY2005 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

---Municipal Portion---

Gross Appropriations	\$1,812,650
Less: Revenues	1,304,566
Less: Shared Revenues	3,763
Add: Overlay	41,895
Add: War Service Credits	10,700

Net Town Appropriation	556,916
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	556,916
Municipal Tax Rate	\$0.97

---School Portion---

Net Local School Budget	1,219,463
Regional School Apportionment	0
Less: State Education Taxes	379,341

Approved School Tax Effort	840,122
Local Education Tax Rate	1.45

---State Ed Taxes---

State Education Tax Effort	1,402,214	2.43
Excess State Educ Taxes to be Remitted to State	1,022,873	

---County Portion---

Due to County	470,260
Less: Shared Revenues	3,379

Approved County Appropriation Effort	466,881
County Tax Rate	0.81

Combined Tax Rate	\$5.66
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Total Property Taxes Assessed	\$3,266,133
Less: War Service Credits	10,700
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0

Total Property Tax Commitment	\$3,255,433
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---PROOF OF RATE---

NEW ASSESSED VALUATION

		<u>TAX RATE</u>	<u>ASSESSMENT</u>
State Education Tax	\$576,480,693	2.43	1,402,214
All Other Taxes	577,487,593	3.23	1,863,919

\$3,266,133

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT (MS-61)
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005**

	LEVY FOR	PRIOR YEAR LEVIES	
	2005	2004	2003
UNCOLLECTED TAXES 06/30/04:			
Property Taxes		0	0
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR:			
Property Taxes	\$3,259,944		
OVERPAYMENTS:			
Property Taxes	14,033		
Abatements by Check			
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes	2,982		
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>3,276,959</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
REMITTED TO TREASURER:			
Property Taxes	3,253,640		
Interest	2,982		
Overpayments	14,033		
Conversion to Liens	2,417		
ABATEMENTS:			
Abatements	3,887		
UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT 6/30/05			
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>3,276,959</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	2005	2004	2003+
UNREDEEMED LIENS 6/30/04	<u>0</u>	<u>22,059</u>	<u>794</u>
LIENS EXECUTED:			
Property Taxes	2,417		
Interest & Costs	224	1,379	
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>2,641</u>	<u>23,438</u>	<u>794</u>
REMITTED TO TREASURER:			
Redemptions	0	21,824	0
Liens Deeded to Municipality	0	235	794
Interest & Costs	0	1,379	0
UNREDEEMED LIENS 6/30/05	<u>2,641</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$2,641</u>	<u>23,438</u>	<u>794</u>

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 RECEIPTS OF THE TOWN CLERK
 For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005**

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$254,129
Marriage Licenses & Other Vital Records	608
All Other Sources	815

TOTAL RECEIPTS	255,552
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PAYMENTS REMITTED TO TREASURER	\$255,552
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**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 REPORT OF THE TREASURER
 For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005**

The following is the balance of all accounts in the custody of the Treasurer as of June 30, 2005.

GENERAL FUND:	
Checking Account	\$43,688
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	2,197
Bank of New Hampshire Investment Pool	491,823
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	
Checking Account	4,951
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	168,558

Respectfully Submitted,
 William B. Marshall, III
 Treasurer

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC LIBRARY
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS
AND DISBURSEMENTS
For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005**

RECEIPTS:

Town Appropriations	\$47,896
School Appropriations	3,000
Designated Gifts	892
Donations	2,500
Investments	662
Other	395

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$55,345

DISBURSEMENTS:

Books & Videos	10,936
Children's Books	2,383
Designated Gifts	857
Payroll & Payroll Taxes	34,531
Software, Hardware, & Support	4,611
Operations	10,674
Professional Expenses	1,538
Other	638

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

66,168

NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH

(10,823)

CASH ON HAND 6/30/2004

32,119

CASH ON HAND 6/30/2005

\$21,296
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REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting of May 2005, a report of Town Clerk's receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, and the annual compilation of vital records are printed elsewhere in this volume.

Revenues for fiscal 2004/2005 were down 2.3% mainly due to people not buying new cars and those buying new cars purchasing smaller more fuel efficient cars which are less expensive. The mail renewal program is working very well. Also we are now online with the Bureau of Vital Records, which reduces the time to prepare marriage certificate or copies of vital records.

As for last year's Town Meeting and Election, I could not have done it without the help of Libby Beckenbaugh, Pamela Cullen, Holly Gleason, Leslie Parker, Roddi Smith and Marcia Cronin and the numerous volunteers. A great big thanks to all of you for your help.

I also want to thank the residents of New Castle for their friendly attitude when registering their cars and when voting. It is a pleasure to be of service to all that have a need to do business with the Clerk's office. One of the things that make New Castle the Great Island is the great people.

Respectfully submitted,
Willard Gleason

Town Clerk

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

"When a man assumes a public trust, he should consider himself as public property."
-Thomas Jefferson

"What men value in this world are not rights but privileges."
-H.L. Mencken

TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS

In the past year there have both an increase in traffic complaints and in traffic enforcement. The streets of New Castle are narrow with very sharp curves. It is a very challenging place to enforce speeding and other violations. The challenge also comes from the violators who get stopped. Many of the people who are stopped are New Castle residents and in some cases are the same people who complain about others who violate traffic laws. Please respect all.

NEW OFFICER

The New Castle Police Department is very lucky and special for a small agency in that the department has been without officer turnover in over ten years. This allows the taxpayers to get to know the officer and saves a great deal of money in expenses and training. As of this report we are without turnover but we do welcome a new officer, our first one in many years. Steve Blanding is our newest part-time officer. Steve is young and very enthusiastic and we hope he has a long career in law enforcement.

SEACOAST EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (SERT)

The New Castle Police Department has been an active supporter of the Seacoast Emergency Response Team (SERT). There have been emergency callouts that range from barricaded subjects, hostage situations, and alerts at Seabrook Nuclear Plant. The (SERT) team is the first line defense in case of any terrorist incidents of Weapons of Mass Destruction situation. SERT is comprised of 17 communities.

Respectfully submitted,
James C. Murphy
Chief of Police

SYNOPSIS OF POLICE ACTIVITY 2005

Suspicious Activity/Criminal Complaints	206
Medical Assists/Assist FD	79
Total Arrests	39
Alarms	302
Domestic Complaints	19
Mutual Aid Calls	119
Building Residences Checks	2007
Unsecured Buildings/Residences	137
Assist Other Town Agencies	709
Assist Citizens	418

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

The town licensed 153 dogs during the 2005 year, which in addition to fines, brought in approximately \$872.50 in revenue to the town. Dog licensing for this year has already started. I'm hoping to achieve 100% compliance this year and avoid having to issue civil forfeitures for unlicensed dogs, so if you haven't already licensed your dog please do so before April 30th. If your dog has passed away or no longer residing with you please let me know either by phone or email.

As a reminder, dogs are not allowed in the Common, beach, or other town owned areas from May 15th to Sept. 15th. Please be a responsible pet owner and clean up after your pet wherever you travel. For the safety of your pets and all citizens please keep your pet leashed when off your property, especially when walking your pet along the busy roadway.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 436-3800, ext. 16 or email me via the web site at www.newcastlenh.org/police/ACO/index_aco.shtml

ANIMAL CONTROL STATISTICS

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Complaints	79	47	48	39	10
Barking	1	7	2	1	0
Bites	1	2	2	2	3
Menace Animal	0	0	0	0	0
Nuisance Animal	0	3	0	0	0
Running at-large	3	3	3	1	6
Vicious Animal	0	1	0	0	0
Unspecified	74	28	34	27	1
Sick/Injured	0	3	7	8	4
Enforcement Action	13	12	15	28	40
Civil Forfeiture	9	5	14	27	30
Written Warnings – Other	4	7	1	1	10
Other Corrective Actions	3	4	3	1	5
Correction Notices	0	2	3	1	4
Warnings - Letters Issued	3	2	0	0	1

Note: Calls account for any call that involves an animal regardless of a complaint or action taken. Animal calls that do not fit into those categories, such as assistance, concerns, etc. are still tracked through our normal Dispatch Logs.

Respectfully submitted,
Lt. Douglas V. Cummings
Animal Control Officer

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

2005 proved to be an interesting year for the fire department. Despite a reduction in the number of calls for service, members were busy throughout the year training and refining their skills.

This year saw the retirement of 3 talented and dedicated members. Chuck Petlick and Will Gleason from New Castle and Jack Mercer from Kittery hung up their gear after giving many years to the department. Chuck and Jack were firefighters and Will was an Emergency Medical Technician. We thank them for their service and wish them the best of luck. Keeping the cycle complete, the department welcomed 2 new members – Brad Meade and Dennis Dinsmore. Dennis and Steve Blanding completed Firefighter 1 training in December, joining our ranks as certified firefighters with Brad scheduled to complete training this summer. David Blanding was promoted to Assistant Chief joining myself and Dick White as the chief officers of the department.

As I said last year, this Department is staffed with trained dedicated professionals who deeply care about New Castle and her residents. The retention of these dedicated volunteers is our number one priority. We do that by providing the membership with outstanding training, educational opportunities, and first rate equipment. With only half of the membership living on the island, it is imperative that we not only retain those responders living off island, but also continue to recruit new members. While we have fared well in the past, other volunteer departments in the area are dipping into the pool of available manpower. Every volunteer department in the area is in need of help and New Castle is no exception. While we are better staffed than most, we will constantly be challenged to maintain our advantage. Can you help? The Fire Department is always in need of quality individuals who have a desire to help their community. You supply the enthusiasm, and we'll supply the training.

Our thanks go out to the community that supports us so generously each year. Those who volunteer their time to make this town a better, safer place also thank you. Please take a moment to thank them for everything they do. I know they'd appreciate it.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl F. Roediger
Chief of Department

REPORT OF INCIDENTS

In-Town Incidents

Outside Fire	1	Furnace / Boiler Malfunction	1
Electrical / HVAC Fire	2	Arcing Wires	2
Fire Alarm Activation	21	Emergency Medical Aid	60
Good Intent Calls	2	Motor Vehicle / Pedestrian Accident	1
Water Problems	2	Service Calls	4

Mutual Aid Incidents

To Pease International Tradeport	1	To Kittery	3
To Rye	5	To York	1

Total Alarms: 107

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER 2004 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires Reported through November 18, 2005)

2005 Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding area) is completely covered with snow. Violations of the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail, in addition to the cost of suppressing the fire. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. **However, please note that due to the proximity of our homes in New Castle, burning permits are required at all times, even if it is raining or there is snow on the ground.**

2005 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires Reported through November 4, 2005)

TOTALS BY COUNTY

	<u># of Fires</u>
Belknap	53
Carroll	81
Cheshire	13
Coos	45
Grafton	50
Hillsborough	117
Merrimack	81
Rockingham	41
Strafford	23
Sullivan	9

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	2
Campfire	34
Children	29
Smoking	40
Debris	284
Railroad	1
Lightning	5
Equipment	7
Misc.*	111
(*Misc: powerlines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)	

	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2005	513	174
2004	462	147
2003	374	100
2002	540	187

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES

Respectfully Submitted,
Carl F. Roediger
Deputy Forest Fire Warden

Philip Bryce
Director, Div of Forests & Lands

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Americans were reminded again of the devastation that Mother Nature can wreak with the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the Gulf Coast region. Many were riveted to the constant stream of news reports showing rescue efforts and outlining the destruction. As I have listened to numerous briefings on search and rescue efforts by different agencies, I came away with a sobering thought – sometimes all the preparation in the world will not ensure a positive outcome. That being said, being as prepared as possible for a catastrophic event may mean the difference between success and failure. As we saw in the Gulf, over reliance on outside agencies is no guarantee of safety. We all must do our parts to prepare ourselves and our families for whatever may come.

If we see mayhem at area stores when there is the forecast of 6 to 10 inches of snow, what will happen when we are faced with more serious weather emergencies? Recent high wind events have shown that power outages can last quite some time. Adequate stores of packaged foods, drinking water, prescription medications, and batteries cannot be overemphasized. Visit the State's Bureau of Emergency Management website at: <http://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/emergservices/bem/index.html> for additional ideas on how to best protect your family. It is not if, but when, we will feel the effects of a serious ocean storm or a destructive wind event like we had several years ago. How we get through a situation like that is entirely up to us. We all need to be ready.

Each year, every household and business receives an Emergency Public Information Brochure for Seabrook Station by mail from the New Hampshire Bureau of Emergency Management. Seabrook Station is required by law to provide this information to citizens around the Station. It provides a wealth of information on Seabrook specific emergencies as well as being a good informational guide for all kinds of large-scale emergencies. Please keep the brochure, read it and store it with your telephone book.

Inside this brochure, is an "Emergency Help Survey" card. The survey card is part of an annual program to identify persons who may need individual help in the event of an emergency. If you, or someone you know, require individual help, it is important for you to let us know. Just fill in the information and return the card. However, if you would like personalized help with the survey, please contact the Fire Department so that we can meet your needs during the time of an emergency. **Your Response Will Be Kept Strictly Confidential.**

Respectfully submitted,

Carl F. Roediger
Emergency Management Director

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

The Planning Board had another active year in 2005. Most of the issues before the Planning Board relate to the fact that growth in our town is occurring through redevelopment of existing buildings and lots, rather than on previously undeveloped land. This condition, combined with the high price of real estate, has resulted in many homeowners wishing to maximize the utilization of their property. As a result, the Planning Board reviewed several cases of proposed construction within wetland buffer areas. To insure that these types of issues are dealt with appropriately, the Planning Board, together with the Rockingham Planning Commission, has undertaken a comprehensive audit of New Castle's conservation related ordinances. When completed, this process will result in recommendations for updates and changes to the Zoning Ordinance. These changes will insure that the revised conservation ordinances properly reflect the objectives set forth in New Castle's Master Plan.

Also of significance were two different applications for condominium conversion approval. As part of the due diligence for these applications, the Planning Board conducted a thorough review of the Town's condominium related ordinances. Although it was determined that no changes to the ordinance were warranted at this time, the rules for condominium eligibility were clarified.

The application for a wireless telecommunications deployment in the steeple of the New Castle Church was also reviewed by the Planning Board in 2005. Many issues were raised by this application, prompting a study of changes that are needed to keep up to date with the changing technology and legal obligations in this area.

As always, the Planning Board continued to assess the effectiveness of the Town's other zoning ordinances with input from the Selectmen, the Board of Adjustment, Conservation Commission, Historic District Commission and the Building Inspector.

Last, and certainly not least, I would like to thank the members of the board, Secretary Anita Colby and the staff at the Town Hall for their efforts on behalf of the Planning Board. The many hours of hard work and tremendous dedication of this group of people are greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Stu Levenson
Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The ZBA hears requests for Special Exception, appeals from an Administrative Decision, and requests for variances. A brief Citizen's Guide is available at Town Hall explaining the differences and what is needed in applying. Owners may have a lawyer represent them, but it is not necessary.

The Board heard five cases in 2005, all variance requests. A side setback variance was granted, a lot coverage variance was denied, two variances for construction within 50' of tidal waters were approved, and a request for a use variance to permit wireless telecommunication facilities in a district where not allowed was denied. The applicant in the wireless facility case moved for reconsideration, granted, and the case is being reheard in 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald A. Moore
Chairman

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION REPORT

Your Historic District Commission has had another busy year. We take our charge very seriously and try to accommodate all applicants within the confines of the ordinances.

If you own property in the historic district and are contemplating changes to the exterior of any building on the property, please do not hesitate to call me to discuss your project. We can decide if a work session is appropriate or if we can go directly to a public hearing. We will do our best to make the process as painless as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara S. Becker, Chairman

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

There were a total of 58 Building Permits issued during calendar year 2005 for various improvements, remodeling projects, additions, and 3 new homes, two of which were replacements for previously existing homes.

We continue to encourage homeowners to ensure that you or your contractor has obtained the necessary permits---before---starting work. Please apply well in advance of your planned start date to ensure that your required permissions can navigate through the numerous boards, when necessary.

You voted last year to increase the fine from \$100 to \$275 per day for starting work without a Building Permit, or other zoning infractions. Unfortunately, these fines have been applied in a couple of cases. Please feel free to call the office before starting any project, regardless of its size.

I again request that you ensure that the inspections that are required on the bottom of the Building Permit are all signed before you consider the job complete. You paid for these inspections with the "permit fee." These various inspections help to ensure that the work was done according to code and in a manner that is safe for the occupants. The final inspection which is the inspection that produces the Certificate of Occupancy is probably the most important of all the inspections as it helps to ensure that all your systems are working as intended. Do not hesitate to call for a final inspection if you have had a project complete recently. It is not often apparent that a project has finalized by passing by your residence.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Petlick, Building Official

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND

The Town's trust funds totaled \$702,278.81 at year end 6/30/05 and \$685,52 at year ending 6/30/04. These totals represent the sum of 10 separate funds representing permanent endowments, capital reserves, and temporary escrows established by town meeting votes, school board votes, gifts, and cemetery lot purchases. By State law, the individual funds are now maintained separately, as differentiated from a common trust fund which the town maintained for a number of years.

The individual funds are invested in either Federal Agency bonds with short fixed terms, a bond mutual fund, or a money market fund with yields varying from up to 5.95% for a bond to 3.8% for money market funds. The investments are selected by the activity requirements of each individual fund. The Library and Cemetery Maintenance Funds have their earnings disbursed annually in total to the Library Trustees and the town. Other funds are disbursed in accordance with the requirements of the establishing body.

The three trustees meet as needed for investment decisions or disbursement purposes. The principal investment criteria is security of principal. Yields have been modest this last year, in the range of 3% to 5% for most of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell N. Cox
Gene Doherty
William Cronin

LIBRARY TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees are pleased to report that over the past year the New Castle Public Library has continued to evolve and expand the services provided to the community. Gene Fox, our Librarian, has been hard at work and unrelenting in his pursuit of improving and enhancing the quality of the Library. As a small residential community we should be collectively pleased with the level of library service available to our residents. Enhanced service at the Library means increased expenses. Notwithstanding the increase in costs to run the Library, the Trustees have only requested approximately a 5% increase in its budget or \$2,440 more from last year.

Significant events over the past year include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A Saturday story-time was added in December for children and parents unable to come to the Thursday morning sessions. The Saturday time slot is proving to be increasingly popular among residents.
- Thanks to donations made in memory of Martha Tucker, a "Reading Korner" has been created in the children's area with ample cushioned seating for our young listeners and readers. We also added plenty of extra shelving -- a great plus, as shelves in the juvenile space grow ever more crowded. The New Castle Library boasts approximately 250 items per child whereas the national standard for public schools is merely twenty.
- Children's programming featured a hands-on animal program for the Summer Reading program, a Halloween magic show, and live music for a Solstice Party/ Open House. Adult programming has included a lecture on Portsmouth Light and an introductory Computer Seminar, and will feature an upcoming talk by a Dutch-born novelist and survivor of WWII. Note that Gene Fox has expressed his hope to increase Adult Programming by hosting an additional two lectures or presentations this year—for a total of four or five.
- The library sent four large boxes of juvenile and adult titles to libraries devastated by Hurricane Katrina.
- A revamped website is being created courtesy of local resident Sam Asano through his company, Cablynx, Inc.

The Library's collection now numbers 15,500 + items as the result of the addition of approximately 4,000 items since February 2003. As no additional shelving areas can reasonably be added to the Library space, a major weeding assault on fiction and nonfiction sections (adult and juvenile) will be undertaken over the remainder of this year. The audio book section has been weeded of materials that have not circulated (or have not circulated more than twice in the past 6 years). Significant space for new audio books is now available.

Total annual usage of library materials has jumped from 7011 items in 2002 to 7627 items in 2005 with usage of certain material types rising significantly (e.g., DVD's from 6 in 2002 to 200 in 2005.) Gene Fox intends to base future purchases on these statistics, though other criteria will apply as well, including, most significantly, patron requests. Usage of audio books themselves has not risen dramatically, but requests for books in CD format are being voiced regularly; thus purchases of CD audio books will increase, while those of audiocassettes will decrease.

For those residents who are unaware of such, a WI-FI (wireless internet service) system has been installed and is fully operational at the Library. This service is free of charge to residents of the Town of New Castle. You may bring your WI-FI enabled lap top computers to the Library. All one needs to do to access the system is to request one of the daily passwords issued by the Library.

The Trustees meet in the Macomber Room at the Library on a regular basis. The meetings typically last one hour. Any resident of New Castle is welcome to attend such meetings to offer ideas and suggestions on improving the delivery of library services to the Town and its residents. Meeting dates and times are posted at the Library and Town Hall.

The Library is presently open Tuesdays 1-7, Wednesdays 1-5, Thursdays 9-3 and Fridays 1-5 and Saturdays 9 -1.

Finally, it must be noted that the smooth and successful operation of the Library would not be possible without the services of the Library's numerous and faithful volunteers. The volunteers are a vital component to the continuing success of the Library.

Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Gardner
Brad Greeley
Joan Lockhart
Patty Hickey
Barbara Battis

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

After several years of research Trustee Bill Lanham has completed an up to date plan of Riverside Cemetery showing those lots that have been purchased over the years to date.

The Plan now gives a fairly accurate number of vacant traditional and cremation lots that are still available for purchase by those presently residing in New Castle as a permanent resident and such right shall include immediate family and such right is extended to those who previously resided/lived in Town of New Castle for at least ten (10) consecutive years.

On December 14, 2005, the Cemetery Trustees received a letter from Nancy Popp, caretaker of the Riverside, Marvin and Frost cemeteries for over nine (9) years, that she would be unable to continue as Caretaker for the up coming year of 2006. It was a pleasure working with her.

As a result the Trustees have selected one of three lawn care contractors and have entered into a two (2) year contract with GSPM, a fully equipped lawn care specialist.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Lanham
Tom Boisvert
Dave Merrill, Chairman

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS WATER & SEWER

The responsibility of the Public Works Department is to manage all maintenance, administration, and capital expenditures relating to the water distribution system, as well as the sewer collection system that are owned by the town. The City of Portsmouth owns part of the water system; from the Wentworth Hotel down the Wentworth Road to the corner of Main Street. Properties situated within this area are billed directly by Portsmouth for their water usage.

The water/sewer bills are issued three times a year. Your bill reflects usage for the four months prior to the billing date. Bills are sent around the first of April, August and December. The minimum usage is 2,000 cubic feet or 15,000 gallons. The minimum rate for water: \$34.80 per 15,000 gallons. The minimum rate for sewer: \$48.84 per 15,000 gallons. The combination for sewer & water is \$83.64.

Sometime in the near future, the Town of New Castle will be incurring capital improvement costs that will increase the water and sewer rates to the residents. New Castle must pay the city of Portsmouth its fair share of the cost to meet the upgraded regulations from the EPA and DES. These are to help the environment and to keep our drinking water clean.

During this year, we will continue to install new, state-of-the-art residential water meters. These are more accurate than the present remote meters that are currently being used. We now only have 10 meters left to install.

The department will continue to spot check various indoor residential meters to see if there are any problems which need to be corrected. We will also be checking to make sure that no sump pumps are discharging into the town sewer, as this is a violation of Section 5 Paragraph H of the Sewer & Water Ordinance of the Town of New Castle. We appreciate your cooperation in both these matters.

Another reminder to residents: You have the option of applying for a separate water meter for outdoor water usage. This can be for watering the lawn, washing vehicles, etc. Water pumped through this secondary meter will only be charged for the water used, not for sewer usage, since no sewer is involved in this venue. All costs for this separate meter are born by the applicant. Applications and full instructions are available at the Town Hall. An application must be filed and accepted prior to installing the second meter.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter H. Liff
Chairman

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

This has been a productive year for the Commission. One of the most significant accomplishments was undertaking a detailed wetlands mapping project. The new map, now available in Town Hall, clearly shows all wetlands on the island and their proximity to residents' property lines. This will be a valuable tool for residents' planning purposes as well as Town permitting processes. The map, created with data accurate to within one foot, was compiled by wetlands scientist Dan Geiger, who walked every inch of the island. He reported that this is probably the only town in the state with all of its wetlands clearly delineated. He also commented that 90% of the wildlife seen on the island need wetlands to survive.

During the process of mapping and naming all the island's wetlands, the Commission received invaluable help from Town Historian, Deb Schulte and resident Susan Follansbee in researching the original, historic names of waterways; so on new maps, wetlands will be identified by the historic name as well as the current one.

The most visible project of this past year has been the Pitch Pine Restoration Project on the Common. In the fall, the Town received a grant from the USDA and the New Hampshire Coastal Program to restore the area between the new cemetery and the beach in order to preserve an ecosystem which is unique on the Seacoast. The combination of pitch pine (*Pinus rigida*), sand dunes and an overwashed pond is very rare and, when restored, will

be indicative of the way this area looked hundreds of years before the early settlers. The restored habitat will not only display attractive flora but will attract a variety of wildlife that flourish in such an ecosystem.

Phase One, completed this winter, consisted of clearing out the invasive plants, trees and shrubs that were killing the pitch pines. In the second phase, hopefully to begin this summer, the area will be underplanted with native trees, shrubs and bushes that will complement, but not compete with, the rare pines.

The Commission organized a "Green Team" of volunteers consisting of enthusiastic neighbors and concerned residents who have been helping in several ways: by cutting Bittersweet out of the Pitch pine trees, by pulling invasive weeds out of the dune grass and by staffing the Green Waste pick up days. Volunteers are always welcome!

Thanks to residents' grateful response to the Commission's Green Waste days, the Town has now agreed to fund a dumpster for regularly scheduled, monthly, Green Waste days from spring through fall. This will be a great help to all residents.

A Community Outreach committee has been organized for the further education of islanders on conservation issues. Special events have been planned to interest school-age children and have included programs given by: Eric Orff from NH Fish & Game, who described for the children the varieties of wildlife they can encounter on the Seacoast; and Karen McElmurry, Director of the Center for Wildlife at Mt. Agamentacus, who introduced the kids to a barred owl, a peregrine falcon, some turtles and a snake they could pet. These are some of the programs that have helped many enthusiastic children to discover and learn about the fascinating world of wildlife and may encourage them to become the stewards of their environmental future.

While overseeing new projects, the Commission has also continued to deal with its basic responsibilities of protecting the environmental integrity of the island -- reviewing eleven wetlands applications, investigating two possible wetlands violations and applauding one DES-mandated restoration of a wetland that had been destroyed by a developer.

Many thanks to all Commission members for giving so much of their time and energy on these conservation efforts and to town residents for their enthusiastic support.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Hume
Chairperson

TOWN HISTORIAN'S REPORT

This year I have talked with and worked with members of the New Castle Historical Society and am very excited with the work they have accomplished on the Old Library Museum building. Restoration is expected to be complete this year. As soon as they are ready to receive items for display, I will be bringing some old photographs, scrapbooks, a flag that flew outside the old elementary school (located on the site of the present Post Office) and other objects currently being stored at the Town Hall. It will be wonderful to have these artifacts of New Castle's past available for the public to enjoy.

I attended the New England Genealogical Society's conference in Portland, Maine. There were many interesting speakers sharing their expertise on methods and places to look for leads into difficult genealogical searches. I found this to be extremely helpful as I continue to assist local residents and people who have family roots connected to New Castle in their endeavor of genealogy.

The Conservation Commission asked me for assistance in finding the historical names for many of the wetlands on the island. Peter's Trunk on Wild Rose Lane, and Kitt's Marsh, named for Christopher Amazeen, on Pitt Lane/Neal's Lane are two of the oldest named wetlands.

I continue to assist students, authors and other historians in their research pertaining to New Castle.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Hutchinson Schulte,
Town Historian

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST REPORT

2005 was a relatively quiet year in terms of elections. The town election on May 10, 2005 was the only election last year. With the addition of a computer at the polling place, New Castle's voter counts are much easier to get, and more accurate as well.

But behind the scenes in 2005, the supervisors were busy getting the New Castle voter checklist ready to go "online" next year. The Help America Vote Act of 2002 mandates the establishment of a statewide database of registered voters, which will include the name of every voter. Additional information for each voter will include the voter's street address, mailing address (PO box), date and place of birth, previous voting address (if any), party affiliation (if any), and drivers license number. Wherever possible the supervisors added this information to our checklist in 2005. However, many of our voter registrations go back many years and contain very little information. In 2006 the supervisors will be asking residents for additional information to update their voter registrations.

In the May 2005 election, Marcia Cronin was elected as supervisor for one year to finish Rowena Alessi's term, which expires in May 2006. Until the election, Marcia had been appointed to fill the vacancy created by Re's resignation in the fall of 2004.

Sadly, in 2005, Rowena Alessi, who was a past chairman of the Supervisors of the Checklist, passed away. We remember her for her service to the Town of New Castle.

In registering new voters, the supervisors follow election laws established by the State of New Hampshire. If you are interested in understanding our election laws, there is a great deal of information at the Secretary of State's web site:

www.sos.nh.gov/electionsnew.htm

New residents or first time voters may register with the town clerk during regular office hours. In addition, voters may register at elections or with the supervisors of the checklist at posted sessions (see the checklist or watch legal notices in the newspaper). Changes to the checklist, such as party affiliation, address, or name, can also be made with the town clerk. Copies of the checklist are posted in the Town Hall, in the Post Office, and the yellow house Post Office Annex. We would appreciate voters to periodically check the accuracy of their name on the checklist so that we can correct any errors.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Parker

Roddi Chambers Smith

Marcia Cronin

**BIRTHS RECORDED IN NEW CASTLE
JANUARY 1, 2005 – DECEMBER 31, 2005**

<u>CHILD'S NAME</u>	<u>BIRTH DATE</u>	<u>BIRTH PLACE</u>	<u>FATHER'S NAME</u> <u>MOTHER'S NAME</u>
Cook, Caylie S.	01/04/2005	Portsmouth, NH	Cook, Steven Cook, Suzanne
Keturakis, Emeline	05/19/2005	Portsmouth, NH	Keturakis, Andrius Tarbell, Julia
Osborne, Katherine	10/21/2005	Portsmouth, NH	Osborne, Kevin Osborne, Jennica

**DEATHS RECORDED IN NEW CASTLE
JANUARY 1, 2005 – DECEMBER 31, 2005**

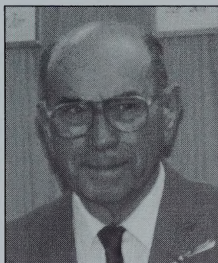
<u>NAME OF DECEASED</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>PLACE OF DEATH</u>
Mallon, Edward	02/13/2005	New Castle, NH
Buckley, Robert	03/23/2005	Portsmouth, NH
West, Margaret	03/31/2005	New Castle, NH
Coyle, Charles	07/11/2005	Portsmouth, NH
Tucker, Martha	07/16/2005	Portsmouth, NH
Alessi, Rowena	08/20/2005	New Castle, NH
Mahoney, David	09/06/2005	New Castle, NH
Duncan, Archibald	09/29/2005	Rye, NH

**MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NEW CASTLE
JANUARY 1, 2005 – DECEMBER 31, 2005**

<u>GROOM'S NAME</u> <u>AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>BRIDE'S NAME</u> <u>AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Cullen, William F. Milton Mills, NH	Neville, Karen J. New Castle, NH	02/19/2005	New Castle
Hamblet, Robert J. New Castle, NH	Harris, Kiley L. New Castle, NH	03/05/2005	Portsmouth
Ward, Christopher J. New Castle, NH	Marceau, Michele R. Alexandria, VA	07/16/2005	Jackson

Boston Post Cane Recipient
The Board of Selectmen have awarded the
Boston Post Cane to

Frederick White



NEW CASTLE MUNICIPAL OFFICES

Selectmen's Office **431-6710**

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri. 8 to 2pm

Town Office Fax 433-6198

Town Clerk **431-6710**

Monday, Wednesday 9 to 1pm

Thursday Noon to 4pm

Tax Collector **431-6710**

Wed., Thurs., Fri. 8 to 2pm

Library **431-6773**

Tuesday 1 to 7pm

Wednesday 1 to 5pm

Thursday 9 to 3pm

Friday 1 to 5pm

Saturday 9 to 1pm

Fire/EMT's – Emergency **911 or 436-2515**

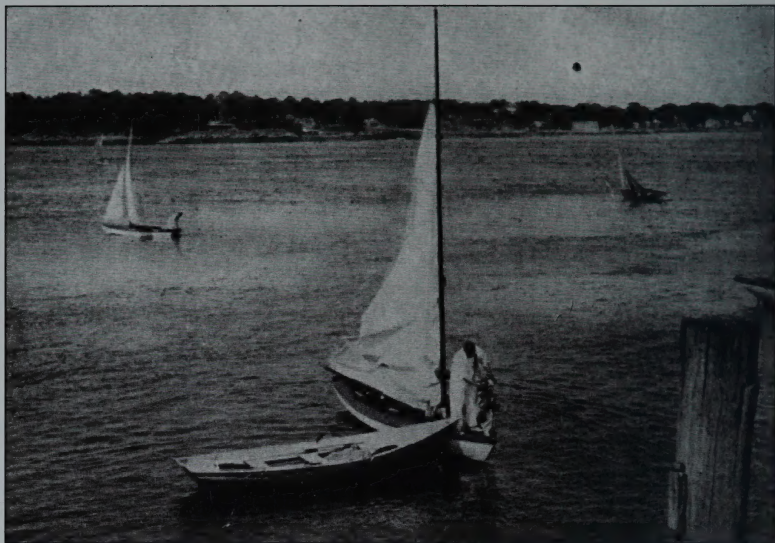
Business Line 436-1132

Fire Fax 430-0162

Police – Emergency **911 or 436-3113**

Business Line 436-3800

Police Fax 436-7710



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