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Constandino DiPrizio (1916-2007) M. Evelyn DiPrizio (1923-2007)

Constandino "Gus" and M. Evelyn DiPrizio were a prominent local couple who resided in Middleton for an extended period of time. More recently the inseparable couple spent their winters in Florida. The DiPrizios were known for their long association with Charles DiPrizio & Sons lumber business.

Enid DiPrizio (1926-2007)

Enid DiPrizio (1926-2007) was a member of the well known DiPrizio family in Middleton. She was a talented artist and was recipient of awards for her oil paintings. Enid, during her life time, was associated with the Charles DiPrizio & Sons lumber business.



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MIDDLETON TOWN OFFICIALS

ELECTED OFFICIALS		TERM EXPIRES
Town Moderator	Jack Savage	2008
Board of Selectmen	Lou Vita, Chairman Roger Mains Todd LaPierre	2008 2009 2010
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Deborah O'Toole	2008
Town Treasurer	Susan Evans-Principe	2010
Supervisors of the Checklist	Kathleen Allfrey JoAnn Bormann Dorothy Reynolds	2008 2010 2012
Middleton School Board	Carroll (Tink) Nelson William Griffin Kimberly Galimberti Andrea Bowden Terri Laughy	2008 2008 2008 2009 2010
School District Clerk	Kelly Tivnan	2008
School District Treasurer	Dorothy Reynolds	2008
School District Moderator	Jack Savage	2008
Trustee of the Trust Funds	Darlene McEwan Kelly Tivnan Linda Turner	2008 2010 2008

APPOINTED OFFICIALS	
Animal Officer	Stacy Cole Lisa Dudley
Assessor	Avitar Associates
Assessing Clerk	Pamela Fraizer
Beach Commissioner	David Lundigren
Building Inspector/Code Enforcement	Arthur Capello
Electrical Inspector	Peter Ciccolini
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector.	Chelsea Trefethen
Deputy Town Treasurer	Joann Borman
Emergency Management Director	Joe Curtin
Fire Chief	Mike Laughy
Highway Dept. Supervisor	Rick Washburn
Forest Fire Warden	Ryan Dionne Mike Laughy
Deputy Forest Fire Warden	June Brown
Police Chief	Randy Sobel
Police Sgt.	David Hall
Police Training Officer	Sean O'Reilly
Park Director	Vacant
Recreation Director (children's parties)	Darlene Marquis
Rescue Capt.	Andrea Bowden
Rescue Lt.	David Silbernagel
Lt. Fire Training Officer	Lon Berry
Selectmen's Admin. Asst./Secretary/Bookkeeper	Dorothy Reynolds
Selectmen's Admin. Asst. Deputy	Pam Fraizer
Town Administrator	Paul J. Skowron
Welfare Director	Wendy Smith

PLANNING BOARD	TERM EXPIRES
Jack Savage, Chairperson	2009
Mark Stevens, Vice Chairperson	2008
Roger Mains, Selectmen's Rep.	2009
Kathryn Buzard	2008
Gilman Pond	2009
Joni VanGelder, Clerk (alternate)	2008
Randy Talon (alternate)	2008

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	TERM EXPIRES
Joseph Branca, Chairperson	2009
Alfred Poulin, Vice Chairperson	2010
Lou Vita, Clerk	2010
Richard Chamberlain	2009
Linda Adamo	2008
John Mullin, Jr. (alternate)	
Neil Turner (alternate)	

CONSERVATION COMMISSION	TERM EXPIRES
Kathryn Buzard, Chairperson	2007
Joe Curtin	2008
Roger Mains, Rep of Selectmen	2007
Carol Vita	2008
Evelyn Campbell (alternate)	

COMMUNITY PROFILE



Middleton, NH

Established: 1778

Population: 1,760 (2006)

Community Contact	Middleton Board of Selectmen
	Board of Selectmen
	182 King's Highway
	Middleton, NH 03887
Telephone	(603) 473-2261
Fax	(603) 473-2577
E-mail	midsel@worldpath.net
Web Site	not available
Municipal Office Hours	Selectmen: Monday through Thursday, 8 am - 4 pm;
	Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday, 1 pm - 7 pm and
	Tuesday through Thursday, 9 am - 3 pm
County	Strafford
Labor Market Area	Rochester-Dover NH-ME Metro-NECTA, NH Portion
Tourism Region	Lakes
Planning Commission	Strafford Regional
Regional Development	Wentworth Economic Development Corp.
Election Districts	
US Congress	District 1
Executive Council	District 2
State Senate	District 3
State Representative	Strafford County District 3

Incorporated: 1778

Origin: This territory was first granted by the Masonian Proprietors in 1749. It may have been named for Sir Charles Middleton, Lord Barham, an admiral of the Navy who had served in the West Indies. Middleton was situated on the road between Exeter and Wolfeboro, the location of Governor John Wentworth's summer home, Kingswood. Neglect of the road caused the Governor to bill the proprietors for repairs that he had to make for safe travel to Kingswood. In 1785, residents of the northern portion of Middleton and part of Wolfeboro petitioned for a separately incorporated town. The first petition was at first denied, but then was granted in 1794 as Brookfield.

Economic & Labor Market Information Bureau, NH Employment Security, 2007. Community Response Received 09/05/07

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 617 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Middleton totaled 1,190 over 50 years, from 255 in 1950 to 1,445 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 71 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, which was followed by a 66 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2006 Census estimate for Middleton was 1,760 residents, which ranked 150th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density, 2006: 97.4 persons per square mile of land area. Middleton contains 18.1 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.

0.4 Square filles of filland water area.					
MUNICIPAL SERVICES					
Type of Government	Selectmen				
Budget: Municipal	\$1,453,128				
Appropriations, 2003					
Budget: School Appropriations	not available				
Zoning Ordinance	1981/07				
Master Plan	1983				
Capitol Improvement Plan	Yes				
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board				
Boards and Commissions					
Elected:	Selectmen				
Appointed:	Planning;				
	Conservation				
Public Library	No Library				
EMERGENCY SERVICES					
Police Department	Full-time				
Fire Department	Volunteer				
Town Fire Insurance Rating	9				
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer				
Emergency Wedicar Service	Volunteer				
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds				
Huggins Hospital, Wolfeboro	10 miles 25				
Frisbie Memorial, Rochester	15 miles 112				
ununes					
Electric Supplier	PSNH				
Natural Gas Supplier	None				
Water Supplier	Private wells				
Trace Supplier	Tittato Wells				
Sanitation Private septic					
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant No					

PSNH
None
Private wells
Private septic
No
Municipal
No
None
Verizon
Yes
Yes
No
Yes
Yes

DEMOGRAPHICS	(US Census	Bureau)		
Total Population	Community	County		
2006	1,760	119,990		
2000	1,445	112,676		
1990	1,220	104,348		
1980	734	85,324		
1970	430	70,431		
Census 2000 Demographics				
Population by Gender	-			
Male 757	Female	683		
Population by Age Group				
Under age 5		108		
Age 5 to 19		344		
Age 20 to 34		220		
Age 35 to 54		506		
Age 55 to 64		113		
Age 65 and over		149		
Median Age	3	6.6 years		
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Educational Attainment, popu				
High school graduate or higher	er	77.3%		
Bachelor's degree or higher		8.0%		
ANNUAL INCOME, 1999	(US) Consus	(fineau)		
Per capita income		\$18,415		
Median 4-person family incom	ne	\$48,529		
Median household income		\$43,942		
Median nousehold income \$43,542				
Median Earnings, full-time, ye	ar-round workers			
Male		\$32,014		
Female		\$26,336		
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Families below the poverty lev	vei	4.5%		
LABOR FORCE	YMAR	S. Sund		
Annual Average	1996	2006		
Civilian Labor Force	731	955		
Employed	688	923		
Unemployed	43	32		

Unemployment Rate

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5.9%

3.4%

Adminis	tration)
2006 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$16.30
2006 Equalization Ratio	100 4
2006 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$16.35
2006 Percent of Local Assessed Value by Prop.	Туре
Residential Land and Buildings	96.4%
Commercial Land and Buildings	2.2%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	1.4%
HOUSING (NH Office of Energy and Pla	anning)
2006 Total Housing Units	944
2006 Single-Family Units	829
Single-Family Permits Issued, Net Change of Un	nits 15
2006 Multi-Family Units	20
Multi-Family Permits Issued, Net Change of Unit	ts 0
2006 Manufactured Housing Units	95

	2006 Manutact	turea Housing Oi	TITS	95		
	THANSPORT	ATION (Distanc	e estimated fro	om city / tov	vn hall)	concentration
	Road Access	US Routes				
		State Routes		153		
	Nearest Inters	tate, Exit	Spaulding Tp	ok., Exit 18	; I-95, Exit	
					5	
		Distance		5 miles	; 34 miles	
	Nearest Public	: Use Airport, Ge	neral Aviation			
	Skyhaven, Ro	chester				
	Runway			4,001	ft. asphalt	
	Lighted?	Yes	Navigatio	nal Aids?	Yes	
	Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service					
	Pease Interna	tional		Distance	33 miles	
	Number of Pas	ssenger Airlines	Serving Airport	t	2	
	- U	ce to selected cit	ies:			
	Manchester, N	IH		57 mi		
Portland, ME			62 mi			
Boston, MA			89 mi	les		
	New York City	, NY		300 m	iles	
	Montreal, Que	bec		270 m	iles	

COMMUTING TO WORK	(US Census)
Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	78.7%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	13.5%
Public transportation	1.5%
Walked	1.7%
Other Means	1.2%
Worked at home	3.5%
Mean Travel Time to Work	35.9 minutes
Percent of Working Residents:	
Working in community of residence	10%
Commuting to another NH community	82%
Commuting out-of-state	8%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES (A	IHES -	ELMI)
Annual Average Covered Employment	1996	2006
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	n	9
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$541
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	n	112
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$815
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	n	121
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$795
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	18	15
Average Weekly Wage	\$147	\$462
Total, Private plus Government		
Average Employment	n	136
Average Weekly Wage	n	\$758
n = indicates that the data does not meet d standards	lisclosu	re

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Paya Club/Cirla Club

Boys Club/Girls Club

Golf Courses

Swimming: Indoor Facility
Swimming: Outdoor Facility
Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility

Bowling Facilities

Museums Cinemas

Performing Arts Facilities

Tourists Attractions

Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)

Youth Sports: Baseball Youth Sports: Soccer Youth Sports: Football Youth Sports: Basketball Youth Sports: Hockey

Campgrounds

X Fishing/HuntingX Boating/Marinas

X Snowmobile TrailsBicycle TrailsCross Country Skiing

X Beach or Waterfront Recreational Area Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): Gunstock

Other:

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the Community of Middleton:

This year ended with the fury of winter fully imbedded in the landscape. The interlude of town meeting in March is that time on the calendar when our focus normally turns to the beginning of Spring. After the adjournment of last year's town meeting the newly elected member of the Board of Selectmen Todd LaPierre commenced his three-year term.

The Board of Selectmen first focused its attention on the failed warrant article for the construction of the new Highway Garage. The Board was fortunate to have Neal Turner volunteer his time to repackage the project at a lower cost. Neal was diligent in his desire to assemble a proposal, and in his understanding that a new facility was important to the community. Neal sought out alternative estimates for the project components. He partnered with John Mullen to present to the Selectmen a proposal that the Board has recommended that the community consider through the passage of a bond issue which is on the 2008 town warrant.

The Selectmen pursued the Sunrise Lake Estates engineering project. The Board solicited proposals from engineering companies to provide for plans for future improvements required within the neighborhood. The town approved the proposal submitted by White Mountain Survey of Ossipee, which was prepared to commence work on the project in late winter.

Subsequent to the town meeting the Selectmen were required to take the requisite steps to follow through on the approval of Deer Run Road as a town street, conditioned on the implementation of a better assessment. The Board took the necessary steps in accordance with the state laws. The conclusion to the Board's effort is that a bond issue is being presented for voter approval on the 2008 town meeting for the construction of Deer Run Road, and the imposition of a proportional assessment to the owners of property on the roadway to pay for the improvements.

The federal government declared a natural disaster occurrence on April 27, 2007. This was a result of the incessant rains and the ultimate flooding which took place simultaneous to the Spring snow melt. Rick Washburn and the highway crew worked continuously during a stretch of time to attempt to minimize damage to roads culverts, and, if possible, private property. The town received monies from the Federal Emergency Management Agency which off set 75% of the cost incurred during the declared disaster. A portion of those federal funds is incorporated into the warrant article to reconstruct the section of New Durham Road from Buttermilk Lane to Drew Drive.

Certain improvements were made to town buildings including shoring up the old salt shed at the Highway Garage, re-roofing the Old Town Hall, and replacing the boiler and water heater at the Old Town Hall.

The Board of Selectmen approved the purchase of replacement computer equipment and the addition of a separate server and backup system for town business. It is the intention of the Selectmen to concentrate on replacing computer equipment to provide for a more efficient operation of town activities. The Board also entered into an agreement with Bay Ring Communications to provide telephone and internet service to the Town Hall, Fire Station and the Highway Garage. The installation of the telecommunications equipment should be completed by the end of the winter. Following the installation the Board will review the internal telephone system with a mind to updating all hand sets with provisions for voice mail and other communication efficiencies.

As a result of the town meeting vote the town increased its complement of police officers from 3 to 4, which includes the Police Chief Randy Sobel. Stacy Gilman of Farmington, a certified police officer was hired on a permanent basis following town meeting approval to increase the permanent staff.

In November, the Board of Selectmen of Middleton was requested to by the Board of Selectmen of Farmington to meet to discuss the issue of mutual aid as it related to the fire and rescue service. As result of the meeting the Board placed an article on the town warrant which directs itself to an examination of the fire and rescue service in Middleton, and requires the submission of findings to the 2009 town meeting.

The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Lou Vita, has chosen not to run for reelection, rather instead, intending to focus his attention on the activities of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to extend its gratitude to all the people who contribute their time and talent on behalf of the town, whether it is on a formal board or commission, or in other ways, which often go unnoticed and unmentioned. Finally, the Selectmen would like to thank the employees, each having his or her own expertise to conduct the business of the town as professionally as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Vita, Chairman Roger Mains Todd LaPierre

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING 2008 State of New Hampshire Town of Middleton

To the inhabitants of the Town of Middleton in the County of Strafford in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Middleton Town Hall on Tuesday, the 11th day of March 2008 at 11 o'clock (11:00 a.m.) in the forenoon, with polls not closing before seven o'clock (7:00 p.m.) in the evening to act upon the following:

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

Selectman for three (3) years Town Moderator for three (3) years Town Clerk/Tax Collector for three (3) years Trustee of the Trust Funds for three (3) years Trustee of the Trust Funds for one (1) year Supervisor of the Check List for six (6) years

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to amend the town's Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:, to add Section 3.07 Sign Ordinance, and amend the related definition of a sign in Section 1.13 (Definitions), and amend the reference to signs in section 1.14, (1) (General Provisions, Home Businesses) of the Zoning Ordinance. These amendments will provide increased clarification and regulation on signage throughout town, including height, number of signs, area, and lighting.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to amend the town's Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: to amend Section 2.02 to permit private airstrips as an accessory use by special exception within the Rural Residential District only, while prohibiting shared or commercial airstrips. Takeoffs and landings from such private airstrips shall be subject to conditions outlined in the proposed amendment. The intent of the proposed ordinance is to protect private airstrip rights for individual land owners but prohibit larger facilities or commercial airstrips that may interfere with abutting property owners.

You are further hereby notified to meet at the Middleton Town Hall on Wednesday, the 12th day of March 2008 at seven o'clock (7:00 p.m.) in the evening to act upon the following articles:

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for the development and construction of a highway garage and a salt storage facility, and to authorize the issuance of not more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (2/3 ballot vote required)

Article 5: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) for the engineering and construction of Deer Run Road, and to authorize the issuance of not more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The bond issue will be paid by the owners of property that abut Deer Run Road pursuant to statutory better assessment provisions, and a tax lien will be placed upon those properties for the full amount due on a proportional basis. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (2/3 ballot vote required)

Article 6:"Are you in favor of adopting RSA 32 to create a Municipal Budget Committee?" (Submitted by Petition) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 7: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred seventy-two thousand six hundred ninety-six dollars (\$472,696) for general government as follows:

\$ 97,011
\$ 22,195
\$ 32,412
\$ 44,570
\$ 12,000
\$ 195,676
\$ 11,042
\$ 40,700
\$ 24,867
\$ 2,000
\$ 4,500
\$ 486,973
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Article 8: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred ninety-four thousand three hundred eighty seven dollars (\$294,387) for Public Safety as follows:

Police Dept.	\$ 233,308
Fire & Rescue Department	\$ 43,491
Office of Emergency Management	\$ 100
Strafford Dispatch & Police Detail	\$ 17,488
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Article 9: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred forty-nine thousand seven hundred fifty-six dollars (\$349,756) for the maintenance of Highways, Streets, Bridges and Street Lighting.

Highway Operating Expense	\$	334,756
(Highway Block Grant/Revenue Off-set)		
Street Lighting	\$	4,000
School Fuel (Off-setting Revenue Received)	\$	11,000
TOTAL	œ.	240 756
TOTAL	2	349,756

Article 10: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred eighty nine thousand sixty nine dollars (\$189,069) for Health, Welfare and Education as follows:

TOTAL	\$ 189,069
Sanitation	\$ 135,697
Welfare	\$ 24,100
Health Agencies	\$ 6,987
Animal Control Officer	\$ 8,865
Code Enforcement Officer	\$ 13,420

Article11: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for Culture & Recreation as follows:

Beach \$ 2,000 Park \$ 0 Children's Parties \$ 2,000	Park	4,000
	Roach	\$ 0

Article 12: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 13: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) from the Fire Department Capital Reserve previously designated to fund an addition to the fire station, and authorize the use of such capital reserve funds for the purpose of making such improvements to the current fire station or making improvements to the new fire station, which is the old highway garage. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

Article 14: To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund. Said funds, with accumulated interest, are to be transferred to the town's general fund to be used to off-set taxes. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

- Article 15: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the existing Trust Fund previously established for the purpose of treating Exotic Milfoil and other Exotic Aquatic Weeds. (Recommended by the Selectmen)
- Article 16: To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five-year lease/purchase agreement for an amount not to exceed one hundred twenty five thousand dollars (\$125,000) for the purpose of leasing a truck with plow attachments for the Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the first year's lease payment for that purpose. This lease agreement will contain an escape clause. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)
- Article 17: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for the reconstruction of that portion of New Durham Road between Drew Drive and Buttermilk Lane. The entire sum shall come from the fund balance of the general fund. The fund balance includes a portion of those monies received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency designated specifically for this project. (Recommended by the Selectmen)
- Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) for the purpose of shimming and paving New Portsmouth Road and Governors Road if Article 4 fails. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)
- Article 19: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000) for the purchase and installation of an emergency electrical power system for the Municipal Building, ensuring that Town offices including Police and Emergency Management can continue to operate during power outages. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)
- Article 20: To see if Board of Selectmen will create a committee to investigate and evaluate the options available to the town to provide for fire and rescue service, and report back to the 2009 town meeting with options for providing such service, and the costs related thereto, for future town meeting action.

6 F E r	To see if the town will authorize the Planning Board, in accordance with RSA 574:5-7, to research and adopt a recommended Capital Improvements Program (CIP). The CIP is an advisory document completed by the Plannin Board that is intended to help the Board of Selectmen complete the long-range budget process. The CIP is a requirement for the implementation of mpact Fees. (Recommended by the Planning Board)
	To see if the town will vote, in accordance with RSA 231:43, to discontinue Mountain Road, a Class VI highway.
Article 23:	To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.
	r hand and seal this 25 th day of February, 2008 Board of Selectmen
Lou Vita	
Roger Mains	s
Todd LaPier	rre

BUDGET OF TOWN: (MS-6 FORM)

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1	2 PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	OP Bud. Warr.	Appropriations Prior Year As	Actual Expenditures	Appropriations Ensuing FY	Appropriations Ensuing FY
Acct.#	(RSA 32:3,V)	Art.#	Approved by DRA	Prior Year	(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDE
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		96,518	95,432	97,011	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics		17,135	18,427	22,195	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		35,393	31,512	32,412	
4152	Revaluation of Property		43,570	45,460	44,570	
4153	Legal Expense		6,500	15,978	12,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		169,357	142,180	195,676	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		12,323	11,336	11,042	
4194	General Government Buildings		37,580	44,241	40,700	
4195	Cemeteries					
4196	Insurance		24,367	20,322	24,867	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.					
4199	Other General Government					
	PUBLIC SAFETY		xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		216,347	233,222	233,308	
4215-4219	Ambulance					
4220-4229	Fire		42,225	55,483	43,491	
4240-4249	Building Inspection					
4290-4298	Emergency Management		100	52	100	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)		17,488	31,188	17,488	
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		xxxxxxxx	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4311	Administration					
4312	Highways & Streets		358,700	401,652	334,756	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting		4,000	4,453	4,000	
4319	Other		10,000	. 15,974	11,000	
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXX	xxxxxxxx	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4321	Administration					
4323	Solid Waste Collection		135,697	120,988	135,697	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal					
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up					
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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
WA	TER DISTRIBUTION & TREATM	IENT	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other					
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
	HEALTH		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		16,626	7,719	13,420	
4414	Pest Control		6,921	6,350	8,865	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		6,956	6,456	6,987	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		24,100	19,176	24,100	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		6,500	4,333	4,000	
4550-4559	Library					
4583	Patriotic Purposes					
4589	Other Culture & Recreation					
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXX	xxxxxxxx	XXXXXXXXX	xxxxxxxx
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources		3,725	2,010	2,000	
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
	DEBT SERVICE		xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx
4711	Princ Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		4,000	4,547	4,500	
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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4901	Land					
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment					
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.					
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OU	IT	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund*					
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917*					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds*					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Fiduciary Funds					
	OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL		1,296,128	1.337,492	1,324.185	

^{*} Use special warrant article section on next page.

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

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

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
	Road Repaving		100,000	15,320		
	Engineering/Nicola Road Area		30,000	\$30,000		
	Milfoil Fund		4,000	\$4,000	\$5,000	
	Police Cruiser		23,000	\$24,068		
	Highway Garage, Salt Storage, Bond		0	\$0	\$500,000	
	Deer Run Road Reconstruction				\$250,000	
	Fire Dept. Renovations				\$15,000	
	New Durham Road				\$150,000	
	New Portsmouth/Governors Roads				\$125,000	
	Truck Lease				\$25,000	
	Police Cruiser Capital Reserve				\$12,000	
	Emergency Generator				\$23,000	
9	I SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDE	D	xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx	1,105,000	xxxxxxxxx

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special w arrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature y ou wish to address individually.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
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IND	IVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMEN	DED	xxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxx		xxxxxxxx

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1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		1,500	11,500	2,000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		8,000	4,608	5,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		25,000	22,484	25,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)				
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		240,000	246,858	240,000
3230	Building Permits		11,000	11,685	9,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		4,000	3,399	4,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	<u> </u>	0		
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		14,123	7,906	7,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		63,000	78,042	78,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		48,915	48,915	48,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development	<u> </u>			
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)				
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		20,000	22,065	20,000
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		1,000	402	1,000
3502	Interest on Investments		17,000	28,894	25,000
3503-3509	Other		10,000	3764	4,000

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1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
I	NTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS	N	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		10,000	10,000	15,000
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				750,000
	Amount VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")			·	150,000
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				40,000
то	TAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS	3	473,538	500,462	1,423,000

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	1,296,128	1,324,185
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	157,000	1,105,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)		·
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1,453,128	2,429,185
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	482,863	1,423,000
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	970,265	1,006,185

EMPLOYEE EARNINGS 2007

Lucien Vita, Selectmen Chairman	\$ 2,163.00
John Mammone, Selectmen	\$ 540.75
Todd LaPierre, Selectmen	\$ 1,622.25
Paul Skowron, Town Administrator	\$ 37,522.51
Dorothy Reynolds, Admin. Asst.	\$ 20,922.10
Darlene Cremmen, Dep. Admin. Asst.	\$ 4,580.63
Pam Frazier, Assessing Clerk	\$ 9,545.68
Sandra Bruedle, Treasurer	\$ 581.94
Susan Evans-Principe, Treasurer	\$ 1,745.84
Veronica Griffin, T Clerk/T Coll.	\$ 4,357.65
Deborah O'Toole, T Clerk/T Coll.	\$ 17,988.99
Mikel O'Brien, Dep. T Clerk/T Coll.	\$ 1,255.50
Florence Ryan, Dep. T Clerk/T Coll.	\$ 618.38
Wendy Smith, Welfare Director	\$ 4,758.75
Carmen Nolen, Police Secretary	\$ 7,126.30
Randy Sobel, Police Chief	\$ 51,388.44
David Hall, Police Sergeant	\$ 50,080.62
Sean O'Reilly, Police Officer	\$ 41,755.71
Stacy Gilman, Police Officer	\$ 34,010.96
Robert Gilmore, Police Officer	\$ 137.90
Wade Bartlett, Police Officer	\$ 4,954.39
Timothy Brown, Police Officer	\$ 6,115.25
David Winship, Police Officer	\$ 6,005.11
Rick Washburn, Road Agent	\$ 43,081.11
Robert Page, Highway	\$ 36,083.05
Dale Glidden, Highway	\$ 30,609.01
Peter Masse, Jr., Highway	\$ 26,048.30
Scott Pike, Highway	\$ 5,414.41
Mike Galimberti, ACO	\$ 4,236.00
Arthur Capello, Code Enforcement	\$ 6,452.03
Peter Cicolini, Electrical Inspector	\$ 90.00
Mike Laughy, Fire Chief	\$ 1,600.00
David Silbernagel, Lt. EMS	\$ 1,230.43
Andrea Bowden, Capt. EMS	\$ 1,106.52
Mike Laviolette, Firefighter	\$ 847.05

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	247.36
\$	545.50
\$	275.78
\$	319.72
\$	93.94
\$	676.24
\$	168.94
\$	34.47
\$	308.39
\$	185.25
\$	109.47
\$	131.83
\$	112.89
\$	84.47
\$ 2	2,135.00
\$	280.00
\$	310.00
\$	70.00
\$	100.00
\$	353.00
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SUNRISE LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT VALUATION

VALUE OF LAND ONLY	Acres	Assessed Valuation
Current Use	303.485	\$51,667
Residential	299.298	\$52,439,300
Commercial/Industrial	293.290	\$0
Total of Taxable Land	602.763	\$52,490,967
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable Land	27.599	ψυ2,490,507
rax Exemplification Faxable Land	27.555	
VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY		
Residential		\$36,400,500
Manufactured Housing		\$685,100
Commercial/Industrial		\$0
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$37,085,600
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable		
PUBLIC UTILITIES		
PSNH		\$133,000
VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS		\$89,709,567
MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF AL	L PROPERTIES	
Blind Exemption		\$15,000
Elderly Exemption		\$45,,000
Disabled Exemptions		\$0
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		\$60,000
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate for N	lunicipal	
County and Local Education Tax is Comp	uted	\$89,709,567

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT

			Max. Allowab	le Total Actual
Number of Individuals	Age	Amount	Exemption	Exemption
Granted an Elderly	65-74	4	\$60,000	\$60,000
Exemption	75-79	7	\$140,000	\$140,000
	80+	7	\$175,000	\$175,000
TOTAL:		15		\$375,000

CURRENT USE REPORT

	Acres	Assessed Valuation
Farm Land	139.550	\$57,779
Forest Land	2,442.768	\$334,697
Forest Land w/ Stewardshi plan	p 3,643.505	\$308,624
Unproductive Land	2.030	\$30
Wet Land	28.58	\$394
TOTAL:	6,256.433	\$701,524
Receiving 20% Recreation	2,975.110	
Total Parcels in Current Us	94	
Total Owners in Current Us	se	72

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION 2007

VALUE OF LAND ONLY	Acres	Assessed Valuation
Current Use	6,256.433	\$701,524
Residential	4,111.963	\$91,221
Commercial/Industrial	234.099	\$1,659,700
Total of Taxable Land	10,602.565	\$93,582,424
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable Land	947.879	
VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY		
Residential		\$90,944,116
Manufactured Housing		\$9,304,600
Commercial/Industrial		\$3,381,900
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$103,641,200
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable		
PUBLIC UTILITIES		
PSNH		\$2,223,500
VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS		\$199,447,124
MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL	DDADEDTIES	
Blind Exemption	PHOPENTIES	\$15,000
Elderly Exemption		\$375,000
Disabled Exemptions		\$0
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions		\$390,000
·		
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate for Mur	nicipal	
County and Local Education Tax is Compute	ed	\$199,057,124
Less Public Utilities		\$2,223,500
Net Valuation w/o Utilities on which State		\$196,833,624
Education Tax is Computed		

TAX RATE COMPUTATION REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

Municipal Services Division 2007 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: MIDDLETON		1		0 1
Gross Appropriations	1,453,128	1201/2	and Or	John
Less: Revenues	482,863	mar	WVF 7/	
Less: Shared Revenues	4,384		1/0/10-	_
Add: Overlay	114,398	•	טווגניי	
War Service Credits	46,400			
Net Town Appropriation		1,126,679		
Special Adjustment		0		
эресий Айзиненс				
Approved Town/City Tax Effort			1,126,679	TOWN RATE
				5.65
	SCHOOL POR			
Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp.	- Revenue)	2,672,512		
Regional School Apportionment		0		
Less: Adequate Education Grant		(1,249,270)		
State Education Taxes		(402,971)		LOCAL
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	•		1,020,271	SCHOOL RATE
				5.13
	STATE EDUCATI			
Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	<u>_</u>	\$2.24		STATE
179,897,814			402,971	SCHOOL RATE
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no u	tilities)			2.05
196,833,624	74-11-61-1-			
Excess State Education Taxes to be Rem				
	Pay to State	0		
	COUNTY PO	RTION .		
Due to County		395,390		
Less: Shared Revenues		(1,833)		
Approved County Tax Effort			393,557	COUNTY RATE
				1.98
Total Describe Total Assessed			2.042.470	TOTAL RATE
Total Property Taxes Assessed			2,943,478	14.81
Less: War Service Credits			(46,400)	
Add: Village District Commitment(s)			5,379	
Total Property Tax Commitment			2,902,457	
	PROOF OF	RATE		•
Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment	
State Education Tax (no utilities)	196,833,624	2.05	402,971	
All Other Taxes	199,057,124	12.76	2,540,507	
			2,943,478	
TRC#				TRC#
236				236

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

It has been quite a challenging year for me since last March and I would like to thank all of you for your kindness and patience, which has helped me through this time of transition.

New developments! As promised in last year's report, the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office has implemented a debit card machine that residents can utilize for all their transactions. There is, however, a \$2.50 fee for each check to be printed.

Also, I have completed the necessary steps in completing the process of renewing your vehicle registrations online with the Department of Motor Vehicles in Concord. There is, however, a \$5.00 fee for this transaction and the town does not lose any revenues.

It's also time to license your dogs again! All dogs must me licensed by April 30th, 2008. The Rabies clinic will be held at the Municipal Building on Saturday, April 5th from 10am-12pm you will be able to license your dog at that time as well.

Last spring, Concord promised to have boat registrations incorporated into the Motor Vehicle program but did not accomplish what they needed to do to get that done in time. Unfortunately, I had to turn away customers last spring because of this. Since I don't have any boat renewal experience, I will be attending workshop trainings to be able to renew your boat registrations this year. Hopefully, I will have completed this before the coming boat season.

Remember, the town also receives revenue for hunting and fishing licenses as well as snowmobile and ATV registrations. Any resident or non-resident can obtain these licenses and registrations.

Recently, my office has set up a "Middleton Bulletin Board" on the Yahoo home page under "groups". There is no cost to the Town to maintain it, nor is there a cost to become a member. I have been posting reminders, board meetings, notices, etc. Everyone can have access to this bulletin board and can then be informed of any new developments in town. Other towns, as well, are able to post information that they think Middleton residents may be interested in. Please take advantage of this opportunity and get the latest news! If you have questions on how to become a member, please don't hesitate to call me... I will give you this information over the phone or you can pick up a flyer at the office as well.

Deborah L. O'Toole Town Clerk/Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

January 1 to December 31, 2007

Revenues	Municipal Total	Agent Fees
Motor Vehicle	\$246,858.62	\$3,134.00
Boat Permits		85.88
Hunting/Fishing Licenses		44.00
OHRV Registrations		136.00
Total Additional Revenues		\$3,399.88
Building Permits	11,686.40	
Copies	768.00	
Dogs	2,109.50	
Dog Fines	525.00	
Electrical Permits	250.00	
Highway Block Grant	38,617.93	
Highway Department	350.40	
Junk Yard Permits	50.00	
Planning Board	2,214.53	
Police Department	11,555.12	
School District Diesel	15,299.10	
Sale of Municipal Property	402.00	
Town Hall Rental	450.00	
UCC .	405.00	
Vitals	656.00	
Wetlands Application	45.00	
Zoning Applications	234.19	
Other Revenues	1,155.47	
Total:	\$333,722.26	\$3,399.88

Deborah L. O'Toole Town Clerk/Tax Collector

VITAL RECORDS REPORT

BIRTH REPORT

Child's Name	DOB	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Whitten, Jonathan Michael	01/26/07	Whitten, Christopher	Whitten, Jamie
Slavens, Morgan David	01/29/07	Slavens, David	Slavens, Jennifer
Dionne, Isabella Marie	02/18/07	Dionne, Ryan	Giguere, Jessica
Smith, Owen Hayes	03/17/07	Smith, William	Smith, Srey
Brooker, Brady James	03/18/07	Brooker, Paul	Brooker, Sandra
Ritchings, Kolton Douglas	03/28/07	Ritchings, Eric	Ritchings, Courtney
Pelletier, Sydney Faith	04/01/07	Pelletier, Isaac	Pelletier, Stephanie
Myrick, Dashaun Keith	04/11/07	Myrick, Brian	Page, Crystal
Kirk, Zoe Michaela	04/19/07	Kirk, Daniel	Kirk, Shannon
Abbott-Burrows, Landyn Lyric	04/27/07	Abbott, Gregory	Burrows, Faith
Hatfield, Cloe Morghan	05/06/07	Hatfield, Timothy	Hatfield, Kathryn
Bois, Brianna Kay	06/06/07	Bois, Danny	Bois, Sylvie
Gagnon, Benjamin Alan	06/23/07	Gagnon, Michael	Lambert, Emily
Pruden, Olivia Jean	07/06/07	Pruden, Mark	Pruden, Lisa
Hayes, Summer Evening	07/08/07	Hayes, Daniel	Hayes, Ammie
Cormier, Trevor William	07/20/07	Cormier, Eric	Smith, Heather
Ruel, Makenzie Marie	07/25/07	Ruel, Thomas	Ruel, Angela
Fortier, Lilly May	08/18/07	Fortier, Benjamin	McPherson, Amy
LaPierre, Jonathan Marc	08/24/07	LaPierre, Todd	LaPierre, Dale
Rodier, Brayden Joseph	09/12/07	Rodier, Steve	Libby, Pam
Cotter, Daniel William Joseph	09/14/07	Cotter, Daniel	Cotter, Sara
Byrnes, Garrett Edward	09/25/07	Byrnes, Stephen	Trefethen, Chelsea
Moody, Jacob James	11/02/07	Moody, Mark	Moody, Cara
Stevens, Sage Aniston	11/07/07	Stevens, Michael	Lanoue, Christine
Mantopoulos, Nicholas	11/21/07	Manotpoulos, Donald	Cooper, Sarah
Courtney, Dylan Terrence	12/17/07	Courtney, Daniel	Courtney, Samantha
Wallace, Hannah Katherine	12/29/07		Wallace, Elizabeth
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Total Number of Records: 27

MARRIAGE REPORT

Groom's Name	Bride's Name	Place of Marriage	<u>Date</u>
Chamberlain, Richard	Mojeski, Lori	Portsmouth	02/01/07
Hayes, Daniel	Vachon, Ammie	Gonic	04/06/07
Shaw, Jonathan	Bergendahl, Caitlin	Portsmouth	06/18/07
Hagar, Aaron	Newcomb, Tracy	Rochester	07/05/07
Courtney, Daniel	Grondin, Samantha	Farmington	07/07/07
Chapman, Donald	Ellis, Leann	Middleton	07/14/07
Smith, Troy	Brownell, Rebecca	Milton	07/14/07
Dow, Robie	Barksdale, Michelle	Middleton	08/18/07
Brown, Matthew	Seale, Kimberly	Middleton	08/25/07
Ryan, James	McGaffigan, Leanne	Farmington	09/09/07
Donoghue, William	Cusumano, Laura	Meredith	09/22/07
June, Brendon	Cormier, Melissa	Rochester	09/22/07
Reynolds, Barry	Herbert, Lori	Ctr. Ossipee	11/24/07
Perrino, Earle	Silverman, Mariette	Middleton	11/30/07
Smith, Joshua	Myers, Brandy	Milton	12/08/07

Total Number of Records: 15

RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

Decedent	Date of Death	Place of Death
Hartford Jr., Robert	02/23/2007	Middleton
Tufts, Rita	02/25/2007	Middleton
Philbrick Sr., Charles	04/14/2007	Rochester
Jones, Carlyne	06/18/2007	Rochester
Lamantia, John T	06/19/2007	Rochester
Leclair, Pauline	06/19/2007	Middleton
Mattocks, Charles	06/26/2007	· Dover
Day, Valerie	07/01/2007	Dover
Johnson, Wendell	09/16/2007	Wolfeboro
Johnson, Eleanor	10/17/2007	Wolfeboro
Higgins, Linda	11/20/1007	Farmington
Landry, Lionel	12/04/2007	Somersworth
Diprizio, Mary	12/19/2007	Rochester
Whynott, Roger	12/20/2007	Ossipee
Diprizio, Constandino	12/27/2007	Rochester
Diprizio, Enid	12/30/2007	Dover
Total Number of Records:	16	

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Mara Hartada	Dec 31, 2006	Dec. 31, 2007
Uncollected: Prior Year's Taxes	172,791.89	735,251.74
Committed:	172,731.03	700,201.74
Property	3,221,012.00	2,909,130.00
Yield	5,538.61	00.00
Land Use Change Tax	5,500.00	17,000.00
Overpayments:	0,000.00	17,000.00
Prior Year's	13,684.61	5,619.17
New this Fiscal Year	8,358.17	9,302.89
Interest All Years	15,604.59	22,484.11
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$3,442,489.87	\$3,698,787.91
Remitted to Treasurer:		
Property	2,591,513.91	2,198,880.83
Yield	5,538.61	4,608.38
Land Use Change Tax	5,500.00	11,500.00
Interest	15,604.59	3,016.33
Converted to Liens	66,313.72	120,707.19
Abatements	564.52	985.00
Current Levy Deeded	160.00	300.00
Uncollected		
Property	735,251.74	708,964.17
Overpayments	18,768.78	7,812.49
Refunds	3,274.00	1,490.40
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$3,442,489.87	\$3,058,264.79

SUMMARY OF TAX LIENS

DEBITS	4 (
	Unredeemed beginning of prior year	00.00	
	Liens executed 2006	130,339.51	
	Interest Collected	3,729.34	
	TOTAL LIEN DEBTS:	\$134,068.85	
CREDITS			
Remitted to	Treasurer:		
	Redemptions	62,310.43	
	Interest Collected	3,729.34	
	Abatements	239.00	
	Liens deeded to Town	667.04	
	Unredeemed Liens Prior	67,123.04	
	Year End	00.00	
	TOTAL LIEN CREDITS:	\$134.068.85	

TREASURER'S REPORT

Middleton Deposits and Expenses for 2007 1/1/2007 through 12/31/07

Listed below is a summary of the monthly income and expenses for the Town of Middleton for the year 2007. Due to the tax bills going out later than anticipated, a Tan Line of Credit was taken out in the amount of \$200,000, in May to cover expenditures until anticipated revenues started coming in. The interest on the Line of Credit was 3.89% which amounted to \$1,193.64. This was paid on July 24th, 2007.

Due to a late setting of the tax rate, tax bills went out later than anticipated. A TAN LINE of CREDIT was taken out in the amount of \$200,000.00, in November to cover our expenditures until anticipated revenues started coming in. The interest on the Line of Credit was 3.89% which amounted to \$1,087.07. This was paid on January 3rd, 2008.

Total Deposits			Total Expenses		
Month of	<u>Amount</u>		Month of		<u>Amount</u>
January	\$ 696,643.43		January	\$	903,315.55
February	\$ 98,793.17		February	\$	406,398.43
March	\$ 123,660.01		March	\$	297,442.89
April	\$ 94,323.08		April	\$	305,369.77
May	\$ 357,395.85	May	\$	335,072.94	
June	\$ 639,458.01		June	\$	399,629.49
July	\$ 970,504.67		July	\$	816,502.15
August	\$ 55,450.55		August	\$	178,030.67
September	\$ 43,100.14		September	\$	298,144.27
October	\$ 64,180.02		October	\$	336,650.61
November	\$ 284,855.76		November	\$	332,876.55
December	\$ 840,960.85		December	\$	605,759.54
Total:	\$ 4,269,325.54		Total:	\$	5,215,192.86

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The below is the interest earned on the Sweep Account:

Interest Earnings by Month	Bank Statement	Earnings Credit Rate
January	\$ 3,609.78	4.83%
February	\$ 5,840.59	4.85%
March	\$ 1,538.01	4.86%
April	\$ 1,166.00	4.86%
May	\$ 660.72	4.82%
June	\$ 1,810.28	4.82%
July	\$ 4,045.92	4.66%
August	\$ 3,731.01	4.84%
September	\$ 2,653.39	4.74%
October	\$ 1,665.81	4.58%
November	\$ 1,181.72	4.35%
December	\$ 990.39	4.19%
Total Interest Earned:	\$ 28,893.62	

This has been a challenging year with the growing expenses. I thank and appreciate the constant support of our Town Administrator and Town Selectmen for keeping our town financially stable.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Evans Principe Town Treasurer

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CODE ENFORCEMENT / BUILDING INSPECTIONS

The year ending December 31, 2007 saw a slight decrease in Town construction. In 2006 there were a total of 64 permits issued, as compared to 2007 with 59 permits issued. Although the numbers of permits issued have declined, the amount of inspections did not, since the number of inspections that take place yearly also includes all open permits from previous years.

I anticipate that in 2008 there will be at least as many permits issued as in 2007. This would appear likely since, toward the end of 2007, there were signs of increased development activity.

The town received \$11,685 from fees and occupancy permits. This amount more than covered the Code Enforcement Department expanses for the year, which was reported at \$7,193 on the November budget expenditure statement.

Professional advancement continued to be an important goal during the 2007 year. During the past year, I attended code-training sessions on a monthly basis. The International Council Code (ICC), which sponsors these training sessions, is recognized as one of the few worldwide certification and training organizations for municipal code enforcement officials. Also during the past year, I became fully certified and licensed by the ICC as a Residential Plumbing Inspector and completed about 200 hours of continuing education classes with very little expense or hours billed to the town. I continue to maintain my Home Improvement License and General Contractors License. Also, I am presently enrolled in the review class for ICC Mechanical Inspection Certification and anticipate receiving that certification during 2008.

Again, during 2007, a great deal of interdepartmental work was required with the Police Department and Office of Emergency Management. As Health Officer, I have attended several different conferences throughout the year to keep up to date on new regulations and old issues that have made their way back to our communities. In November, I was elected to the Board of Directors for the NH Health Officers Association.

I have worked hard toward fostering a working relationship with building inspectors in surrounding towns. We have developed many positive relationships that have proven to be a valuable resource for ideas and issues when several towns are dealing with similar issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Capello Code Enforcement / Health Officer

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

In 2007 we were busy assisting with Shoreland applications and reviewing State Dredge and Fill permits. With the help of Moose Mountain Regional Greenways executive director Joyce El Kouarti we assessed Middleton's land use and created a list of protection priorities to be included in the soon to be updated Master Plan. We aided the Village district in answering questions about the impact of the lower than normal draw down that will be necessary this fall for the repair of the dam, and the effect it will have on the fish and loon populations. We continued to work on: a management plan for the Town Forest, creating a public trail through the Adams Way easement to the Jones River, water quality testing through the Volunteer Lake Assessment Program, milfoil management and the Tanglewood natural area.

Three one-ton trucks full of garbage were disposed of in the October clean up of Tanglewood with more to be removed, validating the need for the gate that was placed at the main entrance. Thanks to Rick and his crew for their help with that project.

Many thanks to Joe Curtin who, after many years of outstanding service, is stepping down. During his time on the commission Joe wore many "hats", none of which will be easily filled. We would like to welcome new member Neil Turner and thank him for the use of his truck and trailer during our October clean up.

If you have a desire to help protect Middleton's natural resources, wildlife and beauty, we meet on the first Wednesday of every month, or contact a board member, we'd be glad to have your help.

Kate Buzard, Chair Carol Vita, Secretary Evelyn Campbell Neil Turner

FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT REPORT

2007 has brought much change to the Middleton Fire & Rescue Department. At this time last year, I was an acting Fire Chief with a limited department. Within that 12-month period I have been named the Fire Chief, and I am proud to say that as a TEAM we have rebuilt this department. We have one of the largest rosters in a very long time.

The members of this department deserve praise and admiration for their devotion to this community and those who reside here. We have had many members spend countless hours away from their own families obtaining Firefighter Level 1 certifications in 2007, to benefit our community and make it a safer place to reside. Those with EMS certifications are required to pursue mandatory continuing educational requirements every year. We have devoted members within this department here to serve you and your families.

This relatively quiet town threw us a couple curve balls this year. The first was the May flooding that the town endured for the second time in a year. Fire & Rescue worked along with the Highway Department and Joe Curtin of Emergency Management and Farmington's office of Emergency Management to ensure safety for all.

The second, of course, was the mill fire at Middleton Building Supply. It had been 7+ years since this community had seen a structure fire let alone something of that magnitude. The members of our Fire & Rescue were outstanding that early morning. Special thanks go out to all surrounding communities for all their support and mutual aid.

Calls for 2007

Ambulance	61	Non-permit Burns	7
Chimney Fire	3	Power Lines Down	14
Medical Assist	22	Severe Weather	2
Mutual Aid Given	11	Smoke Investigation	1
Mutual Aid Rec'd	58	Structure Fire	4
MVA	11		

For the future we continue, as we mentioned last year, toward the goal of a new Public Safety facility to provide our members with a safer working environment. As always, I urge everyone to stop by your department, meet and get to know your members, and view our equipment and facilities. While we have a wonderful group at the firehouse, we are always looking for new members. Have you ever wanted to be an EMT? Come and see me.

Special thanks to my Deputy Chief Jake Bourdeau, Captain Andrea Bowden, Captain Jeff Roub, Lieutenant Jeff Roub, Lieutenant Dave Silbernagel, Lieutenant Mike Laviolette, Lieutenant Lon Berry, and all of my Fire & Rescue Department members. I could not do this without any of you!!

I look forward to serving you another year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Laughy, Sr Acting Fire Chief

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Highway Department had another busy year dealing with another flood event in the month of April. Due to the extra work required to deal with the flood, a couple of projects had to be postponed. One being the reconstruction of New Durham Road, from Buttermilk Lane to Drew Drive, and also the overlay on Drew Estates. We were, however, able to get a contract for all paving and remain locked in to the 2007 pricing.

Once again we qualified for flood damage reimbursement from FEMA and have received the Federal portion in the amount of \$81,000.00 but have not yet received the State portion. Mick Construction was hired by the Department to crush all the previous year's end products from our Winter Sand screening process. This resulted in approximately 5,800 cubic yards of high quality crushed gravel for approximately \$3.50 per yard saving the Town approximately \$45,000.00, whereas the current pricing for crushed gravel is \$11.78 per yard. We also screened another 4,000 cubic yards of winter sand from our own pit again this year saving a lot of money.

Some of the FEMA money received was used to replace culverts on Lakeshore Drive, Gary Road, and other various areas, with more being installed in 2008 in hopes of preventing future washouts. Our Salt Shed has been patched once again hopefully lasting a couple more years, we will still need a long-term fix.

In closing I would like to thank my crew for another year of quality work performance and dedication. Robert Page, Dale Glidden, Peter Masse, and Scott Pike continue to do an excellent job and provide a high level of service to Middleton residents. I would also like to thank all of those who helped during the flood:

- Paul Barron Excavating
- MKG Landscaping
- Halex Construction
- Pike Industries
- Boulanger Paving
- Lappiere Trucking

And special thanks also goes out to the Middleton Fire and Rescue for their assistance during that time.

I thank the Middleton Board of Selectmen and our Town Administrator Paul Skowron and the Residents of Middleton for your continued support for the Department. As always, any comments or concerns please feel free to contact me anytime at 473-8390.

Respectfully Submitted:

Rick A. Washburn Road Agent

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Department had a very busy year both in serving the community and in updating/upgrading its services. During the year we had the benefit of a K-9 added to our force. K-9 " Mason" is currently available for tracking assignments.

Also added was a fourth full-time officer, Stacy Gilman, who comes to us with a great deal of experience. Since coming on board with us, he started the department's first website and also was able to secure a donation for the use of a Yamaha Rhino ATV from Rochester Motor Sports. The website can be viewed at www.middletonpd.org. He also became a member of the Strafford County Regional Tactical Unit. This unit responded to the Hillary Clinton Hostage situation in Rochester and most recently a barricaded subject in Farmington.

The following illustrates a breakdown of activity for the town in the past year:

CALLS FOR SERVICE	811	1% increase
ARRESTS	78	54% increase
MOTOR VEHICLE SUMMONS	197	9% decrease
MOTOR VEHICLE WARNINGS	935	6% decrease
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	20	10% increase

As you can see from the above data, arrests drastically increased this past year. Part of this is due to a nationwide increase in crime and an increase in our coverage. The town has also seen a drastic increase in juvenile offenders being apprehended and brought to court.

This past year we saw several burglary cases in the Lakeshore Drive area which consumed much time and manpower to bring to a conclusion. As in the past, it is a priority of this department to make the roads and Town of Middleton as safe as possible at the lowest cost.

This year the department returned \$16,380.65 to the General Fund. This money was from details, witness fees, and court fines. In 2008 one of the department goals is to start a neighborhood watch program around the lakefront neighborhoods, as this is the most compact area of town. I am also looking to start a bicycle patrol in those areas and other parts of town.

In closing, I would like to thank the residents and businesses for their continued support. If anyone has any comments or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Respectfully Submitted:

Randy Sobel Chief of Police

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Middleton continues to experience considerable residential growth, despite the statewide slowdown in residential building. While completed subdivisions were down this year (a total of 3 two-lot subdivisions were approved), we were presented with three major subdivision proposals representing (all together) more than 50 lots. One of those is nearing completion, another is beginning the process, and a third seven-lot subdivision is still in the conceptual stage and may or may not go forward. We also processed 3 lot mergers, 4 Shoreland Permits, and one Lot Line Adjustment.

Nearing completion is a major subdivision of more than 20 lots proposed for the west side of the north end of Silver Street. If approved, it will represent the first subdivision using our newly adopted Residential Open Space Subdivision Regulations, which were approved at the Special Town Meeting in September 2006. Because of its size, this proposal was determined to be one with Regional Impact, and input was sought from the Regional Planning Commission, as well as the towns of New Durham and Farmington.

In September, the Planning Board held a Design Review Hearing for a proposed 'flight community', involving approximately 25 lots and a common airstrip. Many abutters and other residents expressed concerns about the proposal. A formal application for Phase 1 of this proposal was submitted at end of the year.

Meanwhile, neighboring New Durham has one major subdivision in the works and at least two major projects in the conceptual stage, including a very large (more than 200 units) subdivision. The north end of Strafford County is clearly targeted for growth, and it will be challenging to find the right balance between the demand for housing and the desire to maintain our community character and quality of life.

All of which makes the adoption of our updated Master Plan even more important. We are nearing completion of the first such update in more than 25 years. The Master Plan, based on input from the community, sets forth a vision that helps guide and inform the unfolding development of the town—where and what kind of residential and commercial growth we foresee and which natural and recreation resources we see as necessary for the long-term health and character of the town.

Looking ahead, we are proposing that the voters authorize the Planning Board, as per the RSA 674:5-7 to research, adopt a recommended Capital Improvements Program (CIP). The CIP is meant to help foresee any capital expense items (everything from police cruisers to highway and fire trucks and school buses to town and school buildings, etc) the town may need to keep up with growth.

Besides being a good planning tool, having a CIP is required if we, as a town, want to consider assessing Impact Fees on new developments to help cover the costs of the capital improvements. There are advantages and disadvantage to Impact Fees, and the Planning Board will be encouraging public input on the matter as we go forward. But the first step is to pull together a capital improvement plan.

We anticipate that many owners of shorefront property on Sunrise Lake may want to consider improvements if and when the lake is drawn down in order to make necessary repairs to the dam. Most such improvements will require a Shoreland Permit from the Planning Board, and we will work hard to make that process as smooth as possible while upholding the Shoreland District regulations.

All of our regulations, as well as the minutes of our meetings, can be found online at nhplanning.com. We also encourage attendance at our meetings, and would especially welcome anyone who might want to be considered as a member of the Planning Board (appointed by the Selectmen).

Lastly, we want to acknowledge Joni van Gelder for her highly competent work as the clerk. She has not only kept our current work organized, but has made great strides in improving the organization of past files. We thank her profusely.

Sincerely,

Middleton Planning Board
Jack Savage, Chair
Mark Stevens, Vice Chair
Kate Buzard, Member
Gilman Pond, Member
Roger Mains, Selectmen's Ex Oficio Member
Joni van Gelder, Clerk and Alternate Member
Randy Talon, Alternate Member

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment received two applications during the past year:

- a request for a Special Exception (1) in the Sunrise Lake District granted
- a request for a Variance (1) in the Sunrise Lake District granted

In addition, a variance request carried forward from 2006 (2006-05), was reviewed exhaustively by the Board with the assistance of an independent consultant and the State Department of Environmental Services (DES). The applicant withdrew his variance request in June until DES issues could be resolved.

Under administrative business, we welcomed two new Alternate Members, Neil Turner and John Mullen, Jr. The Board requires alternate members as substitutes in the event a regular member is absent or has a conflict of interest in a specific case.

As a reminder to the public, the Zoning Board of Adjustment conducts regular business meetings on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM should you seek to contact the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Branca, Chairman

Regular Members:
Joe Branca
Al Poulin (Vice Chairman)
Lou Vita (Clerk)
Linda Adamo
Richard Chamberlain

Alternate Members: Neil Turner John Mullen, Jr.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Emergency Management Director (EMD), is a volunteer position appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The mission of the EMD is to:

- Work closely with all the emergency response managers to collectively prepare Middleton for emergencies
- Advise and help implement the planning and coordination for mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery from all disasters
- Work closely with governments at the local, regional, state and national levels to build effective national emergency management

2007 Activities:

- Served on the Town's Risk Management Committee
- Worked with Police and Fire to acquire sand bags from the state and water damage clean-up kits from the Red Cross during the April flooding.
- Worked with the NH Bureau of Emergency Management providing requested updates and documentation during the April flooding.
- Worked with Highway, Police and Fire to provide FEMA with the needed documentation to apply for federal aid after the April flooding.
- Through the State office of Emergency Management updated the four radiation detectors that have been issued to the Fire and Police departments.
- Arranged for radiation detection training for the Police and Fire departments.
- Began an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at the second floor of the Municipal Building and acquired a desk, file cabinet and storage area.
- Applied for a base station radio system for the EOC through the State Office of Safety with full funding through the Homeland Security Grant Program. The grant would include installation.
- Served on the Board of the Northern Strafford County Health and Safety Council (NSCHSC) continuing the town's forth year of partnership. And through this partnership, and at no cost to the town, officials from Middleton Emergency Management, Fire, Police, Highway, Health and Administration attended or participated in:
 - A workshop regarding the continuity of operations during an emergency
 - A planning workshop for a distribution drill of medicine and medical supplies from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)
 - A regional SNS distribution drill at the Rochester Middle School
 - A hearing in Concord regarding how the state may regionalize public health and emergency management
 - A workshop regarding sheltering animals during an emergency
 - Planning committee to develop regional public health response plan for avian flu pandemic and other public health emergencies

Submitted by Joseph J. Curtin Emergency Management Director

2007 Town Report for the Town of Middleton Submitted by the NORTHERN STRAFFORD COUNTY HEALTH AND SAFETY COUNCIL

The Town of Middleton and the Northern Strafford County Health and Safety Council (NSCHSC) celebrated its fourth year of public health partnership in 2007.

Middleton Emergency Management Director, Mr. Joe Curtin, continued as the board representative. His perspective and commitment to improve the health and wellbeing of Middleton residents has been a tremendous asset to the board. We look forward to our continued partnership in 2008.

2007 was a busy year for the organization in the areas of planning and programs. We were able to access additional funding and add staff to enhance the public health capacity of the region. The following is a summary of 2007 programs:

Emergency Preparedness and Planning

- Emergency personnel from Middleton were part of a multi-town team chosen to participate in a Center for Disease Control (CDC) statewide exercise on April 13th and 14th which tested our capacity to distribute anti-viral medication to the general population during a public health emergency. The drill was a success and the region received positive reviews for our multi jurisdiction team work and coordinated public health emergency plans.
- Received a 93% score from the CDC on our mass vaccination plan which will assist
 Middleton residents should a disaster occur that requires broad vaccination or
 prophylaxis distribution. This score reflects the regional commitment of emergency
 responders and community leaders to the regional planning and response.
- Completed the regional public health response plan, risk communication and pandemic response plan for avian flu pandemic and other public health emergencies.
 Awarded \$32,000 Pandemic Planning grant for regional work. Middleton is an active participant in this process.
- Awarded \$15,000 Citizen Corps Grant to continue the regional Northern Strafford County Regional Citizens Reserve Corps. Middleton residents are encouraged to contact the NSCHSC at 335-0168 to become a trained volunteer.
- Awarded a Medical Reserve Corps grant to recruit trained and credentialed medical volunteers for regional emergencies.
- Provided Continuity of Operations training to regional partners to help sustain business operations after an emergency.
- Increased working relationships among home health, Community Health Center, mental health, and education communities for emergency planning.

Public Health Programs

- Awarded \$18,000 from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation to asses and explore possible solutions for the teen health disparities in Northern Strafford County as compared to other regions of the state. This grant will use teens, parents and providers to find solutions to the growing issues faced by the youth in the region.
- Awarded \$24,000 from the Endowment For Health and \$20,000 from the United Way
 of the Greater Seacoast to explore implementation of a volunteer physician program
 to address the issue of uninsured residents and the lack of access to medical

services. Access to health care for the uninsured in Strafford County, as well as in the rest of the state, is a well-documented problem. Based on federal designations of provider shortages, lack of insurance, and other barriers to utilization, Strafford County residents are using our emergency departments for primary care and entering the system having delayed care. StraffordCare is a comprehensive network of hospitals and primary, specialty and ancillary health care providers generously offering their services to the uninsured at a reduced fee. This is not health insurance; it is a Medical Discount Plan modeled after the Seacare program in the Portsmouth/Exeter area. The goals of StraffordCare are: 1. Increase access to healthcare and existing community resources for low income, uninsured adults. 2. Support healthy behaviors, appropriate utilization of healthcare services, and improved health status outcomes for enrollees. 3. Reduce the burden of collecting bad debt and screening for area providers.

• Continued Lead Action Coalition to examine lead level exposures in the region and the public health risk for children.

Planning and priority setting for health improvement

- Municipal and Health Provider partners signed a Memorandum Of Understanding for coordinated planning which included shared goals of local government, health care and NSCHSC.
- Awarded \$75,000 from the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services for ongoing support of NSCHSC.

NSCHSC looks forward to our continued partnership with Middleton and the region on public health initiatives during 2008. We welcome feedback and increased participation in programs for the town and region. For more information, please contact the organization at:

NSCHSC PO Box 564 Rochester, NH 03867 Phone: 335-0168 Email bandrewsparker@nschsc.org

Submitted by:

Betsey Andrews Parker, MPH

Executive Director

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ROCHESTER DISTRICT VNA ANNUAL REPORT for MIDDLETON

Rochester District VNA (Your VNA) continues to serve as your home health agency providing skilled nursing, rehabilitative therapies, medical social work, licensed nursing assistance and supportive services on an intermittent basis throughout your community. The acuity of our patients is constantly increasing. Many patients need IV therapy, internal feedings, post knee/hip replacements therapy, and complicated wound dressings. We are proud to provide you with highly skilled clinicians ready to meet the demand.

Our Medicare reimbursement has been reduced by 11.9% in the past two years with additional reductions planned for the next four years. Skilled service provided under Medicaid is reimbursed by the state at less than half the cost to provide it. Our numbers of uninsured individuals receiving care increases each year. Your support of these services is crucial to people in need of skilled nursing and therapy care.

It is vitally important in this election year that everyone is aware of the importance of the health care issue. Adequate funding for home care is critical in keeping patients in their home, the most cost-effective and preferred place to receive care.

We provide support services including: homemakers, personal care attendants and in-home companions paid by Title XX and Strafford County funding as well as privately paid services. These services allow individuals requiring minimal support to remain safely in their homes at the lowest possible cost.

We have improved our utilization of electronic charts resulting in the following: improved clinical efficiency and accuracy of documentation, flow of data to appropriate disciplines at the time most needed, ease of viewing historical data, improved coordination of care, decreased man hours with less manual paper processes and a reduction of errors. Telehealth use continues to increase. The results of daily monitoring of seriously ill patients helps prevent additional visits to the emergency room through early interventions.

We have added a service this fall. We opened an Adult Day Center at our office, 178 Farmington Road, Rochester. This provides care, activities, socialization and medical monitoring of adults who are not safe to be home alone. The Center is open Monday-Friday from 8a.m.-5p.m. and is handicapped accessible.

Our biggest and most critical challenge is being dependent on the government for 85% of our revenue. We are unable to set reimbursement rates. We are dependent on what the government pays regardless of the cost to provide the care. Therefore, your continued support of Rochester District Visiting Nurse Association (Your VNA) is vitally important in meeting the many health needs in your community.

Middleton - 11 months #'s annualized

	Total visits by Service:	% of Home Care patients by payment source	
Skilled Nursing	298	Medicare	20%
Physical Therapy	145	Medicaid	4%
Occupational Therapy	53	HCBC	5%
Speech Therapy	2	Insurance	12%
Medical Social Work	11	Private/Self	
LNA (nursing assistant)	220		
		% of Support Services	
Homemaking	105	Title XX and County	40%
Peri-natal visits	14	Private Pay	20%
Adult Health Clinic Visits	6		

Submitted by:

Linda Hotchkiss, RN MHSA, Executive Director

MIDDLETON GRADUATES

Class of 2007

Adams, Angelina Adams, Anthony Bisson, Eric Burney, Amber Christiaanse, Wensel Currier, Chris Hatfield, Brandon Howard, Kelly Hunter, Rockie Kimball, Dwight Kinney, Jareb Lamantia, J.T. Lontine, Jessica Moody, Heather Porfido, Frank Sargent, Ashley Smith, Branden Smith, Daryl Spinale, Anthony St. Pierre, Nigel Taylor, Zachary



CONGRATULATIONS!

TOWN OF MIDDLETON, NEW HAMPSHIRE DIRECTORY

POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE EMERGENCY	E-911
STRAFFORD COUNTY DISPATCH	742-4960
POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS PHONE	473-8548
FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS PHONE	473-2750
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	473-8390
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	473-8513
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	473-8288
TAX COLLECTOR/TOWN CLERK	473-2134
PLANNING BOARD	473-2261
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	473-2261
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE	473-2261
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	473-2576
TOWN OFFICE FAX	473-2577

OFFICE HOURS SELECTMEN'S OFFICE MONDAY 10AM - 7 PM, TUESDAY - THURSDAY 8 AM - 4 PM

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR OFFICE MONDAY 1 PM - 7 PM, TUESDAY - THURSDAY 9AM - 3 PM

SELECTMEN'S MEETINGS
MONDAY EVENINGS 6:30PM
DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETINGS: 3rd MONDAY EACH MONTH 6:30 PM

PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS 2nd THURSDAY 6 PM

CONSERVATION COMMISSION 1st WEDNESDAY 10:00 AM

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 2nd TUESDAY 6:30 PM

MIDDLETON SCHOOL BOARD 2nd WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM