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REPORT
OF THE
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY TREASURER
AND OTHER
OFFICERS OF CHESHIRE COUNTY

For the Year Ending December 31, 1981



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COUNTY OFFICERS

COMMISSIONERS

DAVID G. ADAMS Westmoreland
WILLIAM F. LYNCH Keene
HAROLD E. SAVAGE Rindge

COORDINATOR

D. M. DROUIN Appointed 9/14/81

TREASURER

WARREN G. ALLEN Spofford

ATTORNEY

EDWARD J. O'BRIEN Keene
MARTHA R. CROCKER, Assistant Keene

SHERIFF

KENNETH N. LYSITT Keene

CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT

STILLMAN D. ROGERS Keene

JUDGE OF PROBATE

PETER S. ESPIEFS Keene

REGISTER OF PROBATE

PHYLLIS J. PARKER Keene

REGISTER OF DEEDS

EVELYN S. HUBAL Keene

WELFARE DIRECTOR

MIMI BARBER Keene

MEDICAL REFEREE

CHARLES E. SCHOFIELD Keene

ADMINISTRATOR AT MAPLEWOOD HOME AND HOSPITAL

CHARLES R. WATERMAN Westmoreland
KEVIN F. GORDON, Assistant Westmoreland
Terminated 8/28/81

DIRECTOR OF NURSING SERVICES

HARRIET C. WATERMAN Westmoreland

PHYSICIAN AT MAPLEWOOD HOSPITAL

WILLIAM H. TATEM, M.D. Walpole

MEMBERS OF CHESHIRE COUNTY DELEGATION

DIST. NO. 1

ALSTEAD, SURRY, WALPOLE, WESTMORELAND

ROBERT L. GALLOWAY Walpole
JEFFREY G. MILLER Walpole
ROBERT W. MOORE, JR. Westmoreland

DIST. 2 – CHESTERFIELD

TERRY L. WIGGIN

DIST. 3 – HINSDALE, WINCHESTER

ELMER L. JOHNSON Winchester
DENNIS S. LITTKY Winchester
PATRICK L. O'CONNOR Hinsdale

DIST. 4 – FITZWILLIAM, RICHMOND

JESSE F. DAVIS Fitzwilliam

DIST. 5 – SWANZEY

DAVID M. PERRY – MARGARET A. RAMSAY

DIST. 6 – TROY

WILLIAM R. MATSON

DIST. 7 – RINDGE

JEAN T. WHITE

DIST. 8 – JAFFREY

CLAYTON H. CRANE – FREDERICK T. ERNST

DIST. 9 – MARLBOROUGH, ROXBURY

IRVIN H. GORDON

DIST. 10 – DUBLIN, HARRISVILLE, NELSON

WILLIAM A. RILEY

DIST. 11 – GILSUM, MARLOW, STODDARD, SULLIVAN

DANIEL A. EATON

DIST. 12 – KEENE, WARD 1

MARGARET A. LYNCH – MARILEE P. ROUILLARD

DIST. 13 – KEENE, WARD 2

DELINA R. HICKEY – PATRICIA T. RUSSELL

DIST. 14 – KEENE, WARD 3

WILLIAM H. KENNEDY – NANCY J. PROCTOR

DIST. 15 – KEENE, WARD 4

ROBERT T. EISENGREIN – ROBERT E. BARBER

KENDALL W. LANE

DIST. 16 – KEENE, WARD 5

NANCY E. BAYBUTT – ANDREA A. SCRANTON

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT FOR 1981

To the Citizens of Cheshire County:

During the year the Commissioners were joined by William F. Lynch, newly-elected Commissioner from District 2, and began to prepare for the year with a view of instituting some changes in the management operation of the county.

The County Delegation voted funds for a County Coordinator in the Commissioners office. In the summer of 1981, the Commissioners agreed to hire a County Coordinator which was done in September of 1981, at which time Donna Drouin was the successful candidate, who assumed the new duties and began to assist the Commissioners on a day-to-day basis in the administration of county affairs.

During the year we received the resignation of Kevin Gordon who was the assistant to the superintendent of the Westmoreland facilities. Kevin left his position to return to school preparing for a law degree. The distinguished service and dedication of Kevin Gordon to the county and to his fellow employees will be missed, and we extend to him the best wishes of health and success in his new profession.

In preparation for the retirements of Mr. and Mrs. Waterman in 1981, the County Commissioners approved the hiring of an assistant to the Director of Nursing who would have the qualifications and ability to assume the duties currently held by Mrs. Waterman. The position was approved and filled, and we are grateful to have on our current staff Mrs. Harriet Davenport, Director of Nursing Services.

As the budget process progressed in the latter part of the year, with the assistance of Donna Drouin, the Coordinator, we began to improve the budget process and set some goals and priorities to be further accomplished in the coming year within the budget format.

The Cheshire County Commissioners wish to recognize and gratefully acknowledge their dedicated employees and congratulate them on their excellent service to the county residents.

William F. Lynch, Clerk
Cheshire County Board of
Commissioners

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COMMISSIONERS' REPORT FOR 1981

During the year the Commission was joined by William E. Jacob, newly-elected Commissioner from District 3 and began to provide for the year with a view to providing some changes in the manner of conducting business.

The County Delegation voted to purchase property for a new site for a County Government Center. The site is located in the town of Lyndon. The property is approximately 40 acres and is bounded on the north by the Lyndon town line, on the east by the Lyndon town line, on the south by the Lyndon town line, and on the west by the Lyndon town line.

The Commission also considered the purchase of property for a new site for a County Government Center. The site is located in the town of Lyndon. The property is approximately 40 acres and is bounded on the north by the Lyndon town line, on the east by the Lyndon town line, on the south by the Lyndon town line, and on the west by the Lyndon town line.

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WILLIAM E. JACOB
 1981-1982
 DISTRICT 3
 CHESHIRE COUNTY
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 CHESHIRE COUNTY

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Board of County Commissioners
County of Cheshire, New Hampshire
Keene, New Hampshire 03431

June 11, 1982

Gentlemen:

We have examined the combined financial statements of the County of Cheshire, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1981, as listed in the table of contents. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the additional standards and requirements for financial and compliance audits as set forth in Standards for Audit of Governmental Organizations, Programs, Activities and Functions, 1981 revision promulgated by the U.S. comptroller general, and accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The County has not maintained complete records of its general fixed assets. The general fixed assets account group included in these financial statements has been prepared using both actual and estimated historical costs provided by county management and current appraisal data provided by insurance companies. Generally accepted accounting principles require that fixed assets values should be determined and maintained at historical cost. Because we were unable to satisfy ourselves by appropriate audit tests or by other means, because of incomplete records, we are unable to express an opinion on the accompanying financial statements of the general fixed asset account group.

In our opinion, except for the financial statement of general fixed asset account group, the combined financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of the County of Cheshire, and the changes in financial position of its proprietary fund types for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Our examination was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the combined financial statements taken as a whole. The supporting schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the combined financial statements of the County of Cheshire, New Hampshire. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the combined financial statements, and in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the combined financial statements taken as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Connors
Certified Public Accountant
JOHN E. RICH & COMPANY
Accountants and Auditors

CHESHIRE COUNTY REPORTS

Exhibit 1

COUNTY OF CHESHIRE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
 ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
 DECEMBER 31, 1981

	Governmental Fund Type		
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects
Assets			
Cash	\$744,690	\$ 50,592	\$ 56,464
Accounts Receivable	9,300	763	
Due from Other Funds (Note 5)	4,092		
Advance to Internal Service Fund	25,000		
Prepaid Expenses			
Inventories			
Property, Plant and Equipment, Net of Accumulated Depreciation (Note 2)			
Amount Required to be Provided in the Future for Retirement of Debt			
TOTAL ASSETS	\$783,082	\$ 51,355	\$ 56,464
Liabilities and Fund Equity			
Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable	\$219,315		
Accrued Expenses			
Due to Patients and Other Agencies			
Due to Other Funds (Note 5)	3,207		4,092
Advance from General Fund			
General Obligation Bonds Payable (Note 3)			
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$222,522		\$ 4,092
Fund Equity:			
Investment in General Fixed Assets	—	—	—
Retained Earnings (Deficit) (Notes 4 and 10)			
Unreserved			
Reserved for Specific Capital Projects			
Fund Balance:			
Reserved for Specific Capital Projects			\$ 52,372
Unreserved:			
Undesignated	560,560	51,355	
Total Retained Earnings/ Fund Balance	560,560	51,355	52,372
Total Fund Equity	560,560	51,355	52,372
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$783,082	\$ 51,355	\$ 56,464

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements

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COUNTY OF CHESHIRE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
 ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
 DECEMBER 31, 1981

Proprietary Fund Type		Fiduciary Fund Type	Account Groups		Total Memorandum Only
Enterprise, Nursing Home	Internal Service Fund	Agency	General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Debt	December 31, 1981
\$ 24,411	\$ 5,489	\$300,357	\$	\$	\$ 1,182,003
228,397	7,792				246,252
		3,207			7,299
					25,000
5,958	306				6,264
72,813	750	454			74,017
3,595,048	9,835		5,492,607		9,097,490
				2,775,000	2,775,000
<u>\$3,926,627</u>	<u>\$24,172</u>	<u>\$304,018</u>	<u>\$5,492,607</u>	<u>\$2,775,000</u>	<u>\$13,413,325</u>
\$ 121,759	\$ 2,028	\$ 1,424	\$	\$	\$ 222,767
		302,594			121,759
					302,594
					7,299
	25,000				25,000
3,320,000				2,775,000	6,095,000
<u>3,441,759</u>	<u>27,028</u>	<u>304,018</u>		<u>2,775,000</u>	<u>6,774,419</u>
—	—	—	5,492,607	—	5,492,607
483,009	(2,856)				480,153
1,859					1,859
					52,372
					611,915
<u>484,868</u>	<u>(2,856)</u>				<u>1,146,299</u>
<u>484,868</u>	<u>(2,856)</u>		<u>5,492,607</u>		<u>6,638,906</u>
<u>\$3,926,627</u>	<u>\$24,172</u>	<u>\$304,018</u>	<u>\$5,492,607</u>	<u>\$2,775,000</u>	<u>\$13,413,325</u>

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements

Exhibit 2

COUNTY OF CHESHIRE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
 EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
 ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981

	Governmental Fund Types			Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	December 31, 1981
Revenues				
Taxes	\$2,536,691	\$	\$	\$2,536,691
Intergovernmental	65,626	128,404		194,030
Charges for Services	179,102			179,102
Miscellaneous	2,575	3,299		5,874
County Farm	189,970			189,970
Interest	211,062	2,889	5,685	219,636
Total Revenues	<u>3,185,026</u>	<u>134,592</u>	<u>5,685</u>	<u>3,325,303</u>
Expenditures				
General Government	2,004,692	313,123		2,317,815
House of Correction	218,392			218,392
Prisoners Held in Other Institutions	4,681			4,681
County Farm	178,354			178,354
Capital Outlay	44,544	2,524	35,255	82,323
Debt Service	340,995			340,995
Total Expenditures	<u>2,791,658</u>	<u>315,647</u>	<u>35,255</u>	<u>3,142,560</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>393,368</u>	<u>(181,055)</u>	<u>(29,570)</u>	<u>182,743</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Operating Transfers In	25,988	246,453		272,441
Operating Transfers Out	(196,453)	(50,000)	(4,092)	(250,545)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(170,465)</u>	<u>196,453</u>	<u>(4,092)</u>	<u>21,896</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	<u>222,903</u>	<u>15,398</u>	<u>(33,662)</u>	<u>204,639</u>
Fund Balance, At Beginning of Year	331,253	35,957	86,034	453,244
Restatement of Beginning Fund Balance (Note 10)	6,404			6,404
As Restated	<u>337,657</u>	<u>35,957</u>	<u>86,034</u>	<u>459,648</u>
Fund Balance, At End of Year	<u>\$ 560,560</u>	<u>\$ 51,355</u>	<u>\$52,372</u>	<u>\$ 664,287</u>

Exhibit 3

COUNTY OF CHESHIRE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
 EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE,
 BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL —
 GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981

	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Actual Over/(Under) Budget
Revenues			
Taxes	\$2,536,691	\$2,536,691	\$ -
Intergovernmental	51,442	65,626	14,184
Charges for Services	118,000	179,102	61,102
Miscellaneous	100	2,575	2,475
County Farm	177,250	189,970	12,720
Interest	135,000	211,062	76,062
Total Revenues	<u>3,018,483</u>	<u>3,185,026</u>	<u>166,543</u>
Expenditures			
General Government	2,099,056	2,004,692	(94,364)
House of Correction	214,950	218,392	3,442
Prisoners Held in Other Institutions	8,000	4,681	(3,319)
County Farm	185,836	178,354	(7,482)
Capital Outlay	44,745	44,544	(201)
Debt Service	340,995	340,995	
Total Expenditures	<u>2,893,582</u>	<u>2,791,658</u>	<u>(101,924)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>124,901</u>	<u>393,368</u>	<u>268,467</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Operating Transfers In	(128,448)	25,988	154,436
Operating Transfers Out	(196,453)	(196,453)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(324,901)</u>	<u>(170,465)</u>	<u>154,436</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	<u>(200,000)</u>	<u>222,903</u>	<u>422,903</u>
Fund Balance, At Beginning of Year	200,000	331,253	131,253
Restatement of Beginning Fund Balance (Note 10)		6,404	6,404
As Restated	<u>200,000</u>	<u>337,657</u>	<u>137,657</u>
Fund Balance, At End of Year	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 560,560</u>	<u>\$560,560</u>

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements

Exhibit 3

COUNTY OF CHESHIRE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
 EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE,
 BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL —
 GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981

Special Revenue Funds			Total (Memorandum Only) December 31, 1981		
Budget	Actual	Actual Over/(Under) Budget	Budget	Actual	Actual Over/(Under) Budget
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,536,691	\$2,536,691	\$ -
122,000	128,404	6,404	173,442	194,030	20,588
-	-	-	118,000	179,102	61,102
-	3,299	3,299	100	5,874	5,774
-	-	-	177,250	189,970	12,720
-	2,889	2,889	135,000	213,951	78,951
122,000	134,592	12,592	3,140,483	3,319,618	179,135
315,853	313,123	(2,730)	2,414,909	2,317,815	(97,094)
-	-	-	214,950	218,392	3,442
-	-	-	8,000	4,681	(3,319)
-	-	-	185,836	178,354	(7,482)
2,600	2,524	(76)	47,345	47,068	(277)
-	-	-	340,995	340,995	-
318,453	315,647	(2,806)	3,212,035	3,107,305	(104,730)
(196,453)	(181,055)	15,398	(71,552)	212,313	283,865
246,453	246,453	-	118,005	272,441	154,436
(50,000)	(50,000)	-	(246,453)	(246,453)	-
196,453	196,453	-	(128,448)	25,988	154,436
-	15,398	15,398	(200,000)	238,301	438,301
-	35,957	35,957	200,000	367,210	167,210
-	-	-	-	6,404	6,404
-	35,957	35,957	200,000	373,614	173,614
\$ -	\$ 51,355	\$51,355	\$ -	\$ 611,915	\$611,915

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Exhibit 4

COUNTY OF CHESHIRE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS
ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981

	Proprietary Fund Types		Total (Memorandum Only)
	Enterprise	Internal Service	December 31 1981
Operating Revenues			
Charges for Services	\$2,503,920	\$ 45,432	\$2,549,352
Meals to Jail	41,541	-	41,541
Physicians' Fees	5,471	-	5,471
Resale Supplies	1,074	-	1,074
Medical Supplies	3,036	-	3,036
Miscellaneous	1,795	-	1,795
Total Operating Revenues	<u>2,556,837</u>	<u>45,432</u>	<u>2,602,269</u>
Operating Expenses			
Administration	265,529	-	265,529
Dietary	329,733	-	329,733
Nursing	807,589	-	807,589
Plant Operations	306,729	-	306,729
Laundry and Linen	88,522	-	88,522
Housekeeping	114,025	-	114,025
Physicians and Pharmacy	103,080	-	103,080
Special Services	125,783	42,525	168,308
Depreciation	140,872	2,333	143,205
Total Operating Expenses	<u>2,281,862</u>	<u>44,858</u>	<u>2,326,720</u>
Operating Income	<u>274,975</u>	<u>574</u>	<u>275,549</u>
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)			
Interest Income	149	324	473
Interest Expense	(248,040)	-	(248,040)
Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)	<u>(247,891)</u>	<u>324</u>	<u>(247,567)</u>
Income Before Operating Transfers	27,084	898	27,982
Operating Transfer Out			
General Fund	(21,896)	-	(21,896)
Net Income	<u>5,188</u>	<u>898</u>	<u>6,086</u>
Retained Earnings (Deficit), At Beginning of Year	534,347	(3,754)	530,593
Restatement and Reclassifications (Note 10)	(54,667)	-	(54,667)
Beginning Retained Earnings, Restated	<u>479,680</u>	<u>(3,754)</u>	<u>475,926</u>
Retained Earnings, At End of Year	<u>\$ 484,868</u>	<u>\$ (2,856)</u>	<u>\$ 482,012</u>

COUNTY OF CHESHIRE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION
 ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981

	Proprietary Fund Types		Total (Memorandum Only)
	Enterprise	Internal Service	December 31, 1981
Sources of Working Capital			
Operations:			
Net Income	\$ 5,188	\$ 898	\$ 6,086
Add Back Items Not Requiring Working Capital:			
Depreciation	140,872	2,333	143,205
Working Capital Provided from Opera- tions and Total Sources of Working Capital	146,060	3,231	149,291
Uses of Working Capital			
Interfund Loan Payable Con- verted to Short-Term	-	5,000	5,000
Payment of Long-Term Debt	150,000	-	150,000
Purchase of Building Additions and Equipment (Net)	11,193	255	11,448
Restatement of Beginning Fund Balance	54,667	-	54,667
Total Uses of Working Capital	215,860	5,255	221,115
NET DECREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL	\$(69,800)	\$(2,024)	\$(71,824)
ELEMENTS OF NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN WORKING CAPITAL			
Cash	\$(31,699)	\$ 242	\$(31,457)
Accounts Receivable	38,979	1,441	40,420
Prepaid Expense	(6,470)	23	(6,447)
Inventories	8,848	(250)	8,598
Accounts Payable	-	722	722
Accrued Expenses	(80,119)	-	(80,119)
Interfund Loan Payable	661	(4,202)	(3,541)
NET DECREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL	\$(69,800)	\$(2,024)	\$(71,824)

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 — SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the County of Cheshire, New Hampshire conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

A. Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the County are organized on the basis of funds or account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, equities, revenues and expenditures or expenses. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in the individual funds based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped in the financial statements in this report into six general fund types and three broad fund categories as follows:

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

(1) **General Fund** — The general fund is the general operating fund of the County. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds.

(2) **Special Revenue Funds** — Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action.

(3) **Capital Projects Funds** — Capital projects funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities other than those financed by special assessments or enterprise operations.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS**Enterprise Fund**

(4) **Enterprise Fund** — An Enterprise Fund (The Maplewood Nursing Home) is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises -- where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control,

Notes to Financial Statements (Continued)

accountability, or other purposes.

(5) **Internal Service Funds** — Internal Service Funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department or agency to other departments or agencies of the County, or to other governments, on a cost-reimbursement basis.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

(6) **Agency Funds** — To account for assets held by the County in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units, and/or other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

ACCOUNT GROUPS

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the fixed assets and long-term liabilities associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources". Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

General Fixed Assets Account Group — Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, rather than in governmental funds. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. All fixed assets are valued at historical or estimated historical cost as provided by county management and current appraisal data as provided by insurance companies if actual historical cost is not available.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group — Long-term liabilities expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group, not in the governmental funds.

The two account groups are not "funds". They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for governmental fund types is limited to exclude amounts represented by noncurrent liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as governmental fund type expenditures or fund liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

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The proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activity are included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund equity (net total assets) is segregated into contributed capital and retained earnings components. Proprietary fund type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets.

Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against their operations. Accumulated depreciation is reported on proprietary fund balance sheets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight line method. The estimated useful lives as follows:

Enterprise Fund

New Maplewood Nursing Home Building Start Up	5 Years
New Maplewood Nursing Home Building	15-40 Years
New Maplewood Nursing Home Equipment	3-25 Years

Internal Service

Equipment	4-5 Years
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B. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. All significant revenue sources have been treated as "susceptible to accrual" under the modified accrual basis.

Expenditures for governmental funds are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include: (1) accumulated sick pay, and other employee amounts which are not accrued; and (2) principal and interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due; and (3) prepaid expenses.

All proprietary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

C. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The County follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. The county commissioners shall deliver or mail to each member of the county convention who will be in office on the date that appropriations are voted, to the chairman of the board of selectmen in each town, the mayor of each city within the county, and to the secretary of state prior to December 1 annually; their operating budget

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for the ensuing calendar year, together with a statement of actual expenditures and income for at least nine months of the preceding calendar year.

2. Not earlier than ten nor later than twenty days after mailing of the commissioners' statement, there shall be held within the county at such time and place as the chairman of the county convention may specify, a public hearing on the budget estimates as submitted by the commissioners. Notice of such public hearing shall be submitted by the clerk of the county convention, with a summary of the budget as submitted, for publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the county at least three days prior to the date of said hearing.

3. Twenty-eight days must have elapsed from the mailing of such operating budget before the county convention shall vote for appropriations for the ensuing budget period.

4. The county convention shall adopt its annual budget within 90 days after the beginning of the calendar year.

5. The final form of the county budget shall be filed with the secretary of state's office and the commissioner of revenue administration no later than 30 days after the adopting of the budget.

6. The commissioners are authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the executive committee of the delegation.

7. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds and Enterprise Fund.

8. Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Budgets for the Enterprise Fund are adopted on a basis which is not consistent with GAAP. The budget for the enterprise fund is prepared on the modified accrual basis while GAAP requires the full accrual basis.

D. Interfund Receivables

Interfund loans receivable (reported in "Due from" asset accounts) are considered "available spendable resources".

E. Prepaid Expenses

Prepaid expenses of the enterprise fund and internal service fund represent prepayments of subsequent year's expenses. They will be written off as actual expenses when they are incurred during 1982. At the end of 1981 the prepaid expenses were composed as follows:

Insurance	\$ 3,603
Maintenance	<u>2,661</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,264</u>

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F. Inventory

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost or market on a (first-in, first-out) basis for the proprietary funds and consists of expendable materials and supplies. All other funds do not recognize inventories.

G. Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses of the enterprise fund (Maplewood Nursing Home) are composed of the following:

Accrued Payroll	\$ 20,932
Accrued Bond Interest Payable	39,840
Accrued Sick Leave	60,336
Accrued Social Security	<u>651</u>
Total	<u>\$121,759</u>

H. Retained Earnings Reserved for Specific Capital Projects

The \$1,859 shown as a reservation of fund balance in the enterprise fund retained earnings represents the remaining funds left after a sale of furniture at the old facility.

I. Fund Balance for Specific Capital Projects

The \$52,372 of fund balance designated for specific capital projects is composed as follows:

A) New Court House	\$ 23,004
B) Farm Equipment Reserve Fund	9,361
C) Capital Reserve Fund	<u>20,007</u>
Total	<u>\$ 52,372</u>

Account A is the small remaining balance on the new court house. Account B is available for use for new farm equipment in addition to any amount budgeted. Account C is available for building repair or construction. Accounts B and C tend to be used for emergencies.

J. Accumulated Unpaid Sick Pay and Vacation

Sick pay was vested in the proprietary (enterprise) fund, at the end of 1980 and was made retroactive to September, 1980 (see note 10). The total amount of accrued sick pay at the end of 1981 amounted to \$60,336. There was no vested vacation pay at the end of 1981 as it lapsed with the start of the new year.

Sick pay also became vested for the general fund in the same manner as the proprietary fund, but as the general fund is on the modified accrual basis, it is considered as a contingent liability only. The total amount of sick leave at the end of 1981 for the general fund amounted to \$43,700 including the jail and farm.

Vesting of sick pay for both the general and proprietary funds is currently under review and County management expects to refine current vesting policies.

K. Total Columns on Combined Statements

Total columns on the Combined Statements are captioned Memo-

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random Only to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

NOTE 2 – CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in fixed assets follows:

Cost or Estimated Value	Balance January 1, 1981	Additions	Deductions	Balance December 31, 1981
Buildings and Land:				
General Government Old Complex, Westmoreland	\$ 681,500	\$ 2,772,311	\$ -	\$3,453,811
County Farm	810,000	-	-	810,000
Jail and House of Correction	311,500	-	-	311,500
Equipment:				
General Government and Jail	665,500	-	-	665,500
County Farm	135,959	31,620	-	167,579
Construction in Progress	71,293	12,924	-	84,217
Totals	<u>2,737,056</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,737,056)</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$5,412,808</u>	<u>\$2,816,855</u>	<u>(\$2,737,056)</u>	<u>\$5,492,607</u>

Construction in progress was completed early in 1981 with the new court house becoming fully functional.

A summary of proprietary fund type (enterprise fund, nursing home and internal service fund mutual aid radio repair) property, plant and equipment at December 31, 1981 follows:

Description	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Depreciated Value
Enterprise Fund:			
Land	\$ 75,211	\$ -	\$ 75,211
Building & Improvements	3,719,304	467,674	3,251,630
Equipment	458,303	190,096	268,207
Totals	<u>\$4,252,818</u>	<u>\$657,770</u>	<u>\$3,595,048</u>
Internal Service Fund:			
Equipment	\$ 13,288	\$ 3,453	\$ 9,835

NOTE 3 – CHANGES IN LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of bond transactions of the County for the year ended December 31, 1981.

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	General Obligation
Bonds Payable at 01/01/81	\$6,420,000
Bonds Retired	<u>325,000</u>
Bonds Payable at 12/31/81	<u>\$6,095,000</u>

Bonds payable at December 31, 1981 are comprised of the following individual issues:

General Obligation Bonds

\$880,000 — 1974 House of Correction Serial Bonds Due in Annual Installments of \$45,000 to \$40,000; Interest at 6.70% through November, 1994	\$ 565,000
\$2,600,000 — 1978 Court House Serial Bonds Due in Annual Installments of \$130,000 through November, 1998; Interest at 5.50%	2,210,000
\$4,223,000 — 1975 Nursing Home Serial Bonds Due in Annual Installments of \$153,000 to \$100,000; Interest at 7.20% (This issue is being serviced - principle and interest - by the nursing home - enterprise fund)	3,320,000
Total	<u><u>\$6,095,000</u></u>

The annual requirements to amortize all debt outstanding as of December 31, 1981 including interest payments of \$4,095,090 are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
1982	\$ 325,000	\$ 394,870	\$ 719,870
1983	325,000	373,905	698,905
1984	325,000	352,940	677,940
1985	325,000	331,975	656,975
1986	325,000	311,010	636,010
Subtotal	1,625,000	1,764,700	3,389,700
1987-2005	4,470,000	2,330,390	6,800,390
Total	<u><u>\$6,095,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$4,095,090</u></u>	<u><u>\$10,190,090</u></u>

NOTE 4 — INTERNAL SERVICE FUND DEFICIT

The Internal Service Fund (Southwestern New Hampshire Mutual Aid Radio Repair) deficit of \$2,856 arises from the fact that 1980 was the first year of operations for this fund, and that there were some initial costs incurred which were not completely reimbursed during the first year. This year the fund showed net income of \$898.

NOTE 5 — OTHER REQUIRED INDIVIDUAL FUND DISCLOSURES

Generally accepted accounting principles require disclosure, as part of combined statements of certain information concerning

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individual funds including:

A. Segment information for certain individual enterprise funds. This requirement is effectively met in this report by exhibits 1, 4 and 5 because the county maintains only one enterprise fund.

B. Summary disclosures of debt service requirements to maturity for all outstanding debt. This requirement is met by note 3.

C. Summary disclosures of changes in general fixed assets by major asset class. This requirement is met by note 2.

D. Summary disclosures of changes in general long-term debt. This requirement is met by note 3.

E. Excess of expenditures over appropriations in individual funds. During 1981 expenditures on the modified accrual basis as budgeted were under appropriations by \$162,377, calculated as follows:

		Over/(Under) Budget
General Fund		(\$101,924)
Special Revenue		(2,807)
Enterprise Fund - Nursing Home		
Operating Expenditures	(\$54,171)	
Capital Outlay	(3,476)	
Interest Expense	—	(57,647)
Total Underexpenditures		<u>(\$162,378)</u>

All major departments of the County were underexpended during 1981 as shown by the above summary.

F. Deficit fund balances or retained earnings balances: This requirement is met by note 4. No funds other than the internal service fund (Southwestern New Hampshire Mutual Aid Radio Repair), reflected such balances at December 31, 1981.

G. Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances. Such balances at December 31, 1981 were:

	Interfund Receivables	Interfund Payables
General Fund	\$ 29,092	\$ 3,207
Capital Projects	-	4,092
Internal Service		
Southwestern NH Mutual Aid Radio Repair	-	25,000
Agency Fund	3,207	-
Totals	<u>\$ 32,299</u>	<u>\$ 32,299</u>

NOTE 6 — PENSION FUND

The County provides for pension benefits to substantially all employees through a contributory retirement system under New Hampshire law. The law prescribes the formula for computing retirement allowances and presently does not permit advance funding of

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pension liabilities. Retirement allowances are paid by County funding and employee contributions, based on age and date of entry. Employee contributions constitute an annuity-savings fund from which a portion of the retirement allowances are paid. Pension expense for the year totaled \$44,786 determined on an actuarial basis. Cheshire County's portion of the unfunded accrued liability, the excess of vested benefits over plan assets at the actuarial valuation date, is not available for inclusion in this report. Such amount, however, does not represent a current demand upon the plan's resources as such vested benefits in the long-term course of the plan operation are anticipated to be disbursed over future years as retirement benefits to members. The value of vested benefits of the employees has not been determined.

NOTE 7 – LITIGATION

According to the County Attorney there are no suits pending against the County at this time.

NOTE 8 – COMMITMENTS AND LEASES

Lease or maintenance commitments for equipment are made principally on an annual basis only, so that there are no material long-term commitments.

The county extension service leases office space for its operations. 1981's rent amounted to \$15,053. The extension service recently signed a lease for calendar year 1982, which calls for a monthly rental of \$980, or \$11,760 per year.

NOTE 9 – CONTINGENT LIABILITIES – FEDERAL GRANTS

The County participates in the following federally assisted grant programs:

(1) Department of Health and Human Services:

Medicaid (Title XIX) funds are received by the County nursing home from the State of New Hampshire, Department of Welfare which participates in the Title XIX program. The general formula used in the reimbursement of costs incurred by the County nursing home residents is as follows:

- A) Patient's monthly social security check less \$25 for personal needs.
- B) The balance paid according to the following percentage:
 - 1) Sixty percent federal government (pass-through the State of New Hampshire.
 - 2) Fifteen percent from the State of New Hampshire directly.
 - 3) Twenty-five percent from the County (old age assistance).

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The approximate amounts contributed by the various governments is shown below:

	<u>Amount</u>
A) Federal Government	\$1,260,000
B) State of New Hampshire	\$ 315,000
C) County of Cheshire	\$ 525,000

(2) Department of Treasury:

Federal revenue sharing entitlements of \$128,404 were received during the fiscal year.

These programs are subject to program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The audits of these programs for or including the year ended December 31, 1981 have not yet been reviewed by the grantor. Accordingly, the grantor's decision on the County's compliance or non-compliance with applicable grant requirements will be established at some future date. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time.

NOTE 10 — RESTATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE/RE-TAINED EARNINGS

The general fund beginning fund balance has been restated to reflect the following changes:

	<u>Increase</u>
1980 County Farm Milk Sales Not Paid by Customer Until 1981	\$ 6,031
Miscellaneous Refunds of 1980 expenses Received in 1981	<u>373</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,404</u>

Net income and undesignated fund balance would have been increased by \$6,404 at December 31, 1980 to reflect the above changes.

The proprietary (enterprise) fund beginning retained earnings balance of the County nursing home has been restated to reflect the following changes:

	<u>(Decrease)</u>
Vested Sick Leave at January 1, 1981	(\$51,129)
Other Changes Involving 1980 Expenses Principally Relating to Loss of Artesian Well	<u>(3,538)</u>
Total	<u>(\$54,667)</u>

Net income and retained earnings would have been decreased by \$54,667 at December 31, 1980 to reflect the above changes.

PUBLIC WELFARE

1981	Direct Relief	Soldiers' Aid	Total
Alstead	\$ 801.82	\$ 252.52	\$ 1,054.34
Chesterfield	1,496.29	159.00	1,655.29
Dublin	-	-	-
Fitzwilliam	147.60	-	147.60
Gilsum	275.55	210.00	485.55
Harrisville	-	-	-
Hinsdale	409.09	543.68	952.77
Jaffrey	2,159.50	167.00	2,326.50
Keene	30,330.56	5,356.58	35,687.14
Marlborough	1,847.32	53.00	1,900.32
Marlow	17.39	10.00	27.39
Nelson	-	10.00	10.00
Richmond	91.00	-	91.00
Rindge	166.95	-	166.95
Roxbury	15.00	-	15.00
Stoddard	173.00	-	173.00
Sullivan	104.10	75.00	179.10
Surry	222.50	-	222.50
Swanzy	2,473.69	1,169.30	3,642.99
Troy	1,224.68	414.00	1,638.68
Walpole	1,513.34	309.00	1,822.34
Westmoreland	423.00	50.00	473.00
Winchester	<u>5,633.49</u>	<u>750.38</u>	<u>6,383.87</u>
TOTALS	\$ 49,525.87	\$ 9,529.46	\$59,055.33

RELIEF TO COUNTY CHARGES

1981	Direct Relief	Dependent Soldiers	Board & Care of Children
January	\$ 5,428.65	\$ 1,587.20	\$ 10,916.70
February	5,580.38	739.11	9,990.18
March	4,187.61	862.97	9,361.54
April	3,139.71	516.00	10,543.19
May	4,687.28	419.60	10,761.20
June	3,626.06	1,052.64	13,370.70
July	4,884.49	1,102.61	12,377.84
August	3,712.04	567.98	13,498.10
September	3,583.49	586.19	15,873.58
October	3,966.43	865.36	16,233.22
November	3,713.53	864.75	15,039.37
December	<u>3,016.20</u>	<u>365.05</u>	<u>11,326.31</u>
TOTALS	\$49,525.87	\$ 9,529.46	\$149,291.93

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CHESHIRE COUNTY

To the Board of Commissioners of the County of Cheshire:

Gentlemen: I hereby submit the report of the Treasurer of the County of Cheshire for the year ending December 31, 1981.

REVENUE

Alstead	\$ 61,971.00
Chesterfield	139,924.00
Dublin	85,436.00
Fitzwilliam	99,058.00
Gilsum	25,747.00
Harrisville	42,591.00
Hinsdale	120,036.00
Jaffrey	198,953.00
Keene	765,293.00
Marlboro	57,076.00
Marlow	23,972.00
Nelson	33,002.00
Richmond	35,590.00
Rindge	140,736.00
Roxbury	9,031.00
Stoddard	61,033.00
Sullivan	17,681.00
Surry	26,128.00
Swanzey	171,835.00
Troy	65,066.00
Walpole	195,985.00
Westmoreland	60,196.00
Winchester	100,351.00
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Taxes	\$2,536,691.00
Maplewood Nursing Home	2,555,254.58
Farm	190,522.91
Prisoner Reimbursement	25.00
Reimbursement for Aid:	
Old Age Assistance	4,248.09
Direct Aid	6,999.88
Board & Care Children	2,376.00
Miscellaneous	2,574.51
Register of Deeds — Fees	90,750.81
Sheriff's Dept. — Fees	38,852.67
Fire Mutual Aid	46,859.83
Superior Court — Fines and Fees	283.46
Interest	215,154.27
State Reimbursement (Bond)	5,142.00
Federal Revenue Sharing Used	122,000.00
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Total	\$5,817,735.01
Fund Balance Used to Reduce 1981 Appropriation	200,000.00
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Total Revenue	\$6,017,735.01

REPORT OF CAPITAL RESERVE

Balance January 1, 1981	\$ 18,922.18
Interest	1,085.10
Balance on hand	\$ 20,007.28

Respectfully submitted,
WARREN G. ALLEN
Treasurer

CHESHIRE COUNTY MAPLEWOOD NURSING HOME

January 1982

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners:

As Nursing Home Administrator-Superintendent and Director of Nursing Services and Matron of Cheshire County Maplewood Nursing Home, Cheshire County Correctional Facility and Cheshire County Farm, we herein submit our annual report.

1981 will be our last year of service to Cheshire County. The past fifteen and a half years have seen many changes in the County Home Complex. We feel that Cheshire County now has an operation that every citizen of Cheshire County can be proud of. We deeply appreciate the support of the County Commissioners, the Building Committees, the Delegation and the many others that contributed to the fine facilities that we have today. We would especially like to thank Commissioner Harold Savage for his untiring support, guidance and counsel for the last fifteen years. Cheshire County owes Commissioner Savage a debt of gratitude for his care and guidance over many years.

At this time we would like to express our sincere appreciation to the entire staff at Maplewood. We feel that their dedication and willingness to cooperate is extraordinary. Thank you.

The Farm operation had another successful year. The Dairy Herd continues to be one of the best in the State. The farm produced meat and vegetables to meet the needs of our Dietary Department.

The Correctional Facility is running very smoothly under the direction of Carl Baird.

Assistant Administrator, Kevin Gordon, decided to go to law school and left us in early summer. We really missed him and wish him the best of luck in his new endeavor.

Finally, we want to thank all the people that make the Cheshire County Complex a good place to work. The excellent cooperation of the County Commissioners, our dedicated Staff and Doctors, the Commissioners Office Staff, the County Attorneys, the Sheriff's Department, especially Sheriff Lysitt, the other County Departments, and the Volunteers are all greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
HARRIET C. WATERMAN, R.N.
Director of Nursing
CHARLES R. WATERMAN, N.H.A.
Administrator-Superintendent

STOCK ON THE FARM — JANUARY 1, 1982

COWS:

- 67 Registered Holstein Cows and Heifers (2 yrs. and over)
- 26 Registered Holstein Heifers (1 yr. and over)
- 14 Registered Holstein Heifers (6 months and over)
- 14 Registered Holstein Heifers (under 6 months)

HOGS:

- 20 Bred Sows
- 7 Butcher Hogs
- 1 Boar
- 10 Feeders
- 25 Sucklings

FOOD INVENTORY — JANUARY 1, 1982

Freezer		\$12,037.91
Storeroom & Cooler		13,984.22
Root Cellar		<u>1,625.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$27,647.13

PRODUCE USED FROM THE FARM

BEEF:

16,962 lbs. (Dressed Wgt.) \$1.20 \$20,354.40

PORK:

10,256 lbs. (Dressed Wgt.) .85 8,717.60

EGGS:

76.5 Doz. .91 \$ 69.61
 179.74 Doz. .93 167.15
 102.91 Doz. 1.00 102.91

TOTAL EGGS \$ 339.67

PRODUCE FROM FARM:

Asparagus, 143 lbs.	\$1.00	\$ 143.00
Asparagus, 248 lbs.	.90	223.20
Beans, String & Pole, 177 Bu.	5.00	585.00
Beans, String, 3 Crates	2.00	6.00
Beans, Shell, 20 Bu.	6.00	120.00
Beets, 77 crates	5.00	385.00
Beets, 5 crates	4.00	20.00
Beet Greens, 26 crates	5.00	130.00
Broccoli, ½ crate	8.00	4.00
Broccoli, 1½ crates	7.00	10.50
Broccoli, 10-¼ crates	6.00	61.50
Broccoli, 2/3 crate	6.00	4.00
Broccoli, 4 crates	5.00	20.00
Brussel Sprouts, 1½ crates	8.00	12.00
Cabbage, 131 Heads	.50	65.50

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Cabbage, 435 Heads	.40	174.00
Cabbage, Red, 85 Heads	.50	42.50
Cabbage, 113 Heads	.30	33.90
Carrots, ¼ crate	6.00	1.50
Carrots, 59 crates	5.00	295.00
Cauliflower, 9½ crates	6.00	57.00
Cauliflower, 1-2/3 crates	7.50	12.50
Corn, 157 Doz.	1.00	157.00
Corn, 463 Doz.	.90	416.70
Corn, 12 Doz.	.80	9.60
Cucumbers, ¼ crate	8.00	2.00
Cucumbers, 2-1/3 crates	6.00	14.00
Cucumbers, 1¼ crates	5.40	6.75
Cucumbers, 2/3 crate	5.25	3.50
Cucumbers, 15¼ crates	5.00	76.25
Cucumbers, 4-3/4 crates	4.00	19.00
Cucumbers, 5 crates	1.00	5.00
Eggplant, 4½ crates	8.00	36.00
Eggplant, 4½ crates	7.00	31.50
Endive, 4 crates	6.00	24.00
Lettuce, 16 crates	6.00	96.00
Lettuce, 7½ crates	5.00	37.50
Melons, 34½ crates	10.00	345.00
Onions, 37½ crates	6.00	225.00
Onions, 3-¾ crates	5.00	18.75
Parsnips, 23½ crates	5.00	117.50
Peas, 18 Bu.	6.00	108.00
Peppers, 7 crates	10.00	70.00
Peppers, 2 crates	7.00	14.00
Peppers, 22 crates	6.00	132.00
Peppers, 1½ crates	5.00	7.50
Potatoes, 6½ Bu.	7.20	46.80
Potatoes, 131 Bu.	6.00	786.00
Potatoes, 804 (50 lbs.)	3.25	2,613.00
Pumpkins, 12	.75	9.00
Radishes, 1/3 crate	7.50	2.50
Radishes, 2 crates	6.00	12.00
Radishes, 2 crates	5.00	10.00
Raspberries, 8 Qts.	1.25	10.00
Raspberries, 8 1½ Qts.	1.10	89.65
Rhubarb, 105 lbs.	.20	21.00
Rhubarb, 236 lbs.	.25	59.00
Spinach, 44½ crates	4.00	178.00
Spinach, 8 crates	5.00	40.00
Squash, 5 crates	6.00	30.00
Squash, Summer, 1 crate	5.00	5.00
Squash, Summer, 4 crates	4.50	18.00
Squash, Summer, 44¼ crates	4.00	177.00

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Squash, Summer, 5 crates	1.00	5.00
Squash, Winter, 2 crates	9.00	18.00
Squash, Winter, 19½ crates	6.00	117.00
Squash, Blue Hubbard, 30	1.50 ea.	45.00
Squash, Blue Hubbard, 187	1.00 ea.	187.00
Squash, Winter, 30 crates	5.00	150.00
Strawberries, 6 Qts.	1.00	6.00
Strawberries, 112 Qts.	.90	100.80
Swiss Chard, 70 crates	5.00	350.00
Swiss Chard, 4 crates	4.00	16.00
Tomatoes, ¼ crate	16.00	4.00
Tomatoes, 2/3 crate	10.50	7.00
Tomatoes, 14-3/4 crates	10.00	147.50
Tomatoes, 28½ crates	8.00	228.00
Tomatoes, 7-1/3 crates	7.00	51.33
Tomatoes, Green, 6 crates	6.00	36.00
Tomatoes, Green, 9 crates	5.00	45.00
Turnips, 45 crates	5.00	225.00
Watermelon, 38	.75 ea.	28.50
Watermelon, 35	.60 ea.	21.00
Watermelon, 34	.50	17.00
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TOTAL VEGETABLES		\$10,290.73
TOTAL PRODUCE		\$39,702.40

DETAILS OF OPERATION — BUDGET AND ACTUAL
COUNTY FARM — GENERAL FUND

Revenues:	Budget	Actual
Sale of Milk	\$125,000.00	\$131,040.65
Meat	28,000.00	29,072.00
Sale of Livestock	11,000.00	12,655.64
Produce	10,000.00	10,290.73
Eggs	.00	339.67
Sale of Wood	2,500.00	5,592.00
Produce (Cash)	750.00	1,162.16
Other	.00	370.06
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Total County Farm	\$177,250.00	\$190,522.91
Expenses:		
Salaries	39,199.00	37,343.67
Social Security Taxes	2,607.00	2,875.50
Insurance - Workmen's Comp.	1,953.00	2,164.00
Insurance - Unemployment	350.00	239.99
Veterinary Fees & Medicine	4,000.00	3,928.26
Breeding, Testing, Registration	6,000.00	5,750.66
Supplies & Other Expense	3,600.00	3,383.13

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Electricity	9,000.00	8,693.49
Heat	6,000.00	5,180.49
Gas, Oil, Grease	6,500.00	6,903.49
Seed, Fertilizer	11,000.00	11,781.02
Feed	62,500.00	57,736.25
Bedding	6,000.00	6,564.60
Repairs to Buildings	5,500.00	3,995.25
Repairs to Equipment	6,000.00	4,738.06
Taxes	7,000.00	7,897.77
Rent — Land & Machinery	2,000.00	2,047.63
Insurance SMP, Liab., Vehicle	4,252.00	4,420.50
New Equipment	13,500.00	12,924.06
Purchase of Livestock	75.00	150.00
Total County Farm	\$1 97,036.00	\$188,717.82

1981 HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND JAIL FIGURES

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Man Days

	Burglary	Drugs	Theft	Assault	Protective Custody	D.W.I.	Non-Support	Forgery	M/V Viol.	Felonious Sexual Assault	Morals	Fraud	Violation of Probation	Misc.	Average Age	High Day	H of C	Daily Average	Jail	Daily Average	Week-ender	Daily Average	Total Man Average
January	9	4	11	7	0	7	0	1	5	3			3	27	23	28 411	28 411	13.3	351	11.3	17	2.2	26.8
February	8	2	10	8	1	2	1	0	7	3			3	29	23	27 384	27 384	13.7	230	8.2	49	6.1	28.0
March	11	2	8	5	0	4	1	1	7	3			4	38	22	33 558	33 558	18.0	291	9.4	38	5.4	32.8
April	15	3	9	4	2	9	1	1	4	2			4	35	22	37 433	37 433	14.4	460	15.3	30	3.8	33.5
May	13	3	4	8	2	11	0	1	0	2			4	29	22	29 448	29 448	14.5	330	10.6	18	2.3	27.4
June	13	2	7	5	2	4	2	1	2	1			4	21	22	28 412	28 412	13.7	318	10.6	22	2.8	27.1
July	11	5	10	4	0	16	0	1	2	1			4	28	22	31 366	31 366	11.8	411	13.3	24	3.0	28.1
August	10	4	7	6	5	10	0	0	1	2			4	30	22	31 462	31 462	15.0	356	11.5	36	7.2	33.7
September	13	6	7	3	3	8	1	1	9	1			3	25	21	31 530	31 530	17.7	322	10.7	18	3.2	30.7
October	10	4	7	3	1	11	0	0	5	1			3	26	33	35 583	35 583	18.8	364	11.7	19	2.7	33.2
November	8	2	7	5	0	10	1	1	4	3			2	32	21	31 624	31 624	20.8	219	7.3	34	4.2	32.3
December	8	0	9	5	5	4	1	2	4	0			2	25	23	35 680	35 680	22.0	189	6.1	14	1.6	29.7
Totals	129	37	96	63	21	96	8	10	50	22			40	345		5891	5891	193.7	3841	126.0	319	43.6	363.3
																491.0	491.0	16.1	320.0	10.5	26.6	3.6	30.3

Yearly Averages

Median Age: 22
 Mean Age: 22.1
 Admissions: 907

**REPORT OF THE CLERK OF THE
SUPERIOR COURT**

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
CHESHIRE, SS. SUPERIOR COURT

January Term 1981
To Stillman D. Rogers, Clerk

	Cr.	Dr.
To Allowance for Clerk and Clerical Hire		\$23,714.57
Charges to County		
Return of 91 divorces		59.15
Mittimi		77.00
Capii		273.00
Entry fee, 1 - State case		8.00
Entry fee and order of notice, reciprocals		251.00
Entry fee and order of notice, probono actions		180.00
Entry fee and order of notice, Dept. of Employment Security appeals		57.00
Entry fee and order of notice, Domestic Violation petitions		65.00
By Credits:		
Fines	\$ 3,421.00	
Bail forfeiture	2,000.00	
4 Civil entries @ 8.00	32.00	
6 Civil entries @ 10.00	60.00	
4 Equity entries @ 20.00	80.00	
1 Session entry @ 10.00	10.00	
205 Entries @ 14.00	2,870.00	
56 Civil thru No.81-C-059		
145 Equity thru No.81-E-071		
4 Sessions		
20 Appeals @ 8.00	160.00	
Items chargeable to County	970.15	
Other fees for benefit of County	65.10	
Miscellaneous credits	2,503.18	
Drawn on County Treasurer:		
January 31, 1981	\$4,348.58	
February 28, 1981	2,590.31	
March 31, 1981	5,574.40	
	<u>12,513.29</u>	
	\$24,684.72	<u>\$24,684.72</u>

The foregoing account is examined and allowed and there is found to be no balance due the Clerk from the County, and no balance due the County from the Clerk through March 31, 1981.

April 6, 1981

CHARLES J. CONTAS
Presiding Justice

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
CHESHIRE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

April Term 1981

To Stillman D. Rogers, Clerk

	Cr.	Dr.
To Allowance for Clerk and Clerical Hire		\$42,804.22
Charges to County		
Return of 139 divorces		90.35
Mittimi		308.00
Cappi		273.00
Entry fee 238 State cases		1,904.00
Entry fee and order of notice, reciprocals		492.00
Entry fee and order of notice, pro bono actions		325.00
Entry fee and order of notice, Dept. of Employment Security appeals		62.00
By Credits:		
Fines	6,785.00	
Bail forfeiture	4,500.00	
2 Civil entries @ 8.00	16.00	
3 Civil entries @ 11.00	33.00	
13 Civil entries @ 10.00	130.00	
1 Equity entry @ 12.00	12.00	
2 Equity entries @ 20.00	40.00	
2 Sessions entries @ 10.00	20.00	
328 Entries @ 14.00	4,592.00	
78 Civil		
247 Equity		
3 Sessions		
40 Appeals @ 8.00	320.00	
Items chargeable to County	3,454.35	
Other fees for benefit of County	95.90	
Miscellaneous credits	1,028.01	
Drawn on County Treasurer:		
April 30, 1981	\$2,804.31	
May 31, 1981	5,759.40	
June 30, 1981	1,302.53	
July 31, 1981	8,919.85	
August 31, 1981	6,446.22	
	25,232.31	
	\$46,258.57	\$46,258.57

The foregoing account is examined and allowed and there is found to be no balance due the Clerk from the County, and no balance due the County from the Clerk through August 31, 1981.

October 7, 1981

G.S. PAPPAGIANIAS
Presiding Justice

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
CHESHIRE, SS. SUPERIOR COURT

September Term 1981
To Stillman D. Rogers, Clerk

	Cr.	Dr.
To Allowance for Clerk and Clerical Hire		\$36,747.82
Charges to County		
Return of 114 divorces		74.10
Mittimi		147.00
Capii		217.00
Entry fee 87 State cases		696.00
Entry fee and order of notice, reciprocals		660.00
Entry fee and order of notice, pro bono actions		84.00
Entry fee Domestic Violation Petitions		341.00
By Credits:		
Fines	\$ 4,505.00	
Bail forfeitures	1,500.00	
3 Civil entries @ 5.00	15.00	
1 Civil entry @ 8.00	8.00	
7 Civil entries @ 7.00	49.00	
1 Equity entry @ 10.00	10.00	
1 Equity entry @ 17.00	17.00	
262 entries @ 11.00	2,882.00	
66 Civil		
196 Equity		
59 Appeals @ 8.00	472.00	
Items chargeable to County	2,219.10	
Other fees for benefit of County	147.70	
Miscellaneous credits	10,832.60	
Drawn on County Treasurer:		
September 30, 1981	\$6,591.91	
October 31, 1981	6,794.38	
November 30, 1981, Paid County		283.46
December 31, 1981	3,206.69	
	<u>16,592.98</u>	<u>283.46</u>
	\$39,250.38	\$39,250.38

The foregoing account is examined and allowed and there is found to be no balance due the Clerk from the County, and no balance due the County from the Clerk through December 31, 1981.

January 13, 1982

CHARLES J. CONTAS
Presiding Justice

ANNUAL REPORT OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

The State Legislature, in response to a Bill sponsored by the Cheshire County Delegation, has made the position of Cheshire County Attorney a full time position. There has definitely been an increase in Unlawful Conduct over the years. In addition, because of rulings of the United States Supreme Court and our New Hampshire Supreme Court, the procedures for prosecuting individuals who have violated the law has been increasingly more complex and difficult. It commonly takes 3½ to 5 times more time to dispose of a criminal matter now than it did 7 years ago. Moreover, individuals who have been sentenced to jail are filing Post Sentence Appeals as a matter of course, as well as continuing appeals from prison requesting that their sentences be modified or suspended or to change in some way. Where once a conviction to jail was the end of the matter for the Prosecutor, it is now usually the case that we have to appear before Sentence Review Boards, and the Court, on these various "Trial Petitions for Reduction in Sentencing".

Because of the complexity now prevailing in the field of Criminal Law and the continuing appeals, there is a great deal of time used in filing the Answers, Objections, and other pleadings with the Courts in these cases. All of this takes time of the Prosecutors as well as a great deal of time by Secretarial Staff. Indeed, it is almost impossible to keep up with the amount of paper work and written documentation required.

The Office of the County Attorney to date have brought 201 Felony Indictments during the year 1981. The majority of the Indictments are for Burglary (78) and Theft (59). However, it is disturbing that there were 13 Felonious Sexual Assaults, 6 Robberies by Force and 3 Arsons. These latter categories are indicative of an increase in use of force in violence with respect to the crimes committed. The County Attorney's Office also prosecuted approximately 120 Misdemeanor Appeals from the District Court and Appeals of another 109 Violations also from the District Court. The majority of the Appeals involved Motor Vehicle Offenses, primarily Appeals from convictions for Driving Under the Influence.

The majority of cases actually tried in the Superior Court are Felony Indictments and Misdemeanor and Violation Appeals, all handled by the Office of the County Attorney. The average Felony Trial takes 2½ to 4½ days of trial time, which includes hearings on various Motions. The average Misdemeanor takes a half day to a full day. Violations take anywhere from 2 hours to a day. If it were not for the fact that a goodly number of the persons charged with the offenses pleaded guilty, we would not have the time to try them all in the Calendar Year.

In addition to handling Criminal matters, our Office handles approximately 35 serious Juvenile matters in the local Courts as well as over 100 Support matters under the Uniform Reciprocal Non-Support Statute.

If it were not for the help and assistance that we receive from the local Law Enforcement Agencies, including State Police, and the great deal of investigation assistance we receive from the Cheshire County Sheriff's Office, we would be unable to adequately meet these demands on the Office. Very shortly it will be necessary to have an Investigator to obtain further information necessary prior to the actual trial of cases and to coordinate the appearance of witnesses and others before the Courts at the proper times. I would envision this future position as a Detective with the Cheshire County Sheriff's Department, to handle such investigations and would also be in a position to handle other matters as they relate to the Sheriff's Office.

It has been a busy year and I feel that we have accomplished what we set out to do at the beginning of the year to achieve fairness and justice, especially so for the innocent victims.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD J. O'BRIEN
County Attorney

SHERIFF'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners and Citizens of Cheshire County:

The year 1981 was a busy year for the Cheshire County Sheriff's Department. In the service of civil papers the department received \$38,852.67, an increase of \$8,852.67 over the previous year. This was accomplished while replacing two deputies with new personnel. The criminal activities remained nearly the same. We had two homicides; one cleared by arrest and conviction, the other still under investigation. There were 198 arrests for various crimes by this department. We transported 709 prisoners, some for this department and others for other departments.

Again I wish to thank the County Attorney and Assistant County Attorney, and the many police officers, both State and Local departments, for the assistance given during the year.

Following is a summary of cases investigated, arrests made, etc. during 1981.

INVESTIGATIONS

Absconding	1
Arson	2
Assault	4
Burglary	44
Child Neglect	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Criminal Threatening	2
Criminal Trespass	5

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Disorderly Conduct		1
Dispensing Controlled Drugs		1
Dog Bite		1
Escape		2
False Arrest		1
Forgery		7
Found Bones		1
Harassment		3
Homicide		1
Indecent Exposure		1
Issuing Bad Checks		25
Manufacture of Controlled Drugs		2
Missing Persons		2
Possession Controlled Drugs		2
Prisoner Transport Complaint		1
Request to Secure Gun		1
Robbery		2
Runaway		1
Suspected Arson		2
Suspected Fraud		1
Suspected Theft		1
Suspicious Person		1
Theft		29
Untimely Deaths		
Accidental	3	
Airplane Crash	2	
Automobile Accident	2	
Drowning	2	
Natural Causes	23	
Suicide	7	39
Burglar Alarms Received		35
Juvenile Respondents		18
Patients to New Hampshire Hospital		31
Prisoners Transported for Other Departments		422
Prisoners Transported for Own Department		287

ARRESTS

Armed Robbery		4
Assault		2
Burglary		7
Capias		
Burglary	1	
Default	1	
Failure to Appear	22	
Failure to Comply	67	
For Other Counties	5	
Habitual Offender	1	
Non Support	27	
Violation Probation	7	131

Conspiracy to Commit Theft		2
Criminal Liability For Another		1
Criminal Mischief		1
Criminal Threatening		1
Criminal Trespass		3
Crossing Solid Line		1
Endangering Welfare of Child		1
Escape		2
False Crime Report		1
Felon in Possession of Firearm		1
Forgery		2
Fugitive		2
Habitual Offender		1
Issuing Bad Checks		2
Manufacture of Controlled Drugs		1
Mittimus		
Burglary	1	
For Other Counties	1	
Non Support	3	
Violation Probation	1	6
Murder		1
Possession Controlled Drugs		7
Possession Stolen Property		2
Receiving Stolen Property		3
Taking Without Consent		1
Theft		12

Respectfully submitted,
KENNETH N. LYSITT
Sheriff

**1981 ANNUAL REPORT
CHESHIRE COUNTY COOPERATIVE
EXTENSION SERVICE**

800 Park Avenue, Post Office Box 798, Keene, NH 03431
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The New Hampshire Cooperative Extension Service is organized as a division of the University of New Hampshire in cooperation with the USDA.

The Extension Service has the responsibility for conducting all educational work in the fields of agriculture and home economics and subjects related thereto as authorized by the Smith-Lever Act as amended and other acts supporting Cooperative Extension work.

Through the Cheshire County Office, informal educational programs are offered to help people help themselves. Such programs are offered in environmental quality, personal and family living, manage-

ment and use of our natural resources, wise spending of the consumer dollar, production, processing, marketing and distribution of agricultural products, nutrition education, youth development through 4-H.

Cheshire County Cooperative Extension is guided by county people in establishing program priorities. Advisory Councils made up of county residents work in each major program area in order to assure that programs meet the needs of county residents.

Extension presents information to the public through educational workshops and courses, radio shows, newspaper articles, 4-H Clubs, Home Economics Groups, personal visits to farmers and woodland owners, field tours, newsletters and bulletins.

This report gives a very brief overview of the Cooperative Extension Service programs in Cheshire County. These educational programs are available to all citizens, and many call on us. In 1981, assistance was requested through a monthly average of 1000 phone calls and 100 office visits. Because no report of this length can cover all facets of our programs, our staff and the Extension Service Advisory Council are all at your disposal to provide further information. Please call or visit us.

1981 MEMBERS OF THE CHESHIRE COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE COUNCIL

Agriculture

William Barrett, Swanzey - Treasurer
Sheldon Sawyer, Walpole - Chairman
Ernest Vose, Walpole

Home Economics

Maura Kirk, Keene
Heather Beaman, Westmoreland - Secretary
Eleanor Smart, Keene

4-H Youth Development

Wesley Cobb, Keene - Vice-Chairman
Roger Hill, Keene
Fred White, Roxbury

Forestry

Wayne Young, Swanzey
Calvin Frink, Surry
Tad Lacey, Keene

County Delegation

Marilee Rouillard, Keene
Jeffrey Miller, Walpole

County Extension Agents

Peter Kaseoru, Agriculture
Donna W. Akyuz, Home Economist
Judith E. Farrey, 4-H, County Coordinator
Lauren L. Bressett, 4-H (on leave)

Susan Lawson-Kelleher (temporary)
Marshall Patmos, Forester
Thomas Wyman, Assistant Forester

Secretarial Staff -- Beatrice A. Griswold
Catherine M. Clukay

AGRICULTURE

Agriculture in Cheshire County is a more than 13 million dollar industry of which dairying is the largest component. Other than commercial contacts and trade journals, the Agricultural program of the Extension Service is one of the few sources of information for this industry, and is virtually unique in that the information it offers is of an unbiased nature. It is this lack of a profit motive which has kept Extension in a respected position in the farm community.

The Agricultural program for the commercial industry during the past year has been comprised of a Farm tax session, Farm Financial Management Workshops, an Agronomy Field Tour, assistance to the county Dairy Herd Improvement Association and assistance to participants in the Electronic Farm Accounts program. There have been numerous personal contacts which have tended to be responses to individual problems, and a joint Cheshire-Sullivan Dairy Day is scheduled for February of this year.

To keep commercial agriculture as a viable industry in the county, the Extension program in cooperation with the Soil Conservation Service, Farm Bureau and various local planning and conservation groups, is attempting to increase consumer awareness of the importance of having an agricultural industry in the county and the Northeast. What makes farming possible in the Northeast is the ready access to market, yet paradoxically it is the people who make up this market with their alternative uses for farm land who are destroying the industry. A solution to the problem is a necessity, for agriculture to remain viable in the region, and Extension is taking an active role in educating the public and working with other groups concerned about agriculture. Working with a local high school in developing a farm curriculum, speaking to local groups about farming in the county, and coordinating with a local planning agency on farm land preservation are some activities which have been undertaken during the past year. Working with the Farmer's Market and encouraging new agricultural enterprises have also been efforts aimed at strengthening and maintaining agriculture in the county.

Lastly, but not least, the agriculture program has aimed at providing information for the home gardener and hobby farmer. This group of people do not produce a large portion of the agricultural commodities in the county, but is a large group numerically and accounts for more than 1000 phone or personal contacts during the course of a year. Garden talk shows on the radio, pruning and small

fruit growing workshops have been held for this group and in the plans are more workshops on vegetable gardening, keeping a home poultry flock, backyard milk production and keeping beef cows and sheep. The time spent with these people is a good investment because many times they are able to realize economies in their food budget, and most people involved is some aspect of home gardening or hobby farming gain a new awareness and respect for agriculture.

The agriculture program of the Cheshire County Extension Service then has three main audiences it aims at. These are the established commercial farmers, the smaller part-time or beginning farmers and the home gardeners or hobby farmers. An attempt is made to provide something for everyone in all of these audiences and at the same time work to keep agriculture in a healthy, viable condition, so it will always be available to provide for people's needs.

FORESTRY

The Cheshire County Extension Forestry program during the last year experienced a change in personnel. Marshall Patmos, former Coos County Forester was hired to replace John Ferguson who is currently serving as Hillsboro County Forester in Milford. Tom Wyman is currently serving as Assistant/Fuelwood Forester, to replace Don Sirois who is currently working in Oregon.

The Extension Forestry Program continues to provide technical assistance and information and educational services in the field of forestry to the private woodland owners, primary processors, organizations and communities of Cheshire County. The delivery of assistance is through individual field visits, group meetings and demonstration, newsletters, bulletins, news articles and radio, with the backbone of the program being the one-on-one contact with the individuals requesting assistance. The resources of the University of N.H. provides a broad base of back-up support for all Extension programs.

Continued interest in multiple-use forest management including timber sales, intermediate forest practices, fuelwood and wildlife, comprise the bulk of the assistance provided by the program. With the general economy in a slump, the financial and economic aspect of owning and managing woodland is becoming a concern as evidenced by the numbers of requests and assists provided in the area. Insects and disease, urban forestry and general forest conservation concerns round out the types of activity the foresters are involved in. While some assists can be handled by phone or mail, many require a field visit and examination.

The defoliation of over 225,000 acres of woodland in the county due to the feeding of Gypsy Moth caterpillars was a major concern during 1981 and placed a lot of demand on the foresters' activities including individual assists and numerous group presentations. Planning in the organization and implementation of a coordinated aerial spray control program was (and continues to be) a unique activity for the

County Foresters.

Working relationships with other groups and agencies such as the Conservation District, Soil Conservation Service, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, N.H. Timberland Owners Association, Society for the Protection of N.H. Forests, the N.H. Tree Farm program, forest industry, and private forestry consultants are important in helping to promote the sound management of the forest resource.

The sound management and utilization of the forest resource through educational assistance continues to be the major objective of the Cheshire County Forestry Program.

In 1981 the Cheshire County Extension Forestry Program provided 776 woodland management assists involving 26142 acres and 778 other assists (including insect and disease, taxes, marketing information, etc.). Information and education activities included 54 radio and newspaper spots and group presentations. The Fuelwood Marketing Program (under which the assistant forester is primarily funded) provided 38 additional assists involving 237 acres with 1402 cords of fuelwood either marked or harvested.

4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The 4-H Youth Development Program offers informal educational programs to young people between the ages of 8 and 19.

There are 4-H members living in every town in Cheshire County and in every ward in Keene. They are enrolled in fifty different educational project areas. Many members study more than one project.

4-H members learn by doing. They develop skills and leadership ability through large and small group activities, committee work, method demonstrations and exhibits. Members have the opportunity to go beyond their communities to participate in county, state, regional and national 4-H programs. Effective programs are maintained, and new programs are developed to meet the changing needs of youth (for example, nutrition education for adolescent parents and riding for the handicapped).

Every 4-H club conducts at least one citizenship activity during the year, many clubs have more. These activities are designed to help other people and the communities in which the members live.

Volunteer adult leaders are the key to the 4-H program. The adults and youth work together to develop more than subject matter skills, they also develop self esteem, self confidence, ability to work with others and to speak before a group, to learn through a constructive and supportive environment.

4-H members and leaders work to help support their program financially. Clubs raise money to support their activities, and the 4-H leaders raised \$2500 to pay for ribbons, awards and educational trips for leaders and for members.

The resources of the University of New Hampshire College of Life Science and Agriculture, and the United States Department of Agriculture directly assist the Cheshire County 4-H program.

HOME ECONOMICS

Through education, the Home Economics program of the Cheshire County Cooperative Extension Service helps people to cope with some of the many changes in their daily lives. Community resource persons and lay people work with the Extension home economist to identify problems and concerns where Cooperative Extension can have input.

Extension Home Economics works through a variety of methods to reach people in the county. Eighteen homemaker groups, located throughout the County and open to all, meet monthly, presenting programs sponsored by the Extension Service. Trained by the home economist, 116 volunteer leaders conducted programs locally reaching over 600 homemakers in food and nutrition, housing, family living and cultural education, meeting in homes and public settings. Many groups are actively involved in service projects which benefit their local communities.

In addition to leader training, the home economist conveys information in a variety of ways: responding to telephone requests (over 650 recorded contacts per year) for information, conducting public meetings and workshops, and working with community groups. A monthly newsletter reaches over 1100 Cheshire County families with timely information in all areas of home economics. An exhibit, entitled "Preserve Yourself" focusing on safe home canning procedures (to lessen the dangers of food poisoning) was part of a two-day Health Fair, the Keene Street Fair, the Cheshire County Fair and a WIC Nutrition Fair. A variety of workshops, demonstrations, and informational meeting were conducted to teach skills used in job hunting, sewing machine maintenance, designing storage in the home, creating clothing for children and reducing the food budget to name a few. The entire Extension staff contributes to 30 second radio spots which broadcast general information and increase public awareness of Extension as a resource.

Management skills were the focus of several sessions. State Extension Specialists developed programs and materials which assisted individuals manage their time and stress in their lives. A session on consumer cooperatives prompted inquiries into existing cooperatives and establishing a group. As many residents showed interest in reducing salt intake, the State Extension nutrition specialist conducted a program on ways to "Shake the salt habit". The materials have also been used by the Keene Visiting Nurses, the Cheshire County Stroke Club, and Extension Homemaker groups.

Extension home economics programs are open to all interested persons. To reach as many people as possible, sessions are scheduled in the day and again in the evening. Extension strives to help people help themselves.

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE
CHESHIRE COUNTY COOPERATIVE
EXTENSION SERVICE
1980**

Extension Service Personnel:

Bruce A. Clement, County Extension Agent, Agriculture
 April L. LeClair, County Extension Agent, Agriculture
 Donna W. Akyuz, County Extension Agent, Home Economics
 Judith E. Farrey, County Extension Agent, 4-H
 Lauren L. Bressett, County Extension Agent, 4-H
 Donald J. Sirois, Assistant County Extension Forester
 John R. Ferguson, Jr., County Extension Forester

Office Clerks:

Beatrice A. Griswold
 Catherine G. Clukay
 Jane M. Benware (part-time)
 Maria A. Riesenberg (part-time)

Combined Total Fiscal Summary 1980:

County	\$71,105.39
State & Federal	<u>73,031.00</u>
Combined Total - County, State and Federal	144,136.39

County Budget Summary 1980:

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1980	5,788.39
Appropriation 1980	65,317.00
University of N.H. (Fuel & Marketing)	600.00
Travel Reimbursement (Forestry)	186.42
Reimbursement, Handouts (Home Economics)	<u>1.70</u>

Total County Funds	\$71,893.51
Funds Expended	<u>69,957.03</u>
Balance on Hand, January 1, 1981	1,936.48

Breakdown of 1980 Expenditures:

Agents' Salaries	26,013.49
Clerks' Salaries	18,813.60
Social Security	1,156.82
Workmen's Compensation	50.00
Supplies & Printing	1,990.46
Subscriptions	146.95
Postage	118.59
Telephone	2,431.48
Travel	6,888.33
Equipment Repair	409.30
Rent	10,792.75
New Equipment	508.09
Miscellaneous	112.60

Health Insurance	300.00
Unemployment Insurance	<u>224.57</u>
Total Expenditures	\$69,957.03

**CHESHIRE COUNTY
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE
PROPOSED 1981 BUDGET**

County Extension Proposed Budget, 1981	\$89,083.00
Cash on Hand, January 1, 1981	<u>1,936.48</u>
Requested Appropriation for 1981	\$87,146.52

**SOUTHWESTERN NEW HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT
FIRE MUTUAL AID SYSTEM
1981**

The "tone is for Keene, 1st alarm, engine 2 and 3 to a reported fire at No. 0 West Street"; "Jaffrey cruiser 161 respond to a 10-52A in progress at the ABC Store"; "the tones are for the Peterborough ambulance and the Dublin Rescue Squad - respond to a Code One, Routes 101 and 137".

The above are examples of the 567,058 radio transmissions made by our dispatchers in 1981 - an average of 1,554 daily.

Prior to the transmission a call is received reporting the emergency. They account for part of the 88,958 incoming telephone calls received. A partial breakdown of these calls is as follows:

Police complaints requiring dispatch of a cruiser or the presence of an officer	6,674
Vehicle accidents	855
Ambulance dispatched	2,689
Rescue squads dispatched	825

The member Fire Departments answered 2,426 calls of various types and causes. An interesting item-- before the high price of heating oils my report would undoubtedly reflect an equal number of oil heaters and chimney fires. During 1981 we recorded 15 oil heater and 606 chimney fires.

Fire Mutual Aid's first full year of operation was 1955. I reported we had 5 requests for "cover-in" at empty fire houses and no requests for assistance at the scene of a fire. Fire losses were high.

The low 1981 combined fire losses of our membership reflects the value of mutual cooperation. There were 728 fires involving Mutual Aid assistance. 1,951 fire units were moved either onto the fire scene or into another fire station for "cover-in" duty. Probably the most spectacular were the State Coach Antiques, Rt. 12, Marlboro - 28 units responded; Old Box Shop, West Swanzey - 28 units dispatched; Old Joy Mfg. Co., Claremont - 23 units from our system plus many others from Claremont and neighboring communities.

The year ended on a most tragic note. Two young firefighters were killed in the line of duty. On the night of December 29, a fire destroyed the Star Hotel in Bellows Falls. Two Bellows Falls firemen lost their lives while searching the building for possible trapped occupants. 20 engines, 4 aerial ladders, 4 Rescue Squads and 7 ambulances were dispatched to assist the Bellows Falls Fire Department.

1981 was the first full year of our Radio Repair Shop operation. We have no way to compare costs prior to 1980 as we do not have the member town's records. However, comments from some of the police and fire chiefs indicate a savings as high as 75% in some departments. Certainly this was a step in the right direction. A great deal of the success of the operation is due to our technician, Leonard Goodnow, who is doing a great job.

Our dispatchers also deserve recognition. Over one half a million radio transmissions by actual electronic counters, almost one hundred thousand incoming telephone calls, probably almost as many outgoing (no counters). In addition to the above mentioned; police complaints, fire, ambulance and rescue calls. There are also hundreds of "private alarms" i.e. burglar, hold-ups, sprinkler/automatic fire alarm, smoke detectors, boiler or building temperature and other types of supervision from both industrial and residential connections. All are handled in a most efficient manner in notifying the proper agency; plus the associated record keeping and all other paper work - certainly a most commendable job.

Many thanks to the County Delegation, Selectmen, Our Directors, Police and Fire Departments and everyone who supported us during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT C. CALLAHAN
Chief Coordinator

CONSERVATION DISTRICT

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Harry Bennett - Richmond

Virginia Turner - Sullivan

Harry Kenney, III - Marlborough

Larry Adams - Chesterfield

Jay Jacobs - Dublin

This year the Board of Supervisors has found it necessary to ask for a substantial increase in their appropriation. This is due in part to the rise in inflation plus the lessening of our income caused by the drop in new housing starts. In the past month there has been an increase in requests for soil cards for septic system designs but it is difficult to predict whether this trend will continue. We have raised our fee schedule in an attempt to lower the amount requested from the county but our sources of income are somewhat limited. The Board of Supervisors feels we need \$4500 to maintain our program.

Estimated Expenses for 1981	\$8,789.00 (see attached budget)
Estimated Income for 1981	<u>4,140.00</u>
	\$4,469.00
Requested of County	4,500.00
District Reserve Funds	<u>149.00</u>
	\$4,649.00

We have attached a copy of our Annual Plan of Work for 1981. This is a reflection of the goals set forth in our newly updated Long Range Plan, a portion of which is also attached.

The list of problem areas in the Long Range Plan begins with the conversion of farmland to other uses. This is recognized as a national problem and is receiving considerable attention in our own area. The items included in the plan are the Board of Supervisors' interpretation of the opinions voiced by county citizens during the Resource Conservation Act appraisal.

Although the requests for soil cards and maps for septic system design and subdivision plans are down, other requests for services have increased. We are contacted daily by private individuals, realtors, farmers, members of conservation commissions and planning boards and others for a wide variety of information. We make every effort to answer these requests as quickly and as thoroughly as possible. In order to continue to be a resource center for the county, the Board of Supervisors want to have the office open five days a week on a regular hourly basis as in the past. It is difficult enough for the average citizen to find the answers to questions among the many governmental agencies without having the added inconvenience of offices being open only part of the time.

Following are some of the activities we participated in during 1980.

--Prepared 251 maps and soil cards (last year at this time we had prepared 305).

--Prepared 14 soils overlays for use of developers and planning boards.

--Completed a mosaic, soils reports and interpretive maps for the town of Surry. Started on mosaics and soils reports for the towns of Marlborough and Walpole. The town of Rindge will have been

mapped by the end of the season and most, if not all, of the town of Roxbury.

--Prepared important farmland maps for 11 county towns.

--Assisted 300 individuals and 35 governmental agencies a total of 735 times. These numbers do not include services we charged for nor do they reflect the many referrals we handled. We try not to "pass the buck" but it's often necessary to recommend another agency when the information requested is beyond our field of expertise.

--Provided work experience in our program to 3 college interns and assistance in educational projects to countless other students and teachers. Also sponsored a teacher to the Mt. Cardigan Conservation Workshop.

In Cheshire County the following projects were constructed: ponds, grassed waterways, fencing to protect erodable acres or streams, land clearing, streambank protection measures, stripcropping, woodland improvement and manure storage facilities.

From this brief account of our activities you may gather that we had a busy and productive year. With the steady increase in interest in preserving our environment, we expect 1981 will be equally active.

As we have stressed before, all land is useful for something--agriculture, housing and industrial buildings, wildlife habitat, recreation, etc. Our aim is to have each parcel used for its greatest potential benefit to the citizens of the county without exploiting it. We are heartened to find so many others who share our concerns and hope that you will again assist us to carry on our program even through these difficult inflation-ridden days.

Sincerely,
SANDRA W. SWIFT
District Manager

DISTRICT LONG RANGE PLAN

- I. Resource Problem Areas listed in order of priority for assistance.
 - A. **Conversion of agricultural land to other uses.** As in other areas of the Nation, we are concerned with the conversion of agricultural land. At the same time we realize that growth can be compatible with the preservation of agricultural land when properly handled.
 - B. **Conservation and Management of forest land.** Forest lands are our largest single resource in the county. Recent changes in our Nation's energy situation have put greater importance on wood as an energy source. Expanded timber operations increase the need for control of erosion and the prevention of sedimentation of streams. This will involve the proper layout and maintenance of access roads and harvest procedures to protect water quality and insure proper forest management for lumber, fuel and wildlife.

- C. **Preservation of water quality.** Our waters (ground, lake and stream) need monitoring and protection from contamination by hazardous waste, sedimentation, agricultural waste, acid rain and sewage effluent.
- D. **Assistance to communities in land use planning.** Cheshire County is made up of 22 small towns and one small city. To a large extent land use planning activities are performed by volunteer members of these communities. We recognize the need to assist these units of government, especially during this period of accelerated growth in population.
- E. **Erosion of cropland.** We have 1500 acres in the country subject to excessive soil loss. The loss of this resource will reduce productivity in the future as well as contribute to sedimentation of our rivers, streams and lakes.
- F. **Development in major wetlands and flood plains.** There is a need for the education of county residents concerning the value of wetlands and flood plains and the consequences of their conversion to uses other than agriculture, recreation and wildlife habitat.
- G. **Loss of wildlife habitat.** With the conversion of wetlands, flood plains and forest land to urban uses has come a loss of natural wildlife habitat. Alternative conservation measures can produce habitat to replace that which has been lost. Retention of as much of the remaining habitat as possible should be stressed.
- H. **Excavation and reclamation of surface minerals.** It is important to educate and assist communities and individuals in the proper methods of excavation and reclamation of surface mined minerals. In Cheshire County this would mainly be gravel and sand pits which if improperly excavated or reclaimed can be a safety hazard as well as unsightly.
- I. **Preservation of historic, scenic and recreational areas.** We recognize the importance of preserving historic, scenic and recreational areas not only for our own enjoyment but also for that of future generations.

1981 ANNUAL PLAN OF WORK

I. Priority Rating

- A. Follow Long Range Plan list of problem areas in order of priority.
- B. Priorities should be adjustable as needs develop which demand urgent attention.
- C. Give highest priority to those requests which are most likely to be completed.

II. Goals

- A. Reach as many people in the county as possible.

- B. Increase our visibility so people will know what services we can offer them.

III. Public Information and Education

- A. Form an information and education committee within the Board.
- B. Prepare field demonstrations of interest to
 - 1. Farmers
 - 2. Loggers
 - 3. Town Officials
 - 4. Contractors
 - 5. Developers
 - 6. Others
- C. Working through State Conservation Committee Ex. Director and S.C.S. Information Specialist develop the following to explain our program and services.
 - 1. Brochures
 - 2. Media displays (portable)
- D. Organize Annual Meeting to increase visibility of our program.
 - 1. Display of work accomplished by Cooperator of the Year.
 - 2. Speaker to address one of the resource problem areas listed in the Long Range Plan.
 - 3. Recruitment of candidates for Supervisors positions to be handled by Board members.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1981

Estimated Expenses of the District	Proposed Allocation of County Funds		
	Amount	County Line Item	Amount
Salary	\$6,318.00	\$8,400.00	\$4,187.00
Social Security	420.00	.10	278.00
Workman's Comp. Insurance	35.00	.14	35.00
Office Supplies	170.00		-----
Postage	190.00		-----
Conservation Camp	150.00		-----
Dues	485.00		-----
Soil Stewardship Week	50.00		-----
Annual Report	171.00		-----
Annual Meeting	100.00		-----
Equipment Repair	70.00		-----
Expense Account	75.00		-----
Soils Maps & Reports	75.00		-----
Contingency Fund	480.00		-----
	<u>\$8,789.00</u>		<u>\$4,500.00</u>

Estimated Income for 1981

Fees for Services	\$1,520.00
Reports & Maps	2,140.00
Geological Survey Maps	30.00
Conservation Seed Mix	100.00
Interest	100.00
State Funds	240.00
Miscellaneous	<u>10.00</u>
	\$4,140.00
County Funds	<u>4,500.00</u>
	\$8,640.00
District Reserve Funds	<u>149.00</u>
	\$8,789.00

CHESHIRE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Cheshire County Court House
January 12, 1981

Present: Representatives Robert L. Galloway, Robert W. Moore, Jr., Nancy J. Proctor, Patricia T. Russell, Nancy E. Baybutt, Jean T. White; Commissioners Harold E. Savage, David G. Adams, William F. Lynch and County Treasurer Warren G. Allen.

Robert L. Galloway, Vice Chairman Pro-Tem called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. with a quorum present.

The purpose of the meeting was to authorize the Commissioners to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Robert Moore moved that the County Commissioners be authorized to borrow an amount not to exceed \$2,300,000.00 in anticipation of taxes for the year 1981. The motion was seconded by Patricia Russell.

A discussion of the borrowing rate which is now between 7% and 9% followed. Cheshire County has a good possibility of getting a low interest rate. A vote was taken and the motion was passed unanimously.

David Adams asked re: Monadnock Health and Welfare Office moving into the Court House. There would be a savings in rent of \$3,380. David Adams listed other agencies supported by Cheshire County. There are three; they are Monadnock Health and Welfare, New Hope-New Horizons, and Monadnock Human Services. Robert Galloway asked re: a lease whereby Monadnock Health & Welfare would have to vacate when the County needs the space.

Nancy Proctor said that it would save tax dollars by allowing them to use the space now unused.

David Adams mentioned a need of additional parking space. Discussion followed. Need is for fifty additional spaces.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
NANCY E. BAYBUTT, Clerk

54 CHESHIRE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Cheshire County Court House
Keene, New Hampshire
February 7, 1981

Present: Commissioners W. Lynch, D. Adams; Representatives W. Matson, R. Moore, P. Russell, M. Lynch, R. Galloway, J. White, M. Ramsay, R. Eisengrein, N. Proctor.

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m.

The purpose of the meeting was to review the 1981 budget. There was a discussion of salary increases - 9% clerical, 7.10% Commissioners. A need for a classification system discussed. Nancy Baybutt moved that clerical should be changed to 7%. It was seconded by J. White. A vote was taken - 4 yes, 1 no. There was more discussion about penalizing clerical, experience of local business and towns. Take all salaries together-Agreed. N. Baybutt moved to reconsider, and it was seconded by B. Eisengrein. Motion carried.

There was a discussion on whether there was a need for a County Coordinator. Commr. Lynch supports the need for the position. Commr. Adams defended budget and Commrs. position. Commr. Savage is here every day doing the work, Election results prove that the voters want County Coordinator. Past minutes would prove many requests of the Delegation have never had a response. Cost of Coordinator would be too high, Commrs. together make \$15,000 to do the job. A coordinator would cost a total of \$27,000 per year. Commr. Savage spoke about dedication of County workers. Commr. Adams wants a year without a Coordinator and a decision made next year. Pat Russell moved that we reinstate the \$15,000 for a County Coordinator. The motion was seconded by M. Lynch and a roll call vote was taken. P. Russell - yes, M. Lynch - yes, R. Eisengrein - yes, R. Galloway - no, M. Ramsay - yes, R. Moore - no, J. White - no, N. Baybutt - yes, B. Matson - yes. Six yes, Three no; Motion carried.

The public was invited to speak. Speaking for himself, Albert Munichello from Warwick Road, Winchester, N.H. talked about Vt. Yankee with a map and radii in five mile increments. He talked about why he is opposed to Vt. Yankee Power Plant. The Exec. Comm. asked Mr. Munichello to return at 2:00 p.m. Feb. 14, 1981 to present his budget request.

Page 3 - .94 Protection of County Officials - covers costs of suit and settlement.

- .29 Includes auditors, John Rich.

Page 4 - .94 Two year cost.

County Attorney - Discussion: Rep. Russell explained the status of Rockingham County's County Attorney; full time, but elected. The delegation will attempt to put in a House Bill to make Cheshire County's Attorney full time. The cost to be \$35,000.00.

Page 5 - .03 Clerk raise recommended for merit.

Page 5 - .94 Two suits against the County Attorney and other County employees. Leahy and Denault, Attorneys for defense bills are large. Transcript will cost \$4,000.

The County Attorney explained why his job requires more hours of him and the Sheriff's Dept. How can the Delegation reduce some of the burden; thru statute; word process equipment? A full time Attorney will not eliminate the need for an Assistant County Attorney.

Register of Deeds:

Page 6 - .88 Enough for 1981.

Page 6 - .02 Clerical - four positions, two employees have 41 years service, each.

Salaries, Register said, "Cost of Living raises on percentage basis is totally unfair. There should be merit and dollar amounts."

Sheriff's Dept: Sheriff Lysitt asked for 9% for two secretaries and six Deputy Sheriffs. Van is in bad shape, it is shared by Sullivan County.

Repairs on vehicles; autos are rented, Van is owned. Commr. Lynch suggested it might be wise to start a Capital Reserve Acct. to replace the van. The Delegation discussed the Capital Reserve Acct.

Page 8 - .73 Repairs to Van. Is gas allotment sufficient? The Sheriff said he would keep close watch.

Director of Welfare: The Director passed out work paper on Medicaid. Rep. Matson spoke of how to protect towns from Workmen's Comp. claims.

Page 12 - .59 This represents 19% of Medicaid costs - County's share; State pays in addition 20% and Federal 80%.

Page 12 - .58 Requests for 29 children in Foster Home Care at \$129 average. Director would request an additional \$10 per child. Commr. Lynch said that \$143,000 to \$158,000 would be more realistic. No change in budget.

Rep. Matson asked if Director can manage job? Can she investigate fraud? The Director found one person filing misinformation.

Food stamps - 3300 people = \$137,000 for month of Jan. for Cheshire County. County pegs food voucher allotment on food stamps allowance. Vouchers go directly to vendors.

Page 12 - .53 & - .57 Would be affected if food stamps program changes.

Page 12 - 4190.29, 59, & 61 will be scheduled for Feb. 14 in the morning.

Superior Court: Reference to footnotes as to page 11 - A new Salary Schedule mandated salary adjustments, additional raises will be tied to Uniform Code.

Page 11 - .40 Request raise to \$65,000.00

-.41 Increase due to increased witness fee - \$13 to \$30.

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Footnote 11 and 12 to purchase a new telephone system, to limited outgoing WATS Line. Discussion of cost followed.

Request that the total revenue and the total expense (salaries) be noted as an asterisk on page 1 and page 11. Superior Court Clerk agreed with Delegation and Commrs. this would be a good idea. Employees and salaries totaling 7 employees and total cost of \$109,000.00 were listed.

12:30 p.m. adjourned to Saturday, February 14, 1981 at 9:30 a.m.; expected to go all day.

Respectfully submitted,
NANCY BAYBUTT, Clerk
Executive Committee

CHESHIRE COUNTY DELEGATION MEETING
Concord, New Hampshire
February 12, 1981

Present: Representatives J. Miller, R. Moore, Jr., T. Wiggin, E. Johnson, D. Littky, J. Davis, D. Perry, W. Matson, J. White, C. Crane, F. Ernst, I. Gordon, W. Riley, M. Rouillard, D. Hickey, P. Russell, W. Kennedy, N. Proctor, R. Barber, Jr., N. Baybutt, A. Scranton.

The meeting was called to order at 2:45 p.m.

There was a discussion of housing the Monadnock Health & Welfare Council in the vacant space in the Court House. Rep. Perry moved that we allow Monadnock Health & Welfare Council occupy the space at the Court House. It was seconded by Rep. Littky. Rep. Johnson moved to amend "To have leases read Monadnock Health & Welfare Council leave on a 90 day notice." Rep. T. Wiggin seconded the motion ... Amendment passed.

A discussion followed on the County Delegation's responsibility and the fact that the Monadnock Health & Welfare Council's budget request has not been passed yet. Vote passed-recorded as opposed by Rep. A. Scranton and Rep. J. White.

Senate bills to be introduced were discussed. No action.

A full time County Attorney for Cheshire County was discussed. Senator Blaisdell said a bill is drafted and waiting for signatures. There is no salary figure in the legislation. No action taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
NANCY BAYBUTT
Clerk Pro Tem

CHESHIRE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Cheshire County Court House
February 14, 1981

Present: Representatives Matson, Russell, Lynch, Scranton, Moore, Ramsay, White, Proctor; Commissioners Adams, Lynch and Savage, R. Eisengrein.

Chairman Matson called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. The purpose of the meeting was for budget review.

Mr. Ferguson of the Cheshire County Cooperative Extension Service reviewed and explained his increased budget request. The major increase is in the cost of rental facilities. An increased cost of living expense plus an increase in the operational cost of the building is reflected in the \$4,418.00 increase over the base rent, for a total of \$10,065.00 for rental facilities. Mr. Ferguson also noted that they must pay for additional storage rental.

Chairman Matson suggested that his Building Committee that is now investigating securing property for the Extension Service consider the possibility of locating in the old nursing home in Westmoreland. Mr. Ferguson agreed to have his committee look into this and supply the Executive Committee with a report concerning their findings.

Mr. Ferguson spoke briefly about the need for computer time. He is checking with the University System in Durham and will also contact someone in the Computer Department in the City of Keene.

Mr. Matson thanked Mr. Ferguson for his explanations and informed him that the Executive Committee would carefully consider his budget request.

Phyllis Parker, Register of Probate presented and explained her budget request. She stated that her office anticipated hiring a new clerk, but would like to put a hold on that for the present time, yet leave the amount requested in the budget. There is a possibility that the Probate Court may be assuming divorce matters from Superior Court and Mrs. Parker would like to wait on the hiring of an additional clerk until she knows the outcome of the pending decision.

Mrs. Parker requested a \$20.00 a week merit raise for Denise Paige in addition to the 9% cost of living raise.

Mrs. Parker also noted that "Outside Services" includes the cost of serving indigent people and that it is very difficult to anticipate what this item might actually cost.

Chairman Matson thanked Mrs. Parker for her presentation.

Steve Knapp of the Monadnock Health and Welfare Council explained his budget request and the funding proposal of the joint study committee composed of representatives from the City of Keene, the Monadnock United Way and Cheshire County Delegation. The proposal was a pro-rated formula and includes the continuation of the Informa-

tion and Referral Program. A major project of the M.H. & W.C. would be to establish priorities for human services.

Mr. Knapp explained the various studies presently taking place in the Monadnock area. A general discussion followed.

Representative Eisengrein suggested that it would be appropriate for the Delegation Chairman to appoint and establish a sub-committee to have input to the Health and Welfare Council. The sub-committee could be structured similar to the City of Keene's Health & Welfare Committee and serve as a link between the County and the Council. General discussion followed and it was agreed that the Executive Committee would consider this suggestion as a possible proposal to the Delegation.

Mr. Knapp reminded the Executive Committee that funding from the State of New Hampshire and the Federal Government no longer is available to support the work of the Monadnock Health & Welfare Council and that the City of Keene has agreed in principle to the funding formula suggested by the study group.

Chairman Matson asked if the Council could work out of Westmoreland and Mr. Knapp replied that it could, but that the majority of his agency's meetings take place with agencies that are headquartered in Keene.

Representative Lynch asked what the pro-rata share of funding would amount to in dollars. Mr. Knapp replied that, using 1979 as the base year, the City of Keene would appropriate \$9,685.00; the Monadnock United Way would appropriate \$11,509.00 and the County would be asked for an appropriation of \$25,592.00, as indicated by the budget request.

Mr. Knapp was informed that the Executive Committee would take his request under consideration and Chairman Matson thanked him for his detailed explanations.

Gordon McColleston, Executive Director of New Hope-New Horizons explained his budget request, which is for the same amount as it has been for the last few years. Mr. McColleston answered questions dealing with his agency and the number of clients served.

Sandra Swift, District Manager of the Cheshire County Conservation District, and Mr. Jay Jacob, Board of Supervisors member, explained the budget request for the Cheshire Co. Conservation District. In response to questions dealing with their agency's work, Ms. Swift explained that their agency sets the policy for the activities for the soil conservation agency in the County; offer clerical assistance to the Soil Conservation Agency and also have working agreements with the Extension Service and Southwestern Regional Planning.

The Executive Committee reviewed the budget for the Maintenance of the Court House (account No. 4160).

Representative Proctor asked the Commissioners who would be

required to pay for the needed insulation in the new building that was never put in at the time of construction.

Commissioner Adams responded to her question. He stated that the contractor (Baybutt) and the sub-contractor would pay for part of the cost and the County would pay the remainder. General discussion followed.

Representative Proctor stated that it was her feeling that the architect and the contractor were responsible for the problem in the first place and further suggested that it was about time the County Government took a stand and stopped paying for mistakes that others made.

Commissioner Lynch noted that the building was designed without insulation and that it was a design concept that was not practical in our particular area. Lynch further stated that the County itself made a wrong decision to allow the architect to hire his own "Clerk of the Works" to superintend the construction and that this decision was irresponsible in that Lewis had his own man superintending his own job.

Lynch stated that Commissioner Adams is trying to make the best possible arrangements for payment and that the Commissioners are withholding Lewis' last payment until satisfaction is given.

Representative Lynch asked if the County was also going to assume the cost of replacing the storm windows on the old section of the Court House. She reminded the Executive Committee that these windows were "accidentally" carted away by the contractor and put in the dump, and as a result the County must purchase new windows to replace the lost servicable storm windows.

A lengthy discussion followed.

Representative Proctor moved that the Executive Committee authorize the Commissioners to look into the problem of the lost storm windows and loss of heat as a result of this negligence and to negotiate this matter with Baybutt Construction.

Representative Eisengrein seconded the motion which was passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Commissioner Adams addressed the remainder of the budget dealing with the Maintenance of the Court House and answered questions from the Executive Committee.

Ms. Maich Gardner of Cheshire Health & Social Services addressed this agency's budget request, which is the same as last year. She noted that even though the level of funding from the State was cut by 25% last year, her agency was able to maintain the same level of activity in the County. It is their hope to expand the services to areas not receiving their program at this time.

Robert Callahan explained the budget request for Fire Mutual Aid. He informed the Executive Committee that Fire Mutual Aid's Board of

Directors has recommended that salaries be within the realm of at least Lieutenant in the Fire Department in Keene. They had previously tried to maintain a Captain's salary.

Mr. Callahan also asked that someone from County Government investigate why his agency is required to pay 34% into the retirement fund for the few firemen who decided to remain in the old retirement system. Fire Mutual Aid pays only 8.34% into the new system and Mr. Callahan suggested that 34% is quite high to administer the old program.

Mr. Callahan reviewed the work done by his department in the past year and informed the Executive Committee of the substantial savings realized from the purchase of their own radio repair equipment.

Representative Moore requested that Mr. Callahan supply the Committee and perhaps the town Selectmen with a review of the money saved in the small towns as well as the City of Keene by the purchase of this equipment.

Representative Eisengrein requested Mr. Callahan to supply us with a summary of services provided by Fire Mutual Aid for the past year, in time for the Delegation Meeting on the budget.

Mr. Callahan reviewed the Radio & Communications Budget Request.

The Executive Committee commended Mr. Callahan on the fine work and services provided to the County.

The Executive Committee reviewed the budget request for Maplewood. Mr. Russell Waterman answered inquiries from the Executive Committee. On page 17 of the budget, account No. 5150.39 "Supplies & Other Expenses", Mr. Waterman informed the Executive Committee, in response to a question regarding what was included in "Other Expenses", that there is a \$350.00 per month living expense granted to him in addition to his salary which is included in this account.

Mr. Waterman was asked if this was part of his contract with the County and he stated that it was not a written agreement but a verbal agreement which took place when he and his wife moved off the County Farm property. He reminded the Executive Committee that the County had originally intended to demolish the house he and his wife resided in.

General discussion followed.

Representative Lynch expressed the opinion that "Other Expenses" was an inappropriate account to place an expense of this sort. It was suggested that these general accounts should be footnoted in some manner so that elected representatives and the public can understand exactly what is included in the account.

Representative Lynch asked that in the future minutes of the Commissioners Meetings be furnished to the Delegation Chairman, The Executive Committee Chairman and the Clerks of the Delegation and the Executive Committee. The Commissioners agreed to mail

these four people the minutes of the meeting and further agreed to supply them to anyone in the Delegation who so desired them.

The Commissioners agreed to also work out an addendum on account 5150.39 and supply same to the Executive Committee and the Delegation.

Mr. Waterman explained the increase in account No. 5180.01. Dr. Tatum, the physician at Maplewood, would like to be put on salary and would reimburse the County with the medicare money received. Dr. Tatum will double his time spent at the nursing home and this will relieve a great workload from the nursing staff.

A brief discussion took place on the need for a padded cell at the County Farm. Mr. Waterman stated that he could not find any information governing the mandated size of this type of room, and noted that the cost is \$17.00 a foot. Bill Matson will attempt to secure the information relative to the requirements, if any, of the size of a padded cell.

A discussion took place concerning the need for a new vehicle in the future.

General discussion concerning salaries. Commissioner Lynch noted that the difference between 7% raises and 9% raises was \$33,000. Representative Eisengrein moved that the Commissioners establish a wage classification system by using individual department heads to set up a wage guideline using Maplewood's system as a model. Motion seconded by Representative Ramsey and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Representative Russell suggested that it would be inappropriate to discuss and vote on salaries at this time because of the fact that four members of the Executive Committee were missing (Representatives Scranton & Moore having left and Representatives Baybutt, Galloway absent).

Commissioner Lynch agreed to provide the Executive Committee with a list of employees who have been suggested for merit raises.

Chairman Matson stated that the Executive Committee will meet to discuss the question of salaries on February 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the County Court House.

Budget review ended at 2:30 p.m. and the Executive Committee was asked to hear from members of the public who are concerned with emergency evacuation of Cheshire County in the event of a nuclear accident at the Vernon Nuclear Power Plant.

The four members who addressed the Executive Committee were:

Albert Munichiello, Warwick Road, Winchester, NH
Sharon Stafford, Keene, New Hampshire
Running Grass, Keene, New Hampshire
Paul Gunter, Marlow, New Hampshire

Mr. Munichiello made a presentation relative to the radiation

hazards at Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant in Vernon, Vermont. He stated that by authority granted by the United States Code Service, the Cheshire County Delegation has authority to protect the safety and public health of the citizens of Cheshire County.

Ms. Stafford was prepared to present documentation of the safety problems existing at Vermont Yankee, but the Executive Committee in general agreed that this would not be necessary.

Paul Gunter spoke on the need for emergency plans to safeguard public safety and the need for a closer monitoring of radiation from the plant.

The group asked that the County participate in an independent study being done in Vermont by the state government and a citizens task force.

Representative Russell asked how the Delegation could accomplish that task.

Mr. Gunter replied that it was their hope that the Delegation:

1. Apply pressure on the administration in Concord to participate in the study and
2. Apply pressure on officials in the State of Vermont.

It was suggested that Mr. Munichello, Ms. Stafford, Running Grass, and Mr. Gunter meet with Mr. Sagiotes, who is working on just such emergency evacuation plans, and discuss the situation with him.

Mr. Gunter requested that the Chair consider appointing a member of the Executive Committee to sit in on the meeting with Mr. Sagiotes and other agencies involved in this question.

Mr. Matson replied that he would consider this suggestion.

The group also requested that they be allowed to address the full delegation at some future date. It was noted that the Delegation meetings are open to the public and groups can request to speak.

Chairman Matson thanked the group for their interest and advised them that the Executive Committee would consider their various suggestions and requests.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m. It was duly noted that members of the Executive Committee had worked from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. not having even left the room for a lunch break.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET A. LYNCH
Clerk Pro Tem

CHESHIRE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING 63
Cheshire County Court House, Keene, New Hampshire
February 23, 1981

Present: Commissioners W. Lynch, D. Adams. Representatives
R. Moore, R. Eisengrein, M. Lynch, Chairman W. Matson,
and Rep. N. Baybutt and M. Ramsay

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the County Budget for 1981.

Amended minutes of February 14; Bob Eisengrein present. Revenue \$63,000 down in Revenue Sharing, \$45,000 in interest \$200,000 surplus, includes \$25,000 in Mutual Aid Revolving Act; \$5,000 of this is anticipated to be returned.

R. Moore noted that there was \$64,000 increase in total budget for energy. Over \$200,000 on Welfare page.

Page 3 -- Pay Raise - Difference is \$33,000 between 7% and 9%

Page 3 -- Commissioners will investigate buying insurance to protect officials from N.H. Municipal Assoc. for less money.

Discussion of a Contingency Fund and capital account for vehicles and equipment. State budget uses one Capital Acct. for all vehicles and equipment.

Page 5 --.02 Nine months salary.

--.94 Legal is for outside lawyers for suing.

Rep. Ramsay moved - We recommend to give a 9% increase beginning April 1, 1981 to non-elected county employees. In addition, salary adjustments will be granted to Paige, Kennedy, Daniels and Meagher to adjust for salaries not now commensurate with their responsibilities. Motion seconded by B. Eisengrein, a vote was taken - voted unanimously in favor.

Page 7 --.02 Change to \$9028.00 which reduces the bottom line.

Page 8 --.03 Changes as voted.

----- --.97 Sheriff signed contract for copy machine; it should have gone to bid.

Page 8 *** Where else are deputies paid? Do all Sheriff Dept. deputies get additional income?

Page 8 --.02 Cut to \$21,577.00.

Page 10 Reduced line 4160.01 by \$3,000.00.

Page 12 -- Rep. Moore moved that the Sub Total on page 12 be changed to \$1,000,000.00. Rep. Ramsay seconded the motion. A vote was taken. 5 Yea - 1 No.

Page 12 -- There was a discussion on New Hope-New Horizon... Remains the same.

A discussion followed on Monadnock Health & Welfare Council role. There figure would be reduced by the rent of \$2200. There was not enough present to make a decision on this.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m. Next meeting to be Monday, March 1, 1981.

Respectfully submitted,
NANCY E. BAYBUTT, Clerk

CHESHIRE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Cheshire County Court House
February 28, 1981

Present: Representatives Matson, Lynch, Moore, Ramsey, Scranton, Proctor and Eisengrein. Commissioners Adams and Lynch.

The meeting was called to order at 1:20 p.m. by Chairman Matson.

Rep. Eisengrein asked permission to have Jack Jennings of the Monadnock United Way, J. O'Neil, Keene City Council Member, Al Merrifield and Keene City Manager Pat McQueen address the Executive Committee concerning the Resolution made by the Joint Committee (representatives from City of Keene, County and United Way) dealing with the future of the Monadnock Health and Welfare Council. Chairman Matson granted Rep. Eisengrein's request.

Jack Jennings stated that the Joint Committee confirmed the fact that they wanted the Monadnock Health & Welfare Council (M.H. & W.C.) to continue as an agency. The Monadnock United Way has paid two-thirds of its annual commitment already to assist the Council to continue.

Jim O'Neil reported that the City Council had agreed "in concept" to the funding arrangements. A binding decision will be made in May or June. Mr. O'Neil spoke very highly of the benefits derived from the M.H. & W.C.: avoids duplication of services; does research work; provides a source of information on petitioning agencies; provides information & referral to the community.

Pat McQueen, Keene City Manager, stated that the funding arrangements suggested by the Joint Committee would cost the City of Keene almost double the amount it had previously paid. Mr. McQueen spoke in favor of the Agency and the continuation of funding by the three agencies who have previously supported it.

Al Merrifield, a member of the Joint Committee, spoke in strong support of the continuation of funding for the Council and gave a brief background of the type of work done by the council in the past.

Rep. Eisengrein suggested that the County Delegation institute a Health & Welfare Committee to coordinate with other local government agencies.

General discussion followed.

Chairman Matson thanked the gentlemen for their testimony.

Commissioner Lynch informed the Exec. Comm. that Mimi Barber of County Welfare had agreed to give us a further up-date on the welfare situation in the state and to answer questions raised at the last meeting of the Executive Committee.

Ms. Barber informed the Committee of proposed rule changes in the amount of optional services provided under Medicaid. The proposal eliminates three optional programs under Medicaid, one of which is the elimination of payment of drugs for Medicaid recipients. The proposal, if passed, would take effect April 16th. This change does not require legislative approval.

In the two categories that the County would be legally liable for (AFDC and Old Age), we may have to pick up an average of \$10,000.00 per month for prescription drugs. This amount is not, of course, included in this budget request of 1981 - it is an expenditure that we did not anticipate and have not planned for.

General discussion followed.

Rep. Lynch asked Ms. Barber if she would still be able to give the \$10.00 a month increase to foster parents should the Delegation cut her budget request. Ms. Barber stated that the increase would amount to a total of \$3,000 and that she desired a directive from the Executive Committee on this item.

Rep. Matson asked Ms. Barber if it was her policy to consider moving welfare patients from a private nursing home to Maplewood when rooms become available there and suggested that this would be a way to save money. Ms. Barber replied that it was not the policy of her agency to move people from place to place and she questioned the benefits gained from such a practice.

Rep. Eisengrein moved to reconsider the motion made by Rep. Moore at the last Executive Committee Meeting to cut the welfare budget recommendation. Motion seconded by Rep. Ramsey and passed unanimously.

Rep. Eisengrein moved that the Executive Committee recommend \$1,059,820, as recommended by the County Commissioners, for a sub-total under Public Welfare. Motion seconded by Representative Scranton and passed on a voice vote. Rep. Matson voted in opposition to the motion.

Rep. Eisengrein asked permission to share his breakdown review of the budget with the Executive Committee. Both had separated items over which the Delegation has considerable control from those over which we have little if any real control. General discussion followed Bob's graph presentation. Mr. Eisengrein agreed to furnish the Delegation members with a copy of this breakdown.

Commissioner Lynch was asked to share information received on a survey of salaries for Administrative and Elected County Officials statewide.*

* copy attached

Rep. Matson asked Comm. Adams if he had ever checked on the price of outside services to clean the County Court House. Commissioner Adams stated that he had and that the cost for outside services would be \$32,610 and that we budget \$28,000 for our own cleaning staff.

Page 8: Account No. 4140, Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Lynch reported that he contacted the Sheriff, as requested by the Executive Committee, concerning any outside fees paid to Deputies. The Sheriff informed him that there are no outside fees paid directly to the deputies. Fees are returned to offset the expenses in this department.

Discussion concerning the size of the cars leased by the Sheriff's Department. It was suggested that some of the cars should be compact. Commissioner Lynch stated that he will ask the Sheriff to secure bids on the lease of 2 compact cars and the operating expenses anticipated in comparison with the larger cars.

Page 2: Cheshire County Extension Service. Representative Eisengrein moved that the Executive Committee recommend cutting the Extension Service funding to the 1980 level of \$65,317.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Lynch and passed unanimously.

Page 2: Cheshire County Conservation District. Rep. Ramsey moved that the Executive Committee recommend funding at the 1980 level, which was \$3,500. Motion seconded by Rep. Eisengrein and passed unanimously.

Page 2: Register of Probate. Rep. Ramsey moved that the Executive Committee recommend cutting this budget by \$7,021.00, which would mean lack of funding for an additional clerk. Motion seconded by Rep. Lynch and passed unanimously.

Page 2: Superior Court. Commissioner Adams informed the Executive Committee that Tim Rogers has requested \$5,000 for the purchase of storage shelves. General discussion followed. Commissioner Adams will speak to Tim about possible alternatives.

Page 12: Account No. 4190.29, New Hope-New Horizons, Inc. Rep. Proctor moved that the Executive Committee recommend not funding New Hope-New Horizons. Motion seconded by Rep. Eisengrein. Discussion followed. A vote was taken and the motion was defeated unanimously.

Page 12: Account No. 4190.59, Monadnock Health & Welfare Council. Rep. Moore moved that the Executive Committee recommend that the Delegation delete the \$25,592 recommended by the County Commissioners for funding of this agency. Motion seconded by Rep. Scranton. Discussion followed. A vote was taken on the Moore motion. Matson, Scranton, Moore and Ramsey voted in the affirmative. Eisengrein, Lynch and Proctor voted in opposition. Motion carries.

Rep. Eisengrein moved that the Executive Committee recommend a figure of \$17,000.00 for the Monadnock Health & Welfare Council. Motion seconded by Rep. Proctor. Rep. Eisengrein spoke to his motion. He pointed out that some local funders have already put money up-front in good faith that this agency would be supported by the three primary funders. He stated that he felt it would be at least helpful to fund the agency to the degree that it could be phased out.

A vote was taken on the Eisengrein motion. Eisengrein, Proctor, Lynch and Ramsey voted in the affirmative. Matson, Moore and Scranton voted in opposition. Motion carries.

Both proposals will be made to the full delegation.

Page 12: Account No. 4190.61, Cheshire Health & Social Services, Inc. Rep. Lynch moved that the Executive Committee recommend \$48,500 funding for this agency. Motion seconded by Rep. Scranton and passed unanimously.

1 Page 14: Maplewood. General Discussion concerning expenses at Maplewood. It was suggested that \$8,500 for a manure spreader was quite high. The Commissioners will try to secure a better price on this item.

Rep. Lynch asked that the \$350 monthly living allowance paid to Mr. Waterman be footnoted as such and not included under Dietary: Supplies and Other Expenses. The Commissioners agreed to note it.

Representative Moore noted that the Public Hearing on the budget was scheduled for Thursday, March 5, 1981 at 7:00 p.m. at the County Court House. The Delegation meeting is scheduled for March 21, 1981 at Maplewood at 9:30 a.m.

Having completed the review of the budget, the Executive Committee realized approximately a 3.8% cut based on their recommendations.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET A. LYNCH, Clerk
pro tem

STATEMENT TO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Public Hearing - County Budget

March 5, 1981

From: Jay Adams, Stoddard, N.H.

Subject: County Task Force on Nuclear Materials and Radiation
Funding assistance for said Task Force

My name is Jay Adams and I live in Stoddard.

I came before you tonite to ask for, indeed plead for a County Task Force on Nuclear Materials and Radiation, and the effects these materials and radiation may be having on our human and non-human populations within Cheshire County.

In America today we are being bombarded with both ionized and non-ionized radiation. Most of this radiation exposure, other than from the sun and earth/rock released radiation, are manmade, such as residual nuclear weapons atmospheric tests from years past. Far and away the worst offender and creator of this type of radiation is the U.S. Government, but also Russia, France, Britian, China and India. Even today China still explodes nuclear bombs in the atmosphere. The high jet streams have on more than one occassion in recent years carried the China bombs insidious radiations to Cheshire County, to be deposited on us with the rain. I recall 1976 and 1978 in particular but there have been others. No officials in the state or county warned us of these fall-outs or how to take precautionary measures.

For more than nine years now Cheshire County people and territorial life have been subjected to almost continuous exposure to radiation released from the infamous Vt. Yankee Nuclear Power Plant. This facility is located in Vernon, Vt., on the Conn. River, only 17 miles from this very spot and only a few feet from the western boundry of Cheshire County. The prevailing winds are from the West so our territory and inhabitants are almost always subjected to the radioactive exhaust of Vt. Yankee.

None of us need to be told of the dozens of so-called "abnormal occurances" that have happened at Vt. Yankee these past nine years. "Abnormal occurances" is nuclear industry word twisting for ACCIDENTS. Each of these accidents have brought more radiation on us, in instances substantially more than even the so-called allowable levels of emissions that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has set as law. But law or no law, when that radiation is released it goes with the wind to drop to earth somewhere. Cheshire County is generally first in line for that exposure. The only laws relevant at that time are the natural laws of physics, chemistry, and biology.

WHAT ABOUT THE RADIATION IN MILK AND THAT ACCUMULATED IN THE FOOD CHAIN THAT EVENTUALLY GOES INTO OUR BODIES?

If Vt. Yankee ever has a meltdown or major radioactive release (PLEASE let us not forget Three Mile Island...) what then of the health,

safety and welfare of our people, other animals and plants, indeed the soil itself?

And if that horrible scenario ever happens survivors may not be able to return to our homes and land for 20 or 40 years, or have any insurance to cover our injuries or property damage. The laws have essentially given the insurance companies immunity (just check your homeowners insurance policy.) If nuclear power is so good for society and SAFE why have the insurance companies and federal lawmakers seen fit not to insure us? I would remind you that inside the reactor at the very fragil Vt. Yankee nuke is 1,000 times the radiation that was released with the Hiroshima bomb!

Of course, a very related subject to the Vt. Yankee nuke is evacuation of Cheshire County people and domestic livestock. Others will (have) talk(ed) to that issue tonite. My only comment is that the NRC and state civil defense plans presently or soon to go into effect are a sham...! It would be a joke - if it wasn't so damn serious.

Leaving Vt. Yankee now, I would like to point out that nuclear materials and radiation exposure are a very real issue for Cheshire County residents, beyond the nuclear power plant issue. For instance, are non-medical nuclear materials transported thru Cheshire County? And if so where and how and when? Who knows, its never been looked into.

And how about the whole medical field? What nuclear and radiological medical materials are used in Cheshire County? This includes diagnostic and therapudic. Are they safely stored and used? What about the untolled number, and in many instances unnecessary, medical and dental x-rays that are taken? How many unsuspecting patients are informed of the radiation they are being exposed to and the effects of accumulated radiation exposure to their bodies?

I would point out that there are other radiation dangers in Cheshire County - for instance; The thousands of recently sold smoke detectors with a small chunk of Americium 242 as its' principal activator. Am 242 is an alpha emittor, probably with no resultant damage if exposed to the skin. BUT if inhaled or injested can cause cell damage and even cancer to the soft and vulnerable tissue inside the body. These detectors look like toy flying saucers. I have personally seen small children playing with them and even spotted them in dumps. Most people don't even know they contain a radioactive element - nothing on the box says so. Sears sells thousands, as well as other department stores.

I submit to you that the nuclear and radiation questions for Cheshire County are quite numerous and very real. We can no longer be kept in the dark about these exposures and the possibly very damaging effects on the lives of us all in Cheshire Cou nty. We need to determine effects on the lives of us all in Cheshire County. We need to determine what nuclear and radiation emmitting materials and machines are here,

what it may be doing to us and take some deliberated action. The Task Force I am recommending can be the procedural mechanism toward this end. We must all educate ourselves and our neighbors to these matters. We as citizens of Cheshire County have a right to know and a right to determine their presence and usage and dangers in our surroundings. You elected officials have a particular responsibility to all the citizens of Cheshire County to assist in this process. I urge you to please seriously consider this request for this special task force on nuclear materials and radiation. The information gathered by such a task force will provide data upon which you can make educated future decisions...

Thank you for your time and courtesy.

Respectfully submitted,
JAY ADAMS
Stoddard

Funding sought - \$1200. My thoughts are to try to stir up other funds thru the year and try to put Task Force on a self supporting basis.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET FOR 1981

Cheshire County Court House

March 5, 1981

Present: Representatives Moore, Lynch, Miller, Perry, Rouillard, Russell, Proctor, Barber, Eisengrein. Commissioners Adams and Lynch; the press and public.

The Public Hearing on the Budget was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Chairman Moore.

Chairman Moore presented the Revenue Sharing portion of the budget and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Chairman Moore stated that he would accept any written information that any member of the public cared to submit on any portion of the budget. He then reviewed the Summary of Expenses and asked for questions.

Mr. Albert Munichello of Winchester questioned the method of spending within the Monadnock Health & Welfare Council (M.H. & W.C.) Representative Eisengrein gave a brief review of the activity of the Council.

Mr. Munichello proposed that the funding for M.H. & W.C. be expanded to provide monies for a "needs assessment" on the impact of the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant on the public safety of the citizens of Cheshire County. He suggested the possibility of the M.H. & W.C. developing Cheshire County "awareness of the potential health and safety impacts that Vernon (Vermont Yankee) poses," and requested that \$2,500 be added to the funding for the M.H. & W.C. to provide that assessment.

Mr. Richard Baker of Keene questioned the need for the M.H. & W.C. He stated that M.H. & W.C. was not a part of County government and questioned the need for county support. He further suggested that the \$25,000 be cut from the Council and applied to the welfare portion of the budget.

Mr. Jay Adams of Stoddard read a prepared statement dealing with a proposal for a Cheshire County Task Force on Nuclear Materials and Radiation. Copy of statement attached.

John Ferguson, Judy Farrey and Donna Okyuz of the Cheshire County Extension Service spoke to the issue of a proposed cut in the budget for their agency.

The following spoke on behalf of full funding for the above agency:

Ms. Alma Goodnow of East Sullivan
Mr. Roland Lendahl of N.H. Timberlands Corp.
Sheldon Sawyer - Walpole dairy farmer
Cal Frink, forestry section of Co. Ext. Service
Roger Hill of Keene
Fred White of Roxbury
Roberta Barry, volunteer 4-H leader
Albert Munichiello of Winchester
Joye Barrett of Keene
Jay Adams of Stoddard

Rep. Lynch requested Mr. Ferguson to prepare an impact study based on the proposed recommendation for cuts by the Executive Committee, prior to the Delegation Meeting on March 21, 1981. Mr. Ferguson said he would try to prepare one.

Jay Jacobs spoke in support of full funding for the Cheshire County Conservation District, as did Virginia Turner.

Commissioner Adams reviewed the reasons for the increased County Budget and explained the impact on the county taxpayer.

Rep. Eisengrein reviewed the budget areas over which the Delegation has some control.

There being no further questions, the Public Hearing on the budget was closed at 8:25 P.M. by Chairman Moore.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET A. LYNCH, Clerk
Cheshire County Delegation

CHESHIRE COUNTY DELEGATION MEETING

Maplewood Nursing Home

March 21, 1981

Present: Chairman Robert Moore, Representatives Miller, Wiggin, Johnson, Littky, Davis, Perry, Ramsey, Matson, Crane, Gordon, Riley, Lynch, Rouillard, Russell, Proctor, Kennedy, Barber, Eisengrein, Lane, Scranton and Baybutt and Commissioners Adams, Savage and Lynch.

Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. and asked Rep. Eisengrein to review his break down of the County Budget for the benefit of the Delegation members. Rep. Eisengrein passed out a copy of his breakdown and explained same to the Delegation.

Rep. Eisengrein moved that the Chairman of the County Delegation establish a Health & Welfare Subcommittee to which can be referred matters which have an abnormal financial impact on the County Budget. These matters to be those beyond the normal duties of the Executive Committee; generally requiring some detailed investigative study and possibly hearings. Results to be referred back to the Executive Committee for further action. Motion seconded by Rep. Russell and passed on a voice vote.

Rep. Baybutt moved that the Chairman of the Delegation appoint a Committee to study wages and bring in a wage schedule, before the next proposed County Budget, for all County employees. Motion duly seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Rep. Russell moved, for purposes of discussion, that the Delegation accept the recommendation of the County Commissioner's budget. Motion seconded by Rep. Eisengrein. Discussion followed. With consent of Rep. Eisengrein, Rep. Russell withdrew her motion.

Rep. Wiggin moved that the Delegation adopt the Budget as recommended by the Executive Committee and that amendments be made on an individual line basis. Motion seconded by Rep. Lynch. Following discussion, Rep. Wiggin withdrew his motion with the consent of his second.

It was agreed that the budget would be reviewed and passed on a page-by-page basis.

Page 3. Rep. Lynch moved acceptance of the Executive Committee's recommendation on account No. 4100.03, \$15,000 budgeted for a County Coordinator. Motion seconded by Rep. Matson. Discussion followed.

Rep. Baybutt moved to limit debate. Motion seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Lynch Motion carried on a voice vote. Rep. Johnson requested a rollcall vote. Chairman Moore stated that a vote had been taken and a Motion to reconsider was in order.

Rep. Riley moved to reconsider. Motion seconded by Rep. Barber and passed on a voice vote.

A roll call vote was taken and the Lynch Motion passed 17 to 3. Voting in the affirmative were Rep. Miller, Wiggin, Littky, Davis, Perry, Matson, Gordon, Riley, Lynch, Rouillard, Russell, Proctor, Kennedy, Barber, Eisengrein, Scranton and Baybutt. Voting in opposition were Rep. Johnson, Crane and Lane.

Rep. Baybutt moved that the figure of 8% increase on all salaries be inserted in place of the 9% recommended by the Executive Committee; such increase to be effective April 1, 1981. Motion seconded by Rep. Eisengrein.

Commissioner Adams spoke in defense of maintaining the 9% increase as suggested by the Executive Committee. Following a lengthy discussion, Rep. Riley Moved the Question and the Baybutt motion failed on a voice vote.

Page 3. Rep. Kendall Lane moved acceptance of the Executive Committee recommendation under account No. 4100 in the amount of \$427,934.45. Motion seconded by Rep. Eisengrein and passed on a voice vote.

Page 4. Rep. Russell moved acceptance of the Executive Committee's recommendation on account No. 4101 in the amount of \$2,187.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Lane and passed on a voice vote.

Page 5. W. Kennedy moved acceptance of the Executive Committee recommendation for County Attorney account No. 4110. Motion seconded by Rep. Scranton. Discussion.

Chairman Moore read a letter from the City Attorney requesting a merit raise for Ms. Margo Keating.

With the consent of Rep. Scranton, Rep. Kennedy amended his original motion to reflect an increase in the total budget figure of \$657.92 for a merit raise for Margo Keating. Rep. Lane seconded the Kennedy Amendment. Following further discussion, Rep. Kennedy withdrew his motion.

Rep. Kennedy moved that the Delegation accept page five of the budget with a figure of \$63,219.87, which includes a merit increase for the Clerk (Margo Keating) in the office of the County Attorney. Motion seconded by Rep. Scranton and passed on a voice vote.

Page 6. Register of Deeds (4120) Rep. Russell moved that the Delegation accept the figure of \$88,183.18 as recommended by the Executive Committee for this account. Motion seconded by Rep. Eisengrein and passed on a voice vote.

Page 7. Register of Probate (4130). Rep. Matson moved that the Delegation accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee for a total figure of \$20,854.02. Motion seconded by Rep. Russell and passed on a voice vote.

Page 8. Sheriff's Department (4140). Rep. Lane moved that the Delegation adopt the Executive Committee recommendation for a

total figure of \$152,924.03 on this account. Motion seconded by Rep. Russell and passed on a voice vote.

Page 9. Medical Referee (4150) Rep. Russell moved acceptance of the figure of \$8,525.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Lane and passed on a voice vote.

Page 10. Maintenance of the Court House, (4160) Rep. Russell moved acceptance of the Executive Committee recommendation of \$87,812.00 for this account. Motion seconded by Rep. Lynch. Following a long discussion, Rep. Riley moved to limit debate and was seconded by Rep. Lynch. Motion to limit debate passed on a voice vote.

Debate was limited and the Russell motion passed on a voice vote.

Page 11. Superior Court (4180) Rep. Matson moved passed of the budget item of \$273,400.00 as recommended by the Executive Committee. Motion seconded by Rep. Russell.

Following a lengthy discussion, the Matson motion was passed on a voice vote.

Rep. Ramsey suggested that we invite a representative of the Superior Court to come to Cheshire County and talk to the Delegation about the Court System.

Chairman Moore recessed for lunch break at 12:25 P.M.

Chairman Moore called the meeting back to order at 1:30 P.M.

Page 12. Public Welfare (4190). Rep. Riley moved acceptance of the Sub Total on page 12 in the amount of \$1,059,487.23. Motion seconded by Rep. Kennedy and passed on a voice vote.

Page 12. Account No. 4190.29 New Hope-New Horizons, Inc. Rep. Eisengrein moved acceptance of the Exec. Committee's recommendation of \$45,000.00 for New Hope-New Horizons, Inc. Motion seconded by Rep. Barber and passed on a voice vote.

Page 12. Account No. 4190.59 Monadnock Health & Welfare. Rep. Matson explained the reason for a lack of a recommendation from the executive committee on this account. There were two recommendations put forth and both a tied vote.

Rep. Eisengrein moved that the funding level for Monadnock Health & Welfare Council be set at \$23,117.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Gordon.

Rep. Eisengrein spoke to his Motion. A lengthy discussion followed.

Rep. Kennedy suggested that if we do fund this account this year, the MH&WC be made to understand that this is the last time we intend to fund.

Rep. Proctor suggested that the Delegation let the Council know what kind of projects we would like them to work on.

Rep. Johnson moved to amend the Eisengrein motion to read \$10,000.00 in place of the \$23,117.00. Motion to amend seconded by Rep. Kennedy. Discussion. Kennedy moved the question and was seconded by Rep. Crane. Motion to move the question passed on a voice vote.

The Johnson Amendment failed to pass on a voice vote. Eisengrein motion passed on a voice vote.

Representative Matson requested that the Council provide the Delegation members with a report on the work they are involved in at the present time.

Page 12 Cheshire Senior Services, Inc. Account No. 4190.61.

Rep. Lynch moved acceptance of the Executive Committee's recommendation for funding of \$48,500.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Wiggin and passed on a voice vote.

Rep. Gordon moved acceptance of the total of \$1,176,104.23 for page 12. Motion seconded by Rep. Rouillard and passed on a voice vote.

Page 12 Account No. 9100 Other

Rep. Matson moved approval of the figure of 171,000.00 on page 13. Motion seconded by Rep. Russell.

Rep. Kennedy suggested billing the City of Keene for County share of the taxes on a six months basis.

Matson motion passed on a voice vote.

Page 14 Summary of Expenses - Maplewood. No action necessary on this page.

Page 15 Maplewood Expenses. Rep. Matson moved approval of the total of \$604,384.00, as recommended by the Executive Committee, for the operation of Maplewood. Motion seconded by Rep. Russell. Following a brief discussion, the motion was passed on a voice vote.

Page 16. Maplewood - Expenses. Account No. 5130. Rep. Matson moved acceptance of the Executive Committee recommendation of \$335,199.00 for dietary expenses. Motion seconded by Rep. Gordon. Brief discussion followed. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Account No. 5140. Representative Matson moved acceptance of the Executive Committee recommendation of \$778,806.00 for nursing expenses. Motion seconded by Rep. Russell. Following a brief discussion the Motion was passed on a voice vote.

Page 17 Maplewood - Expenses. Account No. 5150. Rep. Matson moved acceptance of the Executive Committee recommendation of \$357,838.00 of Plant Operations. Motion seconded by Rep. Riley and passed on a voice vote.

Account No. 5160. Rep. Matson moved acceptance of Executive Committee recommendation of \$88,751.00 for Laundry & Linen expenses. Motion seconded by Rep. Lynch and passed on a voice vote.

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Page 18 Maplewood - Expenses. Rep. Matson moved acceptance of Executive Committee recommendation of \$123,291.00 for House-keeping expenses. Motion seconded by Lynch and passed on a voice vote.

Account No. 5180. Rep. Matson moved acceptance of Executive Committee recommendation of \$103,028.00 for Physicians & Pharmacy expenses. Motion seconded by Rep. Russell and passed on a voice vote.

Page 19 Maplewood - Expenses. Rep. Lynch moved acceptance of the Executive Committee recommendation of \$136,851.00 for Special Services Acct. No. 5190. Motion seconded by Rep. Proctor. Discussion followed.

Rep. Kennedy moved to amend the Lynch Motion by deleting \$1,730.00, under Account No. 5190.01 Salaries - Religion. Motion seconded by Rep. Barber. Discussion followed. Rep. Gordon Moved the Question, seconded by Rep. Matson. Passed on voice vote.

A vote was taken on the Kennedy Amendment and Amendment failed on a voice vote.

Original Motion passed on a voice vote.

Page 20 Maplewood - Expenses. Account No. 6100. Jail. Rep. Lynch moved acceptance of Executive Committee recommendation of \$310,920.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Eisengrein.

Rep. Matson moved that Account No. 6100.97 New Equipment be increased to \$24,045.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Baybutt.

Motion to Amend passed on a voice vote.

Lynch Motion amended to read \$318,965.00 passed on a voice vote.

Account No. 6200 Prisoners Held in Other Institutions. Rep. Matson moved acceptance of the Executive Committee recommendation of \$8,000.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Proctor and passed on a voice vote.

Page 21 Maplewood - Expenses. Account No. 7100 Farm. Rep. Matson moved acceptance of Executive Committee recommendation of \$197,036.00 for the operation of the Farm. Motion seconded by Rep. Lynch and passed on a voice vote.

Page 3 Account No. 4100.74 County Delegation Expenses. Rep. Lynch moved acceptance of the Executive Committee recommendation for \$2,500.00 for County Delegation Expenses. Motion seconded by Rep. Gordon and passed on a voice vote.

Page 2 Fire Mutual Aid. Rep. Lynch moved acceptance of Executive Committee recommendation for \$169,300.00 for Fire Mutual Aid. Motion seconded by Rep. Wiggin and passed on a voice vote.

Radio Communications. Rep. Matson moved acceptance of the Exec. Comm. recommendation for \$13,027.00 for Radio Communica-

tions expense. Motion seconded by Rep. Russell and passed on a voice vote.

Page 2 Cheshire County Extension Service. Rep. Gordon moved that the amount of \$65,317.00 as recommended by the Executive Committee be changed to \$77,153.00. Motion seconded by Rep. Lane. Discussion.

Rep. Rouillard moved to amend this amount to \$87,146.00. Motion to amend failed for lack of a second.

Rep. Gordon's Motion passed on a voice vote.

Cheshire County Conservation District. Rep. Matson moved that the delegation approve \$4,500.00 for the Cheshire County Conservation District. Motion seconded by Rep. Lane and passed on a voice vote.

Page 1 Total Budget. Rep. Lane moved acceptance of the amount of \$5,790,882.78 for the Cheshire County 1981 budget total. Motion seconded by Rep. Wiggin and passed on a voice vote.

The amount to be raised by taxes for this year's budget is \$2,536,690.78.

Page 1a. Rep. Riley moved that the Delegation authorize the Commissioners to draw from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund an amount not to exceed \$122,000.00 to be applied against the following budget items:

Mutual Aid Salaries	\$50,000.00
Direct Aid	\$40,000.00
Board & Care of Children	\$32,000.00

Motion seconded by Rep. Eisengrein and passed on a voice vote.

Under Item No. 3 of the published Agenda, Rep. Matson moved acceptance of an Executive Committee recommendation to ask the Chairman of the County Delegation to set a date to hear a presentation prepared by a group of concerned citizens regarding the public health & welfare of Cheshire County residents in the event of an emergency at the Vermont Nuclear Power Plant in Vernon, Vt. Motion seconded by Rep. Wiggin and passed on a voice vote.

Rep. Russell read the following RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION: IN SUPPORT OF A FAIR BASED METHOD OF FUNDING GOVERNMENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, The State of New Hampshire is faced with a \$20,000,000 deficit for the current fiscal year and

WHEREAS, the continuing economic downturn and inflation continue to drive further apart the difference in revenues and necessary expenditures, and

WHEREAS, comparative studies of State and Local taxes reveal that in New Hampshire the property owners bear proportionately the heaviest tax burden, and

WHEREAS, those who bear this burden clearly suffer most by the present regressive tax structure and have not yet been clearly heard by both the Executive and Legislative branches of the government, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Cheshire County Convention duly convened in the Town of Westmoreland on March 21, 1981, that the convention go on record as being in favor of a fair based method of funding government services which would assure fiscal responsibilities and lessen the fears of those who look to their government for wise solutions to such problems.

Sponsors: Representative Patricia T. Russell
 Representative Robert E. Barber, Jr.
 Representative Nancy E. Baybutt

Representative Russell moved a Roll Call vote on this Resolution. Motion for Roll Call vote seconded by Matson.

Rep. Kennedy moved an Amendment to change the wording from "... assure fiscal responsibilities ..." to "assure the assumption of fiscal responsibilities ..." Motion to Amend seconded by Rep. Lane and passed on a voice vote.

Rep. Riley moved that those members of the Delegation who were not in attendance or who had cause to leave before the vote on this Resolution and who would like to add their name in support or in opposition to the Resolution may do so at a later time. Seconded by Rep. Lane and passed on a voice vote.

A roll call vote was taken on the RESOLUTION and same was passed by a vote of 16 to 2. Voting in support of the RESOLUTION were: Rep. Wiggin, Johnson, Davis, Perry, Matson, Crane, Gordon, Riley, Lynch, Rouillard, Russell, Proctor, Kennedy, Barber, Eisengrein and Lane. Voting in opposition to the RESOLUTION were: Rep. Miller, and Rep. Moore.

Rep. Matson moved that the Monadnock Health & Welfare Council look at the possibility of combining agencies within the County to see if there can be a more economical way to function, and to bring a report to the Delegation by next summer. Motion seconded by Rep. Wiggin.

Rep. Proctor moved to Amend the Motion to read "To work with the new County Coordinator and bring back a report." Motion seconded by Rep. Wiggin and passed on a voice vote.

Rep. Moore stated that he would appreciate it if the agencies receiving County money would tell the Delegation what they are doing for the County for the monies given to them.

Rep. Kennedy noted that he was concerned with the attempt to handle the housing of juveniles by lowering the age as far as being treated as an adult. He suggested that the MH&WC could do a study on the handling of juvenile delinquents.

Rep. Proctor reminded the Delegation that she had suggested a study of the feasibility of solar energy for County buildings and that she has been advised that a member of the Governor's Council on Energy is willing to meet with members of the Delegation to discuss the possibility of other sources of energy. Chairman Moore stated that Rep. Proctor has been reappointed Chairman of this study committee and asked that any member of the Delegation who was interested in the study contact Rep. Proctor.

Rep. Matson moved to amend his motion regarding the MH&WC to include the request that they look into the problem of the housing of juveniles under the present statute. Motion to amend seconded by Rep. Wiggin and passed on a voice vote.

The Matson Motion passed on a voice vote.

Rep. Davis asked that the Delegation thank and commend Russ Waterman for the fine lunch provided.

Rep. Moore adjourned the County Convention at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET A. LYNCH, Clerk
Cheshire County Convention

CHESHIRE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Court House, Keene, NH
May 26, 1981

Present: Representatives Matson, Eisengrein, Proctor and Lynch and Commissioner Adams.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Matson at 7:35 P.M. The chairman declared a quorum present.

The three months budget ending March 31, 1981 was reviewed item by item. Budget approved. Only two suggestions were made:

1. Income from doctors show as a separate line item.
2. Housing allowance for Administrator show as line item.

Rep. Matson reported the bill has passed for a full time county attorney.

Commissioner Adams brought up item of the withholding tax fine for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1980. It was suggested to pay same from Surplus.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID G. ADAMS, Clerk Pro Tem

CHESHIRE COUNTY DELEGATION MEETING

Cheshire County Court House, Keene, NH

August 24, 1981

Present: Moore, Scranton, Lynch, Baybutt, Rouillard, Perry, O'Connor, Hickey, Crane, Barber, Riley, Ernst, Gordon, Matson, Eaton, Eisengrien, Proctor, Ramsay, Miller, Lane and White; Commissioner Adams and County Coordinator Donna Drouin.

Chairman Robert Moore called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

Representatives Hickey and Baybutt informed the Delegation of various plans and guidelines dealing with reapportionment plans for various counties within New Hampshire.

Representative Robert Barber moved:

That the Cheshire County Delegation direct the county subcommittee of the House Reapportionment Committee:

1. to determine whether all the other nine county delegations have endorsed the committee's reapportionment plans for their own counties and if, indeed, any other county delegation has not done so,

2. to refrain from offering the house committee any other specific proposal than the one already approved by the delegation and the state committee, (the Lane Plan as modified by equalized wards in Keene), and, after all other delegations have endorsed the plans affecting each of their own counties,

3. to determine if the Cheshire County Plan (the Lane Plan) contains an overall deviation factor less than or equal to any of those plans, and if it does,

4. to support the Cheshire County plan (the Lane Plan), if the Lane Plan does have an overall deviation factor greater than any of the other delegation-approved county plans,

5. to modify it (the Lane Plan) so that it will contain the greatest number of representative districts possible, within the limits of the greatest overall deviation factor to be found in the other county plans.

Motion second ed by Representative Eaton. Discussion followed. The Barber Motion was passed on a voice vote.

Mimi Barber of the County Welfare Department updated the Delegation of changes in the welfare program. She also informed the delegation of the following Amendments to the Cheshire County Welfare Guidelines (effective date September 1, 1981);

1. Those persons eligible for Medicaid assistance will not receive supplemental medical or surgical assistance from Cheshire County.

2. Cheshire County will adopt the state welfare regulations for determining eligibility for nursing home payments. The state regulations state that anyone having income of over \$714 a month is not eligible for Old Age Assistance -- Intermediate Nursing Care. Therefore, intermediate nursing care assistance will not be provided on a direct

basis. The state cap of \$714 will be used and anyone having income of over \$714 a month will be specifically excluded for direct payment to a nursing home.

A general discussion followed Ms. Barber's statement.

Representative Matson moved that the Commissioners be authorized to appoint a Superintendent for the County Farm, the County Jail, the County Nursing Home, the House of Correction and such other officers, agents and servants as may be required to properly care for the same and their inmates. Motion seconded by Representative O'Connor and passed on a voice vote.

Representative Lynch moved that the Commissioners appoint members of the County Delegation to the screening committee when the time arrives to hire a new Superintendent. Motion seconded and discussion followed. Lynch Motion failed on a roll call vote of 9-10. Voting in favor of the motion were Representatives Hickey, Rouillard, O'Connor, Lynch, Crane, Barber, Riley, Ernst and Proctor. Voting against the motion were Representatives Perry, Gordon, Matson, Eaton, Scranton, Eisengrien, Ramsay, Miller, Lane and White.

Representative Barber suggested that the County Attorney be present at future delegation meetings. It was noted that this has been requested in the past.

There being no further business to come before the Delegation, Representative Moore adjourned the meeting at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET A. LYNCH, Clerk
Cheshire County Delegation

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
CHESHIRE COUNTY DELEGATION

October 13, 1981

Present: Representatives Eisengrein, Galloway, Matson, Scranton; Chairman Adams, Cheshire County Commissioners; Coordinator Drouin.

Review of the Cheshire County six months' budget was carried out. Concern was expressed for the revenue amount of line 5022, Patient Income-Private. Mrs. Drouin to pursue with Mr. Waterman's accounting staff. (Note: faulty bookkeeping machine entry found, and corrected.)

Concerns were expressed for the amount of fuel and other costs tied to the vehicles of the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Adams spoke to the need to acquire cars rather than lease. Representative Matson expressed desire that replacement vehicles be smaller, high mileage ones where practical.

Some concerns for personnel appointments at the Maplewood Home were discussed. The lack of formal notification for the expected retirement of Mrs. Waterman was requested to be clarified. Other details of patient services at the home were discussed.

Respectfully submitted,
NANCY BAYBUTT, Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING

COMMISSIONERS' 1982 ESTIMATED BUDGET

December 9, 1981 10:00 A.M.
Cheshire County Court House

Chairman Robert Moore of the County Delegation called to order public hearing on the 1982 estimated budget.

A representative from the Soil Conservation Service spoke to its budget increase, to cover the cost of Mrs. Swift's salary.

Mr. Sheldon Sawyer spoke to the County Extension Service budget. He indicated that this year all agents are on board; University System determines salaries, expected to increase 9.5%, effective July 1, 1982. He also noted that, because of the number of agents, travel costs were up and that mileage reimbursement was expected to increase from 20 cents to 23 cents a mile. Since submission of the budget, the equipment request has been dropped from \$1500 to \$50. Mr. Sawyer also indicated that adjustments after consideration of this year's surplus should bring down the rate of increase for 1982 to 5 percent.

Maiche Gardner, representing Cheshire Health and Social Services, indicated that the agency's request was at the same level as the past year, at \$48,500. She further indicated because of the uncertain state of federal matching funds, they were waiting to see what the impact would be. Miss Gardner also spoke to the reconfiguration of the group, incorporating some of the area's Visiting Nurse Associations. She noted that, while at the moment the clientele for Cheshire Health and Social Services is not heavily Medicaid cliented, that under the new configuration there will be more Medicaid clients assisted. Federal cuts in that area, therefore, may have added significance.

Steven Knapp of the Monadnock Health and Welfare Council spoke to the change of the budget format developed for outside agencies. He also noted the negotiated funding proportion proposal for the City, United Way, and the County. Mr. Knapp indicated that the Council would continue work with a key goal being the systematic look at impacts of budget cuts from various funding and anti-social behavior. The bottom line for the Monadnock Health and Welfare Council budget was a slight reduction in the request from the County.

Mrs. Drouin, the County Coordinator, noted corrections to the early budget estimate, specifically in the areas of the Register of Deeds salary lines and the Superior Court Department Head Request in place of the Commissioners Request on the Expenses Summary page.

Mr. Waterman noted the state reimbursement rate on nursing home care and the cost report done by state auditors and the cost savings enjoyed by the County.

