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#### **DEDICATION**

#### The 2012 Annual Town Report is dedicated to:



#### Linda Peters Dunbarton Town Clerk

Linda's position as Town Clerk is unique in that it is a full-time salaried position that is elected tri-annually. She was the Deputy Town Clerk in 1996 and has been the Town Clerk for the last fifteen years.

She epitomizes that position as a true public servant providing to all of us:

Motor Vehicle Titles and Registrations Performs Weddings Licenses' Dogs Sells Town Histories Provides Dump Stickers Notarize Your Signatures Keeps the Official Town Records Signs us up to run for Office Swears us in Registers us to Vote Officer of Election Gives out Absentee Ballots Takes Official Minutes of Town Meeting Issues Birth, Death and Wedding Certificates Plans and Coordinates Town Elections

And Is a UNH Certified Master Gardener

# 2011 TOWN OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS, and STAFF

Charles W. "Chuck" Graybill	2012
Ronald W. Wanner	2013
Leslie G. Hammond, Chair	2014
MODERATOR	
Frederick J. Mullen	2012
TOWN CLERK	
Linda L. Peters	2012
Darlene S. Leone, Deputy	2012
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST	
Ronald Slocum	2012
Margaret Venator	2014
Janet Casey	2016
BALLOT CLERKS (terms expire November 2012)	
Diana L. Driscoll, Pamela Milioto, Eleanor	
Swindlehurst, Barbara Wanner, Alternates:	
Nancy A. Sherman and Susan Johonnett	
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	
Mary LaValley	2012
Bryan H. Clark	2013
Timothy R. Terragni, Chair	2014
TAX COLLECTOR	
Martha Rae	2013
Line Comeau, Deputy	2013
TREASURER	
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Pamela Milioto	2014
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HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE Jeff Crosby, Christopher D. Connelly, Leslie G. Hammond, Jonathan Wiggin	2012
PERAMBULATOR OF TOWN LINES	
Frederick J. Mullen	2017
OVERSEER OF WELFARE	
Debra M. Urella	2012
Elizabeth Underwood, Deputy	2012
LIBRARY	
Andrea Douglas, Director	
Nancy Lang, Librarian	
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	
Gregory S. Arce, Vice-Chair	2012
Patricia Wood	2012
Tiffany Dodd, Chair Martha Gerstenberger	2013 2014
William Westenberg (resigned)	2014
Philip Kimball	2012
CEMETERY TRUSTEES	2012
Douglas Domin Richard Schaeffer, Chair	2012 2013
Brian L. Pike	2013
TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS	2012
Jan W. VandeBogart, Sr. Norman Roberge	2012 2013
Jason Dubrow	2013
ETHICS COMMITTEE	
Nicholas Holmes, Co-Chair Patrick F. Payette	2012 2012
David Allen	2012
Katharine Daly, Co-Chair	2014
Howard T. "Tom" Hathcoat, Secretary	2014
PLANNING BOARD	
Leslie G. Hammond, Selectman Rep	2012
Terrell Swain (resigned)	2012
Kenneth Swayze, Chair	2012
Alison Vallieres, Secretary	2012
James Marcou	2013
Michael Poirier Michael Guiney, Alternate	2013 2014
George Holt	2014
CENTRAL NH REGIONAL PLANNING COM	M. 2012
Michael Guiney, Kenneth Swayze	
POLICE CHIEF STEERING COMMITTEE	2012
Thomas Maille, Scott Murray, Kenneth	
Swayze, Ronald W. Wanner, Jonathan W	iggin

# 2011 TOWN OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS, and STAFF

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	
Daniel DalPra	2012
Michael Kaminski, Alternate	2012
John Trottier, Chair	2012
Alison Vallieres, Secretary	2013
Wayne Bracy	2014
David Nault	2014
CONSERVATION CONDUCTION	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	2012
Darlene Jarvis, Secretary	2012 2012
Matthew Lavey, Alternate James Stone	2012
Ronald Jarvis	2012
	2013
Stanley Sowle	
Margaret Watkins, Alternate	2013
Melicien Gendron	2014
Brett St. Clair, Vice-Chair	2014
George Holt	2014
TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE	
Jacques Belanger	2012
Ronald Jarvis, Secretary	2013
Frederick J. Mullen, Treasurer	2013
Jeff Crosby	2014
Edward White, Chair	2014
KUNCANOWET TOWN FOREST AND	
CONSERVATION AREA COMMITTEE	
(Appointed by Chairs of the Town Forest Committee	96
and Conservation Commission)	
Ronald Jarvis, Co Vice-Chair (TFC)	2012
Brett St. Clair, Co Vice-Chair (CC)	2012
Bruce Merrill, Member at Large	2012
Jacques Belanger (TFC)	2012
Darlene Jarvis, Secretary (CC)	2013
Margaret Senter, Member at Large	2013
Edward White, Chair (TFC)	2013
Margaret Watkins (CC)	2014
Leslie G Hammond (Selectman Rep)	2014
Irene Thalheimer, Honorary Lifetime Member	2014
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CONCORD REGIONAL SOLID WASTE/	2012
RESOURCE RECOVERY CO-OP	
Ronald W. Wanner	
Patrick Bowne, Alternate	
SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING COMMITTEE	2012
Patrick Bowne, Ralph Fellbaum, Peter Hecker,	2012
Philip Kimball, Theodore Vallieres,	
Ronald W. Wanner, Selectman Rep.	
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ENERGY COMMITTEE	
Wayne Bracy	2012
Jason Dubrow	2012
Lee Richmond	2012
John Stevens, Co-Chair	2012
George Holt	2013
Robert A Ray	2013
Daniel Van Kalken	2013
Theodore Vallieres, Co-Chair	2013
Kristine Hanson	2014
Brent Sowle	2014
LUCTODICAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE	
HISTORICAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE	2012
Tiffany Dodd	2012
Leslie G. Hammond, Selectman Rep	2012
Rebecca Rolke, Chair / Secretary	2012
Kenneth Swayze	2012
Donna Dunn	2013
Betty Ann Noyes (passed away 8/31)	2013
William Rolke	2013
Laraine Allen	2014
GENERAL JOHN STARK SCENIC BYWAY COUNCIL	
Laraine Allen, Donna Dunn, Leslie G. Hammon	
Alison Vallieres, Daniel VanKalken	10,
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TOWN HALL & THEATRE RESTORATION	
PROJECT COMMITTEE	
Tiffany Dodd, Stephen Kennedy, Theodore Val	lieres
Shelley Westenberg, Jonathan Wiggin;	
Selectmen: Ronald Wanner, Leslie G. Hammon	nd
RECREATION COMMISSION	2012
Karen Harris, William Johnson, Carrie	
Letellier, Lynn Marcou, Lara Routhier,	
Mark Wamser, William Westenberg (resigned)	
Heidi Wright	
HOG REEVES	
Jason and Rebecca Dubrow	
Scott and Annette Kuhn	
Scott and Annette Kunn	
TOWN SUPPORT STAFF	
Town Administrator: Line Comeau	
Secretary: Alison Vallieres	
Building, Planning, Zoning: Barbara McCann	
Transfer Station Supervisor: "Woody Bowne"	
Transfer Station Attendants: Travis Corcoran,	
Edward Edmond, Sr., Brad Jobel,	
Ryan St. Onge, Edward Wootten	
Highway Department:	
Jackson Crosby, Alan Sheldon	
Election Official pro tem: Leone Mullen	

#### SELECTMEN'S MESSAGE

This year's budget is up \$69,000 over last year's, which is about .02 cents per thousand, or \$5.00 per average homeowner. Additionally, we have three separate warrant articles to be financed out of surplus funds and they are:

1.	Police cruiser	\$33,000
2.	Reevaluation (2015)	\$10,000
3.	Highway dump truck/Plow (2016)	\$25,000

One other warrant article is to purchase a new baler for the transfer station for \$16,000, as the 20-year-old baler is requiring a lot more repair and consequently, downtime.

There is a petition article to fund half of the cost of (\$11,288) of a milfoil treatment for Gorham Pond. This has been done twice before, (once in the 1990's and once in 2005). The Selectmen do not recommend approval of this article, as we feel the association and residents at Gorham Pond need to first develop a plan to keep it eradicated once it's been treated.

Our operating budget includes a  $1\frac{1}{2}\%$  pay increase for all employees, which is based on the consumer price index for the urban northeast area.

We have increased our building-maintenance fund this year, to include a new heating system in the Town offices, new lights in the Safety building, painting two buildings and with the remaining funds for normal care and maintenance of our eleven structures.

To improve the efficiency and protect the investment in our facilities last year we updated our computer system software; bought 2 new PC's and updated 2 older ones; installed a new telephone system with headsets; bought a new copier for the planning/zoning/building office; insulated the ceilings and walls of the Town offices; and made numerous minor changes to both the transfer station and safety complex.

The building department picked up \$1,000,000 in new assessments from building permits this year and \$1,000,000 in new assessment for telephone poles, giving us a \$2,000,000 broader base for our budget process.

Our tax rate at times increases because of a loss of state revenue. This year we lost \$65,600 for payments in lieu of taxes on the Army Corp of Engineers' land taken for the Everett Dam project. This was payment from Towns in Massachusetts, which are protected by the Everett Dam from flooding.

Conversely, the KTFCA committee earned \$17,700 on a timber sale this year and has been given an endowment of approximately \$15,000 from the Natalie and J. Willcox Brown Trust, and there are two articles in this year's warrant to allow us to receive the money. We also received \$2,927 from FEMA for Hurricane Irene damage.

A big change for us this year was the retirement on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 of Chief Connelly and the swearing-in of our new Chief Daniel Sklut, on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Chief Sklut was selected from a group of 24 applicants. We thank both Sheriff Scott Hilliard and Chief Deputy Sheriff Craig Saltmarsh for helping with the background checks and certification and providing help to our depleted force in December. The Police Department also celebrated Officer Milioto's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an officer and the birth of Officer Pelletier's second child.

The Recreation committee bought and installed a marquee in front of the Town Hall for all Town agencies to use. Also they made Col. Stuart Readio, who is the recipient of the Boston Post Cane, the Grand Marshall of the Old Home Day parade.

The zoning and planning boards had a quiet year, and were able to rewrite and update parts of the zoning code, which are the first articles to be voted on at Town meeting. We had two court cases regarding zoning resolved this year.

The road agent has a separate report, so we'll just say summer and winter maintenance was again completed very professionally. Also, there are new state-sign standards that will require some 31 stop-signs in Dunbarton to be reviewed, as well as all the Town road signs.

The Town Hall and Theatre restoration Project Committee and Energy Committee have both been very active this year, and we urge you to read their respective reports.

Finally, we wish to thank very deeply, all those volunteers on our boards, committees, concerts, suppers, ballot counters, fire department, etcetera, for making the effort to improve our community.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Hammond, Chairman

Charles "Chuck" Graybill

Ronald W. Wanner



Dunbarton Board of Selectmen

Ronald Wanner, Leslie Hammond, Charles Graybill

### **DUNBARTON TOWN MEETING – MARCH 8, 2011**

 $7:58^{AM}$ : Moderator Fred Mullen read the warrant. Selectman Les Hammond made the motion to waive further reading of the warrant. Second by Selectman Ron Wanner. Motion passed. Three ballot boxes were opened for public viewing then sealed by Mr. Mullen. Polls opened at  $8:00^{AM}$ 

7:01<sup>PM</sup>: The deliberative portion of Dunbarton's 246th annual town meeting began. The Moderator led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance then introduced the following Town Officials: Selectmen: Les Hammond, Charles Graybill and Ron Wanner. Town Clerk Linda Peters, Deputy Town Clerk Darlene Leone. Supervisors of the Checklist: Ron Slocum, Margaret Venator and Janet Casey. Police Chief Christopher Connelly. Officers Mike Gorman and Jackie Pelletier. Election Official Pro-Tem, Leone Mullen. Mr. Mullen congratulated Fire Chief, Jon Wiggin to whom Dunbarton's 2010 Annual Report was dedicated. The Moderator concluded by introducing State Senator David Boutin and State Representative JR Hoell. Thanks were extended to Dan and Gayle Troy for operating the sound system.

The Moderator reviewed the rules for the meeting. He stated that we will have twelve honored guests from Pakistan who are coming to Dunbarton to see how a town meeting is run. If we are discussing an article when they arrive, we will try to keep the discussion going, vote on the article, then recess for approximately ½ hour. They will be invited to speak. If we are on a lengthy article, we may recess prior to the vote.

The Moderator read the first portion of the warrant then entertained a motion to suspend further reading of the warrant. Motion by Les Hammond; second by Ron Wanner. Motion passed.

ARTICLE I: To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

The floor was open for nominations for the position of Hog Reeves for 2011:

Jason and Rebecca Dubrow (nominated by Les Hammond) Scott and Annette Kuhn (nominated by Tom Groleau)

Voters approved both nominations and all nominees were sworn in by the Moderator. Results of Official Ballot voting for all other Town Officers can be found at the end of this section.

ARTICLE II: To adopt the Workforce Housing Ordinance: BY BALLOT

Shall the Town of Dunbarton Adopt a "Workforce Housing Ordinance" under the authority of RSA 674:21, and is intended as an "Inclusionary Zoning" provision as defined in RSA 674:21(I)(k) and 674:21(IV)(a), as well as RSA 672:1, III-e? The Ordinance defines the boundaries of a Workforce Housing Overlay District as town-wide overlay and provides density bonuses and permits uses consistent with the encouragement of the development of workforce housing as stipulated in the aforementioned RSA's but within the guidelines of the Town's Zoning Ordinance as amended.

The intent of this article is to comply with RSA 674:58, as amended, which requires that New Hampshire communities provide a "reasonable and realistic" opportunity for workforce housing. *(Recommended by the Dunbarton Planning Board) (By Official Ballot)* 

YES: 176

NO: 61

<u>ARTICLE III</u>: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same in the amount as follows:

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Executive	\$	,
Elections, Registration & Vital Stats		54,850
Financial Administration		79,959
Assessor		34,466
Legal Expenses		8,775
Personnel Administration		253,357
Planning & Zoning		13,550
General Government Buildings		67,951
Cemeteries		15,500
Insurance		32,000
Police		315,442
Fire		76,125
Building Inspection		54,563
Emergency Management		1,000
Highway Department		485,000
Solid Waste Expenses & Disposal		195,637
Welfare		14,726
Parks & Recreation		8,200
Library		82,600
Conservation/KTFCA		0
	\$	1,882,429

#### The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

The article was read by the Moderator. Selectman Hammond moved to accept the article as read. Second by Selectman Wanner. Selectman Hammond spoke to the article.

Selectman Hammond referred the assembly to page 20 of the town report. He stated that the proposed expenditures for 2011 are \$59,783 less than the 2010 budget including all warrant articles. Additionally, we realized \$83,995 in surplus (funds budgeted but not expended. We gained \$2,036,000 in additional assessments and possibly another \$2.5 million for telephone poles and wires. The total for 2011 (not including the telephone assessment) is a \$101,501 reduction or a 9.9% decrease.

All departments worked hard at keeping a flat budget and we had a bottom line reduction even with a 3% pay raise for all town employees. A few departments showed an increase: Assessing: \$6,000 due to a utility assessing cost increase. Mr. Sansoucy, our assessor, saved us thousands with his expert care of two cases. Police: \$5,042 for increase in part-time hours. Fire Department: Mutual aid dispatch has gone up \$1,775. Solid waste went up \$4.10 per ton.

Departments showing a decrease are: Planning and Zoning down \$4,000. General government buildings down \$7,000, however every building is in need of something. The Town Offices are in need of a new phone system. Welfare is down by \$4,000 but we don't know where it will ultimately end up. Legal expenses are down \$3,050.

The floor was opened for discussion. There was none. The article PASSED.

<u>ARTICLE IV</u>: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23.00 to be used as determined by the Town Forest Committee; the same to be withdrawn from the Winslow Town Forest Fund. *The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.* 

Edward White, Town Forest Committee moved to accept the article as read by the Moderator. There was a second. There was no discussion. The Article PASSED.

<u>ARTICLE V:</u> To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000.00 by withdrawing \$9,000.00 for purchase of new radio equipment from the Fire Department Equipment non-lapsing Special Revenue fund with zero impact to taxation. *The Selectmen recommend passage of this Article.* 

Jon Wiggin, Dunbarton Fire Department moved to accept the article as read by the Moderator. There was a second. Chief Wiggin spoke to the article.

Chief Wiggin stated that the Federal Government mandated that all radios be narrow banded by 1/1/2013, however, no funding is provided. Our radios transmit on a wider band than government wants so we need to narrow band spectrum. We've had a lot of mobile radios reprogrammed at a cost to the Fire Department. We must purchase new pagers to receive new narrow banding in transmission. We have purchased some in past few years, but the old pagers will not work. The majority of the money requested is to purchase new pagers with narrow band. Our hands our tied. Motorola makes reliable pagers; another company is trying to get into the market. Pagers are about \$450. We have a special revenue account generated from ambulance billing. The Fire Department decided to take the funds from the special revenue account so there would be no tax increase to citizens.

The floor was open to discussion; there was none. The Article PASSED

<u>ARTICLE VI:</u> To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for deposit into the established Capital Reserve Fund for future revaluation of the town. *The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.* 

Tim Terragni, Board of Assessors moved to accept the article as read by the Moderator. There was a second. Mr. Terragni spoke to the article.

Mr. Terragni explained that the purpose of the article is to put revenue into our capital reserve fund for the reval that will take place five years from now. The Board would prefer to do this in smaller increments rather than waiting till the fifth year. They believe we will go through another statistical instead of a full reval. The mandate will be met but with half the cost. Last statistical was very successful.

The Moderator opened the floor for discussion.

Ron Slocum asked Mr. Terragni to confirm that this will be a statistical and not a full. Mr. Terragni replied that the State is not mandating a full at this time so we would like to do a statistical.

Mr. Slocum proposed the following amendment:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for deposit into the established Capital Reserve Fund for future revaluation of the town and that it be taken from surplus.

Mr. Slocum stated that the most recent statistical reval was approximately \$40,000. Taking \$20k a year for 5 years will total \$100,000. Five years at \$10k each would be more realistic. Discussion continued on the amendment.

Mr. Terragni was recognized. He explained that the intention was this year do the \$20,000 but wasn't thinking of doing \$20,000 for the next five years. If the statistical was \$40K, we could skip funding for a year. We just need to have the money to do a statistical in five years.

Selectman Hammond referred the assembly to the town's capital investment plan shown on page 59 of the town report. This lays out the schedule for future town purchases. We do this over time so it's not a big bump in the property tax bill. Includes cruisers, three aging pieces of equip at the town garage. We have five government buildings. This fund covers roofs, etc. Sooner or later we must put money away for a safety complex. This is just planning ahead. Have not put any money savings for the last three years and have to start catching up. Towns save by putting money in a capital reserve fund to be used for specific things. Also, does not recommend taking out of surplus. Currently have approximately \$330,000. If we so choose we can apply some of this to the tax rate. Right now legislature is in session and are grasping with some tough financial problems. Feels some of it will come

down to us and we will have to pick up some costs. Would like to have that money available as a safety valve if need be.

Mr. Slocum referred to some of the revenue line items detailed on the worksheet handed out at January budget hearing. Feels we may be stating our anticipated revenues high based on current trends. Budgeted \$32k last year in land use/change taxes, realized \$5200 and budgeted \$10k again. Thinks it's high to expect that kind of money with flat building industry. Last year budgeted \$10k for yield taxes, received \$7900 and budgeted \$10k again. Budgeted \$13k for building permits last year and \$17k this year. Also included a highway block grant for \$90k. These are state funds and may be subject to cut. Doesn't feel the revenues we're expecting can be this high. Feels \$10k is more realistic for this article this year. Understands not wanting to take it from surplus, but Treasurer's Report shows we deposited additional three to five hundred thousand in our bank account over the year. Where did that come from?

Selectman Hammond responded that we already received the \$10k and more from the land use tax. The block grant should be received in four payments. We already have a letter from the state saying the 1<sup>st</sup> two payments are right in line to meet those expectations; can't guarantee the last two. We dropped it down a little over \$13k from what it was this past year and are comfortable with the revenue estimates.

JR Hoell stated revenue from rooms and meals is likely to be lower with some of the changes on the table at the State House.

Deb Foster asked what might happen if we vote for this when over the next few years we'll have to start saving for the police cars, etc. Will we ask for larger amount next year to compensate?

Selectman Graybill responded that when they met with the DRA last year before the re-val, town was told we could do a statistical. Impression is this may be a stop-gap measure and somewhere along the line the state may force us to do a full blown evaluation of all town property. Felt it was in our best interest to assume the worst which is why the \$20k figure was used. Ms. Foster asked how much is in the reserve now. Mr. Graybill replied that surplus account is about \$330k, but DRA recommends a much higher percentage be kept. Board elected not to use surplus at all this year to be kept in line with what state recommends.

No further discussion on amendment. Amendment FAILED.

Discussion returned to main motion.

Jason Dubrow made a motion to amend the article as follows:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for deposit into the established Capital Reserve Fund for future revaluation of the town.

Mr. Dubrow spoke to the amendment. Feels that most likely we will have a statistical reval and that \$10k is a good amount as it's 10% of a full valuation. Advises waiting till the economy is better and start the funding now from taxes rather than surplus.

No further discussion on *amendment #2*. "Show of hands" vote was tallied resulting in: 63 YES 41 NO. *Amendment #2 PASSED* \*

<u>ARTICLE VII</u>: To see if the town will authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund, pursuant to RSA 35, for the future purchase of a Highway Department vehicle as summarized in the Capital Improvements Plan and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 and appoint the Selectmen to act as agents to administer the funds. *The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.* 

Jeff Crosby, Road Agent made the motion to accept the article as read by the Moderator. Second by Selectman Wanner. Mr. Crosby stated that we currently have a 2000 five-ton truck with a plow wing and a sander as well as a 2002 one-ton truck equally fitted. Both vehicles are used for summer and winter maintenance. Because they both need to be replaced at some point, it is better to put the funds aside for this purpose. Both are in service and require

routine maintenance and occasional repairs. Because they will have to be replaced at some point, setting the funds aside now will be pro-active.

Selectman Hammond asked if the sander will have to be replaced. Mr. Crosby stated that he put funds in the maintenance portion of the operating budget this year to replace the sander. There was no further discussion. The article PASSED.

The Moderator stated that he would entertain a motion to recess the meeting to introduce our honored guests. The motion was made, seconded, and passed.

George Bruno, former Ambassador, stated that he has the honor escorting a delegation of emergency management leaders from Pakistan. The delegation is here to study U.S. emergency preparedness systems. Mr. Bruno thanked the assembly for their hospitality and for inviting the delegation to Dunbarton's town meeting.

Members of delegations are recognized experts and professionals in the area of emergency preparedness. Recently, more than one third of Pakistan was covered by flood waters. More than two thousand people died in those floods. The situation would have been worse had it not been for the expertise and professionalism of these experts. Mr. Bruno introduced Mr. Ahmed Kamal, the head of the delegation.

Mr. Kamal addressed the assembly: "I am grateful today to the town committee for inviting myself and my delegation here to see the proceedings and to share our joint view of collaborating in the field of disaster management and our view towards how well we can prepare ourselves for this common cause on ground. I once again thank all the honorable members here and all the participants and the city members for inviting us and for honoring us by virtue of participation in this meeting. Thank you very much. I am indeed grateful."

The assembly responded with applause. Selectman Hammond explained the basics of town meeting and gave a brief overview of the Town of Dunbarton to the guests. He stated that Town Meeting is the best form of democracy in the United States. Not all Dunbarton residents are present, but those who are in attendance decide how we want to run this government for this year. We don't pass our budget until we are three months into the calendar year and we don't collect the money to pay for our budget until the last month of the year. This is an odd system but it's worked and sustained us for 250 years. All in attendance have a town report and have read it. We come here and discuss it and decide how much to spend and what we will spend our money on. There are three Selectmen (one elected each year) and we are in charge of administering what is legislated tonight. We work on it for the rest of the year. If anyone doesn't like what we do, people won't vote for us next year. Not many towns can do this any more because only small towns can do this. We are a small community. We have no commercial application, but Dunbarton is a wonderful place to live and raise family. We have five acre minimum zoning in many parts of town. We were a rich agricultural community before the Civil War. Our population declined after that and did not begin to increase until the 1950's.

Guests were presented with copies of the 2010 Town Report and containers of maple syrup made in Dunbarton. Wyatt Dodd presented Mr. Kamal with a copy of the Dunbarton book: "*Where Settler's Feet Have Trod*", written by a Dunbarton Historian. The Moderator informed the delegation that State Senator David Boutin and State Rep. JR Hoell were in attendance.

\*When the meeting resumed, the Moderator stated that it had been brought to his attention that the assembly voted on the amendment on Article VI, but had not voted on the main article [as amended]:

<u>Article VI</u>: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for deposit into the established Capital Reserve Fund for future revaluation of the town. There was no discussion. The Article PASSED as amended.

<u>Article VIII:</u> To see if the town will vote to amend Section 1(H) of the Dunbarton Code of Ethics which was adopted in March 2001, to clarify that it is improper to discriminate on the basis of age, color, marital status, and/or physical or mental disability, the purpose of this amendment being to ensure that the Dunbarton Code of Ethics is consistent with RSA 354-A." (By Petition)

Ethics Committee member Katharine Daly moved to accept the article as read by the Moderator. There was a second. Ms. Daly stated that the Dunbarton's code provision regarding fair and equal treatment is not consistent with state law against discrimination in that it did not include the four categories proposed in the warrant article. We feel the ordinance is a vehicle for the education of town officials and employees and should be consistent with state law. The addition of the categories to the current ordinance provides conflict resolution for persons who feel they are not treated fairly. The committee would like to see this taken care of in Dunbarton as opposed to elsewhere.

There was no discussion. The Article PASSED.

<u>Article IX:</u> To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Selectman Graybill moved to accept the article as read by the Moderator. There was a second. Selectmen Graybill explained that the article is to discuss any changes or additions to the town report and to hear any other committee members or requests at the meeting.

Ron Slocum, treasurer of Trustee of the Trust Fund, noted an error on page 29 and asked that correction be read into the record. The error was caught after being submitted for the town report. It has been corrected in reporting to the state and in the auditor's report. It is just in the town report that some of the numbers are incorrect:

• Line item for Revaluation Capital Reserve: Under the column *Expended During Year* (shown as \$40,650), the correct amount should be \$38,899.10. The column immediately to the right, *Balance End of Year* (shown as -\$1,707.36) should be \$43.50.

• On the next line: Income, line item under the column *Expended During Year* (shown blank) should be \$1,750.90. The column immediately to the right, *Balance End of Year* (shown as \$1,752.92) should be \$2.02.

There was no further discussion. Article PASSED as corrected.

Article X: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Selectman Wanner moved to accept the article as written. Selectman Graybill second.

The Moderator announced the winners of the Cobbler Shop Raffle.

Ambassador Bruno requested that Mr. Kamal be permitted to make a presentation. Mr. Kamal presented a plaque to the town: "On behalf of my delegation, as a mark of remembrance, I would like to present this memento of the National Disaster Management Authority of the Government of Pakistan to this honorable town committee. Selectman Chair, Les Hammond, accepted the plaque on behalf of the town.

Norman Roberge addressed the delegation. He stated that in 2002 the town was presented with its own zip code, 03046. That same year, a statue of Major Caleb Stark was dedicated in town. The Lions Club and the Veterans of Foreign War Club [Dunbarton American Legion] had some special envelopes made. The stamps on the envelope were cancelled with a special stamp showing our zip code. Because our mail comes through a post office in another town, this stamp could only be used for that one occasion. The envelope shown bears a picture of the Molly Stark House, one of the first houses in town. The envelopes were presented to the delegation.

There being no further business, the Moderator entertained a motion to dissolve the meeting. It was moved and seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40<sup>PM</sup>.

124 registered voters in attendance at Town Meeting voted on the preceding articles.

#### **RESULTS OF OFFICIAL BALLOT VOTING (ARTICLE I)**

2041 voters on the checklist		244 ballots cast 11.9% voter	turnout
For Selectman for three years: Vote for ONE: Leslie G. Hammond	198	For Trustee of the Trust Funds for three yea Vote for ONE: Jason Dubrow	rs: 210
For Town Treasurer for three years: Vote for ONE: Pamela Milioto	217	For Board of Assessors for three years: Vote for ONE: "Tim" Terragni	199
For Cemetery Trustee for three years: Vote for ONE: Brian L. Pike	212	For Road Agent for three years: Vote for ONE: Jeff A. Crosby	214
For Library Trustee for three years: Vote for TWO:		For Ethics Committee for three years: Vote for TWO:	
William Westenberg	193 193	"Tom" Hathcoat	183 191
Martha Gerstenberger	193	Katharine Daly	191

We certify that the preceding are the minutes and election results recorded at the annual meeting held in the Town of Dunbarton on March 8, 2011.

Linda L. Peters, Town Clerk

Frederick J. Mullen, Town Moderator

# **TOWN WARRANT FOR 2012**

#### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF DUNBARTON IN THE COUNTY OF MERRIMACK IN SAID STATE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS. THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN MARCH 13, 2012 FROM 8:00 AM TO 7:00 PM OR UNTIL SUCH HOUR AS THE MODERATOR SHALL DETERMINE.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Dunbarton Community Center in said Dunbarton on Tuesday the thirteenth day of March next at eight o'clock in the forenoon, and cast ballots from that hour until at least seven o'clock in the evening of said day for such town officers and school officers, as they may be listed on the ballots.

You are also notified to meet at the same place at seven o'clock in the evening of the same day to act upon the following subjects:

- 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.
- 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Dunbarton Planning Board for the Town of Dunbarton Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To amend the Ordinance, generally, to revise numbering (including Article numbers), formatting, spelling and grammatical corrections, clarifying ambiguous language, revise internal and external references to the Ordinance, State Law and Dunbarton Site Plan and Subdivision Regulations; and, to improve readability throughout the entire Dunbarton Zoning Ordinance.

To amend Article 2, generally, by adding and amending a number of definitions for terms used throughout the Ordinance, or proposed to be used throughout the Ordinance, as follows:

Accessory Dwelling Unit, Backlot, Certified Plot Plan, Commercial Use, Day Care Center, Dwelling Duplex (Two-Family), Family Day Care Center, Frontage, Home Occupation, Kennel, Lot Coverage, Lot Line Adjustment, Plot Plan, Regulator, Riding Academy, Setback, Site Plan Review, Structure, Well.

To amend Article 3 and the entire Dunbarton Zoning Ordinance, to abolish the Manufactured Housing District (MHD) and any associated references thereto within the entire Dunbarton Zoning Ordinance.

To revise certain articles of the Ordinance to clarify certain roles and responsibilities of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Planning Board and add criteria for granting Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements in accordance with RSA 674:33-a and to establish a 2-year expiration date on Conditional Use Permits, Special Exceptions and Variances.

To amend Article 4 to rename Accessory Apartments as Accessory Dwelling Units and permit them by right in the Low Density Residential, Medium Density Residential and Village District zones in Dunbarton and to no longer permit Manufactured Housing Parks as a permitted use in the Village District and to permit a Riding Academy or Commercial Stable by Special Exception in the Low Density Residential and Medium Density Residential zones only and to permit single units of manufactured housing in all zoning districts in town as required by state law.

To amend various notes and footnotes in Article 4 to include the administration of home occupations and accessory dwelling units and to revise certain requirements for home occupations and accessory dwelling units.

Also to amend Article 4 section A.6.f by requiring that waivers must meet minimum NHDES standards and to Amend Article 4 Section D.1.e by indicating a variance is needed when increasing the level of nonconformity to an existing building or structure. Also to specify requirements for accelerating the permitting process with regard to failed septic systems.

To revise certain sections of Article 9 to update the permitting and administrative processes Personal Wireless Services Facilities to be consistent with recent State and Federal case law.

(Recommended by the Dunbarton Planning Board)

#### (By Official Ballot)

3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same in the amount as follows:

Executive	86,472
Elections, Registration & Vital Stats	60,256
Financial Administration	87,959
Assessor	35,050
Legal Expenses	8,775
Personnel Administration	249,336
Planning & Zoning	13,550
General Government Buildings	97,246
Cemeteries	15,500
Insurance	33,206
Police	319,617
Fire	77,672
Building Inspection	59,575
Emergency Management	1,000
Highway Department	485,000
Solid Waste Expenses & Disposal	191,946
Welfare	13,250
Parks & Recreation	11,700
Library	88,435
Total	\$1,935,545

The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

4. To see if the Town will vote to establish a non-capital reserve fund pursuant to RSA 35:1-c to be known as the "KTFCA Maintenance Fund" for the purposes of maintaining the Kuncanowet Town Forest and Conservation Area and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,770 to be placed in this fund. This amount shall be funded from the undesignated fund balance as of December 31, 2011, and represents the proceeds from a 2011 timber cut on the property. Further to authorize the KTFCA Committee as agents to expend from said account.

#### The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

5. To see if the town will vote to accept a bequest endowment from Natale and J. Willcox Brown to be held in trust pursuant to RSA 31:19 for the purpose of establishing an endowment for the Kuncanowet Town Forest and Conservation Area to be administered in accordance with the donors' instructions.

The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,000 from surplus for the purchase of new police cruiser and equipment and installation of equipment.

The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,000 for the purchase of a third baler for the Transfer Station.

The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 from surplus for deposit into the established Capital Reserve Fund for future revaluation of the town.

The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 from surplus for deposit into the established Capital Reserve Fund for the future purchase of a Highway Department vehicle as summarized in the Capital Improvements Plan.

The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

10. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA35-B: 2 II. The money received from fees and charges for Dunbarton Recreation Programs or Facilities shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The town treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Dunbarton Recreation Committee (no further town meeting approval required). These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose, and further to raise and appropriate \$7,384 to be deposited into this fund. Such sum to come from the balance remaining in the recreation checkbook.

#### The Selectmen recommend the passage of this Article.

11. To see if the town will vote to appoint the Selectmen to investigate the cost to repair or replace the Stark Bridge and to bring their findings to the voters at the next annual meeting of the town in order to determine whether further action should be taken.

#### (By Petition)

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,575 for milfoil control at Gorham Pond and to authorize the Selectmen to accept a grant from the State of New Hampshire DES in the amount of \$11,287, known as the Variable Milfoil Control Grant, with the balance of \$ 11,288 to be raised from taxes.

#### (By Petition) The Selectmen do not recommend the passage of this Article.

13. To see if the Town will vote to accept Purgatory Pond Road as a Town maintained road once brought up to Class V standards. The road will remain a dirt road and be brought up to Class V standards by the abutters. It is now a Class VI road (not maintained by the Town) and was laid out as a Class VI road by a vote of NH Governor and Council on August 19, 1963.

#### (By Petition)

- 14. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
- 15. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

# **EXPENDITURES – 2012**

MS-6	Budget - Town of	DUNBA	RTON		FY <u>2</u>	012
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. S Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended
ACCL #	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	AIL#	Approved by DRA	FIOLIE	(Recommended)	(Not Recommended
4130-4139	Executive		88,728	80,483	86,472	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics		54,580	52,915	60,256	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		79,959	83,404	87,959	
4152	Revaluation of Property	6 & 8	54,466	44,569	35,050	
4153	Legal Expense		8,775	8,478	8,775	
	Personnel Administration		253,357	236,714	249,336	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		13,550	7,581	13,550	
4194	General Government Buildings		67,951	66,849	97,246	
4195	Cemeteries	1	15,500	15,500	15,500	
4196	Insurance		32,000	31,877	33,206	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		-	-	-	
4199	Other General Government		-	-	_	
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4210-4214	Police		315,442	313,798	319,617	
4215-4219	Ambulance		897,100	898,397	-	
4220-4229	Fire		76,125	74,183	77,672	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		54,563	54,666	59,575	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		1,000	447	1,000	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)		-	-	-	
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4301-4309	Airport Operations		-	-	-	
» .	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		107 000	101.001	102.000	
4311	Administration		485,000	484,881	485,000	
4312	Highways & Streets		-	-	-	
4313	Bridges		-	-	-	
4316	Street Lighting		-	-	-	
4319	Other SANITATION		-	-	•	<u></u>
4321	Administration		195,637	195,048	191,946	
4323	Solid Waste Collection		170,007	175,040	171,940	
4323	Solid Waste Disposal		-		-	
4324	Solid Waste Clean-up		-		-	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		-		-	

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# **EXPENDITURES – 2012**

MS-6	Budget - Town of	IBARTO	N		FY	2012
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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
W.	ATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATME	NT		it is a super in the second	i construction of the second	inthe section of the
4331	Administration		-	-	-	
4332	Water Services		-	-	-	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other		-	-	-	
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4351-4352	Admin. and Generation			-		
4353	Purchase Costs		-	-	-	
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		-	-	-	
4359	Other Electric Costs		-	-	-	
S	HEALTH	124 115			n in the second	and the second
4411	Administration		-	-	-	
4414	Pest Control		-		-	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		-		-	
	WELFARE	320 da i spil	A State of the second second of	and the second	and the second	traditional respectives into
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		14,726	9,823	13,250	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymts		-	-	-	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other		-	_	-	
a na sa ta s	CULTURE & RECREATION	Can Caller				
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		8,200	8,002	11,700	
4550-4559	Library		82,600	82,600	88,435	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		-	-	-	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		-	-	-	
	CONSERVATION	·	The South States and		A CARLES	
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources		-	-	-	
4619	Other Conservation		-	-	-	
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4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		-	-	-	
4651-4659	Economic Development		-	-	-	
	DEBT SERVICE	1		South and the second states		
4711	Princ Long Term Bonds & Notes		-	-	-	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		-	-	-	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		-	-	-	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		-	-	-	

# **EXPENDITURES – 2012**

MS-6	Budget - Town of	NBART			FY	2012
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
r.	CAPITAL OUTLAY					
4901	Land		-	-	-	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	6&7	-	-	49,000	
4903	Buildings		-	-	-	
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.		-	-	-	
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4912	To Special Revenue Fund		9,000	8,356	-	
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		-	-	-	
4914	To Enterprise Fund		23	23	-	
	- Sewer		-	-	-	
	- Water		-	-	-	
	- Electric		-	-	-	
	- Airport		-	-	-	
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds		25,000	25,000	-	
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		-	-	-	
	OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL	-	1,882,429	1,841,828	1,935,545	

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### WARRANT ARTICLES

MS-6 Budget - Town of DUNBARTON

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#### \*\*SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\*

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund				-	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund					
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds					
4914	Winslow Town Forest	4	23	23	-	
4912	Fire Dept Equipent	5	9,000	8,356	-	
4915	KTFCA Maintnenace Fund	4			17,770	
4915	Capital Res. Hwy Dept	7 & 8	25,000	25,000	25,000	
4619	Milfoil Treatment	12				22,575
4152	Revaluation	6&8	20,000	10,000	10,000	
SP	I ECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMEND	ED	54,023		52,770	

#### \*\*INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\*

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
4915	Police Dept. Vehicle	6	-	-	33,000	
4915	Transfer Station Baler	7	-	-	16,000	
4912	Recreation Revolving Fund	10	-	-	7,384	
INDI	VIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMEN	DED			56,384	C. A. LANGER C. A. S.

## **REVENUES-2012**

MS-6	Budget - Town ofDUNBARTON	I		F	Y2012
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Warr.	Estimated Revenues	Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Art.#	Prior Year	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
	TAXES			× 4	
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		10,000	450	5,000
3180	Resident Taxes		-	-	-
3185	Timber Taxes		10,000	13,543	10,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		-	2,884	-
3189	Other Taxes		-	-	-
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		37,000	32,589	30,000
	Inventory Penalties		-	_	
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		-	17	-
Sec. 1	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES	Mall States	and the part of the second	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	· · · · ·
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		-	-	-
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		466,000	473,642	470,000
3230	Building Permits		17,000	11,599	15,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		6,700	8,941	7,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		-	-	-
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3351	Shared Revenues		-	-	-
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		115,000	123,217	130,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		90,000	96,413	86,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		-	-	-
3355	Housing & Community Development		-	-	-
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		-	-	-
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		68,000	19,071	19,000
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		-	-	-
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		-	-	-
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401-3406	Income from Departments		70,000	101,606	90,000
3409	Other Charges		-	-	-
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		-	1,355	-
3502	Interest on Investments		2,000	1,265	2,000
3503-3509	Other		5,400	5,412	5,400

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# **BUDGET SUMMARY**

MS-6	Budget - Town ofDUNBARTON			FY <u></u> 2012		
1	2	3	4	5	6	
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year	
ð · · ·	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			- The		
3912	From Special Revenue Funds					
3913	From Capital Projects Funds					
3914	From Enterprise Funds					
	Sewer - (Offset)					
	Water - (Offset)					
	Electric - (Offset)					
	Airport - (Offset)					
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds					
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds			2,033		
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds					
Sim Ho	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				S. S. M. S. M. S. S. S. Sanda	
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes					
	Amount Voted From Fund Balance	4,6,8,9			85,770	
	Estimated Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes					
TOT	AL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDI	rs	897,100	898,397	955,170	

#### \*\*BUDGET SUMMARY\*\* Prior Year Ensuing Year Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 4) 1,882,429 1,935,545 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5) 43,379 52,770 Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5) 56,384 TOTAL Appropriations Recommended 1,925,808 2,044,699 Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above) 898,397 955,170 Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised 1,027,411 1,089,529

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# **COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED & ACTUAL EXPENDITURES**

	Brought Forward	2011 Budget	2011 Expended	2011 Excess/ Def.	2012 Forward	2012 Proposed
Executive		88,728	80,483			86,472
Elections, Registration & Vital Stats		54,850	52,915			60,256
Financial Administration		79,959	83,404			87,959
Assessor		34,466	34,569			35,050
Legal Expenses		8,775	8,478			8,775
Personnel Administration		253,357	236,714			249,336
Planning & Zoning		13,550	7,581			13,550
General Government Bldgs.		67,951	66,849			97,246
Cemeteries		15,500	15,500			15,500
Insurance		32,000	31,887			33,206
Police		315,442	313,798			319,617
Fire		76,125	74,183			77,672
Building Inspection		54,563	54,666			59,575
Emergency Mgt.		1,000	447			1,000
Highway Department		485,000	484,881			485,000
Solid Waste Exp. & Disposal		195,637	195,048			191,946
Welfare		14,726	9,823			13,250
Parks & Recreation		8,200	8,002			11,700
Library		82,600	82,600			88,435
Sub-Total		1,882,429	1,841,828	40,604	0	1,935,545
Warrant Articles:						
Article # 4 Winslow Town Forest		23	23	0		0
Article # 4 KTFCA Maintenance Fund						***17,770
Article # 6 Police Cruiser & Equipment						***33,000
Article # 5 FD Capital Reserve Fund Radio Put	rchase	***9,000	8,356			Ū
Article # 6 Cap Res Fund Revaluation		**20,000	**10,000	0		***10,000
Article # 7 Cap Res Fund Hwy Dept. Vehicle		**25,000	**25,000	0		***25,000
Article # 10 Recreation Revolving Fund						***7,384
Article # Transfer Station Baler						**16,000
Article # 10 Milfoil Treatment (by petition)						**22,575
Estimated to be raised from taxes		1,027,411			0	1,089,529
* Funded from Capital Reserve Fund						
** Funded from Taxation						

\*\*\* Funded from Surplus

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED & ACTUAL REVENUES

	2011 <u>ANTICIPATED</u>	2011 ACTUAL	Excess or Deficiency	Estimated Rev. 2012
		MOTOTIE	Denenery	
Land Use Change	10,000	450	9,550	5,000
Excavation Tax	0	17	(17)	0
Yield Taxes	10,000	16,427	(6,427)	10,000
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	37,000	32,589	4,559	30,000
Motor Vehicles Permits	455,000	462,520	(7,520)	460,000
Motor Vehicles Decals	10,000	9,958	42	10,000
Building Permits	17,000	11,599	5,401	15,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	7,700	9,941	(2,241)	7,000
Shared Revenues	0	0	-	0
Highway Block Grant	90,000	96,413	(6,413)	86,000
Federal Forest	0	0	0	0
Flood Control Land	68,000	19,071	48,929	19,000
Inter-Govt. Revenue-Rooms & Meals Tax	115,000	123,217	(8,217)	130,000
Grant Revenues	0	7,824	(7,824)	0
Fema-Reimbursement	0	(3,298)	3,298	0
Income From Departments	35,000	42,440	(7,440)	40,000
Recycling & C&D Income	35,000	58,167	(23,167)	50,000
Sale of Town Property/Cemetery lots	0	1355	(1,355)	0
Interest on Investments	2,000	1,265	735	2,000
Rental of Town Property	5,400	5,400	-	5,400
Miscellaneous Revenue	0	12	(12)	0
Insurance Revenue	0	0	-	0
From Trusts and Agency Funds	0		-	0
Subtotal:	<u>897,100</u>	<u>896,364</u>	736	<u>869,400</u>
From Winslow Town Forest	23	23	-	0
Fire Truck-Surplus	9,000	8,356	(644)	
From Cap Res Reval Trust Fund	0	2,023	(2,023)	25,154
Fund Surplus				68,000
TOTALS	906,123	906,766	(643)	962,554

# **2011 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

TOWN PORTION DUNBARTON				
Gross Appropriation	1,926,452			
Less: Revenues	874,708			
Less: Shared Revenues	-			
Add: Overlay (RSA 76:6)	16,009			
War Service Credits	62,800			
Net Town Appropriations		_1,130,553		
Approved Town/City Tax Effort			1,130,553	TOWN RATE
Municipal Tax Rate				\$3.70
SCHOOL PORTION				
Due to Local School 5,275,104	179,818	5,095,286		
Less: Education Grant		(540,391)		
Less: State Education Taxes		693,440		
				LOCAL
Approved School Tax Effort			3,861,455	SCHOOL RATE
Local Education Tax Rate				\$12.66
State Education Taxes				
Equalized Valuation (no utilities)		2.325		STATE
298,253,618			693,440	SCHOOL RATE
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)				\$2.45
283,114,581				
COUNTY PORTION				
Due to County		801,758		
Less: Shared Revenue		-		
Approved County Tax Effort				
County Tax Rate			801,758	COUNTY RATE
				\$2.63
COMBINED TAX RATE			т	OTAL TAX RATE
Total Property Taxes Assessed:			6,487,206	\$21.44
Less: War Service Credits			(62,800)	
Total Property Tax Commitment			6,424,406	
	PROOF OF R			
Net Assessed Valuation	000 111 001	Tax Rate	Assessment	
State Education Tax (no utilities)	283,114,581	2.45	693,440	
All Other Taxes	305,085,581	18.99	5,793,766	
			6,487,206	

#### **INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY** SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2011

Town Hall, Land & Buildings	240,900
Library/Furniture, Equipment & Books	275,000
Town Office Bldg., Land & Buildings	102,700
Furniture & Equipment	79,000
Police Department, Equipment & Vehicles	282,179
Fire & Police Department, Land & Buildings	255,500
Fire Department Equipment	780,825
Highway Department, Land & Buildings	340,100
Equipment	203,049
Materials and Supplies	35,000
School, Land & Buildings	1,495,700
Equipment	625,000
Transfer Station/Recycling Center, Land & Bldg.	479,700
Equipment	183,887
Kimball Pond Property-Rental Building	33,600
All new roadways deeded to the town as of 12/31/11	2,727,000
All other town property including land under the jurisdiction of the	
Town Forest, Kuncanowet Town Forest, & Conservation Commission	5,668,708
TOTAL	\$ 13,807,848

#### SUMMARY INVENTORY OF TAXABLE VALUATION FOR THE YEAR 2011

Land Improved & Unimproved	81,920,435
Land Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable	10,076,045
Buildings	201,535,796
Buildings Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable	2,502,800
Public Utilities	21,971,000
TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS	\$305,427,231
Less Exemptions to Certain Elderly	341,650
NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$ 302,085,581
Report of MS-1 for 2011 to DRA	

# **FUND BALANCE SHEET**

		MODIFIED	ACCRUAL
, ASSETS 1. Current assets	Account No. (a)	Beginning of Year (b)	End of year (c)
a. Cash and equivalents	1010	2,292,387	2,647,60
b. Investments	1030	-	
c. Taxes receivable (From Section D, page 12)	1080	279,925	263.06
d. Tax liens receivable (From Section D, page 12)	1110	102,533	84,41
e. Accounts receivable	1150	-	
f. Due from other governments	1260		
g. Due from other funds	1310	-	
h. Other current assets	1400		1
i. Tax deeded property (subject to resale)	1670	3,756	3,75
j. TOTAL ASSETS (Should equal line B3) >	Third wind it	\$ 2,678,601	\$ 2,998,85
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
a. Warrants and accounts payable	2020	14,629	33,98
		C COMP	
b. Compensated absences payable	2030	-	
c. Contracts payable	2050	-	
d. Due to other governments	2070	-	7
e. Due to school districts	2075	2,303,127	2,564,8
f. Due to other funds	2080	-	
g. Deferred revenue	2220		
h. Notes payable - Current	2230		
I. Bonds payable - Current	2250		
j. Other payables	2270		
k. TOTAL LIABILITIES		\$ 2,317,756	\$ 2,599,6
2. Fund equity (Please detail on page 10) a. Assigned (formerly reserve for encumbrances)	2440		0.20
		-	8,78
b.Committed (formerly reserve for continuing appropriations)	2450		
c. Restricted (formerly reserve for appropriations voted for CRF/ETF)	2460	*	
d. Committed (formerly reserve for appropriations voted)	2460		
e. Assigned (formerly reserve for special purposes)	2490	28,756	28,75
f. Unassigned (formerly unreserved fund balance)	2530	332.089	361,68
g. TOTAL FUND EQUITY>		\$ 360,845	\$ 399,23
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		\$ 2,678,601	\$ 2,998,85

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MS-5 pg 9 General Fund Balance period ending December 31, 2010 Auditors Report

# SUMMARY OF THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

#### TOWN OF DUNBARTON

Cash on Deposit December 31, 2010	\$	2,649,924.92
Receipts 1/1/11 to 12/31/11 Interest on Investments	\$ \$	7,506,751.04 1,264.81
Total	\$	10,157,940.77
Disbursements 1/1/11 to 12/31/11	\$	(7,096,346.37)
Cash on Hand December 31, 2011	\$	3,061,594.40

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#### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Balance as of December 31, 2010	\$ 101,147.75
Current Use	\$ 4,350.00
Interest Revenue	\$ 62.38
Expenses	\$ (1,825.00)
Land Purchase	\$ (68,115.09)
Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$ 35,620.04

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ROAD BOND

Bond Receipt Stinson Heights 12/31/10	\$ 1.26
Interest	\$ -
Release of Funds 04/13/11	\$ (1.26)
Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$ -
Bond Receipt Natalie Drive 12/31/10	\$ 8,213.67
Interest	\$ 5.73
Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$ 8,219.40
Bond Receipt Dunbarton 88 LLC 12/31/10	\$ 2,899.63
Interest	\$ 0.95
Release of Funds 05/26/10	\$ (2,900.58)
Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$ -

Bond Receipt One Stack Reclamation 12/31/10	\$ 1.89
Interest	\$ -
Release of Funds 04/13/11	\$ (1.89)
Balance as of 12/31/11	\$ -
Bond Receipt Mills Family Trust 12/31/10	\$ 1,646.69
Interest	\$ 1.14
Balance as of 12/31/11	\$ 1,647.83
Bond Receipt Bella Brook Estates 12/31/10	\$ 6,052.97
Interest	\$ 4.23
Balance as of 12/31/11	\$ 6,057.20
Bond Receipt Stanley Sowle 12/31/10	\$ 4,005.61
Interest	\$ 2.81
Balance as of 12/31/11	\$ 4,008.42
Bond Receipt Stinson Reclamation 12/31/10	\$ 2.68
Interest	\$ -
Release of Funds 04/13/11	\$ (2.68)
Balance as of 12/31/10	\$ -

Respectfully Submitted: Pamela Milioto, Treasurer



Pamela Milioto, Treasurer

# SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011

DEDITS	Uncollected Texas		<u>2011</u>		<u>2010</u>	
<u>DEBITS</u>	Uncollected Taxes Property Tax Land Use Change Tax Yield Tax			\$ \$ \$	260,845.84 1,500.00 718.20	
	Taxes Committed Property Tax Land Use Change Tax Yield Tax Excavation Tax Other Charges - Lien Returned Check Fees	\$ \$ \$ \$	6,425,645.57 900.00 13,542.59 17.34 50.00	\$	330.00	
	<b>Overpayments</b> Property Tax Interest	\$	14,299.14	\$ \$	10,642.44 221.83	
	Interest All Taxes Penalties, Costs & Fees	\$	3,036.63	\$	12,110.44	
	Costs Before Lien			\$	1,042.00	
	TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 6	6,457,491.27	\$	287,410.75	
<u>CREDITS</u>	Remittances	<b>^</b>		<u>_</u>		
	Property Tax Land Use Change Tax	\$ \$	6,195,417.26 800.00	\$	170,520.65	
	Yield Tax	\$	12,641.59	\$	718.20	
	Excavation Tax	\$	17.34	Ψ	710.20	
	Interest on all Taxes	\$	3,036.63	\$	12,006.39	
	Conversion to Lien			\$	91,954.09	
	Other Charges - Lien Returned Check Fees Taxes Deeded to Municipality	\$	50.00	\$	330.00	
	Abatements Made Property Tax	\$	1,558.44	\$	11,555.54	
	Interest			\$	325.88	
	Uncollected Taxes					
	Property Tax	\$	242,969.01			
	Land Use Change Tax	\$	100.00			
	Yield Tax	\$	901.00			
	TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 6,457,491.27		\$	287,410.75	

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#### SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011

DECEMBER 51, 2011							
			<u>2011</u>		<u>2010</u>		2009
<u>DEBITS</u>							
	Unredeemed Liens			\$	61,675.03	\$	23,362.31
	Liens Executed During Year	\$	97,508.40				
	Interest & Costs	\$	3,995.60	\$	7,683.61	\$	7,145.96
	TOTAL DEBITS	\$	5101,504.00		\$ 69,358.64	\$	30,508.27
<u>CREDITS</u>	D. L. K	<b>^</b>	45 (10.00	ŕ	26 424 65	¢	00.001.01
	Redemptions	\$	45,612.86	\$	36,424.65	\$	23,281.31
	Interest & Costs Abatements	\$ \$	3,512.60	\$	8,082.97	\$	7,226.96
	Liens Deeded to Municipality	Ф	1,525.20				
	Unredeemed Liens	\$	50,853.34	\$	24,851.02		
	Shiedeenied Elens	Ψ	50,055.54	ψ	24,031.02		
	TOTAL CREDITS	\$	5101,504.00		\$ 69,358.64	\$	30,508.27
	SUMMARY OF UNREDEEMED TA						
	Sommer of ondebeland in	21 1.11		CLIND	LIC 51, 2011		
LEVY OF	2010						
	Ctarlas Dever		115 02 02			¢	0.670.00
	Stephen Brenan		H5-02-02			\$	2,570.98
	Gerald E. Dugrenier David Kashulines		B6-02-01			\$ \$	3,446.83
	Julien & Sandra Leduc		K1-01-23			5 \$	1,739.94
			J3-01-02			э \$	125.09
	Joseph J. Luksza		C6-03-07 D4-01-01			э \$	321.14
	Joseph J. Luksza Dana Moquin		B5-02-26			ۍ ۲	3,390.52
	Barbara Palys		C4-01-03			3 S	6,871.41 6,385.11
	Baibara Paiys		C4-01-03			Ф	0,363.11
	TOTAL UNREDEEMED 2010	010				\$ 24,851.02	
LEVY OF	2011						
LLVIOI							
	Ahmed Baalouky		C5-01-06			\$	103.83
	Stephen Brenan		H5-02-02			\$	4,217.69
	Gerald E. Dugrenier		B6-02-01			\$	3,673.30
	Michael Fraser		H3-04-16			\$	4,519.46
	Roger M. Gagne		D5-01-06			\$	936.18
	Lea Gartland		K1-05-09			\$	1,074.85
	David Kashulines		K1-01-23			\$	1,466.75
	Andrew & Candi Legault		12-01-03			\$	2,615.51
	Joseph J. Luksza		C6-03-07			\$	309.80
	Joseph J. Luksza		D4-01-01			\$	5,618.68
	Moody's Landscaping & GC Weare		K1-07-06			\$	2,883.23
	Dana Moquin		B5-02-26			\$	7,628.79
	Barbara Palys		C4-01-03			\$	6,990.23
	Adrien Trudeau		E6-01-02			\$	2,218.78
	David & Melissa Willis		C3-02-14			\$	6,596.26

#### **TOTAL UNREDEEMED 2011**

\$ 50,853.34

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# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF DUNBARTON, NH FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2011

FUND Description		Balance Beginning of Year	Posted During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year
<b>Common Trust Funds</b> Perpetual Care Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	21,541.10 12,255.53 33,796.63	24.49 24.49	0.00	21,541.10 12,280.02 33,821.12
Cemetery Fund Maintenance Care - Established 1988 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	17,000.00 88.97 17,088.97	700.00 12.40 712.40	0.00	17,700.00 101.37 17,801.37
Sargent/Pages Corner Maintenance Care - Established 2005 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	1,000.00 6.93 1,006.93	0.00	0.00	1,000.00 6.93 1,006.93
Winslow Town Forest Fund Town Forest Maintenance - Established 1930 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	11,000.00 23.15 11,023.15	-30.11 -30.11	0.00	11,000.00 -6.96 10,993.04
Land Purchase Cap. Reserve Land Purchase - Established 1997 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	30,000.00 13,807.11 43,807.11	31.52 31.52	0.00	30,000.00 13,838.63 43,838.63
Building Repair Fund Building Repair - Established 1997 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	0.00 26.35 26.35	0.00	0.00	0.00 26.35 26.35
Revaluation Cap. Reserve Property Revaluation - Established 2003 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	43.54 2.02 45.56	0.00	0.00	43.54 2.02 45.56
Silberberg School Fund Elementary School - Established 1984 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	2,000.00 11.08 2,011.08	1.49 1.49	0.00	2,000.00 12.57 2,012.57
Dunbarton School Cap. Reserve School Facility - Established 1991 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	72,713.87 14,395.99 87,109.86	10,000.00 55.47 10,055.47	47,289.69 47,289.69	35,424.18 14,451.46 49,875.64
Special Education Fund Special Education - Established 2000 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	95,000.00 12,829.64 107,829.64	78.09 78.09	0.00	95,000.00 12,907.73 107,907.73
<b>DES Kitchen Equipment Fund</b> Maintenance Care - Established 2008 Invested in NH-PDIP	Principal Income Total	2,000.00 22.49 2,022.49	1,000.00 1,000.00	2,000.00 2,000.00	1,000.00 22.49 1,022.49
TOTALS		305,767.77	11,873.35	49,289.69	268,351.43
Respectfully Submitted, Norm Roberge, Chairman	Jan Van De	Bogart, Secretary		Jason Dubrow, T	reasurer

<b>REVENUE HISTORY</b>	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	\$ 475,671.00	\$ 475,435.40	\$ 458,934.14	\$ 452,684.40	\$ 462,519.65
Municipal Agent Fees	8,567.50	9,032.50	9,515.00	9,925.00	9957.50
Cert. of Title Application Fees	1,212.00	1,244.00	1,104.00	1,114.00	1164.00
Dog Licenses:					
Tags issued	4,223.50	3,909.50	3,980.50	4,375.00	4400.50
Replacement Tag Only	6.00			6.00	7.50
Late Payment Fines	530.00	310.00	781.00	694.00	466.00
Civil Forfeitures	2,025.00	25.00		400.00	
Marriage Licenses	675.00	585.00	1,395.00	1,350.00	1390.00
Civil Union Licenses		225.00			
Vital Record Fees	504.00	584.00	672.00	1,292.00	1080.00
Filing Fees (elections)	4.00	7.00		4.00	
UCC Filing	744.00	675.00	600.00	750.00	585.00
Pole License Filing	20.00	20.00	70.00	20.00	60.00
Wetland Application Filing	50.00	30.00	20.00		
Returned Check Fines	275.00	275.00	125.00	100.00	225.00
Other	48.42	116.24	254.46	22.32	32.50
REMITTED TO TREASURER	\$ 494,555.42	\$ 492,473.64	\$ 477,451.10	\$ 472,736.72	\$ 481,887.65

## **REPORT OF TOWN CLERK 2011**

The figures in the above table reflect the revenue received and processed through the Town Clerk's office.

TRANSACTION HISTORY	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	4004	4084	4153	4231	4243	Treesesting III at any
Stickers/Plates Issued	3427	3613	3806	3970	3983	Transaction History:
Title Applications Reviewed	607	622	553	557	582	
Dog Licenses Issued	634	552	608	669	672	The table to the left is a
Dog Civil Forfeitures	81	1	0	16	0	sampling of the transactions
Marriage Licenses Issued	15	13	31	29	29	processed through the Town
Civil Union Licenses Issued	n/a	5	0	n/a	n/a	Clerk's office. This is a partial
Vital Record Abstracts Issued	47	56	63	103	77	listing and does not reflect the
Election Filing Accepted	9	10	14	13	0	full scope of activity that takes
UCC / Misc. Filings Accepted	4	4	4	4	4	place.
Pole License Filing Accepted	2	2	7	2	6	-
Wetland Application Filing	5	3	2	0	0	
Returned Check Pursuit	11	11	5	4	9	Note: Not all transactions result
Notary/JP Services	76	164	105	92	99	in revenue.
Voter Registration	61	67	18	26	27	In revenue.
Total transactions listed	8983	9207	9369	9716	9734	

Motor Vehicle: Vehicle revenue showed a modest increase in 2011. There have been some new models registered however, the majority of newly purchased vehicles continue to be older models which are taxed at a lower rate.

Effective July 1, the surcharge imposed in July 2009 on the state portion of registrations covered in RSA 261:141 III(g)(1) was removed. The result was a \$30 or more <u>decrease</u> on the state portion of your registration! All other fee increases imposed that year (trailers, vanity plates, duplicate registrations) remain in effect.

On June 15, Governor Lynch signed SB156 (aka the "Dealer Bill") into law. The bill is now part of RSA 261:74-s and will allow certain dealerships to register vehicles. A copy of the RSA can be found at: <u>http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/XXI/261/261-74-s.htm</u>. An Electronic Vehicle Registration (EVR) advisory group was established for design and implementation. They held their first meeting in December. DMV Director Bailey anticipates that once the pilots are on board, the RFP process completed and contracts signed, that the pilot program could begin late spring to early summer. The fees due the town and state will be collected by dealers and forwarded to the appropriate locations. Though there will be no cost to the town or state for this service, consumers who chose to register their vehicles through a dealership will be charged an additional fee the amount of which has yet to be established. The town will continue to charge the customary \$2.50 for this service. As on-line Municipal Agents for the Department of Motor Vehicles, this office issues several varieties of license plates as well as decals (stickers) for vehicles with a GVW up to 26,000 pounds. We also issue replacement plates and decals, certified copies of registrations and short term permits to operate an uninspected motor vehicle (under certain conditions). These services continue to save residents a separate trip to the DMV to complete their registrations as well as generate additional revenue for the town!

<u>Dog Licenses:</u> If you're a dog owner with a busy schedule, it's easy to forget to renew your dog's license. In mid 2007 we began collecting the owner's e-mail address when a license was issued. In March 2011, several hundred courtesy reminders were sent via e-mail. Because this service saved taxpayers the mailing expenses associated with "snail mail", we will continue to use this method. Dog owners who do not license their dogs according to state licensing requirements run the risk of being charged a \$25 Civil Forfeiture in addition to license fees and late fees. Please take advantage of the reminder service! Contact me at: <u>townclerk@dunbartonnh.org</u> if you would like to be added to the list (add this address to your "safe senders" list so the reminder doesn't go to your spam folder!)

<u>Elections</u>: The only election held 2011 the March Town and School Election – a welcome break from the five elections held in the previous year!

According to the Secretary of State's office, there are 236 towns and cities that must report election results to the state. Of those, 112 (47%) use electronic ballot counting devices and 124 (53%) hand count their ballots. Dunbarton falls into the latter category. On behalf of Dunbarton's Election Officials, I would like to thank the dedicated volunteers who continue give their time and keep the hand count tradition in Dunbarton whether it be for one election or five. New volunteers are always welcome!

<u>Vital Records:</u> Effective July 1, the fee for a Marriage License application was reduced from \$50 to \$45. This amended fee reflects the removal of the \$5 State General Fund distribution that was added to the Marriage License in the previous year's legislative session. The cost for certified copies of a vital record was not reduced and continues to be \$15 for the first copy and \$10 for each subsequent copy.

<u>Historical Collections:</u> Preservation work continues on many historical collections and individual pieces generously donated to the town. Many thanks to Donna Dunn, Marion Crosby, Nancy Frost, Laraine Allen, Laura Tucker, and Kathy Torre who regularly lend their time, talent, and historical knowledge to this ongoing project. Donations of any historical documents relating to Dunbarton are always welcome whether it is one piece or a collection. If you have a few spare hours a week and want to take part in the process, please contact me. It's great fun and a rare treat to view these documents and the wealth of history they contain!

The Town Reports of the past few years carried a section called: *FAQ's: A Guide to Doing Business with Your Town Clerk.* It gave detailed information regarding vehicle registrations and titles, dog licenses, voter registration and marriage licenses, as well as certified copies of birth, marriage, civil union, and death records. That information has been moved to the Town Clerk section of the Town's web site: <u>http://dunbartonnh.org</u> (Boards and Offices/Town Clerk). Copies are also available at the office.

Thank you, Citizens of Dunbarton, for your continued support. It is my privilege to serve you!

Respectfully submitted, Linda L. Peters Certified Town Clerk

## **DUNBARTON TRANSFER STATION REPORT 2011**

I would like to thank the residents of Dunbarton for another great year. We continue to recycle more each and every year. My staff and I would also like to thank you for your generosity during the holiday season.

I would also like to extend a special thanks to Fred and Lee Mullen, Linda Peters, and especially my daughter Heather who helped out during Household Hazardous Waste day. They endured cold, wind, and rain and did it all with a smile! With their help the day was a complete success.

This year we produced 892 tons of trash but we also recycled 232 tons of materials. These materials include paper, plastic, glass, cardboard, aluminum and steel cans. Currently the tipping fee for trash is \$66.80 per ton, so for every ton of material we recycle we save that fee but we also make money when our recyclables sell. For example: One ton of cardboard. The average price per ton for cardboard is \$147.00. When we recycle cardboard it is not being sent to the incinerator, a cost saving of \$66.80. We can sell the cardboard for \$147.00 which in the end is really giving you a price of \$213.80 per ton for cardboard. This is why I say recycling is "money" in the bank.

We recycled an additional 250 tons of material from Christmas lights to construction and demolition debris.

The Transfer Station received a few small face lifts this past year. First we moved the balers closer to our work area saving us travel time back and forth to the back of the building. I would like to thank Ted Vallieres and Les Hammond for donating their time to make moving the balers a success. The other project was the removal of the center island....and yes we did replant the trees. This allows for two lanes of traffic at the recycling building and a passing lane next to the rope. We hope to have these lanes identified this year.

Future projects include widening of the road by the recycling center, replacement of the front windows in the recycling building, and the purchase of a new baler. We will be coming to the town with a warrant article asking to purchase a new baler for the recycling center. I am asking you for your support.

I look forward to working with the residents of Dunbarton in 2012.

Respectfully submitted, Patrick "Woody" Bowne Dunbarton Transfer Station Supervisor



 "Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions Northeast Resource Recovery Association, 2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234 Telephone: (603) 736-4401 or 1-800-223-0150
 Fax: (603) 736-4402
 E-mail: info@nrra.net
 Web Site: www.nrra.net

Dear NRRA Member,

As a member of Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), your community has access to all the services

of this first in the nation, 31-year old recycling cooperative. Your member-driven organization provides you with:

- Up-to-date Technical Assistance in waste reduction and recycling;
- Cooperative Marketing to maximize pricing and Cooperative Purchasing to minimize costs;
- Current Market Conditions and Latest Recycling Trends, both regionally and nationwide;
- Innovative Programs (i.e. Dual Stream, Consolidation and Single Stream);

 Educational and Networking Opportunities through our Annual Recycling Conference, our new Biweekly

"Full of Scrap" email news, monthly Marketing meetings, website, and Fall Facility Tours;

- School Recycling Club a program to assist schools to promote or advance their recycling efforts;
- NH DES Continuing Ed Credits;
- NH the Beautiful Signs, Grants, Bins and Recycle mobiles.

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

Through your continued support and dedication, NRRA has assisted our members to recycle over 73,648 tons in fiscal year 2010-2011!



In Fiscal Year 2010/2011 NRRA assisted its Members in recycling over 73,648 Tons!

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



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## Town of Dunbarton, NH

## Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

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

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

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2011	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.
Aluminum Cans	7838 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a television for 797,595 hours!
Paper	128.19 tons	Saved 2,179 trees!
Plastics	16.87 tons	Conserved 25,309 gallons of gasoline!
Scrap Metal	76 tons	Conserved 75,744 pounds of coal!
Steel Cans	13979 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a 60 watt light bulb for 363,454 hours!

## CONCORD REGIONAL SOLID WASTE / RESOURCE RECOVERY COOPERATIVE

## **2011 ANNUAL REPORT**

#### **2012 BUDGET**

1. 2.	Wheelabrator Concord Company Service Fee Franklin Residue Landfill	\$5,198,256
	a. Operation and Maintenance\$ 1,326,250b. Closure Fund180,000c. Long Term Maintenance Fund110,000	
	Total	\$ 1,616,250
3.	Cooperative Expenses, Consultants & Studies	479,649
	TOTAL BUDGET	\$ 7,294,155
4.	Less: Interest and applied reserves Net to be raised by Co-op Communities	- <u>1,061,900</u> <b>\$6,200,590</b>

2011 GMQ of 92,826 tons and Net Budget of \$6,200,590 =

#### Tipping Fee of \$66.80 per ton

We are happy to report to all member communities that 2011 marked our twenty second complete year of successful operations. Some items of interest follow:

The 2012 budget reflects a tipping fee of \$66.80 per ton. The 2012 tipping fee is the same as in 2011. A larger portion of reserves was applied to this year's budget to maintain a level tipping fee

A total of 91,065 tons of Co-op waste was delivered to the Wheelabrator facility this year. This represents a decrease of 7,800 tons from 2010.

A total of 66,172 tons of ash were delivered to the Franklin ash monofill for disposal. The ash landfill continues to operate very well. Phase V Stage III is being filled at this time. Phase V will provide ash disposal capacity through 2014.

The Joint Board continues to finalize the building of a single stream recycling facility to improve recycling rates and offset the increased tipping fees. The Co-op has contacted many communities in an effort to determine interest in joining with the Co-op in this effort. To date nearly thirty NH communities have shown interest in joining with the Co-op.

## SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING COMMITTEE

## Progress Report - 2011

2011 was another year where everything changed in our examination of Single Stream Recycling options for Dunbarton. In last year's report we were anticipating the co-op building and implementing the single stream facility during calendar 2011. That did not happen. The co-op was not able to get firm tonnage commitments from potential participants until late in the year. At that point they officially voted to proceed with building and operating a single stream facility and began the issuance of bids for construction and start-up. Depending on how many of their existing three year old bids need to be re-issued, we do not expect construction to begin until late spring 2012 at the earliest. Plant operations could begin very late in 2012.

In addition to these problems, there were other issues during 2011 that added a large layer of confusion to the project. Some existing contracts with the trash co-op for solid waste disposal related activities are expiring adding uncertainty to the entire solid waste arrangement. A private company has made suggestions to some of the co-op members that they would build their own single stream facility in indirect competition to the co-op's. And the costs associated with single stream from any source are not finalized.

That all leaves Dunbarton in the best possible position. We have no financial commitments relative to single stream at this time. We have the luxury of sitting back and watching what happens with both the co-op facility and any private facilities that are built. But if we desire, we can jump into the co-ops operations whenever we want.

Many of us on the committee, but not all, still think that single stream will probably be the best solution for Dunbarton. More material should be recycled because it is easier for the citizens of the town to participate, and it probably will cost, if not less, then roughly the same as our current operation. But until more is known about the ultimate operating costs of the co-op facility, the start-up costs for Dunbarton and all of the other surrounding issues which need to be resolved, it is not, at this point in time, in the Town's best interest to jump into single stream. We strongly urge all of you to recycle as much material as you can now. It takes weight out of the solid waste stream and therefore saves us money. Because we have acquired about 15 years of collective experience in single stream issues, we did not want to dissolve the committee while awaiting resolution of all the problems, so instead, we have currently scaled back our operations to one meeting per quarter with the option of resuming monthly meetings whenever we think it is time to come back before the Town for a deliberative decision at Town Meeting. Hopefully that will be next year.

Thank you all for your support.

The Single Stream Recycling Study Committee

## **BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT 2011**

Our department issued ninety-six (96) building permits for a wide range of projects in 2011. Unfortunately, our issuance of permits declined from 2010. In 2011, five (5) new house permits were issued which is a slight decrease from the previous year. Thanks to Mother Nature, we have seen a continuing trend for gas/electrical permits for stand-by generators.

We also reviewed eight (8) septic system designs (new and replacement) prior to their submittal to the NH Department of Environmental Services. NH Department of Environmental Services is currently developing an online database for septic plans. There will be an <u>increase</u> in our septic review fee due to a shift in expenses from the State to the local towns, i.e. printing, copying, scanning, etc.

NEW HOUSE	5	GAS PIPING/TANKS/ETC	24
HOME REBUILD	1	OIL BURNERS	3
ADDITION	3	PELLET STOVE	1
IN-LAW APARTMENT	1	FOUNDATION	1
DECK/PORCH	7	SOLAR PANEL INSTALLATION	2
GARAGE	4	DRIVEWAY	1
BARN/STORAGE SHED	8	IN-GROUND POOL	1
RENOVATIONS	8	HOME OCCUPATION	1
ELECTRICAL	16	RENEWAL	5
PLUMBING	4	TO TAL PERMITS:	96

#### **BUILDING PERMITS FOR 2011**

The value of building permit fees collected during the fiscal year 2011 totaled \$10,721.60. Additionally, the fees for the review of septic plans equaled a total amount of \$200. This office reviewed and inspected approximately \$1,800,000 in estimated improved and new construction which translates to revenue for the Town of Dunbarton.

As always, Kyle Parker, Building Inspector and Jon Wiggin, Assistant Building Inspector have worked diligently on providing code education along with enforcement to ensure projects will be built according the International Residential Codes. The Inspectors provide assistance on projects as both the Code Enforcement and Health Officers.

Barbara McCann, Administrative Assistant continues to provide support to the Building, Planning and Zoning Departments as well as assisting the public with their building, planning or zoning needs.

Building permits are required for the following: residential single and multi-family homes; garage; shed; porch; deck; remodeling and major renovations; fireplace and chimneys; major electrical and service entrance; major plumbing, mechanical, and oil/gas burner; temporary trailer or building; commercial, industrial, and institutional uses; agricultural: greenhouse, stable, barn; home occupation business; demolition and removal.

Building permits are <u>not</u> generally required for construction that replaces or maintains existing materials and work, with that which is functionally equivalent, comparable in value, and in the existing footprint, i.e. house painting, residing and re-roofing. This exception does <u>not</u> apply to structural changes, extensive renovations, additions to existing buildings, or trade work (electrical, plumbing and gas fitter) that requires inspections all of which require a duly issued permit. If you are unsure of your permitting needs, please call our office at 774-3541 Ext 106.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kyle Parker, Building Inspector Jon Wiggin, Assistant Building Inspector Barbara McCann, Administrative Assistant



Building Department Barbara McCann, Building Administrator, Kyle Parker, Building Inspector



**Highway Department** 







**Town Office** BR: Darlene Leone, Barbara McCann, Martha Rae FR: Line Comeau, Linda Peters, Alison Vallieres



**Transfer Station** Left to right: Edward Wooten, Edward Emond, Patrick "Woody" Bowne, Brad Jobel



Library: Nancy Lang, Andrea Douglas

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT - 2011**

This past year Tropical Storm Irene required us to activate our Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in August. The EOC allows us to monitor weather, power outages, and road closures through N.H. Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and allows us to coordinate the different town departments. The center was manned by volunteers from the fire department for twelve hours. We are now able to communicate directly with the two power companies that service our community, PSNH and Unitil. Both companies have made huge strides in working with communities to coordinate the cleanup of trees and debris so power can be restored as quickly as possible.

Tropical Storm Irene caused town wide power outages with 95 % of the town being without power during the height of the storm. Some minor road flooding also occurred, but overall the damage caused by the storm was less than anticipated.

During past weather events that have caused long term power outages, we have found that most of our residents are well prepared and request little or no assistance from town agencies. All town agencies are staffed and operating during any major weather event or disaster, so do not hesitate in requesting assistance for anything you might need.

A federal mandate is requiring us to update all our town mobile and portable radios, and to relicense our town radio frequency with the Federal Communication Commission (FCC). Much work has gone into this project this past year, and work will continue in 2012 with a mandated finish date of January 1, 2013.

I would like to thank all the town officials and all department employees who assisted me this past year, along with members of the community who also assisted.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Wiggin Emergency Management Director

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT - 2011**

Emergency incidents increased slightly this past year for a total of 224 incidents. Leading to the increase is the request for non-emergency services such as safety inspections and issuing of burning permits.

Two weather events occurred in 2011 with Tropical Storm Irene in August and a big snowstorm in October. Irene caused town wide power outages with numerous trees down and some minor road flooding. The October snowstorm caused power outages brought on by heavy snow bringing down tree limbs. Although some residents were out of power for several days the potential for more damage was a real possibility which fortunately did not occur. During both these events the Dunbarton Fire, Highway and Police departments along with the Dunbarton Telephone Company deployed personnel and equipment throughout the town to clear the roadways of trees and debris. The dedication and teamwork of all these people working together to serve the citizens of Dunbarton is commendable.

Our department acquired a carbon monoxide meter this past year through a grant from the Professional Firefighters Association of NH and a donation from the Dunbarton Volunteer Firefighters Association. The meter measures the Carbon monoxide in a person's blood stream. The Dunbarton Volunteer Firefighters Associations funds were raised from their annual chicken barbeque. I would like to thank everyone who supported the barbeque and to those who donated to the association this past year.

This year the fire department is going to enter into a fundraising partnership with Concord Hospital Trust to raise funds to purchase a chest compression device. The device will provide chest compressions on cardiac arrest patients and cost \$13,000. "Get the Beat" program requires our community to raise \$6,500 then the Trust will match our half. We would appreciate your support so we may purchase this life saving device.

I would like to thank all the men and woman of the fire department for their dedicated service they provide to our community. I would also like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Department heads and employees, Board and Committee members and citizens of Dunbarton that supported the fire department in 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Wiggin Dunbarton Fire Chief E N E F

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## **DUNBARTON FIRE DEPARTMENT 2011**

## **DEPARTMENT MEMBERS**

Bob Andrews	Matt Jewell	Brian Naro
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Mark Andrews	Geoff Johnson	Brian Rae
Bruce Banks	Mark Lang	Brandon Skoglund
Patrick Bowne	Deb Marcou	David Smith
Tamara Bowne	Louis Marcou	Allison Swindlehurst
Tracey Coffey	Zachery Marcou	Megan Swindlehurst
Richard Cooper	Dave Medeiros	John R. Swindlehurst III
John Daly	Karyn Merritt	John Van Loendersloot
Kevin Gawel	Fred Mullen	Jonathan Wiggin
Andrew Hird	Sean Murphy	Patrick Wright

## **2011 INCIDENTS**

Alarm Activation	10
Auto Accident	10
ATV Accident	2
Brush Fire	2
Chimney Fire	6
Drill	2
Hazmat	3
Medical	102
Mutual Aid Fire	30
Mutual Aid Medical	8
Power Line	25
Service	13
Smoke Investigation	7
Structural	4
Total	224



**Dunbarton Volunteer Fire Department** 

BR: Bruce Banks, David Smith, Mark Lang, Patrick Wright, Kevin Gawel, John Daly, Zachery Marcou FR: Jon Wiggin, Brian Rae, Karyn Merritt, Fred Mullen, Louis Marcou

Not available: Bob Andrews, Mark Andrews, Patrick Bowne, Tamara Bowne, Tracy Coffey, Richard Cooper, Andrew Hird, Matt Jewell, Geoff Johnson, Deb Marcou, Dave Medeiros, Sean Murphy, Brian Naro, Brandon Skoglund, Allison Swindlehurst, Megan Swindlehurst, John R. Swindlehurst III, John Van Leondersloot

## SUMMARY OF FIRE DEPT. EQUIPMENT FUND

#### Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

Cash on Deposit December 31, 2010	\$20,480.23
Receipts 1/1/11 to 12/31/11	\$16,445.89
Interest on Investments	\$18.79
Total	\$36,944.91
Disbursements 1/1/11 to 12/31/11	(\$943.00)
Cash on Hand December 31, 2011	\$36,001.91

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Milioto Town Treasurer

## REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

## 2011

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and State of New Hampshire Division of Lands & Forest work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L: 17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or <u>www.des.state.nh.us</u> for more information. Safe outside burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forest & Lands at 271-2214, or online at <u>www.nhdfl.org</u>.

Both in terms of the number of fires, as well as the number of acres burned, this past fire season was the smallest since records have been kept. Extensive rainfall virtually all season long kept the fire danger down. When fires did start they were kept very small. The largest fire for the season was only 5.4 acres which occurred in Littleton on May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2011. There was however a small window of high fire danger in the northern third of the state during July when little rainfall was recorded. During this time there were a number of lightning started fires which are fairly unusual in New Hampshire. As has been the case over the last few years, state budget constraints have limited the staffing of our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers .Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, our lookout towers are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by contacted aircraft and the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire damage was especially high. Many homes in NH are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at <u>www.firewise.org</u>. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe.

To obtain a fire permit in Dunbarton contact one of the following people:

Jonathan Wiggin	Warden
Louis Marcou	Deputy Warden
Fred Mullen	Deputy Warden
John R. Swindlehurst	Deputy Warden
Patrick Bowne	Deputy Warden
Brandon Skoglund	Deputy Warden

Respectfully submitted,

Brad Simpkins, Interim Director, Division of Forest & Lands Jonathan Wiggin, Forest Fire Warden



## MUTUAL AIDCAPITAL AREA MUTUAL AID FIRE COMPACT 🍣

President: Chief Ray R. Fisher

Chief Coordinator: Dick Wright

 P.O. Box 3962
 Email:
 Telephone 603-225-8988

 Concord, NH 03302-3962
 capareac1@myfairpoint.net
 Fax: 603-228-0983

## 2011 ANNUAL REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The 2011 annual report is prepared for the Board of Directors of the Capital Area Fire Compact as a summary of general activities for the 2011 calendar year. It is also forwarded to the Town offices of the Compact's member communities for information and distribution as desired.

This organization was created forty five years ago when a handful of fire chiefs decided they needed to work together by sharing equipment and personnel resources to provide better fire protection and quicker responses to their communities. In addition to fire protection, fire departments now provide emergency medical services as well. Approximately 70% of the Compact's call volume represents medical emergency responses.

The Compact provides 24/7 emergency dispatch service to its twenty member communities. This service is contracted with the City of Concord Fire Department's Communications Center utilizing eight shift dispatchers and the Dispatch Supervisor. Fire and Emergency Medical dispatched calls totaled 21,127 in 2011, an increase of 1.7% from the previous year. The detailed activity report by agency is attached.

The Compact's operational area is currently 711 square miles with an estimated resident population of 125,004. The latest Equalized Property Valuation published by NH Department of Revenue Administration is 12.2 billion dollars for our member area. All departments participate in automatic responses to other communities as needed.

The Chief Coordinator responded to 173 incidents in 2011, and provided command post assistance on major incidents. He also aids all departments with response planning and updating addressing information.

Current Compact officers, elected in January 2011, are:

President, Chief Ray Fisher, Boscawen Vice President, Chief George Ashford, Northwood Secretary, Chief Alan Quimby, Chichester Treasurer, Chief Daniel Andrus, Concord

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Installation of the Homeland Security funded microwave point-to-point communications was completed in 2011. We also have grant approval for cross training of dispatchers of the Capital Area Fire Compact with the dispatchers of the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid dispatch center in Laconia. This provides redundancy for both systems in the event of a major failure for any reason at either site. These two dispatch centers provide fire and EMS dispatching to a large area of Central New Hampshire.

The 2011 Compact operating budget was \$ 932,187. All Compact operations, including the Chief Coordinator's position, office, command vehicle, and dispatch services are provided by the member communities based on local property valuations and population.

The Training Committee chaired by Assistant Chief Dick Pistey, with members Chiefs Keith Gilbert, Gary Johnson, and Peter Angwin assisted all departments with mutual aid exercises. These joint drills provide valuable training in the delivery of our emergency services.

The Central New Hampshire HazMat Team represents 56 communities in Capital Area and the Lakes Region area and is ready to assist or respond to hazardous materials incidents in our combined area. Hazardous Materials Team Chief Bill Weinhold encourages all communities to participate in the Regional Emergency Response Commission (REPC) planning programs and to take advantage of hazardous materials training for local departments.

All departments are encouraged to send representation to all Compact meetings. Your input is needed and your members need to be informed of all Compact activities and planning.

We thank all departments for your cooperation. Please contact any Compact officer or the Chief Coordinator if we may be of assistance.

Dick Wright, Chief Coordinator CAPITAL AREA FIRE COMPACT cc: Fire Chiefs Boards of Selectmen

Encl. 1/06/2012

Capital Area Mutual Aid Fire Compact 2010 Incidents vs. 2011 Incidents				
ID #	Town	2010 Incidents	2011 Incidents	% Change
50	Allenstown	675	697	3.3%
51	Boscawen	177	175	-1.1%
52	Bow	1178	1083	-8.1%
53	Canterbury	236	238	0.8%
54	Chichester	468	399	-14.7%
55	Concord	7002	7526	7.5%
56	Epsom	887	869	-2.0%
57	Dunbarton	222	224	0.9%
58	Henniker	706	802	13.6%
60	Hopkinton	1016	1191	17.2%
61	Loudon	983	818	-16.8%
62	Pembroke	360	340	-5.6%
63	Hooksett	2159	2292	6.2%
64	Penacook RSQ	695	775	11.5%
65	Webster	174	161	-7.5%
66	Central NH Haz Mat	5	10	100.0%
71	Northwood	603	660	9.5%
72	Pittsfield	811	747	-7.9%
74	Salisbury	128	131	2.3%
79	Tri-Town Ambulance	1447	1132	-21.8%
80	Warner	340	367	7.9%
82	Bradford	272	265	-2.6%
84	Deering	230	225	-2.2%
		20774	21127	1.7%

## KUNCANOWET TOWN FOREST AND CONSERVATION AREA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - 2011 ANNUAL REPORT

The timber harvest was completed in the winter months of 2011, and, if approved by the voters at this year's Town Meeting, the revenues will provide for maintenance of both "Foggs' field" and the Kuncanowet trails for several years. The field is part of the generous donation of land to the Kuncanowet Town Forest and Conservation Area (KTFCA) by Vera and Forrest Fogg.

When the Town accepted the Foggs' gift of the field in 2004, it also accepted the responsibility for mowing the field every fall and brushing the stone walls to preserve the field as a nesting site for grassland songbirds. The Selectmen agreed that the Town would cover these costs and did so for several years. In 2010 they ceased to fund the annual maintenance. This prompted the KTFCA Committee to assess the KTFCA for sections of forest ready to be harvested and initiate a timber cut on 40 acres to generate revenue to fulfill the Town's legal obligations to the Foggs.

The Department of Revenue Administration has indicated the Town's original plan for handling KTFCA timber cut revenues is not viable. The article on this year's warrant seeks to remedy the current situation, where there is no fund into which the timber sale revenues can be placed for multiyear management of the KTFCA, including the annual mowing of Foggs' field.

This year Ed White stepped down as the Chairman of the KTFCA Management Committee. The Committee wishes to express its gratitude to Ed for the years he served as chair. We are pleased that Ed will remain on the Committee to share his experience and knowledge as a forester. Ron Jarvis and Margaret Watkins will co-chair the Committee. We welcome new Committee member Rebecca Hebert, who's replacing Bruce Merrill now serving as an alternate.

Peggy Senter again gathered much of the information for the annual Land Conservation Investment Program (LCIP) report, which the KTFCA Committee must submit to the State. Darlene Jarvis, secretary, prepared and submitted the report this year. Our thanks go to Peggy and Darlene.

There is always work to be done on the trails and 2011 was no exception. The Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the members and friends of the KTFCA who pick up debris from trails as they hike. This year the Committee would like to ask hikers to inform us as to the condition of the trails you've hiked. We would also appreciate knowing if you see evidence of destructive behavior such as OHRV traffic and trash. This will be helpful for the purpose of trail maintenance, policing and the writing of the LCIP annual report. Please send KTFCA information to rdjarvis@mygsc.com. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Jarvis, Co-chair & Trailmaster Margaret Watkins, Co-chair Brett St. Clair, Vice Chair Darlene Jarvis, Secretary Les Hammond, Selectmen's representative Jacques Belanger Bruce Merrill Peggy Senter Edward White

## SUMMARY OF KTFCA MAINTENANCE FUND

## Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

## TOWN OF DUNBARTON KTFCA FUND

Cash on Deposit December 31, 2010	\$0.00
Receipts from Timber Sale 1/1/11 to 12/31/11 Interest on Investments	\$17,769.92 \$8.62
Total	\$17,778.54
Disbursements 1/1/11 to 12/31/11	\$0.00
Cash on Hand December 31, 2011	\$17,778.54

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Milioto Town Treasurer

## **DUNBARTON TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE REPORT - 2011**

The Town Forest Committee meets four times a year; the first Wednesday in February, May, August and November. Meetings are at the Fire Station at 7:30 p.m. and are open to the public.

In the summer of 2011, we performed a timber cut in the Winslow Forest by Stark Pond. This was done in accordance with the Winslow Trust. Bean Hill Forestry was hired to oversee the operation. The next vegetation cut on this property will not occur until 2020-2025.

The Winslow Forest has an easement with the Society for the Protection of NH Forests. Joslin Heyn, easement steward, was contacted and has visited the cutting operation.

From time to time the Forest Committee is contacted by a town resident who asks about restrictions on money in the Winslow Trust. The following is a quote from the Trust: "Monies earned from timber cutting must be used for the purpose of improving and developing said forest and any or all town forest lands held by said Town, or for buying additional tracts of town forest land and in caring for and improving the same." Winslow Corporation – Arthur Winslow, president. January 7<sup>th</sup> 1930.

The Committee has been active in the pursuit of purchasing land that abuts town forest property. If you are a landowner with property that abuts town forest property, please consider contacting one of the committee members listed below.

**Town Forest Lots** 

Stark Pond	(100.9 acres)
Winslow	(47 acres)
Kimball Pond Area	(150.68 acres)
Charlie Little	(114.3 acres)
<b>Old Hopkinton Road</b>	d (45 acres)
<b>Mansion Road</b>	(10.5 acres)

Total: 468.38 acres

Respectfully submitted,

Ed White, Chair Jeff Crosby, Vice Chair Ron Jarvis, Secretary Fred Mullen, Treasurer Jacques Belanger

## **TOWN FOREST FINANCIAL REPORT 2011**

Balance: January 1, 2011		\$187,142.60
RECEIPTS: 2011		
Town of Dunbarton (sand & gravel – for year 2010)	\$972.00	
Interest on trust fund (Winslow Town Forest – for year 2010)	38.00	
Bean Hill Forest Services		
timber harvest – Winslow Town Forest (Stark Pond Area)	12,737.13	
Investments (Ameriprise Financial Services)	9,141.62	
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	<u>\$22,888.75</u>	
BALANCE plus RECEIPTS:		\$210,031.35
PAYMENTS: 2011		
N.H. Timberland Owners' Association (dues for year 2010)	\$35.00	
Town of Dunbarton (reclaim Stark Pond pit & Kimball Pond pit)	3,200.00	
J.E. Belanger land surveying (Winslow Town Forest – Stark Pond pit area)	130.00	
Overpayment of interest from Trustee of Trust Funds	15.00	
TOTAL PAYMENTS:	\$3,380.00	
BALANCE plus Receipts less PAYMENTS: January 1, 2012		\$206,651.35

Respectfully submitted, Fred J. Mullen, Treasurer Dunbarton Town Forest

## **DUNBARTON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

#### 2011

The Highway Department had a very productive year, due to the fact that we had no weather extremes. Yes, we did have an out of the ordinary 22" snow storm in late October. Luckily it all melted, and many thanks to our sub-contractors for being ready to roll.

Twist Hill Road saw the biggest road improvement project. We did tree cutting, shoulder work, drainage installation, and paving. The plan is to finish Twist Hill Road improvements in 2012. Although we did not do a total rebuild to the road bed, the improvements the road received will pay the town dividends with improved snow removal, site distance, "ride" of the road, and overall safety.

Projects we continue to work on all over town are brush and dead tree cutting, intersection improvements, drainage work. Some of the projects we do may seem small and insignificant to some as you drive by and see us at work, but they will improve our road system and help to make regular maintenance more cost effective.

The Dunbarton Highway would like to thank the towns' people, all the other Departments, Selectmen's Office, and sub-contractors for help and support during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Road Agent for the Town of Dunbarton

## **DUNBARTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

## **2011 REPORT**

This was a busy year for the Conservation Commission, highlighted by a 61-acre land purchase to expand the Bela Brook Conservation Area. Our Town's newest conservation area now encompasses 220 acres and can be accessed from a trailhead on Grapevine Road.

#### **Conservation property monitoring**

We marked the conservation boundary on the Kaminski conservation easement (Ray Road), monitored the Westbrook/Schumacher easement (Kimball Pond Road), and coordinated the monitoring of the Kimball Pond Conservation Area with the state's Conservation Land Stewardship Program.

Commission members also walked the boundaries of the lot the Chan family plans to give to the Town off of the scenic Gile Hill Road. The property is a nice parcel with some wet areas, a brook, and varied topography. It is bounded primarily by stone walls.

#### Kimball Pond cleanup

We held our annual clean-up session at Kimball Pond, cutting and removing logs from the area of the dam, and removing trash near the boat launch and along the southern section of Legache Hill Road. Littering and dumping continue to be a problem in the area, but some improvement has been observed.

#### Walk of the Month

We continued our popular Walk of the Month series again this year. Highlights included a tour of George Holt's sugar house in the spring and an exploration of historic cellar holes in the Kimball Pond Conservation Area in the fall. Each Walk of the Month is typically held on a Saturday morning. If you are interested in receiving notices about the walks, please sign up on the Conservation Commission page of the Town website to receive an email announcement of each walk.

#### Cook steps down

The Conservation Commission wishes to express its sincere appreciation for Larry Cook's 16 years of service. Larry joined the Commission in 1994. In 1998 he assumed the position of chairman. Over the next twelve years he spent countless hours working to ensure that a number of important projects were completed including the creation of the Kimball Pond and Bella Brook Conservation Areas. Thank you, Larry!

All residents are reminded that any activity involving wetlands, including stream crossings, requires a permit from the Wetlands Bureau at NHDES. Please contact a Conservation Commission member, or attend our monthly meeting, if you have any questions about wetlands laws or have a project that might affect wetlands.

The Conservation Commission meets the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm in the Town Offices. The public is welcome to attend. The minutes of the meetings are available on the Town website.

#### Respectfully submitted,

Brett St. Clair, Chair Jim Stone, Vice Chair Darlene Jarvis, Secretary Mel Gendron George Holt Ronald Jarvis Stan Sowle Jim Stone Matthew Lavey, Alternate Margaret Watkins, Alternate

## **Conservation Property Managed by the Conservation Commission**

Bela Brook Conservation Area	220	+/- acres
Kimball Pond Conservation Area	977	+/- acres
Kuncanowet Natural Area	122	+/- acres
Lot South of Gorham Pond	13	+/- acres
Long Pond Lot	16	+/- acres
Ray Road Lot	20	+/- acres

## **Conservation Easements Monitored by the Conservation Commission**

Story Easement	45	+/- acres
Grant Easement	8	+/- acres
Westbrook/Schumacher Easement	145	+/- acres
North Woods Road Easement	3	+/- acres

## **DUNBARTON PLANNING BOARD 2011**

The year 2011 was yet *another* lack-luster year for subdivisions and other development activity in Dunbarton. There were two (2) new applications received and approved by the Board in 2011: a) a lot line adjustment; and b) a site plan approval for Verizon Wireless to co-locate antennae and an additional base-station on the existing U.S. Cellular site.

In summary, Planning Board activity has experienced a slight up-tick since our low-point in 2010, but continues the lowest pace of activity since the inception of town-wide zoning in the 1970's. And again.... a continued sign of our economic times.

However, the Dunbarton Planning Board has seen a very busy work year for administrative efforts. In addition to our regularly scheduled monthly meetings, we have been also holding monthly workshop sessions.

The Board worked ambitiously in concert with Central N.H. Regional Planning Commission concerning interim amendments to our Zoning Ordinance. An overview of the amendments are as follows: to add and amend definitions, abolish the Manufactured Housing District, revise provisions for apartments (which are now called Accessory Dwelling Units), to revise some provisions for Home Occupations, and generally correct spelling and grammatical errors.

In addition to the Zoning Ordinance revisions, we also worked with Central N.H. Regional Planning Commission on our Hazard Mitigation Program (for Federal Compliance every 5 years (Adopted September 15, 2011), and our annual update to the Capital Improvement Program.

The Board notes that there are over 137 dwelling units/lots in our "inventory" that have yet to get under way – generally because of roadway or major infrastructure requirements; and although fully approved, none have begun construction or even officially filed at the Registry. For your information these developments are: Country Woods: 4-Lot Subdivision; Overlook Estates: 22-Lot Subdivision; Pastures at Black Brook: 28 units in a Multi-Family Condominium Development; and Summerhill Condominiums (Countryside Golf Course): 83 units. Again, this too, appears as a sign of our economic times.

The Board would like to thank all departments for offering input and advice over the past year; with special appreciation to Fire Chief Jon Wiggin, Road Agent Jeff Crosby and Zoning Board Chairman John Trottier for regular attendance and contribution at our meetings. We would also like to extend a special note of appreciation to the Dunbarton Board of Selectmen in working with the Planning Board, in a spirit of cooperation and resolve on joint administrative issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth L. Swayze, Co-Chairman George Holt, Co-Chairman Alison Vallieres, Secretary Leslie G. Hammond, Selectmen's Rep James Marcou Michael Poirier Michael Guiney, Alternate (Barbara McCann, Administrative Assistant)



#### **DUNBARTON PLANNING BOARD**

 Front row:
 Alison Vallieres, Kenneth Swayze, George Holt

 Back row:
 Leslie Hammond, Selectman's rep, Michael Poirier, Michael Guiney

## CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION 28 Commercial Street Suite 3 & Concord, New Hampshire 03301 \* phone: (603) 226-6020 \* fax: (603) 226-6023 \* www.cnhrpc.org

Established in accordance with state law, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 communities in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties. The Town of Dunbarton is a member in good standing of the Commission. Ken Swayze and Mike Guiney are the Town's representatives to the Commission.

CNHRPC's mission is to comply with State statute by preparing and adopting regional land use and transportation plans and a regional housing needs assessment. CNHRPC also evaluates developments of regional impact and provides data, information, training, and high-quality, cost-effective services to our member communities. CNHRPC advocates for our member communities and assists and encourages them in both municipal and intermunicipal endeavors.

In 2011, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission undertook the following local and region-wide activities:

- Provided technical assistance services for member communities, including zoning ordinance development, grant writing assistance, plan review services, local master plan development, and planning board process training. In Dunbarton, CNHRPC staff provided assistance in the update of the zoning ordinance and development of the 2012-2017 Capital Improvements Program (CIP).
- Completed Hazard Mitigation Plan update development assistance to the towns of Canterbury, Loudon, Dunbarton, Hopkinton, and Hillsborough with final Plan approval received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); continued working with the communities of Pittsfield and Concord to

#### TOWN OF DUNBARTON

complete their Hazard Mitigation Plan updates; initiated development of Plans for the towns of Epsom, Bradford, and Webster; and began coordination to work with the towns of Boscawen and Warner for their Plan updates through funding from the NH Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (NH HSEM).

- Provided assistance to the Suncook River Community Planning Team through funding and local match provided by New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management (NH HSEM) and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NH DES). Staff also initiated work with the Suncook River Nomination Committee to seek designation of the river into the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program. More information on the project can be found at www.suncookriver.org.
- Undertook energy planning assistance to local communities through the New Hampshire Energy Technical Assistance and Planning Program (ETAP) using ARRA funding provided through the NH Office of Energy and Planning.
- Completed the preparation of the 2013-2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Information related to the TIP update process can be found at www.cnhrpc.org/transportation/transportation-improvement-program-tip.html.
- Conducted 265 traffic counts throughout the region, including 14 in the Town of Dunbarton. Based on individual requests, these counts can consist of volume, speed, vehicle classification and direction. Historical traffic counts by town are available at www.cnhrpc.org/gis-a-data/traffic-count-data.html.
- Coordinated the activities of the CNHRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).
- Built upon the success of the 2010 Coordinated Transit and Human Services Transportation Plan, CNHRPC coordinated the development of an expanded volunteer driver program in the region. The volunteer driver program provides rides at no cost to seniors and disabled residents of the Central NH Region. For more information see: http://midstatercc.org/volunteer-driver-program.
- Provided assistance to 11 communities with Safe Routes to School (SRTS) projects including grant writing, comprehensive travel plan preparation, and technical assistance for infrastructure projects.
- Compiled information regarding the availability of broadband internet services throughout the region through funding provided by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA). Planning for future broadband services, including the organization of a regional broadband stakeholders group, was initiated in 2011.
- Continued to acquire, update, and utilize Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data for planning, cartography, and analysis across all projects.
- Completed assistance to the Contoocook and North Branch Rivers Local Advisory Committee (CNBRLAC) in the development of the Contoocook and North Branch Rivers Management Plan.
- Provided continuing technical assistance to the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC), specifically working to implement additional objectives of the Upper Merrimack Management and Implementation Plan pertaining to buffer protection.
- Continued to host and provide staff support to "PATH" Program for Alternative Transportation and Health which encourages and provides incentives for people to rideshare, bicycle, walk, or take transit to work. More information on PATH can be found at <u>www.path-nh.org</u>.

For additional information, please contact the CNHRPC staff or visit us at www.cnhrpc.org. CNHRPC Commission meetings are open to the public and interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

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## TAX RATE TRENDS AND COMPARISONS

The full value tax rates included in the table below are derived by the NH Department of Revenue Administration (NH DRA). The NH DRA develops the full value tax rate as a way to compare tax rates among New Hampshire communities. To determine the full value tax rate, the NH DRA compares each municipality's tax rate with its net valuation.

## TABLE 14Dunbarton Tax Rates and Trends, 2006-2011

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	2006	2007	2008	2009*	2010	2011
Tax Rate	\$16.46	\$14.56	\$15.48	\$16.54	\$20.50	\$21.44
Full Value Tax Rate	\$15.35	\$13.52	\$15.87	18.37	21.21	n/a*
Equalization Ratio	91.7	91.20%	104.00%	107.90%	101.00%	105.00%

Sources: NH DRA Website, NH Equalization Surveys \*FY-11 Full Value Tax Rate has not yet been determined

From **Table 14**, This year's tax rate was set at \$21.44. The breakdown of the rate change is as follows: School increased .92 per 1,000, Town increased .08 per \$1,000, State decreased .02 per \$1,000 and County decreased .04 per \$1,000. The Equalization Ratio was increased to 105% as a result of property sales.

In **Table 15**, Dunbarton's full value tax rate in 2010 of \$20.50 compares favorably with the tax rates of surrounding communities with the area average of \$21.58 per \$1,000 of valuation. Hopkinton has the highest full value tax rate (\$26.72), while New Boston has the lowest (\$17.25). Please note, population figures are from 2009 which is the latest information available at the NH Office of Energy & Planning.

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Abutting Community 2010	Tax Rate Comparison					

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Municipality	2000 US Census Population	2009 OEP Population Estimates	Municipal	County	Local School	State School	Total Tax	Equal. Ratio	Full Value Tax Rate
Dunbarton	2,226	2,605	3.62	2.67	11.74	2.47	\$20.50	107.9%	\$21.21
Bow	7,138	7,780	5.27	2.70	14.21	2.48	\$24.66	100.0%	\$22.98
Goffstown	16,929	17,817	8.95	1.09	10.57	2.30	\$22.91	103.7%	\$23.66
Hooksett	11,721	13,554	6.05	2.66	10.62	2.35	\$21.68	104.3%	\$22.34
Hopkinton	5,399	5,606	5.05	2.72	16.27	2.68	\$26.72	95.3%	\$25.47
New Boston	4,138	5,203	4.19	0.92	10.18	1.96	\$17.25	119.1%	\$20.58
Weare	7,776	9,052	2.76	0.93	11.64	2.00	\$17.33	119.9%	\$20.75

Source: NH DRA 2010 Tax Rate Comparison; NH DRA 2010 Comparison of Full Value Tax Rates; NH OEP 2009 Population Statistics

# NOTICE

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

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

- During your ownership, without your consent; or
- Prior to your ownership, if no previous owner consented to the merger. To restore your property to pre-merger status, you must:
  - Make a request to the local governing body
  - No later than December 31, 2016.

Once restored:

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

This notice must be:

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

Read the full statute at RSA 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots.

## **DUNBARTON ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT – 2011**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is scheduled to meet on the second Monday of each month and met as business required during 2011. The following cases were heard:

#### SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS:

NONE

#### **MODIFICATION TO A PREVIOUSLY GRANTED VARIANCE:**

<u>US CELLULAR ON BEHALF OF RICHARD AND NICOLETTE HECKER</u>, OWNERS OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON 12 POWELL LANE IN DUNBARTON, NH IN THE LOW DENSITY DISTRICT (C3-05-07) REQUEST A MODIFICATION TO A VARIANCE GRANTED 7/11/2005, CONDITION 10, TO ARTICLE 4, SECTION B. TO ALLOW THE APPLICANT TO ERECT A TOWER THAT WILL LOOK LIKE A NATURAL TREE. <u>THE MODIFICATION WOULD BE TO ALLOW THE APPLICANT TO REMOVE THE TREE</u> <u>BRANCHES AND PAINT THE TOWER GRAY TO BECOME A MONOPOLE.</u>

This was a continued meeting from August 8, 2011.

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously that the Dunbarton Zoning Board of Adjustment DENY the request from U. S. Cellular on behalf of Richard and Nicolette Hecker, Owners of Property, (C3-05-07) regarding their request for a modification to the original Variance to allow the applicant to remove the branches from the existing cell tower and create a monopole. <u>It was stated that the Zoning Board of Adjustment would not have originally granted the Variance without the Stealth Technology.</u>

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL:**

CLARA SHELTON, TRUSTEE OF 2000 REVOCABLE TRUST, (K1-05-05) OWNER OF PROPERTY ON 3 STEPHANIE DRIVE, GORHAM POND IN THE LOW DENSITY DISTRICT IN DUNBARTON, NH REQUESTS AN ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL TO (1) CONTESTING NEW CONSTRUCTION OF SEPTIC SYSTEM LOCATION ON JON AND HOLLY RILEY PROPERTY (K1-05-06) LOCATED ON STEPHANIE DRIVE AND (2) CLARA SHELTON (AND HUSBAND TOM) SOLD PROPERTY TO RILEYS AS "UNBUILDABLE", AND THE PURCHASE PRICE REFLECTS SAME.

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously that the Dunbarton Zoning Board of Adjustment table the appeal from Clara Shelton since the Town has issued a revocation order and instructed the Riley's to remove the improvements which have been constructed pursuant to the building permit dated September 7, 2011.

The Chairman noted that any further / future appeals should be filed by the appropriate applicant and the burden of proof is on the applicant to prove to the Board that the Building Department made an error. The applicant should present any and all evidence to support their claim. The Board is unlikely to make a decision based purely on hearsay.

JON AND HOLLY RILEY (K1-05-06) REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL TO THE TOWN OF DUNBARTON BUILDING DEPARTMENT'S REVOCATION ORDER TO STOP BUILDING ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE CORNER OF GORHAM DRIVE AND STEPHANIE ROAD IN THE LOW DENSITY DISTRICT IN DUNBARTON, NH

The applicants withdrew their application prior to the scheduled Public Hearing.

This case is still in litigation with no final decision made to date.

#### VARIANCE:

<u>MATTHEW, GUY AND FRANCES ROUTHIER (C6-01-01)</u> REQUEST A VARIANCE TO ARTICLE 4, SECTION D. (NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURES) TO ALLOW THEM TO DEMO AND EXPAND A NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE WITHIN THE 50 FOOT FRONT YARD SETBACK AT THEIR PROPERTY LOCATED ON 1209 MONTALONA ROAD IN THE LOW DENSITY DISTRICT IN DUNBARTON, NH.

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A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously that the Dunbarton Zoning Board of Adjustment GRANT the request for a Variance from Matthew, Guy and Frances Routhier (C6-01-01) for a Variance to Article 4, Section D. (Non-conforming structures) to allow them to demo and expand a non-conforming structure within the 50 foot front yard setback at their property located on 1209 Montalona Road in the Low Density District in Dunbarton, NH based on the plans and information provided to the Zoning Board at the Public Hearing.

#### PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS FOR TOWN MEETING 2012:

Due to the economic conditions, there was very little activity for the Zoning Board of Adjustment during 2011. Because of this, the Planning Board/Zoning Board agreed this would be a good time to update the existing Zoning Ordinance. Many meetings were held jointly with the Planning Board with various members of the Zoning Board in attendance. Matt Monahan, Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission, was instrumental in working with the Boards in proposing changes. His time was funded through CTAP monies at no cost to the Town. Proposed revisions were made to the Zoning Ordinance, most of which were "housekeeping". These revisions will be voted as a Ballot item on Town Meeting Day.

#### **INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS:**

Several informal discussions were held with various applicants throughout the year.

In considering an appeal, the Board must act on the evidence before it and make its decision. In making its decision, the Board often stipulates certain restrictions, which the appellant must adhere to.

In any case involving a conflict of interest with a Board member, the Alternate member sits with the Board of Adjustment. The member with the conflict of interest is excluded from all deliberations and the vote on the decision. The Board of Adjustment must act within the limits set by the Dunbarton Zoning Ordinance and enforcement of its decisions rests with the Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

John Trottier, Chairman David Nault, Vice Chairman Alison R. Vallieres, Secretary Dan DalPra Wayne Bracey Michael Kaminski, Alternate



BR: Wayne Bracey, Dan DalPra, Michael Kaminski FR: Alison Vallieres, John Trottier, David Nault

## **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS 2011**

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I would like to thank Bryan Clark and Mary LaValley for their many hours of hard work and their dedication to the Board of Assessors.

This past year we worked on the valuation assessment of the Dunbarton Telephone Company, specifically, the poles, conduits and interests in real estate or public rights of way. Currently the Company is still exempt from taxation on its wires and switching gear.

We had one resident look into a barn easement and at this time is not pursuing it.

We also have a case at the Bureau of Tax and Land Appeals with some elements concerning when a building should be condemned. There is also a challenge on a non-buildable lot agreement and a warrant article for \$10,000 to be put into an already established Capital Reserve Fund.

Our new revaluation will be in 2015.

I'd also like to thank our support staff and our Selectmen for their help and cooperation this year. They are Janice Van deBogart, recording secretary, Line Comeau, Town Administrator, Alison Vallieres, Barbara McCann, Joe Lessard and Scott Marsh of Municipal Resources and our utility appraiser, Mr. George Sansoucy.

We appreciate and realize that it takes a lot of people to keep the Board running at its current level of professionalism.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Terragni, Chairman

Bryan Clark

Mary LaValley



Bryan Clark, Tim Terragni, Chairman, Mary LaValley

## **2011 REPORT OF THE DUNBARTON ETHICS COMMITTEE**

We are pleased to report that the Ethics Committee had another quiet year in 2011 with no formal ethics complaints being received. As a result, the committee continued to focus on educating town employees, town officials and committee members.

The committee prepared a PowerPoint presentation which uses hypothetical fact situations to illustrate how the code of ethics does and does not apply to potential situations. The committee offered a training class using the new PowerPoint presentation which was well attended with spirited discussion. Those in attendance agreed that an understanding of the Ethics Code was indeed valuable in-so-much as understanding and thus heading off ethics complaints before they arise was preferable to attempting to solve problems after the fact.

The Ethics Code was amended for the first time in 2011so that language mirrors that of New Hampshire's revised anti-discrimination law. This amendment was brought before the people of Dunbarton at the 2011 Town Meeting and passed unanimously.

The Ethics Committee is losing two members this year. Founding member Nick Holmes is stepping down after a decade of service. We would like to thank Nick for his leadership, counsel, and dedication to this committee over the years.

Patrick Payette is also stepping down at the end of his term as a result of numerous outside commitments that make continuing to serve impossible. We thank Patrick for his many contributions to the Ethics Committee.

The Ethics Committee meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Town Offices at 7:30PM. The meetings are open to the public and all interested persons are welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas Holmes Katharine Daly Tom Hathcoat Patrick Payette Dave Allen

Town of Dunbarton Ethics Committee

## SUMMARY OF SERVICES 2011 PROVIDED TO DUNBARTON RESIDENTS

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#### COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM BELKNAP-MERRIMACK COUNTIES, INC.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNITS OF SERVICE	HOUSEHOLD	S/PERSONS	VALUE
COMMODITY SUPPLEME PROGRAM is a nutrition prog participants free nutritious food daily diet. The program serves years of age, women during pre months after the birth of their b may not be enrolled in both the CSFP but a family may have m programs.)	gram that offers Is to supplement their children under six egnancy and up to 12 aby. *(An individual WIC Program and	STATS NOT AVAIL	ABLE	
<b>EMERGENCY FOOD PANT</b> Five days of food for people factorisis. Value \$5.00 per meal.		MEALS140	PERSONS14	\$700.00
FUEL ASSISTANCE is availa eligible households to help with the prime heating season. Prior elderly and disabled. The avera 2010-11 program was \$759.00.	n energy costs during rity is given to the age benefit for the	APPLICATION-37	PERSONS96	\$ 30,850.00
ELECTRIC ASSISTANCE p program funded by all electric r provides a specific tier of disco on electric bills for income elig	rate payers which unt from 7% to 70%	ENROLLED HH30		\$22,353.25
<b>CONGREGATE MEALS-</b> Al welcome to our congregate mer Senior Centers for nutritious ho social/recreational activities and Value \$6.89 per meal.	al sites/ ot meals,	MEALS3	PERSONS2	\$20.67
<b>MEALS-ON-WHEELS</b> provident nutritionally balanced hot meal elderly or adult residents five de Value \$7.02 per meal.	s to homebound	MEALS895	PERSONS4	\$ 6,282.90
WOMEN, INFANTS AND Cl specific food to supplement dai nursing women as well as child Participants receive medical/nu counseling and education. Valu vouchers and clinical services.	ly diet of pregnant or ren under five. tritional screening,	STATS NOT AVAIL		
			GRAND TOTAL	\$ 60,206.82

**INFORMATION AND REFERRAL--**CAP provides utility, landlord/tenant, legal and health counseling as well as referrals for housing, transportation and other life concerns. These support/advocacy services are not tracked.

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## **CEMETERY TRUSTEE REPORT FOR 2011**

The trustees are pleased to tell the citizens of Dunbarton about the following improvements to the town's cemeteries in 2011.

Starting with the East Cemetery.

New posts and two rail fencing with a gate were installed along the Robert Rogers Road boundary. Tree trimming by GTI Arborists was started with completion in 2012.

In the Center Cemetery.

Tree trimming was also performed here along with meeting with the Road Agent to see about extending the cemeteries roads. We also spoke with GTI Arborists about placing cables in the sugar maple to help stabilize it and hopefully extend its health and life. The tree is estimated to be over 200 years old.

At Page's Corner Cemetery.

Additional fence posts were installed to continue marking out the boundaries of the newer section of the cemetery. Tree trimming is scheduled for next year along with installing two gates. We also spoke with the Road Agent about the cost of installing roads.

The trustees also awarded two, two year contracts for lawn and brush maintenance.

There were six persons interned. Two at Page's and four at the Center Cemetery.

The trustees urge that those who have loved ones here, please be mindful of maintaining the flowers and /or shrubs to within the boundaries of their plot. Please see the Cemetery Regulations posted at the Town's website <u>www.dunbartonnh.org</u> for further guidance. Please let the trustees know if you have any questions about maintenance of the plot(s).

Thank you for letting us serve you in this capacity.

Doug Domin, Chair Richard Schaeffer Brian Pike



### **DUNBARTON ENERGY COMMITTEE – 2011**

Your Energy Committee has had a busy and productive year.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Grant projects (from which we received funding in 2011 have been completed:

- The Town Office lighting retrofit resulted in a decrease of more than 25% in the overall electric bill, 50% of lighting electricity use, and significantly improved lighting quality.
- The hot water solar panels at the school began operation in March, 2011 and have been reducing the school's use of oil and propane. The system's operation screen is available to students and faculty on the school's Local Area Network.
- Investment-grade energy audits of the School, Safety Complex and Town Hall / Library are complete, and several financially viable remediation actions noted in the reports are in the planning stage.
- PSNH lighting audits were completed on the Safety Complex, Town Hall / Library and School.

The first projects are likely to be retrofits of lighting:

- 1. **Safety Complex**. Replace the existing lighting fixtures, which are inefficient, beginning to burn out and in need of replacement. Lighting electric savings are projected at 55%.
- 2. Library area of the Town Hall. Replace the existing failing metal halide fixtures, which have cost several hundred dollars in maintenance this year. Update from T12 to high efficiency T8 fluorescent bulbs. Lighting electric savings are projected at 20%.
- 3. School Gym / Community Center. Replacement of the existing metal halide lamps with high efficiency T5 fluorescent fixtures. Anticipated savings are in excess of 50%. Again, as above, the project replaces existing fixtures which have begun to fail due to age.

The lighting audit payback estimates for these projects is 2 to 4 years. We are making use of utility rebates to help fund the retrofits. (Similar rebates are available to homeowners)

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Prompted by a NH Municipal Energy Assistance Program Decision-Grade Energy Audit of the Town Office, we are proceeding with insulating the building. In addition to energy savings, this addresses long-standing employee-comfort and air-quality issues arising from mold in the crawl space infiltrating into the office areas. Volunteers have cleaned rubble out of the crawl space, and have sealed infiltration around windows, doors and penetrations into the attic. They will also add vapor barrier and insulation under the floors. A possible additional effort is to insulate / replace the heating duct system, to better provide heat to the Building Inspector / Meeting room section. This area has been chronically cold for many years.

These efforts lower town expenses, and therefore residents' taxes. The same types of savings are available to homeowners. With the rising costs of energy, we remind residents that returns from investing in energy use reduction and renewable energy now far exceed any returns you could get from conventional investments such as CDs, mutual funds and stocks. A significant increase in your home comfort is a significant added benefit.

You may not be able to control the cost of energy, but you can reduce how much you use, without being cold in the winter, hot in the summer or sitting in the dark. The power is yours. Please go to our website for more ideas, and don't hesitate to contact us at **energy@dunbartonenergy.org** with questions, comments and suggestions. We're here, thanks to the vote of the Town Meeting, to help you and to continually work to improve Dunbarton's energy efficiency.

The Committee is also investigating cooperative initiatives with surrounding towns to bring improved energy resources and assistance to Dunbarton residents.

You are welcome to come to our meetings, the 3rd Monday of each month, 7 p.m. at the Town Offices, or talk to us directly at <u>energy@dunbartonenergy.org</u> or on Facebook: Dunbarton Energy Committee (Energy/Utility)

### DUNBARTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 2011

### Emergency – 911 Dispatch – (603) 224-1232 Business – (603) 774-5500

#### **Introduction**

It is my privilege to be writing what should be the first of many annual reports of the activities of the Police Department of the Town of Dunbarton.

2011 was certainly a year of activity and change for the Department. Officer Gary Guevin and Chief Christopher Connelly left the agency at the end of November and I was selected as the chief's replacement. It was also a time of great joy as Master Patrol Officer Jacqueline Pelletier gave birth to her daughter Makayla. She was out on maternity leave through years end. Officer Christopher Remillard and the staff of part time officers stepped up to fill these voids and maximize police coverage for the Town.

#### The Agency

The Dunbarton Police Department has an authorized staff of three full time and five part time officers, a part time office administrator, and a cadre of auxiliary officers.

The sworn officers must meet and maintain the training standards of the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council. They must be "general practitioners" of police services as specialty positions seen larger agencies, like detectives and crime scene technicians, do not exist here because of the size of the agency. Instead, each officer must possess those skills necessary to perform his or her own crime scene forensic work and conduct their own investigations.

Many larger agencies don't offer some of the programs offered by the Dunbarton Police. The Department has made these programs possible through the commitment of the employees and by partnering with other agencies. Given the restraints of budget and manning, this is no small task. The programs such as D.A.R.E, Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.), the Citizens Police Academy, the Cadet Academy, and the car seat inspection program simply would not exist here if it were not for the personal dedication of each employee involved.

The Department's office manager supports the day to day operation of the department with a high level of expertise and efficiency, allowing the sworn staff to concentrate on their police duties and providing prompt assistance to those calling or walking in to the station seeking information or services.

The volunteers who make up the police auxiliary perform a great service to the Police Department and the community. They work behind the scenes supporting the Department personnel and equipment, freeing up time for the sworn staff to concentrate on police activities. Their dedication has gone a long way in keeping the cost of providing police services in Dunbarton to a minimum.

### People

Officer Gary Guevin left the agency at the end of November for full time employment in the private sector after serving the Town for five years. Officer Guevin approached his work with enthusiasm and dedication and the loss of this experienced officer will certainly be felt by Dunbarton and personally by the police department staff. We wish him well in his new career.

Chief Christopher Connelly retired after almost 25 years of full time law enforcement service to the State of New Hampshire. He joined the Dunbarton Police in 2003 and was named as the agency's second full time police chief in 2007. He served the Town well in establishing and maintaining professional standards and

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practices that make the Dunbarton Police Department competent and respected in the law enforcement community. He continues to serve now as Chief Deputy for Hillsboro County and has been a great resource for the department and me personally during the transition of leadership.

#### Incidents of Note

Pages Store Burglary and Robbery:

Two different persons were convicted, one for the robbery, and one for the Burglary of Pages Store in 2010. These were lengthy and involved investigations and we are pleased that the responsible parties were convicted.

#### **Residential Burglaries:**

The Police Department investigated a high number of residential burglaries this past year. Investigations of this nature involve processing the crime scene, interviewing witnesses and neighbors, and working cooperatively with other law enforcement agencies. As a result of these investigations two persons were identified and arrested by the Dunbarton Police and charged with several crimes. They were also linked to burglaries in neighboring communities and charged by those departments as well.

#### Looking Forward

National Law Enforcement Accreditation:

CALEA (Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies) is an organization which awards accreditation to law enforcement agencies that meet nationally established standards and practices. What standards are to be met is determined by the commission, but the actual practices are left up to the individual agency. The agency must develop written policies and procedures, train their employees, and document that they follow those policies and procedures.

Many accredited agencies experience better accountability, a higher level of professionalism, reduced insurance costs, reductions in valid complaints against the department, increased effectiveness in operation, and a stronger defense against civil lawsuits.

The Dunbarton Police Department has the distinction of being the smallest CALEA "Recognized" police department in the nation! This was no small feat. The accreditation process was begun by Chief Jeffrey Nelson and continued by Chief Christopher Connelly. In 2012 the Dunbarton Police Department will renew our accreditation. The review process begins in February.

#### **Proactive Patrolling:**

During proactive patrols, police spend time seeking out suspicious activities, persons and criminals and establishing visibility on the streets and in the neighborhoods of the community. Proactive patrolling is a strategy used to combat burglaries and scrap metal thieves targeting vacant homes. Due to budgetary constraints, the department has had to cut back on some proactive patrolling in 2011. We hope to have the resources in 2012 to increase our patrols and protect the hard earned property of the people of Dunbarton.

#### **Community Partnership**

While the Police Department seeks out criminals before they victimize people and responds to investigate crimes which already have occurred, each person can take a part in making Dunbarton a community where criminals are at a heightened risk of detection and apprehension.

- If something is happening that does not look right, make note of people, vehicles, registration plates, dates, and times.
- If you think that the police need to know about it please call us. Many crimes are solved because of people noticing things and reporting them to the police.

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- Look out for your neighbors and their property.
- Register your alarm system with the Police Department and maintain it to minimize false and nuisance alarms. The Police Department is your partner in protecting your home from thieves.

### **Activity**

The following is a comparison of annual activity of Police Department:

**Reported Incidents** 

Activity	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
911 Call	33	24	30	23	27	27	24
Abandoned Vehicle	27	32	83	53	57	74	88
Administrative Duty	39	24	28	42	36	72	120
Animal Complaint	68	96	93	97	126	71	95
Armed Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Arrest	23	32	15	29	28	33	66
Assault	4	7	2	5	2	1	2
Assist Fire & Rescue	47	48	81	74	78	77	89
Auto Theft	3	1	2	0	4	1	0
<b>Building Check</b>	11	12	38	64	90	161	210
Burglar Alarm	88	69	83	71	84	84	94
Burglary	12	8	10	8	19	14	11
<b>Burglary in Progress</b>	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Citizen Assist	40	63	47	93	108	101	130
<b>Civil Matter &amp; Standby</b>	11	19	25	27	35	37	33
Community Policing	41	34	25	20	11	42	21
Court	24	27	27	25	24	58	52
<b>Crime Prevention</b>	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Criminal Threat	8	3	7	5	11	11	2
Criminal Trespass	1	3	10	11	13	8	0
DARE	8	14	14	21	1	16	16
MV Collision (3)	92	53	61	49	67	44	45
LE Assist	48	34	39	43	54	71	85
Agency Assist	-	7	5	9	4	4	13
Directed Patrol	80	248	228	229	274	299	423
Domestic Related	33	51	52	62	48	41	29
Drug Case	-	5	4	1	1	2	1
Fight	1	2	0	1	0	0	2
Fingerprint Service	11	11	6	10	6	17	7
Follow Up	32	56	75	71	161	169	219
Found Property	6	4	11	5	7	12	7
General Service	12	24	12	14	11	19	8
Harassment	14	15	7	4	5	13	13
Highway Call-Out	14	7	17	15	5	2	12
Illegal Dumping	13	12	8	8	8	5	7
Intoxicated Person	4	4	2	2	2	2	6
Investigation	32	56	13	4	20	14	26
Juvenile	6	12	11	8	33	18	28
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Lost Property	4	6	4	5	5	7	2
EDP (Mental health,	3	1	0	5	2	3	1
suicides/attempts, etc.)							
Message Service	8	2	10	6	14	6	9
Mischief/Vandalism	21	42	22	28	30	47	30
<b>Missing Juvenile</b>	-	1	9	2	6	4	5
Missing Person	-	4	2	3	1	3	4
<b>MV</b> Complaint	52	39	46	45	47	58	50
MV Stop	363	325	546	632	886	517	738
Motorist Assist	34	28	58	70	71	56	103
Neighborhood Dispute	1	5	4	6	5	8	12
Noise Complaint	1	5	10	15	17	7	11
<b>OHRV</b> Complaint	11	10	13	10	10	6	28
Open Door	2	3	3	1	9	4	7
Paperwork Service	73	102	230	105	139	168	147
Parking Complaint	4	5	3	3	6	7	11
Pistol Permit	46	41	45	48	83	75	59
<b>Police Information</b>	36	56	64	51	59	86	110
Sexual Assault	1	6	4	1	1	3	1
Shots Fired	10	22	12	10	16	8	9
Suspicious Person	15	12	10	9	17	22	30
Suspicious Vehicle	38	28	38	50	71	94	93
Theft	36	32	25	27	32	30	15
Traffic Problem	24	33	19	41	21	28	56
<b>Unattended Death</b>	3	1	2	1	2	1	0
Vacant Home Check	54	80	172	296	389	343	513
Vehicle Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	30	53
VIN Verification	24	26	28	29	41	44	38
Walk & Talk	26	48	151	278	216	198	197
Welfare Check	14	15	29	21	22	13	18
Annual Totals	1763	2050	2694	2948	3631	3493	4378

### Conclusion

December

Because I am new to the Police Department, this will be my only opportunity to write this report with a view from the outside. I report to you with great confidence that Chief Connelly has left as his legacy a very well run, well-staffed, and professional agency. It is obvious to me from the character and work ethics of the staff members that great care was taken in selecting officers from prospective candidates. The people of Dunbarton can take comfort in knowing that they are being well served by a caring and competent police department.

On a personal note, I would like to thank you all for the warm welcome extended to my wife Pam and me in our first few weeks here in Dunbarton. We feel very much at home here and look forward to being a part of this community.

Sincerely,

Daniel G. Sklut Chief of Police ANNUAL REPORT



Leonard LaMarca, Bethia LaMarca, Mike Gorman, Christopher Remillard, Daniel Sklut, Police Chief, Jacqueline Pelletier, Joseph Milioto, George Patterson, Linda Marcou, Secretary, Eric Blow

### **SUMMARY OF DARE ACCOUNT** Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

### TOWN OF DUNBARTON DARE PROGRAM

Cash on Deposit December 31, 2010	\$83.95
Receipts 1/1/11 to 12/31/11	\$0.00
Interest on Investments	\$0.00
Total	\$83.95
Disbursements 1/1/11 to 12/31/11	\$0.00
Cash on Hand December 31, 2011	\$83.95

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Milioto Town Treasurer

### THE DUNBARTON RECREATION COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT 2011

The Dunbarton Recreation Commission has provided a variety of activities for all ages throughout the 2011 year. The Commission hopes to continue these activities, and is open to suggestions from community members.

The youth basketball program continues to thrive in our little town. We have around 100 participants in the league. This year, the program is coordinated by William Johnson. The program pays for "patched" referees, but otherwise, the program is run by volunteer coaches and assistants, which contributes to the success of the season. The program also includes an instructional clinic for first and second grades that runs for 6 Saturdays.

The youth softball program is coordinated by Mrs. Heidi Wright, in connection with the Friends Of Goffstown Softball Program. This program is mostly run out of Goffstown, but the league uses our Dunbarton field for practices and games.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt was held on a slushy Saturday morning at the Community Center, following the Easter Bunny Breakfast. Although the weather was not as nice as we would have hoped, families still came out for this traditional event.

One concert was held on the Common during the summer. It was well attended, and we look forward to trying to get at least one more concert scheduled in the summer months.

Old Home Day was held in September. It was a lovely day, filled with many activities, vendors, and entertainment. As always, the day was capped off with fireworks put on by J.R. Swindlehurst.

Our annual Bus Trip to Boston was an enormous success this year. The bus was completely full! We believe that was due to better advertising, and good weather.

The year ended with our traditional Tree Lighting Ceremony. Dan Van Kalken played the keyboard as children sang carols, and welcomed Santa onto the gazebo.

Two new purchases made by the Recreation Commission this year were two new sets of bleachers for the softball field, and the new signboard on Rt. 13 that enables town people to advertise town events.

Respectfully Submitted, Lara Routhier, President Lynn Marcou, Vice President Heidi Wright, Secretary Mark Wamser, Treasurer Karen Harris Carrie Letellier William Johnson

### SUMMARY OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

TOWN OF DUNBARTON

TOWN OF DUNBAR	ION		
Cash on Deposit December 31, 2010		\$	13,351.17
Interest Earned		\$	4.01
Old Home Day		\$	-
	Donations	\$	1,050.00
	Expenses	\$	-
	Fundraising	\$	-
Recreation Commissio	n		
Basketball	Concessions	¢	
	Concessions	\$	-
	Expenses	\$	(1,914.88)
	Fundraising	\$	-
	Registration	\$	2,805.00
Recreation (	Commission		
	Tent Bag	\$	(115.39)
	Sign on Common	\$	(4,295.00)
	Bleachers	\$	(1,001.00)
	Donations	\$	-
	Fireworks	\$	(2,500.00)
Cash on Deposit Dece	mber 31, 2011	\$	7,383.91

### SUMMARY OF TOWN COMMON PROJECT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

Cash on Deposit December 31, 2010	\$9,629.46
Receipts 1/01/11 to 12/31/11	\$0.00
Disbursements 1/01/11 to 12/31/11	(\$741.57)
Interest on Investments	\$6.53
Cash on Hand December 31, 2011	\$8,894.42
Respectfully submitted,	
Pamela Milioto	
Town Treasurer	

TOWN OF DUNBARTON



Pen and Ink drawing by Mary West

### **DUNBARTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL REPORT 2011**

The Dunbarton Historical Society owns and maintains the 1855 Pages Corner School and the 1820 Waite Blacksmith Shop located at 276 Stark Highway North. In addition, we maintain the Stark Cemetery on Mansion Road, the Cemetery's original site at Stark Pond, and the Robert Rogers homesite on Robert Rogers Road.

The Dunbarton Historical Society has embarked on our largest project since the Blacksmith Shop - the construction of a "1860's style Carriage House". The Carriage House is to be built as a timber framed building with mortise and tenon joinery. The Society will truly need a community-wide town effort for this endeavor. Already in 2011, the Historical Society property has been excavated (Thanks Jeff Crosby), and approximately 500 cubic yards of fill donated and prepared for hauling (Thanks Les Hammond). The foundation stones were donated and moved to our site (Thanks Jim Stone). All necessary trees have been cut and sawn to size by Town Forest Committee members. (How do you say thanks to that!)

Volunteers will be needed to cut necessary mortises and tenons. In the fall, an old fashioned barn raising weekend will be held.

Also, the Society has taken on a preservation project to stabilize and catalog our papers, photos and textiles. Thanks to Donna Dunn, Laraine Allen, Nancy Frost, Marion Crosby and Laura Tucker. This is a painstaking and time consuming endeavor. A very special thank you to these ladies.

On Saturday, April 21, 2012, the Historical Society will be partnering with the Town Hall and Theatre Restoration Committee and the Dunbarton Congregational Church for the very first "Dunbarton Extravaganza".

A community wide event, it will feature a Live Auction, Gala Dinner, and Spring Concert. All residents are encouraged to participate. For more information and tickets, contact any of the above organizations.

Lastly, site work has been completed for our newest addition, the circa 1860 T. Sylvester Wilson Cobbler Shop. A new stone wall has been erected to denote the new lot line and site cleared of trees. The stone foundation was donated by Jim Stone and stored and fitted to size by Leo Martel. The stones have been moved and will be ready to accept the Cobbler Shop this spring. A big thanks also to Dan VanKalken for storing the Cobbler Shop and letting volunteers work to restore it.

We welcome new membership and encourage everyone to attend our many free programs and events this coming year as well as our greatly anticipated Annual Ham & Bean Supper on Old Home Day along with the "Dunbarton Extravaganza" in April.

As a non-profit organization, the Dunbarton Historical Society is truly indebted to its members and volunteers in letting us serve the community of Dunbarton.

The Dunbarton Historical Society

### DUNBARTON HISTORICAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE YEAR 2011



Betty Ann Noyes 1931-2011 Photographer unknown. From *Where the Winds Blow Free*, by Alice M. Hadley

On August 30, Betty Ann Noyes passed away, at the age of 80. She was predeceased by her husband, Harlan A. (Bud) Noyes. A registered nurse, and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Betty Ann was an active participant in town activities. She served as Secretary of the Bicentennial Committee in 1965, and was a member of the School Board for thirty-seven years. In the 1970s, she assisted the Dunbarton History Committee, on which Bud served. The History Committee edited Alice M. Hadley's extensive writings and research, to create *Where the Winds Blow Free*, a book about the history of Dunbarton. A few years afterward, the town authorized the formation of the Dunbarton Historical Awareness Committee, of which Betty Ann was a longtime Chair and Secretary. Betty Ann, along with members of the Historical Awareness Committee, assisted Bud Noyes in the production of his book *Where Settlers' Feet Have Trod, A Pictorial History of Dunbarton's Old Homes and Structures*, which was published by the town in 2004.

In recent months, Donna Dunn collaborated with Betty Ann at the Noyes home, where the contents of the Noyes Collection were brought out from Bud's study. The collection, donated to the town by Bud, is comprised of copies of historical documents pertaining to Dunbarton.

Educating schoolchildren is one of the founding charges of the Dunbarton Historical Awareness Committee. Members collaborated with the Dunbarton Elementary School, where Leanne McCormack, third grade teacher, developed lesson plans. Kindergarteners are encouraged to participate in local celebrations, which include history. The first graders learn about the life of Molly Stark. Second graders study about community helpers of the past and present. The third grade children, along with their teachers, and thanks to former DES principal Bill Zeller, learn about and sketch houses in the town center. This is in preparation for their making replicas in gingerbread, during the holiday season. Fourth graders research famous Dunbarton people, and make oral presentations. The fifth grade students learn about the Stark family, including Scipio Page, a slave. Sixth grade students, who study world history, take a literary perspective by reading copies of newspapers, such as the *Snowflake* and *Anelecta*. Donna Dunn made copies of these for the kids, to learn about days gone by. Laraine Allen donated two copies of the book *Molly Stark*, *A Woman of Great Patriotism and Courage*, written by Jane Elizabeth Stark, to the Dunbarton Elementary School, as well as games and study guides on colonial life.

The fourth Monday of April is General John Stark Day in New Hampshire. This year's festivities honoring the Revolutionary War hero and author of the state motto "Live Free or Die" began in Manchester at Stark Park. Following this was a ceremony on the common in Dunbarton center, where there is a statue of Major Caleb Stark, John Stark's eldest son, which was given by Herb and Laraine Allen. Several townspeople gathered in the light drizzle to observe the colorfully garbed historical re-enactors, two of whom fired muskets.

#### December 31, 2011

#### TOWN OF DUNBARTON

In May, the Allens hosted tours of the Molly Stark House. Once lived in by Laraine's ancestor Molly Stark, the home today offers a wealth of history, as researched and collected by the Allens. Home-schooled children toured the home, and a week later fifth graders visited from Dunbarton Elementary School, along with their teachers. Laraine spoke about and showed the students various interesting items and Stark-related memorabilia, and Herb brought students to see the re-created fort, or blockhouse. The tours are a great resource, and bring to life the on-going program to educate local students about Dunbarton history. Thank you, Laraine and Herb!

In a recent collaboration, Donna and Laraine were given access by the Dunbarton Historical Society to assess materials in the society's museum, where they reviewed the contents, including textiles and paper documents, and removed items for stabilization and preservation.

Ted Vallieres, Les Hammond, and Jeff Crosby took a road trip to Natick, Massachusetts, to pick up the generous donation of a step stone, which had originally been used at the cobbler shop of Henry Wilson, Vice President of the United States under Ulysses S. Grant. The granite step will grace Dunbarton's cobbler shop. Restoration of the Sylvester Wilson Cobbler Shop (no relation to Henry Wilson) continues, and Larry Comeau installed a new cedar shingle roof, with new soffits and ridge board. The exterior has been patched and primed. Inside, original lath was able to be re-installed after the wall studs were reinforced. Windows and trim are ready to be re-installed. The future site of the cobbler shop, on the grounds of the Dunbarton Historical Society Museum, has been cleared, filled and leveled, and is ready to accept foundation stones. Further restoration of the shop must wait until it is moved and placed on its permanent foundation at the site. Thanks to everyone involved in this joint project of the Dunbarton Historical Society and the Dunbarton Historical Awareness Committee.

Donna Dunn commissioned a sign for the bandstand on Dunbarton common, both to date the 2008 structure and to commemorate the original bandstand, which stood from 1882 to 1913. The sign, made of weather-resistant composite material, is of a similar style to the existing wooden historic house signs affixed to many Dunbarton buildings. Several of these signs are showing signs of wear and weather. In preparation for the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the town in 2015, the DHAC will announce at later date further information about historic house signs.

As plans percolate for the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dunbarton, thanks to the Dunbarton Garden Club, of which Donna and Laraine are members, for the multitude of daffodils they have planted. The John Stark Scenic Byway, which weaves through Dunbarton, Weare, New Boston and Goffstown, is beautifully abloom each spring. The Garden Club's program of naming bulbs in honor of fascinating and famous residents from Dunbarton's past only enhances their allure.

Dunbarton Historical Awareness Committee Member and Chair of Library Trustees Tiffany Dodd serves also as Chair of the Dunbarton Town Hall and Theatre Restoration Committee. Also serving on that committee is Ted Vallieres, who, joined by his wife Alison, discussed with the DHAC plans for their upcoming fundraising activities in April, which will include an auction, a supper, and a concert by Dan Van Kalken at the Congregational Church.

The committee would like to recognize and thank the residents of Dunbarton, as well as from other towns, who frequently attend DHAC meetings. Their input is valued, and appreciated. For those interested in attending a meeting, they are usually held the fourth Monday of each month, at 6:30 p.m., at the Dunbarton Town Offices. Please email Rebecca Rolke with any questions you may have: rgrayrolke@gsinet.net

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Rolke, Chair and Secretary Bill Rolke, Treasurer Les Hammond, Selectmen's Representative Laraine Allen Tiffany Dodd Donna Dunn Ken Swayze

### SUMMARY OF COBBLER SHOP RESTORATION FUND

### Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

Cash on Deposit December 31, 2010	\$4,123.24
Receipts 1/1/11 to 12/31/11 Interest on Investments	\$594.95 \$2.45
Total	\$4,720.64
Disbursements 1/1/11 to 12/31/11	(\$2,003.14)
Cash on Hand December 31, 2011	\$2,717.50

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Milioto Town Treasurer

### **DUNBARTON PUBLIC LIBRARY OVERVIEW**

With our eyes on the economy, the library staff has once again provided a responsive collection, timely assistance and stimulating programs to the Dunbarton community.

The town's financial contribution remained the same as that of 2009 and 2010, and we were able to supplement our income in several ways. We raised over \$1,200 from fundraisers, most notably, sales of our 2011 *Now and Then* Town Calendar, our Old Home Day chrysanthemum sale and a \$230 Humanities Council grant for a Steve Blunt historical program. We are also very grateful to the Lion's Club for their donation of \$150.00, and to Becky and Jason Dubrow for funding a spectacular astronomy night.

The library staff remains dedicated to providing quality service with existing, new and borrowed resources. We are pleased to announce that more than 970 patrons borrowed more than 10,700 items in 2011. Our downloadable Overdrive service continued to thrive, and after the holidays many folks came in to get help operating their new Kindles and other gadgets. We loaned out 356 items and borrowed 463 items from other libraries to augment our collection. In addition to storytimes, 1,662 adults, young people and children attended 82 programs, a remarkable 32% increase over 2010's attendance!

We enjoyed sponsoring a wide variety of programs. We offered book discussions for children and adults, including a visit from Beth Krommes, the 2010 Caldecott Award winning New Hampshire illustrator! Ernest Hebert, a remarkable New England author, joined us to discuss his award winning book <u>The Old American</u>. We also held a town-wide read of Thoreau's <u>Walden</u> and on a balmy and still evening we held a poignant September 11 memorial. Our international pot luck supper was great fun, and we all enjoyed sampling all sorts of foods and listening to ethnic music. And we can't forget our town-wide science fair. These are just a few of our 2011 offerings.

We are so very grateful for the generous assistance given by our many volunteers. Nancy and Mark Lang generously contributed financial support for the Odds Bodkin concert in the summer. Artists Anja Stadelmann, Kris and Mike Hanson, Don and Enid Larsen, Bob Ray, Margaret Venator and our Dunbarton ABC book illustrators provided decoration, memorable images and education. Inspirational words were spoken and written by Joyce Ray, Pastors Cindy Bagley and Janet Lombardo. Sophie Trottier and Martha Gerstenberger provided a beautiful cello accompaniment on 9/11. Our list of other valuable volunteers includes Betsy Rain, Mary Girard, Becky Barlow, Deb Cooper, Tiffany McInturff, Colleen Madden, John Stevens, Fred and Lee Mullen, Kathy and Ben Veilleux, Tom and Linda Groleau, Donna Dunn, Cindy Crompton and the many other folks who donated books, movies, audiobooks and time. Thanks, also to the children who provided artwork for our new bookmarks. Our library has certainly been enriched by all of our contributors.

Finally, folks are so busy these days that the library has "published" two helpful calendars. On our website (dunbartonlibrary.org) you can access our online town calendar which is chock full with upcoming town, school and library events. Our 2012 "Then and Now" Calendar celebrates recent Dunbarton moments as well as bygone days in town. Perhaps you remember the hurricane of '38, or maybe your grandparents remember the Old Home Day parade of 1915. As the French saying goes, "The more things change, the more things stay the same".

Drop in any time and visit the library. There's something for everyone!

Submitted by Andrea Douglas and the Library Board of Trustees.

DUNBARTON	PUBLIC	LIBRARY	2011	
Registered Patrons	2010 (956)	2011 (971)		
Total holdings 1/1/2011			14,114	
Acquisitions	Gifts (books)	114		
	Gifts(audiovisual)	36		
	Purchases (books)	461		
	Purchases(audiovisual)	93		
	Periodal purchases	270		
	Rentals (books)	103		
	Rentals (audio)	41		
			15,232	
Deletions	Discards	871		
	Returned rentals	88		
	Lost	29		
			988	
Holdings 12/31/2011			14,244	
Circulation	Adult fiction	2649		
	Adult nonfiction	896		
	Periodicals	273		
	Children			
	easy	2234		
	juvenile	1383		
	young adult	401		
	Audio	529		
	Overdrive	743		
	DVD & videos	1492		
	Computer access	106		
		Total circulation	10,706	
Interlibrary loan	sent to others	356		
	received	463		
Program Attendance	# programs	adults	young ad	children
	82 adult	538	45	47
	3 teen	15	6	
	16 children's	104	8	539
	Halloween	100	50	210
	TOTAL	757	109	796
Storytime	55 sessions	158	25	210
Summer Reading	83 participated	1440 books		

## DUNBARTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

	Financial Report	2011
RECEIPTS		
	Town appropriation	\$ 82,600.00
	Book sales	47.00
	Donations	402.80
	Equipment Income	90.35
	Fines	1,020.50
	Fundraising	1,243.96
	Grants	230.00
	Interest Income	166.98
	Other Income	123.88
	Checking Acct. Transfer	1,664.41
	Total	87,589.88
DISBURSEMENTS		
	Payroll	64,363.16
	Accounting	1,300.00
	Books, Period & A/V	12,323.58
	Building Maintenance	553.22
	Computer & Software	569.72
	Fundraising	931.20
	Furniture & Equipment	1,091.87
	Internet	868.32
	Professional Fees	610.00
	Programs	3,198.51
	Miscellaneous	61.88
	Supplies	1,251.73
	Telephone	466.69
	Total	87,589.88
Citizens Bank	Operating Budget	2,259.80
Other Assets	CD-Citizens	\$66,043.13
	Vanguard money market	\$14,605.67

### The Dunbarton Town Hall & Theatre Restoration Project ~ Bringing Back Our Community Landmark ~

### "Great Accomplishments in 2011 for the Planning Phase"

The Trustees for the Dunbarton Town Hall & Theatre Restoration Project have been busy in 2011 beginning the planning phase of this historical preservation project.

#### "Our mission is to restore the Dunbarton Town Hall for future generations and allow it to be the heart of our community again, serving the needs of all residents."

#### Highlights of 2011:

\* Monthly trustee meetings with several guest speakers, including:

~Mary Kate Ryan from the N.H. Div. of Historical Resources (DHR), who conducted a walkthrough of the building and reviewed the application to have the Town Hall placed on the State Registry of Historic Places.

~Glenn Coppleman, Community Development Finance Authority, who discussed a tax credit program that would add great value to future fundraising activities.

\* Trustees adopted formal governing by-laws.

\* Granted "Determination of Eligibility" by DHR for the N.H. Registry of Historic Places – Many thanks to Mary Kate for all her support and encouragement.

\* Application submitted to IRS for 501(c)3 status and officially granted – Our committee is now a charitable organization governed by the Board of Trustees.

\* Project awarded a \$4,500 Assessment Grant by the N.H. Preservation Alliance (NHPA) to be used for hiring an historic preservation consultant. Thank you to Maggie Stier of the NHPA for her ongoing guidance and mentoring. The NHPA receives support for its grants program from the NH Land & Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP).

\* A successful fundraiser square dance was held in June to raise the \$850 needed for the IRS application – Thanks to Bob Boynton and his musicians; Patricia Dooly Murphy, Sculptor for her contribution of her art for the raffle; the Dunbarton Garden Club for flowers; Mark Wamser for printed posters; and all the volunteers that made the dance possible!

\* A successful Discovery Toys fund raiser in the Fall – Thanks to Joanne Johnson for her efforts.

\* Historic tours, pie baking contest, raffle and white elephant fundraiser at Old Home Day.

\* Display at Town Meeting with proposed concept picture and planning phase information.

\* Facebook page created and forwarded to local Facebook accounts with over 300 hits!

\* Trustees conducted research and attended workshops identifying possible future funding sources.

#### **Trustees:**

Tiffany Dodd, Chair Ted Vallieres, Treasurer Travis James Jon Wiggin, Dunbarton Fire Chief Margaret Watkins, Vice-Chair Shelley Westenberg, Secretary Steve Kennedy Les Hammond, Selectman

For complete information on the project, please visit us on the Town of Dunbarton website ~or send us an email at <u>restoretownhall@gsinet.net~</u>

### Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> for the "Dunbarton Extravaganza"

A Community-wide Project to Support Dunbarton

This event is a joint venture between the Dunbarton Town Hall & Theatre Restoration Project,

the Dunbarton Historical Society, and the Dunbarton Congregational Church.

### We will be kicking off the day of events with an exciting Live & Silent Auction beginning at

### 10am.

\*Still looking for auction items and volunteers interested in making a difference!\*

## TOWN HALL AND THEATRE RESTORATION PROJECT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

Cash on Deposit December 31, 2010	\$0.00
Deposits 1/1/2011 - 12/31/2011	
Grants	\$0.00
Donations	\$388.00
Fundraising	\$1,123.75
Interest	\$0.10
Total Deposits	\$1,511.85
Expenditures 1/1/2011 - 12/31/2011	
IRS for the 501(c)3 application	(\$850.00)
Bank Fee	(\$6.00)
Total Expenditures	(\$856.00)
Balance 12/31/2011	\$655.85

### **BIRTHS REGISTERED IN DUNBARTON – 2011**

DATE OF BIRTH	NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAMES OF PARENTS
January 6, 2011	Samuel Lee Darling	Concord, NH	Robert Darling Julie Darling
January 25, 2011	Lenorah Litchfield Camire	Concord, NH	Mark Camire Kathryn Luneau
February 11, 2011	Jebediah James Tubbs	Concord, NH	David Tubbs Kara Tubbs
March 24, 2011	Reese Kennedy Skoglund	Concord, NH	Brandon Skoglund Megan Swindlehurst
March 30, 2011	Jackson Duran Thomas	Manchester, NH	Eric Thomas Lissa Thomas
April 1, 2011	Bridget Laurie Pinard	Concord, NH	Justin Pinard Cindy Pinard
May 4, 2011	Sophia Marie Cericola	Concord, NH	Thomas Cericola, Jr. Candice Moore
May 7, 2011	Colton Henry Bourque	Manchester, NH	Matthew Bourque Samantha Bourque
June 5, 2011	Camden Austin Lindquist	Concord, NH	Christopher Lindquist Desiree Lindquist
June 10, 2011	Jayden Moniz Baker-Cromwell	Concord, NH	Sean Baker-Cromwell Jessica Baker-Cromwell
July 6, 2011	Haydn Reed Rees Mills	Concord, NH	Scott Mills Allison Rees
July 13, 2011	Sophia Danielle Degieux	Manchester, NH	Michael Degieux Sohelia Degieux
August 2, 2011	Olivia Lorrae Rozumek	Concord, NH	Adam Rozumek Callie Rozumek
August 9, 2011	Jack Riley Urban	Manchester, NH	Jared Urban Sheila Urban
September 7, 2011	Erika Roisin Iverson Penney	Manchester, NH	Brian Penney Suzy Iverson
September 19, 2011	Sawyer Alexander Whiting	Concord, NH	Tex Whiting Stephanie Gagne
October 12, 2011	Yakov Kadach Vaynman	Concord, NH	Eugene Vaynman Svetlana Brock
October 30, 2011	Carrie Michaela Welch	Concord, NH	Todd Welch Julia Lamsen
November 28, 2011	Eve Elizabeth Wilber	Concord, NH	Steve Wilber Mary Johonnett
December 8, 2011	Galilee Pearl McInturff	Manchester, NH	Joshua McInturff Tiffany McInturff

### **MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN DUNBARTON – 2011**

DATE OF MARRIAGE	NAMES	RESIDENCE
February 5, 2011	Ronald E. Biron Theresa L. Glannon	Dunbarton, NH Dunbarton, NH
May 14, 2011	Timothy M. Chabot Erin M. Meaney	Dunbarton, NH Dunbarton, NH
June 4, 2011	Jonathan R. Lamontagne Katelyn L. Trexler	Deerfield, NH Dunbarton, NH
June 25, 2011	Jenni G. Turcotte Joseph D. Pelletier	Dunbarton, NH Dunbarton, NH
August 18, 2011	Robert Zielinski Abigael D. Eastman	Concord, NH Dunbarton, NH
August 19, 2011	Eric M. Birmingham Na Li	Dunbarton, NH Dunbarton, NH
September 10, 2011	James W. Murphy Barbara A. Weller	Dunbarton, NH Canaan, NH
September 24, 2011	Jake Ottolini Jennifer M. Landry	Dunbarton, NH Dunbarton, NH
October 22, 2011	Thomas R. Shoemaker, Jr. Amy E. Lewis	Dunbarton, NH Dunbarton, NH
November 14, 2011	Lance W. Boudreau Lynsay C. Ouimette	Dunbarton, NH Dunbarton, NH
December 28, 2011	Travis R. Odonnell Molly C. Payette	Dunbarton, NH Dunbarton, NH

### **DEATHS REGISTERED IN DUNBARTON – 2011**

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	NAMES OF PARENTS
January 27, 2011	Merrillyn Earle**	Tuscon, AZ	Charles Earle Lois Merrill
February 4, 2011	Phillip G. Allwood	Dunbarton, NH	Robert G. Allwood Ellen Marcia Weiss
March 11, 2011	Kenneth J. Alton*	Loudon, NH	Joseph Alton Lillian Campbell
March 20, 2011	Carolyn Cushman	Plymouth, MA	Christan Thompson Nora Fallon
March 22, 2011	Mary L. Schweitzer	Dunbarton, NH	Martin Gillespie, Sr. Laila Matson
April 6, 2011	Gloria Jean Gerding	Manchester, NH	Grady Garrett Arvey Lebrun
May 13, 2011	Raymond O. Huot	Dunbarton, NH	Omer Huot Irene Girard
August 28, 2011	Robert Fitzgerald	Concord, NH	John Fitzgerald Margaret M. Brennan
August 31, 2011	Betty Ann Noyes	Concord, NH	John Zeiss Elizabeth Monell
September 15, 2011	Vivian Mary Walker**	Franklin	John Kalled Nasimsima
November 9, 2011	Daniel J. Domin	Concord, NH	Daniel Dominguez Ugenia Stunik
November 9, 2011	Darlene Ann Hardy	Dunbarton, NH	Kenneth Kuhn Barbara Horne
November 24, 2011	Ruby E. Langley	Boscawen	John S. Prescott Ina Warriner
December 9, 2011	Natalie Brown	Concord, NH	Raymond A. Linton Morley Sanborn
December 16, 2011	P. Michel Belanger	Concord, NH	Emile Belanger Anne Belanger
Interment: *Dun	barton Center Cemetery	**Pages Cemetery	

I hereby certify that the preceding return of births, marriages and deaths registered in the Town of Dunbarton in 2011 is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Linda L. Peters, Certified Town Clerk



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen Town of Dunbarton, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Dunbarton, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Dunbarton's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Dunbarton, as of December 31, 2010, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis, appearing on the following pages, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of

> Additional Offices: Andover, MA • Greenfield, MA • Ellsworth, ME • Nashua, NH

inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Melanson, Heath + Company P.C.

Manchester, New Hampshire September 14, 2011

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# **DUNBARTON**

# SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

2011

**TERM EXPIRES** 

**TERM EXPIRES** 

Mrs. Stacy Buckley

Mr. Brian Balke

Mrs. MaryClaire Barry

2013

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### **DUNBARTON SCHOOL BOARD**

René Ouellet, Chair Debra Foster, Vice Chair Carl Metzger Jeffrey Trexler Deborah Trottier

Moderator Clerk Treasurer

Superintendent of Schools Assistant Superintendent Assistant Superintendent Business Administrator

Principal Principals Secretary School Secretary Special Education Facilitator Reading Specialist School Nurse, RN Guidance Counselor Kindergarten Kindergarten Instructional Assistant Primary Instructional Assistant Grade One Grade One Grade Two Grade Two Grade Three Grade Three Grade Four Grade Four Grade Five Grade Five Grade Six Grade Six Art Teacher **Physical Education** Information Specialist Music Teacher (Strings) Music Teacher (Band) Music Teacher (Choral) Special Education Teacher Special Education Instructional Assistant Occupational Therapist Information Center Assistant Maintenance Custodian Evening Custodian Part Time Custodian Food Service Director

### **OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Frederick Mullen Rebecca Barlow-Dubrow Michael Lessard ADMINISTRATION

### **DUNBARTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STAFF**

Mr. Raymond Labore Mrs. Carol Thibaudeau Mrs. Kelly Hubbard Ms. Jody Morel Mrs. Melissa Romein Mrs. Barbara Robidoux Mrs. Virginia Hast Mrs. Lara Routher Mrs. Kimberly Belanger Ms. Heidi Wright Mrs. Donna Duchesneau Mrs. Lisa Turcotte Mrs. Robin Gagne Mrs. Colleen Campbell Mrs. Donna Brightman Ms. Candace Harrison Mrs. Leann McCormack Ms. Andrea Smith Mrs. Melinda Spill Ms. Barbara Schult Mrs. Margie Pierson Mr. Matthew Polzin Ms. Sara Wight Mrs. Sheila Psaledas Mr. Stuart Goldstein Ms. Amy Spencer Ms. Victoria Twigg Mr. Jeff Jenkins Ms. Alison Campbell Mrs. Catherine Lauwers Mrs. Wendy Marquis Mrs. Evelyn Garnett Mrs. Tina Hubbell Mrs. Kelly St. Onge Mr. Joshua Goldstein Mrs. Kristen Baldyga Mrs. Melissa Fandrich Mr. Scott Perkins Mr. William Adcock Mr. Michael Dailey Mrs. Melissa Maille

# **OCTOBER ENROLLMENTS 2008 – 2011**

### **DUNBARTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

GRADE	2008	2009	2010	2011
Kindergarten	20	26	17	25
Grade 1	34	26	29	23
Grade 2	27	33	24	30
Grade 3	24	26	34	23
Grade 4	29	25	29	40
Grade 5	33	26	25	30
Grade 6	36	36	28	26
Subtotal	203	198	186	197
Home Study	27	25	25	45

### TUITIONED TO MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

GRADE	2008	2009	2010	2011
Grade 7	30	35	33	26
Grade 8	31	31	37	35
Subtotal	61	66	70	61

### **TUITIONED TO GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL**

GRADE	2008	2009	2010	2011
Grade 9	36	44	36	39
Grade 10	34	36	36	36
Grade 11	25	35	33	31
Grade 12	28	19	26	28
Subtotal	123	134	131	134
Total:	387	398	387	392

### **Dunbarton School District**

### **2011 School Board Report**

This year has been full of activity for Dunbarton Elementary School and the School Board, but it started on a very sad note. Betty Ann Noyes passed away in August 2011 after a brief illness. Betty had served on the Board for over 35 years. She provided incredible experience and knowledge for the Board and the District and will be sorely missed. The Board was lucky to have two experienced candidates volunteer to fill her position until the election for one seat in March. Jeff Trexler was chosen to fill the seat.

The elementary school has been busy with continuing to integrate technology into the curriculum and their teaching methods and implementing a very full and vibrant enrichment program. The enrollment in our school remains steady while many other districts are experiencing declining enrollment. A new 2-year teacher contract was approved for the 2012-2013 school years, Mrs. AmRhein, guidance counselor of 18 years at DES retired and Mrs. Lara Routhier was hired to replace her. Ms. Tomasi, 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher left and Andrea Smith replaced her. Melissa Maille was hired to be the new Food Service Director, replacing Pat Lackner, and we had three teachers receive their Masters degrees. Five of the top 10 students graduating from Goffstown High School in 2011 were from Dunbarton.

The Board has been very busy this year, too. The ice remediation project on the school building was completed under budget by \$21,000, leaving more money in the capital reserve fund than planned. The installation of the free solar panels on the roof and an energy audit of the school building were completed. The Capital Improvements Committee examined the report and made recommendations on the most important tasks to implement to save energy costs.

Another big topic that we spent many meetings discussing was that our 10-year Authorized Regional Enrollment Agreement (AREA) with Goffstown and New Boston expires on June 30, 2014. The process for renewal or withdrawal or formation of a new AREA agreement has many steps. The Board's job is to research possibilities and negotiate terms with the district that receives our students and then bring those negotiated terms to the town's voters who make the final decision at School District Meeting about where our middle and high school students will be educated.

A public hearing concerning the AREA agreement was held in late September. Over 70 townspeople attended and a survey was mailed to all households in town. Comments from the meeting and survey results indicated that there is a strong desire to explore other options for an AREA agreement, including cost, when our present agreement expires. An exploration subcommittee was formed to help the Board.

The Board began exploring the possibility of forming an AREA agreement with another district by contacting school boards in Hopkinton, Bow, Weare, and Concord. Transportation, space, and other issues quickly narrowed these options to Bow. The subcommittee explored many aspects of Bow's middle and high schools, including curriculum, school culture, and costs, though costs proved difficult to identify definitively at such an early point in discussions. A small group including committee members and board members made multiple visits to each of the schools as well. December 31, 2011

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An article will appear on the School District Warrant in March that, if approved, would create an Area School Planning Committee to formally explore the possibility of entering into an AREA agreement with Bow when our current agreement with Goffstown and New Boston expires. If a similar AREA planning committee is created in Bow, the two committees will join together to form an Area School Planning Board to determine if an AREA agreement is feasible. If so, the board will prepare a comprehensive plan for consideration by the voters in both towns at their respective school district meetings in March 2013. Both Bow and Dunbarton voters would need to approve the plan in March 2013 for it to be adopted.

It quickly became clear that if Dunbarton were to form a new AREA agreement with Bow, it would also be advisable to join their Supervisory Administration Unit (SAU) for many reasons. Another article on the 2012 School District Warrant will ask our voters to create an SAU Planning Committee to explore making changes to our SAU affiliation. If a similar planning committee is created in Bow, the two committees will work together to determine if it is feasible for Dunbarton to withdraw from our current SAU 19 with Goffstown and New Boston and reorganize as a new multidistrict SAU 67 with Bow. If so, the committees will prepare a withdrawal and reorganization plan for consideration by the voters in both towns at their respective school district meetings in March 2013. Both Bow and Dunbarton would need to approve the plan in March 2013 for it to be adopted.

The Board also participated in an AREA School Plan Review Board with Goffstown and New Boston board members for the purpose of negotiating a renewal of our current AREA Agreement. Those negotiations moved slowly, leading the plan review board to recommend an extension of the current agreement for 1 year, expiring on June 30, 2015, to allow time for further negotiations. It is anticipated that a long-term renewal agreement will be negotiated in this upcoming year and presented to the voters in all three districts in March 2013. This proposed extension will appear as an Article on the Warrant at the 2012 School District Meeting in March.

More information about our efforts concerning the Area Agreement is posted on our school's website at <u>http://www.dunbarton.k12.nh.us/</u>.

Other warrant articles this year concern the overall operating budget, two articles concerning improving building energy-use efficiencies, adding to reserve funds for capital improvements, special education, and kitchen equipment maintenance and finally an article to name our community center in honor of Harlan and Betty Ann Noyes in recognition of their decades of volunteer work devoted to the Dunbarton community.

The Dunbarton School Board encourages all voters to attend the School District Meeting on Saturday March 10, 2012 at 6:30 pm, as the welfare of our school district depends on your participation.

Submitted by the Dunbarton School Board, Rene Ouellet, Chair Carl Metzger, Vice Chair Debra Foster Debra Trottier Jeff Trexler

### **Dunbarton School District** Dunbarton, NH 03046

20 Robert Rogers Road

**Capital Improvements Committee** 

2011 Membership: Jeff Trexler - CIC Chair Betty Noyes - School Board Carl Metzger - School Board Carol Thibaudeau - Principal Jeff McCormack

Ed Fandrich Steve Mullen Jim Soucy John Trottier

### 2011 ANNUAL REPORT

Formed in April, 2004, the Capital Improvements Committee was created by the Dunbarton School Board as a standing committee with the following mission:

Assist the Dunbarton School District in achieving its Capital Improvement Goals through evaluation, planning, and implementation of specific capital improvement projects as directed by the Dunbarton School Board.

In early 2011, the CIC assisted the Dunbarton Energy Committee in completing installation of roof mounted solar water heaters on the school. CIC inspected the anchoring system and relied on local expert Fred Mullen for plumbing inspection.

In September, the Dunbarton Energy Committee presented the results of an energy audit at Dunbarton Elementary School. The audit included a number of potential energy reduction measures for consideration. The school board requested that CIC review these measures with the Energy Committee and recommend the most viable measures for further action. Some measures, such as replacing weather stripping at doors and swapping incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent, are simple maintenance items for school staff. There are two substantial measures that CIC and the Energy Committee has recommended for action, as follows:

- Lighting: Consists of replacing inefficient gym and kitchen lighting and illuminated exit signs. As of this writing, we have received bids from contractors for lighting replacement but have not yet made a selection. We plan to participate in a grant program through our local power company, PSNH, which will pay for 50% of qualified replacement costs. CIC has recommended that an article be placed on the school district warrant for March, 2012, to accomplish this work.
- Retro-Commissioning: Consists of performing and assessment of heating, ventilating, and hot water . generating systems and equipment with the goal of optimizing settings and controls to maximize energy efficient operation. As of this writing, CIC has received budget estimates for this work from several qualified firms but has not yet established a project budget. CIC has recommended that this work also be included as a warrant article at the school district meeting in March, 2012.

CIC has also begun preparing a capital improvement program modeled on the plan used by the Town of Dunbarton. Our goal is to work with the school administration to identify capital projects costing \$15,000 or more, determine cost estimates, and prepare a long-term plan to schedule and fund the projects over upcoming fiscal years. John Trottier has offered to lead this effort and we expect the plan to take shape during 2012.

In closing, the Capital Improvements Committee appreciates the continuing support of the Dunbarton School Board and the entire school community. We are particularly thankful for the invaluable contributions and support provided by John Stevens and the Dunbarton Energy Committee.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Trexler, CIC Chair

### Dunbarton School District Meeting Saturday, March 5, 2011

The annual School District Meeting of the Town of Dunbarton, New Hampshire was called to order by Moderator Fred Mullen at 7:00 PM. The Moderator welcomed the public to the 125<sup>th</sup> School District Meeting; the first was held on March 16, 1886. The Moderator introduced himself and stated the election of school officials would take place on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 on town Meeting Day. The Moderator led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Moderator reviewed building exits, voting cards, and meeting procedures with the public. The Moderator recognized the following individuals:

Moderator:	Fred Mullen
School Board Members:	Debra Foster, Chair Rene Ouellet, Vice Chair Carl Metzger Betty Ann Noyes
School District Clerk:	Deborah Jore
Superintendent:	Stacy Buckley
Asst. Superintendents:	MaryClaire Barry Brian Balke
Business Manager:	Raymond Labore
Human Resource Director:	Carol Kilmister
Principal:	Carol Thibaudeau
Supervisors of the Checklist:	Ronald Slocum Janet Casey Margaret Venator

The Moderator thanked Dan and Gayle Troy for their help with the sound system for the meeting.

The Moderator recognized John Wiggin for whom the 2010 Dunbarton Town Report was dedicated.

The Moderator reviewed parliamentary procedures. The Moderator read aloud Page 106 in the Town Report entitled "Dunbarton School District Warrant, Election of Officers, 2011" and Page 107 in the Town Report entitled "Dunbarton School District Warrant, 2011". *Debra Foster made a motion to waive the further reading of the warrant article. Rene Ouellet seconded.* The Moderator asked if there was any discussion. Being no discussion, the Moderator called for a vote. *VOTE The motion was passed by a show of hands.* 

### Article 1

The Moderator read Article 1: To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

Debra Foster made a motion to determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto. Rene Ouellet seconded. The Moderator asked if Debra Foster would like to speak on Article 1; Mrs. Foster stated salaries could be found in the annual Town Report under School Board Services on page 118. The Moderator asked if there

was any further discussion on Article 1. Being no further discussion, the Moderator again read Article I and called for a vote. *VOTE Article 1 passed by a show of hands.* 

### Article 2

The Moderator read Article 2: To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Officers or Committees of the District or to take any other action related thereto.

Debra Foster made a motion to hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Officers or Committees of the District or to take any other action related thereto. Rene Ouellet seconded. The Moderator asked if Debra Foster would like to speak on Article 2; Mrs. Foster stated the auditors report and letter is in the annual Town Report and there are copies available if the public is interested in reading them. The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on Article 2. Being no further discussion, the Moderator read Article 2 and called for a vote. *VOTE Article 2 passed by a show of hands*.

### Article 3

The Moderator read Article 3: To see if the School District shall raise and appropriate FIVE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED TWENTY NINE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED SEVEN DOLLARS (\$5,229,807.00) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory and contractual obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto. This warrant article (Operating Budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article. (Majority vote required)

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Debra Foster stated the School Board had wonderful support from the principal and school staff and they worked hard to trim as much as possible. Mrs. Foster stated the proposed budget is \$145,000 less than the current budget without sacrificing the quality of education at DES. Mrs. Foster stated special education costs, transportation costs, and nursing office costs were reduced and there were decreases in maintenance/utilities, tuition, and heating system. Mrs. Foster stated there were increases in staff benefits, staff track changes, supplies for math, science and social studies, computer software and library furniture.

Debra Foster reviewed the regular education portion of the budget. Mrs. Foster briefly discussed the following areas:

- Teacher salaries are almost identical to this year's budget; a new teacher's contract will be addressed in a separate warrant and that amount would be added if approved.
- Increase in Health line item (supplies, salary, new hearing equipment, new medicine cabinet)
- Increase in Retirement costs
- Slight increase in Math/Science/Social Studies supplies
- Increase in Electronic Information (software licenses)
- Increase in Information Center (two tables, chair, bookcase)
- Decrease in SAU Services (assessment based on three school districts)
- Increase in Office of Principal (stipend for calling in of substitutes)
- Decrease in Transportation

Mrs. Foster stated the total increase in proposed budget is \$79,000. The Moderator asked if there were any questions for Mrs. Foster. Being none, the Moderator recognized Carl Metzger.

Carl Metzger reviewed the maintenance portion of the budget. Mr. Metzger stated this part of the budget covers the costs of maintaining the facility (general repairs, supplies, custodial costs, propane, oil, supplies, and general

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emergency repairs); the maintenance budget has decreased by \$3,374 for a total amount of \$279,000. Mr. Metzger stated they have replaced a number of items over the past few years based on need and safety. Mr. Metzger stated for the coming year they have not seen any items that need to be addressed and will be skipping any general repairs for 2012. The Moderator asked if there were any questions for Mr. Metzger.

The Moderator recognized Mike Mitskey. Mr. Mitskey asked about the telephone increase in maintenance, line is \$1,000. The Moderator recognized Superintendent Stacy Buckley to explain increase. Mrs. Buckley stated expenditures were almost \$57,000 and they are budgeting more appropriately for telephone services. Mr. Mitskey asked about custodial services, if an employee was added or if there was a raise. Mr. Metzger stated a daytime janitor was replaced and the new janitor's salary is higher. Debra Foster stated the new janitor came in with different experience and to accommodate that, they looked at the grid/support staff agreement; more duties have been assigned to him. Mr. Mitskey stated the janitors were receiving a pretty good pay raise for one year. Mrs. Foster stated three custodians went up a step. Mr. Mitskey stated he felt propane costs in the budget were underestimated. Mrs. Foster stated the Board has to make the best guess of future market price at the time they do the budget and are trying to keep the budget as trim as possible. Mrs. Foster stated they have insulated the roof of the entire school and hope to use less fuel.

The Moderator recognized Ed Wagner. Mr. Wagner stated he noticed in statistics from the prior year to current year a decrease in the number of students, yet the budget continues to go up. Mr. Wagner stated he would like to know why the budget is up 10% from two years ago when enrollment has gone down and asked if they had looked at eliminating any positions. Debra Foster stated it is not a 10% increase, the budget decreased. Rene Ouellet stated the reduction in enrollment last year was 7-8 students and class sizes currently range from 24 to over 30, which does not put the school in a position to double up classes. Mr. Ouellet stated a couple of years ago the Board looked at combining the 4th grade into one class and due to complications and overwhelming opposition at a public hearing did not do so. Mrs. Foster stated enrollment as of January 3, 2011 was 194 students and that the Board did look at class sizes every time they see a drop in enrollment. Mr. Wagner asked why salaries have gone up 10% over two years. Mrs. Foster stated teachers receive a step increase if they are evaluated successfully and nine and half teachers have Master Degrees that bump them onto a new track; retirement and benefit cost have also gone up. Mr. Wagner stated neither he nor his wife have had salary increases in a couple years and asked if the Board had considered asking the teachers to forgo their step increases. Mrs. Foster stated the Board is well aware of the economic situation in town. Mr. Wagner asked why software licensing went from \$0 to almost \$6,000. Mrs. Foster stated in previous budgets the licensing was all separated out into separate line items, this year they moved them into one. Mrs. Foster stated it looks like a big jump, but is the same software, no new programs. Mr. Wagner asked why the in the prior budget the Information Center salary was \$21,000 and is now \$33,000. Mrs. Foster stated the State required DES to have a technology plan and needed to increase training/support for software for students/teachers; had to add one more day to teacher's schedule (now works three days a week) and are now in compliance.

The Moderator recognized a Dunbarton resident. The resident asked how many software programs at the school were licensed. Debra Foster stated about 75 devices. The resident suggested looking into packages available where the district could save money on licensing.

The Moderator recognized Mike Mitskey. Mr. Mitskey asked about 3% salary increase for instructional aides. Debra Foster stated there is a salary grid based on experience and 3-4 aides have been here long enough to increase a step. Mr. Mitskey stated in light of this economy and seeing 3% increases in salaries throughout the budget, he would like to propose that there be no pay increases this year, that we do not have the money.

The Moderator recognized David Hoell. Mr. Hoell reviewed enrollment numbers for 2010 and stated the average class size for grade 2 and 5 is 12 students. Mr. Hoell stated that is great, but he was not sure Dunbarton could afford that. Mr. Hoell stated there are private industries not doing outside development for staff, but Dunbarton is still doing this and then teachers move into higher pay brackets. Rene Ouellet stated course reimbursement is a contractually agreed upon issue and is not going to put anyone quickly through the ranks. Mr. Ouellet stated DES has the smallest special education enrollment in the state and he thinks a large part is the size of our classes and expertise. Mr. Ouellet stated he understands concerns about staff salaries, but if you look at our salary grid and compare it to other school districts in the area and our district's size, we are in the middle of the pack, yet continue to

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hold onto excellent teachers. Mr. Hoell stated his wife taught grade 1 with 25 students in her class and Dunbarton needs to take a hard look at the increases in operating costs. Mr. Hoell challenged the Board to look at moving class sizes back to 25 students.

The Moderator recognized Tracy Custer. Mrs. Custer stated she found all this discussion of increasing class sizes upsetting. Mrs. Custer stated although the economy is not good and people are not receiving pay raises, she thinks there is something to be said for keeping a high level of education.

The Moderator recognized Margaret Venator. Mrs. Venator stated she is retired and is perfectly glad to pay her taxes. Mrs. Venator stated she is on a fixed income and would never vote to cheat the children; would end up paying makeup costs later on. The Moderator asked if there were any more questions. Being none, the Moderator recognized Debra Foster.

Debra Foster reviewed the special education portion of the budget. Mrs. Foster stated special education costs are down \$11,000 from the previous year and Dunbarton is spending less than 15% compared to the 30% of other districts. Mrs. Foster stated they have been building a special education trust fund just in case a child moves into town with significant needs. Mrs. Foster stated because the need for special education services in Dunbarton is dropping, they would not get as much reimbursement back from the State. Mrs. Foster stated when you look at the overall quality of education that DES students receive, they end up being in the top part of the middle school/high school population with their grades; they do extremely well as they move on out of elementary school. The Moderator asked if there were any questions for Mrs. Foster. Being none, the Moderator recognized Betty Ann Noyes.

Betty Ann Noyes stated Dunbarton has an agreement to send their students to Goffstown for middle and high school. Mrs. Noyes stated reviewed the following enrolment figures and costs for the middle school as of January 3, 2011:

- 7th grade: 27 students at a cost of \$10,828 each (\$292,356 total)
- 8th grade: 34 students at a cost of \$10,828 each (\$368,152 total)
- The Board includes in budget one extra student at a cost of \$10,828
- The Board also has to add an extended year program for four students at \$500 per student for special help (\$2,000 total)

Mrs. Noyes stated the grand total tuition costs for the middle school are \$673,336.

Betty Ann Noyes then reviewed the following enrollment figures and costs for the high school as of October 1, 2010:

- 9th grade: 38 students at a cost of \$11,566 each (\$439,508 total)
- 10th grade: 38 students at a cost of \$11,566 each (\$439,508 total)
- 11th grade: 34 students at a cost of \$11,566 each (\$393,244 total)
- 12th grade: 33 students at a cost of \$11,566 each (\$381,678 total)
- The Board includes in budget one extra student at a cost of \$11,566

The Moderator asked if there were any questions for Mrs. Noyes.

The Moderator recognized Ed Wagner. Mr. Wagner asked what could be done about tuitioning to other schools, if there were any other choices. Rene Ouellet stated in order to secure middle and high school education for students Dunbarton entered into an AREA agreement with Goffstown and New Boston; Dunbarton is not big enough to have their own high school. Mr. Ouellet stated the AREA agreement was renewed eight years ago. Betty Ann Noyes stated the reason they went with Goffstown was because the cost was more reasonable and still is compared to other towns around us. Mr. Ouellet stated the AREA agreement gives us continuity and currently the tuition costs at the high school are among the lowest in the state. Mr. Ouellet stated for the last two years GHS has scored in the top five on standardized testing in the state. Mr. Wagner asked if there was any way to request Goffstown and New Boston pays for their students, it is fair, they are all sharing costs.

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The Moderator recognized Jason Breault. Mr. Breault referred to difference in tuition price shown in Goffstown Report and asked if Dunbarton was subsidizing them as it shows their amounts cheaper. The Moderator recognized Stacy Buckley in order to answer question. Mrs. Buckley stated the numbers Mr. Breault is looking at are the state average numbers, special education costs are taken out. Mrs. Buckley stated the number Dunbarton pays is the actual Goffstown cost.

The Moderator recognized Matt Colby. Mr. Colby asked if the enrollment numbers were current enrollments. Debra Foster stated yes.

The Moderator recognized David Kane. Mr. Kane stated there are a lot of homeschooled students in the district who attend some classes in Goffstown. Mr. Kane asked how these students were tuitioned. Debra Foster stated the tuition is prorated. Mr. Kane asked how those are reflected in the budget. Mrs. Foster stated there is none figured into this next year's budget. The Moderator asked if there were any further questions. Being none, the Moderator recognized Rene Ouellet.

Rene Ouellet reviewed the revenue portion of the budget. Mr. Ouellet stated revenues are a moving target and referred the public to page 105 in the Town Report (building aid, catastrophic aid). Mr. Ouellet stated the Board's best projections as of February this year have changed considerably. Mr. Ouellet stated the Board just found out that the governor's budget would wipe out catastrophic aid, reduce building aid, and push back onto the local school districts what the state has been contributing to teacher's retirement; this would reduce revenue by another \$1,100,000. Mr. Ouellet stated food service expenses have been somewhat higher than revenues the last couple years. The Moderator asked if there were any questions for Mr. Ouellet.

The Moderator recognized Chuck Williamson. Mr. Williamson asked what the governor's budget would do to the tax rate. Rene Ouellet stated the governor's budget is not final and the worst-case scenario would be an impact of. 34 cents per thousand. Mr. Williamson asked if this would be above and beyond the .86 cent per thousand increase. Mr. Ouellet stated yes, .81 cents plus the .34 cents, but this is worst-case scenario.

The Moderator recognized Mike Mitskey. Mr. Mitskey asked if the public could make an amendment to the warrant. The Moderator stated yes, but can only amend the bottom line and the school district has discretion where to put the funds.

The Moderator asked if there were any further questions. Being none, the Moderator read Article 3 and called for a vote. *VOTE Article 3 passed by a show of hands.* 

#### Article 4

The Moderator read Article 4: To see if the School District shall cote to approve the cost items included in the multi-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Dunbarton School Board and the Dunbarton Educational Association which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2011-2012	\$34,297.00
2012-2013	\$28,651.00

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of THIRTY FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY SEVEN DOLLARS (\$34,297.00) for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating budget Article. (Majority vote required).

Rene Ouellet made a motion to see if the School District shall vote to approve the cost items included in the multiyear collective bargaining agreement reached between the Dunbarton School Board and the Dunbarton Educational Association which calls for the following increase in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2011-2012	\$34,297.00

#### 2012-2013

#### \$28.651.00

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The Moderator recognized Ron Slocum. Mr. Slocum stated had questions about teacher raises and the grid, if some were getting two raises. Rene Ouellet stated no, that teachers will only see the step increases they are due and some teachers are not going to get that. Debra Foster stated the line item budget that shows teacher salaries is what they have as of this year, does not include any steps.

The Moderator recognized Jim Edwards. Mr. Edwards stated he bought property in 1988, has seen increases over the years and is frankly disappointed to see taxes continually going up. Mr. Edwards stated over the past three years there has been unemployment, pages of foreclosures in the papers and here they continue to see raises. Mr. Edwards stated he would really like the Board to consider taking a second look.

The Moderator asked if there were any further questions. Being none, the Moderator read Article 4 and asked for a vote. *VOTE Article 4 passed by a show of hands.* 

### Article 5

The Moderator read Article 5: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) for deposit into the existing Dunbarton Kitchen Equipment Fund and to authorize the use of that amount from the June 30, 2011 Unreserved Fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2011. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote required).

Rene Ouellet made a motion to see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) for deposit into the existing Dunbarton Kitchen Equipment Fund and to authorize the use of that amount from the June 30, 2011 Unreserved Fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2011. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. Betty Ann Noyes seconded. The Moderator asked if Rene Ouellet would like to speak on Article 5. Mr. Ouellet stated about 3-4 years ago an agreement was reached with the selectmen recognizing that both the selectmen and town make use of the community center and kitchen and recognized that much of the equipment in the kitchen has been there a long time and would need replacement in the future. Mr. Ouellet stated this fund lets them respond to needs as they come up, there is a self-proposed cap of \$5,000. The School Board would like to put \$1,000 into the fund (will come from unencumbered funds) as will the selectmen.

The Moderator asked if there were any questions for Mr. Ouellet. Being none, the Moderator read Article 5 and called for a vote. *VOTE Article 5 passed by a show of hands.* 

### Article 6

The Moderator read Article 6: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) for deposit into the existing Dunbarton School Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize the use of that amount from the June 30, 2011 Unreserved Fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2011. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote required).

Carl Metzger made a motion to see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) for deposit into the existing Dunbarton School Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize the use of that amount from the June 30, 2011 Unreserved Fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2011. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. Rene Ouellet seconded. The Moderator asked if Carl Metzger would like to speak on Article 6. Mr. Metzger stated the Board would like to appropriate \$10,000 to start putting money back into the capital reserve fund to cover any major maintenance that may come up; last year \$6,600 would come from funds the Board did not expended at the end of this fiscal year. The Moderator asked if there were any questions for Mr. Metzger.

The Moderator recognized Ed Wagner. Mr. Wagner asked if the funds that come from this year's figures were already incorporated into revenue. Debra Foster stated no, that if the \$10,000 is approved, they would still have \$70,000 in unencumbered funds.

The Moderator asked if there were any further questions. Being none, the Moderator read Article 6 and called for a vote. VOTE Article 6 passed by a show of hands.

The Moderator called for a motion to dissolve the meeting. Les Hammond made motion to dissolve the meeting at 9:03 PM. Debra Foster seconded. VOTE All in Favor MOTION PASSED

Respectfully Submitted: Deborah L. Jore School District Clerk

### **Dunbarton School Election Results – 2011**

### 3-Year Board Position (2 openings)

Deborah Trottier	202
Debra Foster	193

### School Moderator

"Fred" J. Mullen 231

School Clerk Rebecca Barlow-Dubrow 212

#### School Treasurer

Michael Lessard 215

#### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS REPORT Stacy Buckley, Superintendent

On behalf of School Administrative Unit #19, 1 present this 2010-2011 report of the Superintendent of Schools. The School Districts of Goffstown, Dunbarton, and New Boston continue to provide a comprehensive, consistent, and rigorous curriculum to the students of the three school districts.

During the 2010-2011 school year, all three districts of SAU#19 continued to enhance and implement instruction that is research based, multi-tiered, and responds to the needs of each individual child. This is done through professional development, curriculum and instruction revisions, and the continuous monitoring of each student. Through the efforts of our students, faculty, and administration we are proud to demonstrate strong academic achievement. For example, Goffstown High School's New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) scores continue to demonstrate scores within the top tier of the state.

During the 2010-2011 school year, all schools worked toward establishing and implementing a positive approach to bullying. A curriculum was developed and a comprehensive plan was put into place throughout the year. In addition, Maple Avenue Elementary School, Bartlett Elementary School, and Mountain View Middle School adopted a new instructional program for reading. Reading Street 2011 (grades K through 6) and Pierson Literature (grades 7 and 8) are now being used for instructional purposes in these schools. The goal is to provide a consistent, multi-tiered approach to the instruction of language arts.

At the end of the 2010-2011 school year, we said goodbye to several dedicated and long term employees of the districts. Rick Matthews, retired as the Principal of New Boston Central School, after filling this role for the past 26 years. Travis Garrett, Assistant Principal at Mountain View Middle School, left the district to return to his home state of Michigan. Karen Kulick, Special Education Facilitator, from Dunbarton Elementary School left the district after 11 years to pursue an administrative career. Martha Benton, GHS Guidance Director, retired after serving 35 years in a variety of roles in the Goffstown School District. The following teachers also retired from the districts: Leila Levigne (39 years at Bartlett Elementary School), Deborah Pratte-Croteau (26 years at New Boston Central School), Mary AmRhein (18 years at Dunbarton Elementary School), and Linda Chase (10 years at New Boston Central School).

The Goffstown School Board recognized Kathy Stoyle for her dedication to instruction at Glen Lake School by awarding her the Cornerstone Award. Dan Paquin, Custodian at MVMS, was also awarded the Cornerstone Award for his service and dedication. Maddie Enman and Leo Labrecque were honored this year with the Dreamkeeper Award.

We would also like to extend our thanks to several school board members for their years of service. New Boston School Board said goodbye to Joe Constance, Mike McMurray, and Monika Wright. The Board welcomed Wendy Perron, Betsy Holmes, and Paul Ryder.

Lastly, we would like to acknowledge the many hours of service that BettyAnn Noyes provided to the Dunbarton School Board and SAU #19. BettyAnn's passing this year has created a void. As a long term advocate for education and children, she helped make Dunbarton Elementary School a great place to educate our students.

On behalf of the students, school boards, faculty, and staff, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the communities of New Boston, Dunbarton, and Goffstown for their continued support of the educational programs and services of SAU #19.

#### **DUNBARTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

#### Respectfully submitted by Carol Thibaudeau, Principal

'A school is a dynamic place, filled with creative, intelligent people who are passionate about education.'

The above certainly describes the Dunbarton Elementary School Community. We are very proud of our successes and of the staff's commitment to insure that Dunbarton Elementary School embraces its learners so that all have an opportunity to thrive and grow.

In the area of curricula, DES continued to integrate technology by creating a dedicated instructional time for students on a bi-weekly basis with media generalist, Amy Spencer. Students are instructed with a focus on the state's ICT (Information & Communication Technologies) Standards which primarily address the integration of technology across all content areas. In Mathematics, we purchased online materials to further support the EDM (Everyday Mathematics) program and teachers have successfully integrated them with their individual *Promethean* Boards, which are interactive white boards that engage, motivate, and advance student learning with software that integrates curriculum.

The *Responsive Classroom* model continued to be a part of each classroom's culture. It simply promotes a fair and consistent approach to student discipline by working to maximize the integration of social and academic learning in every aspect of the school day. Along with *Brain Gym*, a movement-based learning that supports how physical movement relates to the mastery of cognitive skills, it has been incorporated into each students' day so that learning is enhanced with better attention and focus.

The spring AIR (Artist in Residence) program offered students the opportunity to work with artist Theo Martey, an African drummer and dancer. The two week residency began with a performance by Akwaaba, African Drum and Dance Ensemble which introduced the students, teachers, staff, and guests to African culture and music. This program was supported by funding from the NH Council on the Arts, the Dunbarton PTO, and the Dunbarton School District. Kim Belanger, kindergarten teacher, served as the coordinator of AIR and we are appreciative of her commitment and keen interest in this program along with the dedicated parent volunteers who worked with her.

Our Special Education department continued to work diligently to provide programming and interventions to support the learning of our diverse student population. We are proud to work as a team with our highly skilled classroom teachers to ensure that all students are making progress. Our staff members continue to pursue areas of professional development that represent the changing needs of students. The expertise gained in the areas of technology, social and behavioral interventions, assessment, communication skills, reading and mathematical research-based practices all make a positive impact on students.

In closing, we are committed to the important work of the Dunbarton School Community which includes providing progressive, state of the art education and nurturing the emotional and social needs of our students while maintaining a school where the best people want to work. We look forward to your visit...

#### **MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL**

#### ACCREDITED MEMBER OF THE NEW ENGLAND ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

James A. Hunt, Principal

What the best and wisest parent wants for his own child, that must the community want for all its children. John Dewey

The 2010-2011 School Year at Mountain View Middle School included noteworthy advancements in our ongoing work to better address the learning needs of all students. Within this endeavor, the teachers and administration focused on ensuring accelerated learners were challenged with appropriate academic rigor, while simultaneously providing materials and instruction for our underperforming students that address differences in rates of learning and development. Professional development, adoption of new texts, further refined three- tiered literacy programming, and expanded use of student assessment data in the planning and execution of daily lessons elevated our students' performance.

English/Language Arts enhancements included the adoption and implementation of a new program in Grades 5 and 6 - Reading Street. The program's distinctive features include literary analysis, writing, reading comprehension skills, and small group instruction tailored to the specific learning needs of students of all ability levels.

In an effort to enhance our students' readiness for high school, Grade 7 and Grade 8 students not enrolled in French or Spanish were enrolled in a content literacy class taught on team by core subject teachers. In addition to their standard English class, students who had not achieved proficiency in reading were enrolled in a daily literacy class designed to address individual learning gaps.

Three hundred thirteen seventh and eighth graders enrolled in French or Spanish classes were provided with new textbooks that are also used in the equivalent Goffstown High School Level 1 programs. This alignment of textbooks is an important factor in preparing students for successful placement in second year world language programs at Goffstown High School.

Advanced math course enrollments continued to grow as students achieved higher levels of math proficiency in the lower grades. An impressive thirty-three percent of eighth grade students were enrolled in Algebra I, Advanced Algebra I, and Algebra II classes taught at a high school level.

In addition to academic expectations, our MVMS Mission Statement includes a focus on promoting student active participation as responsible citizens within school and the community. Throughout the year, MVMS Student Government leaders demonstrated initiative and commitment to a variety of highly valued school and community activities. Students generously donated 1325 food items and \$1500.00 to the Goffstown Network. One-hundred Team 8-2 students supported Crispin's House After School program with a generous \$1081.00 donation; Student Government Leaders supported community-building activities that generated an additional \$1000.00 donation to Crispin's House. Student Government Leaders were instrumental in facilitating our Memorial Day and Veteran Day Assemblies, annual Turkey Trot, Winter and Spring Carnivals, Faculty Ball Games, Grade 8 Promotion Ceremony, etc.

An important aspect of our students' learning experience is the opportunity to participate in a variety of co-curricula programs that require commitment and dedication beyond the standard school day. A total of four hundred eleven students participated in drama, band, chorus, and strings performing arts programs. Four hundred-fifty student athletes participated in fall, winter, and spring sports programs.

At the May 31 Academic Recognition Dinner, middle school staff with the support of SAU administrators hosted and served 95 students and their parents in appreciation for their consistent outstanding academic achievement in Grades 7 and 8. Fifteen students achieved straight A's in all subjects in Grades 7 and 8; Eighty students achieved all A's and B's in all subjects in Grades 7 and 8.

Goffstown citizens' support of our programs and initiatives clearly reflects the community remains committed to John Dewey's charge: *What the best and wisest parent wants for his own child, that must the community want for all its children.* 

#### GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL Francis McBride, Principal

Goffstown High School's mission is to provide a quality education that encourages students to become impassioned learners who will thrive as individuals and members of their community. As a school, we work hard to ensure that we are engaging all students in their education. Whether it is in the classroom, or while participating in athletics, music, theater or other co-curricular activities, the goal is preparing students for their post high school endeavors.

One of the ways that we can measure our success is through the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP). I am pleased to report that for the second year in a row, our recent NECAP scores are outstanding. Every public high school in New Hampshire tests their juniors with the NECAP exam. The assessment is completed in the areas of Reading, Math, Writing and Science. The following are the rank order lists of where Goffstown High School falls relative to other New Hampshire public schools on our state NECAP tests administered during the 10/11 school year:

Readin	σ	Scaled Score
1	Bedford High School	1153
2	Goffstown High School	1152
82 scho	ols scored lower	
Writing	g	
1	Bedford High School	7
	Bow High School	7
	Oyster River High School	. 7
2	Hanover High School	6.9
3	John Stark Regional High School	6.8
	Mascenic Regional High School	6.8
	Newmarket JrSr. High School	6.8
4	Goffstown High School	6.7
70 scho	ols scored lower	
Mather	natics 2010-2011	
1	Hanover High School	1142
2	Bedford High School	1141
3	Bow High School	1140
	Hollis-Brookline High School	1140
	Oyster River High School	1140
	Souhegan Coop High School	1140
4	Goffstown High School	1139
73 scho	ols scored lower	
Science	2010-2011	
1	Hanover High School	1141
2	Bedford High School	1140
3	Hollis-Brookline High School	1139
4	Hopkinton High School	1138

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	Merrimack High School		1138
	St Johnsbury Academy		1138
5	<b>Goffstown High School</b>		1137

#### 67 schools scored lower

These scores are consistent with the 2009/2010 test scores. We are confident they are an accurate indication of the academic achievement that has occurred at Goffstown High School through the hard work and dedication of both students and teachers.

The state average for educating high school students is \$12,036.00. The Goffstown cost per pupil is \$9,908.21, \$2127.79 below the state average.

A sampling of the cost per pupil for high schools who scored in the top 5% on the NECAP tests is as follows:

School	Cost per pupi
Oyster River	\$15,217.37
Hanover	\$14,800.24
Bow	\$14,254.59
Hopkinton	\$13,800.36
John Stark	\$13,552.81
Bedford	\$11,376.73
Goffstown	\$9,908.21

In addition to our successful test scores, Goffstown High School students and teachers earned numerous accolades and awards; I will share a few of the highlights:

- The Goffstown Fall and Winter Cheer Teams won their first Division II State Championships.
- Goffstown Science Students wrote a proposal for an experiment to be conducted at the NASA Microgravity Drop Tower in Ohio. Their DIME experiment (Dropping in a Microgravity Environment) was one of the eight selected from around the country.
- The Goffstown High School Varsity Wresting Team won their second Division II State Title.
- New Hampshire Magazine "Best of NH 2011" selected GHS Music Department's production of "Phantom of the Opera" for "Most Ambitious Theatre".
- The New Hampshire Excellence in Education Award ("ED"dies) recognized Mr. Joshua Desrochers as the Distinguished Music Educator of the Year.

Thank you all for your continued support of the great and important work occurring at Goffstown High School. Your continued commitment to providing us the resources to maintain and surpass our current level of success is appreciated. I can promise you that we will continue to provide quality educational opportunities for our students while maintaining the same level of fiscal responsibility demonstrated by the above figures.

REPORT

#### DUNBARTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Health Report

The school year began with an audit of immunization and physical examination records for all new students. The state immunization survey with DES immunization compliance results was submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services in the fall. Health files for all students were updated throughout the school year to reflect screenings (ex. Vision, height/weight, scoliosis). Students with screening results outside of normal parameters were referred for further evaluation.

Health education was provided to grades 1-6 on a weekly basis. The focus in health education was health promotion and disease prevention with topics including nutrition, physical activity, hygiene, disease prevention, dental health, safety and first aid. Health class topics are available on the health information section of the DES website. In addition, the Baby-sitting course and "Safe on my Own" course were offered by the Red Cross after school in March.

The Health Office averaged 20+ student visits each day for a variety of health issues including medication administration, injuries and illnesses. Student visits were documented on a computer program specific for the health office. A health newsletter was created to update parents/guardians on the common health issues seen throughout the school year.

I remained an active member of the DES Safety committee and the Wellness committee. The Wellness committee sponsored "Walk NH" again on June 2<sup>nd</sup> with approximately 60 adults and students participating in the community-wide walk. I also continued serving on the NH School Nurse Association Board which has given me greater networking opportunities with other school nurses statewide.

Thank you for the opportunity to work with the wonderful children and families of Dunbarton!

Virginia B. Hast, RN Dunbarton Elementary School School Nurse

#### **DUNBARTON SCHOOL DISTRICT PROJECTED REVENUES 2012 - 2013**

	<u>2010 - 2011</u> <u>Approved</u> <u>MS24</u>	<u>2011 - 2012</u> <u>Approved</u> <u>MS24</u>	<u>2012 - 2013</u> <u>Proposed</u>
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>			
Adequacy Grant	540,391	540,391	540,391
School Building Aid	55,432	21,555	20,500
Kindergarten Aid	0	0	0
Catastrophic Aid	19,485	0	0
Child Nutrition	500	500	500
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</b>			
Grant Programs	0	26,674	0
Medicaid Reimbursement	12,500	1,500	1,500
Child Nutrition Programs	5,000	6,500	6,000
OTHER REVENUE			
Special Education Tuition			
Food Service	40,500	34,900	37,500
Earnings on Investments			
Local			
Sale of Bonds or Notes			
Miscellaneous		0	
SUBTOTAL SCHOOL REVENUES AND CREDITS	673,808	632,020	606,391
GENERAL FUND BALANCE			
Reserved for Special Purpose (Building & Kitchen Fund)	11,000	11,000	0
Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund	66,000	0	0
Unreserved Fund Balance	376,091	78,189	15,000
TOTAL SCHOOL REVENUES AND CREDITS	1,126,899	721,209	621,391
LOCAL & STATE ASSESSMENT	4,248,239	4,553,895	4,843,002
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	5,375,138	<u>5,275,104</u>	5,464,393

#### Notes:

Projected revenues are estimates and are subject to change.

Fiscal year 2012 - 2013 Total Appropriation is prior to any separate or special warrant articles.

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## DRAFT

#### **DUNBARTON SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT**

#### Election of Officers 2012

#### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Dunbarton qualified to vote in District affairs:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO MEET AT THE DUNBARTON COMMUNITY CENTER IN DUNBARTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN SAID DISTRICT ON TUESDAY, THE 13th DAY OF MARCH 2012, AT EIGHT O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (8:00 AM) TO CAST BALLOTS FROM THAT HOUR OF SAID DAY UNTIL AT LEAST SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING (7:00 PM), UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE MODERATOR, FOR THE FOLLOWING MATTERS:

1. To choose <u>One</u> member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID DUNBARTON THIS \_\_\_\_\_(\_\_\_) DAY OF FEBRUARY 2012.

## DRAFT

### DUNBARTON SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT DRAFT

#### <u>2012</u>

#### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Dunbarton qualified to vote in District affairs:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO MEET AT THE DUNBARTON COMMUNITY CENTER AT DUNBARTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN SAID DISTRICT ON SATURDAY, THE 10th DAY OF MARCH 2012, AT 6:30 PM IN THE EVENING TO ACT UPON THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

#### **ARTICLE 1**

To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

#### **ARTICLE 2**

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Officers or Committees of the District or to take any other action related thereto.

#### ARTICLE 3

To see if the School District shall raise and appropriate FIVE MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED NINETY THREE DOLLARS (\$5,464,393.00) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory and contractual obligations of the District, or to take any other action in relation thereto. This warrant article (Operating Budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article. (Majority vote required).

The School Board voted \_-\_- to \_\_\_\_\_

#### **ARTICLE 4**

To see if the district will vote to dedicate the Dunbarton Community Center by renaming it to the Harlan and Betty Ann Noyes Community Center in honor of Harlan and Betty Ann Noyes' many years of hard work and dedication to the town and school of Dunbarton. (Majority vote required)

The School Board voted \_- \_- to \_\_\_\_\_

#### **ARTICLE 5**

Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,000.00) for the purpose of replacing light fixtures in the lower level Community Center and Kitchen of Dunbarton Elementary School with energy efficient lighting. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article # 3, the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required)

The School Board voted \_\_\_\_

#### ARTICLE 6

Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$12,000.00) for the purpose of performing an operational assessment of heating, ventilation, and hot water systems and equipment at Dunbarton Elementary School, and to evaluate appropriate energy efficiency measures. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article # 3, the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required)

The School Board voted \_\_\_\_

#### ARTICLE 7

"Shall the school district accept the provision of RSA 195-A (as amended) providing for the amendment to the agreement for the AREA schools located in Goffstown to serve grades 7-12 from the school districts of Dunbarton and New Boston in accordance with the provisions of the plan on file with the district clerk." (Majority vote required).

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

The School Board voted \_\_-\_\_

#### **ARTICLE 8**

Shall the School District vote to approve the formation of an AREA School Planning Committee, pursuant to RSA 195-A:3, for the purposes of exploring and recommending the feasibility of an AREA agreement with the Bow School District for the purposes of educating Dunbarton students in grades 7-12. Shall the School District also vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purposes of expenses for the AREA School Planning Committee in completing their duties as outlined in RSA 195-A:3. The moderator will appoint committee members upon approval of this warrant article. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required)

The School Board voted \_- \_ to \_\_\_\_\_

#### **ARTICLE 9**

Shall the School District vote to approve the formation of an SAU Planning Committee, pursuant to RSA 194-C:2, for the purposes of exploring and recommending the feasibility of withdrawing from School Administrative Unit 19 (SAU 19) and for the purposes of exploring and recommending the feasibility of reorganizing School Administrative Unit (SAU 67) with the Bow School District (SAU 67) to include the Dunbarton School District for the purposes of providing Superintendent Services, pursuant to RSA-194 C:4. Said Planning Committee shall conform to and meet all requirements established by RSA 194-C:2. Shall the School District also vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the purposes of expenses for the SAU Planning Committee in completing their duties as outlined in RSA 194-C. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget. (Majority vote required)

The School Board voted - - to

#### **ARTICLE 10**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00) for deposit into the existing Dunbarton School Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize the use of that amount from the June 30, 2012 Unreserved Fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2012. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote required).

The School Board voted \_- \_- to \_\_\_\_\_

#### **ARTICLE 11**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate up to ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) for deposit into the existing Dunbarton Kitchen Equipment Fund and to authorize the use of that amount from the June 30, 2012 Unreserved Fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1, 2012. This appropriation is in addition to Warrant Article #3, the Operating Budget Article. (Majority vote required).

The School Board voted \_-\_- to \_\_\_\_\_

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT SAID DUNBARTON THIS (\_\_) DAY OF FEBRUARY 2012.

## DRAFT

#### **SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #19 ADOPTED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2012 - 2013**

#### Expenditures:

<b>Function</b>	Description	
2311	Supervision of Board Services	-
2313	Treasurer	545
2317	Audit Services	5,000
2318	Legal Services	1,000
2321	Supervision Superintendent's Office	822,317
2332	Special Education Administrative Services	384,584
2510	Fiscal & Bookkeeping Services	340,791
2600	Building Services	36,981
2830	Personnel Services	142,539
3000	Federal Projects	250,000
	Gross Budget Total	1,983,757
Less Estim	ated Revenues:	
	Federal Grants	250,000
	Other Local Revenue	35,000
	From Fund Balance @ June 30, 2011	125,000
Amount to	be Assessed to School Districts	1,573,757

#### Apportionment of Assessment by District for Fiscal Year 2012 - 2013

District	<u>% of</u>	
Durcharter	Assessment	<u>Assessment</u>
Dunbarton	9.285%	146,123
Goffstown	71.395%	1,123,584
	19.320%	304.050
New Boston		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	100.00%	1,573,757

Adopted: December 2011

#### DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE INFORMATION Debt Schedule As of June 30, 2011

Years remaining on Dunbarton School District's general obligation bonds.

Year	Principal	Interest	Amount Due
2011-2012	65,000.00	16,031.25	81,031.25
2012-2013	65,000.00	12,943.75	77,943.75
2013-2014	60,000.00	9,975.00	69,975.00
2014-2015	60,000.00	7,125.00	67,125.00
2015-2016	60,000.00	4,275.00	64,275.00
2016-2017	60,000.00	1,425.00	61,425.00
2017-2018	0		0 0

Payments for Phase 2A/2B HVAC Upgrade began January 3, 2007 and extend through July 3, 2016

## DRAFT DUNBARTON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRAFT

#### PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY For Fiscal Year July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Expenditures:		Actual Expenditures	Approved Budget	Proposed School Board Budget
Expenditures.		FY10-11	FY 11-12	FY 12-13
Operating Budget				
Function				
1000	Instruction			
1100	Regular Programs	3,308,165	3,388,283	3,413,536
1101	Enrichment Program	8,879	10,185	10,200
1200	Special Education Programs	374,070	430,575	516,313
1260	ESL Programs	0	0	18,866
1400	CoCurricular Activities	532	1,300	1,300
1800	Community Services			
1890	Support to Community Center	0	1,000	1,000
2000	Support Services			
2112	Truant Officer	0	0	0
2120	Guidance Services	32,487	33,553	21,969
2125	Guidance Records	0	0	400
2130	Health Services	62,296	71,134	72,534
2140	Psychological Services	81,729	23,010	20,300
2150	Speech Pathology & Audiology	68,692	84,223	55,690
2152	Speech Pathology	0	0	0
2153	Audiology	390	1,000	1,000
2162	Physical Therapy	2,405	1,980	11,500
2163	OT Services	34,629	34,629	34,629
2190	Other Support - Pupil Services	12,420	3,200	4,500
2200	Instructional			
2210	Improvement of Instruction	1,725	1,750	2,000
2212	Curriculum Development	0	0	0
2213	Instructional Training	2,079	9,500	8,000
2222	Information Center	70,707	80,288	78,358
2224	Educational TV	0	0	0
2290	Technology Support	14,082	17,000	17,000
2300	General Administration			
2311	School Board	6,826	8,206	8,420
2312	Census	5	651	651
2313	Board Treasurer	271	321	321
2314	District Meeting	54	908	908

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2317 Audit Services	6,600	7,590	5,750
2318 Legal Fees	25	5,000	5,000
2321 SAU Services	150,561	145,668	146,123
2400 School Administration			
2410 Office of the Principal	176,352	184,744	194,730
2490 Other Support - Services	0	300	300
2600 Building and Grounds Services			
2620 Building Operations	258,254	279,691	311,835
2630 Maintenance Grounds	0	0	0
2640 Operating Equipment	0	0	0
2700 Pupil Transportation			
2721 Regular Transportation	223,325	214,505	236,096
2722 Special Needs Transportation	78,034	82,597	123,491
2790 Field Trip Transportation	1,630	3,710	3,710
4700 Building Improvements			
4700 Ice Dam Remediation	Ū	0	Ū
5100 Debt Service			
5110 Bond Principal	40,000	65,000	65,000
5120 Bond Interest	17,908	16,031	12,944
5200 Transfer to Trust Fund			
5251 Transfer to Capital Reserve Fund	147,900	11,000	Ū
5252 Transfer to Special Education Trust Fund	0	0	Ö
Special Revenue Programs Title Grants			
4600 Capital Projects Fund			
4600 Building Improvements	0	0	0
3100 Food Service Fund			
3100 Food Service Budget	50,005	56,572	60,019
Fund 22 Agency Funds			
Grant Programs	56,799	0	0
Total Operating Budget Warrant Article			
	5,289,835	5,275,104	5,464,393

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#### **Dunbarton School District - AREA Sub-Committee 2011 Report**

Presently, Dunbarton students attend Goffstown schools for middle and high school grades under a 10-year AREA Agreement entered into in 2004 by the towns of Goffstown, New Boston and Dunbarton. The current agreement expires on June 30, 2014. In advance of the expiration date, the Dunbarton School Board held several public meetings regarding the issue of whether Dunbarton should continue to send its students to Goffstown or whether it should consider joining other nearby school systems. After conducting an initial investigation into several towns, the Board voted to only consider Bow and Goffstown as receiving districts for Dunbarton students. Among other things, the Board requested the formation of a sub-committee consisting of members of the public and one member of the Board to conduct further research of the educational opportunities offered at the middle and high school levels of both districts as well as other related aspects of the school systems.

The information below provides a concise summary of a large amount of data gathered and compiled by the sub-committee. This information is also set forth in a spreadsheet available for viewing on the Dunbarton Elementary website at http://tinyurl.com/84eh7fb and we encourage all residents to refer to that spreadsheet for more detailed information. We note at the outset that this information is based on research and observations from members of the group and should not be considered as fully representative of what each district offers to their students. Rather, it is simply a snap-shot summary of the information the group reviewed to date. As part of the research process, the group interviewed administrators from both districts, attended informational meetings, reviewed information available on the NH Department of Education's website, reviewed responses to questions compiled by the Board and members of the public from the superintendents and financial administrators of each district, obtained information from the local law enforcement when necessary and obtained information from other reliable sources. Although the research process was extremely thorough, the group was not able to gather all information pertinent to every subject area. In addition, the group was not able to finalize its review of the special education programs or obtain definitive cost estimates from each district. However, with regards to the special education services provided by each district, the group did conclude that both districts provide sufficient services in this area. Of course, if Dunbarton and Bow residents vote to form AREA Agreement Study Committees to study Dunbarton sending its students to Bow schools, additional research will be conducted to compile all applicable information in these areas for presentation to the public.

#### Comparison of Curriculum Opportunities Offered at Goffstown and Bow High Schools

The sub-committee conducted extensive research to compare the curriculums of both Goffstown High School (GHS) and Bow High School (BHS). In sum, both high schools offer a vast variety of courses to allow for advancing student learning. The group concluded that the available course offerings at both high schools were sufficient for preparing students to enter into trade or technical schools, four-year colleges or universities or general employment.

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For students interested in a four-year college or university, both high schools offer a variety of AP (Advanced Placement) courses. Goffstown offers 11 AP courses while Bow offers 12. Both schools offer 12 Running Start (RS) courses (college credit courses), though the subjects differ. RS courses and AP courses allow students to earn college credit for the courses they complete in high school. In addition to RS, BHS offers dual enrollment relationships with Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) as well as New Hampshire Technical Institute. Similarly, GHS offers an articulation agreement for students seeking to further their education at SNHU by offering a scholarship to those students.

Both schools offer vocational education classes with GHS offering 17 different courses and Bow offering 11. Most of these courses are taken at GHS's campus, however for courses not offered on campus, Goffstown students have the option to travel to Manchester School of Technology while BHS students would take their vocational courses at the Concord Regional Technical Center. BHS also offers a pre-engineering program. Moreover, students have the opportunity to challenge themselves by taking Honors level courses at both schools. All core courses at GHS are offered as an "Honors" course whereas BHS allows students to do extra work to gain an "Honors" notation on their academic records for any course offered.

In addition to core classes, both schools also offer extensive opportunities in art, music, culinary and athletics. While both schools offer opportunities in all of these areas, GHS offers a greater variety of choices for the music and culinary programs. BHS is currently looking into hiring a full-time culinary program instructor. Both schools offer an extensive variety of extracurricular activities and clubs.

#### Rankings and General Culture of Goffstown and Bow Schools

Based on recent overall rankings (2009-2010) for New Hampshire middle and high schools, the two high schools came out generally the same but Bow ranked much higher under the middle school and school district rankings. For example, GHS was ranked 5<sup>th</sup> and the middle school ranked 46<sup>th</sup> (out of 82 schools) with the school district ranked 51<sup>st</sup> (out of 142 total districts); whereas, BHS ranked 6<sup>th</sup> and the middle school ranked 5<sup>th</sup> with the school district ranked 22<sup>nd</sup>. Presently, the Goffstown school district is considered a district "in need of improvement" by the State Department of Education (DOE) for reading and math. Recent NECAP scores (2011-2012) show the following rankings: Reading; BHS: 5<sup>th</sup>, GHS: 3<sup>rd</sup>. Writing; BHS: 1<sup>st</sup>, GHS: 5<sup>th</sup>. Math; BHS: 2<sup>nd</sup>, GHS: 8<sup>th</sup>. Recent SAT scores reflect these similarities with BHS students' scores higher than GHS's students.

When taking all of this information into consideration, it is important to note the differences in student population between the school districts. The current enrollment for GHS is approximately 1,192 with 908 in the middle school (estimated 454 students in grades 7 and 8). BHS enrollment is 587 students with 472 in middle school (estimated 236 students in grades 7 and 8). Over the past 5 years, Bow middle and high school enrollments have decreased at a much higher rate than Goffstown schools and this trend is predicted to continue in the near future. The average class size was comparable in all schools with Bow classes being slightly smaller. In terms of graduation rates, GHS rate is 84.8% and BHS is 89.5%. With regards to

teacher qualifications, Bow presently has significantly more teachers with Master's Degrees than Goffstown (60.9% compared to 36.7%).

The sub-committee also collected data about the culture of the schools with regards to discipline and arrests. GHS reported 81 incidents per 1,000 students in 2010-11 compared to 60 at BHS. Mountain View Middle School (MVMS) reported 47 incidents per 1,000 compared to 32 at Bow Memorial School (BMS). There were 27 documented student arrests at GHS and zero at BHS.

#### General Information Pertaining to Locations, Buildings and Grounds

BMS is located approximately 6.7 miles from Dunbarton Elementary School (DES.) The students of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade are segregated from the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders by location and do not change their periods at the same time. BHS is located approximately 7.1 miles from DES. BHS and BMS are less than 1 mile apart. BHS institutes an "open campus" policy that allows students the freedom to choose where they spend their time outside of any assigned classes; they may go to the library, the music rooms, the student lounges, etc. BHS's construction design allows for the building to be expanded easily if student population increases significantly.

MVMS is located approximately 7.5 miles from DES via Paige Hill Road. Grades 5 and 6 are completely segregated from grades 7 and 8 within the building. GHS is located approximately 7.3 miles from DES. GHS and MVMS are approximately 4.1 miles apart. GHS allows its students the freedom of moving within the school's common areas (music room, theater, guidance lounge, weight room, gym, media center, etc.) if they have a free prep period and received a pass granting them the privilege.

All facilities at all schools were deemed acceptable and up to date. Both districts maintain their buildings well and they were clean and free of graffiti when toured by the sub-committee.

#### Cost Estimates

Dunbarton, as a "sending district", currently pays tuition to Goffstown, the "receiving district", for the education of our grade 7-12 students in accordance with the terms of our AREA Agreement. Each year the per-student tuition rate at MVMS and GHS is determined based on Goffstown's annual operating costs applicable to each specific school divided by the number of students attending that school. The tuition rate also includes a "rental charge" to account for our share of Goffstown's long term capital costs to construct and improve the school facilities. Our current AREA Agreement states that the per-student rental charge rate will be 2 1/2% of the property value of the AREA school buildings and sites, as determined by a certified appraisal updated every five years, divided by the number of students attending that particular school.

To compare the cost of educating our grade 7-12 students in Bow with the cost in Goffstown required making a number of assumptions and estimations, including:

• The terms of an agreement with Bow would be the same as our current agreement with Goffstown with respect to calculation of tuition and rental charge rates.

- Dunbarton would withdraw from SAU 19 in Goffstown and reorganize with SAU 67 in Bow for the purpose of receiving superintendent services.
- Current 2011-2012 fiscal year financial data and enrollment numbers as of October 1, 2011 were used in the calculations to predict a comparative cost estimate for this current year, even though these values will change in future years.
- Bow estimated an additional amount added to their current annual operating costs to accommodate our students in their schools, as well as to provide SAU services to the Dunbarton School District.
- The value of buildings and sites for Bow schools was estimated from current tax assessments, which appeared to be reasonable but are not based on certified appraisals.

The estimation of cost is further complicated by several factors. As a single-district SAU, Bow's SAU 67 expenses are scattered throughout various areas in their school district budget which makes it difficult to compile these costs and determine Dunbarton's share. At SAU 19 in Goffstown, there is a separate SAU budget with our share accurately calculated. Goffstown provides some general special education services to Dunbarton students with the cost included in the overall Goffstown operating budget, while other student-specific services are billed directly to Dunbarton. It is not clear how this arrangement will work in Bow or what the relative cost implications will be. We are similarly unsure how attending Bow schools will affect our cost for student transportation. Finally, it was recently discovered that the current appraisals of Goffstown schools, updated in 2008, are not certified appraisals in accordance with our agreement and may significantly overstate the value of buildings and sites for rental charge calculations. Goffstown is in the process of obtaining new certified appraisals.

Considering all of the above, we have estimated to the best of our ability the total cost to educate grade 7-12 students in Bow for the 2011-2012 fiscal year to be \$2,599,901. For Goffstown, the cost is \$2,319,162 if the recent "high" uncertified appraisal values are used to calculate the rental charge rate. Using the prior "low" certified appraisal values results in a total cost of \$2,271,562. The difference between the cost to attend Bow versus Goffstown is between \$280,739 and \$328,338 depending on the property values used for Goffstown schools. More detail of these cost comparison calculations can be found on the DES web site.

If Bow and Dunbarton both vote to form AREA and SAU study committees in 2012, these committees will be responsible for clarifying financial arrangements so that a much more accurate cost comparison can be calculated and presented prior to any future vote for a long term agreement with either Bow or Goffstown.

Compiled by Jarrett Duncan, Lori Wamser, Clement Madden, Deanne Pelletier and Krista Scarlett on behalf of the AREA Sub-Committee



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the School Board Dunbarton School District Dunbarton, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Dunbarton School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Dunbarton School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Dunbarton School District, as of June 30, 2011, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis, appearing on the following pages, is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presenta-

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tion of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Schedule of Nonmajor Funds on page 29 is not a required part of the basic financial statements, and we did not audit or apply limited procedures to such information, and do not express any assurance on such information.

Welanson, Heath + Company P.C.

Nashua, New Hampshire January 9, 2012

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Dunbarton School District (the District), we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

#### A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

<u>Government-wide financial statements</u>. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

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

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

<u>Fund financial statements</u>. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

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

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the governmentwide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the District's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

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

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

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

<u>Other information</u>. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$ 1,388,699 (i.e., net assets), a change of \$ 49,388 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$ 880,002, a change of \$ 90,672 in comparison to the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$ 325,948, a change of \$(77,838) in comparison to the prior year.
- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was \$ 357,000, a change of \$ (40,000) in comparison to the prior year.

#### C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years.

		Governmental <u>Activities</u>			
		<u>2011</u>		<u>2010</u>	
Current and other assets	\$	928,809	\$	864,121	
Capital assets		872,532		953,062	
Total assets	_	1,801,341		1,817,183	
Long-term liabliities outstanding		307,000		357,000	
Other llabilities	_	105,642	_	120,872	
Total llabilities		412,642		477,872	
Net assets:					
Invested in capital assets, net		515,532		556,062	
Restricted		4,120		186,874	
Unrestricted		869,047		596,375	
Total net assets	\$_	1,388,699	\$	1,339,311	

#### CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>			
		2011 2010		
Revenues:				
Program revenues:				
Charges for services	\$	33,885	\$	34,990
Operating grants and contributions		80,177		80,837
General revenues:				
Town assessment	4,:	248,239		3,736,488
Grants and contributions not restricted				
to specific programs	1	621,122		772,812
Investment income		467		815
Other		31,065	-	4,942
Total revenues	5,	014,955		4,630,884
Expenses:				
Administration	:	363,515		327,615
Instruction	3,0	671,002		3,575,539
Support services		400,581		305,768
Operation and maintenance	:	243,883		252,895
Transportation	:	269,549		276,991
Interest expense	_	17,037		18,917
Total expenses	_4,9	965,567	~	4,757,725
Change in net assets		49,388		(126,841)
Net assets - beginning of	1,:	339,311	_	1,466,152
Net assets - end of year	\$ 1,3	388,699	\$	1,339,311

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a District's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net assets were \$ 1,388,699, a change of \$ 49,388 from the prior year.

A large portion of net assets \$ 515,532 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings and improvements, machinery, and equipment and furnishings), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net assets \$ 4,120 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets \$ 869,047 may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net assets of \$ 49,388. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further		
in Section D	\$	90,667
Nonmajor fund activities		5
Depreciation expense in excess of principal		
debt service		(40,530)
GAAP accruals	_	(754)
Total	\$_	49,388

#### D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

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

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$ 880,002, a change of \$ 90,672 in comparison to the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further in Section D Nonmajor fund activities	\$	90,667 5
Total	\$_	90,672

In fiscal year 2011, the District implemented *Governmental Accounting* Standards Board Statement #54 Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. In general, amounts previously reported as undesignated fund balance, are now reported as unassigned fund balance. Full definitions of all fund balance classifications can be found in the notes to the financial statements. Additionally, amounts previously reported in capital reserve funds, are now required to be presented as committed fund balance in the general fund.

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$ 325,948, while total fund balance was \$ 877,891. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below.

				% of
				Total General
General Fund	6/30/11	6/30/10	Change	Fund Expenditures
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 325,948	\$ 403,786	\$ (77,838)	6.9%
Total fund balance <sup>1</sup>	877,891	787,224	90,667	18.7%

<sup>1</sup>Now includes capital reserve fund. Prior period balances have been revised to conform to current presentation.

The fund balance of the general fund changed by \$ 90,667 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Use of free cash and overlay surplus as a funding source	\$	(387,091)
Revenues in excess of budget		1,918
Expenditures less than budget		267,145
Current year encumbrances exceeding prior years		
encumbrances		244,683
Change in capital reserve funds	_	(35,988)
Total	\$_	90,667

#### E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

There were no differences between the original budget and the final budget.

#### F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets at year end amounted to \$872,532 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of \$ (80,530) from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and improvements, machinery, and equipment and furnishings.

Additional information on capital assets can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, total long-term debt outstanding was \$ 357,000, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the District.

Additional information on long-term debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

#### REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Dunbarton School District's finances for all those with an interest in the District's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Office of Business Manager

SAU #19

11 School Street

Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Dunbarton as we know it today was first granted by the General Court of Massachusetts in 1733, as Narragansett No. 6. It was re-granted in 1735 to soldiers who fought in the French and Indian War under Capt. John Gorham (not Samuel Gorham of Plymouth, England) but that grant was relinquished. In 1748 a group headed by Archibald Stark petitioned the Masonian Proprietors in Portsmouth for a grant of land and received permission to have this territory surveyed and laid out into lots and ranges; it was called Starkstown. Permanent settlement did not commence until 1752. This Township was incorporated on August 10, 1765 by then Governor Benning Wentworth and named Dunbarton after Dumbarton Scotland where many of the original settlers originated.

Dunbarton is located in Merrimack County, bounded by Goffstown to the south, Weare to the west, Hopkinton to the north, Bow and Hooksett to the east.

From 1765 until 1822 when the town of Hooksett was incorporated, the bounds of Dunbarton went to the Merrimack River.

Dunbarton has: Five ponds, all with public access:

Gorham Pond, 102.6 acres Kimball pond, 37.2 acres Long Pond, 32.1 acres Purgatory Pond18.6 acres Stark Pond, 10.8 acres

Three town cemeteries (Center, pages Corner and East) and one private cemetery (Stark).

Approximately 75 miles of road.

19560 acres, 31.4 square miles which includes:

1307 acres of conservation property337.55 acres of conservation easement925 acres of Kuncanowet Town forest property482 (approximate) acres of Town Forestand 1187 + acres of federal land.

Population of approximately 2758

The elevation above sea level for the Town Hall is 830', the top of Mills Hill (the Highest point) 925', the Bow-Dunbarton line on Route #13 (the lowest point) 350'. The Boston Globe reported on February 24, 2008, Boston University Dept. of Geography and Environment determined the center of New England was located in Dunbarton, NH. Specifically in the North West corner of the Prescott field on the Stonehurst farm located at 43.117199 degrees latitude and -71.593498 degrees longitude.

Hours of the Town Office are:

Selectmen Meeting Daytime Office Hours Tax Collector	Thursday 7:00pm 603-774-3541 x 105 Monday thru Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm Tuesday 4:00pm to 6:00pm
	Thursday 4:00pm to 7:00pm 774-3547 x 103
Town Clerk	Monday & Wednesday 7:30am to 3:30am
	Tuesday & Thursday 11:00am to 7:00pm
	774-3547 x107
Building Department	Monday-Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm 774-3547x106 (Inspections: by appt. Tuesdays & Thursdays 24-hrs notice)

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Transfer Station**	Tuesday 10:00am to 4:00pm	
	Wednesday 12:00pm to 8:00pm	
	Saturday 8:00am to 4:00pm	774-7090
** A permit is required, available f	rom the Town Clerk and Selectmen's Office.	

The Planning Board meets the third Wednesday of the month. The Zoning Board meets the second Monday of the month, as required. Call the Selectmen for further information.

The School Board meets the first Wednesday of the month at the school.

Library Hours:	Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	1:00pm to 8:00pm 10:00am to 4:00pm 1:00pm to 8:00pm 10:00am to 4:00pm 10:00am to 2:00pm	774-3546
Web Page: http;//www.dunbarton	inh.org		
Volunteer Fire Department	774-3542	EMERGENCY 911	
Police Department	774-5500	EWIEKGENCY 911	

Brush burning permits are required unless there is complete snow cover. They may be obtained from Jon Wiggin, J.R. Swindlehurst, Bud Marcou, Fred Mullen, or Patrick "Woody" Bowne (subject to change please call town office).

The annual town election and town meeting is the second Tuesday in March.

Voter registration qualifications: 18 years of age, US Citizen and resident of Dunbarton. Register with Supervisors of the Checklist or Town Clerk. Absentee ballots are available to qualified voters for town and state primary and general elections. Contact Town Clerk for details.

#### FIVE-YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON

YEAR		SCHOOL	MUNICIPAL	COUNTY	TOTAL TAX RATE	ASSESSED VALUE
2007	State Local	2.26 7.69	2.35	2.26	14.56	325,043,940
2008	State Local	2.27 7.94	2.72	2.55	15.48	333,752,283
2009	State Local	2.30 8.84	3.02	2.38	16.54	340,121,143
2010	State Local	2.47 11.74	3.62	2.67	20.50	302,904,962
2011	State Local	2.45 12.66	3.70	2.63	21.44	305,427,132

Revaluation years: 1990, 1997, 2005, 2010 and 2015. Equalization Ratio = 105% for 2011.



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The Dunbarton Garden Club was established in 1934 and is a 501c3 non-profit organization open to all area residents. We plant and maintain the Town Common gardens and create holiday decorations for the town buildings, cemeteries, churches, and museum. We also contribute to the DES scholarship and graduation, interact with DES school children & home schoolers, participate in community events, host educational programs and more. *Daffodils* for *Dunbarton*, in addition to being a 250th anniversary celebration project, is also a fundraiser to support these community causes.

	all meetings are at 6:30 pm on Tuesdays unless	otherwise not	ea – scheaute	is subject to change)
Jan. 10	St. John's Church, 270 Stark High- way North, "Designing with Bulbs & How to Divide Perennials" by Paula Kovecses, Horticultural Consultant and Owner of T.W.I.G.	Mar. 20	way North "Green Ar	Church, 270 Stark High- a, Thomas Berger from t" in Kittery, Maine, a talk on Stone Masonry culptures.
Feb. 14	(The Way It Grows). St. John's Church, Ken Cook from Dunbarton will give a presentation on Heirloom Tomatoes.	April 10	Master Ga tive Exten	Church, Joyce Kimball, rdner from the Coopera- sion, will hold a Q&A how to prune ornamen-
Mar. 13	Town Meeting – Q & A Informa- tion Booth at Community Center			vide perennials, as well educational session on s. Continued on reverse
-	Participate in Du	nbarton's	Contact:	Garden Club information Tom Cusano, President,
(	250th Anniver	rsary!	Web:	tomkaren@gsinet.net www.dunbartongarden- club.org or Community
	for Dunbart		Write:	Groups at www.dunbar- tonnh.org Dunbarton Garden Club, Town Office, 1011 School
	A Ten-Year Program sponsored by the Danbarton	e Garden Chub	Call:	St., Dunbarton NH 03046 Daffodil information:
	brate Dunbarton's 250th Anniversary in n Club began an ambitious ten-year pro		E-mail:	Donna Dunn 774-4567 daffodil250th@aol.com

ply readily and bloom for generations - making them a thrifty, long-term investment. Thanks to you almost 60,000 daffodils bulbs have been planted in yards and along roads in Dun-

barton!

barton! At our annual Potluck Public Planting Party on Sat. Oct. 29, folks gathered early at the Maple Lodge to form planting teams and went forth with gas-powered generators, augers and hand tools to do battle. Thanks to our hosts Gary and Koren MacCubbin, the fabulous cooks of The-Garden-Club-That-Likes-To-Eat and member Linda Groleau for her tireless refreshment-coordination efforts. Our appreciation goes to homeowners who allowed Public Plantings on their property-the soil is easier to work and there's less poison ivy. There's also less road salt exposure and reduced danger from too-early mowing or enthusiastic flower pickers who believe daffodils grow wild! In 2012 we're expanding a full Public Planting Week to allow people to help on weekdays. We're also encouraging more 'neighborhood' plantings such as 'North Woods' where neighbors ave col-laborated with us for three vears. They sumply the mannower and we supply the bulbs and fertilizer

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Ga	arden Tours to b		Check box for Unlisted/Private:
Sept. 11	Home of Don Birchview Dri	& Enid Larsen, 32 ve.	PHONE BEARIL
Sept. 22	(Sat.) Old Hon Daffodil sales, Town common	crafts for the kids.	GARDENING INTERESTS:
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Oct. 27 Nov. 13	Daffodil Publi		Fundraising Membership Daffodils     Board By-Laws/Compliance Programs     Check my box to be a committee member. If interested in     CHAIRING a committee, please CIRCLE the applicable     Committee name.
Nov. 24	Highway Nort (Sat.) Wreath I Buildings	h, Dunbarton. Making for Town	GENERAL INTERESTS/HOBBIES:
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most of those directly on Routes 13 and 77, with a few on side roads. The Dunbarton Garden Club has planted thousands of bulbs along our portion of the Byway. Both Goffstown and Weare began planting daffodils in 2009 and plan to continue. New Boston has also man-aged to squeeze a few daffodils into their agenda. The entire Byway could be a blaze of daffodils each spring for decades to come. This type of collaborative effort could help spur other common initiatives, which might lead to federal Byway approval and thereby open the door to grants and federal improvement monies. One can only dream! For more info: http://www.snhpc.org/pdf/Scenic\_Byways\_Document.pdf

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