

Childs Park

Featured on the front cover is Meredith Center's Childs Park and its previous owners, Stephen and Lavina Childs

Stephen and Lavina purchased ten acres on Livingston Road and two acres in Meredith Center from the Christie Estate in 1972. Stephen built their house at 9 Livingston Road and used the property in the Center as a garden, primarily for potatoes and blueberries.

In 1980, Stephen and Lavina donated a .65 acre parcel of land for the neighborhood children to use as a playground. This donation nearly tripled the size of the Meredith Center Park area which had been deeded to the Town of Meredith in 1974 by Gerald Christie for playground purposes.

In 1986, Meredith Center Park was renamed "Childs Park" as the Town completed acquisition of an additional 1.6 acres from Stephen and Lavina Childs.

The Town installed a ball field, a slide, swings, and a merry-go-round.

The property was named in honor of and officially dedicated to Stephen and Lavina in July of 1989.

In 2011, the Town received a generous donation from Mr. Lou Kahn in memory of his wife, Bobby Smythe, in the amount of \$30,000 to be used to purchase new playground equipment for the park.

There were additional fund raising efforts by the Friends of Meredith Parks and Recreation which resulted in donations amounting to \$11,500 along with another generous donation in the amount of \$7,500 from the Meredith Rotary Club toward completion of refurbishing Childs Park.

The 2011 renovation of Childs Park in Meredith Center exemplifies the collaborative spirit that makes Meredith so special. This project, like many projects before it, succeeded in large part because of the cooperation, participation and support from many circles within our community.

Initially, town boards, committees and the voters at Town Meeting supported the project. This was followed by the donation of significant private funds to augment public funding. Professional design services were donated or discounted allowing us to fine tune the proposal. The donation of services and building materials by skilled building tradesmen resulted in a new public bathroom building that is a key feature of the renovated park.

Volunteers coordinated by the Parks and Recreation Department helped install the new playground.

Several town departments were involved with various facets of the project as it evolved from preliminary plans to construction.

For a complete list of donors and contributors, see the Parks & Recreation Department report.

A sincere "Thank You" to all that participated in the group collaboration from the Town of Meredith.

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for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

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What is this Town Report all about?

This Annual Town Report contains...
information gathered from town departments,
supported outside agencies and gives results of the
2011 Town Meeting. You can view the Vital Statistics, Town
Financial Statements, Tax Rate, Ten Year Tax Rate Comparison and a
Summary of Town Owned Property. Following in the yellow section is
our current Budget and Warrant Articles.

Town Elections (Please Vote)

Tuesday, March 13, 2012 Location: Community Center 1 Circle Drive Time: 7am to 7pm

Please bring this book to Town Meeting on...

Wednesday, March 14, 2012 Location: Inter-Lakes High School 1 Laker Lane Time: 7pm

Recognition

The Town Manager, Department Heads and Outside Agencies are responsible for the written reports.

The Financial Statements are prepared by the Administrative Services Director, Brenda L. Vittner, Deputy Tax Collector, Vikki Fogg and Town Accountant, Carrie Compton.

The layout, graphs and preparation of the Annual Report are completed by the Finance Officer, Linda Labraney.

Thank you to all who contributed to this report.

Town Report Dedication



This year's Town Report is dedicated to Charles "Chuck " Palm Former Fire Chief, Town Treasurer, Interim Town Manager and Chairman of the Board of Selectman

Charles G. Palm, 67, died May 8, 2011, at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston after a long battle with cancer. He was born on September 26, 1943, in Lowell, Mass., to Oscar and Dorothy Palm. He was a 1965 graduate of the University of New Hampshire with a degree in accounting.

Mr. Palm served in the New Hampshire National Guard in Nashua until 1970. After graduating from college, he worked in Boston for the accounting firm of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. achieving the level of partner. He moved to Stratham in 1979 and spent several years in the New Hampshire banking industry. Mr. Palm joined the Stratham Volunteer Fire Department and served as assistant fire chief. He was also active in the community, including Little League coach and scout master of Boy Scout Troop185.

He moved to Meredith in 1994 when he and his wife purchased Harbor Hill Camping Area. Family includes his wife of 40 years, Barbara K. Palm; sons Garrett Palm of Providence, R.I. and Brian Palm of Needham, Mass.; three grandsons, sister Priscilla Frahm of Palm Bay, Fla.; several nieces and nephews.

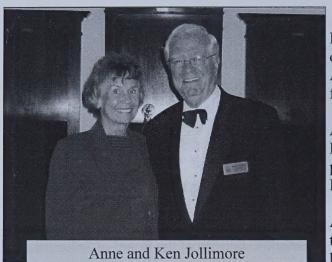
Chuck joined the Meredith Fire Department in 1994 after serving for over fifteen years with the Stratham Volunteer Fire Department. In 1997, when the time came to replace Meredith's retiring, first, full time fire chief, Chuck was the hands down favorite to take over the job. Equally at home elbow deep in the engine compartment of a fire truck, commanding a fire scene, reviewing building plans or making a budget presentation, Chuck earned the respect and admiration of both the fire service community and the people of Meredith. Chuck had also been an integral part of the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association serving on various boards and committees and being a passionate voice in support of volunteer fire departments in the Lakes Region.

When Meredith's previous town manager retired, he wore the additional "hat" of interim town manager for six months while a permanent one was found. Once Chuck retired as Fire Chief he still never really retired. He ran for Selectman in 2008 and had been on the Select Board a few terms holding the title of Chairman for one. This year he ran for Town Treasurer and was elected by the people.

The Meredith Fire Department held a special memorial service and formally dedicated the town's first motorized fire engine in honor of Charles G. Palm. The truck can be viewed at the Meredith Fire Station.

The Board of Selectmen are proud of the dedicated service that Chuck gave to the Town of Meredith and to the Fire Department. He was an asset to this community and is greatly missed.

In Special Memoriam



Kenneth Jollimore of Highland Street in Meredith died on January 12, 2011. He was pre-deceased by his wife, Anne on September 21, 2009. Ken and Anne had been fixtures in Meredith since 1980.

Anne was born April 15, 1932, in Germantown, Pennsylvania. She met Ken Jollimore in 1959 while performing in the Framingham Young Women's Club Follies, and they were married January 9, 1960.

Anne began a career as a legal secretary and throughout the years worked in the real estate field attaining her broker's license in New Hampshire. She was the

proprietor of N.H. Title Abstract Company before accepting a position at Hunter and Garner in 1980 where she worked as a paralegal until her retirement. She was a justice of the peace and performed marriage ceremonies for some friends and family.

Throughout her life, Anne was active in public service and community-oriented organizations. She served on the New Hampshire State Board of Education. She enjoyed genealogy and at the time of her death was the parliamentarian and past state regent for New Hampshire State Daughters of the American Revolution. She also served as the president of the Meredith Historical Society. Anne was a member of the Planning Board in the Town of Meredith and served the town at most elections as an electoral judge and in other capacities.

Ken was born May 3, 1933, in Boston, Massachusetts. He was in the US Naval Reserve and worked as a disc jockey in the Boston area and in Keene, New Hampshire before shifting his focus to sales and marketing in the mid-1960s. Ken worked for the New Hampshire Department of Emergency Management and a Public Relations Liaison from 1982 until his retirement.

Ken was an active member of the Masonic Lodge for 49 years, most recently Chocorua Lodge in Holderness, New Hampshire. He served as Meredith Town Moderator from 1992 to 1997. Ken also had a passion for music and could be found playing his trombone at many of the band concerts in Hesky Park and in Center Harbor. He was also a member of the Frustration Hills Blues Band for many years. He lent his strong baritone voice to a few early Streetcar Company productions including Zoltan Carpathy in My Fair Lady and El Gallo in The Fantastiks.

Ken and Anne enjoyed their lives in the Lakes Region, and had lived in Laconia from 1969 to 1977 before moving to California and returning to the area in Meredith in 1980. Lake Winnipesaukee was their second home and they spend many happy summer days sailing around.

They are survived by their three children, Hillary Jollimore and son-in-law Timothy Seeger, of Meredith, New Hampshire, Kenneth Jr., of Meredith, New Hampshire, Kristen Sapienza and son-in-law Augustine Sapienza, of Pasadena, Maryland, 10 grandchildren, Alexis Pierson, Matthew Bean, Collyn Seeger, Victoria, Elisabeth, and David Jollimore; Monica Ross (Robert), Phillip (Ashley), Maria, and Emily Sapienza; and five great-grandchildren.

Dedicated Service



Dick became a seasonal snow fighter for the Town about December 1, 1987 while employed eight months of the year for Pike Industries. For three years he continued to assume the duties of Public Works Employee from December to March.

He became a fulltime employee in March of 1990. Dick retired from his fulltime status after serving the Town for over <u>twenty years</u>.

A few years before Dick retired he became a member of the Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers and since retiring has become very active in several of their subgroups. The groups are Granite State Woodturners, Hand Tools Group, Beginners and Intermediate Group (which builds select furniture pieces).

Richard "Dick" Davis

As a Guild member he volunteers at the League of NH Craftsmen annual fair in Sunapee. He also enjoys Genealogy and currently has 22,900 members in his own and his wife's family tree. Together they travel locally in the Northeast to visit family and friends often, and his wife Carol calls it, "Dig up Bones".

Peter Currier worked in our Cemetery department for <u>ten years</u>. Peter and our current sexton John Calvin were a great team working together. The duo was instrumental in straightening monuments and grass markers. They also planted 34 trees in the cemetery, keeping it looking pristine. In the winter months Peter would join the Buildings and Grounds crew to assist with snow removal.

Pete also served as a member of the Meredith Volunteer Fire Department for thirty years and became First Captain and also held several officer positions. Pete spent many years working side by side with Sedley Bartlett who was on the department for 50 years. When Sedley passed away in California, Pete made sure to purchase a stone with his own monies in honor of his close friend, Sedley so that he may be remembered each year.



Harold "Pete" Currier Sr.

He also volunteers his time every year by placing flags on the graves of all the fallen firefighters for the Memorial Day holiday so they are not forgotten.

Pete retired in 2011 and now spends most of his days in his garage rebuilding/repairing car parts with his passion for antique vehicles.

Thank you both for your many years of dedicated service to the Town of Meredith!

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Colette Worsman, 2012, Chairperson

Peter F. Brothers, Vice Chair, 2012 Nathan J. Torr, 2013 Miller C. Lovett, 2013 Herb Vadney, 2014

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Stephen Nedeau, Moderator, 2012 Charles G. Palm, Treasurer, (deceased) Kerri A. Parker, Town Clerk, 2014 Mark Billings, Treasurer, 2012

TOWN DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS

Town Manager & Tax Collector Administrative Services Director Community Development Director Town Planner Code Enforcement Officer Public Works Director Assistant Public Works Director Water & Sewer Superintendent

Water & Sewer Superintendent
Assessor
Parks & Recreation Director

Parks & Recreation Program Director Library Director

Deputy Tax Collector Deputy Town Clerk Phillip L. Warren Jr.
Brenda L. Vittner, MBA
John C. Edgar, AICP
Angela LaBrecque
William M. Edney
Michael Faller
Allan Bolduc
Daniel Leonard
James Commerford, CNHA

Vint M. Choiniere, CPRP Erica Burnham

> Erin Apostolos Valerie "Vikki" Fogg Donna Turner

POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS

Kevin Morrow, Chief

Keith True, Lieutenant

FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS

Tom Joslin, Deputy

Ken Jones, Chief

Andre Kloetz, Deputy Chief

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Ken Jones, Chief

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Kevin Morrow, Director

Peter G. Russell, Assistant Director

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Barbara Clark, Chairperson, 2012

Louis Kahn, 2014

Justin Van Etten, 2013

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Nancy Jewell, 2014

Lucienne M. Boulanger, Chairperson, 2016

Rhetta Colon, 2012

MEREDITH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (CIP) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Bill Bayard, Chairman Jack McEwan

Justin Van Etten

Lou Kahn, Vice Chairman Jeannie Forrester Lisa Merrill, ILSB Rep

Miller Lovett, BOS Representative

Town of Meredith

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Duncan McNeish, Treasurer, 2012

Rhetta Colon, 2012

Louis Kahn, 2012

Roger Sorell, 2011

Maribeth McEwan, 2013

John W. Dever, III, 2013

Paul Eldridge, Chair, 2012 Laurie A. Brothers, 2014

Colleen Nolan, 2014

Ann Butler, 2012

PLANNING BOARD

Bill Bayard, Chairman, 2011 Liz Lapham, 2013

Edward Touhey, 2013

Peter Brothers, Selectman Representative

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Michael Pelczar, 2013 John "Jack" Dever Jr., Chairman, 2012 Brian Flanders, 2012

Warren Clark, 2013 David Thorpe, 2012

Alternates: Timothy Goodheart, 2013 Bruce Reichlen, 2013

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John Sherman, Vice Chair, 2014 Mark Billings, Chairman, 2012 Paula Wanzer, Secretary, 2013

Don MacFarlane, 2014 Peter Miller, 2013

Ralph Pisapia, Treasurer, 2012 Bob Davis, 2012

Alternates:

Bob LeCount, 2012 Tony Sabutis, 2013

Jacquie Colburn, 2012 Mary Kahn, 2014 Sandy Mucci, 2012

MEREDITH WATER SYSTEM COMMITTEE

Paul Anderson Dave Thorpe, Chairman Dan Cornelissen

Tim Goodheart John Edgar Jonathan James

Dan Leonard Herbert Vadney, Selectmen's Representative Phil Warren

Charles Palm (deceased) Miller Lovett, Alt. Selectmen's Representative

WAUKEWAN WATERSHED ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Bob Vogler Randy Eifert, Chairman Pru Tylenda
Tim Whiting Dallas Wrath Stan Wallerstein

Bill Corr Nathan Torr-Selectmen's Representative John Hodsdon

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES

Bill Bayard, 2012 Herb Vadney, 2012

MEREDITH ENERGY COMMITTEE

Ken Colburn Reed Leberman Bill Bayard

Phil McCormack Wendy Bagley

DJ Quagliaroli Peter Brothers-Selectmen's Representative Mark Billings

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VILLAGE PATHWAYS COMMITTEE

Sandy Sabutis Liz Lapham, Chairman Carol Gerken

Pam Coburn
Janis Roberts
Angela LaBrecque
Chris Schwidder

Report from the Town Manager

2011 began with the budget process which entailed working with Department Heads and the Board of Selectmen to develop a level funded budget. Recognizing a projected revenue shortfall, the proposed level service budget was further pared down with the intent of:

- (1) not increasing the property tax commitment above the 2008 level,
- (2) maintaining an adequate fund balance and
- (3) maintaining existing services.

The proposed budget adopted by Town Meeting was followed by cautious implementation due to the uncertainty of the revenue situation and the economy as a whole. Revenue projections were monitored quarterly and several potential expenditures were put on hold until the revenue picture became clearer later in the year.

Consistent with the goal set by the Selectmen when the final tax rate was set it did not increase the property tax commitment above the 2008 level while maintaining an adequate fund balance and maintaining many services. This goal was possible through the cooperation and assistance of both department heads and employees.



All departments continue to provide a level service that the residents should continue to be proud of — while there have been reductions in staff, programs and services, the majority of these reductions do not result in a "visible" reduction in service — our staff is working harder to provide the level of service that residents have come to expect, and should be applied for it.

Work began on the Childs Park Project, with an anticipated completion date of early 2012. This project was possible through the many donations of materials and time, coupled with the efforts of staff.

As this report is written, I have served the Town of Meredith for approximately two years. I have found that there are many residents, employees and elected officials that care deeply for the continued success of the town, and their actions demonstrate their commitment – from actively serving on committees, participating in local events and participating in the political process, making Meredith the special community that it is.

Respectfully submitted,

Phillip L. Warren, Jr. Town Manager

Report from the Board of Selectmen

To the Citizens of Meredith:

Your Board has concluded another year meeting the difficult challenges presented by this persistent economic downturn. The focus continues to be on maintaining appropriate levels of service, implementing programs and services with more limited resources, and minimizing the impacts upon our citizens and employees. The Board, our administrative team and Town employees have been instrumental in their dedication to monitoring and adjusting expenditures levels as revenues from all sources continue to diminish as a result of the impact of the challenging local, State and Federal economies.

With the adoption of the current 2012 year budget, we will need to continue to effectively control operating and maintenance costs and judiciously reinvesting in our capital replacement and infrastructure programs and our employees. The Board will continue with monitoring and quarterly reviews of expenditures and revenues in order to maintain our goal of the amount raised by taxation being essentially level. The 2012 Town Budget shows a very slight increase resulting from budgeted capital items for equipment replacement and additional road maintenance work, settlement of the Employee Collective Bargaining Agreement and salary adjustments for employees.

The Board recognizes that continued "down-shifting" of costs to the local level from many county, regional, and State issues may have potentially significant impacts upon the Town and it's citizens. We shall proactively focus our resources to identify, provide input and participate for positive outcomes for Meredith. Our Town Manager and Water & Sewer Department manager's involvement in the Winnipesaukee River Basin Sewer Project operations and capital projects is an excellent example of proactive intervention with significant financial impacts on behalf of the Town!

Meredith has continued to be blessed with a multitude of volunteer individuals, committees, non-profit groups, organizations, Town Departments and employees in which the citizens of our Town have benefited and enriched our community.

- The successful completion of the rebuilding of Childs Park in Meredith Center through the collaborative efforts and planning of so many individuals, Town and organizations resulted in a wonderful facility for the Town and especially the residents of Meredith Center!
- The planting of new shade trees throughout Meredith Village and the Fireworks on Meredith Bay with organization by the Greater Meredith Program;
- Completion of the multi-year final report from the Meredith Water Study Committee;
- Successful Energy Fair by the Meredith Energy Committee;
- The Village Pathway Committee Village Walking maps,
- Multiple contributions by the Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee and
- The ongoing conservation and use efforts of the Conservation Commission

These are but a few of the long list of capable volunteers and members of Boards working to improve Meredith. The list does go on.....

Report from the Board of Selectmen continued...

In closing, we wish to extend a special thank you to our Town Manager and his management team for their commitment, experience and leadership along with our Town employees for their continued efforts in making Meredith a better place.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meredith Board of Selectmen

Colette Worsman, Chairman Peter F. Brothers, Vice-Chairman Miller C. Lovett Nathan J. Torr Herbert R. Vadney



Miller C. Lovett

Herbert R. Vadney

Colette Worsman Chairman

Nathan J. Torr

Peter F. Brothers Vice-Chairman



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager Town of Meredith Meredith, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Meredith as of and for the fiscal 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 Meredith's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions 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 and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Meredith as of December 31, 2010, and the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The budgetary comparison information 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 presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Town of Meredith has not presented a Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT continued...

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Meredith's basic financial statements as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

February 6, 2012

Plodzik & Sanderson Professional association

2011 Meredith Town Warrant

State of New Hampshire

TO THE INHABITANTS OF MEREDITH QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Meredith Community Center, 1 Circle Drive, in said Town on the second Tuesday of March next March 8, 2011, from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM for the casting of ballots; and at 7:00 PM Wednesday, March 9, 2011, at the Inter-Lakes Junior/Senior High School Gymnasium, 1 Laker Lane, in said Town to act on Articles x through x.

BALLOT ARTICLES TO BE ACTED UPON:

ARTICLE 1

To bring your ballots for:

Selectman One (1) for Three (3) years	
Herb Vadney	882
Town Clerk One (1) for Three (3) years	
Kerry A. Parker	729
Valerie McDonald	265
Treasurer One (1) for Three (3) years	
Chuck Palm	533
Louann Breen	440
Trustee of Trust Funds One (1) for Three (3) years	
Louis Kahn	881
Library Trustees Two (2) for Three (3) years	
Colleen Nolan	750
Laurie A. Brothers	719

ARTICLE 2

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Meredith on the second Tuesday of March?"

(Petitioned by 25 or more registered voters or 2% of the registered voters in town, whichever is less)

(Passage requires an affirmative 3/5 majority ballot vote)

Yes 564 No 448

ARTICLE 3

Shall we permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its income-generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchase of books, supplies and income-generating equipment?

(Approved by the Library Trustees)

Yes 979 No 38

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

Wednesday, March 9, 2011 Inter-lakes Junior/Senior High School Gymnasium

Town Moderator Board of Selectmen

Stephen Nedeau Charles G. Palm, Chairman Colette Worsman, Vice-Chairman Miller C. Lovett, Selectperson Peter F. Brothers, Selectperson Nathan Torr, Selectperson Phillip L. Warren Laura Spector

Town Manager Town Council

Moderator Nedeau opened the meeting at 7:00pm, after introducing the panel, he asked that we vote to allow the Town Council permission to speak and with a show of cards, the ability for Town Council to speak was granted.

Moderator Nedeau then announced the results from the Town Election the previous day.

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Million, Three Hundred Forty-Four Thousand, and Seventy Seven Dollars (\$ 12,344,077) for the necessary operational expenses of the Town for the ensuing year's budget. This amount does not include all of the amounts raised and appropriated in subsequent warrant articles.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Chuck Palm moved to adopt Article 4 as proposed, seconded by Colette Worsman

With a show of voter's cards, Article 4 passed.

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to create an Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the DPW Equipment Replacement Fund, for the purpose of equipment replacement and upgrade for the Highway Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) toward this purpose from the General Fund and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Colette Worsman motioned to approve Article 5 as proposed, Peter Brothers seconded the motion.

Pat Mack asked how we currently pay for new equipment? Colette Worsman explained that it sometimes is a separate warrant article and sometimes it is included in the Public works budget itself. John Bird asked how much money is in the fund currently, Colette Worsman explained that this is a new fund and this would be the seed money for it.

With a show of voter cards Article 5 passed.

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to improve various town roads that are eligible for 2 to 1 matching funds from the State Aid Reconstruction Program, contingent upon the receipt of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) of that amount from the State, with the balance of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be raised by taxation.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Peter Brothers motioned to accept Article 6 as proposed, seconded by Miller Lovett.

With a show of voter cards, Article 6 passed.

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000) to be added to the Waterfront Infrastructure Trust previously established. The Board of Selectmen are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Miller Lovett, motioned to accept Article 7 as proposed, seconded by Nate Torr.

Barbara Clark asked if the board would be able to project when the funds would be needed as it would allow the trustees of the trust funds to be able to invest the money more effectively. It was explained by Miller Lovett and Phil Warren that we are working toward a goal to get some information to you as when the funds would be spent. A quick schedule would be finishing Cattle Landing docks this year and then looking to the capital improvement program to identify where we will be heading in the coming years.

With a show of voter cards, Article 7 passed.

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000) for the public access fees and equipment replacement expenses and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of the amount from the Cable Franchise Fee Special Revenue Fund.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Nate Torr moved to accept Article 8 as proposed, seconded by Chuck Palm.

With a show of voter cards Article 8 was passed.

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Water Treatment Disinfection Change Fund created in 2007. Said funds, Eighty One Thousand, Seventy Seven Dollars (\$81,077.00) as of December 31, 2010, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the Town's General Fund. Article #9 is contingent upon the affirmative passage of Article #10

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Chuck Palm moved to accept Article 9 as proposed, seconded by Colette Worsman

David Thorpe spoke about the Water Study committee and the study of groundwater for the Town. They are working on all phases to identify possible sites for wells and were able to find 12 high potential areas for them. The next phase they will be working on will be to drill test wells on those sites and this money will enable the next phase to go through. He explained further that although Waukewan is an excellent source for our water supply we have no back up to rely on and these groundwater wells would be able to give the Town enough water to run on for approximately 1-2 non holidays if it deemed to be a necessity. He went on to ask that we vote yes on both this and the next article.

Richard Demark asked if the fund could be used for anything? Or is it limited to just this specific Water Treatment disinfection fund? Phil Warren explained that the way the fund is set up we must use the money specifically for that purpose only. So we have to abolish the fund and then establish another fund for another use if required.

Bob Konchack asked of the 33 potential sites would that be enough water for the Towns? And what impact would it have on the overall groundwater and private wells.

David Thorpe will ask but from his understanding that the sites are so remote that this would not be an issue. And these would not be a primary source only for secondary emergency source.

Hannah Towle-Gossel mentioned that she felt maybe this money would not be adequate. Phil Warren explained that when the long range plans are done then the board would need to come back to this board to ask for what is needed.

Terry Kennedy expressed his appreciation for the board's forward thinking.

Hannah Towle-Gossel asked for clarification on the amounts needed for this as she is feeling that we are not looking forward as we once have in the past.

Jim Hughes stated that we should pass this article unanimously as we have the most forward thinking board and committees that are made up of individuals who have saved money and if they recommend something we should support it without question unanimously.

Peter Brothers explained that in this economy we have not been able to plan too far in the future but we have put off significant capital projects. But decided that it would be better to do things incrementally and when the economy comes back we will be able to go back to aggressively looking at the Capital improvements.

Louann Breen asked if the increase to the water fees could be used to offset to fund this or is all for the operations of the plant.

Phil Warren explained that the increase is used for operations and any capital improvements needed for the plant.

With a show of voter cards the affirmative vote was nearly unanimous and clearly greater than 2/3rds of those present and voting, Article 9 was passed.

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty One Thousand, Seventy Seven Dollars (\$81,077.00) for deposit into the Groundwater Source Study Expendable Trust Fund previously established from the Town's General Fund. The Board of Selectman are agents to expend. Consideration of this Article is contingent upon the affirmative passage of Article #9

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Colette Worsman moved to adopt Article 10 as proposed, seconded by Peter Brothers.

With a show of voter cards, Article 10 passed.

Colette Worsman expressed the board's thanks for the support of Chuck Palm as a Selectman and they are looking forward to his working as the Treasurer.

Respectively Submitted

Kerri A. Parker, Town Clerk, CTCTC

Administrative Services

Brenda L. Vittner, MBA, Director

Within Administrative Services; the services provided included:

Administrative:

- Reception
- General Assistance
- Purchasing Functions; RFP's, Bids, Purchase Orders
- Capital Asset Inventory and Maintenance
- General Inventory Maintenance
- Annual Budget Preparation; Town Warrant and Documents

Finance:

- Tax Collection and Billing
- Payroll, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable
- Utility Billing and Account Maintenance
- General Ledger Maintenance
- Compilation of Town Report Financials
- Production of Annual Town Report

FINANCE

Technical Functions:

Network Administration/Help Desk Communication Systems Maintenance Website Management

Carrie Compton, CPP Town Accountant Linda Labraney, ABA, Finance Officer Eric Ferland, MCSE, Information Technology

Quality customer service is the most important function within Administrative Services. Our customers; the Town of Meredith taxpayers and the employees of the Town deserve to be treated with respect and consideration, for which the Administrative Services department strives for. The department strongly encourages training and certifications within responsibilities; Carrie Compton maintains certification as a Certified Payroll Professional (CPP), Eric Ferland maintains certification as a Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE) and Linda Labraney continues training efforts related to the management of General Assistance. 2011 was a very busy year, there were many changes in managing payroll through changes from both the State and Federal level, the number of people in need of General Assistance increased substantially and as current computer hardware and software age, dealing with the changing technology environment has become challenging. Administrative Services' goal remains the same; to continue innovations that will streamline processes and systems to enable staff to maintain the high level of efficiency and competency that has come to be expected, basically "think outside the box" to do as much as possible with limited resources..

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Brenda L. Vittner, Director Linda Labraney, Finance Officer

During 2011, the Town of Meredith assisted over 150 clients. New Hampshire RSA-165, requires each Town to assist people within their jurisdiction. The assistance may be for temporary assistance, due to having other means of support, or the bare minimum expenses of a household exceeds income. The Town of Meredith reviews and updates guidelines for assistance yearly. General Assistance hours are between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. In the event of an emergency, a client may be seen during office hours of the Town Hall.

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Assessing

Menta Martel, Assessing Office Manager Bettina Ford, Field Data Collector James Commerford, CNHA, Assessor

Department's Mission

The primary mission of the Assessing Department is to ensure that all property within the town is assessed fairly and in accordance with the New Hampshire laws governing taxation. Toward that end, the department conducts various practices to ensure the equitable distribution of the tax burden.

2011 Review

The 2011 residential real estate market has continued to show declines throughout the town, county and state. The chart below shows residential sales activity on a statewide, county and local basis per New Hampshire Multiple Listing Service. The number of sales in Meredith increased substantially from 2010. However, the average sales price is down approximately 11% to \$466,200. The median sales price for 2011 was \$300,000.

Residential	2011#. Sales	2010 # Sales	% Diff	2011 Average Price	2010 Average Price	% Diff
Statewide	14085	13980	.75%	\$220,502	\$230,196	-4.21%
Belknap	889	885	.45%	\$160,000	\$165,000	-3.03%
Meredith	90	65	38.46%	\$466,213	\$526,275	- 11.41%

The Town's total valuation increased .58% in 2011 from \$1,834,675,812 to \$1,845,422,650. The increase was due to building permit activity and data changes from our re-inspection cycle. Values were <u>not</u> adjusted town-wide in 2011 to reflect the changing real estate market. In 2011 we did update our mobile homes (in parks) throughout town due to the variation in ratio between mobile homes and all other properties.

Also, we have completed another year in our re-inspection cycle. I would like to thank all taxpayers for their cooperation in this endeavor. For 2012 we will concentrate on the Chemung area of town as well as finish up the island work begun in 2011. The objective of the program is to ensure data accuracy in our assessments and eliminating the need for a costly revaluation every five years. It also meets the requirements from the NH Department of Revenue Administration. If anyone has any questions regarding the cyclical program please call our office at 677-4213.

The Assessing Office is here to assist the property owners of Meredith. We welcome your questions and are here to help citizens through the assessing process. Please visit the Assessing Department Link on the Town's website www.meredithnh.org for information regarding tax abatements, credits and exemptions, access to tax maps, tax rate history, and a link to the online assessment database.

Respectfully submitted, James Commerford, CNHA Tax Assessor

Community Development

John C. Edgar, AICP, Community Development Director Angela LaBrecque, Town Planner Mary Lee Harvey, Administrative Assistant Bill Edney, Code Enforcement Officer Benjamin Moyer, GIS Specialist Chris Tivnan, Clerk

Our Mission...

The Mission of the Community Development Department is to facilitate courses of action leading to positive outcomes in land use, natural resource conservation, transportation, housing, public health and economic development. The department strives to be comprehensive in its approach while promoting public participation, collaboration and informed decision making.

About the Community Development Department...

The Community Development Department provides professional and administrative services in eight functional areas. These functions are both regulatory and non-regulatory in nature.

- 1. Long Range, Comprehensive Community Planning
- 2. Site-level Development Review
- 3. Capital Improvement Programming
- 4. Building Permitting and Inspection
- 5. Zoning Administration
- 6. Public Health
- 7. Code Enforcement
- 8. Mapping and Spatial Analysis (Geographic Information System)

Associated with these responsibilities, the department provides staff support to volunteer boards and committees including: the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Capital Improvements Program Advisory Committee, Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee, Water System Committee, Village Pathways Committee, and the Energy Committee.

Development Activity. The Planning Board reviews applications to: (1) subdivide land, or (2) develop non-residential land uses. This is accomplished thru regulatory authority enabled in state law. Public hearings are conducted by the Planning Board in each application. The Board strives to balance its public duty with applicants' property rights and the interests of those that are impacted by development. When all conditions imposed by the Planning Board are met, a project then proceeds to construction.

In 2011, development highlights include the following:

Projects completed in 2011

- o Expansion of Golden View Health Care Center located on NH Route 104
- o Construction of the Meredith Visiting Nurses Association building located on Waukewan Street and NH Route 104
- o Construction of the Northway Bank branch office located on Upper Ladd Hill Road
- o Expansion of an industrial building, located on Foundry Avenue
- o Construction of off-site parking for Church Landing located on Mill Street

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Community Development continued...

Projects initiated in 2011

- o Expansion of Real Green Lawn Care, located on U.S 3 North
- o Construction to improve on-site circulation at Dunkin Donuts located on NH Route 25
- o Construction of a parking facility for the Appalachian Mountain Club located on Love Joy Sands Road
- o Re-development of an existing building into a Family Dollar retail store located on US Route 3 N
- o Co-location of microwave and smart meter antennae on an existing tower at Gilman Hill. This installation is a key element of the NH Electric Cooperative's Smart Grid telecommunication system.

Projects initiated in 2011, anticipated completion in 2012:

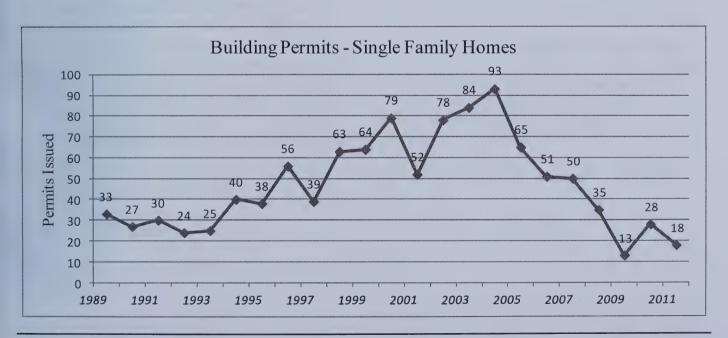
- o Expansion of Church Landing including 15 additional hotel rooms located on US Route 3
- Conversion of an office building into a seven-unit, multifamily apartment building located on North View Drive.

Approvals granted in 2011, not initiated:

- o Redevelopment of a commercial site located on Waukewan Street and Village Drive
- o Development of six rental garage bays and related office space, located on US Route 3 South
- o Development of a commercial garage and office for Donovan Tree Experts located on Jenness Hill Rd.

Building Permitting and Inspection. The Town of Meredith has adopted the International Residential Code governing residential construction. Commercial and industrial buildings are subject to the International Building Code. Building Permits are required prior to construction in order to determine compliance with the applicable codes. Our Building Official, Bill Edney is the local authority responsible for the administration of the building codes including inspections.

We issued 18 Building Permits for single family homes in 2011 as compared to 28 permits in 2010. The graph below illustrates the recessionary effects on single family home construction. Permits issued for single family homes peaked in 2004 (93) and may have bottomed out in 2009 (13).



Community Development continued...

New Single-Family Homes	18	Electrical/Plumbing	204
New Two-Family Homes	0	Gas/Oil Burners	35
New Multi-Family Units	0	Garages/Storage Buildings	18
New Commercial Buildings	4	Residential Renovations/Repairs	104
Special Use Permits	12	Commercial Renovations/Repairs	22
Mobile Homes	0	Docks/Boathouses/Pools	8
Fences	5	Signs	15
Demolition	25	Driveways	15

Land Use Board Application Summary.

Planning Board

Commercial Indus. Site Plan/Approvals	10	Pre-Application Consultations	3
Home Occ. Site Plan Approvals	1	Scenic Road Tree Cutting Approvals	1
Subdivision Approvals	5	Architectural Design Reviews	6
Boundry Line Adj. Approvals	13	Revocation and/or Disaprovals	0

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Variance Applications	27	Total Applications Withdrawn	0
Variances Granted	22	Equitable Waivers Granted	0
Variances Denied	5	Rehearing Requests Received	2
Special Exception Applications	16	Rehearing Requests Granted	2
Special Exceptions Granted	16	Rehearing Requests Denied	0
Special Exceptions Denied	0	Administrative Decisions Denied	0

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Community Development continued...

Natural Resources. In 2011, the Community Development Department participated with several environmental projects and initiatives, namely:

- Supported the Town of New Hampton's efforts to secure funding from NHDES through the Aquatic Resources Mitigation Fund. When completed, this project will protect an 8.1 acre parcel having 1560'of frontage along the Snake River, immediately upstream of Lake Waukewan (the town's water supply).
- o Participated with Lakes Region Planning Commission's effort to initiate a Sub watershed Management Plan for Center Harbor Bay. This project involves the towns of Meredith, Center Harbor and Moulton-borough and will continue into 2012.
- o Hosted a well attended public informational workshop on cyanobacteria and related water quality concerns. This followed a significant cyanobacteria outbreak off Bear Island in July.
- o Supported the Lakes Region Planning Commission's effort in securing grant funds to develop Low Impact Development (LID) storm water management standards for the towns of Meredith, Laconia and Gilford. This project will continue into 2012.
- o Implemented three EECBG/ARRA grants having to do with municipal building energy audits for five buildings, lighting fixture upgrades in six buildings and energy planning.
- o Secured NHDES Milfoil Control Grants for 2012 control activities in Fish Cove and Meredith Bay.
- o Supported the Village Pathways Committee in assessing the feasibility of an "eco-trail" in Meredith Village that would provide important linkages between other pedestrian features and environmental education opportunities.
- o Supported the NH Lakes Association Lake Conservation Corp's efforts to install storm water management demonstration projects around Lake Waukewan.

In closing, I would like to end this report on a more personal note. In March, Herb Vadney was elected to the Board of Selectmen, effectively ending his 15-year run at the helm of the Planning Board. Herb's respectful leadership style and conservative approach to land use matters has left an indelible impression on the community for years to come. Thank you Herb! Bill Bayard, a veteran Planning Board member was elected by his peers as Chairman of the Planning Board. Thanks Bill for accepting this responsibility. In October we filled a big hole in the Community Development Department by hiring Benjamin Moyer. Ben brings to the department invaluable experience with mapping, Geographic Information Systems, data management and spatial analysis. Welcome Ben! In November Jeannie Cooperman granted a conservation easement to the New England Forestry Foundation. This donation located in western Meredith involves nine properties, totals 235 acres and abuts several other conserved parcels. Thank you Jeannie! Also in November, Angela LaBrecque, Town Planner and her family welcomed a son and baby brother into the world. Welcome Owen LaBrecque!

Respectfully Submitted,

John C. Edgar, AICP, Community Development Director

Capital Improvements Program (CIP) Advisory Committee

Annually, the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Advisory Committee reviews capital needs and recommends a program of capital improvement projects for a period of up to ten years. The primary purpose of the CIP is to aid the Board of Selectmen and the School Board in their consideration of the annual budget (RSA 674:5). As a preface to the recommendations that follow, please note:

- 1. The Capital Improvements Program Advisory Committee anticipated the 2012 budget would again be a challenging year in order to meet budget goals of the Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen.
- 2. In 2011, appropriations for municipal capital improvements supported by the General Fund (exclusive of debt service) totaled \$185,000.
- 3. For 2012, the Committee recommended municipal capital improvements supported by the General Fund (exclusive of debt service) totaling \$425,000. This figure represents an increase of \$240,000 over 2011.
- 4. Administrative Services projected a reduction in debt service of \$182,271 for 2012 from the prior year due to debt retirement and debt refinancing. Additional debt service will be retired in 2013 (\$35,000), 2014 (\$39,745), 2015 (\$90,530), 2016 (\$181,017), 2017 (\$142,155).
- 5. The total recommended CIP costs for 2012 is \$1,533,348, (including existing debt service totaling \$1,108,348, or 72% of the total CIP recommended costs for program year 2012).
- 6. The 2012 CIP total recommendation of \$1,533,348, represents a \$57,729 increase, or a 3.9% increase over the 2011 CIP-related appropriations.
- 7. It is the view of the Committee that the proposed 2012 recommendations take advantage of retiring debt, buy some time and address needs that are reasonable in relation to budgetary constraints.
- 8. Although the Capital Improvements Program extends out to 2021, the Committee has concentrated on recommendations for 2012 in light of economic uncertainties.

Committee Recommendations:

Fire Department

Fire Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund:

<u>Recommendation</u>: Allocate \$150,000 in 2012 and \$125,000 for each of the ensuing 4 years. Note: major equipment purchases are anticipated in future years. However, recommended amounts are subject to subsequent review and adjustment as other needs are identified.

Rationale: The ETF balance as of 12/31/11 is estimated at \$14, 145. No payments have been made to this trust fund since 2008. The Fire Department has submitted an Equipment Inventory and proposed 20-year replacement schedule. The near term priority is to purchase a Heavy Rescue Vehicle in 2015. Specialized rescue equipment would be consolidated on this vehicle, allowing the adjustment of run cards while reducing the duplication of equipment carried on multiple vehicles. This acquisition would replace an existing 1986 Rescue Van. Associated with the purchase of this apparatus would be the retirement of 1983 Engine 4. Engine 4 would not be replaced. Additionally, the proposed Rescue Vehicle would further consolidate the Department's inventory by eliminating the need for a separate air supply trailer. The estimated cost of this vehicle is approximately \$400,000.

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Capital Improvements Program continued...

Department of Public Works

Capital Equipment:

Recommendation: Allocate \$175,000 in 2012 and \$150,000 for each of the ensuing 4 years. Note: major equipment purchases are anticipated in future years. However, recommended amounts are subject to subsequent review and adjustment as other needs are identified.

Rationale: This fund was established in 2011 per the recommendation of the CIP Advisory Committee. The ETF balance as of 12/31/11 is estimated at \$60,000. In 2011, no funds were requested by the Department of Public Works deferring the resumption of major equipment replacements to 2012 and beyond. The Department of Public Works has submitted an updated Equipment Inventory and proposed replacement schedule thru 2021. The near term priority is to replace two 1998 Kenworth dump trucks (and sanders). The dump trucks recommended for replacement in 2012 and 2013 have 136,015 miles and 141,690 miles respectively. Each replacement is estimated to cost approximately \$180,000 to \$185,000.

Roads

<u>Recommendation</u>: The Committee recommended funds for road work supplemental to the 2012 DPW operating budget in the amount of \$100,000. This figure is \$40,000 more that the supplemental amount recommended in \$2011.

Rationale: The Department is responsible for the maintenance of 62 miles of paved roads and 31 miles of gravel roads. Although some road work has continued through the economic recession, significant road work has been deferred since 2008. The Committee is concerned that continued deferrals of road work will force us into a major catch up some time in the future. Phil Warren, Town Manager, has advised that the Department is in the process of updating its Road Surface Management System (RSMS) analysis of road conditions. This will provide the Department and the Town Manager with an updated assessment of road conditions, needs and priorities for the future.

General Government

Waterfront Infrastructure:

Recommendation: No additional funding is recommended at this time.

Rationale: Replacement of the Cattle Landing Docks began in the Fall of 2011. The estimated Waterfront Infrastructure ETF balance (after the completion of the Cattle Landing Docks project) is about \$93,300. Phil Warren, Town Manager, has advised that in 2012 assessments of our waterfront infrastructure will be completed. The committee may revisit allocating funds to this ETF in the future should the assessments demonstrate needed capital improvements.

Conservation

Open Space/Conservation:

Recommendation: No additional funding is recommended at this time.

<u>Rationale</u>: In connection with the acquisition of the Page Pond property, the Conservation Commission agreed until final payment of the loan (scheduled for 2018) to forego requests for additions to the Open Space ETF (which had an estimated balance at December 31, 2011 of about \$22,700).

Capital Improvements Program continued...

Parks and Recreation Department

Recreation Facilities:

Recommendation: No additional funding is recommended at this time.

<u>Rationale</u>: The Recreation Facilities Improvements Expendable Trust Fund, with an estimated balance of about \$85,000, was established in 2009 in anticipation of making improvements to Childs Park located in Meredith Center. Construction began on the park renovations in September 2011. Total project cost is estimated at \$183,950, which is expected to be covered by the funds in the ETF, additional municipal funds, privately raised funding and donations of material and labor.

Phil Warren, Town Manager, has advised that the Parks and Recreation Department continues its work on its comprehensive facility improvements plan and that it should be completed in 2012.

Water and Sewer Department

Water System Improvements:

Recommendation: No additional funding is recommended at this time.

<u>Rationale</u>: The estimated balance in this ETF through 12/31/11 is \$107,708. The water rate structure implemented in 2011 will begin to accrue funds for capital improvements, estimated at approximately \$50,000 for 2011 and approximately \$100,000 for 2012.

The Water System Advisory Committee is currently working on a recommended Strategic Plan. When completed, this plan will identify capital improvements on a priority basis that would be CIP considered when available.

Currently the Town is engaged in a groundwater exploration project. This project is intended to identify a groundwater alternative water supply source. Limited test drilling will occur in late 2011 or early 2012. The results from this phase of work will help inform whether and to what extent additional funding may be needed for this project.

Given the on-going status of these two initiatives, the Committee concluded that it was prudent to hold off on additional funding towards the Water System Improvements ETF at this time.

Water and Sewer Department

Sewer System Improvements:

Recommendation: No additional funding is recommended at this time.

Rationale: The sewer utility currently has \$442,779 in Sewer Access Fees that are available for repairs and major improvements. The sewer rate structure implemented in 2011 will begin to accrue funds for capital improvements, estimated at approximately \$50,000 in 2011 and approximately \$100,000 in 2012.

The Sewer Department is currently working on a condition and criticality assessment of our sewer collection system. This assessment will lead to recommendations on a priority basis, that would be CIP considered when available.

Capital Improvements Program continued...

Public Library

Building Improvements:

<u>Recommendation</u>: No funding through Capital Improvements Program is recommended at this time. <u>Rationale</u>: Although in 2011, the Library identified several building improvements totaling \$ 155,015, none met the \$90,000 threshold for CIP project consideration.

Summary

CIP Recommended Capital Appropriations for 2012

- \$ 150,000 Fire Equipment Replacement ETF
- \$ 175,000 DPW Equipment Replacement ETF
- \$ 100,000 Road Work supplement
- \$ 425,000 Sub Total
- \$1,108,348 Debt Service (General Obligation)
- \$ 1,533,348 Total CIP-Related Recommendations

The 2012 Total CIP Recommendation (\$1,533,348) represents an increase of \$57,729, or 3.9%, over 2011 Total CIP Capital Appropriations.

Note: These recommendations can be viewed in spreadsheet format, by year, by department available on the town's website at http://meredithnh.org/cip.php. This spreadsheet also includes a schedule of existing and retiring debt. A spreadsheet that identifies all Expendable Trusts, the purpose of each trust, and estimated balances at year end may be found under "Report of Trustees of Trust Funds" under "Financial Statements" in this Town Report.

Respectfully submitted:

Lou Kahn, Chairman



Photo of the new kiosk and descriptive material of the Page Pond and Forest Town Forest located at the Quarry Road trail head into the Town Forest.

Water System Committee

The Meredith Water System Committee was formed in April 2008 at the request of the Board of Selectmen to advise them on a wide range of operational, planning and policy issues related to the Meredith Water System. Current citizen committee members are Paul Anderson, Dan Cornelissen, Tim Goodheart, Jonathan James and Dave Thorpe, Chairperson. The Selectmen's representative is Herb Vadney and the alternate member is Miller Lovett. Town Staff members are Town Manager, Phillip Warren, Water and Sewer Superintendant Dan Leonard and Community Development Director, John Edgar.

The first year of committee work in 2008 was focused on assessing the physical system and determining its ability to supply the Town with sufficient, high quality water. With all critical operational problems now under control and adequate capacity available, our work in 2011 focused on issues for the long term future. These issues included consumption estimates, evaluation of the distribution system, emergency procedures, redundancy requirements, operating and management procedures and recommendations for routine reports and business planning. With the treatment plant capable of operating at rated capacity, Dan Leonard and the members of the Water and Sewer Department continued to upgrade the computerized management system (SCADA system) and its companion controls and sensors. During 2011 Dan made an extensive evaluation of the distribution system and significant contributions to emergency response procedures and to the Water Use Ordinance. This year new water and sewer rates took effect. To date these new rates appear to be producing the required revenue to liquidate all operating expenses and begin reducing deficits accumulated during the past several years.

An abbreviated 20-year consumption plan with several variations was reviewed with the Board of Selectmen in April to reduce the options to the two that were most realistic. With that decision the committee proceeded to make a detailed 20-Year Operating Plan including consumption estimates, evaluation of all the system components, suggested operating and business planning procedures and reports, emergency response plans, archival information and a plan for gracefully retiring the committee. As a companion document to the plan, the Water Use Ordinance is being revised and updated. Both of these documents will be presented to the Board of Selectmen in early 2012.

Committee discussions while preparing the plan reinforced our earlier recommendation to continue the ground water source as a partial, redundant water source in case of temporary contamination of Lake Waukewan or temporary failure of the water treatment plant. However, the previous recommendation to consider a redundant storage tank was reversed in favor of installing variable speed drives on the finish water pumps and the possible use of mobile, temporary storage tanks.

The committee's work next year will include reviewing the recommended 20-Year Plan and revised Water Use Ordinance with the Board of Selectmen. If these recommendations are accepted, the committee will review the operations and reports quarterly and retire after one year.

Contributions to this work by the citizens, selectmen and town staff members of this committee are greatly appreciated. Also very much appreciated is the dedication, spirit, positive attitude and attention given to this effort by the Water and Sewer Department employees – they have made, and continue to make, critical and valuable contributions to this effort and its results.

Respectfully submitted:

David Thorpe, Chairperson, Meredith Water System Committee

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Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee

The Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee is a volunteer advisory committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The committee provides an organizational structure for citizens and local officials from the five (5) watershed communities to facilitate implementation of the Management Plan for the Waukewan Watershed.

A principle responsibility of the committee is to enhance public awareness and facilitate education regarding water quality conservation issues throughout the watershed. While maintaining a diverse geographical and stakeholder structure, the committee works collaboratively with local watershed communities, state agencies, local associations, citizens and other partners in the implementation of the Plan.

Highlights from 2011 include:

- Continued pursuit of a septic system health regulation for systems close to the water's edge and possibly in failure. A second presentation was made to the Board of Selectmen at a June workshop and was not able to be completed due to time constraints. We are looking forward to resuming this discussion as a top priority in 2012.
- Storm water outreach packets mailed to all waterfront property owners in Meredith, Center Harbor, and New Hampton including a 7-page color handout on vegetated buffer design from the UNH Cooperative Extension's *Landscaping at the Water's Edge*.
- Assisted New Hampshire Lakes Association's Lakes Conservation Corps with the selection of 6 shorefront properties for landscape modification to mitigate storm water runoff. These demonstration projects were completed over the summer and included ILHS students and teacher. View one site in action during Tropical Storm Irene here: http://www.youtube.com/watch?
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- Obtained New Hampton's support, to go along with Center Harbor and Meredith, and submitted 2nd letter to NHDOT requesting banning of non-local, through transport trucking of hazardous materials over the Snake River bridge.
- Continued monitoring development within watershed and advocate for its protection.
- Supporting grant request for another important conservation easement of 8 acres along the western shore of the Snake River (Baird property).
- Continued Lake Host funding for the prevention of milfoil.

Due to outside business commitments, our committee chair had to resign this year. Bruce Bond, a Center Harbor resident and chairman since committee creation in 2004, spent hundreds of tireless hours protecting Lake Waukewan. The Town of Meredith is in your debt and thanks you Bruce!

Our committee currently meets at 8AM on the first Wednesday of each month. We are always seeking new members interested in protecting our drinking supply as well as all of the Town's precious lakes and ponds.

Submitted by: Randy Eifert, Chairman

Meredith Energy Committee

The Meredith Energy Committee is an advisory committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Its purpose is to promote and encourage energy efficiency, renewable energy, and conservation measures for Meredith's residents, businesses and municipal operations. The New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning (NH OEP), estimates that NH citizens, businesses, and industries spent over \$6 billion on energy in 2008. Of this, \$4.1 billion (or 67%) left the state immediately (and in many cases left the country) to pay for imported energy. This outflow of energy dollars represents nearly 7% of New Hampshire's gross state product, and is a drain on the state's economy. Up to this point, Meredith's energy picture has echoed that of the state as a whole

Energy Fair. In January 2011, the Energy Committee organized and hosted a Regional Energy Fair. This event was a great success with over 300 attendees. The Fair connected area residents with retailers, installers, design professionals and lenders with the goal of promoting energy efficiency, savings, and

renewable energy. The committee also took advantage of the great turnout to solicit feedback on residents' energy priorities to help guide its future efforts.

Municipal Building Energy Audits. The Meredith Energy Committee also solicited and received energy audits for five municipal buildings. The audits were conducted through a grant program funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant Program. Audits were performed on the Town Hall, Town Hall Annex, Department of Public Works offices, Public Library and the Water Treatment Plant. The audits evaluated the building's envelope, mechanical

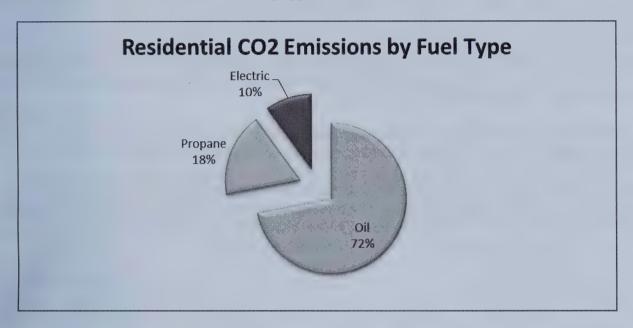


systems and domestic hot water. Findings and recommended energy conservation measures aimed at reducing energy consumption and costs are discussed in detail. The audits and findings are available on the Energy Committee's web page at http://meredithnh.org/mec.php

Energy Handbook. Throughout 2011, the Energy Committee has worked closely with Clay Mitchell, Principal of Sustainable Development & Energy Systems Group, LLC of Dover, NH (SDES Group). SDES Group was retained through a grant program funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant Program. SDES Group is assisting the Committee with energy planning for the Town, including the development of a "Meredith Energy Handbook." This web-based tool will include an estimate of local energy consumption as a baseline for future local energy conservation efforts. A greenhouse gas inventory was completed through available tax data to provide a baseline for Meredith's emissions and provide guidance on where to place effort towards reductions.

Meredith Energy Committee

As shown in the graph below, the single largest contributor to greenhouse gas emissions in Meredith is linked towards use of fuel oil for home heating applications.



This suggests that weatherization, heating system inspection, boiler replacements and supplemental wood heat are excellent solution for reducing emissions. In-depth description of the greenhouse gas inventory including graphs, tables and analysis will be included in the Energy Handbook.

As a guidance document, the Handbook will focus on specific actions, technologies, resources available to local property owners and opportunities for greater energy independence. SDES Group is also assisting the committee with an audit of our existing Community Plan and land use regulations to identify opportunities to further advance energy efficiency, energy conservation and energy independence. The Committee expects that both the Energy Handbook and audit will be completed on or about the end of 2011.

In 2012, the Committee plans to:

- (A) develop a financial strategy for implementing specific municipal energy improvements through energy savings; and
- (B) host a series of informative programs for the community dealing with a wide variety of energy-related topics.

I would like to thank the members of the Committee for their commitment to this very important subject. Anyone interested in learning more about the work of the Committee is encouraged to contact me at 603-279-0770.

Submitted by: Ken Colburn, Chair, Meredith Energy Committee

Village Pathway Committee

The Village Pathways Committee was charged, by the Board of Selectmen, with the goal of establishing a pedestrian plan for the Town of Meredith. The Pathways Committee has studied the walking and multi-use paths in town, including taking inventory of current paths and researching the feasibility of creating others.

After much research and planning by committee members, Tammy Levesque, Sandy Sabutis, Chris Schwidder, Pam Coburn, Liz Lapham and Janis Roberts, and with appreciation to the Meredith Historical Society, Paul Eldridge and Ann Sprague, the Meredith Village Pathways Committee published the "Meredith Village Historic Walking Map" in June.

A Meredith Walks! historic walking tour event was conducted on June 11, 2011 for the community. The full color, self guided Historic Walking Map gives an overview of Meredith's rich history and describes the historical sites that dot Main Street and the town's waterfront. Meredith resident, Fran Orenstein of Unfed Designs, generously donated her skills to do the graphic design and its publication was sponsored by the Meredith Rotary Club, The Inns and Spa at Mill Falls, HEALNH, and Meredith Village Savings Bank. Copies are available at the Town Hall, Meredith Library, Meredith Historical Society and the Chamber of Commerce. The maps have been well received by residents and visitors.

Under the direction of committee member Carol Gerken, the Pathways Committee continued its study of Safe Routes to School, a nationwide effort to encourage children in kindergarten through eighth grade, including those with disabilities, to safely walk or ride bikes to school. As part of the initiative, in partnership with school and police, the Pathways Committee sponsored a "Walking School Bus" on October 5 and November 11, 2011 and walked from town locations with students and parents to Interlakes Elementary School. The participants were enthusiastic and more "Walking School Busses" are planned for the spring in 2012.

The committee accepted with regret the resignations of long term members, Dave Sias, Ginny Lovett and Pam Coburn in 2011. The Pathways Committee is always seeking new members interested in helping to develop walking and bike paths in our community.

The Meredith Village Pathways map published in 2010, describing five walks in and around town, was revised to a more readable format thanks to the volunteer effort of Meredith resident, Katie Callahan.

We also appreciate the guidance from Angela LaBrecque, Town Planner and John Edgar, Community Development Director.

In 2012, the Meredith Village Pathways Committee plans to research and develop an exciting new project creating more accessible and scenic pathways in the downtown area.

Respectfully submitted: Liz Lapham, Chairman Meredith Village Pathways Committee

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Conservation Commission - Meredith

Once again your Conservation Commission had a busy year.

Public Outreach

One of the commission's 2011 priorities was to raise public awareness of and encourage the enjoyment of Meredith's designated Town Forests. Your Conservation Commission organized a number of events for people of all ages including trail-work days, historical walking tours, educational events for students in our schools and forest management hikes lead by our forestry consultant.

Page Pond & Forest

- In May 82 forth grade students from Inter-Lakes Elementary School spend half a day moving between four workstations including wild life identification, plant and tree identification and forest management.
- Shaun Legueux our forestry consultant for the Page Pond & Forest in conjunction with Andy Fast from UNH Cooperative Extension for Belknap County conducted educational hikes in the spring and fall discussing the forest management plan. The fall hike had more then 25 people join the walking lecture.
- Commission members lead a number of events on Page, including hikes, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

Hamlin - Eames Town Forests, & the Smyth Conservation Easement

- In September your commission hosted a local church group with over 30 volunteers ranging in age from 6 to 60 clearing trails, repairing water-bars, refinishing trail signs and the kiosk.
- In October, Rick Van dePol led a "Mushroom Hike" for a group of visiting science teachers and the public.
- Commission member John Sherman led an October educational hike for many residents.

Go Take a Hike - In Meredith

In order to inform residents and visitors about Meredith's natural treasures, the Commission began a promotion starting this fall to encourage outdoor recreation. We began with large colored advertisements in the local newspapers and this effort will be an on going collaborative effort with the Town's Parks and Recreation Department and the Meredith Pathways Committee.



Conservation Commission - Meredith

Other Business

- With assistance from the DPW, we built the kiosk at the Jenness Hill Road trailhead to the Meredith Community Forest. The three bridges constructed by the Meredith Rotary last year had safety rails installed this year.
- Trail blazing and 33 trail signs were installed in the Meredith Community Forest. Great thanks to Warren Clark, who donated his time and skills in making well over 40 trail signs for our town forest this year.
- Our members participated in three countywide input sessions with Commission members from the 10 other towns in the county. Discussion focused on areas of common interest such as the benefits of a Natural Resource Inventory and the implications of changes in NH environmental laws.
- We completed an Ecological Assessment with management recommendations for the Hamlin-Eames Town Forest and the Smyth Conservation Easement. The Commission contracted this work to Peter Ellis Ecological Services.
- Your Commission members with the help of numerous volunteers have added hiking trails on the Smyth Conservation Easement and in the Page Pond Forest.
- We partnered with New Hampshire-Appalachian Mountain Club for a trail work project in the Meredith Community Forest.
- Consulting Forester Shaun Lagueux was hired to conduct a timber inventory for the Eames Forest, as well as, several other town properties.
- A new kiosk and sign designating the Page Pond & Forest has been installed at the Quarry Road trailhead.
- Former Conservation Commission member and historical anthropologist Dan Heyduk has prepared a written history of Page Pond and Forest area. Certain areas within the Page Pond and Forest, including the old mill site were submitted to the State of New Hampshire and were granted an official designation as a "Historical Archeological Site".
- Meanwhile the Conservation Commission continued to fulfill its other obligations. In addition to our scheduled meetings Commission members, alternates and other volunteers spent many hours 'in the field' monitoring your Town Forests and conservation easements held by the Town to insure the public's interests in these properties is protected. At present we monitor 25 parcels possessing approximately 40 miles of boundaries and 2438 acres. These properties range from as far east as Bear Island to as far west as Hermit Woods.
- Your Commission reviewed 32 Dredge and Fill project proposals such as docks, culverts, beaches and subdivisions and provided comment related to the protection of natural resources; including wetlands, water, fish and wildlife and encroachments on the wetland buffer zone. Buffer zones serve an important function in protecting water quality and wetland dependent species as well as the functioning of the wetland itself. In addition we reviewed 1 application to the ZBA.

Conservation Commission - Meredith continued...

• Working with the State Department of Highways and the State of New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, the Commission arranged for the elimination of the noxious invasive Japanese knotweed infestation on the corner of Mill Street and Route #3.

Finally, the Commission would like to express our thanks the Terry Lance for stewarding 7 forests in western Meredith and to Mark Tuckerman for taking care of the trails in the Hamlin-Eames Town Forest and the Smyth Conservation Easement. The Commission is always looking for volunteers to adopt a forest or a trail, contact any Conservation Commission member.

The Commission would like to express its sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their wonderful support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Billings, Chair

John Sherman, Vice Chair

Ralph Pisapia, Treasurer

Paula Wanzer, Secretary

Members - Don MacFarlane, Peter Miller, Bob Davis

Alternates - Bob LeCount, Jacquie Colburn, Tony Sabutis, Sandy Mucci, Mary Kahn

Photo features:

Dan Heyduk
overlooking a
tamarack wetland and
pond located on the
John and Nancy
Sherman
Conservation
Easement
donated to the
Town of Meredith
in 2010.



Fire

To the town manager, select board, department heads, municipal employees, citizens, fire department officers and members, I once again express my appreciation and gratitude for all the efforts put forth during this past year. With continuing tough economical times, we strived to maintain the highest level of service rendered even though several financial challenges were handled that were not anticipated. With everyone's cooperation, we were able to maintain our goal for services rendered.

A mandate forwarded from the Federal Communication Commission requires all radio communication equipment to be narrow band capable by 2013. In order to meet this mandate, a purchase of twenty new Motorola Minitor V Pagers was required this past year to replace older models that were in current use not capable of receiving the narrow band frequencies. This certainly was a substantial investment we were not looking forward to. This coming spring, Lakes Region Fire Mutual Aid Departments will be switching over to narrow band in order to meet the required mandate.

Again this past summer, the department pursed a program offered by Kawasaki identified as the Relations Loan Program in which the department received a Personal Water Craft from June to early September. The PWC enhanced the department's response capabilities for water rescues, searches, island calls and 4th of July evening bay coverage. Cost associated for each year is minimal.

We continue to offer a student intern program to individuals enrolled in the Fire Science Program at the Lakes Region Community College. We currently staff four interns here at Central Station. To date, the program has been a success as we are currently in its third year. The interns are required to work roughly 32 hours per week in order to offset the housing cost. Duties include maintenance of equipment, janitorial services at both stations, assisting in inspections, and routine daily department functions, etc. More importantly, the big benefit is the addition of four young trained bodies for emergency response especially during Monday through Friday, day time hours, when they are on duty.

As an annual reminder, I strongly encourage all business and home owners to insure proper routine maintenance is scheduled and completed on an annual basis on all heating appliances, exhaust sources, smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors and sprinkler systems. We continue to respond to numerous calls associated with these associated sources in which in most cases could have been preventable with annual maintenance. As shown below, a substantial increase is noted with alarm activations during this past year.

Listed below are the calls associated for the year 2011...

	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Fire Related (structure, vehicle and brush)	7.%	4.3%	8.8%	8.8%	6.8%	6.1%
Mutual Aid (assisting neighboring towns)	16.6	15.8	10.1	9.3	12.7	8.9
Rescue (motor vehicle accidents, medical)	22.0	34.4	24.7	20.9	29.9	31.1
Public Assist (alarm activations, etc.)	<u>54.4</u>	45.5	57.2	60.2	50.6	53.9
	100%	100%_	100%	100%	100%	100%
Total number of calls	384	_334	320	387	354	360

Fire continued...

"Fire Related" calls represent all types of fires, including structures, vehicle, brush, etc.

"Mutual Aid" calls are those where a neighboring community has an emergency situation and due to the need for either additional equipment and/or manpower, requests the assistance of our Department. As a participant in the Lakes Region Fire Mutual Aid, we periodically are called upon to help our neighboring towns, as they in turn are called upon to help us in our time of need.

"Rescue Calls" calls that include all types of rescue; water rescue, snowmobile accidents, motor vehicle accidents, elevator rescues to name a few. Nearly 85% of our rescue calls are for motor vehicle accidents. The last category, "Public Assist" includes a large variety of call types such as fuel spills, downed power lines, alarm activations (smoke and carbon monoxide detectors), and good intent calls (typically these are calls where the caller thought that there was a problem, which ended up not being the case - if you care enough to call, care enough to investigate the matter, maybe you can help someone in need). Generally, alarm activations are referred to as "False Alarms", and are most often the result of a lack of maintenance, such as not changing batteries regularly or not having detectors serviced periodically. In most instances once an owner is made aware of the problem, it is corrected and repeat false alarms are eliminated. For those of you who have an alarm system that is monitored by an alarm company, please contact the Fire Department and discuss the advantages of installing a Knox box at the premises. This is a secure way to store a key to your premise and it greatly facilitates our Department in gaining timely access should you not be available to give us entry.

In closing, I look forward towards the challenges in 2012 as Fire Chief in the upcoming year. Finally, remember early detection in the form of smoke detectors save lives, check yours!

Respectfully submitted, Kenneth G. Jones, Fire Chief

Forest Fire Warden

As Your local Forest Fire Warden, Meredith Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact one of the Forest Fire Wardens or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing <u>ANY</u> 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 local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information.

Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfl.org.

Forest Fire Warden continued...

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 2nd 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 to Class III or higher fire danger days. Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by contracted aircraft and the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix.

Several of the fires during the 2011 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. 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 www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2011 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2011) (figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS			
County	Acres	# of Fires	
Belknap	.5	1	
Carroll	5	11	
Cheshire	2	3	
Coos	7.5	30	
Grafton	17.5	57	
Hillsborough	2	12	
Merrimack	4	3	
Rockingham	0	0	
Strafford	.5	2	
Sullivan	3	6	

Fires Reported		
Caused by:	#	
Arson	7	
Debris	63	7
Campfire	10	2
Children	2	2
Smoking	9	2
Railroad	1	2
Equipment	1	2
Lightening	3	
Misc *	29	
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Wildland Fire!			
Year	Fires	Total Acres	
2011	125	42	
2010	360	145	
2009	334	173	
2008	455	175	
2007	437	212	

Only you can prevent

*Misc:

power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.

Respectfully submitted, Kenneth G. Jones Forest Fire Warden

Town Clerk

Kerri A. Parker, Town Clerk

Donna Turner, Deputy Town Clerk Vikki Fogg, Assistant

2011 was a better year for the Town Clerk Department; we have seen an increase in the registrations however it has been a trend of less expensive more fuel efficient vehicles which decreases the amount collected.

Our ONLINE services are growing! We now offer along with car registration renewals, dog licensing, and vital records requests. We continue to work toward increasing services such as boat registrations and the ability to take other payment options.

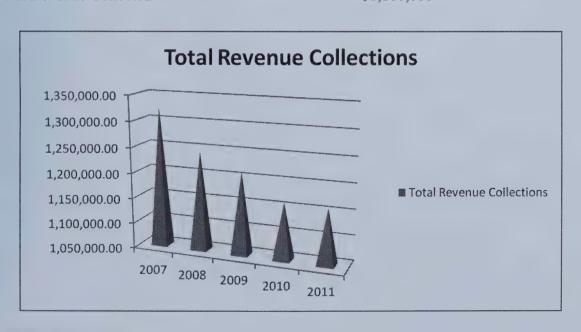
We look forward to serving your needs in the year 2012 for any and all of your visits to town hall. We also look forward to seeing you at the elections that we have this year, March, Sept, and Nov.

The 2011 Town Clerk Department Collections were as follows:

Motor Vehicle Registrations (9,382) (627) online	\$1,136,800
Dogs (1,051)	6,900
Vital Records (992)	10,000
Marriage Licenses (66)	3,250
Miscellaneous Includes	3,050
UCC Filings, Aquatherm Permits,	
Copies, Dredge and Fill Permits,	
Mailings, Notary and Justice Fees.	

Total Revenue Collected

\$1,160,000



Meredith Public Library

Thank you once again to our loyal library patrons for another successful year at the library! Enrichment activities, early-childhood classes, monthly interest groups as well as our diverse collection have helped to make our library the self-guided learning center of Meredith. We look forward to helping you with your educational needs in the next year, so please be sure to check our Website at www.meredithlibrary.org or stop by the library and pick up a newsletter to keep up with our calendar of events, items recently added to the collection, and the latest library news.

This year we said goodbye to our children's librarian Jessie Ahlgren, who chose to leave us in order to spend time with her family. We also said goodbye to Holly Raus, children's library aide who relocated with her family. We welcomed Jennifer Stevens as our new children's librarian and Michael Morris as our part-time reference librarian. Both bring a great deal of library and teaching education and experience to their positions.

I wish to thank the Friends of the Meredith Library for their hard work over the past year. Through several book sales and membership drives they were able raise money to pay for our Ancestry.com subscription; they also sponsored our Teen and Adult Summer Reading and supplemented our Children's classes and activities. They paid to send library staff to continuing education classes, sponsored the library's museum passes, and helped to pay for first-rate speakers and performers. They also spend many hours volunteering in our amazing All-American Display Garden preparing the bed, planting, weeding and dead-heading and helped with library projects such as labeling books and sorting through archived documents. They converted our costume room (which had to be closed due to code violations) into a staging area for the popular library book sales and continue to sell donated and discarded library books online to help fund the library's many needs. I cannot thank them enough for all they do for us!

This has been a very challenging year for the library as the maintenance needs of a building more than one hundred-years old began to become more apparent. Safety inspections led us to discover code violations. With the help of a grant from the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance funded by the Land Conservation and Historic Preservation Program (L-CHIP) the library was able to contract with Christopher P. Williams, Architects, PLLC. Mr. Williams' firm will work with us to develop a building assessment report, suggest stages for repairs and maintenance, and contact state officials about what path the library needs to take in order to fix the building code violations.

Our library patrons have begun to visit us with their technology questions and problems. As eBook devices have become more and more popular, we receive questions daily on how patrons can access our library eBook collection and transfer the books to their readers. They also come in with laptops and tablets to seek assistance in other technology challenges, and we are more than willing to instruct them. Christopher Leland, our technical services librarian, started a computer club to help address these needs. Patrons are welcome to drop in once a month to learn about a technology topic and then ask general questions about their own technology challenges. This club, along with our other monthly clubs including Genealogy, Mystery Book Group and Brown Bag Book Group, have become quite popular with patrons and have a loyal following.

Meredith Public Library continued...

In our Children's Room Jennifer Stevens has used her early childhood teaching background to offer classes in early literacy to pre-schoolers, and Karen Henchey has continued her weekly Tot Times when parents and their toddlers get a chance to socialize while learning early reading concepts. Mrs. Stevens has also been working with the Inter-Lakes Elementary School to offer after-school reading enrichment opportunities to students at school and continues to offer these opportunities for children at the library as well.

Karen Henchey, young adult librarian, offers events monthly for teens and 'tweens and hosted Summer Reading; when young adults read books for prizes and attended classes throughout the summer designed to enrich them educationally and artistically. She helped to develop a successful Art Show with the Inter-Lakes High School in the spring when students had a chance to display their work at the library. Local artists judged their work and the library awarded prizes.

I wish to thank Paul Ristaino's staff at Buildings and Grounds for their hard work maintaining the grounds, performing minor repairs, and helping us shift the many boxes of books for our book sales. The helpful and friendly crew is always a pleasure to have at the library.

The library staff, trustees and Friends look forward to another year of serving our dedicated library patrons and wish to thank you for your continued support as the Meredith Public Library celebrates its 130th year in 2012.

Erin Apostolos Library Director

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Audio Visual Materials	33,982	Audio Visuals	797
Book	55,079	Books	4,003
Periodicals	1,998	Gifts	48
Costumes	138	Lost/Discarded	7,029
Interlibrary Loans	1,925		
Reference Questions Answered	1,642		
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Parks and Recreation

Vint M. Choiniere, Parks and Recreation Director, CPRP Russell Weeks II, Maintenance Crew Chief Erich Berthiaume, Maintenance Erica Burnham, Program Director Tom Branagan, Maintenance Sarah Perkins, Receptionist/Office Clerk

We would like to thank the many volunteers and sponsors who contributed so much to the success of our programs and activities in 2011. Community members have shared their time and talents as youth sports coaches, field trip chaperones, special event helpers, park clean up day participants, and many other roles to help make Meredith a wonderful place to live and work. Among our many dedicated volunteers is Nancy Lavigne, who has nearly single handedly cared for and nurtured the Community Center garden over the last three years. Nancy has given her heart and soul to the garden and the community has benefited greatly from her efforts, as we have enjoyed its growth and development. Thank you Nancy! Thank you also to members of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, Friends of Parks and Recreation, and a special thank you to the Public Works Dept. and the Water and Sewer Dept. for their generous provision of time, equipment, and expertise, which allows us to effectively complete maintenance tasks and projects.

Thanks also for the support and cooperation we receive from the Inter-Lakes Youth Soccer Association, Babe Ruth Youth Softball League, Cal Ripken Youth Baseball League, Bill Lamper Youth Basketball League, and the Lakes Region Flag Football League. We would also like to thank our Parks & Recreation Department team members and Program Counselors who provide professional services in their respective fields to help create a warm and positive atmosphere around our programs and facilities. They take great pride in offering interesting and healthy recreational opportunities to our community.

Facility Improvements and Projects

The Parks and Recreation Department made a significant change to our turf management program by adopting an "organic" approach to the maintenance of our lawns, athletic fields, and landscape beds beginning in 2010. The department committed to eliminating the use of synthetic products, pesticides, fungicides, and herbicides and committed to the use of low or no phosphorus fertilizers to help protect our streams and lakes and also the hundreds of people who utilize our athletic fields and parks every day. We continued to further develop and fine tune the organic turf management program in 2011.

The Parks and Recreation maintenance team continued its dedication to providing some of the finest athletic fields in the Lakes Region, as evidenced by the many organizations that scheduled tournaments on nearly every weekend in 2011. Demand for the use of our fields continues to increase each year with the addition of high school football practices in 2011.

Childs Park

In 2010 work began on the renovation of Childs Park as brush was cleared, old fencing and playground equipment was removed, and the FRIENDS of Parks and Recreation launched a major fund raising campaign to help fund the project. Spearheaded by an initial generous matching gift of \$30,000 by Lou Kahn in memory of his wife Bobby Smyth, many organizations and civic groups as well as private citizens committed their time, talents, resources, and funding to help with this wonderful community project. Childs Park improvements continued in 2011 with the installation of a new restroom/maintenance building (constructed by the Meredith Rotary Club), installation of a new playground (combined effort of community volunteers and the Parks and Recreation Dept.), and renovations to the ball field being completed. Park renovations will be completed and a dedication will take place in 2012.

Parks and Recreation continued...

Community Center Flourishes

Although heavy demand for use of the Community Center was predicted prior to opening the facility in 2006, actual usage has surpassed expectations. Demand for the Community Center continued to rise in 2011. Along with many activities being offered by the Meredith Parks and Recreation Department, the Community Center hosted 30 different public service organizations on a regular and frequent basis for meetings, training sessions, public hearings, and presentations. These groups included municipal, school department, state, and federal agencies. The Community Center hosted 90 different non- profit groups in 2011 many of which utilized the facility on a regular basis. The Community Center also hosted 75 different private groups such as birthday parties, wedding receptions, family reunions, business ventures, and many others.

The Meredith Parks and Recreation Department has registered 2,113 families for programs it has offered since opening the Community Center. In 2011 the Community Center received 7,477 registrations for the Parks and Recreation Department's high school and middle school after school "drop in" program, where students have the opportunity to choose their own activities in both the activity center and game room.

A list of 2011 program participation numbers for activities offered by the Meredith Parks and Recreation:

Program and # of participants		Program and # of participants		Program and # of participants	
1st Annual Spaghetti Dinner/Concert	150	Fall Family Fun Fest	200+	Preschool Playgroup	40
4 th of July Concert	400	Family Fun Night	150+	Red Sox Trip	49
5 Movie Nights	150	Fisher Cats Trip	29	School Vacation Camps	90
Adult and Youth Tennis Lessons	28	Full & Half Day Camps (no school)	235	Science Center Trip	40
Adult Recreational Tennis	60	Funspot Trip	24	Senior Exercise	57
Adult Volleyball	131	Gunstock Ski Program	65	Skate Park Drop-Ins	2000+
After School Program	33	Hershey Track and Field Program	33	Skating Party	65
Annual Christmas Tree Lighting	150+	Holiday Open House	150+	Skating Trip to PSU	70
Annual Easter Egg Hunt	250+	Kidz Creation – Preschool Art	13	Summer Camp Can Do (Ages 6-14)	90
Annual Street Dance	200+	Marcus Gale Show	100	Swim Lessons	163
Birthday Parties	54	Meredith Children's Museum Trip	21	Theatre Camp	53
Climbing Wall Drop Ins	150	Norm The Magician Show	125	Traveling Zoo Show	150
Climbing Wall Packages	4	North Pole Calling	55	Wellington Beach Trip	70
Coed T-Ball	36	Patriots Playoffs on Big Screen	50	Whales Tale Trip	81
Coed Youth Soccer	93	Pick Up Adult Basketball	145	Youth Dodge ball	108
Community Center Drop-Ins	6,675	Picnic Lunch with Senior Center	125	Youth Floor Hockey	98
Counselor in Training Program	15	Polar Express on the BIG Screen	60+	Youth Gym & Fitness	31

The Community Center has provided a wonderful gathering place for our community and for people of all ages to play, socialize, learn, make decisions, and plan for our future needs.

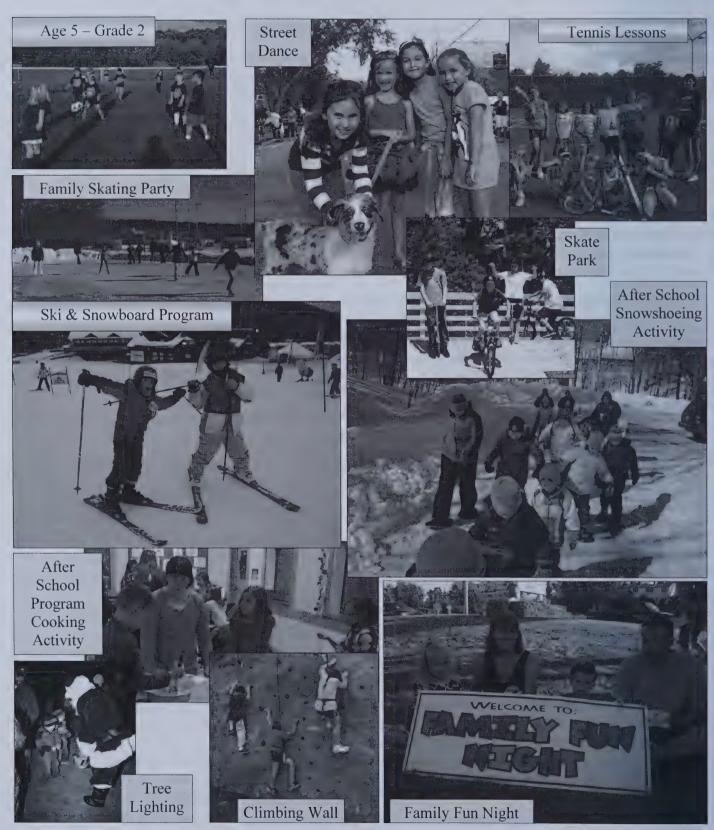
We look forward to working together with the community to help meet the demand and make the Community Center available to as many different user groups as reasonably possible.

As always I encourage you to get involved by sharing your thoughts and ideas with us and I look forward to working together as a community to provide quality recreational opportunities for all to enjoy now and into the future. Have a safe and healthy year in 2012.

Sincerely,

Vint M. Choiniere, CPRP Meredith Parks and Recreation Director

Parks and Recreation continued..



Childs Park Renovation Project - Donations

Financial Contributions

Friends of Parks and Recreation (see the full list of names at Com. Ctr.)
Lou Kahn (in memory of Bobbi Smyth)
Meredith Rotary Club

Professional Design Services

Lou Caron, P.E., L.C. Engineering Co. Carl Johnson, LLS, Advanced Land Surveying Chris Williams Architects David Ames, Ames Associates

Construction Services & Labor

Bauen Corporation
Inter-lakes Builders
JW Electric
Lakeside Plumbing & Heating
NH Electric Cooperative
Meredith Rotary Club

Materials

Gilford Home Center Middleton Building Supply Overhead Door Options Tim Carter/askthebuilder.com Greater Meredith Program Quality Insulation

Type of Donation

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Site Plan Survey& Mapping Bathroom Building Design Septic System Design

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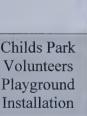
Cost Estimating
Project Coordination
Skilled Labor
Skilled Labor
Pole Re-Location, Heater Discount
Labor-Bathroom Building

Type of Donation

Roofing Supplies Siding, Building Supplies at Cost Garage Door Tiny Titan Water Heater Trees and Landscaping Insulation (cap)

Volunteers Assisting Parks and Recreation Department with the Playground Installation

Decran Abromowich
Cookie Boulanger
Dennis Boulanger
Dave Carpentiere
Tami Carpentiere
Julie Choiniere
Dan Curnyn
Meredith Center Store
Reed Leberman
Dari Sassan





Matt Towle

Paula Trombi

Police

"The mission of the Meredith Police Department is to prevent crime, preserve order and to protect the rights, lives and property of all people. We will work in partnership with our Community to identify and effectively respond to the diverse, ever-changing social neighborhood problems and needs. We will do this with respect, fairness and compassion."

The focus of this year's message in the Town Report is how we deal with our neighborhood problems and needs within the Town. What does this mean to the public that we protect and serve?

It means that we respond equally, we respect equally, and handle calls with fairness and compassion.

There is no determining factor that makes our officers respond to a call other than there being a crime against a person or property or some other type of emergency or situation that needs police response. It doesn't matter if the parties involved are ten or eighty years of age, are male or female, are married or divorced. Every response is to protect and serve the Town of Meredith.

To maintain our effectiveness in handling and responding to a wide variety of calls, which include (but are not exclusive to) motor vehicle accidents, domestic situations, sexual assaults, public disturbances, civil disputes and juvenile matters, etc., we must maintain our resources. Our immediate resources include the continual maintenance of our cruisers, our equipment and our building.

The other primary resource is, of course, our dedicated staff. To keep the men and women of the Meredith Police Department up to date in the ever-changing environment that is the law enforcement profession, they must have continuous training; training that is sometimes mandated from in-house policies, whether from the Municipality, the Police Department, the NH Police Standards and Training Council or from the Federal level. Laws change, technology changes. We must be able to change as well.

Change and Training go hand in hand. Regardless of rank, all staff are obligated to attend several training courses in addition to their normal policing duties.

In 2011, a total of 1,157 hours of training were completed, which included the following:

- Firearms Civil Liability, Criminal Investigations
- Ethics in Law Enforcement, Gun Laws
- Council Rules for Firearms
- Blood testing in DWI Crashes & Cases, Firearms Qualifications
- Legal Updates, Criminal Investigations
- Domestic Violence, Breath Testing Recertification
- Officer Safety & Survival
- NCIC Tact Training, Laso/Tact Training, Shelter Operations
- Detective Property & Evidence
- Explosives, Elder Abuse, Field Training Officer
- DNA Collection, PT Instructor Refresher, Motion Drafting/Legal Research
- Emergency Planning, Cyber Trends, Technology Risks, MDT Training
- Firearms Instructor Recertification, Officer as the Prosecutor
- Methamphetamine Lab Awareness.

Police continued...

In closing, I would like to put out a couple of reminders and a thank you or two to carry us forward into the new year;

- 1) First, please be proactive and include a visible E911 valid Street Number at your residence and/ or business. Especially with the increase of area developments/housing. Emergency responses, whether from the Police Department, the Fire Department or an Ambulance Service, must be able to respond effectively.
- 2) Second, thank you again for the never-ending public support and donations for the annual Christmas Toy Drive, in which the Meredith Police Association in conjunction with the Meredith Public Nurse's Association, strives to enable the children in hard-pressed family situations a unique way to enjoy a special time of year.
- 3) Thirdly, in connection to the Toy Drive, a reminder that the Meredith Police Association (MPA) is a Non-Profit Organization, whose budget is not connected to the Town's budget. The MPA is made up of dues paying members of the Meredith Police Department, who use personal time to keep the MPA active and to give back to the Public. The MPA holds fundraisers, like the recent MPA v. NE Patriots Alumni Football game, to raise funds to stay active.

The MPA gives back in just some of the following ways:

Scholarship Program

Lakes Region Flag Football Program

Child Advocacy Center

Special Olympics

Battle of the Badges

(CHAD – Children's Hospital at Dartmouth)

Funeral Donations

Families in Need

IL/MA Football Program and the annual Christmas Toy Drive.

As always, the Meredith Police Association graciously thanks all who contribute.

The following statistics provide a rundown of activity between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011.

S T A T I S T I C

Activities	2007	2008	2009	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Calls for Service	14,134	13,180	13,668	12,621	13,498
Traffic Violations	4,260	3,601	2,869	2,748	3,039
Arrests	356	372	311	299	313
Accidents	310	243	244	207	242
Incidents	465	532	519	497	494
Animal Calls			390	374	466

Submitted by:

Kevin Morrow, Police Chief

Public Works

The Public Works Department consists of Public Works Office and the four divisions of Highway, Solid Waste, Cemetery, and Buildings & Grounds.

Highway: The winter of 2010-2011 produced only a couple of heavy storms which melted quickly with the above average warm weather. The major problems we encountered were rain storms which turned to ice on roads and parking lots when temps dropped in late afternoon and evenings, especially affecting our gravel roads. The town paving was put out to bid and Bryant Paving was awarded the contract this year. Paving was done on Chemung, Camp Waldron, Follett and Neal Shore Roads. Shoulders were rebuilt on these roads also. Patching was done on Patrician Shores, Reservoir Road and Hillrise Lane. Chip Seal was done on Circle Drive.. A lot of maintenance was done on town road drainage structures and culverts, as well as a lot of brush cutting and road sign repairs. Highway crews assisted the Water & Sewer Department with several major water and sewer main breaks and repairs on Route 25 and the Town Docks/Route 3. Fortunately for our town, we received only minor damage from Hurricane Irene and roads were kept open. Most damage came from flooding or downed trees. Full time employee Dick Davis retired from the Highway Crew and was not replaced at this time.

A new concrete floating dock system was installed this year to replace the aging dock system

at Cattle Landing Public Docks:





Reconstruction of the retaining wall at Waukewan Boat Launch Dock.



Public Works continued...

Solid Waste: New Facility Use Decal/Permits (permits are valid for two years) were issued in May of 2011. The residents of Meredith and Center Harbor continued their recycling efforts this past year resulting in the recycling of 2,272.69 tons of trash; 1,011.10 tons of construction demolition; 114.63 tons of cardboard; 59.58 tons of newspapers; 11.89 tons of tin cans, 11.29 tons of aluminum cans, 33.28 tons of plastics, 171.07 tons of scrap metal/light iron, 33.21 tons misc metals, 4.8 tons of tires, 20.11 tons of tv's, 113.8 tons of mixed papers, .54 ton of used vegetable oil. Another successful Household Hazardous Waste Day was held the last Saturday in July. Full time employee, Shirley Stoltz, left the Solid Waste Crew and was replaced with a part time employee-Patrick Ruel.

Buildings and Grounds: The interiors of the town hall on Main Street and the highway garage were both completely repainted this year. The crews kept the town buildings, town grounds, town docks, all the waterfront parks ,Main Street Community Park and the Public Restrooms clean, maintained and in excellent condition. A new sign was designed, built and installed at the Solid Waste Facility. The BG employees also rebuilt the glass sorting table at Solid Waste. The large flocks of geese that have taken up residence at the waterfront parks kept us busy cleaning up their messes. The BG crew assisted with the replacement in town buildings of lighting fixtures with more environmentally friendly and cost effective light fixtures and bulbs. Full time employee Ryan Phinney left the BG department and was replaced with a part time employee-Dermott Moynihan.

<u>Cemetery</u>: The cemetery sexton is continuing to do GPS mapping of our cemeteries and upgrading of all our computer cemetery records. We did a software upgrade on our PONTEM Cemetery computer records program and our Sexton and our office staff received training on it. Harold "Pete" Currier retired from the town this year and was not replaced, leaving only the sexton, John Calvin in the cemetery department. The Buildings & Grounds crew assisted him with the seasonal weeding, mowing, cleaning headstones, repairing stone walls and trimming brush in our 91 cemeteries. There was vandalism to the Lang Street Cemetery in September. The crew cleaned up the mess and repaired damaged headstones.

<u>Public Works Office</u>: The PW office is open Monday to Friday, from 8am to 4:30 pm for residents to call or come in for assistance with their needs or to request services from any of our four divisions. We sell the Solid Waste Permit/Decals at our office. You can also obtain driveway permits, load limit permits for posted roads; Hesky Park sign use permits, road opening permits, trench permits and facility use permits for events in our waterfront and main street parks. Located in the old police station, we have easy access parking for your convenience and ease.

Thank you from all of the staff in the Public Works Department for the support and cooperation of our residents and taxpayers throughout the year.

Sincerely,
Michael Faller
Public Works Director

Water and Sewer

Water

The Meredith Water Department is committed to providing the community with the safest drinking water possible, and enough supply to meet its demand for both consumption and fire protection. The Water Department was in full compliance with all Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) rules and regulations as they apply to drinking water sampling, production, and reporting for 2010.



The Water Department staff continues proactively to maintain the water treatment plant, two water booster stations, 18 miles of aging water mains, well over 100 hydrants, and the town's 1.5 million gallon water tower. 2011 was a busy year for our department dealing with 7 water main breaks, and several other system repairs. The water plant received a long needed upgrade to a modern computer control system which dramatically helps ensure the quality and efficiency of our water treatment operations.

Sewer

The Meredith Sewer Department maintains the collection system which consists of over 20 miles of sewer mains, 5 lift stations, and over 300 manholes. The staff regularly performs maintenance on the pump stations and sewer main cleaning activities to keep everything flowing properly.

Significant upgrades in 2011 consisted of rebuilding the two pumps at the Philbrook lift station and several mechanical upgrades at the Pollard Shores lift station. Real-time remote monitoring systems were installed at all of our lift stations giving us an enhanced level of protection against failure and increased our security at these sites. We had two major repairs of the system in 2011. There was a substantial break in a ten-inch sewer force main at the town docks, and a failed sewer main on Route 25 near the down town intersection. The failing section of pipe of Route 25 has been 90% replaced. The last section of the failing pipe will be replaced in the spring of 2012.

Staff

The Water and Sewer Department have a combined staff of five employees faithfully devoted to safely providing quality customer service to our 1,200 water customers and 1,400 sewer customers. Every staff member is licensed to operate both our water and sewer systems. We work 7 days a week and are on-call 24/7 for emergencies. If you have any questions, comments, or complaints please feel free to call or drop by our office at 50 Waukewan Street during office hours Monday – Friday, 7am – 3:30pm.

Thank you,

Daniel Leonard Water & Sewer Superintendent

American Legion Griggs/Wyatt Post 33

Legion Officers

Bob Kennelly, Commander Tom Weeks, Sgt-at-Arms Ryan Linke, Junior Vice Commander Michael Gould, Judge Advocate Nat King, Senior Vice Commander Henry Hall, Chaplin Todd Trotter, Adjutant Elliot Finn, Historian Herb Vadney, Finance Officer Chuck Thorndike, Commander Honor Guard

Ladies Auxiliary Officers

Robin Linke, President Amanda Rice, Treasurer Billie Jo Furbish, 1st Vice President Kay Kennelly, Historian Jeanne Almieda, 2nd Vice President Mary Ballou, Sgt-at-Arms Karen Casazza, Secretary Fran Milliken, Chaplin

Sons of the American Legion (S.A.L.) Officers

Jim Hurd, Commander
James Hurd, Historian

Neal MacDonald, Chaplin

Jeff Wyatt, Sr. Vice Commander

Ron Linke, Jr., Jr Vice Commander

Eric Riley, Sgt-At-Arms

Barry Weeks, Treasurer and Adjutant

The Post has been at 6 Plymouth Street for over 80 years and is one of the most consistent parts of Meredith history and as such we are committed to putting Veterans and the community of Meredith first. We have about 250 Legion members, about 120 Ladies Auxiliary members and about 55 S.A.L. members. All three organizations work together to try to make our Post a well run one. We have a canteen that is open to members and their guests 7 days a week with different operating hours every day. Our meetings are held at 7PM the first Tuesday of every month except July and August.

We work with the youth of the Meredith area through the schools, the Meredith Parks and Recreation Department and the Santa Fund.

We hope to get area residents interested in our activities which are as follows:

The Fishing Derby in February

Memorial Day

The Fourth of July

Meredith Home Day and

Fine Arts & Crafts Festival in August

The Annual 9/11 Ceremony and Tribute

Halloween Veterans Day Thanksgiving

Christmas

New Years Eve and New Years Day

Please check the Meredith News, Laconia Daily Sun, the Laconia Citizen or at the Post for dates and times. Post phone number is 279-8503.



Child and Family Services

Child and Family Services welcomes the opportunity to report to the residents of Meredith on the services we provided to the community in the past year. Town support is critical to our being able to offer a wide range of services to children and their families without regard to income, especially in this past year when we faced significant cuts in services funded by the State of NH, or reimbursed through Medicaid as well as increased demand for our services. We strive to make all of the agency's services affordable and accessible to families in need and were able to meet the challenges, with your support.

Funding provided by the Town of Meredith supports a range of services, making it possible for us to provide needed services to those least able to afford them. In the current economic climate, more individuals and families are struggling to keep afloat. Challenged by unemployment or working more than one low-paying job, being uninsured or underinsured, and facing higher levels of stress due to short finances, leads to emotional stress. This combination of unrelenting pressure and limited resources can lead to a cycle of coping difficulties, emotional outbursts or withdrawal, and chronic relationship conflicts that can interfere with positive decision-making, healthy actions and parenting. Eight families received family counseling services last year.

In 2011 we provided substance abuse assessment, intervention and treatment for one adolescent, two weeks of residential summer camping for three children at Camp Spaulding, family counseling for three families benefiting eleven family members, intensive home based services for one family and with support from the Annette Schmitt Fund, children's enrichment activities for nineteen children. We served a total of 44 Meredith residents, representing a significant increase over the previous year's 30 residents.

We continue to count on your help to be able to offer a full range of quality, professional services to children and their families who otherwise could not afford them because they lack insurance or are underinsured. More families served by the Agency fell below the federal poverty level in 2011. 83% of our client families (versus 75% the previous year) are impoverished. CFS has the most accessible and balanced fee policy of any similar agency in the state. This is made possible by grants, such as those we receive by the town of Meredith and enables us to serve the most needy, vulnerable families without regard to income. Town support also makes it possible for us to secure a range of other charitable and public dollars that require local matching funds.

Child and Family Services is New Hampshire's oldest charitable social service organization. We have been serving New Hampshire children and families for 162 years. We are pleased to serve the families of Meredith through offices at 95 Water Street, Laconia, 841 Central Street, Franklin or through our Concord or Manchester offices and Camp Spaulding, in Penacook. For further information about any of these services please call (800) 640-6486 or visit our website at www.cfsnh.org.

Submitted by,

Ruth Zac

Chamber of Commerce - Meredith

The Meredith Area Chamber of Commerce consists of over 300 businesses that are organized to advance and promote the commercial, industrial, service, professional, tourism, and retail interests of Meredith and its trade area. While many of the activities of the Chamber are tourist related, all segments of the business community make up the membership. The Chamber office is located at 272 Daniel Webster Highway and is open year round. Visitors to the Center find a wide array of promotional literature about the Lakes Region. Staffing the Center in 2011 were Jean Greenlaw, Stephanie Whiting, Molly Landrigan, and Adrienne Stevens.

The Chamber maintains a website which lists all Chamber members, is registered with the major search engines, and provides members with advertising opportunities. Community organizations are also listed on the site as well as a comprehensive calendar of events. Again this year, the Chamber conducted an advertising campaign designed to entice people to visit the area and we produced and distributed a four color, 24 page, high quality brochure which was distributed at high traffic tourist attractions in Vermont, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts as well at the state rest areas and the Manchester Airport Visitor Center. The brochure is also mailed out in response to inquiries received at the Chamber.

Chamber sponsored events included the Lakes Region Fine Arts and Crafts Festival, Margaritaville in Meredith, the Awards Ceremony at the Annual Meeting. Regular Business After Hours and Breakfast Forums were held and The Marine Services Guide, the Around the Town Map, the Wedding Guide, the Professional Guide, and the Service Guide were all updated. In addition, the Chamber assists many community organizations in the promotion of their events.

The Chamber greatly appreciates the support of the community for its many activities and is especially appreciative of the cooperation and assistance received from the various departments of the town in carrying out its many projects.

Susan Cerutti Executive Director



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The
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Community Health & Hospice

Central New Hampshire VNA is a non-profit home health, hospice, pediatric care and community service agency with its main office in Laconia.

A product of the merger in 2010 of Community Health & Hospice and the VNA Hospice of Southern Carroll County & Vicinity, the agency provides services to residents of Belknap County and Southern Carroll County.



During the past year, the agency received \$7,500 in support from the Town of Meredith to assist in providing two programs to the residents of Meredith. Those program services are:

Hospice and Palliative Care – This program offers nursing, personal care, medical, social, spiritual and volunteer support to those at the end of life and to their families. During the past year, 45 Meredith residents received Hospice or Palliative Care services through 1,391 visits. This figure represented a 40% increase in services to Meredith residents from the previous year.

Senior Support Services – This program offers homemaker chore service to the elderly and infirm to assist them in accomplishing the household activities of daily living, stay in their own homes and avoid nursing home placement. During the past year, 12 Meredith residents received 915 home visits under this program.

Pediatric Care – This program provides a number of unique services including nursing care, family education and support and developmental assessments to children at social or medical risk. The program works within the context of the family and seeks to enhance family function. During the past year, the agency provided 116 home visits to 42 children in Meredith, not including vaccine services.

This agency uses town funds to match grant funding, to provide services to those with limited or no ability to pay and to augment (as in Hospice care) the cost of services that are not covered through third party payers. The agency is dependent upon charitable donations and town funds to continue to provide services such as senior Support Services and Pediatric Care.

We thank the Town of Meredith and its residents for their continued support, particularly through this challenging economic period.

Margaret Franckhauser Executive Director

Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice, 524-8444

"We believe that it is better to build children than to repair adults."





Emergency Management

Kevin A Morrow, Meredith Emergency Management Director Peter Russell, Assistant Emergency Management Director

2011 was not a very active year for members of the Emergency Management Team, which I'm very thankful for. Although, we did have a major near-miss in August called Hurricane Irene. This did present some headaches for the Town. Mostly power lines down, minor flooding and trees across roads. Compared to other Towns, we still made out well.

During 2011, our Emergency Management Team did work very closely with Lakes Region Partnership for Public Health addressing response to consequences of natural disasters or emergency situations that would affect the population or property within Belknap County areas.

Meredith Emergency Plans serves to prepare emergency responses required by the Town to react to any type of emergency situation. With the assistance of Lakes Region Planning Commission, Town Manager, Public Works, Water Department, Parks and Recreation, Fire Department, Community Development, Superintendent SAU, Stewart's Ambulance, and our Health officer, we have completed the required emergency plans. It is still a work in progress on some sub-plans.

One major sub-plan was to address a Shelter Plan for the Town of Meredith.

The "Meredith Community Center" was named in the Emergency Operation Plans to be the primary shelter for the Town. I would let you know everyone stepped up to the plate when it came to talk about secondary shelters, such as schools, hotels and churches. They all agreed to assist in any emergency situation.

We have a shelter plan but we still need to fine-tune inner details. The Red Cross came and gave the Emergency Management Team tips on how to set up and run a shelter. Red Cross also donated 40 cots and blankets to get us started.

Please do not forget about the flu season. Here are some helpful hints:

Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze. Wash your hands often with soap and water. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Try to avoid close contact with sick people. Stay home if you are sick.

On behalf of Peter Russell and myself, I would like to thank the community for all their help and patience, assisting the Town and our neighbors get through the many incidents that burdened us over the past years.

Sincerely,

Kevin Morrow Emergency Management Director

Genesis



RESPECT

ADVOCACY

INTEGRITY

STEWARDSHIP

EXCELLENCE

Thank you for supporting Genesis Behavioral Health and contributing to the health and wellness of our community!

The appropriation we received from the Town of Meredith's 2011 budget helped us support the cost of providing emergency mental health care to the residents of your town. During Fiscal Year 2011 (July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011), a total of **162 Meredith residents** came to Genesis Behavioral Health seeking behavioral health care. The age breakdown is as follows:

Age Range	Number of Patients
Ages 1 – 17	44
Ages 18 – 59	89
Age 60 and over	29

We provided Emergency Services to 30 Meredith residents in Fiscal Year 2011.

The mission of Genesis Behavioral Health is to provide direct services that enhance the emotional and mental health of our communities. We work with children, families, adults and older adults to help them recover from mental illness. Improving one's mental health benefits the individual as well as the community in which they live.

Genesis Behavioral Health provides a variety of medically necessary services that help people with mental illness increase their participation in the community. Mental health treatment helps people foster fulfilling, strong relationships, maintain stable employment and contribute to the good of the community. We work with your police and fire departments, as well as local hospitals, to provide Emergency Services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to **any resident of Meredith** experiencing a mental health crisis, regardless of their ability to pay.

Community matters in community mental health. Support from the Town of Meredith is an essential component of our funding and is critical to the sustainability of the Emergency Services program. Genesis Behavioral Health improved the health and quality of life for 3,270 individuals in our region in Fiscal Year 2011. On behalf of all of them, we thank you.

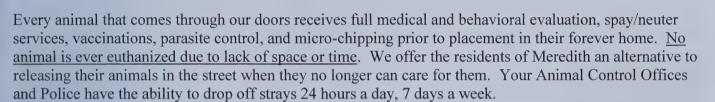
Sincerely,

Margaret M. Pritchard Executive Director

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New Hampshire Human Society

The New Hampshire Humane Society (NHHS) has been taking in, caring for, and adopting animals since 1900. NHHS is a private 501(c) 3 charity where support only comes from donations from the public and with contracts for services as with the Town of Meredith. We receive absolutely <u>no</u> federal, government or other humane society money. In 2011, the NHHS was proud that 874 animals were placed in warm loving homes out of the 1,237 that came through our doors. NHHS serviced 98 animals for the Town of Meredith (as of 12/31/11).



We now offer a pet food pantry to the public when they cannot afford to feed their beloved pets. No questions are asked and no forms are required to avoid making those less fortunate feel ashamed to ask for help. Additionally, we offer a low cost spay/neuter program for privately owned pets which reduces the countless litters of kittens and puppies which over populate all shelters in New Hampshire. NHHS has been working with local citizens in select areas to reduce the number of reproducing feral cat colonies by spaying and neutering them. We have educational outreach programs for the children in the community and had a medical internship student from Plymouth University as well as a Meredith resident who completed 120 hours of training.

The total number of animals brought to the New Hampshire Humane Society from Meredith during 2011 along with the numbers we service from other communities in the Lakes Region is found below:

Animals	Town of Meredith	Other Towns Serviced
Dogs & Cats	97	1,133
Other Small Animals	1	6
Cruelty Calls	1	138

The NHHS looks forward to our continued partnership with the Town of Meredith in 2011.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary G. Di Maria Executive Director 603-524-3252, ext 301 www.nhhumane.org

The Greater Meredith Program

Using limited financial resources, the tireless efforts of two part-time employees, and the passion and energy of local volunteers, the Greater Meredith Program honors and preserves the town's heritage, creates a viable environment in which to live and work and makes our town more beautiful for all to enjoy.

Local contributions - financial, in-kind, and volunteer hours from individuals, businesses, organizations, and state and local institutions are what make The Greater Meredith Program such a success.

Since 2003, GMP has invested substantial direct cash investments in our community through various projects and programs. This does not include the countless in kind donations of our volunteers' time and talents. GMP continues to engage a diverse group of community stakeholders dedicated to bringing positive changes to our community.

GMP operates with four committees:

- Organization
- Community Economic Development
- Design, Beautification & Conservation
- Promotion

All committees work together to help build a sustainable and vibrant community.

Signature programs and projects include:

Holiday Greeting Card Sales, Career Partnership Program, America in Bloom, All American Display Garden at the Meredith Public Library, Meredith Community Center Garden, Extreme Makeover of the Phu Jee Restaurant, Courtyard on Main, Flower Barrels in the Village, July 4th Fireworks, Rock n' Roll Cruise Night, September 11th Commemorative Guide, Halloween in Meredith Guide, A December to Remember Holiday Guide, and 12 days to Christmas.

Join GMP, lend a helping hand, and make a difference in your community. Call the Greater Meredith Program today and find out how you can become part of this movement to build and beautify our community. All residents are welcome!

On behalf of our Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers, thank you to all residents of Meredith for your continued support.

The Greater Meredith Program (GMP), an award winning Main Street Program, is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit community development organization led by a volunteer Board of Directors seeking to enhance economic vitality, historical and cultural preservation, and town-wide beautification.

GMP is located at:290 Daniel Webster Highway, Unit 2 C, P O Box 1417, Meredith, NH 03253, 279-9015

Think Local

Buy Local

Be Local

info@greatermeredithprogram.org

www.greatermeredithprogram.org

Submitted by:

Carol F. Gerken, Interim Director

Meredith Community Action Program

During the past year, we have provided \$1,049,487 in services to Meredith residents. Our major concern has always been, and will continue to be, the delivery of needed services to the elderly, handicapped and low-income residents of the community. Some of the services we provide are administration of the Fuel Assistance Program, Electric Assistance, Congregate Meals at the Senior Center, Meals on Wheels, Emergency Food Pantry. For more information, please contact 279-4096.

We wish to thank the Town of Meredith for its continued support.

Sincerely, Prudence Tylenda, Area Director

Meredith Historical Society

The Society's purpose is the collection and preservation of the history of Meredith. This includes preserving valuable books, manuscripts, photographs, prints, textiles, relics and other articles related to the history of Meredith. The purpose also includes maintaining the Pottle Meeting House, operating as the Farm Museum, and the Main Street Museum to house our collection.

The funds for maintaining the artifacts and the two museums buildings are provided by donations from members and other interested parties. Sums designated as trust funds and bequests are encouraged, as they enable the Society to hold such amounts in trust and use only the interest as needed. The Town generously provides funds to assist in the payment of a stipend for the greeter for our Main Street Museum during the summer.



Historic Walking Tour

The Main Street museum is open from Memorial Day to Columbus Day four days a week Wednesday through Saturday from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The Farm Museum is open Wednesday and Saturday afternoons during the summer and from Labor Day to Columbus Day on Saturdays from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM and is staffed by volunteers. Arrangements can be made to visit the museum at other times by calling 279-1190. Again this year there were visitors from all over the US and other Countries.

From May through November, on the first Tuesday at 7:30 PM of each month, the Society sponsors programs and activities that increase awareness of town history. The topics this year included: Therapy Pets, Rebecca Rule, Recreating through the Years, Thaddeus Lowe, Civil War Balloonist from NH, Robert Frost's New Hampshire, Stonewalls of the Area and Meredith Public Health Nurses Association. All programs are open to the general public and are free of charge.

The Society would like to thank the many volunteers for their help to catalogue articles, cleaning textiles, organizing exhibits, creating window displays, hosting the Farm Museum, providing refreshments for the meetings, baking for the bake sales, organizing and working at the auction and maintaining the buildings. The Society is grateful for the consideration and support of all the people in the Town of Meredith, making it possible for the Society to continue to serve the public.

George Jewell, President

Meredith Public Health Nursing Association

Visiting Nurses of Meredith and Center Harbor, (formerly Meredith Public Health Nursing Association), is your local non-profit home care/visiting nurse agency serving Meredith and Center Harbor. Our highly skilled, licensed, and professional staff provides nursing, rehabilitation therapies, speech therapy, personal care assistance, homemaker, and senior companion services within the home. Founded in 1923, VNMCH is a Medicare/Medicaid certified and licensed agency. We were inspected by the state of New Hampshire and Medicare services on November 7th, 8th, and 9th of 2010 and were found to be deficiency free and in compliance with all state and federal regulations. Be sure to visit our website, www.vnmch.org, to help you address and answer questions about your present or future home health care needs.

Remaining a small community-based visiting nurse agency is important to us. A part of our mission is that we will provide home care services to Meredith residents based on their need, not their ability to pay. Meredith's community support each year enables us to continue to meet that mission. The present economic environment has led to more residents going without health insurance coverage, yet still in need of home health care services. VNMCH is the only home care agency that provides free home care services to Meredith. We are also the only agency dedicated only to Meredith and Center Harbor. We of course continue to take Medicare, Medicaid, all private insurances, and donations. The Board of Directors is continually working on fundraising projects to help alleviate costs.

VNMCH provides a free blood pressure and foot clinic at the Meredith Community Center (the Senior Center) on the first Wednesday of each month at 12:30 p.m. Our annual seasonal flu clinics are held at our main office, the Meredith Community Center, and several area businesses in addition to being sure our homebound clients receive them. VNMCH also continues to be an active member of the local Emergency Preparedness Council, working to keep Meredith prepared for any public health threats and also to keep abreast of current public health concerns.

Our Board of Directors includes our community members: President Phyllis Hamblet, Vice-President Thomas Pryor, Secretary Edward Touhey, Treasurer Robert Davis, Asst Treasurer Frances Secord, Richard Harlow, Robert Andrews MD, Carolyn Schoenbauer, Chuck Thorndike, James Wallace, and Linda Lee.

We moved into our permanent home at 186 Waukewan St., Meredith, in the spring of 2011. We provide walk-in services daily from 9 am to 10 am and 1 pm to 2 pm at our Meredith office. Services include blood pressure checks, some blood tests including PT/INR testing for Coumadin levels, and simple wound care. We do cholesterol checks by appointment. We ask for small donations for some of these services, but blood pressure is always free. In-office services are for those Meredith residents who are not homebound but require some limited skilled nursing care. One of the goals of the new building is to improve safe access to our office for our daily office hours, along with our home care services. Please stop by and visit our new space anytime. The office is open from 8 am to 4 pm daily, Monday through Friday.

VNMCH provided 6868 visits and services to Meredith residents in 2011. Of those, 2446 were nursing, 1306 were rehabilitation therapies, 26 medical social worker visits, 2502 for personal care, 106 were homemaking, and 482 were visits to our office.

Meredith Public Health Nursing Association continued...

Memorial gifts were received in memory of:

John & Rebecca Anderson, Barbara Bennett, Marjorie Bernard, Honore Bonner, Amy Brown, Donard, Carr, Lewis Clark, June Corrigan, Joan Ekstrom, Joanne Enright, Mary Patten Hawley





Fancher, Stuart & Winifred Gray, Caro Hatch, Jane Kiah, Norman Martin, Marilyn McGowan, Emily Montgomery, Hazel Murphy, Jayne Ruel, Peter Ruel, Carole St Jacques, and Gary Van Durbin.

As your locally based visiting nurses all of us at Visiting Nurses of Meredith and Center Harbor are grateful to the residents of Meredith for their ongoing and strong support of this home care agency and its mission to this town.

Sincerely, Cheryl Gonzalo, RN BSN **Executive Director**

Kidworks Learning Center

Kidworks Learning Center celebrated its 15th Anniversary in 2011. We hosted a party at the center for our families, local businesses and all those who have supported us through the years. We reflected on the past and sent goals for the future. One of our goals is to redesign our playground to better meet the needs of the children.

Kidworks Learning Center is a non-profit childcare center for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years. We offer a before and after school program, as well as vacation and summer programs. The center provides services for over ninety families in the Lakes Region, a majority of the families living or working in Meredith. Kidworks provides the families with not only quality care and education, but with USDA approved breakfasts, snacks and lunches. In conjunction with the New Hampshire State Scholarship Program, we are able to provide reduced tuition rates for families in need of assistance.

Our philosophy is to provide a stimulating environment for children to learn and express themselves with an emphasis on self-esteem. A variety of activities are provided that gives each child an opportunity to progress at his or her own pace in the five major areas of development: emotional, social, cognitive, physical and speech/language. We try to implement community outreach programs in our curriculum to instill the importance of helping others and our community.

One of our major community outreach programs that we recently developed is "Clothe Our Community". The idea was developed while brainstorming ideas for the center to give back to the community, yet a concept the children could understand and participate in. The center collects clothing for one month and then we set up our free clothing drive at the community center. Last year we were able to fill all three meeting rooms, we are hoping for the same success this year.

On behalf of the families, staff, and Board of Directors of Kidworks Learning Center, I would like to extend a sincere thank you to the Town of Meredith for its continued support of our organization.

Jennifer Weeks, Executive Director

Lakes Region Planning Commission

The Lakes Region continues to grow and evolve. As our economy and world change, so does the work we are engaged in. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is an organization established according to state law to provide area communities and the region with the capacity to respond to and shape the pressures of change in a purposeful way. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. The Commission offers direct and support services including technical assistance, geographic information systems, transportation planning, land use, environmental planning, hazard planning and economic development. Local, state, and federal resources primarily fund the LRPC. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our overall goal is to provide support, knowledge, and leadership to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region. Some of the services provided on behalf of the town of Meredith and the region in the past fiscal year are noted below:

LOCAL

- Coordinated a meeting with town officials to assess the energy costs of municipal buildings. The Fire Station, Police Station, and Community Center were assessed, and detailed recommendations for operational changes that would yield energy savings were presented.
- Coordinated and provided assistance to the town to repair the Lakes Region Farm Tour website so that it accurately reflected the names and locations of farms in Meredith.
- Provided 2010 Census data and related information, as requested by a town official.
- Continued to work with the town to identify local restoration sites in Meredith for the Meredith, Paugus, and Saunders Bay (MPSB) Subwatershed management plan.
- Gave a presentation on the Meredith Paugus Saunders Bay (MPSB) Subwatershed plan at the Land Maintenance by the Water's Edge workshop held at Church Landing in Meredith. Met with town officials to review plan recommendations, evaluation and sustainability chapters of the MPSB Subwatershed plan.
- Continued to provide administrative support for the annual household hazardous waste collection, which includes a collection site in Meredith
- Continued to coordinate water quality monitoring activities in Paugus Bay and Saunders Bay. Met with local officials to review draft Septic System Maintenance Ordinance.
- Participated in the Meredith Center Road at NH Route 104 Road Safety Audit, conducted by the NH Department of Transportation (NHDOT).
- Attended a Meredith Safe Routes to Schools exploratory meeting.

EDUCATION

- Hosted a Housing Diversity Workshop on May 5 in Laconia that addressed the value of locally diverse
 housing stock and complemented the findings published in the Lakes Region Housing Needs Assessment: June 2010.
- Attended 2011 Telecommunications Summit and the NH Best Management Practices planning meeting to begin formulating next steps and working with Regional Stakeholder Groups.
- Represented the region at the Local Energy Solutions Conference, hosted by Clean Air-Cool Planet and the Local Energy Committee Working Group, in Concord. The energy Technical Assistance Program (ETAP) was officially launched at the conference.

Lakes Region Planning Commission continued...

REGIONAL SERVICES

- Contributed to the preparation of the award winning Innovative Land Use (ILU) Guidance resource document and ILU Mapper.
- Released the 2011 Development Trends Report, which shows residential, commercial, and industrial permit activity on an annual basis.
- LRPC received the 2011 Planning Project of the Year Award from the NH Planners Association for the development and launch of the Winnipesaukee Gateway (WinniGateway). WinniGateway is the culmination of efforts that led to the successful completion of the first phase of the Lake Winnipesaukee Watershed Management Plan, which continues with the Center Harbor Bay subwatershed management plan.
- Prepared testimony on behalf of the NH Association of Regional Commissions (NHARC) in support of effective criteria in the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act (CSPA).
- Met with the New Economy Subcommittee to strategize potential options to enhance local broadband opportunities. Completed a satellite dish survey throughout the Lakes Region.
- Provided a summary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Community Facilities Grant program available to eligible communities in the Lakes Region.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

- Continue to organize and coordinate two annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections a
 year, involving 24 member communities. Requested proposals from vendors for collection, hauling,
 and disposal services.
- Received funding from the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) to publish copies of the Alternative to Household Hazardous Waste brochure.

TRANSPORTATION

- Convened several meetings of the LRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in the regional transportation planning and project development
- Conducted over 150 traffic and turning movement counts around the region.
- Submitted an application to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) to develop a Scenic Byway around Lake Winnipesaukee.
- Initiated the development of a Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the Region.
- Supported efforts of the Carroll County Regional Coordinating Council (RCC) to provide transportation services for those most in need, including encouraging expansion of the services being provided by the Community Action Program's Blue Loon.
- Reviewed and commented on the Mid-State RCC grant application to the NH Department of Transportation (NHDOT) to support the expanded volunteer driver programs for match support submitted to the United Way programs. Provided letters of support to continue to provide assistance to the Mid-State RCC and Transport Central.

Inter-Lakes Day Care Center & Nursery School

In the fall of 2011, Inter-Lakes Day Care Center celebrated its 40th anniversary, as pictured below, with balloons and cake. Having served thousands of children and two generations of families the board and staff of I-LDCC believe that high quality child care is important to lifelong learning and has a lasting impact on later success in life. Thank you to the Town of Meredith for their wholehearted support in this endeavor!

Inter-Lakes Day Care Center and Nursery School is a non-profit, licensed, tax-exempt community child care and education agency, incorporated in 1971, that provides exceptional and affordable, early care and education to a diverse group of children from six weeks through twelve years of age. Inter-Lakes Day Care Center promotes child development and family support for working parents through comprehensive infant, toddler, preschool, and school age developmentally appropriate curriculum, engaging children in activities that develop language and literacy through interactions, experiences, and relationships with peers and teachers, beginning at birth. I-LDCC has always had a deep concern for the well-being of the whole child while providing a stress-free, stable environment. The State of New Hampshire recognizes I-LDCC as a Strengthening Families Center and a Licensed Plus Center.

Inter-Lakes Day Care Center is open on a year-round basis at two sites from 6:30 AM to 5:30 PM, making it possible for parents to maintain employment. The Center offers a full range of services including morning preschool programs, full and part-time child care, summer and vacation enrichment camps, and USDA approved healthy meals and snacks. The professional staff of Certified and Credentialed teachers strives to foster in each child a sense of security, continuity, trust, autonomy, initiative and pride. Through the federal Child Care and Development Block Grant Act and the State of New Hampshire, tuition based on family size and income is available for parents who are employed, in training, pursuing a degree or certificate, on job search or temporarily disabled.

Again, many, many thanks to the Town of Meredith.



New Beginnings - A Women's Crisis Center

On behalf of New Beginnings – Without Violence and Abuse, I would like to thank the citizens of the Town of Meredith for their continued support. Your 2011 allocation, of \$1800.00 has enabled us to continue to provide 24-hour crisis intervention, long term support and assistance, and outreach and education, to people whose lives have been affected by domestic and sexual violence and stalking in all of Belknap County.

Our organization operates a full-time shelter with a food pantry; staffs a 24-hour crisis line; provides 24-hour advocacy at hospitals and police stations; provides court and social service advocacy; and offers non-judgmental support and advocacy on a one-to-one basis as well as in peer support groups. New Beginnings has programming for children and teens who have witnessed and experienced violence, including resiliency-based programs. Though we serve a small county, the need for services is great. We were able to do a Primary Prevention Program for the whole freshman class. We had advocates in Belknap County courts each working day of this budget year. In the fiscal year 2010-2011 we provided services to 31 victims who live in Meredith. The 31 victims produced 266 service contacts resulting in 304 units of services. Some of these services were provided by our volunteers, who donated 21,714 service hours.



New Beginnings also plays a significant role in the greater community. We run outreach activities and offer education programs to businesses, clubs and groups. We also facilitate age-appropriate prevention programs for students in kindergarten through college, including topics such as conflict resolution, bullying, healthy relationships, and dating and sexual violence. We participate in many committees and commissions, including the Belknap County Family Violence Prevention Council, a task force made up of community members and professionals initiated by the Governor's Commission to take a stand against domestic and sexual violence in our county, and the Belknap County Sexual Assault Resource team.

We are 1 of 14 members of the NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, promoting statewide networking and resource sharing among domestic violence and sexual assault programs. The coalition is the evaluating body and administrator of state and federal contracts that provide some funding for member programs.

Sincerely,

Kathy Keller
Executive Director

Domestic Violence Support Line: 1.866.644.3574 Sexual Violence Support Line: 1.800.277.5570

P.O. Box 622, Laconia, N.H. 03247-0622 603.528.6511 www.newbeginningsnh.org email: help@newbeginningsnh.org

New Hampshire Association for the Blind

Living Better with Vision Loss for 100 Years

- The New Hampshire Association for the Blind was founded in 1912, in Hancock, NH.
- The mission of the New Hampshire Association for the Blind is to advance the independence of persons who are blind and visually impaired.
- The New Hampshire Association for the Blind is the only statewide, private, non-profit organization that provides vision rehabilitation services to people of all ages, who are blind or have severe vision impairments.
- The Association is fully accredited by the National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving the Blind and Visually Impaired.
- The Association provides counseling & referral, rehabilitation teaching, orientation & mobility instruction, low vision services, assistive technology, volunteer services, as well as education services for school-age children.
- The Association's professional staff provided 24,483 hours of program service to 1,441 individuals. An additional 445 persons participated in group services. 66% of clients are women; 34% are men and 46% of clients are between the ages of 70 and 89, with 68% of our clients between 70 100+.
- Volunteers provided 4,042 service hours.
- Of the major eye conditions, 39% of clients suffer from Macular Degeneration, 16% from Cataract, 7% from Diabetic Retinopathy, 15% from Glaucoma, 2% from Retinitis Pigmentosa and 21% from all other eye conditions. This year, the Association received 438 new referrals averaging 37 per month.
- Public education presentations were made to 11,289 people. 23% of clients voluntarily report financial data. Of those, 28% have incomes of less than \$10,000 and 29% have incomes from \$10,000 \$20,000
- No one is ever denied access to services due to inability to pay, and services are provided in every community of New Hampshire and along the borders, for as long as they are needed.
- 73% of funding comes from philanthropic contributions from individuals, private foundation grants, trusts, corporate grants, civic and service organizations.
- All funds raised in New Hampshire stay in New Hampshire.

Winnipesaukee Wellness Center

The Winnipesaukee Wellness Center members thank you for your continued support of the Center in 2011.

As you may know, the Winnipesaukee Wellness Center is a medically supervised program that is a self-supporting department of Lakes Region General Hospital. Its mission is to promote health responsibility, to provide a safe, comfortable site to exercise, to provide ongoing support and encouragement of healthy lifestyle habits and to promote active lifestyles. The Center has been at the 78 Whittier Highway location in Moultonboro for two years now and the site is working out well for our clients. An Advisory Committee consisting of members, interested community members, and LRGH management team meet monthly and oversee the Center's operations.

The Center depends on the support from surrounding towns and fundraisers to keep the member fees affordable for members of the community. In 2011, 17 per cent of the membership are residents of Meredith and benefit from the services available to them at the Center. The members range in age from 42-94.

The Center is open three days per week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6am to 4pm. The program is not just an exercise program as the members benefit from the oversight and experience of a Registered Nurse who helps design an individualized exercise program to meet their needs. The members also benefit from the social aspect of the center and often attend luncheons or go to coffee after exercise which is an important aspect of many members' lives.

The monthly fee for the program is \$50.00 per person and \$80.00 per couple. Financial assistance is available to those who qualify.

We invite you to come and see the Center in action during the regular hours of operation or call 253-1839 for information.

Sincerely, The Winnipesaukee Wellness Center Advisory Committee



Births

Date of Birth	Child's Name	Father's / Partners Name	Mother's Name
1/5/2011	Van Etten, Guilla Thayer	Van Etten, Justin	Van Etten, Courtney
1/8/2011	Lafavre, Reese Amy	Lafavre, James	Lafavre, Amy
1/13/2011	Dunn, Layla Lee	Dunn, Scott	Sanborn, Misty
2/11/2011	Elwood, Michael Maythat	Elwood, Charles	Elwood, Elizabeth
2/20/2011	Larson, Elliot Scott	Larson, Kenneth	Larson, Elena
2/22/2011	MacCabee, Nathan Alexander	MacCabee, Kenneth	MacCabee, Calista
3/3/2011	Page, Curtis David	Page, Timothy	Page, Bonnie
3/21/2011	Suckling, Anika Miriam-Joan	Suckling, Andrew	Suckling, Ashley
3/22/2011	Bolduc, Madden Richard	Bolduc, Brian	Bolduc, Martha
4/10/2011	Meeken, Chase William	Meeken, Christopher	Meeken, Lisa
4/17/2011	Flanders, Claira Marie	Flanders, Mark	Flanders, Nicole
5/6/2011	Tatakes, Parker Bailey	Tatakes Sr, Brett	Tatakes, Camille
6/3/2011	Howe, Benjamin James	Howe, Timothy	Howe, Kendra
6/6/2011	Pike, Brennan Cole	Pike, Shannon	Hilton, Patricia
6/14/2011	Ristaino, Tucker Michael	Ristaino, Dante	Remson, Margaret
6/23/2011	Fuller, Teigan David	Fuller, William	Fuller, Rebecca
7/8/2011	Hoyt Jr, John Christopher	Hoyt, John	Ellsworth, Holly
7/12/2011	Buskey, Lacey Marie	Buskey Jr, Thomas	Nigro, Shylah
7/14/2011	Jackson, Drelynn Lee	Jackson, Andre	Humiston, Tara
8/19/2011	Gulick, Stella Kate	Gulick, Stephen	Gulick, Molly-Marie
9/4/2011	Couturier, Issac Red	Couturier, Patrick	Couturier, Sarah
9/22/2011	Hann, Lincoln Paul	Hann, Corey	Robie, Lindsay
10/23/2011	Mutney, Tyler James	Mutney Jr, James	Gallagher, Felicia
10/27/2011	Smith, Hayden Parker	Smith Jr, Norman	Percy, Cassandra
11/13/2011	Haines, Ella Grace	Hines, Jason	McGuire, Kaitlyn
12/8/2011	Horne, Felicity Gertrude	Cole, Brandon	Horne, Amy
12/19/2011	Pelletier, Audrey Marie	Pelletier, Cameron	Gallagher, Mariah

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Marriages

Da	ate of Marriage	Person A's Name	Residence	Person B's Name	Residence
	2/19/2011	Towne, Eric F	Meredith, NH	Binder, Allison N	Meredith, NH
	3/24/2011	Williamson, Michael T	Blue Springs, MO	Thurston, Hilary D	Meredith, NH
	4/23/2011	Broers, Shaun M	Meredith, NH	Mastine, Courtney E	Meredith, NH
	5/20/2011	Bennett, Joseph D	Meredith, NH	Nichols, Christine M	Meredith, NH
	5/21/2011	Taylor, Troy M	Meredith, NH	Conlon, Carolyn M	Meredith, NH
	5/28/2011	Sorell, David A	Meredith, NH	Kenneson, Lindsey A	Meredith, NH
	5/30/2011	Poire, Robert J	Meredith, NH	Niles, Lynda J	Meredith, NH
	6/5/2011	Sheerin, William B	Manchester, NH	Mason, Malinda L	Meredith, NH
	6/18/2011	Stauss, Wayne M	Meredith, NH	Burdette, Laura R	Meredith, NH
	7/2/2011	Tetreault, Matthew P	Meredith, NH	Perkins, Margaret E	Meredith, NH
	7/9/2011	Wargo, Richard J	Meredith, NH	Duncan, Jill A	Meredith, NH
	7/23/2011	Davis, Nicholas J	Meredith, NH	Haney, Alisha M	Meredith, NH
	8/7/2011	Harper, William T	Meredith, NH	Candage, Nicole H	Meredith, NH
	9/2/2011	Green Jr, Loe B	Meredith, NH	Stanek, Marcy J	Meredith, NH
	9/10/2011	Pembroke Jr, James P	Meredith, NH	Gagnon, Jennifer M	Laconia, NH
	10/8/2011	Keenum, Justin D	Meredith, NH	Tower, Shannon E	Meredith, NH
	10/15/2011	Cilley, Elias R	Meredith, NH	Hartley, Briana L	Meredith, NH
	11/5/2011	King, Caleb E	Meredith, NH	Simons, Kimberly M	Meredith, NH
	12/24/2011	Dubuque, Darryl J	Meredith, NH	Leach, Brenda L	Meredith, NH

Deaths

Date of Death	Decedent's Name	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
1/2/2011	Bodge, Sybol	Laconia	Best, William	Varnes, Frances
1/4/2011	Anderson Jr, David	Meredith	Anderson, Sr, David	Goss, Carol
1/7/2011	Bartrum, Frederick	Concord	Bartrum, Andrew	Dearborn, Gertrude
1/12/2011	Jollimore Sr, Kenneth	Laconia	Jollimore, Harry	Zynck, Isabel
1/12/2011	Constant, Linda	Laconia	Ford, Clayton	Gilson, Grace
1/26/2011	Murphy, Hazel	Laconia	Godfrey, Harold	Bullis, Louesa
2/4/2011	Leighton Sr, Roger	Meredith	Leighton, Walter	Lamper, Frances
2/13/2011	Smith, Gregory	Meredith	Smith, Everett	Braley, Phyllis
2/14/2011	Dunn, Jay	Laconia	Dunn, John	Hinckle, Wilhelmina
2/21/2011	Enright, Joanne	Lebanon	Whittier, Edward	Harriman, Jessie
2/23/2011	Boll, Margaret	Meredith	Wright, James	Gallagher, Maggie
2/25/2011	Dobbins, George	Meredith	Dobbins, George	Hobbs, Dorothy
2/28/2011	Varano, John	Laconia	Varano, Francesco	Montasano, Elizabeth
2/28/2011	Kenyon, Vera	Laconia	Hislop, Milford	Perry, Susie
3/2/2011	Hackett, William	Laconia	Hackett, John	Carter, Gertrude
3/5/2011	Pucci, Irene	Meredith	Avby, Michael	Roullo, Leah
3/7/2011	Santarpio, Zita	Meredith	Gaviani, Attillo	Nicoletti, Maria
3/17/2011	Nogowski, John	Laconia	Nogowski, Henry	Kashinski, Katherine
3/23/2011	Anderson, John	Meredith	Anderson, George	Stott, Elizabeth
3/23/2011	Clement, Norman	Laconia	Clement, Ralph	Hannigan, Catherine
3/24/2011	McGowan, Marilyn	Meredith	Small, Eugene	Haddock, Blanche
3/28/2011	Peterson, Louise	Meredith	Wiggins, John	Boles, Florence
3/30/2011	Stevens, Reginald	Meredith	Stevens, Ralph	Weeks, Helen

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Date of Death	Decedent's Name	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
4/5/2011	Novicki, Chester	Laconia	Novicki, Alex	Vielgolaski, Henryka
4/8/2011	Bennett, Margaret	Meredith	Murphy, Michael	Halloran, Margaret
4/9/2011	Betts, Jeannette	Laconia	Sefferien, Louis	Dietz, Jeannette
4/15/2011	Pacht, Georgianna	Meredith	Pierce, George	Nourse, Irene
4/17/2011	Bernard, Marjorie	Meredith	Hutchins, Norris	Harvey, Mildred
4/21/2011	Merrill, Robert	Laconia	Unknown, Unknown	Merrill, Gladys
4/22/2011	Dobbins, Eileen	Laconia	Murray, Frank	Rivard, Alma
4/24/2011	Hartford, Stanley	Meredith	Hartford, Gordon	Griffin, Lillian
4/25/2011	Kiah, Jane	Meredith	Hormell, Robert	McManus, Catherine
4/29/2011	Wiggin, Irene	Meredith	Roy, Gideon	Champagne, Rose
5/5/2011	Day, Richard	Meredith	Day, Norbert	Berry, Margaret
5/9/2011	Bowser, Kathryn	Laconia	Dennicourt, Raymond	Malo, Emma
5/11/2011	Daye, Dorothy	Meredith	Spear, Lester	Evitts, Gladys
5/16/2011	Janek, Matilda	Laconia	Austin, Stuart	Goodrich, Lucille
5/21/2011	Lejnieks, Voldemars	Laconia	Lejnieks, Rudolph	Budevics, Elza
5/27/2011	Lohse, Sylvia	Meredith	Pilla, Dominick	Petti, Lillian
5/28/2011	Curran Sr, Robert	Meredith	Curran, William	Walsh, Margeurite
5/30/2011	Dunleavey, Charles	Laconia	Dunleavey, Martin	Quimby, Louise
6/7/2011	Gallant, Annette	Meredith	Langlais, Emile	Berube, Rose
6/26/2011	Bohl, Karl	Lebanon	Bohl, Fritz	Griesser, Bertha
6/28/2011	Schultz, William	Meredith	Schultz, William	Herzelva, Anna
6/29/2011	Frase, Bruce	Meredith	Frase, Glen	Crawford, Marion
7/12/2011	Bovill, Frederick	Meredith	Bovill, William	Humphrey, Dorothy
7/23/2011	Riordan, Barbara	Meredith	Snell, Frederick	Cressy, Gerogianna

Deaths

Date of Death	Decedent's Name	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name		
7/26/2011	Montalto, Angelo	Meredith	Montalto Sr, Joseph	Molino, Angelina		
7/30/2011	Demers, Alphonse	Meredith	Demers, Ludger	Boisvert, Genophe		
8/3/2011	Finno, William	Meredith	Finno, John	Macfarland, Eleanor		
8/8/2011	Rundquist, Clair	Meredith	Jenness, Charles	Bessenger, Cammie		
8/16/2011	Corrigan, June	New Hampton	Kyle, Leland	Keenholts, Alice		
8/20/2011	Thayer, Virginia	Meredith	Macdonald, Douglas	Bony, Nettie		
8/22/2011	Edney, Herbert	Meredith	Edney, Arthur	Henson, Hattie		
8/24/2011	Garland Jr, Carlton	Lebanon	Garland Sr, Carlton	Dyer, Blanche		
8/24/2011	Boutin, Bernard	Laconia	Boutin, Joseph	Laflam, Annie		
8/25/2011	Barrett, Helen	Meredith	Barrett, Robert	Hopkins, Bridgette		
9/5/2011	Hunt, Majorie	Meredith	Winsor, Edward	Rowe, Mary		
9/8/2011	Rost, Lucille	Laconia	Dupray, John	Drapeau, Rose Hennessy, Margaret Truchon, Rose		
9/8/2011	Picard, Claire	Meredith	Rebello, Joseph			
9/9/2011	Blais, Jacqueline	Meredith	Blais, Cleophas			
9/13/2011	O'Mara Daulette	Meredith	Pestonji, Rustum	Unkown, Hazari		
9/17/2011	Carr, Roberta	Meredith	Hatch, Walter	Hazelton, Helen		
9/18/2011	Bonafide, Peter	Laconia	Bonafide, Pellegrino	Savoca, Maria		
9/19/2011	Kemp, Rosemary	Laconia	Crooker, Bigelow	Cushing, Barbara		
10/8/2011	Teele, Catherine	Meredith	Burbank, Harold	Kiley, Helen		
10/9/2011	Hahn, Sally	Meredith	White, Louie	Lafontain, Katherine		
10/19/2011	McCarthy, John	Meredith	McCarthy, John	Givren, Ellen		

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Date of Death	Decedent's Name	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
10/21/2011	Moses, Jane	Meredith	Stevenson, Joseph	Killman, Elsie
10/27/2011	Murphy, Myrtle	Laconia	Holbrook, Alphonso	Shephard, Julia
10/28/2011	Boucher, Ernest	Laconia	Boucher, Ernest	Russell, Irene
10/31/2011	Ekstrom, Jaon	Lebanon	Brown, Aubrey	Hahn, Bernice
11/8/2011	Woodman, Kathryn	Meredith	Bickford, Ezra	Sprague, Lillian
11/9/2011	Morgan, June	Meredith	Scribner, Harry	Kenrick, Viola
11/20/2011	George, June	Lebanon	George, Edmund	Stevens, Phyllis
11/28/2011	Hopkins, Helen	Meredith	Donahue, Walter	Haywood, Flora
11/29/2011	Alexander, Patricia	Laconia	Scanlon, John	Belanger, Laura
12/14/2011	Bennett, Barbara	Laconia	Lund, Olin	Dow, Mildred
12/21/2011	Demogenes, Theodora	Meredith	Kokinacis, Soterios	Zis, Euginia



Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups

Account	General Long- Total	Term Debt (Memorandum Only)		\$ 12,999,438	267,830				1,843,644	1,036,628	11,034	64,172	9,818			98,550	(98,550)		390,353 390,353		9,478,434 9,478,434	9,868,787 \$ 26,322,656
Fiduciary A Fund Types (i			\$ 1,793,130 \$	168,082					285,660											5	\$ 2,246,872 \$
Governmental Fund Types	Special Capital			\$ 974,553 \$ 85,086	99,748					218,856				44,765								\$ 1,238,173 \$ 184,834
Govern		General		\$ 10,146,670 \$					1,843,644	532,112	11,034	64,172	9,818	176,539		98,550	(98,550)					\$ 12,783,990
		ASSETS & OTHER DEBITS	Assets	Cash & Equivalents	Investments	Receivables (Net of Allowances	for Uncollectibles)	Interest	Taxes	Accounts	Special Assessments-Current	Special Assessments-Noncurrent	Other	Interfund Receivable	Intergovernmental Receivable	Statutory Tax Liens Receivable	Statutory Tax Liens Reserved Until Collected	Other Debits	Compensated Absences	Amount to be provided for Retirement	of General Long-Term Debt	TOTAL ASSETS & OTHER DEBITS

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups

	9	Governmental Fund Types	Types	Fiduciary Fund Types	Account	
LIABILITIES & FOURTY	General	Special	Capital	Trust and	General Long- Term Debt	Total (Memorandum Only)
<u>Liabilities</u>			STOCK TO STO	Compar		(fun) manning
Accounts Payable	\$ 13,302	\$ 42	∽	•	5	\$ 13,344
Retainage Payable						
Intergovernmental Payable	6,612,609					6,612,609
Interfund Payable	1,123,154					1,123,154
Escrow & Performance Deposits				164,952		164,952
Deferred Revenue						
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable				295,521		295,521
General Obligation Debt Payable					9,478,434	9,478,434
Compensated Absences Payable					390,353	390,353
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 7,749,065	\$ 42	\$	\$ 460,473	\$ 9,868,787	\$ 18,078,376
EQUITY Fund Balances						
Reserved for Encumbrances	301,950	39,607				341,557
Reserved for Special Purposes	931,723	866,570	184,834	1,786,399		3,769,526
Unreserved						
Designated for Special Purposes						
Undesignated (Deficit)	3,801,253	331,954				4,133,207
TOTAL EQUITY	5,034,925	1,238,131	184,834	1,786,399		8,244,289
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$ 12,783,990	\$ 1,238,173	\$ 184,834	\$ 2,246,872	\$ 9,868,787	\$ 26,322,656

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	Public		Conservation	D.A.	D.A.R.E.	0	Cable	Justinel	Boat	Lan	Land Use	Water	Sewer		
	Library		Commission	Prog	Program	Franc	Franchise Fee	Lam	Launch Fee	Chan	Change Tax	Fund	Fund	Total	
ASSETS		1													
Cash & Equivalents	\$ 9,059	\$ 69	3 143,571	€>	532	∽	444,697	€	31,100	€9	16,470	\$ (73,106)	\$ 402,230	\$ 974,553	
Receivables (Net of Allowances for Uncollectables)															
Accounts													218,856	218,856	
Interfund Receivable		- 1										44,765	1	44,765	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 9,059	- S	143,571	⇔	532	8	444,697	5	31,100	69	16,470	\$ (28,341)	\$ 621,086	\$1,238,173	
LIABILITIES & EQUITY															
Liabilities															
Accounts Payable												42		42	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	€9	- -	1	↔	'	↔	'	643	1	€	1	\$ 42	€	\$ 42	
Equity Fund Balances															
Reserved for Encumbrances	S		11,073									2,000	26,534	39,607	
Reserved for Special Purposes Unreserved	650'6	69	132,498		532				31,100		16,470	234,133	442,779	866,570	
Unreserved/Undesignated		1					444,697		•			(264,516)	151,773	331,954	
TOTAL EQUITY	\$ 9,059	- \$ - 61	143,571	€9	532	∽	444,697	€9	31,100	6∕3	16,470	\$ (28,383)	\$ 621,085	\$ 1,238,131	
TOTAL LIABILITES & EQUITY	\$ 9,059	% - ∞	143,571	6	532	6	444,697	6	31,000	69	16,470	\$ (28,341)	\$ 621,085	\$ 1,238,173	

Capital Project Funds - Combining Balance Sheets

Total		85,086	184,834			1	184,834	184,834	184,834
		₩	↔		∽	₩	⇔	8	∞
Landfill		70,227	70,227		1	1	70,227	70,227	70,227
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Fire Dept. Building		· ·	·				€9	<u>'</u>	<u>-</u>
	1	·			∨	14			
Prescott Park		322	322				322	322	322
		∽	↔		€	-	⊗	∞	₩
Community Center		7,893	107,641				107,641	107,641	107,641
Cor		€	∞		⊗	€	€	€	_₩
Landfill		€	€		∽	·	∽	1 	₩
Land Trust Project		6,645	6,645				6,645	6,645	6,645
La	1	⇔	∞		€	∞	⇔	∞	
	ASSETS	Cash & Equivalents Investments	TOTAL ASSETS	LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	<u>Liabilities</u> Accounts Payable Due to General Fund	Retainage Payable TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>Fund Balances</u> Reserve for Encumbrances Reserve for Special Purposes	Unreserved Undesignated (Deficit) TOTAL FUND BALANCES	TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES

Trust and Agency Funds - Combining Balance Sheets

		Totals	1,793,130	168,082		285,660	2,246,872			149,885	782,660	435,545		1,811,327	1,811,327	2,246,872	
			\$				8									↔	
	Agency	Funds	149,885			285,660	435,545			149,885	285,660	435,545		'	1	435,545	
	1		S				↔									€	
Permanent		Town	31,263	74,480			105,743							105,743	105,743	105,743	
			\$				↔							-		64	
spı		Others	1,303,055				1,303,055							1,303,055	1,303,055	1,303,055	
Trust Funds			⇔				⇔					1				€>	
Tr	Capital	Reserve	308,927				308,927							308,927	308,927	308,927	
Ę			€>				89									€	
		Library		93,602			93,602							93,602	93,602	93,602	
			€				€>									€	
		ASSETS	Cash & Equivalents	Investments Receivables	Interest	Accounts	TOTAL ASSETS	LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	<u>Liabilities</u> Interfund Payable	Escrow and Performance Deposits	Deterred Compensation Benetits Payable	TOTAL LIABILITIES	Fund Balances	Reserved For Special Purposes	TOTAL FUND BALANCES	TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	

$Agency\ Funds\ \hbox{-} \hbox{Combining Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities}$

Engineering Performance Bond Fund		Balance /1/2011	Ac	lditions_	Dec	ductions_		Balance /31/2011
Assets: Cash & Equivalents	\$	164,952	\$	17,536	\$	32,603	\$	149,885
Liabilities: Escrow and Performance Deposits	\$	164,952	\$	17,536	\$	32,603	\$	149,885
ICMA Deferred Compensation Plan								
Assets: Due From Others	\$	295,521	\$	5,155	\$	15,016	\$	285,660
<u>Liabilities:</u> Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	\$	295,521	\$	5,155	\$	15,016	\$	285,660
TOTAL ~ ALL AGENCY FUNDS					_			
Cash & Equivalents Due From Others	\$	164,952 295,521	\$	17,536 5,155	\$	32,603 15,016	\$	149,885 285,660
Total Assets	<u> </u>	460,473	\$	22,690	\$	47,619	\$	435,545
Escrow and Performance Deposits	\$	164,952	\$	17,536	\$	32,603	\$	149,885
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable	—	295,521	<u>Ψ</u>	5,155	Ψ ——	15,016	Ψ	285,660
Total Liabilities	\$	460,473	\$	22,690	\$	47,619	\$	435,545

Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds

PERMANENT TRUST FUNDS	PURPOSE	Beginning Balance 1/1/2011		nce Total		Total (Withdrawals)		Period Interest		Ending Balance 12/31/2011	
WWII Memorial	Upkeep	\$	2,622	\$ -	\$	_	\$	2	\$	2,624	
Outlying Cemeteries	Cemetery Care		74,470					10		74,480	
Ebon S. Roberts	Library		299							299	
Edwin E. Beede	Library		93,534					69		93,602	
Samuel W. Rollins	Library		4,473					3		4,476	
J. Bennett/E. Swain	Library		689					1		690	
William E. Bixby	Library		150							150	
Hattie R. Erskine	Library Clock		293							293	
George S. Fogg	School District		3,151					2		3,153	
Town Cemetery	General		7,403					6		7,409	
Caroline M. Swift	Cemetery Wreath		757					0		757	
J. Beede Cemetery	Perpetual Care	_	11,402					9		11411	
	Total Permanent Funds	<u>\$</u>	199,242	<u>\$</u>	<u> </u>		<u>\$</u>	103		199,345	

Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds continued

EXPENDABLE TRUSTS	PURPOSE	Beginning Balance 1/1/2011	Total Deposits	Total (Withdrawals)	Period Interest	Ending Balance 12/31/2011
Cemetery Maintenance	Maintenance	\$ 20,238	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15	\$ 20,253
Employee Benefits	Severance	161,317			119	161,436
Landfill Closure	Landfill Closure	50,766			37	50,803
Municipal Building	Additional Space	176				176
Solid Waste	Replace Trailer	25,496			19	25,515
Fire Department	Communications	1,111			1	1,112
Fire Department	Replace Vehicle	47,463		33,334	35	14,164
Municipal Technology	Software Upgrade	61,354			45	61,399
Open Space/Conservation	Conservation	22,670			17	22,686
Waterfront Infrastructure Improve	Waterfront Improve	147,305	35,000	87,469	109	94,944
Meredith Parking	Parking	250,442		12,500	184	238,127
Disinfection Water Change	Water Treatment	81,076		81,136	60	0
Ground Water Source Study	Water Study	26,046	120,120	77,000	20	69,185
Main Street Rehabilitation	Infrastructure Improve	50,356			37	50,393
Parks & Recreation Facility Improve	e Infrastructure Improve	85,083		85,145	63	1
Water Systems Improvement Trust	Infrastructure Improve	270,562	30,000	68,035	199	232,727
DPW Equipment Replacement	Replace DPW Equip.		60,000			60,000
Total Town Expenda	ble Trusts:	\$ 1,301,462	\$ 245,120	\$ 444,619	\$ 958	\$ 1,102,921
School - SPED ILES Playground	Special Education Playground Equipment	150,087 50,000	-		43	150,130 50,004
Total All Expendable	Trusts:	\$ 1,504,549	\$ 245,120	\$ 444,619	\$ 1,006	\$ 1,303,055
CAPITAL RESERVES		Beginning Balance 1/1/2011	Total Deposits	Total (Withdrawals)	Period Interest	Ending Balance 12/31/2011
Police Prescott Park Expansion		\$ 13,312 5,093	\$ -	-	\$ 10 4	\$ 13.321 5,097
Total Town Capital F	Reserves	18,404			14	18,418
School Facilities Maintenance Fund Inter-Lakes School District		284,520 5,775			210 4	284,730 5,779
Total Town Capital F	Reserves	\$ 308,699	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 228	\$ 308,927

Long-Term Indebtedness

Long-term debt payable at December 31, 2011 is comprised of the following individual issues:

Description of Issue		Original Amount	Issue Date	Maturity	Interest		Outstanding
General Obligation Debt Payable	-	Amount	———	Date	Rate %		at 12/31/11
1988 Water Improve Bond	\$	2,000,000	1988	2015	3.304%	\$	500,000
1994 Cataldo Road Sewer Bond	\$	229,000	1994	2013	3.304%	\$	25,000
2002 Plymouth St/Rte 3 North Bond	\$	637,467	2002	2022	3.728%	\$	407,031
2004 Conservation Bond	\$	500,000	2004	2014	3.990%	\$	149,994
2004 East Bluff Village Sewer Bond	\$	115,381	2004	2014	3.870%	\$	34,614
2005 Community Center Bond	\$	3,500,000	2005	2025	4.000%	\$	2,450,000
2007 Police Station Bond	\$	1,500,000	2007	2016	3.990%	\$	721,463
2007 Bundled Water/Sewer/Roads	\$	1,220,000	2007	2037	4.125%	\$	1,129,322
2010 Fire Station Bond	\$	2,292,882	2010	2019	3.800%	\$	1,769,212
2010 Page Pond Conservation	\$	400,000	2010	2018	3.800%	\$	269,811
Total General Obligation Debt Payable - December 31, 20112							7,456,447

Annual Requirements To Amortize General Obligation Debt:

Fiscal Year Ending	Governmental Fund Debt							
December 31, 2011	Principal	Interest	Total					
2012	\$ 851,491	\$ 286,535	\$ 1,138,027					
2013	848,666	254,281	1,102,947					
2014	840,920	221,671	1,062,591					
2015	781,737	190,936	972,673					
2016-2037	4,133,634	1,068,563	5,202,197					
Totals	\$ 7,456,447	\$ 2,021,986	\$ 9,478,434					

Compensated Absences Payable

Vacation and Sick Leave Including Benefits

\$ 390,353

Comparative Statement of Revenues - General Fund

	Estimated	Actual	Over (Under) Budget
<u>Taxes</u>			
Property	\$ 23,106,714	\$ 23,106,714	\$
Yield	12,500	11,348	(1,152)
Boat	31,500	31,497	(3)
Current Land Use Change Tax	100 677	210 201	10.606
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	199,675	218,301	18,626
Total Taxes	23,350,389	23,367,861	17,471
<u>Licenses and Permits</u>			
Motor Vehicle Permits	1,100,000	1,125,076	25,076
Building Permits	37,310	52,635	15,325
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	60,000	63,227	3,227
Total Licenses and Permits	1,197,310	1,240,938	43,628
Intergovernmental Revenues			
State/Federal			
Highway Block Grant	217,005	217,005	
Railroad Tax	2,744	2,744	
Shared Revenue			
Rooms & Meals Tax	278,800	278,800	
Water Pollution Grants	11,263	11,263	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	41	3,381	3,340
State & Forest Land Reimbursement	274	274	
Other State/Federal Revenue	9,410	12,771	3,361
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	519,537	526,239	6,701
Charges for Services			
Income from Departments	1,194,541	1,173,852	(20,689)
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Sale of Town Property		1,540	1,540
Interest on Investments	55,000	49,117	(5,883)
Insurance & Betterment Assessments	27,611	28,148	536
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	82,611	78,805	(3,806)
Other Financing Sources Interfund Transfers			
Special Revenue Fund	216,468	216,468	
Trust Funds	231,782	231,782	
Total Other Financing Sources	448,251	448,251	
Voted from Unreserved Fund Balance Unreserved Fund Balance Used To	81,019	81,019	
Reduce Tax Rate	725,000	725,000	
Total Revenues, Other Financing Sources	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
and Use of Fund Balance	\$ 27,598,659	\$ 27,641,964	\$ 43,305

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures - General Fund

Emperiarias	2010	2011	2011	2012	Balance	
	Encumbered	Appropriation	Expended	Encumbered	(Overdrafts)	
General Government						
Executive Office	\$	\$ 229,570	\$ 224,922	\$ -	\$ 4,648	
Executive - Municipal Administration	23,377	609,092	527,481	54,723	50,265	
Personnel Administration		44,627	82,890		(38,263)	
Town Clerk		151,552	150,852		700	
Administrative Services		399,308	394,767	8,956	(4,415)	
Assessor		251,581	244,557		7,024	
Tax Collector		90,584	48,599		41,985	
Community Development		482,401	434,763		47,638	
Regional Associations		226,184	226,184			
Public Safety						
Police	768	1,737,166	1,810,160	3,133	(75,360)	
Ambulance		258,558	259,955		(1,397)	
Fire	8,829	280,057	274,809	14,672	(594)	
Public Works						
Solid Waste Disposal	11,330	765,584	694,656		82,258	
Building & Grounds		302,327	280,012		22,315	
Cemetery		130,394	111,008		19,386	
Highway Department	65,602	2,404,861	2,158,287	86,877	225,300	
Water Distribution						
Hydrant Rental		69,000	69,000			
Welfare						
General Assistance		130,000	147,282		(17,282)	
Culture and Recreation						
Parks and Recreation	14,310	688,864	685,978	4,877	12,318	
Library	17,000	483,557	478,050	22,000	507	
Debt Service						
Principal - Long-Term Debt		1,001,763	999,402		2,361	
Interest - Long-Term Debt		318,478	315,129		3,349	
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes		10,000			10,000	
Intergovernmental						
School Appropriation		13,208,020	13,208,020			
County Appropriation		2,427,341	2,427,341			
Other Financing Uses - Interfund Transfers						
Conservation Commission	26,147	1,515	16,589	11,073		
Capital Projects		358,536	371,105	70,446	(83,160)	
Expendable Trust Funds		176,120	176,120			
Total Appropriations,						
Expenditures, and Encumbrances	\$ 167,364	\$ 27,237,038	\$ 26,817,917	\$ 276,757	\$ 309,728	

Statement of Changes in Unreserved -Undesignated Fund Balance - General Fund

Fiscal Year 2011			
<u>Unreserved - Undesignated</u>			
Fund Balance - January 1			\$ 4,173,220
Deductions			
Amount used to reduce 2010 Taxes			(725,000)
Additions:			
Revenue Surplus	\$	43,305	
Unexpended Appropriations		309,728	 353,033
Unreserved - Undesignated			
Fund Balance - December 31 (Unaudited)			\$ 3,801,253
Fiscal Year 2012 - Worksheet			
Unreserved - Undesignated			
Fund Balance - January 1, 2011 (Unaudited)			\$ 3,801,253
			-,,
Deductions—(Proposed)			
Amount to be used to reduce 2011 taxes			(725,000)
Unreserved - Undesignated			
Fund Balance - December 31, 2011 (Unaudited)			\$ 3,076,253

Treasurer's Account Summary

2011 Reconciliation of Pooled Cash

Fund Number	Fund Name		Cash Balance
1	General	\$	9,442,106.04
2	Water		(73,106.17)
3	Sewer		402,230.17
5	Conservation Commission		143,570.88
7	Cable Franchise		444,696.68
8	Laconia Land Trust		6,644.55
10	Community Center		7,892.89
12	Prescott Park		322.28
14	Land Use		16,470.00
15	Landfill		70,226.93
16	Boat Launch		31,100.00
17	Engineering	\$	149,885.24
	Subtotal of Other Fund Cash Accounts	\$	1,199,933.45
	Total Cash	\$	10,642,039.49
	Proof		
	MVSB Payroll Account	\$	
	MVSB Accounts Payable	Ť	
	MVSB Operating Account		8,194,684.87
	MVSB Debit Cards		15,000.00
	THE COLOR		88.90
	MVSB Baby Bicentennial		
	MVSB Baby Bicentennial MVSB Engineering		
	MVSB Engineering		149,885.24
	MVSB Engineering Petty Cash	\$	149,885.24 830.00
	MVSB Engineering Petty Cash Centrix - Lock Box	\$	149,885.24 830.00 2,281,550.48
	MVSB Engineering Petty Cash	\$	149,885.24 830.00 2,281,550.48
	MVSB Engineering Petty Cash Centrix - Lock Box		149,885.24 830.00

Treasurer's Account Summary continued

General Fund - Operating		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 8,492,734.41	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	949,371.63	
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 9,442,106.04
Water Department		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ (123,099.16)	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	49,992.99	
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ (73,106.17)
Sewer Department		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 461,945.73	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	(59,715.56)	
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 402,230.17
Conservation Commission		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 104,508.86	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	39,062.02	
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 143,570.88
Land Trust		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 6,644.55	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers		
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 6,644.55
Cable Franchise		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 376,284.31	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	68,412.37_	A. 4.4.60.6.60
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 444,696.68
Land Use		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ -	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	16,470.00	
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 16,470.00

Treasurer's Account Summary

Community Center		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 11,826.00	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	(3,933.11)	
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 7,892.89
Prescott Park		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 322.28	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers		
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 322.28
Fire Station		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 12,818.47	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	(12,818.47)	
Balance 12/31/2011		
Landfill Closure		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 79,915.89	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	(9,688.96)	
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 70,226.93
Special Revenue Fund - Boat Launch		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 23,300.00	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	7,800.00	
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 31,100.00
Engineering Escrow		
Balance 01/01/2011	\$ 164,959.21	
Receipts, Expenditures & Transfers	(15,073.97)	
Balance 12/31/2011		\$ 149,885.24
Balance All Funds 12/31/2011		\$10,642,039.49

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Tax Collector's Summary of Warrants

<u>Debits</u>	2011	2010		
Uncollected Taxes 1-1-11				
Property Taxes	\$	\$ 2,312,412.09		
Betterment Assessments		12,588.77		
Water Rents		30,200.90		
Sewer Rents		29,047.72		
Taxes Committed to Collector				
Property Taxes	23,145,751.95			
Yield Taxes	10,492.46	856.01		
Betterment Assessments	28,147.61			
Land Use Change Taxes	66,470.00	1,785.00		
Water Rents	487,320.83	70,973.83		
Sewer Rents	662,564.96	139,690.10		
Refunds for Overpayments				
Property Taxes	18,503.90	27,049.22		
Betterment Assessments				
Sewer Rents				
Interest	17,898.72	80,026.35		
Total Debits	\$ 24,437,150.43	\$ 2,704,629.99		
Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer				
Property Taxes	\$ 21,807,933.66	\$ 2,313,189.31		
Yield Taxes	9,719.48	856.01		
Betterment Assessments	17,113.38	12,588.77		
Land Use Change Taxes	66,470.00	1,785.00		
Water Rents	451,463.13	101,124.73		
Sewer Rents	614,007.36	168,737.82		
Interest	17,898.72	80,026.35		
Abatements				
Property Taxes	4,793.83	26,272.00		
Water Rents	1,596.21	50.00		
Sewer Rents	934.67			
Uncollected Taxes 12-31-11				
Property Taxes	1,351,528.36			
Yield Taxes	772.98			
Betterment Assessments	11,034.23			
Water Rents	34,261.49			
Sewer Rents	47,622.93			
Total Credits	\$ 24,437,150.43	\$ 2,704,629.99		

Town of Meredith

Tax Collector's Summary of Tax Liens

<u>Debits</u>	2010	2009	2008	Prior
Unredeemed Liens 1-1-11	\$	\$ 351,613.97	\$ 179,554.23	\$ 6,544.07
Liens Executed During 2011	587,962.60			
Interest & Costs after Lien	12,508.68	33,639.52	68,523.43	708.98
Total Debits	\$ 600,471.28	\$ 385,253.49	\$ 248,077.66	\$ 7,253.05
Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer				
Redemptions	\$ 298,879.10	\$ 178,773.92	\$ 172,583.38	\$ 1,216.01
Interest & Costs after Lien	12,508.68	33,639.52	68,523.43	708.98
Liens Deeded to the Town				
Unredeemed Liens 12-31-11	289,083.50	172,840.05	6,970.85	5,328.06
Total Credits	\$ 600,471.28	\$ 385,253.49	\$ 248,077.66	\$ 7,253.05

Tax Collector's Report

It has been a very busy year in the Tax Collector's Office. During the times that I have been in school, Town Clerk Kerri Parker and Deputy Town Clerk Donna Turner have been assisting you. They will continue to serve you whenever I am out of the office.

The weak economy is still affecting many of our taxpayers. If the burden of tax payments is affecting you, consider making weekly or monthly payments. If you do not have a tax escrow account, you may want to contact your mortgage holder to ask them about setting up an escrow account for payment of your property taxes.

When mailing payments to our PO Box in Manchester, please enclose the bottom portion of our property tax and water/sewer bills. Do not use the envelopes that are enclosed with those bills for any other Town payments, such as vehicle registrations, or correspondence. These are delivered to our bank and must be forwarded to the Town Office delaying their receipt.

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to the residents, taxpayers, and businesses of the Town of Meredith. It has been a great pleasure and honor to serve you for the last twenty-four years. I have loved being your deputy tax collector and will miss you when I fully retire from my position this summer. My direct phone number is 603-677-4202. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of assistance to you or stop in to see me on Fridays.



Vikki Fogg Deputy Tax Collector

2011 Tax Rate Calculation

			2011 Tax Rates per \$1,000 Valuation
Appropriations Less: Revenues Less: Shared Revenues Add: Overlay War Service Credits	\$ 12,604,154 (5,216,944) (0) 81,063 227,250		
Approved Town Tax Effort Municipal Tax Rate		7,695,523	\$ 4.16
Due to Regional School Less: Cost of Adequate Education Less: State Education Taxes	13,457,001 (248,981) (4,227,906)		
Approved School Tax Effort State Education Taxes		8,980,114	\$ 4.87
Equalized Valuation (No Utilities) X 1,818,454,262 Divide by Local Assessed Valuation	2.19	4,244,003	\$ 2.30
(No Utilities) 1,839,460,950 Excess State Education Taxes to be			
Remitted to State School Tax Rate			\$ 7.17
Due to County Less: Shared Revenue Approved County Tax Effort County Tax Rate	2,427,341 (0)	2,427,341	\$ 1.32
Combined Tax Rate			<u>\$ 12.65</u>
Total Property Taxes Assessed Less: War Service Credits		23,330,884 (227,250)	
Total Property Tax Commitment		\$ 23,103,634	
Net Assessed Valuation State Education Taxes Proof of Rate	\$ 1,845,422,650 \$ 1,839,460,950	<u>Tax Rate</u> 10.35 2.30	Assessment \$ 19,102,978 \$ 4,227,906 \$ 23,330,884

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Ten Year Tax Rate Comparison

				Combined	
Year	School	Town	County	Tax Rate	Net Valuation
2002	9.56	6.09	1.82	17.47	911,814,837
2003	8.97	5.74	1.52	16.23	1,092,075,621
2004	8.68	5.70	1.57	15.95	1,132,161,235
2005	9.00	5.59	1.66	16.25	1,162,607,162
2006	5.82	3.79	1.13	10.74	1,897,635,500
2007	6.01	3.70	1.20	10.91	1,918,269,293
2008	6.19	3.97	1.30	11.46	1,940,881,763
2009	6.94	4.23	1.37	12.54	1,820,649,639
2010	7.27	4.20	1.33	12.80	1,834,675,812
2011	7.17	4.16	1.32	12.65	1,845,422,650



Summary of Town-Owned Property- Conservation Recreation

Map/Lot	Acres	Location	Use
R08-014	1.60	Meredith Center Road	Childs Park
R08-015	0.88	151 Meredith Center Road	Childs Park
R13-005	3.25	Lake Wicwas/Mercier Drive	Peninsula
R13-006	3.20	Lake Wicwas	Dolloff Point Island
R13-007	5.50	Lake Wicwas	Big Pine Island
R14-001	305.58	Chemung Road	Hamlin Town Forest
R14-028	2.02	Chemung Road	Pickering Park
R14-029	1.00	113 Chemung Road	Wicwas Boat Launch, Pickering Park
R17-035	2.50	Chemung Road	Abuts Hamlin Town Forest
R17-036	5.06	Chemung Road	Abuts Hamlin Town Forest
R18-009A	188.00	Tucker Mountain Road	Conservation/Eames Forest
R21-008	12.00	Lake Pemigewassett	Waterfront - Wetlands/Loon Preserve
R22-007	20.00	Tucker Mountain Road	Town Forest
R22-013	31.04	Nedeau Road	Town Forest
R23-004	93.00	Off Carleton Road	Leighton Wildlife Sanctuary
R31-020	37.80	Carleton Road	Dockham Town Forest
R32-001	49.40	Hermit Woods Road	Town Forest
R32-011	79.00	Carleton Road	Leighton Wildlife Sanctuary
S02-005	3.03	Beattie Road	Former Tree Nursery
S03-006	187.70	Quarry Road	Page Pond & Forest / Conservation
S04-001	188.34	Off Blueberry Hill Road	Page Pond & Forest / Conservation
S04-003	20.66	Off Blueberry Hill Road	Page Pond & Forest / Conservation
S04-006	170.00	Off Blueberry Hill Road	Page Pond & Forest / Conservation
S22-020	13.01	Parade Road	Waukewan Highlands Park
S22-022	178.10	75 Parade Road	Waukewan Highlands Park
U05-002	0.30	49 Waukewan Street	Boat Launch, Picnic Area
U06-031	7.90	12 Waukewan Avenue	Swasey Park
U06-060	0.32	65 Main Street	Community Park
U07-121	0.37	1 Pleasant Street	Scenic Park
U07-123	0.13	9 NH Route 25	Scenic Park, Indian Island
U07-126	0.83	309 Daniel Webster Hwy	Hesky Park
U07-127	0.92	Daniel Webster Hwy	Hesky Park
U10-031	12.87	367 Daniel Webster Hwy	Prescott Park
U10-033	0.32	Daniel Webster Hwy	Prescott Park
U10-035	1.16	Daniel Webster Hwy	Wetlands, Hawkins Brook
U11-047	.63	Greemore Road	Recreation
U11-050A	1.95	Greemore Road	Wetlands, Hawkins Brook
U11-050B	1.00	Circle Drive	Community Center Park
U12-015	189.00	Jenness Hill Road	Community Forest
U14-001	21.74	363 Daniel Webster Hwy	Prescott Park (New Fields)
U15-019A	0.12	1 Pleasant Street	Clough Park
U39-058	28.01	50 Leavitt Park Road	Leavitt Park Beach, Bathhouse, Bartlett Brook

Summary of Town-Owned Property - Facilities

Map/Lot	Acres	Location	Use
I02-021	0.07	1 Bear Island	Post Office, Dock
R08-047	0.29	Meredith Center Road	Fire Station
R08-048	0.92	101 Meredith Center Road	Fire Station
S15-008	28.80	400 Daniel Webster Hwy	Police Station
S15-008		11 Jenness Hill Road	Public Works Garage
S15-008		17 Jenness Hill Road	Solid Waste / Recycling Center
S17-007A	0.00	22 Sunset Hill Road	Water Tower
S17-018R-001	0.00	132 Upper Mile Point Drive	Booster Station
S23-021	0.36	30 Reservoir Road	Pumping Station (Water Department)
U02-040	0.26	21 Lower Ladd Hill Road	Pumping Station (Water Department)
U03-028A	0.21	70 Waukewan Street	Sewer Pump Station
U03-028A		72 Waukewan Street	Bath House
U03-030	0.44	69 Waukewan Street	Waukewan Town Beach
U05-001A	0.07	Waukewan Street	Water Treatment Plant
U05-001B	0.51	50 Waukewan Street	Water Treatment Plant
U06-037	0.17	High Street	Parking Lot
U06-038	0.26	7 High Street	Parking Lot
U06-059	0.57	91 Main Street	Library
U06-063	0.16	6 Water Street	Parking Lot
U06-112	0.51	286 Daniel Webster Hwy	Fire Station
U06-117C	0.27	Lang Street	Cemetery (historic)
U06-145	0.04	291 Daniel Webster Hwy	Town Docks
U07-043	0.14	5 Highland Street	Town Hall Annex
U07-044	0.15	41 Main Street	Town Hall
U07-086A	0.02	Daniel Webster Hwy	Utility Right-of-Way
U07-088	0.36	326 Daniel Webster Hwy	Parking Lot
U07-107	0.17	327 Daniel Webster Hwy	Sewer Pump Station
U07-108	0.92	323 Daniel Webster Hwy	Parking Lot (adjacent to Aubuchon Hardware)
U10-017	0.29	17 Philbrook Avenue	Sewer Pump Station
U10-034	16.00	347 Daniel Webster Hwy	Public Works Office, Prime Wetlands
U11-050	3.68	1 Circle Drive	Community Center
U11-067	0.38	Kelly Lane	Fire Pond
U11-071	19.00	379 Daniel Webster Hwy	Meredith Village Cemetery
U12-004	0.23	Philbrook Avenue	Road Turnaround
U15-027	0.07	Morrison Avenue	Road Turnaround
U33-015A	1.55	57 Cattle Landing Road	Parking Lot, Right-of-Way
U33-025	0.41	58 Cattle Landing Road	Docks, Right-of-Way
U35-010	1.02	30 Lovejoy Sands Road	Boat Ramp, Docks, Parking Lot

Supplementary Information

Summary of Town-Owned Property- Vacant/Undesignated

Map/Lot	Acres	Location	Use
107-006	0.43	Bear Island	
R08-033	1.90	Meredith Center Road	Wetland
R17-016	0.69	Chemung Road/Camp Waldron Road	
R35-003	13.00	Edgerly School Road	Landlocked
R37-012	1.70	NH Route 132	
S15-057	2.10	Off Boynton Road	
S18-055	0.27	Tracy Way	Adjacent to Right-of-Way
S22-027	0.53	Tracy Way/Parade Road	Intersection Sight Distance
U01-01A	0.27	Daniel Webster Hwy/Neal Shore Road	
U01-034	0.08	Neal Shore Road	Adjacent to Railroad Right-of-Way
U04-025	0.92	Waukewan Street	Monkey Pond
U10-027A	0.28	Daniel Webster Hwy	Water Line Loop
U16-005-018	.66	67 Barnard Ridge Road	
U19-031A	0.12	Pinnacle Park Road	Pinnacle Park Beach

Summary of Town-Owned Property/Vehicles

Asset No.	Description	Location	Vehicle #
1999-009	Pickup Truck	Water	240-64
2002-005	Pickup Truck Flatbed	Water	240-41
2004-011	Pickup Truck	Water	240-21
2004-013	Dump Truck	Water	340-41
2005-004	Ford Ranger	Water	240-22
1997-002	Suburban	Police	430-04
2003-006	Crown Victoria	Police	430-10
2004-015	Crown Victoria	Police	430-05
2010-002	Crown Victoria	Police	430-01
2011-002	Crown Victoria	Police	430-07
2011-001	Crown Victoria	Police	430-02
2008-001	Expedition Cruiser	Police	430-06
2009-005	Crown Victoria	Police	430-03

Summary of Town-Owned Property/Vehicles

Asset No.	Asset No. Description		Vehicle #
1969-001	Kaiser	Fire	14F2/433-40
1983-003	Fire Truck	Fire	14E4/433-65
1986-003	Van	Fire	14R1/433-41
1988-013	Tanker	Fire	14T5/433-66
1994-011	Pumper	Fire	14E3/433-62
1995-005	Pickup Truck	Fire	14F1/433-69
2000-008	Pumper	Fire	14E1/433-23
2005-003	Chevy Tahoe	Fire	14C1/433-01
2007-005	Pierce Fire Truck	Fire	14E2/433-63
2009-006	Pierce Fire Truck with Ladder	Fire	14TW1/433-70
2002-004	Pickup Truck 4X2	B & G	437-21
1999-010	Ranger Super Cab XL 4X4	B & G	437-22
2000-005	Truck with Plow	B & G	437-23
1996-003	Dump Truck	B & G	437-46
2006-003	Yard Tractor/Truck	Solid Waste	436-51
1976-001	Fire Truck	Public Works	1976-01
1999-008	Pickup Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-21
2006-006	Ford F350 Pickup	Public Works	439-22
2007-001	Ford F350 Truck with Plow	Solid Waste	439-23
2003-009	Dump Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-42
2001-009	Dump Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-43
1994-008	Dump Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-44
2006-007	Ford F550	Public Works	439-45
2000-009	Ford Bucket Truck	Public Works	439-47
2000-006	Dump Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-48
1998-004	Dump with Plow 6 Wheel	Public Works	439-52
1998-005	Dump with Plow 6 Wheel	Public Works	439-53
2003-010	Dump Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-54
2004-012	Dump Truck with Plow	Public Works	439-55
2000-007	Dump with Plow 6 Wheel	Public Works	439-57
2007-009	Kenworth C500	Public Works	439-58
1995-006	Pickup Truck	Parks & Rec.	441-24
2005-021	Minibus	Parks & Rec.	441
2006-010	Pickup Truck- 2004 F150	Parks & Rec.	441-25
2005-005	Ford Ranger	Annex	4212
2004-014	Crown Victoria	Assessing	4051

Summary Inventory of Valuation - All Properties

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

Value of Land Only	
Current Use	\$ 1,113,911
Residential	894,447,039
Commercial/Industrial	58,534,361
Total Value of Land	954,095,311
Total value of Land	954,095,511
Value of Buildings Only	
Residential	774,341,981
Manufactured Housing	9,754,800
Commercial/Industrial	104,542,419
Total Value of Buildings	888,639,200
Public Utilities	
Electric	5,961,700
Total Valuation Before Exemptions	1,848,696,211
Exemptions	
Blind	139,200
Elderly	2,184,400
Totally & Permanently Disabled	741,000
Solar/Wind Power	<u>208,961</u>
Total Exemptions	3,273,561
Net Taxable Valuation	<u>\$ 1,845,422,650</u>

2012 Meredith Town Warrant

State of New Hampshire

TO THE INHABITANTS OF MEREDITH QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Meredith Community Center, 1 Circle Drive, in said Town on the second Tuesday of March next March 13, 2012, from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM for the casting of ballots; and at 7:00 PM Wednesday, March 14, 2011, at the Inter-Lakes Junior/Senior High School Gymnasium, 1 Laker Lane, in said Town to act on Articles 2 through 9

BALLOT ARTICLES TO BE ACTED UPON:

ARTICLE 1

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Selectman	Two (2) for Three (3) years
Moderator	One (1) for Three (3) years
Treasurer	One (1) for Three (3) years
Supervisor of the Checklist	One (1) for Six (6) years
Trustee of Trust Funds	One (1) for Three (3) years
Library Trustees	Four (4) for Three (3) years

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) reached between the Town and the State Employees Association of NH, Inc., SEIU Local 1984 and further to raise and appropriate the sum Forty Six Thousand, Six Hundred Twenty Three Dollars (\$46,623) for the current and prior year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent Town compensation plan.

Year	 Estimated Increase
2011	\$ 31,611.00
2012	\$ 15,012.00
2013	nil(1)
2014	nil(1)
Total	\$ 46,623.00

(1) The contract does not obligate the Town to pay a COLA/Wage Adjustment in years 2 and 3 (2013/2014) unless one is granted to all other Town employees. Should a COLA/Wage Adjustment be granted; each .5% would cost approximately \$6,300 per calendar year for those covered by the Collective Bargaining Agreement

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Million, Two Hundred Sixty Three, Five Hundred Seventy One Dollars (\$ 12,263,571) for the necessary operational expenses of the Town for the ensuing year's budget. This amount does not include all of the amounts raised and appropriated in subsequent warrant articles.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4 - 0)

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to designate New Road in the Chemung area of the Town of Meredith as a Scenic Road under the authority of RSA 231:157. New Road is located within the Town of Meredith.

(Petitioned by 10 or more Registered Voters or abutters)

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to improve various town roads that are eligible for 2 to 1 matching funds from the State Aid Reconstruction Program, contingent upon the receipt of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) of that amount from the State, with the balance of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be raised by taxation.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4 - 0)

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000) to be added to the DPW Equipment Replacement Fund previously established. The Selectmen are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4 - 0)

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$150,000) to be added to the Fire Department Vehicle Replacement Expendable Trust previously established. The Selectmen are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4 - 0)

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ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Four Thousand dollars (\$24,000) for the public access fees and equipment replacement expenses and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of the amount from the Cable Franchise Fee Special Revenue Fund.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4 - 0)

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy Dollars (\$16,470) from the Land Use Change Tax Fund (Fund #14) for the purpose of open space/conservation and placing said balance into the Open Space/Conservation Expendable Trust Fund. The Selectmen are agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5 - 0)

Meredith Board of Selectmen

Colette Worsman, Chairman

Peter F. Brothers, Vice-Chair

Miller C. Lovett

Nathan J. Torr

Herbert R. Vadney

2012 Meredith Budget - Revenues

		2011		2011		2012
Taxes		<u>Estimated</u>	_	Actual		Estimated
Yield	\$	12,500	\$	11,348	\$	12,500
Boat	* 1	31,500		31,467		31,500
Land Use Change Tax		100 (75		210 201		206 225
Interest & Penalties on Taxes		199,675	_	218,301	_	206,225
Total Taxes		243,675	_	261,116	_	250,225
Licenses and Permits						
Motor Vehicle Permits		1,100,000		1,125,076		1,100,000
Building Permits		37,310		52,635		40,000
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees		60,000		63,227		67,500
Total Licenses and Permits		1,197,310		1,240,938		1,207,500
Intergovernmental Revenues						
State						
Highway Block Grant		217,005		217,005		189,345
Railroad Tax		2,744		2,744		2,744
Shared Revenue		2,7-1-1		2,144		2,744
Rooms & Meals Tax		278,800		278,800		278,800
Water Pollution Grants		11,263		11,263		10,100
Payment in Lieu of Taxes		41		3,381		3,340
State & Forest Land Reimbursement		274		274		274
Other State/Federal Revenue		9,410		12,771		9,410
Total Intergovernmental Revenues		519,537		526,239	_	494,013
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Charges for Services						
Income from Departments		1,194,541		1,173,852		944,028
Miscellaneous Revenues	_		_			
Sale of Town Property				1,540		
Interest on Investments		55,000		49,117		50,000
Insurance & Betterment Assessments		27,611		28,148		25,141
Total Miscellaneous Revenues		82,611		78,805		75,141
Other Financing Sources						
Interfund Transfers						
Special Revenue Fund		216,468		216,468		168,831
Capital Projects Fund		210,400		210,400		100,051
Trust Funds		231,782		231,782		
Total Other Financing Sources		448,251		448,251	_	168,831
2011 0 1101 1 1111101110 2011100		,201		110,231	_	100,031
Total Revenues & Other Financing Sources		3,685,925		3,729,201		3,139,739
Voted from Unreserved Fund Balance		81,019		81,019		
Unreserved Fund Balance Used To						
Reduce Tax Rate		725,000		725,000		725,000
Total Revenues, Other Financial Sources						
and Use of Fund Balance	\$	4,491,944	\$	4,535,220	\$	3,864,739
Special Revenue Funds						
Sewer		772,901		766,640		783,563
Water		548,254		643,258		543,642
Grand Total All Funds	\$	5,813,099	\$	_ 5,945,119	\$	5,191,944
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2012 Meredith Budget - Appropriations

	2011 Appropriations	2011 Expended	2012 Recommended
General Government			
Executive Office	\$ 229,570	\$ 224,922	\$ 235,152
Executive - Municipal Administration	687,090	596,481	646,675
Public Health - Ambulance	258,558	259,955	283,047
Personnel Administration	44,627	82,890	86,867
Town Clerk	151,552	150,852	158,813
Administrative Services	399,308	394,767	404,005
General Assistance	130,000	147,282	140,000
Assessor's Office	251,581	244,557	257,182
Tax Collector's Office	90,584	48,599	90,125
Community Development Department	482,401	434,763	492,911
CIP - Expendable Trust Funds	176,120	176,120	325,000
CIP & Non-CIP - Capital Projects	358,536	371,105	100,000
Regional Association	226,184	226,184	224,184
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Public Safety	1 727 166	1 010 100	1 704 000
Police	1,737,166	1,810,160	1,784,889
Fire	280,057	274,809	284,131
Public Works			
Solid Waste Facility	756,584	694,656	745,246
Building & Grounds	302,327	280,012	333,229
Cemetery	130,394	111,008	85,661
Highway Department	2,404,861	2,173,360	2,384,185
Culture and Recreation			
Parks and Recreation	688,864	685,978	669,312
Library	483,557	478,050	482,916
Debt Service			
Principal - Long-Term Debt	1,001,763	999,402	851,491
Interest - Long-Term Debt	318,478	315,129	286,536
Interest - Tax Anticipation Notes	10,000		10,000
		The Control of the	
Total General Fund	\$ 11,600,162	\$ 11,181,041	\$ 11,361,557
Conservation Commission	1,515	1,515	1,515
Water Fund	548,254	588,740	546,102
Sewer Fund	772,901	706,174	786,020
Total Operating Budget All Funds	\$ 12,922,832	\$ 12,477,470	\$ 12,695,194
Special Revenue Fund			
Cable Franchise Fee	\$ 24,000	\$ 3,706	\$ 24,000
The state of the s	21,000	3,700	21,000
Grand Total - Municipal Budget	\$ 12,046,922	\$ 12.491.176	\$ 12.710.104
Grand Total - Municipal Budget	\$ 12,946,832	\$ 12,481,176	\$ 12,719,194
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2012 Municipal Tax Rate Projection

2012 Appropriations - Approved by Board of Selectmen	\$ 12,672,571
Add: Warrant Article #4 - Collective Bargaining Agreement	46,623
Less: 2012 Estimated Revenues - Other than Property Taxes	(5,191,944)
Add: Proposed Overlay	75,000
Add: War Service Credits (Deducted from Property Tax Warrant)	227,250
Total Net Town Appropriation to be Raised by Taxation	\$ 7,829,500
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2012 Estimated Tax Rate (Municipal Portion Only) Compared to 2011 Tax Rate of \$ 4.16 (Municipal Portion Only)	\$4.22
Compared to 2011 Tax Rate of \$ 4.16 (Municipal Portion Only)	\$4.22
The state of the s	\$ 4.22 \$ 7,829,500
Compared to 2011 Tax Rate of \$ 4.16 (Municipal Portion Only) Summary of Dollars to be Raised by Taxation:	



Meetings of Town Boards, Committees

Commissions

Meredith Area Resources

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Board of Selectmen

Community Center 5:30pm 1st and 3rd Monday of the Month

Conservation Commission

Community Center 7:00pm 1st (public meeting) and 3rd (work session as needed) Thursday of the Month

Energy Committee

Town Hall Annex 7:00pm	DATE DUE	
2nd Thursday of the Month		
Library Trustees		
Meredith Public Library 6:00pm 2nd Tuesday of the Month		
Planning Board		
Community Center 7:00pm 4th Tuesday of the Month		
Village Pathways Comm		
Town Hall Annex 2:30pm 2nd Thursday of the month		
Water System Committee	GAYLORD	PRINTED IN U.S.A.

Emergency and Health Information

Community Action Program
279-4096
Emergency Management Director
279-4561
Lakes Region General Hospital
524-3211
Meredith Public Health Nursing
279-6611
Hanover Poison Information Center
1-800-562-8236

Legal Services

Belknap County Registry of Deeds 527-5420 Belknap County Superior Court 524-3570 Laconia District Court 524-4128 New Hampshire Legal Assistance 1-800-634-8989

County and State Police

Belknap County Sheriff Department 524-3830 State Police - Tamworth 323-8112 State Police - Concord

Permits to Kindle Fires

1-800-852-3411

Main Fire Station (Fire Chief)
279-6061
Meredith Center Store (Barry Ladd)
279-4315
Town Hall (Vikki Fogg & Kerri Parker)
279-4538
Y-Landing Marina (David Hamblet)
279-9916

Waukewan Watershed Advisory Committee

Town Hall Annex 8:00am 1st Wednesday of the Month

Town Hall Annex 5:00pm 3rd Thursday of the Quarter

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Community Center 7:00pm 2nd Thursday of the Month



Fire - Business

Located at 286 Daniel Webster Highway Mailing Address - 41 Main Street, Meredith, NH 03253 kjones@meredithnh.org Hours 8:00 am - 5:00 pm M-F Phone #279-6061 Fax #279-0004

Meredith Public Library

Located at 91 Main Street
Mailing Address - PO Box 808,
Meredith, NH 03253
eapostolos@meredithnh.org
Hours 9:00 am - 8:00 pm Tu,W &Th
9:00 am - 5:00 pm F
9:00 am - 2:00 pm Sat
Closed Monday & Sunday
Phone #279-4303 Fax #279-5352

Parks & Recreation Community Center

Located at 1 Circle Drive
Mailing Address - One Circle Drive,
Meredith, NH 03253
vchoiniere@meredithnh.org
Hours 8:00 am - 8:00 pm M-F
9:00 am - 1:00 pm Sat
Closed Sunday
Phone #279-8197 Fax #556-8821

Police - Business

Located at 400 Daniel Webster Highway Mailing Address - PO Box 1366, Meredith, NH 03253 kmorrow@meredithnh.org Hours 8:00 am - 12:00 am daily Phone #279-4561 Fax #279-6636

Public Works - Business

Located at 347 Daniel Webster Highway Mailing Address - 41 Main Street, Meredith, NH 03253 mfaller@meredithnh.org Hours 8:00 am - 5:00 pm M-F Phone #279-6352 Fax #279-4656 Includes...

Buildings & Grounds
Cemetery
Highway
Solid Waste

Solid Waste Facility

Located at 17 Jenness Hill Road Mailing Address - 41 Main Street, Meredith, NH 03253 Hours 8:00 am - 3:00 pm daily Closed Wednesdays and Holidays Phone #279-8480

Town Hall

Located at 41 Main Street
Mailing Address - 41 Main Street,
Meredith, NH 03253
Hours 8:00 am - 5:00 pm M-F
Includes...

Administrative Services
blvittner@meredithnh.org
Phone #279-4538 Fax #556-8815
Assessing
jcommerford@meredithnh.org
Phone #677-4213 Fax #556-8818
Tax Collector
vfogg@meredithnh.org
Phone #677-4202 Fax #556-8815
Town Clerk
kparker@meredithnh.org
Phone #677-4203 Fax #556-8815
Town Manager
pwarren@meredithnh.org
Phone #677-4205 Fax #556-8819

Town Hall Annex

Located at 5 Highland Street Mailing Address - 41 Main Street, Meredith, NH 03253 Phone #677-4215 Fax #556-8823 Includes...

Code Enforcement
bedney@meredithnh.org
Conservation Commission
Community Development
jedgar@meredithnh.org

Water & Sewer

Located at 50 Waukewan Street Mailing Address - 41 Main Street, Meredith, NH 03253 dleonard@meredithnh.org Hours 7:00 am - 3:30 pm M-F Phone #279-3046 Fax #556-8822