

# TOWN OF NEW LONDON



*Photo by Kittie Wilson*



## NEW HAMPSHIRE

### TOWN OF NEW LONDON

#### TOWN ELECTION

Tuesday, March 10, 2009  
Whipple Memorial Town Hall  
Polls open 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM

#### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Wednesday, March 11, 2009  
Old Kearsarge Regional Middle School  
7:00 PM

#### NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

#### ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, March 17, 2009  
Polls open 4:00 PM – 7:30 PM  
Meeting opens 4:00 PM; recesses at 4:15 PM  
Meeting reconvenes at 7:00 PM

ANNUAL REPORT  
for the Fiscal Year ending  
December 31, 2008  
&  
2009 TOWN MEETING



TOWN OF NEW LONDON  
NEW HAMPSHIRE



ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE TOWN OFFICERS,  
BOARDS AND OTHER AGENCIES  
FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008

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*On the front cover:  
Jennifer Koop's photo of sunlight on the Cross field following the December 2008 ice storm.*

*On the back:  
Kittie Wilson's photo of the Town Offices, also December 2008.*



# TOWN OF NEW LONDON

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Incorporated June 25, 1779

Total Area 16,192 Acres, Land Area 14,144 Acres

Water Area 2,048 Acres

Highest Elevation in Town: Morgan Hill 1,760 feet

Population (1950 Census) 1484

Population (1960 Census) 1738

Population (1970 Census) 2236

Population (1980 Census) 2893

Population (1990 Census) 3180

Population (2000 Census) 4116

Population Estimate (2007 NH Office of Energy and Planning) 4372

**Federal Second Congressional District**  
**State House Merrimack County District 1**  
**Second Councilor District**  
**Eighth State Senatorial District**

**U.S. Senator Judd Gregg** of Greenfield (2010)  
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Washington, DC 20510-2904  
(202) 224-3324 office  
*mailbox@gregg.senate.gov*

**U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen of Madbury** (2014)  
G53 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510  
(202) 224-2841 office  
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**Representative in U.S. Congress**  
**Paul Hodes** of Concord (2010)  
506 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515  
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*phodes@mail.house.gov*

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**Hon. John Lynch** through 2010  
State House  
25 Capitol Street  
Concord, NH 03301  
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**Merrimack County Commissioner**  
**JD Colcord** through 2010  
4 Court Street, Suite 2  
Concord, NH 03301  
(603) 228-0331  
(603) 224-2665 fax

**Executive Councilor**  
**John D. Shea** through 2010  
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Nelson, NH 03457  
(603) 847-9008 (H)  
*jshea@nh.gov*

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**Bob Odell** of Lempster through 2010  
PO Box 23  
Lempster, NH 03605-0023  
(603) 271-2104 office  
*robert.odell@leg.state.nh.us*

**Rep. Robert A. Foose** of New London through 2010  
P.O. Box 1397  
New London, NH 03257  
(603) 526-4256  
*rfoose@tds.net*

**Rep. David Kidder** of New London through 2010  
34 Blueberry Lane  
New London, NH 03257  
(603) 526-4767  
*david03257@yahoo.com*



## THIS TOWN REPORT IS DEDICATED TO:



**BRADFORD C. WHITE**

March 13, 1928 - October 19, 2008

To remember Brad White is to remember his love of family...his love of New London...his love of a good joke (and some not so good)...and his deeply-rooted, yet very humble, Quaker-style love of life.

Born, raised and educated in Rhode Island (Brown University, 1952), Brad first came to New London during one of his summer breaks from college to help a "summer resident" family with their two young sons. While it was meant to be just-a-summer-job, it not only led to his love of New London and the surrounding area, but it more importantly led to his finding the true love of his life, Gretchen, then a counselor at Colbytown Camp on the shore of Little Lake Sunapee.

With Gretchen's ties to the college and Brad's vision of starting a business of his own, they set their sights on making New London not just their home, but more importantly, their homestead. Over the years, Brad served the Town of New London in a variety of ways and we will remain indebted to his early understanding that we all need a "sense of place" in our lives, something that he helped preserve here for others to enjoy for years to come.

*~Steve Ensign*



**BARBARA J. STEARNS**

March 16, 1912 - December 25, 2008

In life, happily, there are times when the stars truly do seem to align. There was a mutual benefit which accrued from Barbara Stearns' long involvement with the Town of New London, its residents and Colby-Sawyer College, beginning with her attendance at Colby Academy in the early 1930's to her death this past December.

Barbara's incessant involvement in numerous Town organizations, activities and the College enriched each of them, as well as the people whose lives she touched along the way. On her part, she loved every minute of it! As she said, "...I think it's important to stay involved. You know, if you don't keep up, you get left behind." And no one could ever say that Barbie got left behind -- in fact, you were lucky if you could keep up.

After her death, the family found an anonymous poem that Barbie had obviously set aside. The last line reads, "For every joy that passes, something beautiful remains."

Thank you, Barbie.

*~Marilyn Kidder*



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## ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

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### **Board of Selectmen**

Mark Kaplan, Chair  
Lawrence B. Ballin  
Christina M. Helm

### **Term Expires**

2009  
2010  
2009

### **Cemetery Commission**

Marion C. Hafner, Chair 2011  
Charles M. Hafner 2009  
Thomas A. Ginter 2009

### **Town Clerk**

Linda M. Hardy 2009

### **Supervisors of the Checklist**

Celeste C. Cook, Chair 2010  
Elizabeth Klingler 2009  
Arlene B. Marshall 2012

### **Treasurer**

Stephen R. Theroux 2009

### **Tracy Library Trustees**

Robert E. Bowers 2010  
Charlene Baxter 2011  
Charles E. Dean 2009  
Lisa Ensign Wood 2010  
Elizabeth A. Meller 2009  
Judith K. Wallace 2009  
Shelby C. Blunt, Treasurer 2011

### **Town Moderator**

Cotton M. Cleveland 2010

### **Trustees of the Trust Funds**

Andrew W. Hager, Chair 2010  
Patricia H. Sheehan 2010  
William C. Horn Jr. 2009

### **Budget Committee**

Constance W. Appel 2009  
Douglas S. Baxter 2009  
Ann Beardsley Bedard 2011  
Celeste C. Cook 2011  
Robert S. Meck 2011  
Noel Weinstein 2010  
James P. Wheeler 2010  
John B. Wilson, Chair 2010  
W. Barry Wright 2009  
Christina M. Helm, Selectmen's Representative  
Camille S. Holmes, Recording Secretary

### **Kearsarge Regional School District School Board**

Mark Christensen 2010  
Kimberly A. Giles 2011

### **Kearsarge Regional School District Municipal Budget Committee**

Diane Chadwick 2010  
Richard G. Anderson 2011

### **Kearsarge Regional School District Moderator**

Robert E. Bowers 2009

*Kearsarge Regional High School students sell "I Survived the New London Roundabout" t-shirts at the November 2008 dedication of the roundabout.*

*From left to right:  
Hannah Arnold, Alexa Gaines, Amanda Richardson, Kayla Bosela, Karina Arnold*



## APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

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**Town Administrator:** Jessie W. Levine  
**Finance Officer:** Carolyn E. Fraley  
**Town Assessors:** Normand G. Bernaiche  
Kristin McAllister  
**Land Use and  
Assessing Coordinator:** Amy A. Rankins  
**Zoning Administrator:** Peter S. Stanley  
**Administrative Assistant:** Linda J. Jackman  
**Deputy Treasurer:** Douglas W. Lyon  
**Tax Collector:** Linda M. Hardy  
**Deputy Town Clerk/  
Tax Collector:** Joan F. Pankhurst  
**Recreation Director:** Chad M. Denning  
**Health Officer:** Donald F. Bent, PhD  
**Deputy Health Officer:** Michael Loomis  
**Welfare Director:** Celeste C. Cook  
**Tree Warden:** David A. Carey

### **Police Department**

David J. Seastrand, Chief  
Edward G. Andersen, Sergeant  
Christopher C. Currier, Detective  
Thomas H. Anderson, Detective  
Jodi Bailey, Officer  
Marshall R. Osgood, Officer  
Matthew S. Pickering, Officer  
Robert L. Thorp, Officer  
Donna M. Davis, Administrative Assistant  
Jeffrey M. Downing, Officer/Part-Time  
Matthew A. McClay, Officer/Part-Time  
James S. Valiquet, Officer/Part-Time  
David A. White, Officer/Part-Time  
Richard D. Kelley, Jr. Officer/Part-Time

### **Communications Department**

Gregory M. Barthol  
Heather R. Wood  
Joseph J. McCarthy  
William R. Hardy Jr.  
Jeffrey Downing, Part-Time  
Susan M. Gregory, Part-Time  
Michael Cahill, Part-Time  
Mary Hoyt, Part-Time

### **Public Works Department**

Richard E. Lee, Director of Public Works  
Robert A. Harrington, Foreman/Maint. III  
Eric Allen, Maintenance Level II  
Melvin A. Furbush, Maintenance Level II  
Michael P. Murphy, Maintenance Level II  
Karen E. Welch, Maintenance Level II  
Michael J. McElman, Maintenance Level I  
Shane M. Pillsbury, Maintenance Level I  
Michael W. Rutter, Maintenance Level I  
George A. Mooshian, Wastewater Operations  
Heather J. Weinstein, Administrative Assistant  
John H. Wiltshire, P/T Cemetery

### **Transfer Station**

John R. Early, Supervisor  
Robin H. Lachance, Recycling Attendant  
Steven R. Tighe, Recycling Attendant

### **Tracy Memorial Library**

Sandra A. Licks, Director  
Kathryn M. Tracy, Head of Youth Services  
Meghan Clark McDaniel, Head of Adult Services  
Gena S. Edmunds, Processing & Youth Services  
Pauline Lizotte, Youth Services Assistant  
Melissa L. Carroll, Circulation Manager  
Nancy S. Dutton, Circulation Assistant  
Judy K. Fech, Circulation Assistant  
Caren L. Swanson, Circulation Assistant  
Timmie T. Poh, Processing Manager  
Raymond L. Heath, Custodian  
Benjamin J. Chabot, Student Aid  
Alexandra G. Winkler, Student Aid

### **Joint Loss/Wellness Committee**

Chad Denning, Recreation Director  
Carolyn Fraley, Finance Officer  
Ray Heath, Library Custodian  
Jay Lyon, Fire Chief  
Amy Rankins, Chair, Land Use & Assessing Coordinator  
David Seastrand, Police Chief  
Karen Welch, Dept. of Public Works, Maint. II

## APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

### ***Conservation Commission***

Laura A. Alexander	2011
Dan H. Allen	2009
Robert Brown	2010
Dale L. Conly	2010
Emma R. Crane	2011
Victoria V. Koron	2009
Leslie W. Norman, Chair	2009
Terence E. Dancy, Alternate	2009
Ruth W. White, Alternate	2010

### ***Planning Board***

Dale L. Conly	2009
Celeste C. Cook	2009
Thomas A. Cottrill	2011
Karen E. Ebel, Chair	2010
Michael Doheny	2010
John F. Hollinger	2011
Deirdre Sheer-Gross, Alternate	2010
Michele Holton, Alternate	2010
Lawrence Ballin, Selectmen's Representative	

### ***Zoning Board of Adjustment***

William D. Green, Jr., Chair	2009
Courtland J. Cross	2010
W. Michael Todd	2011
Douglas W. Lyon	2010
Laurie T. DiClerico	2011
Cheryl B. Devoe, Alternate	2011
Jeffrey D. Horten, Alternate	2010
Sue Ellen Andrews, Alternate	2010
Caroline E. Newkirk, Alternate	2010
Camille Holmes, Recording Secretary	
Amy A. Rankins, Clerk	

### ***Lake Sunapee Protective Association Representative***

John Clough

### ***Sunapee Area Watershed Coalition Representative***

Terrence Dancy

### ***Energy Committee***

N. Chester Reynolds, Chair	Alice Sprickman
Mark Vernon, Vice Chair	Hardy Hasenfuss
Frank Anzalone	Stephen Jesseman
Lansing Reed	Mike Meller
Robert Crane	Jack Harrod
Jim Moore	Jim McCann

### ***Recreation Commission***

Keith Pomkoski, Chair	2011
Gerald I. Coogan, Vice Chair	2009
Allison McLean	2010
Laura James	2009
Jason Stadler	2010

### ***Ballot Clerks***

William T. Andrews	Susan A. Kent
Janet Beardsley-Blanco	John Lightfoot
Patricia G. Coogan	Mary Alice Maguire
Carlton Fitzgerald	Irene Nelson
Sonja B. Hannah	Pamela J. Saunders
Christina M. Helm	Sara M. Scheuch
Margaret C. Holliday	Janis Stokes
Kathleen M. Horten	Margaret K. Theroux
Linda J. Jackman	John Tilley
Suzanne Jesseman	Patricia Tilley
Thelma Kaplan	Joan M. Trabucchi

### ***Assistant Moderators***

Charlene Baxter	Hilary Cleveland
Greg Berger	Karen Ebel
Bob Bowers	Patsy Steverson
Tom Chadwick	

### ***Town Archives***

Jim Perkins, Archivist  
 Margaret Moreland  
 Doris M. Cutter  
 Howard Hoke  
 Robert G. MacMichael  
 Arrollyn H. Vernon  
 Verne E. Barrett  
 Nancy Dutton  
 Constance M. Granger  
 Constance Reece  
 Deb Hall  
 Laura Davis

### ***Emergency Management Committee***

Peter Berthiaume, Chair  
 Donald F. Bent, Health Officer  
 Chad M. Denning, Recreation Director  
 Pam Drewniak, New London Hospital  
 Richard E. Lee, Public Works Director  
 Jessie W. Levine, Town Administrator  
 Michael Loomis, Deputy Health Officer  
 Lisa Lull, RN, New London Elementary School  
 Jason B. Lyon, Fire Chief  
 David J. Seastrand, Police Chief  
 Kent Wheeler, New London Hospital

## APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2008

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### *Fire Department Personnel*

Jason B. Lyon, Chief  
 Peter A. Lewis, Captain  
 Amy C. Lyon, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant & Clerk  
 Christian E. Hoffman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant  
 Matthew A. McClay, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant  
 Michael J. McElman, 4<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant  
 William R. Hardy, Jr. 5<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant  
 John M. Bock, Safety Officer  
 Nicholas R. Allen  
 Ethan A. Ballin  
 Robert W. Barrett, Emeritus  
 Jamie B. Bechok  
 Colin N. Bellavance  
 Karl. R. Bjorklund  
 Edgar I. Broadhead, Jr.  
 Sue E. Burmann  
 Samuel C. Cahan  
 James J. Cahill  
 Shaun M. Caisse  
 Brian R. Campbell  
 Brian K. Carey  
 David A. Carey  
 Allison L. Coy  
 Geoffrey R. Daley  
 Thomas J. Durling  
 Gena S. Edmunds  
 Janet M. Ellis  
 Stephen W. Ensign, Emeritus  
 Nancy J. Erickson, Emeritus  
 Thomas C. Green  
 Courtney C. Heath  
 Joseph M. Ilnicki  
 Edward M. Johnson  
 Eric C. Johnson  
 Andrew T. LeBlanc  
 Kelsie M. Lee  
 Glen W. Lohmann  
 Nancy C. Lyon  
 James G. MacKenna, USMC  
 Paul A. Messer, Emeritus  
 Corey M. Oxland, USMC  
 Walter E. Partridge Jr.  
 James R. Rhodes  
 George A. Robertson  
 Thomas M. Scully  
 Peter S. Stanley, Emeritus  
 James A. Walker  
 Blair M. Weathers

### *Board of Firewards*

Richard N. Brady	2009
Stephen W. Ensign, Chair	2009
Karen B. Hogleund	2010
Laurids T. Lauridsen III	2011
Gordon P. McKinnon	2010

### *Forest Fire Wardens*

Jason B. Lyon, Warden  
 Karl R. Bjorklund, Deputy Warden  
 Janet M. Ellis, Deputy Warden  
 William R. Hardy Jr., Deputy Warden  
 Christian E. Hoffman, Deputy Warden  
 Laurids T. Lauridsen III, Deputy Warden  
 Peter A. Lewis, Deputy Warden  
 Amy C. Lyon, Deputy Warden  
 Matthew A. McClay, Deputy Warden  
 Walter E. Partridge, Jr., Deputy Warden

### *Citizens Advisory Committee*

Cynthia L. Adie	2010
R. Peter Bianchi	2010
Barbara C. Brown	2010
Hugh A. Chapin	2010
Judith K. Chapin	2010
William P. Clough	2010
Rip Cross	2010
Michael Doheny	2011
David J. Dunning	2011
Raymond J. Ettenborough	2011
Paul G. Gorman	2010
Jack Harrod	2010
Karen B. Hogleund	2011
Howard Hoke	2010
Jack Holton	2010
Marilyn R. Kidder	2010
Steve P. Landrigan	2011
Robert P. Lavoie	2011
Susan L. Little	2010
Ann Loeffler	2010
Robert G. MacMichael	2010
Gary Markoff	2010
Joseph J. McCarthy	2011
Peter J. Messer	2010
David Payne	2010
Noel Weinstein	2010
Stephanie P. Wheeler	2010
W. Barry Wright	2010



*Newport Road and County Road intersection prior to Round-a-bout.*



*Newport Road and County Road with completed Round-a-bout*

## NEWPORT ROAD THEN & NOW

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The New London Locker Plant was built in 1946-1947 and opened for business in the summer of 1947. I worked on the foundation in the fall of 1946 for Wesley Woodward, the contractor. Sumner Woodward helped his dad trowel cement floors while he was in high school. The rafters for the roof of the building were cut from hemlock trees by 'Hi' & Rich Kidder of Twin Lake Villa. The Locker Plant was a well constructed building but was short lived, due to people wanting their own freezers. After World War II, Charles Whittmore was one of the first to work cutting meat the summer he graduated from high school.

Arthur Lewis, who moved here from Connecticut, bought the building around 1952 and started Kearsarge Engineering, where I had the privilege of working for 2-plus years. Mr. Lewis was one of the nicest men I have ever known. Charles Wheeler, Bob Whitman, Elliot Yates, Ernie Welch, Lincoln Parks, Paul Goss, Bob MacIntosh, Aaro Riva, Bill Stevens & Kim Butcher were also employed there. Elliott Yates was Mr. Lewis's brother-in-law.

Mr. Lewis closed the business about 1957. It was later bought by Earl Hayward Refrigeration and used by his company until recently. Then it was bought by Greg Gutzgell and Darren Phipps and transformed into a very attractive building. This transformation in the last 10 years added to the beauty of our Town.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Bob MacMichael*  
Historian & Neighbor

**TOWN OF NEW LONDON**  
**TOWN MEETING – MARCH 11 AND 12, 2008**

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**BALLOT VOTING, MARCH 11, 2008**  
**WHIPPLE MEMORIAL TOWN HALL AT 8:00 AM**

Moderator Pro Temp Robert Bowers called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. and swore in the Supervisors of the Checklist. As per RSA 659:49, absentee ballots were to be called at 1:00 P.M. Upon closing of the polls, Moderator Pro Temp Bowers announced that the Town Meeting would reconvene at 7:00 P.M. Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at the Kearsarge Regional Middle School to act upon Warrant Articles 2 through 27.

A motion was made and seconded to act on Article 1:

- A. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
- B. To vote by ballot on amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance.

**VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

The polls were closed at 7:00 P.M. and Moderator Pro Temp Bowers called the results at 7:30 P.M.

Attest:

Linda M. Hardy, Town Clerk

**ARTICLE 1A: Results of Non Partisan Balloting for Town Officials**

Total Registered Voters: 3354, 659 ballots including absentee ballots were cast

**Selectman (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than One**

Brian J. Prescott	554
Write-Ins	31

**Trustee of Trust Funds (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than One**

Patricia H. Sheehan	559
Write-Ins	1

**Tracy Memorial Library Trustee (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than Two**

Shelby Blunt	346	Robert K. Crane	69
Charlene Baxter308	Bruce F. Avery	45	
Gordon Marshall	202	Write-Ins	4
Richard G. Anderson	73		

**Budget Committee Member (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than Three**

Ann Beardsley Bedard	291	Mary Lou Dufault	144
Robert Meck	275	Paul Parker	101
Celeste C. Cook	259	Gary E. Lineberry	90
Kathy Bianchi	227	Gary D. Markoff	64
W. Barry Wright	225	Write-Ins	4

**Cemetery Commissioner (For 3 Years) – Vote for not more than One**

Marion E. Chadwick Hafner	623
Write-Ins	3

**Moderator (For 2 Years) – Vote for not more than One**

Cotton Cleveland	604
Write-Ins	9

**ARTICLE 1B: Ballot Results on Amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance**

1. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?*    YES    \_\_\_    NO    \_\_\_

AMENDMENT NO. 1: The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 1* proposes to change and clarify the definition of "Alter" in ARTICLE III.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this amendment is to revise and clarify what improvements are included in the definition of "Alter" and thereby clarify those that are subject to a building permit.

**YES 501 NO 120**

2. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

AMENDMENT NO. 2: The *Planning Board's Amendment No 2* proposes to revise the definition of "Right-of-Way" in ARTICLE III.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the width of undefined private "Rights-of-Way" for measuring setback requirements.

**YES 527 NO 95**

3. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

AMENDMENT NO. 3: The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 3* proposes to change the definition of "Side Yard" in ARTICLE III.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that for districts with a Side Yard setback aggregate minimum width requirement, it is the primary Structure on a lot, not an accessory Structure, from which the minimum Side Yard setback is measured.

**YES 504 NO 102**

4. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

AMENDMENT NO. 4: The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 4* proposes to amend the provisions pertaining to Voluntary Replacement or Substantial Improvement of a Nonconforming Building or Structure in ARTICLE XX to allow for more improvements and expansions of Nonconforming Buildings or Structures located outside the Floodplain Overlay District.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this amendment is to permit greater improvement of Nonconforming Buildings or Structures located outside the Floodplain Overlay District.

**YES 526 NO 90**

5. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

AMENDMENT NO. 5: The *Planning Board's Amendment No 5* proposes to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the Residential District provision regarding corner Lots in ARTICLE V.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this "housekeeping" amendment is to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the Residential District regulation regarding corner Lots, thereby conforming this regulation to the remainder of the Zoning Ordinance.

**YES 530 NO 87**

6. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

AMENDMENT NO. 6: The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 6* proposes to replace the term "Street" with the term "Right-of-Way" in the Agricultural and Rural Residential District provision regarding corner Lots in ARTICLE VI.

**RATIONALE:** The purpose of this “housekeeping” amendment is to replace the term “Street” with the term “Right-of-Way” in the Agricultural and Rural Residential District regulation regarding corner Lots, thereby conforming this regulation to the remainder of the Zoning Ordinance.

**YES 526 NO 88**

7. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

**AMENDMENT NO. 7:** The *Planning Board’s Amendment No. 7* proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to permit Agriculture in all Zone Districts, and to revise the definition of Agriculture, and to add specific provisions regarding the keeping of animals and Livestock to ARTICLE II.

**RATIONALE:** The purpose of this amendment is to revise the Zoning Ordinance to permit Agriculture in all zone districts, and to revise the definition of Agriculture by including, among other things, clarifying provisions regarding the keeping of animals and Livestock.

**YES 488 NO 129**

8. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

**AMENDMENT NO. 8:** The *Planning Board’s Amendment No. 8* proposes to amend the ordinance to better define the upper limits of buffering for the tributaries of protected wetlands specified in ARTICLE XIII Wetlands Conservation Overlay District.

**RATIONALE:** The Zoning Ordinance lacks clarity on the upper limits of buffering for the tributaries of protected Wetlands specified in ARTICLE XIII. The purpose of this amendment is to better define the upper limits of buffering of the tributaries for these protected Wetlands.

**YES 534 NO 95**

9. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

**AMENDMENT NO. 9:** The *Planning Board’s Amendment No. 9* proposes to amend the Town’s floodplain regulations in ARTICLE XV so the Town will remain in compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program and its citizens continue to be eligible to purchase flood insurance.

**RATIONALE:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has identified numerous “house-keeping” type amendments needed for the town’s floodplain regulations to remain in compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program. The town needs to make these changes so citizens continue to be eligible to purchase flood insurance.

**YES 593 NO 39**

10. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

**AMENDMENT NO. 10:** The *Planning Board’s Amendment No. 10* proposes to amend the Town’s sign regulations in ARTICLE II to allow flexibility in the size, number and location of signs for Colby-Sawyer College and the New London Hospital, subject to approval by the Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process.

**RATIONALE:** The purpose of this amendment is to address the unique sign needs of Colby-Sawyer College and the New London Hospital and to amend the Town’s sign regulations to allow flexibility in the size, number and location of signs for these uses as approved by the Planning Board through the Site Plan Review process.

**YES 534 NO 99**

11. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance?* YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

**AMENDMENT NO. 11:** The *Planning Board’s Amendment No. 11* proposes to amend the Town’s Shore Land Overlay District in ARTICLE XVI primarily to conform to the stricter provisions of the State’s recently amended

Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this amendment is to amend the Town’s Shore Land Overlay District primarily to conform to the stricter provisions of the State’s recently amended Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act. Major changes include incorporating the new State provisions on waterfront buffers and impervious surface coverage restrictions for shoreland lots.

**YES      513                      NO      112**

**CONTINUATION OF TOWN MEETING, MARCH 12, 2008 AT 7:00 PM**  
**KEARSARGE REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL**

At 7:00 P.M., Kearsarge Regional Elementary School students, accompanied by Donald Clark on the piano and led by Nicole Densmore, opened Town Meeting by singing “The Star Spangled Banner” and leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Moderator Cotton M. Cleveland thanked the Pot Luck Dinner Organizers. The dinner prior to the meeting was attended by approximately 100 people. Moderator Cleveland read the election results from Tuesday, March 11, 2008.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Cotton Cleveland. There were 254 registered voters who attended the 2008 Town Meeting.

**ARTICLE 2**

To see if the Town will vote to suspend the reading of the individual Articles in the Warrant and to refer to them by number. (Majority vote required)

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 3**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*** (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Executive	297,541	<b>329,274</b>
Elections, Registrations & Vitals	70,220	<b>84,683</b>
Financial Administration	242,335	<b>279,442</b>
Reassessment of Property	78,500	<b>82,500</b>
Legal	40,300	<b>40,300</b>
Personnel Administration	174,226	<b>171,898</b>
Planning and Zoning	62,025	<b>64,608</b>
Cemeteries	38,581	<b>49,023</b>
Insurance (not otherwise allocated)	72,000	<b>88,000</b>
Advertising & Regional Associations	15,171	<b>16,306</b>
General Government Buildings	<u>176,280</u>	<u><b>183,237</b></u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,267,179</b>	<b>\$1,389,271</b>

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 4**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **PUBLIC SAFETY**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required).

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Police Department	810,527	839,451
Fire Department	243,184	262,075
Firewards	594	594
Emergency Management	13,381	7,531
Communications Department	<u>312,163</u>	<u>321,126</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,379,849</b>	<b>\$1,430,777</b>

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 5**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **HIGHWAYS & STREETS & SANITATION**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Highway Administration	675,698	776,731
Highways & Streets/Repair & Maintenance	520,700	503,200
Street Lighting	26,000	14,000
Transfer Station Admin. and Operations	401,439	385,039
Solid Waste Cleanup	26,400	27,150
Sewage Collection & Disposal (Sewer Dept.)	<u>748,000</u>	<u>749,780</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,398,237</b>	<b>\$2,455,900</b>

Selectman Mark Kaplan proposed to amend Article 5 to include an additional \$23,000 in the Highways & Streets/Repair & Maintenance portion of the appropriation. Proposed 2008 line item is \$526,200 and total of Article is \$2,478,900. Vote on amendment unanimous in the affirmative. Vote on amended article as a whole, in the affirmative.

**ARTICLE 6**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENTS**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>HEALTH DEPARTMENT</b>		
Health Administration	20,507	8,287
Kearsarge Council on Aging	20,000	20,000
Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association	11,672	11,472
New London Ambulance	86,913	80,743
<b>WELFARE DEPARTMENT</b>		
Welfare Administration	812	1,811
Intergovernmental Welfare (CAP)	3,809	3,809
Welfare/Vendor Payments	<u>6,000</u>	<u>8,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$149,713</b>	<b>\$134,122</b>

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 7**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **RECREATION AND CULTURE AND CONSERVATION**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Recreation Department	144,198	147,979
Tracy Memorial Library	429,400	461,330
Patriotic Purposes	300	300
Other Culture, History and Archives	1,000	1,000
Energy Committee	0	3,841
Conservation Administration	12,964	11,664
Other-Care of Trees	<u>10,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$597,862</b>	<b>\$631,114</b>

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 8**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the payment of **PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF LONG-TERM DEBT**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Principal -Bonds and Notes	171,397	198,597
Interest - Bonds and Notes	<u>89,785</u>	<u>103,441</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$261,182</b>	<b>\$302,038</b>

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 9**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in previously established **CAPITAL AND NON-CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS**, as follows. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Bridge Repair & Maintenance Fund	5,000	5,000
Computer Repair & Maintenance Fund	1,000	1,000
Conservation Commission Land Acquisition Fund	50,000	50,000
Dispatch Radio Capital Reserve Fund	5,000	5,000
Fire Breathing Apparatus Reserve Fund	0	10,000
Fire Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	75,000	90,000
Highway Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve	155,000	150,000
Intersection Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	52,000	52,000
Main Street Capital Reserve Fund	10,000	0
Master Plan Update Capital Reserve Fund	17,500	17,500
Milfoil Treatment & Prevention Fund	28,000	0
New Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	82,000	14,000
Pleasant Lake Dam Capital Reserve Fund	20,000	32,000
Police Department Copier Capital Reserve Fund	4,000	4,000
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	3,000	29,000
Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund	96,000	20,000
Sidewalk Project Capital Reserve Fund	20,000	20,000
Town Building Maintenance Fund	25,000	40,000
Town Hall Basement Capital Reserve Fund	25,000	40,000
Tracy Library Building Maintenance Fund	20,000	68,000
Tracy Library Community Garden Maintenance Fund	4,000	3,000
Tracy Library Computer Fund	7,000	5,000
Transfer Station Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$709,500</b>	<b>\$660,500</b>

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 10**

To see if the Town will vote: to change the name and purpose of the Police Department Copier Capital Reserve Fund established in 2005 to the Police Department Office Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.* (2/3 vote required) **UNANIMOUS VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 11**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$96,800 (ninety-six thousand eight hundred dollars)** for the vehicle and equipment purchases listed below, and to authorize funding these amounts by withdrawal of the amounts below from the listed capital reserve funds. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

Highway Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve Fund <i>Purpose: Pick-up truck for Public Works Department</i>	<b>\$35,000</b>
New Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund <i>Purpose: Tree Chipper</i>	<b>\$10,000</b>
Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund <i>Purpose: Pick-up truck for Sewer Department &amp; grit removal for pump station</i>	<b>\$45,000</b>
Tracy Library Computer Capital Reserve Fund <i>Purpose: Replace certain computers at library</i>	<b><u>\$6,800</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$96,800</b>

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 12**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$140,000 (one hundred forty thousand dollars)** for the building repair and maintenance purposes listed below, and to authorize funding these amounts by withdrawal from the listed capital reserve funds in the amounts below. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

Tracy Library Building Maintenance Fund <i>Purpose: Carpet main floor &amp; stairway; reconfigure circulation area</i>	<b>\$25,000</b>
Town Building Maintenance Fund <i>Purpose: purchase chairs for Whipple Memorial Town Hall &amp; paint Old Colby Academy building</i>	<b>\$40,000</b>
Whipple Memorial Town Hall Basement Reserve Fund <i>Purpose: Renovation (restore police evidence storage and training space)</i>	<b><u>\$75,000</u></b>
	<b>\$140,000</b>

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 13**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$18,500 (eighteen thousand five hundred dollars)** for the purposes of **Milfoil Prevention and Treatment** in New London water bodies, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Milfoil Prevention and Treatment Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.) **VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 14**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$75,000 (seventy-five thousand dollars)** for **engineering costs and contingency** for construction of a roundabout at the Newport and County Road intersection and sidewalks on Newport Road and County Road, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the **Intersection Improvement Capital Reserve Fund**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)  
**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 15**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$41,000 (forty-one thousand dollars)** for the purposes of updating the **1998 Master Plan**, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Master Plan Update Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)  
**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 16**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$60,000 (sixty thousand dollars)**, for the purposes of repairing **Pleasant Lake Dam**, gate, and associated structures, and to authorize the acceptance of a gift of up to **\$8,000 (eight thousand dollars)** from the Pleasant Lake Protective Association and further authorize the withdrawal of **\$52,000 (fifty-two thousand dollars)** from the Pleasant Lake Dam Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)  
**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 17**

To see if the Town will vote to: 1) change the name and purpose of the **Recreation Land Capital Reserve Fund** established in 2004 to the **Recreation Facilities Capital Reserve Fund**, to allow the fund to be used for improvements to existing Town-owned facilities for Recreation Department purposes; and 2) raise and appropriate the sum of **\$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars)** to be placed into this fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.* (2/3 vote required) **UNANIMOUS VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 18**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$40,000 (forty thousand dollars)** for the purposes of 1) design and construction of a new septic system for the Bucklin Beach facilities; and 2) improvements and signage for the Bob Andrews Memorial Ice Rink and Warming Hut, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the **Recreation Facilities Capital Reserve Fund**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.*  
**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 19**

To see if the Town will vote to: 1) establish, per RSA 35, a Capital Reserve Fund for **Gravel Road Improvement and Paving**, and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$76,000 (seventy-six thousand dollars)** to be placed into this fund, which shall be known as the **Gravel Roads Capital Reserve Fund**; and 2) authorize the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend this fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)  
**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 20**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$68,000 (sixty-eight thousand dollars)** for the purpose of **upgrading and paving certain gravel roads**, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Gravel Roads Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)  
**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 21**

To see if the Town will vote to: 1) establish, per RSA 35, a Capital Reserve Fund for **closing and filling the sewer lagoons**, and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$12,500 (twelve thousand five hundred dollars)** to be placed into this fund, which shall be known as the **Sewer Lagoon Capital Reserve Fund**; and 2) authorize the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend this fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)  
**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 22**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$275,000 (two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars)** for the purpose of purchasing land or other property interest therein from the Schultz family (including survey, subdivision and legal fees), and to authorize the withdrawal of not more than **\$275,000 (two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars)** from the Conservation Land Capital Reserve Fund. Said land is further described as approximately 60 acres of a 90-acre parcel located at 148 Old Main Street (New London Tax Map 107, Lot 017-000), including approximately one-fifth (1/5) of the frontage on Clark Pond. Combined with other contiguous Town-owned land off of Bog Road, this will result in a parcel of approximately 100 acres with the first public access (foot access only) to Clark Pond. *The Budget Committee does not recommend this article. The Board of Selectmen does not recommend this article.*

**A request to vote by paper ballot was received by the Moderator, properly signed by 5+ registered voters.**

**YES 181 NO 60 VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 23**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000 (three thousand dollars)** to purchase uniforms and equipment for new employees in the Police Department, and to authorize the withdrawal of **\$3,000 (three thousand dollars)** from Town surplus as of December 31, 2007, for this account. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI, and will not lapse until December 31, 2015. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.) **VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 24**

To see if the Town will vote to close the capital reserve funds listed below and to authorize the transfer of the current balance plus any accumulated interest into the General Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.*

<u>Name of Fund</u>	<u>Balance as of 12/31/07</u>
Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993	\$945.00
Town Generator Capital Reserve Fund created in 1996	\$1,958.00
Bucklin Beach Capital Reserve Fund created in 2000	\$283.00
Hays Dam Capital Reserve Fund created in 2000	\$610.00
Public Works Study Fund created in 2005	\$0.00

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 25**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a long-term (five-year) agreement to lease the Elkins Post Office to the United States Postal Service, beginning on January 1, 2010, upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deems prudent and in the best interests of the Town. (Majority vote required.)

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

**ARTICLE 26**

To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator, and our Governor:

Resolved: We the citizens of New London, NH, believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the "Pledge," have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes. *Petitioned Warrant Article.* (Majority vote required.)

**Paper Ballot used at the request of the Moderator.**

**YES 122 NO 69**

**VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE**

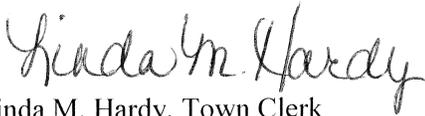
**ARTICLE 27**

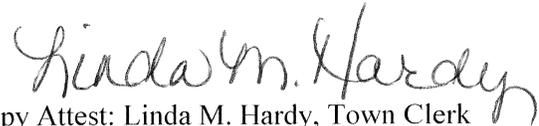
To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. (Majority vote required).

There being no further business to be conducted at the meeting, Moderator Cleveland put forth the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 P.M.

**AFFIRMATIVE VOTE FOR ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

  
Linda M. Hardy, Town Clerk

  
A True Copy Attest: Linda M. Hardy, Town Clerk



# 2009 TOWN MEETING WARRANT



Town Meeting  
March 11, 2009  
7:00 PM  
Old Kearsarge Regional Middle School  
Cougar Court, New London

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
TOWN OF NEW LONDON  
2009 TOWN WARRANT

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Whipple Memorial Town Hall in New London on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 8:00 in the forenoon to act upon the subjects below. By law, the meeting must open before voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and polls will open at 8:00 AM for the consideration of Articles 1A & 1B. At 12:00 noon, the meeting will recess and the polls will remain open until 7:00 PM. The meeting will reconvene at the Kearsarge Regional Middle School Gymnasium in New London on Wednesday, March 11, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon Articles 2 - 32.

**ARTICLE 1**

A. To choose by ballot all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year:

1 Selectman (2-year term)	3 Budget Committee Members (3-year term each)
1 Selectman (3-year term)	1 Cemetery Commissioner (3-year term)
1 Town Clerk (3-year term)	3 Tracy Library Trustees (3-year term each)
1 Treasurer (3-year term)	1 Supervisor of the Checklist (5-year term)
1 Trustee of the Trust Funds (3-year term)	

B. To vote by ballot on the following amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance:

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 1** as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 1** proposes to add a new ARTICLE XXV Small Wind Energy Systems Ordinance to the Zoning Ordinance to comply with new state legislation that encourages Small Wind Energy Systems and mandates that ordinances adopted by towns to regulate the installation and operation of Small Wind Energy Systems shall not unreasonably limit such installations or unreasonably hinder the performance of such installations.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this new article is to implement new state legislation (RSA 674:58-62) that allows municipalities to adopt regulations for the installation and operation of Small Wind Energy Systems. The intent is to facilitate the installation of Small Wind Energy Systems by removing the current requirement to obtain approval of a height variance from the Zoning Board of Adjustment and replacing it with a straight-forward building permit process approved by the Board of Selectmen. The proposed ordinance provides the property owner, the abutters and the Town with compliance standards for the installation of Small Wind Energy Systems.

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

The **Planning Board's Amendment No 2** proposes to amend ARTICLE XVI Shore Land Overlay District to comply with the new state legislation revising the State Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act.

RATIONALE: The primary purpose of this amendment is to revise the Town's Shore Land Overlay District to conform with the new amendments to the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act (CSPA) adopted by the state legislature this past year. Major changes include making the district boundaries consistent with the boundaries in the CSPA, requiring that minimum percentage of the lot remain in an unaltered state and adding definitions consistent with the terms used in the CSPA. The intent is to make the state and Town shore land regulations consistent so property owners proposing to develop or construct on their lots need to prepare only one set of plans and calculations to demonstrate conformity with both the state and Town regulations.

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 3** as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 3** proposes to add a new ARTICLE XXVI Workforce Housing Overlay District to the Zoning Ordinance. This proposed amendment is to comply with new state legislation mandating that communities provide reasonable and realistic opportunities for the development of Workforce Housing, including rental apartments. The new legislation mandates that Workforce Housing be allowed in a majority of the land area zoned to permit residential uses. This amendment will be effective on July 1, 2009, or a later date yet to be determined, if the required effective date is delayed by state legislation.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this amendment is to respond to the state legislative mandate to provide reasonable opportunities for the development of Workforce Housing in a majority of the land area zoned to permit residential uses in the community. The Workforce Housing Overlay District allows for a mix of Workforce Housing types within parts of the R-1, R-2, ARR and Commercial Zone Districts as shown on the Workforce Housing Overlay District Map dated March 10, 2009. The ordinance, which will not be effective until July 1, 2009, provides that the Planning Board may approve one or more incentives including a density increase, reductions to lot size, road frontage, setbacks and open space and waiver of application fees only if the applicant demonstrates the Town's land use ordinances and regulations induce a cost prohibitive project.

State legislation may delay the required effective date of the Workforce Housing Overlay District ordinance. If passed, the required effective date of the proposed amendment will be delayed in accordance with state law.

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 4** as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 4** proposes to amend ARTICLE VII Commercial District to add Multi-Family Dwelling(s) and Mixed Use as a permitted use and amend ARTICLE III Definitions to add a definition of Mixed Use.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this amendment is to allow opportunities for both Multi-Family Dwellings and Mixed Use (two or more permitted uses in the same building or on the same property) in the Commercial District. Mixed use, for example, could include a retail use on the first floor of a building and multi-family residential apartments on the second floor.

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 5** as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 5** proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to implement the changes to the zoning boundary lines as recommended by the Zoning Boundary Study, as amended, undertaken on behalf of the Planning Board by the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. A series of maps showing the recommended revisions to the zone district boundary lines depicted on the existing zoning map is available for viewing from the Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen in the Town Office Building. The recommended revisions to the zone district boundary lines are shown on a new Zoning Map dated March 10, 2009.

RATIONALE: The location of some of the existing boundary lines between zone districts on the current zoning map is not clear where there are no references for guidance or measurement. The purpose of the Zoning Boundary Study undertaken on behalf of the Planning Board by the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission was to make recommendations on clarifying the location of some of the zone district boundaries and, in some cases, relocating the zone boundary to follow property lines, natural features or man-made features or setting a distance from these features. As noted above, a series of maps showing the revisions to the zone district boundary lines depicted on the zoning map as recommended by the Planning Board is available for viewing from the Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen in the Town Office Building. The

recommended revisions to the zone district boundary lines are shown on a new Zoning Map dated March 10, 2009.

6. *Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 6** as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 6** proposes to amend ARTICLE II General Provisions, Section 10. Sign Regulations to allow one for sale sign or one open house sign in common areas of Cluster and Planned Unit Developments.

RATIONALE: The purpose of this minor amendment is to provide the opportunity for one "For Sale" sign or one "Open House" sign to be erected in the common area at the entrance to Cluster and Planned Unit Developments.

7. *Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 7** as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 7** proposes to add Forestry" as a permitted use in the Residential Districts.

RATIONALE: The intent of this "housekeeping" amendment is to add Forestry as a permitted use in the Residential Districts and since it is already an existing use on numerous lots in those districts.

8. *Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 8** as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 8** proposes to amend and rename ARTICLE II General Provisions, Section 14. Temporary Ancillary Sales as Section 14. Temporary Events.

RATIONALE: The principal purpose of this amendment is to add the opportunity for institutions, non-profit organizations and businesses to be able to have temporary events that are not sales related events. This new category of Temporary Events includes events such as grand openings, dedications, graduations and similar activities. Gatherings, parties and weddings at private residences are specifically excluded from the regulation and are permitted activities.

9. *Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment No. 9** as proposed by the Planning Board for the New London Zoning Ordinance? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 9** proposes to amend ARTICLE III Definitions to add a definition of "Seasonal Use".

RATIONALE: The purpose of this amendment is simply to define a term used in the Zoning Ordinance.

**ARTICLE 2**

To see if the Town will vote to suspend the reading of the individual Articles in the Warrant and to refer to them by number. (Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 3**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed **\$385,000 (three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars)** for the purpose of engineering evaluation and construction design for the Sunapee Wastewater Treatment Plant to meet current federal and state regulations, and to authorize the issuance of not more **\$385,000 (three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars)** of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of RSA 33, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend any federal, state or other available funds towards the project according to the terms under which they are received and to borrow in anticipation of receipt of such aid or the issuance of such bonds or notes. The Board of Selectmen is hereby directed to establish fees sufficient to pay 100% of the principal and interest due on the bonds or notes issued hereunder to be paid by those served or receiving benefit from the Sunapee Wastewater Treatment Plant in accordance with RSA 149-I:7; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all other actions as may be necessary to carry out the project in the best interest of the Town of New London. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article.* (2/3 ballot vote required)

**ARTICLE 4**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **GENERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Executive	329,274	349,581
Elections, Registrations & Vitals	84,683	72,184
Financial Administration	279,442	260,926
Reassessment of Property	82,500	81,500
Legal	40,300	25,300
Personnel Administration	171,898	131,136
Planning and Zoning	64,608	36,905
Cemeteries	49,023	43,760
Insurance (not otherwise allocated)	88,000	88,151
Advertising & Regional Associations	16,306	15,284
General Government Buildings	<u>183,237</u>	<u>194,197</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,389,271</b>	<b>\$1,298,924</b>

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0.92  
Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$92*

**ARTICLE 5**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **PUBLIC SAFETY**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required).

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Police Department	839,451	856,322
Fire Department	262,075	278,490
Firewards	594	594
Emergency Management	7,531	10,836
Communications Department	<u>321,126</u>	<u>316,090</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,430,777</b>	<b>\$1,462,332</b>

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$1.03  
Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$103*

**ARTICLE 6**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **HIGHWAYS & STREETS & SANITATION**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Highway Administration	776,731	<b>795,798</b>
Highways & Streets/Repair & Maintenance	503,200	<b>536,900</b>
Street Lighting	14,000	<b>14,000</b>
Transfer Station Admin. and Operations	385,039	<b>385,729</b>
Solid Waste Cleanup	27,150	<b>18,150</b>
Sewage Collection & Disposal (Sewer Dept.)	<u>749,780</u>	<u><b>726,342</b></u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,455,900</b>	<b><u>\$2,476,919</u></b>

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$1.23*

*Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$123*

*Note: sewage collection charges are paid by users of the sewer system*

**ARTICLE 7**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENTS**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
<b>HEALTH DEPARTMENT</b>		
Health Administration	8,287	<b>8,341</b>
Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association	11,472	<b>11,360</b>
Kearsarge Council on Aging	20,000	<b>20,000</b>
New London Ambulance	80,743	<b>85,060</b>
<b>WELFARE DEPARTMENT</b>		
Welfare Administration	1,811	<b>1,865</b>
Intergovernmental Welfare (CAP)	3,809	<b>3,809</b>
Welfare/Vendor Payments	<u>8,000</u>	<u><b>13,000</b></u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$134,122</b>	<b><u>\$143,435</u></b>

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0.10*

*Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$10*

**ARTICLE 8**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **RECREATION AND CULTURE AND CONSERVATION**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Recreation Department	147,979	151,654
Tracy Memorial Library	461,330	460,350
Patriotic Purposes	300	300
Other Culture, History and Archives	1,000	2,765
Conservation Administration	11,664	13,664
Energy Committee	3,841	900
Other-Care of Trees	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$631,114</b>	<b>\$634,633</b>

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0.44*

*Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$44*

**ARTICLE 9**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the payment of **PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF LONG-TERM DEBT**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Principal -Bonds and Notes	198,597	<b>206,097</b>
Interest - Bonds and Notes	<u>103,441</u>	<b>100,862</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$302,038</b>	<b>306,959</b>

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0.18  
Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$18*

*Note: Sewer Department Principal & Interest paid by users of the sewer system*

**ARTICLE 10**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in previously established **CAPITAL AND NON-CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS**, as follows. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Bridge Repair & Maintenance Fund	5,000	<b>5,000</b>
Computer Repair & Maintenance Fund	1,000	<b>1,000</b>
Conservation Commission Land Acquisition Fund	50,000	<b>0</b>
Dispatch Radio Capital Reserve Fund	5,000	<b>0</b>
Fire Breathing Apparatus Reserve Fund	10,000	<b>10,000</b>
Fire Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	90,000	<b>72,250</b>
Gravel Road Upgrades & Paving	76,000	<b>50,000</b>
Highway Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve	150,000	<b>190,000</b>
Intersection Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	52,000	<b>0</b>
Main Street Capital Reserve Fund	0	<b>0</b>
Master Plan Update Capital Reserve Fund	17,500	<b>4,250</b>
Milfoil Treatment & Prevention Fund	0	<b>0</b>
New Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	14,000	<b>5,500</b>
Pleasant Lake Dam Capital Reserve Fund	32,000	<b>0</b>
Police Department Copier Capital Reserve Fund	4,000	<b>0</b>
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	29,000	<b>16,250</b>
Recreation Facilities Capital Reserve Fund	25,000	<b>0</b>
Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund	20,000	<b>20,000</b>
Sewer Lagoon Cleanup	12,500	<b>0</b>
Sidewalk Project Capital Reserve Fund	20,000	<b>0</b>
Town Building Maintenance Fund	40,000	<b>30,000</b>
Town Hall Basement Capital Reserve Fund	40,000	<b>0</b>
Tracy Library Building Maintenance Fund	68,000	<b>75,000</b>
Tracy Library Community Garden Maintenance Fund	3,000	<b>1,000</b>
Tracy Library Computer Fund	5,000	<b>5,000</b>
Transfer Station Improvements Capital Reserve Fund	<u>5,000</u>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$774,000</b>	<b>\$485,250</b>

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0.33  
Annual cost per \$100,000 of assessed value: \$33*

*Note: Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund paid by users of the sewer system*

**ARTICLE 11**

To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the following funds and combine all of the following capital reserve funds into one fund called the Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, to be used for the purchase and replacement of equipment for the Police and Dispatch Departments. (2/3 vote required)

<u>Name of Fund</u>	<u>Year Established</u>	<u>Value as of 12/31/08</u>
Dispatch Radio Replacement	1995	27,281.04
Dictaphone Replacement	1998	20,554.62
Police Computer Updates	2004	995.79
Police Department Office Equipment Replacement	2008	<u>16,978.81</u>
		\$65,810.26

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 12**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$22,500 (twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars)** for the equipment purchases listed below and to authorize funding by the withdrawal of **\$22,500 (twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars)** from the Police Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

<i>Police Comlog Digital Voice Recorder</i>	<b>\$13,000</b>
<i>Police Video Recorder</i>	<b><u>\$ 9,500</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$22,500</b>

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 13**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$425,900 (four hundred twenty-five thousand nine hundred dollars)** for the vehicle and equipment purchases listed below, and to authorize funding these amounts by withdrawal of the amounts below from the listed capital reserve funds. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

Highway Equipment Replacement Capital Reserve Fund	
<i>Purpose: Replace Six-Wheel Dump Truck with Plow &amp; Sander for the Public Works Department</i>	<b>\$145,000</b>
<i>Purpose: Replace Backhoe for the Public Works Department</i>	<b>\$98,900</b>
<i>Purpose: Replace Excavator for Public Works Department</i>	<b>\$93,000</b>
New Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	
<i>Purpose: Sidewalk Tractor for Public Works Department</i>	<b>\$20,000</b>
Sewer Department Capital Reserve Fund	
<i>Purpose: Spare Pump for Main Pump Station at Frothingham Road</i>	<b>\$30,000</b>
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	
<i>Purpose: Replace 2003 Ford Expedition</i>	<b>\$34,000</b>
Tracy Library Computer Capital Reserve Fund	
<i>Purpose: Replace certain computers at library</i>	<b><u>\$5,000</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$425,900</b>

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 14**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$96,500 (ninety-six thousand five hundred dollars)** for purpose of repairs and maintenance to Tracy Memorial Library, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Tracy Library Building Maintenance Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

*Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 15**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$150,000 (one hundred fifty thousand dollars)** for purpose of renovating the basement of Whipple Memorial Town Hall to provide police evidence storage and training space, and to authorize payment in the following manner: 1) the withdrawal of **\$121,500 (one hundred twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars)**, from the Whipple Memorial Town Hall Basement Reserve Fund; and 2) the use of anticipated FEMA funds as a result of the December 2008 ice storm. In the event that FEMA funds are insufficient to cover the balance, the remainder will be raised by taxation. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required) *Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 16**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$18,500 (eighteen thousand five hundred dollars)** for the purposes of **Milfoil Prevention and Treatment** in New London waterbodies, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Milfoil Prevention and Treatment Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.) *Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 17**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$180,000 (one hundred eighty thousand dollars)** for construction of sidewalks on Pleasant Street and Parkside Road, and to authorize the acceptance of **\$100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars)** from a federal grant, and to authorize the withdrawal of **\$80,000 (eighty thousand dollars)** from the Sidewalk Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required) *Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 18**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$4,250 (four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars)** for the purposes of updating the 1998 Master Plan, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Master Plan Update Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.) *Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 19**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$20,000 (twenty thousand dollars)** for the purpose of repairing and replacing the fence at Bucklin Beach, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Recreation Facilities Capital Reserve Fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.) *Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 20**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000 (ten thousand dollars)** for the purpose of upgrading and paving certain gravel roads, and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Gravel Roads Capital Reserve Fund. These funds will be combined with funds that were appropriated at the 2008 Town Meeting. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.) *Estimated 2009 Tax Rate Impact: \$0*

**ARTICLE 21**

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 261:153, VI to authorize the Town Clerk to collect an additional fee of \$5.00 per motor vehicle registration for the purpose of creating a Municipal and Regional Transportation Improvement Fund which shall be a capital reserve fund established for this purpose and governed by the provisions of RSA 35. Said fee to become effective April 1, 2009. The fund shall be used to fund improvements in the local and regional transportation system, including roads, bridges, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, parking and intermodal facilities and public transportation. No funds shall be expended without further vote and appropriation by the town. (Majority vote by ballot required)

## ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to close and discontinue the capital reserve funds listed below.

<u>Name of Fund</u>	<u>Year Created</u>
Safe Drinking Water Compliance Act Capital Reserve Fund	1988
Highway Building Capital Reserve Fund	2000
Fire Station Capital Reserve Fund	2001
Town Building Capital Reserve Fund	1992

## ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000 (three thousand dollars)** to purchase historical items and other ephemera by the Archives Committee, and to authorize the withdrawal of **\$3,000 (three thousand dollars)** from Town surplus as of December 31, 2008, for this amount. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI, and will not lapse until December 31, 2014. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)

## ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000 (five thousand dollars)** for **Disease Prevention and Control**, and to authorize the withdrawal of **\$5,000 (five thousand dollars)** from Town surplus as of December 31, 2009, for this amount. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI, and will not lapse until December 31, 2014. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required.)

## ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to reduce the operating budget by up to 5% to offset, in whole or in part, revenue shortfalls or expenditure increases resulting from the State budget. This warrant article will lapse on December 31, 2009. (Majority vote required.)

## ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to modify, pursuant to RSA 72:39-a, the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of New London, as follows: to qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 (three) years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 (five) years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$30,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$45,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$150,000, excluding the value of the person's residence. (Majority vote required.)

## ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to adopt, pursuant to RSA 72:27-a & 72:29-a, the optional tax credit for the surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or any of the armed forces of any of the governments associated with the United States in the wars, conflicts or armed conflicts, or combat zones set forth in RSA 72:28, and to set the tax credit at \$2,000 (two thousand dollars). (Majority vote required.)

## ARTICLE 28

To see if the Town will vote to authorize a permanent conservation easement, to be held by the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, on its property described as Tax Map 119, Lot 002-000, consisting of 90+/- acres on Clark Pond accessible by Bog Road, also known as the Clark Pond Natural Area. (Majority vote required.)

## ARTICLE 29

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a inter-municipal agreement by and among the towns of Orford, Lyme, Hanover, Enfield, Springfield, Newbury, New London, and Sunapee, to create a non-profit corporation to develop a broadband communications network, in accordance with RSA 53-A. (Majority vote required.)

**ARTICLE 31**

To see if the Town will go on record in support of working with the other five towns within the Sunapee Watershed to raise community awareness of important issues concerning the Lake Sunapee watershed and surrounding areas, to formulate clear guidelines for responsible, long-term stewardship of the water resources in those areas, and to promote cooperation among Sunapee watershed towns in using those guidelines for the implementation of programs effective in addressing the salient issues to the common benefit of the area communities.

**ARTICLE 32**

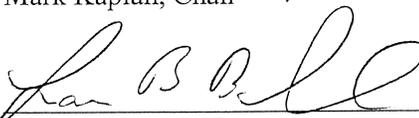
To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. (Majority vote required).

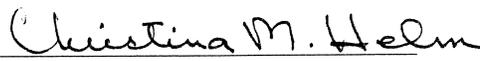
Given under our hands and seal this 19 th day of February, two thousand and nine.

New London Board of Selectmen  
*Mark Kaplan, Chair*  
*Lawrence B. Ballin*  
*Christina M. Helm*

A true Copy of Warrant - Attest  
New London Board of Selectmen

  
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# 2009 PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS



Town Election Day  
March 10, 2009  
8:00 AM – 7:00 PM  
Whipple Memorial Town Hall

**2009 AMENDMENTS TO THE NEW LONDON ZONING ORDINANCE**  
**PROPOSED BY THE NEW LONDON PLANNING BOARD**

The amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance proposed by the New London Planning Board as submitted to the Town Clerk on February 3, 2009 are outlined below. The proposed additions are shown as tracked changes and the items proposed to be removed are shown on the right side as deleted.

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**PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1:**

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 1* proposes to add a new **ARTICLE XXV Small Wind Energy Systems Ordinance** to the Zoning Ordinance to comply with new state legislation that encourages Small Wind Energy Systems and mandates that ordinances adopted by towns to regulate the installation and operation of Small Wind Energy Systems shall not unreasonably limit such installations or unreasonably hinder the performance of such installations. Amendment No 1 proposes to add a new **ARTICLE XXV Small Wind Energy Systems Ordinance** and amend **ARTICLE III Definitions** as follows:

I. Amend the Zoning Ordinance to add a new article as follows:

**ARTICLE XXV Small Wind Energy Systems Ordinance**

A. Purpose: This Small Wind Energy Systems ordinance is enacted in accordance with RSA 674:62-66, and the purposes outlined in RSA 672:1-III-a. The purpose of this ordinance is to accommodate Small Wind Energy Systems in appropriate locations, while protecting the public's health, safety and welfare. In addition, this ordinance provides a permitting process for Small Wind Energy Systems to ensure compliance with the provisions of the requirements and standards established herein.

B. Procedure for Review:

1. Building Permit: Small wind energy systems and Meteorological Towers are an accessory use permitted in all zoning districts where structures are allowed. No Small Wind Energy System shall be erected, constructed, or installed without first receiving a building permit Board of Selectmen, or its designee, . Apursuant to **ARTICLE XXV Enforcement**. A building permit shall be required for any physical Modification to an existing Small Wind Energy System. Meteorological Tower s that receive a building permit shall be permitted on a temporary basis not to exceed 3 years from the date the building permit was issued.

2. Application: Applications submitted to the Board of Selectmen, or its designee, shall contain a site plan with the following information:

- a. Property lines and physical dimensions of the applicant's property.
- b. Location, dimensions, and types of existing major structures on the property.
- c. Location of the proposed Small Wind Energy System, foundations, guy anchors and associated equipment.
- d. Wind Tower foundation blueprints or drawings.
- e. Wind Tower blueprint or drawings.
- f. Setback requirements as outlined in this ordinance.
- g. Any Right-of-Way that is contiguous with the property.

- h. Any overhead utility lines.
  - i. Certification by the manufacturer or NH licensed engineer of the required Small Wind Energy System specifications including manufacturer, model, rotor diameter, Wind Tower Height, Wind Tower type, nameplate generation capacity.
  - j. Small wind energy systems that will be connected to the Power Grid shall include a copy of the application for interconnection with their electric utility provider.
  - k. Sound level analysis prepared by the Wind Generator manufacturer or qualified engineer.
  - l. Electrical components in sufficient detail to allow for a determination that the manner of installation conforms to the requirements of PSNH.
  - m. Evidence of compliance or non-applicability with Federal Aviation Administration requirements.
  - n. List of abutters to the applicant’s property.
3. Abutter and Regional Notification: In accordance with RSA 674:66, the Board of Selectmen, or its designee, shall notify all abutters by certified mail at the applicant’s expense upon application for a building permit to construct a Small Wind Energy System. The public will be afforded 30 days to submit comments to the Board of Selectmen prior to the issuance of the building permit. The Board of Selectmen shall review the application for regional impacts per RSA 36:55. If the proposal is determined to have potential regional impacts, the Board of Selectmen shall follow the procedures set forth in RSA 36:57, IV.

C. Standards:

- 1. The Board of Selectmen, or its designee, shall evaluate the application for compliance with the following standards:
  - a. Setbacks: The setback shall be calculated by multiplying the minimum setback requirement number (see table below) by the System Height and measured from the center of the Wind Tower base to property line, public roads, and nearest point on the foundation of an occupied building.

<u>Minimum Setback Requirements</u>			
<u>Occupied Buildings on Participating Landowner Property</u>	<u>Occupied Buildings on Abutting Property</u>	<u>Property Lines of Abutting Property and Utility Lines</u>	<u>Public Roads</u>
<u>0</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<u>1.5</u>

- (1) Small wind energy systems must meet all setbacks for principal structures for the zoning district in which the system is located.
  - (2) Guy wires used to support the Wind Tower are exempt from the Small Wind Energy System setback requirements.
- b. Wind Tower Height: The maximum Wind Tower Height shall be the minimum height necessary for the system to function at its rated capacity over the estimated lifespan of the device, as certified by either the Small Wind Energy

System manufacturer or, if hired, an engineer licensed in the state of New Hampshire. In no situation shall the Wind Tower Height exceed 150 feet.

- c. Sound Level: The Small Wind Energy System shall not exceed 60 decibels using the A scale (dBA), as measured at the site property line, except during short-term events such as severe wind storms and utility outages.
- d. Shadow Flicker: Small wind energy systems shall be sited in a manner that does not result in significant Shadow Flicker impacts. Significant Shadow Flicker is defined as more than 30 hours per year on abutting occupied buildings. The applicant has the burden of proving that the Shadow Flicker will not have significant adverse impact on neighboring or adjacent uses. Potential Shadow Flicker will be addressed either through siting or mitigation measures.
- e. Signs: All signs including flags streamers and decorative items, both temporary and permanent, are prohibited on the Small Wind Energy System, except for manufacturer identification or appropriate warning signs one (1) square foot or smaller in size and having no advertising material.
- f. Aviation: The Small Wind Energy System shall be built to comply with all applicable Federal Aviation Administration regulations including but not limited to 14 C.F.R. part 77, subpart B regarding installations close to airports, and the New Hampshire Aviation regulations, including but not limited to RSA 422-b and RSA 424.
- g. Visual Impacts: It is inherent that Small Wind Energy Systems may pose some visual impacts due to the Wind Tower Height needed to access wind resources. The purpose of this section is to reduce the visual impacts, without restricting the owner's access to the optimal wind resources on the property.
  - (1) The applicant shall demonstrate through project site planning and proposed mitigation that the Small Wind Energy System's visual impacts will be minimized for surrounding neighbors and the community. This may include, but not be limited to information regarding site selection, Wind Generator design or appearance, buffering, and screening of ground mounted electrical and control equipment. All electrical conduits shall be underground.
  - (2) The color of the Small Wind Energy System shall either be the stock color from the manufacturer or painted with a non-reflective, unobtrusive color that blends in with the surrounding environment. Approved colors include but are not limited to white, off-white or gray.
  - (3) A Small Wind Energy System shall not be artificially lit unless such lighting is required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). If lighting is required, the applicant shall provide the Board of Selectmen with a copy of the FAA determination to establish the required markings and/or lights for the Small Wind Energy System.
- h. Approved Wind Generators: The manufacturer and model of the Wind Generator to be used in the proposed Small Wind Energy System must have been approved

by the California Energy Commission or the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, or a similar list approved by the state of New Hampshire, if available.

- i. Utility Connection: If the proposed Small Wind Energy System is to be connected to the Power Grid through Net Metering, it shall adhere to RSA 362-A:9.
- j. Access: The Wind Tower shall be designed and installed so as to preclude step bolts or a ladder being readily accessible to the public for at least the first 8 feet above the ground. All ground-mounted electrical and control equipment shall be labeled and secured to prevent unauthorized access.
- k. Clearing: Clearing of natural vegetation shall be limited to that which is necessary for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Small Wind Energy System and as otherwise prescribed by applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances.

D. Abandonment:

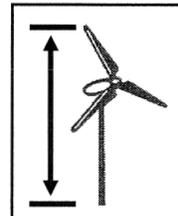
- 1. At such time that a Small Wind Energy System is scheduled to be abandoned or discontinued, the applicant will notify the Board of Selectmen by certified U.S. mail within ninety (90) days of the proposed date of abandonment or discontinuation of operations.
- 2. Upon abandonment or discontinuation of use, the owner shall physically remove the Small Wind Energy System within 90 days from the date of abandonment or discontinuation of use. This period may be extended at the request of the owner and at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen. "Physically remove" shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. Removal of the Wind Generator and Wind Tower and related above-grade structures, including obtaining a permit for demolition from the Board of Selectmen.
  - b. Restoration of the location of the Small Wind Energy System to its natural condition, except that any landscaping, grading or below-grade foundation may remain in its same condition at initiation of abandonment.
- 3. In the event that an applicant fails to give such notice, the system shall be considered abandoned or discontinued if the system is out-of-service for a continuous 12-month period. After the 12 months of inoperability, the Board of Selectmen may issue a Notice of abandonment to the owner of the Small Wind Energy System. The owner shall have the right to respond to the Notice of Abandonment within 30 days from Notice receipt date. After review of the information provided by the owner, the Board of Selectmen shall determine if the small wind energy system has been abandoned. If it is determined that the small wind energy system has not been abandoned, the Board of Selectmen shall withdraw the Notice of Abandonment and notify the owner of the withdrawal.
- 4. If the owner fails to respond to the Notice of Abandonment or if, after review by the Board of Selectmen, it is determined that the Small Wind Energy System has been

abandoned or discontinued, the owner of the Small Wind Energy System shall remove the Wind Generator and Wind Tower at the owner's sole expense within 3 months of receipt of the Notice of Abandonment. If the owner fails to physically remove the Small Wind Energy System after the Notice of Abandonment procedure, the Board of Selectmen may pursue legal action to have the small wind energy system removed at the owner's expense.

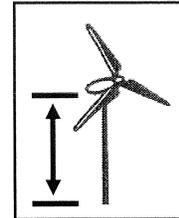
- E. Violation: It is unlawful for any person to construct, install, or operate a Small Wind Energy System that is not in compliance with this ordinance. ~~Small wind energy systems installed with Town approval prior to the adoption of this ordinance are exempt from this ordinance except when Modifications are proposed to the Small Wind Energy System.~~
- F. Penalties: Any person who fails to comply with any provision of this ordinance or a building permit issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be subject to enforcement and penalties as allowed by NH Revised Statutes Annotated Chapter 676:17.

II. Amend **ARTICLE III Definitions** to add defined terms as follows:

1. Meteorological Tower: Includes the tower, base plate, anchors, guy wires and hardware, anemometers (wind speed indicators), wind direction vanes, booms to hold equipment for anemometers and vanes, data loggers, instrument wiring, and any telemetry devices that are used to monitor or transmit wind speed and wind flow characteristics over a period of time for either instantaneous wind information or to characterize the wind resource at a given location. For the purpose of this ordinance, Meteorological Towers shall refer only to those whose purpose are to analyze the environmental factors needed to assess the potential to install, construct or erect a Small Wind Energy System.
2. Modification: Any change to the Small Wind Energy System that materially alters the size, type or location of the Small Wind Energy System. Like-kind replacements shall not be construed to be a Modification.
3. Net Metering: The difference between the electricity supplied to a customer over the electric distribution system and the electricity generated by the customer's Small Wind Energy System that is fed back into the electric distribution system over a billing period.
4. Power Grid: The transmission system, managed by ISO New England, created to balance the supply and demand of electricity for consumers in New England.
5. Shadow Flicker: The visible flicker effect when rotating blades of the Wind Generator cast shadows on the ground and nearby structures causing a repeating pattern of light and shadow.
6. Small Wind Energy System: A wind energy conversion system consisting of a Wind Generator, a Wind Tower, and associated control or conversion electronics, which has a rated capacity of 100 kilowatts or less and will be used primarily for onsite consumption.
7. System Height: The vertical distance from ground level to the tip of the Wind Generator blade when it is at its highest point.
8. Wind Tower: The monopole, guyed monopole or lattice structure that supports a Wind Generator.



9. Wind Tower Height: The height above grade of the fixed portion of the Wind Tower, excluding the Wind Generator.
10. Wind Generator: The blades and associated mechanical and electrical conversion components mounted on top of the Wind Tower whose purpose is to convert kinetic energy of the wind into rotational energy used to generate electricity.




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**PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 2:**

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 2* proposes to amend **ARTICLE XVI Shore Land Overlay District** to comply with the new state legislation revising the State Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act and amend and add new definitions to ARTICLE III Definitions as follows:

Amend **ARTICLE XVI Shore Land Overlay District** as follows:

- B. Shore Land Overlay District Boundaries: The Shore Land Overlay District extends to a line ~~250~~ 300 feet inland from the Reference Line on all of the following lakes and ponds: Clark Pond, Goose Hole Pond, Little Lake Sunapee, Lake Sunapee, Messer Pond, Murray Pond, Otter Pond and Pleasant Lake.
  
- F. Stormwater & Erosion Control for Construction:
  1. All new Structures, ~~modification~~ modifications to existing Structures, and excavation or earth moving within the Shore Land Overlay District shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the Stormwater & Erosion Control Design Standards contained in the New London Land Subdivision Control Regulations, dated October 23, 2007, as amended, and in compliance with all rules adopted by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services under RSA 541-A for terrain alteration under RSA 485-A:17 to manage Stormwater, control erosion and sediment, during and after construction. The design of Stormwater management systems shall ensure that the post-development total runoff volume does not exceed the pre-development total runoff volume consistent with Section VI, L, 2 of the New London Land Subdivision Control Regulations, Revised October 22, 2007.  
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- H. Natural Woodland Buffer:
  1. A Natural Woodland Buffer shall be maintained within 150 feet of the Reference Line. The first 50 feet of this buffer is designated the Waterfront Buffer and is subject to the additional requirements of Section G. above. The purpose of the Natural Woodland Buffer shall be to protect the quality of public waters by minimizing erosion, preventing siltation and turbidity, stabilizing soils, preventing excess nutrient and chemical pollution, maintaining natural water temperatures, maintain a healthy tree canopy and understory, preserving fish and wildlife habitat, and respecting the overall natural condition of the Shoreland Overlay District.

- ~~2. Within the Natural Woodland Buffer of a lot in the Shore Land Overlay District at least 50% of the area outside of impervious surfaces shall be maintained in an undisturbed state. Owners of lots legally developed prior to the adoption of this provision of the Ordinance that do not comply with this standard are encouraged to, but shall not be required to, increase the percentage of area maintained in an undisturbed state. If the primary structure on a lot is replaced, it shall then be made to comply with all of the provisions of this regulation. The percentage of area maintained in an undisturbed state on nonconforming lots shall not be decreased.~~
2. For lots with one-half acre or less of land within the Natural Woodland Buffer, the vegetation within at least 25 percent of the area outside the Waterfront Buffer shall be maintained in an unaltered state. The percentage of area maintained in an unaltered state on legal non-conforming lots shall not be decreased.
- 3 For lots with greater than one-half acre of land within the Natural Woodland Buffer, the vegetation within at least 50 percent of the area outside the Waterfront Buffer, exclusive of Impervious Surfaces, shall be maintained in an unaltered state. The percentage of area maintained in an unaltered state on legal non-conforming lots shall not be decreased.
4. Dead, diseased, or unsafe trees, saplings, or shrubs located beyond the Waterfront Buffer that pose an imminent hazard to structures or have the potential to cause personal injury may be removed by the property owner without Planning Board approval, provided such removal does not contravene the intent of this provision. Preservation of dead and living trees that provide den and nesting habitat for wildlife are encouraged.

I. Impervious Surfaces:

1. No more than 20 percent of the area of a lot located within the Shore Land Overlay District shall be composed of Impervious Surfaces, except as provided in paragraph 2 below.
- ~~2. The Impervious Surface area shall not exceed 30 percent provided the conditions of paragraph 2, above, are satisfied and a storm water management system is designed consistent with Section F above and approved by the Planning Board, and implemented and maintained to ensure that post-development total runoff volume shall not exceed the pre-development total runoff volume.~~
3. In addition, if the natural tree and sapling cover in the Waterfront Buffer does not meet the 50-point minimum score described in Section G above in any segment, then such segment shall be planted with native trees, saplings or Natural Ground Cover in sufficient quantity, type and location either to meet the minimum score or to provide at least an equivalent level of protection as provided by the minimum score, as determined by the Planning Board., and approved by the Planning Board, shall be implemented and maintained.  
~~The Impervious Surface area shall not exceed 30 percent provided a storm water management system is designed, consistent with Section F above and approved by the Planning Board, implemented and maintained to ensure that post-development total runoff volume shall not exceed the pre-development total runoff volume. In addition, if the natural tree and sapling cover in the Waterfront Buffer does not meet the 50-point minimum score described in Section G above in any segment, then such segment shall be planted with native trees, saplings or natural ground cover in sufficient quantity, type and location either to meet the minimum score or to provide at least an equivalent level of~~

~~protection as provided by the minimum score, as determined and approved by the Planning Board.~~

4. Property owners and developers are encouraged to seek creative solutions that utilize Low Impact Development techniques, such as those described in the New London Land Subdivision Control Regulations, dated October 23, 2007, as amended.

Amend, delete and add definitions to **ARTICLE III Definitions** as follows:

1. Amend the definition of Natural Woodland Buffer as follows: A forested area consisting of various species of trees, saplings, shrubs, and ground covers in any combination and at any stage of growth that lies within 150 feet of the Reference Line measured horizontally and at right angles to the Reference Line.
  2. Delete the definition of Ground Cover as follows: ~~Ground Cover: Any herbaceous plant which normally grows to mature height of 4 feet or less.~~
  3. Add the following definitions:
    - a) Impervious Surface: Any modified surface that cannot absorb or infiltrate water. Examples of Impervious Surfaces include, but are not limited to, roofs, decks, patios, and paved, gravel or crushed stone driveways, parking areas and walkways. Pervious Surfaces such as pervious asphalt, porous concrete, landscape pavers and similar technologies that are designed to absorb and infiltrate water are not Impervious Surfaces for the purposes of this definition.
    - b) Natural Ground Cover: Any herbaceous plant or any woody seedling or shrub generally less than 3 feet in height. Natural Ground Cover shall also include naturally occurring leaf or needle litter (duff), stumps, decaying woody debris, stones, and boulders. Natural ground cover shall not include lawns, invasive species as listed by NH Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food in accordance with RSA 430:53, III, exotic species as designated by rule of the NH Department of Environmental Services in accordance with RSA 487:24, VII, imported organic stone mulches or other artificial materials.
    - c) Reference Line: a) For natural fresh water bodies without artificial impoundments, the natural mean high water level as determined by the NH Department of Environmental Services. b) For artificially impounded water bodies with established flowage rights, and for water bodies without established flowage rights, the waterline at full pond as determined by the elevation of the spillway crest.
    - d) Waterfront Buffer: The area of the Shore Land Overlay District that lies within 50 feet of the Reference Line, measured horizontally and at right angles to the Reference Line.
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**PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3:**

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 3* proposes to add a new **ARTICLE XXVI Workforce Housing Overlay District** to the Zoning Ordinance. This proposed amendment is to comply with new state legislation that mandates communities to provide reasonable and realistic opportunities for the development of Workforce Housing including rental apartments. The new legislation mandates Workforce Housing must be allowed in a majority of the land area zoned to permit residential uses. This amendment will be effective on July 1, 2009, or a later date in accordance with state law, if the required effective date is delayed by state legislation.

Amendment No 3 proposes to add a new **ARTICLE XXVI Workforce Housing Overlay District** and amend **ARTICLE III Definitions** as follows:

Amend the Zoning Ordinance to add a new **ARTICLE XXVI Workforce Housing Overlay District:**

**ARTICLE XXVI Workforce Housing Overlay District**

A. Purpose: The purpose of this Article is to provide reasonable opportunities for the development of Workforce Housing within New London for both home ownership and rental opportunities. The Town recognizes the importance and benefit to the community and its citizens in the establishment of suitable opportunities for Workforce Housing. The Town recognizes that there are some situations in which normal Zoning, Site Plan Review and/or Subdivision requirements may be waived without sacrificing public health, safety and welfare so long as proper safeguards are maintained. Accordingly, it has been deemed advisable to adopt Workforce Housing in accordance with 674:58-61.

This Article was established in order to meet the goals related to Workforce Housing section of the Housing Chapter in the New London Master Plan. Additionally, in implementing this article New London has considered the region's Affordable housing needs as defined in the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission Housing Needs Assessment dated January 1, 2006.

B. Authority: This Workforce Housing Article is adopted under the authority of RSA 674:58-61 and RSA 674:21.

C. Applicability: This article applies to Workforce Housing developments proposed under RSA 674:58-61.

D. Conditional Use Permit Requirement: Development of a Workforce Housing project in accordance with the provisions of this article is permitted through a Conditional Use Permit administered by the Planning Board.

E. Permitted Zone Districts: Development of a Workforce Housing project in accordance with the provisions of this article is permitted through a Conditional Use Permit for the following uses within a Workforce Overlay District that encompasses all or part of the following zone districts in this Zoning Ordinance:

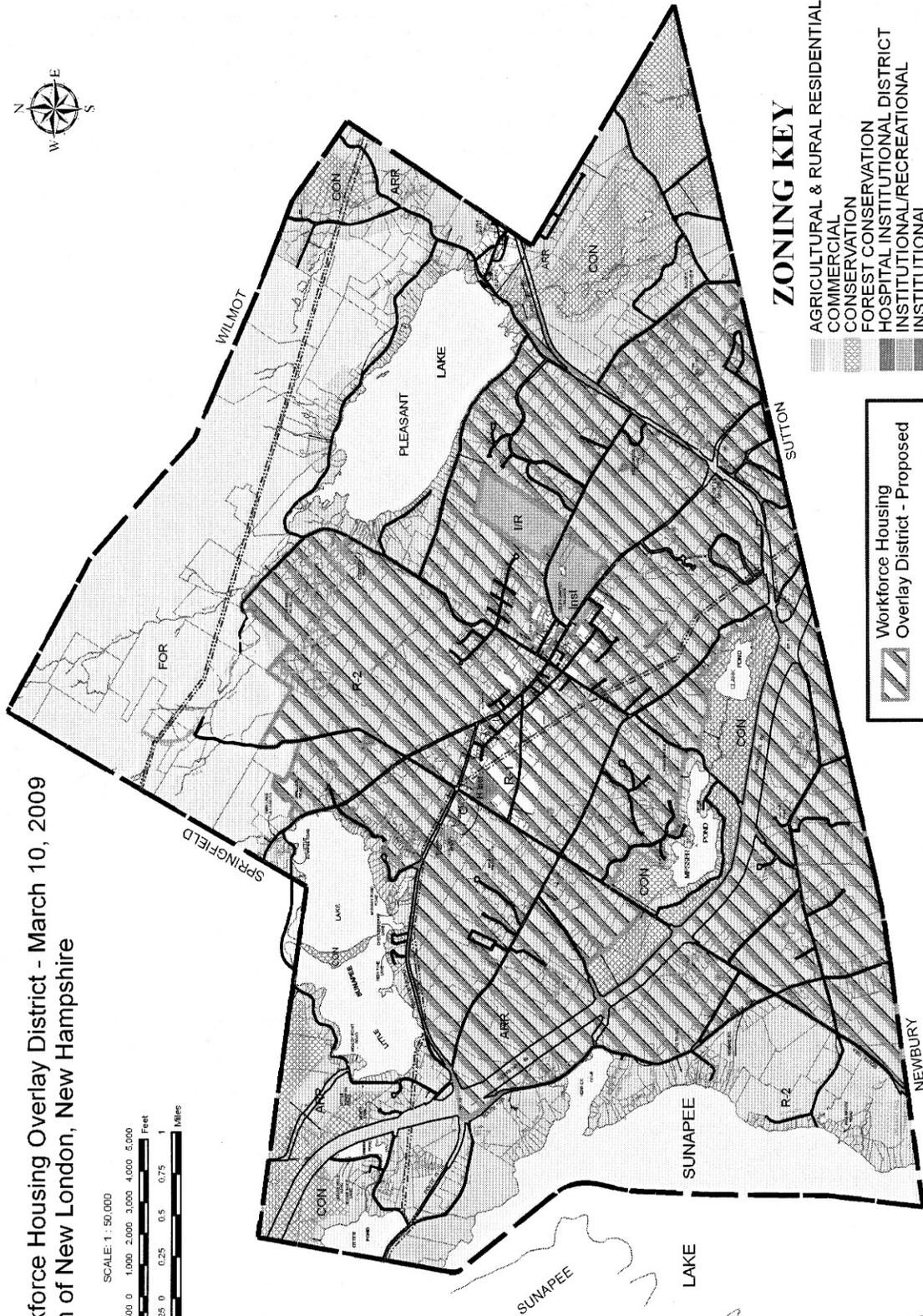
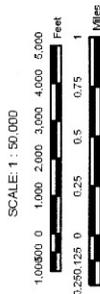
<u>Permitted Types of Residential Uses by Zone District</u>				
<u>Zone District</u>	<u>Permitted Types of Residential Uses</u>			
	<u>SFD</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>MH</u> <sup>2</sup>	<u>TFD</u> <sup>3</sup>	<u>MFH</u> <sup>4</sup>
<u>Urban Residential (R-1)</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
<u>Residential (R-2)</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	
<u>Agricultural &amp; Rural Residential</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	
<u>Commercial</u>				<u>X</u>

**Permitted Types of Residential Uses:**

1. SFD<sup>1</sup> = Single Family Dwelling 3. TFD<sup>3</sup> = Two-Family Dwelling
2. MH<sup>2</sup> = Manufactured Home 4. MFH<sup>4</sup> = Multi-Family Housing

- F. Overlay District Boundaries: The boundaries of this overlay district are shown on the map entitled: Workforce Housing Overlay District dated March 10, 2009.
- G. Incentives for Workforce Housing: After considering all cost factors including, but not limited to, land, subdivision improvements for roads, utilities & drainage, marketing, insurance, labor, building materials, and profit to identify a total gross cost of the project and per unit gross costs, the Planning Board may approve one or more of the following incentives only if the applicant demonstrates the Town's land use ordinances and regulations induce a cost prohibitive project.
- a. Density Increase: The Planning Board may approve a density increase.
  - b. Lot Size Reductions: The Planning Board may allow a decrease of the minimum lot size.
  - c. Road Frontage Reductions: The Planning Board may allow a decrease in road frontage.
  - d. Setback Reductions: The Planning Board may set minimum setbacks on each lot. Perimeter setbacks shall be sufficient to buffer and protect adjacent properties and the street from encroachment. At a minimum there shall be a fifty (50) foot setback from the property line around the perimeter of the property.
  - e. Open Space Reduction: The Planning Board may approve a reduction in open space. Open space shall be sufficient to accommodate the needs of the proposed occupants of the project.
  - f. Waiver of Application Fees: Planning Board application fees for Site Plan Review, Subdivision, and Conditional Use Permit applications may be waived except the direct cost of notice to abutters, the applicant and any easement holders during the planning process and the fees for any independent consultants.

**Workforce Housing Overlay District - March 10, 2009**  
**Town of New London, New Hampshire**



**ZONING KEY**

- AGRICULTURAL & RURAL RESIDENTIAL
- COMMERCIAL
- CONSERVATION
- FOREST CONSERVATION
- HOSPITAL INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT
- INSTITUTIONAL/RECREATIONAL
- INSTITUTIONAL
- R1 - URBAN RESIDENTIAL
- R2 - RESIDENTIAL

--200'-- Set Back Distance Zone Limits

**Workforce Housing Overlay District - Proposed**  
 District Land Area - 7,300.88 acres  
 52% of residentially-zoned land

**NOTES**  
 WORKFORCE HOUSING OVERLAY DISTRICT DEVELOPED BY NEW LONDON PLANNING BOARD. DIGITIZED BY UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. MAP DATE - MARCH 10, 2009.

H. Assurance of Continued Affordability:

1. The housing initially constructed and offered for sale or rent shall meet the definition of Workforce Housing as defined in ARTICLE III Definitions of the Zoning Ordinance.
  2. In order to qualify as Workforce Housing under this Article, the developer shall make a binding commitment that the Workforce Housing units will remain Affordable for a period of 30 years. This shall be enforced through a deed restriction; restrictive covenant; or a contractual arrangement through a local, state or federal housing authority or other non-profit housing trust or agency. For the 30-year term, the deed restriction, restrictive covenant, or contractual arrangement established to meet this criterion must make the following continued affordability commitments:
  3. Affordable housing rental units shall limit annual rent increases to the percentage increase in the Merrimack County median income.
  4. Resale of Owner-Occupied Housing shall be to a family that qualifies for a Workforce Housing unit that is Affordable.
  5. Deed restrictions, restrictive covenants, or contractual arrangements related to dwelling units established under this Article must be documented on all plans filed with the New London Planning Board and the Registry of Deeds and in all deeds to individual units.
- I. Documentation of Eligibility for Workforce Housing: To ensure that only eligible households purchase/rent the designated Workforce Housing, the purchaser/renter of a Workforce Housing unit must submit copies of their last three years' federal income tax returns and written certification verifying their annual household income level does not exceed the maximum level as established by the applicable definitions in ARTICLE III of the terms used in this Article. The tax returns and written certification of household income must be submitted to the developer of the housing units, or the developer's agent, prior to the transfer of title. A copy of the tax return and written certification of household income must be submitted to all parties charged with administering and monitoring this ordinance, as set forth in section O. of this article, within 30 days following the transfer of title.
- J. Conditional Use Permit Application: A complete application for a Conditional Use Permit includes the materials listed below *in addition to an application for a Site Plan Review and/or a Subdivision*. An application for a Conditional Use Permit can be processed concurrently with the application for a Site Plan Review and/or a Subdivision, as required for the specific project.
1. An application form.
  2. The applicant shall file a written statement indicating the applicant's intent to develop land that is intended to qualify as Workforce Housing under RSA 674:58-61.
  3. List and mailing address of the abutters, the applicant and any easement holders on the property in question.
  4. Fees for notifying abutters, the applicant and any easement holders.
  5. An application under this article must include, but is not limited to the following data to ensure project affordability:
    - a. Calculation of the number of units provided under this Article and how it relates to its provisions.
    - b. A project cost estimate including, but not limited to all costs for land; costs for constructing subdivision improvements including roads, utilities and drainage;

financing; profit; sales & marketing; insurance; labor; building materials; and other cost factors. A gross total project cost and gross cost per housing unit shall be identified.

- c. Description of each unit's size, type, estimated cost and other relevant data.
  - d. Documentation of household eligibility as required in section J. 6. of this Article.
  - e. All agreements established as part of section H. Assurance of Continued Affordability of this Article.
  - f. List of required variances, Conditional Use Permits, and special exceptions including justification of their necessity and effectiveness in contributing to affordability.
  - g. Cost savings associated with any written waiver request to the application submittal requirements or the standards outlined in the Site Plan Review Regulations or the Subdivision Regulations.
6. Written requests for waivers from any of the application submittal requirements or standards outlined in the Site Plan Review Regulations or the Subdivision Regulations.

K. Conditional Use Permit Criteria: The applicant needs to demonstrate to the Planning Board that the application for Workforce Housing meets the following criteria:

- 1. The Planning Board must determine that the type and density of proposed Workforce Housing units is compatible with or provides a compatible transition to the use and density of any neighboring residential areas and that the project will be designed in a manner that is harmonious with neighboring developments, natural surroundings, and housing context (the housing type, density and land use in the surrounding area).

Workforce Housing projects with Multi-Family Housing shall:

- a. have a landscaped buffer one hundred (100) feet in width around the perimeter of the project;
  - b. have direct access to a paved street; and
  - c. be served by public water and sewer service.
- 2. The housing proposed shall qualify as Workforce Housing as defined in **ARTICLE III Definitions.**
  - 3. The project shall comply with all Zoning Ordinance, Site Plan Review Regulations and/or Subdivision Regulations, other than those standards relaxed under section F or section L. 3. (b).
  - 4. In determining the minimum lot size in areas served by on-site water and sewer systems, the minimum lot size shall comply with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services minimum lot sizing based on soil type and slope.

L. Conditional Use Permit Procedure:

- 1. Any person who applies to the Planning Board for approval of a development that is intended to qualify as Workforce Housing under this subdivision shall file a written statement of such intent as part of the application. See section I. 2. The failure to file such a statement shall constitute a waiver of the applicant's rights under RSA 674:61, but shall not preclude an appeal under other applicable laws. In any appeal where the applicant has

failed to file the statement required by this paragraph, the applicant shall not be entitled to a judgment on appeal that allows construction of the proposed development, or otherwise permits the proposed Workforce Housing development to proceed despite its nonconformance with the Town's ordinances or regulations.

2. If the Planning Board approves an application to develop Workforce Housing subject to conditions or restrictions, it shall notify the applicant in writing of such conditions and restrictions and give the applicant an opportunity to establish the cost of complying with the conditions and restrictions and the effect of compliance on the economic viability of the proposed development. The Planning Board's notice to the applicant of the conditions and restrictions shall constitute a conditional approval solely for the purpose of complying with the requirements of RSA 676:4, I(c) (1). It shall not constitute a final decision for any other purpose, including the commencement of any applicable appeal period
3. Upon receiving notice of conditions and restrictions under paragraph 2 and in the event the applicant objects to any conditions and restrictions, they shall, submit evidence to establish the cost of complying with the conditions and restrictions and the effect on economic viability within the period directed by the Planning Board, which shall not be less than 30 days.
  - (a) Upon receipt of such evidence from the applicant, the Planning Board shall allow the applicant to review the evidence at the Planning Board's next regular business meeting for which ten days of public notice can be provided. Ten (10) days notice by certified mail shall be given to abutters, the applicant and the holders of any easements on the subject property. The general public shall be given ten (10) days notice by posting the public notice in two public places. At such meeting, the Planning Board may also receive and consider evidence from other sources.
  - (b) The Planning Board may affirm, alter, or rescind any or all of the conditions or restrictions of approval after such meeting. The Planning Board is authorized to consider relaxing or waiving one or more of the standards in the Town's land use ordinances and regulations to make the housing units in the project Affordable.
  - (c) Subject to subparagraph (d), the Planning Board shall not issue its final decision on the application before such meeting, unless the \_\_\_\_\_ applicant fails to submit the required evidence within the period designated by the Planning Board, in which case it may issue its final decision any time after the expiration of the period.
  - (d) If an applicant notifies the Planning Board in writing at any time that the applicant accepts the conditions and restrictions of approval, the Planning Board may issue its final decision without further action under this paragraph.

M. Appeals Procedure:

1. Any person who has filed the written notice required by RSA 674:60, and whose application to develop Workforce Housing is denied or is approved with conditions or restrictions which have a substantial adverse effect on the viability of the proposed Workforce Housing development may appeal the Town's action to the superior court

under RSA 677:4 or RSA 677:15 seeking permission to develop the proposed Workforce Housing. The petition to the court shall set forth how the denial is due to the Town's failure to comply with the Workforce Housing requirements of RSA 674:59 or how the conditions or restrictions of approval otherwise violate such requirements.

2. A hearing on the merits of the appeal shall be held within 6 months of the date on which the action was filed unless counsel for the parties agree to a later date, or the court so orders for good cause. If the court determines that it will be unable to meet this requirement, at the request of either party it shall promptly appoint a referee to hear the appeal within 6 months. Referees shall be impartial, and shall be chosen on the basis of qualifications and experience in planning and zoning law.
3. In the event the decision of the court or referee grants the petitioner a judgment that allows construction of the proposed development or otherwise orders that the proposed development may proceed despite its nonconformance with local regulations, conditions, or restrictions, the court or referee shall direct the parties to negotiate in good faith over assurances that the project will be maintained for the long term as Workforce Housing. The court or referee shall retain jurisdiction and upon motion of either party affirming that negotiations are deadlocked, the court or referee shall hold a further hearing on the appropriate term and form of use restrictions to be applied to the project.

N. Limitation on Improvements: Repairs, remodeling, additions, expansions, restorations, reconstructions, Alterations, and the addition of Accessory Buildings are allowed provided:

1. the Workforce Housing unit continues to be Affordable. The resale price of units shall consider cost recovery for basic necessary capital improvements such as for the heating system, the water system, the sewer or septic system and the roof. The cost for any of these capital improvements shall be added onto the future value of the Affordable unit which is based on the latest median household income data for Merrimack County based on family size. For Workforce Housing rental apartment buildings, a portion of the rents shall be allocated to a capital improvement fund for basic necessary capital improvements identified above. The details of these capital programs will be spelled out in the regulations implementing the terms of this ordinance as provided in Paragraph O. 6. below; and
2. the improvements comply with the required setbacks.

O. Administration, Compliance and Monitoring

1. Applications under this Article shall be made to the Planning Board and shall be part of the submission of an application and notice for Site Plan Review and/or Subdivision approvals as needed.
2. Workforce Housing projects approved under this Article shall be administered by the Board of Selectmen or its designee.
3. No certificate of occupancy shall be issued for a Workforce Housing unit without written confirmation of the income eligibility of the tenant or buyer of the Affordable housing unit and confirmation of the rent or price of the Affordable housing unit as documented by an executed lease or purchase and sale agreement by the Board of Selectmen or its designee such as the Zoning Administrator or a housing trust.

4. On-going responsibility for monitoring the compliance with resale and rental restrictions on Affordable units shall be the responsibility of Board of Selectmen or its designee such as the Zoning Administrator or a housing trust.
5. The owner of a project containing Affordable units for rent shall prepare an annual report, due at the end of December each year certifying that the gross rents of Affordable units and the household income of tenants of Affordable units have been maintained in accordance this Article. Such reports shall be submitted to the Board of Selectmen or its designee such as the Zoning Administrator or a housing trust and shall list the contract rent and occupant household incomes of all Affordable housing units for the calendar year.
6. The Planning Board has authority to adopt regulations implementing the terms of this ordinance.

P. Effective Date:

1. This **ARTICLE XXVI** of the New London Zoning Ordinance will become effective on July 1, 2009 unless the required effective date of RSA 674:58-61 is postponed by the New Hampshire Legislature as provided in Section P. 2 of this **ARTICLE**.
2. If the New Hampshire Legislature enacts legislation postponing the required effective date of RSA 674:58-61, then this **ARTICLE XXVI** of the New London Zoning Ordinance shall not become effective until the required effective date provided in such legislative amendment.

B. Amend **ARTICLE III (Definitions)** to add the following defined terms:

1. Affordable: Housing with combined rental and utility costs or combined mortgage loan debt services, property taxes, and required insurance that do not exceed 30 percent of a household's gross annual income.
2. Conditional Use Permit: A permit for a use administered by the Planning Board based on the criteria outlined in the ordinance.
3. Multi-Family Housing: For the purpose of Workforce Housing developments, means a building or structure containing 5 or more dwelling units, each designed for occupancy by an individual household.
4. Owner-Occupied Housing: Any dwelling unit intended to be conveyed in fee simple, condominium or equity-sharing arrangement such as a community housing land trust and limited equity cooperatives.
5. Reasonable and Realistic Opportunities for the Development of Workforce Housing: Opportunities to develop economically viable Workforce Housing within the framework of a town's ordinances and regulations adopted pursuant to this chapter and consistent with RSA 672:1, III-e. The collective impact of all such ordinances and regulations on a proposal for the development of Workforce Housing shall be considered in determining whether opportunities for the development of Workforce Housing are reasonable and realistic. If the ordinances and regulations of a town make feasible the development of sufficient Workforce Housing to satisfy the town's obligation under RSA 674:59, and such development is not unduly inhibited by natural features, the town shall not be in violation of its obligation under RSA 674:59 by virtue of economic conditions beyond the control of the town that affect the economic viability of Workforce Housing development.

6. Rental Housing: Any dwelling unit intended to be leased.
7. Workforce Housing: Housing which is intended for sale and which is Affordable to a household with an income of no more than 100 percent of the median income for a 4-person household for the metropolitan area or county in which the housing is located as published annually by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Workforce Housing also means Rental Housing which is Affordable to a household with an income of no more than 60 percent of the median income for a 3-person household for the metropolitan area or county in which the housing is located as published annually by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Housing developments that exclude minor children from more than 20 percent of the units, or in which more than 50 percent of the dwelling units have fewer than two bedrooms, shall not constitute Workforce Housing for the purposes of this subdivision.

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**PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 4:**

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 4* proposes to amend **ARTICLE VII Commercial District** to add Multi-Family Dwelling(s) and Mixed Use as a permitted use and amend **ARTICLE III Definitions** to add a definition of Mixed Use, as follows:

A. Amend **ARTICLE VII Commercial District as follows:**

A. Uses Permitted

1. Any Use permitted in the Residential District will be permitted in the Commercial District in the same manner it is permitted in the Residential District. If the Use is a Use permitted by right in the Residential District, then it is a Use permitted by right in the Commercial District. If the Use is a Use permitted by Special Exception in the Residential District, then it is a Use permitted by Special Exception in the Commercial District.
2. Lodging Houses, Apartment Houses, Multi-Family Dwelling(s), hotels, Inns, motels, including such retail business within these permitted Buildings as are conducted for the convenience of the residents or guests.
3. Shops, restaurants (except drive-in or drive-thru restaurants), retail sales and retail service Uses.
4. Greenhouses or florist shops.
5. Mortuary establishments.
6. Business or professional offices and banks.
7. Filling stations, automobile repair garages, car washes, and Uses incidental thereto shall be allowed only by Special Exception by the Board of Adjustment.
8. Light industry and wholesale establishments shall be allowed only by Special Exception by the Board of Adjustment.

9. Theaters, halls, clubs, amusement centers, and drive-in or drive-thru restaurants shall be allowed only by Special Exception by the Board of Adjustment.
10. Essential Services.
11. Mixed Use.

B. Amend ARTICLE III Definitions to add a definition of Mixed Use as follows:

Mixed Use: The development of two or more uses permitted within the zoning district in the same building or on the same property.

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**PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 5:**

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 5* proposes to amend the Zoning Ordinance to implement the changes to the zoning boundary lines as recommended by the Zoning Boundary Study, as amended, undertaken on behalf of the Planning Board by the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. A series of maps showing the recommended revisions to the zone district boundary lines depicted on the zoning map is available for viewing from the Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen in the Town Office Building. The recommended revisions to the zone district boundary lines are shown on a new Zoning Map dated March 10, 2009.

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**PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 6:**

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 6* proposes to amend **ARTICLE II General Provisions**, Section 10. Sign Regulations to allow one for sale sign or one open house sign in common areas of Cluster and Planned Unit Developments. Amendment No 6 proposes to amend **ARTICLE II** as follows:

Amend **ARTICLE II General Provisions**, Section 10. Sign Regulations, paragraphs d. and e. as follows:

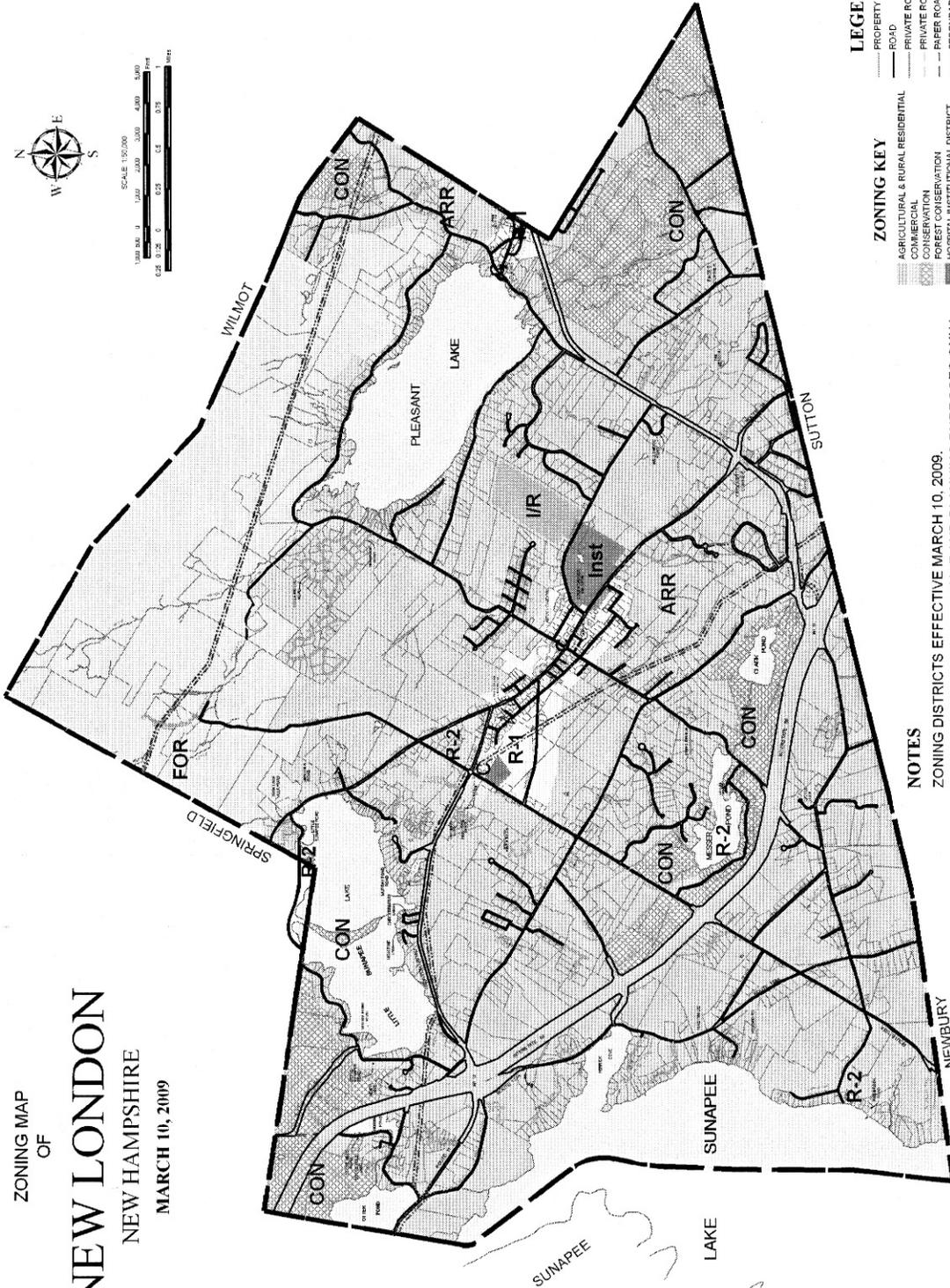
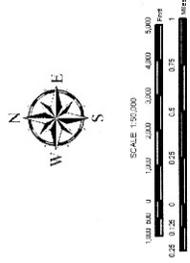
d. SIGNS NOT REQUIRING A PERMIT

- (2) One temporary on-premise Sign per site advertising the sale of property which is no larger than 4 square feet. Such Signs may include a maximum of two Riders, as defined in Article III Definitions. This Sign must be removed within 10 days after the closing/sale of the property. In addition, in Planned Unit Developments and Cluster Developments where the individual units are remote from the main road, a single sign (one sign for any and all units, not one sign for each individual unit) advertising that a unit in the development is for sale or having an open house may be placed on the common land at the main entrance to the development, provided the above size requirements are complied with.

e. PROHIBITED SIGNS

- (1) Off-site Signs, directional or Signs not on the premises to which they refer except as provided in Section 10. d. 2 & 12 (b).

ZONING MAP  
OF  
**NEW LONDON**  
NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 10, 2009



- ZONING KEY**
- AGRICULTURAL & RURAL RESIDENTIAL
  - CONSERVATION
  - FOREST CONSERVATION
  - HOSPITAL INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT
  - INSTITUTIONAL/RECREATIONAL
  - INSTITUTIONAL
  - R1 - URBAN RESIDENTIAL
  - R2 - RESIDENTIAL
- LEGEND**
- PROPERTY LINE
  - ROAD
  - PRIVATE ROAD
  - PRIVATE ROAD - R.O.W.
  - PAPER ROAD
  - SECONDARY ROAD
  - RIGHT OF WAY
  - WATER
  - UTILITY EASEMENT
  - TOWNSHIP LINE
  - WETLAND

**NOTES**

ZONING DISTRICTS EFFECTIVE MARCH 10, 2009.  
IT IS INTENDED FOR REFERENCE AND PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY.  
THIS MAP IS BASED ON THE TOWN OF NEW LONDON PROPERTY MAPS  
PREPARED IN 1975 BY WITMAN & HOWARD INC.  
DIGITIZED IN 1996 BY CARTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATES INC.  
PROPERTY LINES CURRENT TO APRIL 1, 2008

ZONING DISTRICTS MAPPED BY  
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee  
Regional Planning Commission

OFFICIAL BASE MAP PRODUCED BY  
Cartographic Associates, Inc.

**PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 7:**

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 7* proposes to add "Forestry" as a permitted use in the Residential Districts, as follows:

A. Uses Permitted

1. Single-Family or Two-Family Dwelling, except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance.
2. Municipal Buildings and Public Schools.
3. Home Occupations/Home Businesses in conformance with the provisions of Article II, Section 15-Home Occupations/Home Businesses. A Home Occupation is a Use permitted by right and not subject to the Site Plan Review process. A Home Business shall receive approval of a Site Plan Review from the Planning Board prior to being established.
4. Home food and home garden produce may be exposed for sale in this district.
5. Farm and garden activities are permitted, but any Use injurious, obnoxious, or offensive to the neighborhood is prohibited.
6. Forestry in accordance with Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Forestry.
7. Signs in Residential Districts shall conform to the provisions in Article II, Section 10.
8. Accessory Building with or without the main Building on the Lot.
9. Accessory Uses.
10. Essential Services.

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**PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 8:**

The *Planning Board's Amendment No 8* proposes to amend and rename **ARTICLE II General Provisions, Section 14. Temporary Ancillary Sales** as **Section 14. Temporary Events.**, make minor revisions, and add a new paragraph e. Temporary Events as follows:

**14. Temporary Events**

- a. Temporary Yard Sales: The conduct of a temporary yard sale or garage sale offering private goods for the sale for purchase by the general public shall be permitted within the R-1 Residential District, the R-2 Residential District, the Agricultural and Rural Residential District, and the Conservation District or on property within the Commercial or Institutional Districts used primarily for residential purposes, provided all of the following conditions are met:

- 1) Such sale is conducted for one period not to exceed ~~48 consecutive hours~~ 2 consecutive days in any one calendar year (Jan-Dec) by the property owner or occupant.
  - 2) Multi-Family yard sales at the residence of one of the participants are permitted, however, the individual(s) involved must be residents of the Town of New London; and, all goods sold at the yard sale must be the property of said resident(s). Goods that are the property of a business or produced for commercial sale are disallowed.
- b. Temporary Tent/Sidewalk Sales: Temporary tent/sidewalk sales conducted by established businesses in the Town of New London shall be allowed within the Commercial District without the benefit of Site Plan Review by the Planning Board, subject to the following conditions:
- 1) Such sales shall be limited to the sale of the individual business's normal inventory, and shall not include sales items belonging to another business or individual.
  - 2) Such sales shall be limited to 6 such occasions in any one calendar year (Jan-Dec) not to exceed ~~96 consecutive hours~~ or 4 consecutive complete working days including the setup and takedown.
  - 3) Applicants for temporary tent/sidewalk sales shall obtain a permit in compliance with paragraph f.e.
  - 4) One temporary on-premise Sign not exceeding 4 square feet in size to be placed not more than 24 hours prior to the opening of the sale and to be removed within 24 hours after conclusion of the sale.
  - 5) Exterior displays consisting of owner's merchandise are allowed so long as the display does not inhibit access to sidewalks or infringe on parking.
- c. Temporary Fund Raising Events for Non-Profit Organizations: The conduct of such events involving either sale of goods or sale of services shall be allowed in all Zone Districts subject to the following conditions:
- 1) Each organization shall be required to obtain written permission/consent/approval from the individual property owner for Use of the property where the event is to be held.
  - 2) Applicants for temporary fund raising events shall obtain a permit in compliance with paragraph f.e.
  - 3) One temporary on-premise Sign is permitted. The size of the Sign would be controlled by that allowed by the underlying Zone District for permanent Signs. Any type of Sign would be permitted including a sandwich board Sign, a banner etc. Any temporary Sign shall not be erected more than 7 days prior to the event and shall be removed within 24 hours after the conclusion of the event.

- d. Temporary Auctions:
- 1) Temporary auctions are limited to the Residential or Institutional Districts and are held for the benefit of the individual homeowner and/or residents of New London and are limited to the possessions of the owner, occupant or residents of New London.
  - 2) Temporary auctions in the Commercial District are limited to liquidation of the business's existing inventory.
  - 3) Temporary auctions are limited to one period not to exceed ~~48 consecutive hours~~ 2 consecutive days in any one calendar year (Jan-Dec) including setup and takedown.
  - 4) Applicants for temporary auctions shall obtain a permit in compliance with paragraph f.e.
  - 5) Adequate parking shall be provided so as not to interfere with normal traffic flow.
  - 6) Any Signs relating to the auction shall not be erected more than 24 hours prior to the event and shall be removed within 24 hours after the conclusion of the auction.
- e. Temporary Events: Events, such as grand openings, dedications, graduations and other similar activities, shall be allowed in all Zones Districts subject to the conditions outlined below. Gatherings, parties and weddings at private residences are specifically excluded from this regulation and are permitted activities.
- 1) Events shall be permitted to run on consecutive days up to a maximum of 3 days.
  - 2) Event parking shall be managed to preclude ~~blocking emergency vehicle access on neighboring streets and driveways.~~ The need for an event parking person would be determined by the Police Chief during the permit process and the applicant shall be responsible for all costs incurred. Adequate parking shall be provided so as not to interfere with normal traffic flow.
  - 3) The event shall comply with the nuisance provision in the New London Zoning Ordinance.
  - 4) The event organizer shall be required to obtain written permission/consent/approval from the individual property owner for the use of the property where the event is to be held.
  - 5) Applicants for Events shall obtain a permit in compliance with paragraph f.
  - 6) One temporary on-premise sign is permitted the days(s) of the event only. The size of the Sign shall be controlled by that allowed by the underlying Zone District for permanent Signs.

f. e- Permits

- 1) Permits must be obtained from the Board of Selectmen or its designated representative where application forms are available.
- 2) Approval must be obtained from the Police Chief regarding traffic flow and parking. Should the use of a police officer be required, the applicant shall be responsible for all costs incurred.
- 3) Approval must be obtained from the Fire Chief for gatherings of 50 or more people in a structure or in an enclosed tent for which there is no current permit of assembly. Should the use of a firefighter be required as a fire watch, the applicant shall be responsible for all costs incurred.
- 4) Any temporary Signs shall be in compliance with Article II, Paragraph 10. Signs, Subparagraph f. (2) or a temporary Sign no larger than the size permitted by the underlying zone district. A temporary Sign permit must be obtained from the Selectmen.
- 5) It is the responsibility of the business or organization to provide liability insurance.

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**PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 9:**

The *Planning Board's Amendment No. 9* proposes to amend **ARTICLE III Definitions** to add a definition of "Seasonal Use, as follows:

xxx. Seasonal Use: A use carried on for only part of the year or for one or more season(s) of the year, such as swimming in the summer, skiing in the winter, or residing in a condominium during the summer or winter seasons.

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2009  
TOWN BUDGET



2008  
YEAR-END  
FINANCIALS

# BUDGET OF THE TOWN WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

OF: TOWN OF NEW LONDON

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED  
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009

or Fiscal Year From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

### IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): 2/19/09

### BUDGET COMMITTEE

*Please sign in ink.*

W Barry Wright  
Constance K. Spill  
Noel W. Winter  
Christina M. Helm  
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Walter C. Cook  
Ann S. Seeland  
Douglas Baxter  
John A. Mee  
James P. Wheeler  
A. B. Wilson

**THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT**

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
 MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION  
 P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487  
 (603)271-3397

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS-7)**  
**Estimated 2008 Revenue/Actual 2008 Receipts**  
**Estimated Revenue January 1, 2009-December 31, 2009**

SOURCE OF REVENUE	ESTIMATED REVENUES	RECEIVED 12-31-07	SELECTMEN'S PROPOSED	BUDGET COMM. PROPOSED
<b>TAXES</b>				
Land Use Change Tax (CU)	33,180	62180	25,000	25,000
Yield Tax	2,213.00	2,213.18	4,000.00	4,000.00
Interest & Penalties	46,604.00	54,219.67	49,000.00	49,000.00
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>				
Business Licenses	41,650.00	45,031.27	42,200.00	42,200.00
Motor Vehicles Fees	774,800.00	751,400.02	745,500.00	745,500.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	47,950.00	47,767.64	48,530.00	48,530.00
<b>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
Federal Emergency Management Grant	13,476.00	13,476.32	30,000.00	30,000.00
Police/Highway Grant	0.00	3,995.57	0.00	0.00
Safe Roads to Schools	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	100,000.00
<b>FROM STATE</b>				
Shared Revenue Block Grant	30,524.00	57,685.00	30,524.00	30,524.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	195,477.00	195,476.75	185,000.00	185,000.00
Highway Block Grant	116,582.00	116,185.35	116,185.00	116,185.00
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>				
Income from Departments	197,409.00	202,964.86	148,169.00	148,169.00
Other Charges	400.00	550.00	550.00	550.00
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>				
Sale of Municipal Property	8,600.00	4,142.44	14,300.00	14,300.00
Interest on Investments	30,000.00	33,352.24	30,000.00	30,000.00
Other	318,721.00	302,731.64	231,894.00	231,894.00
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>				
Enterprise Funds	857,688.00	887,174.75	1,218,240.00	1,218,240.00
Capital Reserve Fund	765,096.00	568,831.95	769,150.00	769,150.00
Trust & Agency Funds	25,000.00	20,052.62	32,000.00	32,000.00
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
Fund Balance To Reduce Taxes	100,000.00	100,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Proceeds from Bond				
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS</b>	<b>3,605,370</b>	<b>3,469,431</b>	<b>3,828,242</b>	<b>3,828,242</b>

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS-7)**  
**Appropriation/Expenditures January 1, 2008-December 31, 2008**  
**Proposed Budget January 1,2009-December 31, 2009**

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION RSA 31:4	WARRANT ARTICLE	2008 APPROP.	EXPENDED 12/31/08	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED	BUDG. COMM. RECOMMENDED
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>					
Executive	4	329,274.00	321,568.00	349,581.00	349,581.00
Election, Registration & Vital	4	84,683.00	76,446.00	72,184.00	72,184.00
Financial Administration	4	279,442.00	256,776.00	260,926.00	260,926.00
Revaluation of Property	4	82,500.00	77,750.00	81,500.00	81,500.00
Legal Expense	4	40,300.00	39,013.00	25,300.00	25,300.00
Employee Benefits	4	171,898.00	153,879.00	131,136.00	131,136.00
Planning & Zoning Boards	4	64,608.00	44,100.00	36,905.00	36,905.00
General Government Buildings	4	183,237.00	167,385.00	194,197.00	194,197.00
Cemeteries	4	49,023.00	27,779.00	43,760.00	43,760.00
Insurance	4	88,000.00	79,293.00	88,151.00	88,151.00
Advertising (Tourism) & Reg. Assoc.	4	16,306.00	16,106.00	15,284.00	15,284.00
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>					
Police Department	5	842,451.00	830,589.00	856,322.00	856,322.00
Fire Department	5	262,075.00	274,984.00	278,490.00	278,490.00
Firewards	5	594.00	357.00	594.00	594.00
Emergency Management	5	7,531.00	7,917.00	10,836.00	10,836.00
2008 Ice Storm		0.00	1,929.00	0.00	0.00
Police Dispatch	5	321,126.00	305,655.00	316,090.00	316,090.00
<b>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</b>					
Highway Administration	6	776,731.00	783,730.00	795,798.00	795,798.00
Highway & Streets	6	526,200.00	437,812.00	536,900.00	536,900.00
Street Lighting	6	14,000.00	14,103.00	14,000.00	14,000.00
<b>SANITATION</b>					
Transfer Station	6	385,039.00	347,017.00	385,729.00	385,729.00
Solid Waste Cleanup	6	27,150.00	24,030.00	18,150.00	18,150.00
<b>HEALTH</b>					
Health Administration	7 & 24	8,287.00	7,946.00	13,341.00	13,341.00
Health Agencies	7	112,215.00	112,214.00	116,420.00	116,420.00
<b>WELFARE</b>					
Welfare-Administration	7	1,811.00	1,595.00	1,865.00	1,865.00
Intergovernmental Welfare	7	3,809.00	3,809.00	3,809.00	3,809.00
Welfare-Vendor Payments	7	8,000.00	9,355.00	13,000.00	13,000.00
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>					
Parks & Recreation	8	147,979.00	151,427.00	151,654.00	151,654.00
Tracy Memorial Library	8	461,330.00	461,330.00	460,350.00	460,350.00
Patriotic Purposes	8	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Other Culture	8 & 23	1,000.00	732.00	5,765.00	5,765.00

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS-7)**  
**Appropriation/Expenditures January 1, 2008-December 31, 2008**  
**Proposed Budget January 1,2009-December 31, 2009**

<b>CONSERVATION</b>						
Conservation-Administration	8	11,664.00	11,966.00	13,664.00	13,664.00	13,664.00
Energy Committee	8	3,841.00	3,110.00	900.00	900.00	900.00
Other Conservation		5,000.00	3,073.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>						
Bonded Debt	9	163,597.00	163,597.00	163,597.00	163,597.00	163,597.00
Interest	9	95,533.00	95,414.00	86,464.00	86,464.00	86,464.00
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>						
Capital Outlay-Land		275,000	228,023.00	0	0	0
Capital Outlay-Vehicles,Mach.,Equip.	12, 13, 18	92,800.00	70,338.00	422,650.00	422,650.00	422,650.00
Capital Outlay - Buildings	14, 15	140,000.00	150,245.00	246,500.00	246,500.00	246,500.00
Capital Outlay-Improvements	16, 17, 19, 20	261,500.00	150,309.00	228,500.00	228,500.00	228,500.00
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>						
Transfers to Capital Reserves	10	754,000.00	754,000.00	465,250.00	465,250.00	465,250.00
Sewer Collection & Disposal	6,10, 13	824,780.00	741,858.50	776,342.00	776,342.00	776,342.00
Sewer-Bonded Debt	9	35,000.00	35,000.00	42,500.00	42,500.00	42,500.00
Sewer-Bonded Debt Interest	9	7,908.00	7,907.50	14,398.00	14,398.00	14,398.00
Sewer-Sumapee Wastwater Treatment Plant	3	0.00	0.00	385,000.00	385,000.00	385,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>7,967,522</b>	<b>7,451,767</b>	<b>8,129,102</b>	<b>8,129,102</b>	<b>8,129,102</b>
<b>10% LIMITATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS</b>						
TOTAL RECOMMENDED BY BUDGET COMI			\$8,129,102			
LESS EXCLUSIONS: Principal-Long Term Debt			\$206,097			
Interest-Long Term Debt			\$100,862			
LESS EXCLUSIONS: Capital Outlays Funded fr			\$385,000			
TOTAL EXCLUSIONS			\$691,959			
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED LESS EXCLUSIC			\$7,437,143			
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE INCREASE			\$743,714			

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES**  
**Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2008**  
**(Unaudited)**

ACCOUNT NAME	APPROPRIATIONS	TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE	EXPENDED Dec. 31, 2008	ENCUMBERED FORWARD	UNEXPENDED BALANCE	OVER DRAFT
Executive	329,274.00	329,274.00	321,568.02		7,705.98	
Election & Registration	84,683.00	84,683.00	76,445.73		8,237.27	
Financial Administration	279,442.00	279,442.00	256,775.57		22,666.43	
Revaluation of Property	82,500.00	82,500.00	77,750.15		4,749.85	
Legal Expense	40,300.00	40,300.00	39,012.71	841.50	445.79	
Employee Benefits	171,898.00	171,898.00	153,879.10	1,449.00	16,569.90	
Planning & Zoning	64,608.00	64,608.00	44,099.64	7,999.99	12,508.37	
General Govt Buildings	183,237.00	183,237.00	167,385.20	3,979.77	11,872.03	
Cemeteries	49,023.00	49,023.00	27,779.48	20,000.00	1,243.52	
Insurance	88,000.00	88,000.00	79,292.74		8,707.26	
Regional Associations	16,306.00	16,306.00	16,106.00		200.00	
Police Department	842,451.00	842,451.00	830,588.87	1,287.56	10,574.57	
Fire Department	262,075.00	262,075.00	274,984.30	1,277.60		-14,186.90
Firewards	594.00	594.00	357.26		236.74	
Emergency Management	7,531.00	7,531.00	7,916.83	1,500.00		-1,885.83
2008 Ice Storm	0.00	0.00	1,929.39			-1,929.39
Police Dispatch	321,126.00	321,126.00	305,655.14	5,800.00	9,670.86	
Highway Administration	776,731.00	776,731.00	783,730.42	776.94		7,776.36
Highways & Streets	526,200.00	526,200.00	437,811.61	87,863.18	525.21	
Street Lighting	14,000.00	14,000.00	14,102.61			102.61
Transfer Station	385,039.00	385,039.00	347,017.37	2,278.59	35,743.04	
Solid Waste Cleanup	27,150.00	27,150.00	24,030.31		3,119.69	
Health Department	8,287.00	8,287.00	7,946.11		340.89	
Health Agencies	112,215.00	112,215.00	112,214.00		1.00	
Welfare - Administration	1,811.00	1,811.00	1,595.22		215.78	
Intergovernmental Welfare	3,809.00	3,809.00	3,809.00		0.00	
Welfare - Vendor Payments	8,000.00	8,000.00	9,354.95			-1,354.95
Parks & Recreation	147,979.00	147,979.00	151,426.95			-3,447.95
Tracy Memorial Library	461,330.00	461,330.00	461,330.00		0.00	
Patriotic Purposes	300.00	300.00	300.00		0.00	
Other Culture - Archives	1,000.00	1,000.00	731.82		268.18	
Conservation - Admin.	11,664.00	11,664.00	11,965.65			-301.65
Energy Committee	3,841.00	3,841.00	3,109.80		731.20	
Other Conservation - Trees	5,000.00	5,000.00	3,072.50		1,927.50	
Bonded Debt	163,597.00	163,597.00	163,597.00		0.00	
Bonded Debt - Interest	95,533.00	95,533.00	95,414.00		119.00	
Capital Outlay: Land	275,000.00	275,000.00	228,023.26		46,976.74	
Capital Outlay: Vehicles, Mach.	92,800.00	92,800.00	70,337.90	26,677.50		-4,215.40
Capital Outlay: Buildings	140,000.00	140,000.00	150,245.01	500.00		-10,745.01
Capital Outlay: Improvements	261,500.00	261,500.00	150,309.20	89,779.14	21,411.66	
Transfers to Capital Reserves	754,000.00	754,000.00	754,000.00			
Sewage Collection & Disp.	857,688.00	857,688.00	784,766.30	26,422.10	46,499.60	
2007 Encumbered Forward		41,966.88		41,966.88		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,957,522.00</b>	<b>7,999,488.88</b>	<b>\$7,451,767.12</b>	<b>\$320,399.75</b>	<b>185,355.13</b>	<b>(\$30,188.11)</b>
<b>NET UNEXPENDED</b>					<b>\$155,167.02</b>	

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES**  
**Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2008**  
**(Unaudited)**

<u>TITLE OF REVENUE</u>	<u>2008 Estimate</u>	<u>2008 Revenues</u>
Land Use Change Taxes	33,180.00	62,180.00
Yield Taxes	2,213.00	2,213.18
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	46,604.00	54,219.67
Business Licenses	41,650.00	45,031.27
Motor Vehicle Fees	774,800.00	751,400.02
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	47,950.00	47,767.64
FEMA Grant	13,476.00	13,476.32
Highway Safety Grant	0.00	3,995.57
Shared Revenue Block Grant	30,524.00	57,685.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	195,477.00	195,476.75
Highway Block Grant	116,582.00	116,185.35
State Aid Water Pollution Control	14,346.00	14,346.00
Income from Departments	197,409.00	202,964.86
Income from Sewer Department	843,342.00	872,828.75
Other Charges	400.00	550.00
Sale of Municipal Property	8,600.00	4,142.44
Interest on Investments	30,000.00	33,352.24
Rent of Town Property	51,594.00	51,544.96
Fines & Forfeits	8,750.00	12,495.27
Insurance Reimbursements	82,207.00	58,714.28
Contributions & Refunds	66,000.00	73,332.59
Revenue - Other Misc Sources	110,170.00	106,644.54
Transfers - Common Fund Earned Interest	15,000.00	15,052.62
Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds	765,096.00	568,831.95
Transfers - Trust & Agency Funds	10,000.00	5,000.00
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	100,000.00	100,000.00
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>3,605,370.00</u></b>	<b><u>3,469,431.27</u></b>

**SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS**  
**Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2008**  
**(Unaudited)**

<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	
Executive	\$321,568.02
Election, Registration & Vitals	76,445.73
Financial Administration	256,775.57
Revaluation of Property	77,750.15
Legal Expenses	39,012.71
Personnel Administration	153,879.10
Planning and Zoning	44,099.64
General Governmental Buildings	167,385.20
Cemeteries	27,779.48
Insurance	79,292.74
Regional Associations	16,106.00
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	
Police Department	830,588.87
Fire Department	274,984.30
Firewards	357.26
Emergency Management	7,916.83
2008 Ice Storm	1,929.39
Dispatch	305,655.14
<b>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</b>	
Highway Administration	783,730.42
Highways and Streets	437,811.61
Street Lighting	14,102.61
<b>SANITATION</b>	
Transfer Station	347,017.37
Solid Waste Cleanup	24,030.31
<b>HEALTH</b>	
Health Department	7,946.11
Health Agencies	112,214.00
<b>WELFARE</b>	
Welfare - Administration	1,595.22
Intergovernmental Welfare	3,809.00
Welfare-Vendor Payments	9,354.95
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>	
Parks and Recreation	151,426.95
Tracy Memorial Library	461,330.00
Patriotic Purposes	300.00
Other Culture - Archives	731.82
<b>CONSERVATION</b>	
Conservation - Administration	11,965.65
Energy Committee	3,109.80
Care of Trees	3,072.50

**SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS**  
**Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2008**  
**(Unaudited)**

**DEBT SERVICE**

Principal on Long Term Debt	163,597.00
Interest on Long Term Notes	95,414.00

**CAPITAL OUTLAY**

Land	228,023.26
Vehicles, Mach., Equipment	70,337.90
Buildings (Maint. Projects)	150,245.01
Improvements	150,309.20

**OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT**

Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds	754,000.00
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**TOTAL PAYMENTS - 2008 WARRANT\***

**\$6,667,000.82**

**OTHER PAYMENTS**

Kearsarge Regional School Dist.	8,437,739.68
Merrimack County Taxes	3,081,661.00
Water Precinct Taxes	408,426.00
Tax Abatements and Refunds	25,468.55
Tax Deferrals	9,605.01
Tax Deeding	2,247.99
State of New Hampshire	10,927.00
Trustee of the Trust Fund	12,600.00
Refunds and Overpayments	4,343.78
Library Appropriation Adjustment	(41,800.00)
NL Sewer (Job Seamans/Birch Acres)	5,056.81
NL Sewer (Edmunds Road)	13,043.64
NL Sewer (User & Loan Fees)	788,740.95
Water Pollution Control Grant	14,346.00
Salaries - Library	246,307.79
Salaries - Day Camp Counselors	20,303.41
Police ICAC Reimbursement	1,359.59
Insurance Claim Expenses	11,971.83
Capital Project-Roundabout	553,989.01
Sewer Expenses (reimbursed by Sewer)	109,574.00
Payroll Deductions	1,480.54
2007 Encumbered	152,250.61
2007 Accounts Payable	23,863.47

**TOTAL OTHER PAYMENTS**

**13,893,506.66**

**2008 SELECTMEN'S ORDERS PAID**

**\$20,560,507.48**

*Total Payments - 2008 Warrant	\$20,560,507.48
2007 Accounts Payable	-23,863.47
2007 Encumbered	-152,250.61

**Expended Dec. 31, 2008**

**\$20,384,393.40**

## SUMMARY OF GROSS RECEIPTS

Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2008

(Unaudited)

### BY TAXATION:

Prior Year Property Tax	377,300.70
Land Use Change Tax	33,180.00
Interest	30,018.85
Yield Tax	657.73
Tax Sales Redeemed	48,874.03
2008 Property Tax	15,784,133.64
Current Levy Deeded	420.27
Interest	10,270.67
Over Payments	18,805.44
Yield Tax	1,837.15
Land Use Change Tax	29,000.00

### FROM STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

State Revenue Sharing Block Grant	57,685.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	195,476.75
State Aid Water Pollution Grant	14,346.00
Highway Block Grant	116,185.35

### FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

FEMA Grant	13,476.32
Sidewalk & Intersection Grant	288,240.96
Highway Safety Grant	3,995.57

### FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES

Business Licenses	45,031.27
Motor Vehicle Fees	751,730.52
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	47,767.64
Income from Departments	203,644.83
Other Charges	550.00
Sales of Municipal Property	4,142.44
Interest on Investments	33,352.24
Rents of Property	51,544.96
Fines & Forfeits	12,495.27
Insurance Reimbursements	78,956.75
Contributions & Refunds	82,625.18
Revenue-Other Misc. Sources	64,844.54
Common Fund Earned Interest	15,052.62
Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds	637,850.80
Transfers - Trust & Agency Fund	5,000.00
Cemetery Lot Sales	12,600.00
Payments Due State	10,947.00
Payments Due to NL Sewer Betterment	18,100.45
Refunds from Library (Payroll)	246,307.79
Refunds from Recreation Revolving (Payroll)	20,303.41
Refunds from Sewer Expenses	66,666.50
Refunds from Sewer for Bond payments	42,907.50
2007 Accounts Receivable	23,621.03
Sewer User Charges	777,791.24

### TOTAL RECEIPTS

20,277,738.41

**SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND ACTIVITY**  
**Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2008**  
**(UNAUDITED)**

Opening Sewer Fund January 2008		<u><u>399,062.51</u></u>
Sewer Fund Revenue		
User Fees	753,896.67	
User Interest	4,129.10	
Connection Fees	54,628.00	
Capital Reserve Funds	19,085.55	
Sale of Municipal Property (Truck)	5,810.00	
Sunapee Refund of 2007 Expenses	7,218.75	
Miscellaneous Income	2,882.09	
Interest Income	1,325.48	
Due from Construction Loan	-28.74	
Total Sewer Fund Revenue		<u><u>848,946.90</u></u>
Sewer Fund Expense		
Sewer Building Expense	48,535.85	
Sewage Collection & Disposal Expense	611,945.89	
Sewer Debt Service	35,000.00	
Sewer Debt Service Interest	7,907.50	
Capital Outlay-Equipment Replacement	19,085.55	
Transfer To Capital Reserves	20,000.00	
Miscellaenous Expenses	3,253.99	
Total Sewer Fund Expense		<u><u>745,728.78</u></u>
Closing Sewer Fund Balance December 31, 2008		<u><u>502,280.63</u></u>

**STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT\***

Maturities	Facilities Bond & Edmunds Rd. Sewer July 22, 1999		Highway Garage & Fire Station June 2005		Landfill Repair & Sewer Pump Station Upgrade June 2006		Library Repairs & NL Inn Land Purchase May 2007	
	Original Amt.	Interest Rate	Original Amt	Interest Rate	Original Amount	Interest Rate	Original Amount	Interest Rate
	\$1,250,000		\$877,940		\$525,000		\$497,000	
2009	60,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2010	65,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2011	65,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2012	65,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2013	65,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2014	70,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	52,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2015	75,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	45,608	3.80	49,700	3.99
2016	75,000	5.25	43,897	3.72	27,500	3.80	49,700	3.99
2017	80,000	5.25	43,897	3.72			49,700	3.99
2018	85,000	5.25	43,897	3.72				
2019	80,000	5.25	43,897	3.72				
2020			43,897	3.72				
2021			43,897	3.72				
2022			43,897	3.72				
2023			43,897	3.72				
2024			43,897	3.72				
	<u>\$ 785,000</u>		<u>\$ 702,352</u>		<u>\$ 388,108</u>		<u>\$ 447,300</u>	

**LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS\***  
**Comparative Balance Sheet**  
**December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007**

**Amount to be provided for Retirement of Long Term Debt**

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Due from General Fund		
Town's Share	\$ 1,987,760	\$ 2,151,357
Due from Sewer Commission	\$ 320,654	\$ 382,520
Due from N.H. Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission	\$ 14,346	\$ 14,980
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$ 2,322,760</u>	<u>\$ 2,548,857</u>
Long Term Debt Outstanding		
Sewer Construction Bond - 1993	\$ -	\$ 20,000
Facilities & Edmunds Rd Sewer Bond - 1999	\$ 785,000	\$ 845,000
Highway Garage & Fire Station Bond - 2005	\$ 702,352	\$ 746,249
Landfill Repair & Sewer Pump Station Upgrade-2006	\$ 388,108	\$ 440,608
Library Repairs & New London Inn Land Purchase-2007	\$ 447,300	\$ 497,000
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>\$ 2,322,760</u>	<u>\$ 2,548,857</u>

\*These statements do not include debt of the Kearsarge Regional School District.

## 2008 SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Form MS-1 (as of April 1, 2008)

	2008 Assessed Valuation	2007 Assessed Valuation	2006 Assessed Valuation
Current Use Land	802,000	751,400	819,200
Conservation Restriction Assessment (at Current Use Value)	3,600	3,100	3,100
Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved)	399,604,190	398,938,790	399,947,090
Commercial Land	23,607,010	23,913,610	23,861,510
<b>Total Taxable Land</b>	<b>424,016,800</b>	<b>423,611,900</b>	<b>424,630,900</b>
<i>Tax Exempt &amp; Non-Taxable Land</i>	<i>22,568,300</i>	<i>\$22,415,700</i>	<i>\$ 22,665,800</i>
Residential Buildings	573,203,520	564,627,120	551,636,820
Manufactured Housing (defined by RSA 674:31)	0	0	0
Commercial Buildings	63,763,080	74,103,580	58,438,880
<b>Total Taxable Buildings</b>	<b>636,966,600</b>	<b>638,730,700</b>	<b>610,075,700</b>
<i>Tax Exempt &amp; Non-Taxable Buildings</i>	<i>51,234,400</i>	<i>42,515,300</i>	<i>45,794,400</i>
Public Utilities	4,413,800	4,413,800	4,413,800
<b>Valuation before exemptions:</b>	<b>1,065,397,200</b>	<b>1,066,756,400</b>	<b>\$1,039,124,000</b>
Exemptions:			
Elderly Exemptions per RSA 72:39-a & b	(810,000)	(775,000)	(950,000)
Blind Exemptions per RSA 72:37	(60,000)	(60,000)	(45,000)
Exemption for Disabled Veterans per RSA 72:36-a	(231,600)	(231,600)	(231,600)
Solar Exemptions per RSA 72:62	(58,563)	(58,563)	(58,563)
School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions per RSA 72:23 IV	(650,000)	(650,000)	(650,000)
<b>Total exemptions:</b>	<b>(\$1,810,163)</b>	<b>(\$1,775,163)</b>	<b>\$ (1,935,163)</b>
<b>NET VALUATION FOR TAX RATE</b>	<b>\$1,063,587,037</b>	<b>\$1,064,981,237</b>	<b>\$1,037,185,237</b>
<b>Valuation without utilities, used for State Education Taxes</b>	<b>\$ 1,059,173,237</b>	<b>\$1,060,567,437</b>	<b>\$1,032,771,437</b>

## TAX RATE HISTORY

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Townwide Valuation	1,063,587,037	1,064,981,237	1,037,185,237	1,032,847,474	882,668,642	877,882,126	686,112,001
Town Tax Rate	4.41	3.80	3.94	3.33	3.51	3.33	3.97
County Tax Rate	2.89	2.43	2.27	2.19	2.24	2.08	1.77
Local Education Tax Rate	5.43	4.75	4.14	3.71	5.47	4.51	5.24
State Education Tax Rate	2.45	2.49	2.54	2.56	3.39	3.03	4.49
<b>Tax Rate</b>	<b>15.18</b>	<b>13.47</b>	<b>12.89</b>	<b>11.79</b>	<b>14.61</b>	<b>12.95</b>	<b>15.47</b>
Water Precinct Tax Rate	1.11	0.85	0.85	0.85	1.33	1.22	1.69
<b>Tax Rate in Water Precinct</b>	<b>16.29</b>	<b>14.32</b>	<b>13.74</b>	<b>12.64</b>	<b>15.94</b>	<b>14.17</b>	<b>17.16</b>

## EXPLANATION OF 2008 TAX RATE CALCULATION

<u><b>Town Tax Calculation</b></u>	<u><b>2007</b></u>	<u><b>2008</b></u>	<u><b>Change</b></u>
Town Appropriations per Town Meeting	8,371,422	7,957,522	-5%
Less Revenues	(4,283,588)	(3,505,370)	-18%
Less Surplus to Offset Tax Rate	(335,000)	(100,000)	-70%
Less Shared Revenues	(16,832)	(16,832)	
Plus Overlay	99,470	150,000	51%
Plus War Service Credits	212,000	209,900	-1%
Total to be raised by taxes	\$ 4,047,472	<u>\$ 4,595,267</u>	14%
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation	1,064,981,237	<u>1,063,587,037</u>	
<b>Town Rate per \$1000</b>	<b>3.80</b>	<b>4.41</b>	16%
<b>Local School Tax Calculation</b>			
KRSD Total Budget	26,149,538	35,210,535	13%
KRSD Amount to be raised by local property taxes	17,923,214	20,267,633	17%
KRSD Apportionment due from New London	7,639,769	8,367,839	10%
Less State Adequate Education Grant	(2,580,245)	(2,597,855)	1%
Total to be raised by taxes	\$ 5,059,524	<u>\$ 5,769,984</u>	14%
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation	1,064,981,237	<u>1,063,587,037</u>	
<b>Local School Rate per \$1000</b>	<b>4.75</b>	<b>5.43</b>	14%
<b>State Education Taxes Calculation</b>			
Equalized Valuation (not including utilities)	1,151,895,014	1,213,951,137	5%
Multiplied by Statewide Property Tax Rate	x 2.24	<u>x 2.14</u>	
Total to be raised by taxes	\$2,580,245	<u>\$2,597,855</u>	1%
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (not including utilities)	1,060,567,437	<u>1,059,173,237</u>	
<b>State Education Tax Rate per \$1000</b>	<b>2.43</b>	<b>2.45</b>	1%
<b>Merrimack County Tax Calculation</b>			
Merrimack County Budget	\$64,210,637	\$70,373,817	10%
Due to Merrimack County from New London	2,657,660	3,081,661	16%
Less Shared Revenues	(10,329)	(10,329)	
Total to be raised by taxes	\$2,647,331	<u>\$3,071,332</u>	16%
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation	1,064,981,237	<u>1,063,587,037</u>	
<b>County Tax Rate per \$1000</b>	<b>2.49</b>	<b>2.89</b>	16%
<b>Total Tax Rate per \$1000</b>	<b>13.47</b>	<u><b>15.18</b></u>	13%
<b>New London-Springfield Water Precinct Tax Calculation</b>			
Amount to be raised per Annual Meeting	\$320,176	<u>\$408,426</u>	28%
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (within NLSWP)	378,076,782	<u>367,951,382</u>	
New London-Springfield Water Precinct Tax Rate per \$1000	<b>0.85</b>	<u><b>1.11</b></u>	31%
<b>Total Tax Rate for property within NLSWP</b>	<b>14.32</b>	<u><b>16.29</b></u>	14%
Total Property Taxes to be Collected	\$14,123,761	15,924,538	13%
Plus New London-Springfield Water Precinct	\$320,176	<u>\$408,426</u>	28%
<b>TOTAL RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES IN 2008</b>	<b>\$14,443,937</b>	<u><b>\$16,332,964</b></u>	13%

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

		Map/Lot	Acreege	Value
<b>MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS &amp; LAND</b>				
Whipple Memorial Town Hall & Harold W. Buker Jr. Municipal Building	429 Main Street	085-002	0.68	\$1,127,300
Old Colby Academy Building & Inn Common	25 Seamans Road			
Tracy Memorial Library	375 Main Street	084-090	1.29	\$898,500
Ausbon Sargent Common & Bandstand	304 Main Street	084-054	1.00	\$1,868,300
Little Common, Main Street	401 Main Street	085-001	3.80	\$605,400
Fire Station Land & Buildings	328 Main Street	084-009	1.00	\$245,500
Public Works Land & Buildings	237 Main Street	084-066	0.94	\$864,000
Transfer Station/Recycling & Disposal	186 South Pleasant Street	095-053	4.01	\$795,900
Brush & Metal Disposal Center	1213 Newport Road	056-008	4.80	\$535,600
Main Pump Station (Frothingham Road)	74 Old Dump Road	033-023	6.41	\$77,300
Georges Mills Pump Station	64 Frothingham Road	095-015	11.36	\$715,000
Town Line Metering Station	5 Holmes Lane, Sunapee		0.37	\$89,700
	Route 11			
<b>BEACHES</b>				
Bucklin Beach, Land & Buildings	4 Camp Sunapee Road	033-009	2.58	\$396,100
Elkins Beach, Land & Buildings & Post Office	349 Elkins Road	077-012	1.50	\$718,300
<b>CEMETERIES</b>				
Cemetery Well, Elkins Road	Elkins Road	087-007	0.03	\$4,100
Elkins Cemetery	Elkins Road	088-002	6.00	\$242,200
Cemetery Land	Bog Road	095-039	3.70	\$63,600
Old Main Street Cemetery	Old Main Street	107-019	4.20	\$67,400
West Part Cemetery	County Road	117-019	1.70	\$53,600



*Elkins Dam, January 2009 (Photo by Duncan Beardsley).*

**CONSERVATION LAND**

Colby Sanctuary	Great Brook	012-001	33.00	\$71,000
Phillips Memorial Preserve	Goosehole Road	029-001	79.60	\$355,300
Goosehole Prime Wetland	Goosehole Road	029-004	0.62	\$26,500
Former Cook Property	Whitney Brook Road	052-008	69.00	\$5,600
Philbrick-Cricenti Bog	Newport Road	058-024	36.16	\$184,700
Land	Route 103A	069-002	9.00	\$69,100
Clark Lookout	Davis Hill Road	068-011	4.47	\$11,200
Lyon Brook Property	Pleasant Street	083-009	14.70	\$83,100
Land on Lyon Brook	South Pleasant Street	095-052	4.13	\$140,600
Former Cleveland Property	Pleasant Street	074-048	0.60	\$46,400
Esther Currier WMA at Low Plain	Route 11/Mountain Road	088-007	177.68	\$336,500
	Laurel Lane	089-012	30.97	\$179,000
Herrick Cove Brook Impoundment Area	Columbus Avenue	091-032	4.5	\$54,500
Messer Pond Conservation Area	County Road	093-013	46.95	\$370,000
Shepard Spring – Shepard Pit	Mountain Road	112-006	53.30	\$261,900
Clark Pond Conservation Area	Bog Road	119-002	90.0	\$220,000

**MISCELLANEOUS LAND**

Otterville Road Right of Way	Otterville Road	042-021	0.31	\$5,100
Island, Pleasant Lake	Pleasant Lake Island	050-020	0.50	\$13,700
Parkside Road Land	Parkside Road	072-004	0.10	\$3,700
Pleasant Lake Access	Elkins Road	077-014	0.05	\$166,200
Pleasant Lake Dam, Land & Buildings	Elkins Road	077-016	1.00	\$455,700
Tanner Pond	Elkins Road	077-030	0.42	\$40,100
Scytheville Park Dam	Elkins Road	078-028	0.05	\$6,600
Scytheville Park Ext.	Elkins Road	078-029	0.96	\$12,600
Scytheville Park	Elkins Road	078-030	0.09	\$3,600
Scythe Shop Pond	Elkins Road	078-031	0.95	\$10,000
Backland off Squires Lane/sewer lagoons	Frothingham Road	096-040	37.00	\$77,000
Landfill Closure	Mountain Road	101-003	30.8	\$183,100
Landfill Closure	Mountain Road	101-007	2.30	\$5,800
Landfill	Mountain Road	101-008	14.07	\$106,000
Messer Pond Island	Messer Pond Island	105-001	0.05	\$3,300
Land - ROW	Soo Nipi Park Road	126-002	.07	\$3,400
Former Gould lot	Landlocked off King Hill	132-011	2.40	\$1,100
Former Grandgeorge lot	King Hill Road	136-001	0.42	\$44,500

**TOTAL TOWN PROPERTY**

			<u>801.59</u>	<u>\$12,924,700</u>
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**SCENIC ROADS**

Camp Sunapee Road  
County Road (from Knights Hill Road to Tracy Road)  
Davis Hill Road  
Forty Acres Road  
Pingree Road  
Soo Nipi Park Road  
Whitney Brook Road

# REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2008

## ISSUE OF DOG LICENSES:

714 Dog Licenses	2,600.00
Payments due State on Dog Licenses	1,074.00
Payments due State on Pet Overpopulation Fund	348.00

**PAYMENTS TO TREASURER** 4,022.00

## AUTO REGISTRATIONS:

Auto Permits Issued	736,118.52
Title Fees	1,358.00
Municipal Agent Fees	14,254.00

**PAYMENTS TO TREASURER** 751,730.52

## BOAT REGISTRATIONS:

Boat Permits Issued & Agent Fees	3,938.55
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**PAYMENTS TO TREASURER** 3,938.55

## ALL OTHER FEES:

Aqua-Therm Permits	3.00
Articles of Agreement	5.00
Civil Forfeiture Fees	450.00
Footpath Maps	424.75
Wetlands Applications	349.00
Town Histories	200.00
Uniform Commercial Code Filings	1,695.00
Filing Fees	185.00
Passport Fees	3,515.00
Checklists	253.00
Miscellaneous Fees	90.34
Non-Sufficient Funds Charge	50.00
Town Vital Statistics Certificates	4,898.00
Town Marriage & Civil Union Licenses	147.00
Payments to State on Vital Statistics & Licenses	9,525.00

**PAYMENTS TO TREASURER** 21,790.09

**TOTAL RECEIPTS** \$781,481.16

**TOTAL PAID TO TREASURER** \$781,481.16

Respectfully submitted,  
*Linda M. Hardy*  
Town Clerk

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

## Summary of Tax Accounts

	LEVIES OF	
	2008	2007
Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Tax		\$505,299.57
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Taxes		281.70
Sewer Rent		73,445.47
Sewer Betterment		1,360.00
Taxes Committed to Collector During Fiscal Year:		
Property Tax	\$16,342,399.67	
Land Use Change Tax	29,000.00	33,180.00
Yield Taxes	1,837.15	376.05
Sewer Rent	765,542.72	
Sewer Betterment	17,967.13	
Overpayments: Sewer Rents	547.73	
Rounding	.52	
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes	11,493.95	26,486.03
Costs Before Lien		1,115.00
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$17,168,788.87</b>	<b>\$641,543.82</b>
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Tax	\$15,784,133.64	\$270,596.29
Land Use Change Tax	29,000.00	33,180.00
Yield Taxes	1,837.15	657.75
Sewer Rent	713,232.16	61,125.49
Sewer Betterment	16,647.13	1,360.00
Interest on Taxes	11,493.95	26,486.03
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		246,342.07
Costs/Penalties		1,115.00
Other Charges		
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Tax	4,308.04	40.76
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Tax		
Sewer Rent	1,622.21	640.43
Sewer Betterment		
Current Levy Deeded	420.27	
Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year		
Property Tax	553,538.24	
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Tax		
Sewer Rent	51,236.08	
Sewer Betterment	1,320.00	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$17,168,788.87</b>	<b>\$641,543.82</b>

## SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

	Levies of		
	2007	2006	2005
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year		\$56,763.83	\$24,167.16
Tax Liens Executed to Town During Fiscal Year	\$261,077.22		
Interest & Costs After Lien Execution	6,547.25	3,762.26	9,147.09
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$267,624.47</b>	<b>\$60,526.09</b>	<b>\$33,314.25</b>
Remittance to Treasurer – During Fiscal Year - Redemptions	\$105,759.49	\$24,212.85	\$24,029.14
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	6,547.25	3,762.26	9,147.09
Liens Abated	113,445.37		
Liens Deeded to Municipality	941.03	494.02	138.02
Unredeemed Taxes-End of Fiscal Year	40,931.33	32,056.96	0
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$267,624.47</b>	<b>\$60,526.09</b>	<b>\$33,314.25</b>

## SUMMARY OF SEWER RENTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008

### LEVY OF 2007 - FIRST & SECOND BILLINGS

Balance due Uncollected Rents	\$73,445.47
Sewer Rents Collected & Remitted to Treasurer	73,445.47
Abatements on Sewer Rents	640.43
Interest Collected & Remitted to Treasurer	1,435.98
Fees & Costs	126.00

### LEVY OF 2008

#### RENTS COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR:

Sewer Warrant	\$765,542.72	
Overpayments	547.73	
Interest Collected	2,012.02	
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>		<b>\$768,102.47</b>

#### REMITTANCES TO TREASURER:

Sewer Rents Collected	\$713,232.16	
Abatements	1,622.21	
Interest Collected	2,012.02	
Uncollected Rents	51,236.08	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>\$768,102.47</b>

**TRACY LIBRARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
**Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2008**

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Cash on Hand January 1, 2008 **\$ 10,822.07**

Income:

Town Appropriation	\$419,530.00
Trust Funds	19,808.17
Fines	7,740.28
Lost/Damaged Materials	2,793.55
Gifts and Memorials	13,282.70
Non-Resident Fees	8,560.00
Copier	1,534.75
Interest	<u>2,030.78</u>

Total Income \$475,280.23

Expenditures:

Personnel	\$331,006.57
Books and Related Materials	51,009.72
Supplies	10,608.55
Equipment	12,519.11
Public Relations	1,456.21
Maintenance	47,710.38
Travel and Dues	1,925.95
Audit	2,354.63
Special Projects	<u>4,033.68</u>

Total Expenditures (\$462,624.80)

RETURNED TO TOWN TOWARD SURPLUS (12,000.00)

Cash on Hand December 31, 2008 **\$ 11,477.50**

Balance of Other Funds January 1, 2008

Friends	\$13,434.29	
Garden Account	4,890.24	
Garden Operating	13,302.35	
Gift Funds	<u>147,893.27</u>	
Total		<b>\$179,520.15</b>

Income of Other Funds

Friends	\$ 3,724.82	
Garden Account	3,011.53	
Garden Operating	19.88	
Gift Funds	<u>4,705.77</u>	
Total		11,462.00

Expenditures of Other Funds

Friends	\$17,159.11	
Garden Account	3,000.00	
Garden Operating	11,002.18	
Gift Funds	<u>2,000.52</u>	
Total		(33,161.81)

Balance of Other Funds, December 31, 2008

Friends	\$ 0.00	
Garden Account	4,901.77	
Garden Operating	2,320.05	
Gift Funds	<u>150,598.52</u>	
Total		<b><u>\$157,820.34</u></b>

Respectfully submitted,

*Shelby Blunt*

Tracy Memorial Library Treasurer

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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During 2008, the Town's positive cash flow was challenged as surplus money at the start of the year trended downward. The decreased excess funds, coupled with lower interest rates on short-term investments, reduced the Town's interest income. All temporary, excess funds were invested in short-term (less than 90 days) bank certificates of deposits, bank repurchase agreements, or the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool (NHDIP). The short-term certificates of deposits are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and with balances in excess of \$250,000, invested in deposits that are collateralized by first liens on U.S. Treasury and Agency investments.

Due to the continuing "sub-prime" lending crisis and the freeze-up of credit markets, funds invested with the NHDIP were reduced, even though the pool provides safe and reasonable returns. As we look into 2009, diminishing surplus funds, which are the result of better budget projections, might cause the Town to borrow in anticipation of tax receipts in order to cover short-term gaps in cash flows. If this were to occur, borrowing in anticipation of tax revenues, although common in other municipalities, would be an unusual occurrence for our Town. Fortunately, interest rates for short-term borrowings should offer the Town attractive rates. At the same time, rates on short-term investments will be less than the recent past, which will reduce the Town's interest income.

As always, Carolyn Fraley, the Town's Finance Officer, skillfully manages the Town's expenditures and is invaluable in maintaining the Town's financial records. Also, the entire staff at the Town Offices, under Jessie Levine's leadership, is to be commended. New London continues to be very fortunate to have such an able and dedicated staff.

Respectfully submitted,

*Stephen R. Theroux*, Treasurer

## TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

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The Trustees of the Trust Funds meet on a quarterly basis and correspond as needed during the year to monitor the investments of the town's capital reserves, library funds and cemetery funds. As 2008 was an extremely volatile year in the capital markets and the economy as a whole, much more frequent communication and action occurred in order to keep the various accounts invested safely.

In comparison to ten years ago, 1998 was a very positive year with the S & P 500 Index achieving returns of 20%+ for the fourth consecutive year. In 1998, the S & P 500 Index was up 28.6%. In 2008, our economy was mired in a deep recession for the full year. The S & P 500 Index sank 37.5% and almost matched its decline in 1937. The gains of the last six years were wiped out in a year of violent markets swings. The two-year Treasury bond yields less than 1%. The 30-year bond at year end was yielding less than 3%. The ten-year Treasury yields have averaged just over 4.5% for several years, but at year end they offered just 2.5%.

A comparison between then (1998) and now (2008):

<u>1998</u>	<u>2008</u>
16 Capital Reserve Funds	43 Capital Reserve Funds
Cemetery Fund	Cemetery Fund
Library Fund	Library Fund
General Support Fund	General Support Fund
<b>Total: \$1,019,126</b>	<b>Total: \$5,195,202</b>

The Trustees place their emphasis on capital preservation and adhere to the trust fund policy guidelines of the State of New Hampshire. Asset allocation is based on time horizons of cash needs for each fund. All Capital Reserve Funds are invested in short term governments, money funds or bank CD's. The Library and Cemetery Funds have longer time horizons and hold government bonds with maturities of up to ten years and some equity securities, primarily in the form of diversified index funds.

The Trustees have kept a watchful eye on the Trust Funds during the volatile year of 2008 and will continue our current policies as we head into an uncertain 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

*Andrew Hager*, Chair

*William Horn*

*Patricia Sheehan*

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**New London Town Accounts**  
**Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2008 (Unaudited)**

**General Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$3,791,828.86	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	<u>\$20,277,738.41</u>	\$24,069,567.27
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$20,560,507.48	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	<u>\$3,509,059.79</u>	\$24,069,567.27

**Conservation Commission Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$8,828.93	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	<u>\$4,724.94</u>	\$13,553.87
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	<u>\$13,553.87</u>	\$13,553.87

**Conservation Commission Esther Currier Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$1,009.30	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	<u>\$1.25</u>	\$1,010.55
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$1,010.55	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$1,010.55

**Conservation Commission Low Plains Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$3,632.01	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	<u>\$4.50</u>	\$3,636.51
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$3,636.51	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$3,636.51

**New Police Uniform and Equipment Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$0.00	
Amounts Received January 1-Dec.31, 2008	<u>\$3,000.74</u>	\$3,000.74
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1-Dec.31, 2008	\$0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	<u>\$3,000.74</u>	\$3,000.74

**Snow Construction Escrow Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$1,314.13	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	<u>\$3.28</u>	\$1,317.41
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	<u>\$1,317.41</u>	\$1,317.41

**New London Recreation Revolving Fund**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$27,163.03	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	<u>\$65,579.18</u>	\$92,742.21
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$62,751.72	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	<u>\$29,990.49</u>	\$92,742.21

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**New London Town Accounts**  
**Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2008 (Unaudited)**

**New London Recycling Revolving Fund**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$4,500.00	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$54,088.80	
		\$58,588.80
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$53,588.80	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$5,000.00	
		\$58,588.80

**New London Transfer Station Equipment Maintenance Fund**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$5,011.02	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$12.56	
		\$5,023.58
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$5,023.58	
		\$5,023.58

**Ephemera Purchases/Archives Committee**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$3,009.97	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$1.68	
		\$3,011.65
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$3,011.65	
		\$3,011.65

**Disease Prevention & Control**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$5,016.62	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$2.81	
		\$5,019.43
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$5,019.43	
		\$5,019.43

**Town Clock**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$2,116.78	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$1.06	
		\$2,117.84
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$310.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$1,807.84	
		\$2,117.84

**Carlton F Barton Escrow Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$1,001.48	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$1.05	
		\$1,002.53
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$1,002.53	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$0.00	
		\$1,002.53

**Sumner Woodward Escrow Fund**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$6,001.55	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$4.71	
		\$6,006.26
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$4,849.65	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$1,156.61	
		\$6,006.26

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**New London Town Accounts**  
**Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2008 (Unaudited)**

**Sewer Operating Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$399,062.51	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$848,946.90	
		\$1,248,009.41
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$745,728.78	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$502,280.63	
		\$1,248,009.41

**Sewer Replacement/Rehabilitation Accounts**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$21,679.97	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$17,512.00	
		\$39,191.97
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$39,191.97	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$0.00	
		\$39,191.97

**Sewer Edmunds Road Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$19,822.53	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$19,531.31	
		\$39,353.84
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$21,787.50	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$17,566.34	
		\$39,353.84

**Job Seamans/Birch Acres Operating Accounts**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$8,141.57	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$12,983.43	
		\$21,125.00
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$21,125.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$0.00	
		\$21,125.00

**Sewer Loan/Upgrade Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$98,218.75	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$34,262.35	
		\$132,481.10
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$50,812.92	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$81,668.18	
		\$132,481.10

**Sewer Weston & Sampson Escrow**

Cash on Hand January 1, 2008	\$2,921.22	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$2.40	
		\$2,923.62
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 2008	\$2,923.62	
Cash on Hand December 31, 2008	\$0.00	
		\$2,923.62

*Stephen R. Theroux*, Treasurer

TRACY LIBRARY CREATE NAME OF DATE	HOW INVESTED	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			PRINCIPAL ONLY UNREALIZED GAIN OR (LOSS)			TOTAL MARKET VALUE	
		BEGINNING BALANCE	NEW FUND CREATED	GAINS OR LOSSES	WD	END BALANCE	BEGIN BALANCE	INCOME OVER YR	EXPENDED OVER YR	END BALANCE		MARKET VALUE 12/31/2007
1951 JANE A TRACY FUND	Money Market Fund	4,561.24	20,000.00	15,713.57	3,827.30	20,733.94	(132.81)	1,202.53	1,069.72	4,561.24	20,733.94	21,803.66
	Micap 400 S&P Dep. Receipts (357 shs.)	33,044.23			48,757.80			159.74		55,370.70		
	S&P 500 Depository Receipts (112 shs.)	13,083.36				13,083.36		311.08		16,375.52		10,106.88
	20000 GMAC 7.125% 8/15/12	20,000.00				20,000.00		1,425.00		16,627.00		8,194.20
	Pimco Corp Income Fund (1282 shs)	19,615.58		(698.50)	18,676.08			136.21		16,486.52		
	Pimco Corp Opportunity Fund (1345 shs)	23,732.87		(4,242.27)	19,490.60			154.68		18,080.25		
	45000 US TREAS NOTE 3.875% due 2/15/13	44,746.25			10,000.00	44,746.25		1,743.76		45,900.00		50,132.70
	10000 US TREAS NOTE 5.56% 05-08	9,864.10		15.80	10,000.00			281.25		10,080.50		
	20000 US TN 4.34% 11/15/08	19,891.00		9.00	20,000.00			950.00		20,225.00		
	20000 Fed Farm Credit Bk 6.01% 06-10	18,554.00			18,554.00			1,202.00		21,119.80		21,479.80
	19000 Discover Bank 5% CIF-DEP 5/13/13	19,000.00			19,000.00			952.60		16,878.59		19,371.07
	25000 FHLB 4.5% 2/23/2011	24,255.00			25,000.00			465.75		23,000.00		
	35000 Colonial Bank 4.8% 11/21/08	35,000.00		745.00	35,000.00			1,772.34		34,938.73		35,893.55
	35000 Goldman Sachs Bank 5.05% 10/17/12	35,000.00			35,000.00			488.75		35,000.00		
	Dreyfus S&P 500 Index Fund (1161.84 shs)	25,278.16			25,278.16			1,664.60		34,916.35		29,296.67
	Fidelity Spartan Market Index (660.145 shs)	25,278.16			31,120.71		229.66	1,559.47		46,003.34		41,901.60
	Shares Lehman Aggregate (675 shares)	31,120.71			90,751.78			1,208.07	229.66	66,656.23		91,175.00
	First Bank Puerto Rico 3.75% due 9/2/08		90,751.78		25,000.00			3,767.18				10,000.00
	GE Capital Financial 3.3% due 5/15/09		25,000.00		10,000.00							25,311.75
	Capital One 4.2% due 9/2/10		10,000.00		25,000.00							35,318.75
	35,000 Goldman Sachs Bank 4.35% 12/5/11		25,000.00		35,000.00							397,666.23
TRACY FUND TOTAL		376,866.52	205,751.78	11,301.70	205,751.78	388,266.22	96.85	19,528.92	18,326.39	453,229.79	1,692.34	1,694.01
1913 SARAH & ELIZABETH BROWN FUND	NH PDIP #0013	1,692.34				1,692.34	93.84	43.84	136.01	1,67	1,692.34	1,694.01
1945 ANN MARY JELLY FUND	NH PDIP #0011	129.87				129.87	7.92	3.28	11.20	129.87	129.87	141.07
1962 KATHLEEN L WHITCOMB FUND	NH PDIP #0012	39.09			39.09		5.57	0.23	5.80	39.09	39.09	44.89
	Fidelity Mini Money Market	7,600.28	9.17		7,609.45		0.10	291.42		11,624.53	7,966.16	7,966.16
	611,486 Fidelity Puritan Fund	7,639.37	9.17		7,648.54		5.67	291.65	5.80	11,663.62	8,025.25	8,031.05
WHITCOMB FUND TOTAL		386,428.10	205,760.95	11,301.70	205,751.78	397,738.97	204.28	19,867.69	18,753.92	466,715.62	407,533.71	408,651.76
TOTAL LIBRARY INVESTMENTS							1,963.21	17,912.30	19,808.17	67.34	407,533.71	408,918.10
TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS		386,428.10	205,760.95	11,301.70	205,751.78	397,738.97	2,167.49	37,779.99	38,562.09	466,715.62	407,533.71	408,918.10

CREATE DATE	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS NAME OF FUND	HOW INVESTED	BEGINNING BALANCE	NEW FUND CREATED	GAINS OR LOSSES	W/D	END BALANCE	BEGIN BALANCE	INCOME OVER YR	EXPENDED OVER YR	END BALANCE	MARKET VALUE 12/31/07	UNREALIZED GAIN OR (LOSS)	MARKET VALUE 12/31/2008	TOTAL MARKET VALUE
1982	FIRE VEHICLE FUND	Money Mkt Fund USTN 4.25% 8/15/13 FNMA 4% 9/28/10 PHLB 4.75% 4/28/11 Doral Bank 4.1% CD due 11/10/2011 PHLM 4.5% 2/15/17 FLHM 4% 9/20/15 Beal Bank 3.25% 5/20/09	41,300.97 68,544.75 74,406.75 73,618.00 79,000.00	90,000.00 73,000.00 77,000.00 75,000.00	2,583.25 1,382.00	73,000.00 75,000.00	68,544.75 79,000.00 100,000.00 100,000.00 25,000.00 315,000.00	29,008.61 - - - - - 29,008.61	12,477.54 2,932.50 308.00 811.46 3,247.87 2,350.00 1,977.78	2,932.50 308.00 811.46 3,247.87 2,350.00 1,977.78	41,486.15 - - - - - 41,486.15	41,300.97 71,517.12 76,879.88 75,000.00 76,400.11	9,904.80	78,449.55	99,787.12 78,449.55
	FIRE VEHICLE FUND TOTAL		338,870.47	315,000.00	3,975.25	225,000.00	430,845.72	29,008.61	24,105.15	11,627.61	41,486.15	341,088.08	10,050.87	440,896.59	462,382.74
	1986 POLICE DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND NH PDJP #183-0020		146.32				146.32	69.78	5.24		75.02	146.32		146.32	221.34
1983	GEN'L CEMETERY MAINT FUND	Money Market Fund	12,600.00	12,600.00		5,000.00	20,200.00	1,232.56	245.76		1,478.32	12,600.00		20,200.00	21,678.32
1983	NILWASTE H20 FAC/SUNAPEE WASTE H20 TREATMENT Fac PD	Money Mkt Fund 30000 Capmark Bank 5.15% 6/6/08 45000 Capmark Bank 5.25% 7/5/08 30000 Wachovia Bank 3.4% 6/18/09 45000 Capital One Bank 3.65% 7/23/09 75000 StBk of Long Island 3.45% 9/30/09 NH PDJP #183-0005	3,238.76 30,000.00 45,000.00	452.53 30,000.00 45,000.00	(146.89) (305.64)	30,000.00 44,694.36	15,796.84 - - - 75,000.00	29,853.11 44,694.36	4,800.57 1,549.23 2,356.03 287.84 306.00	1,549.23 2,356.03 287.84 306.00	20,697.41 - - - - - 20,697.41	3,238.76 28,980.10 45,014.40		2,786.23	23,483.64
1983	WASTE WATER FUND TOTAL		78,238.76	150,000.00	(452.53)	150,000.00	77,786.23	24,833.75	9,621.89	4,499.10	29,956.54	76,243.26	364.50	75,364.50	75,364.50
1983	HIGHWAY HEAVY EQUIPMENT	Money Market Fund 36000 Builders Bank 3.25% 5/21/09 95000 Capital One BK 3.25% 5/21/09 60000 Goldman Sachs 2.85% 4/1/09	312,873.77	150,000.00	(176.87)	24,823.03	70,000.00	47,494.86	293.84	293.84	53,806.08	312,873.77	106.20	261,706.80	315,512.88
1983	REVALUATION FUND	NH PDJP #183-0006	30,538.53	68,000.00		69,169.07	29,369.46	3,942.88	718.65		4,662.53	30,538.53		29,369.46	34,031.99
1983	TRACY LIBRARY BUILDING MAINT FUND	Money Market Fund	500,000.00	500,000.00		506,028.76	43,971.24	49,089.53	8,815.77		57,905.30	500,000.00		43,971.24	101,876.54
1985	CONSERVATION COMM LAND CAP RES.	Money Market Fund 95000 BK North Georgia 3.25% 5/15/09 40000 Mutual BK 3.3% 5/18/09 95000 Beal BK 3.25% 5/20/09 48000 Beal BK 3.25% 5/20/09	500,000.00	328,000.00		506,028.76	321,971.24	49,089.53	9,589.68	773.91		57,905.30	408.70	322,379.94	380,285.24
1985	DISPATCH RADIO CAPITAL RES	Money Market Fund	15,708.55	5,000.00		20,708.55	6,158.94	413.55	6,572.49		15,708.55	20,708.55		20,708.55	27,281.04
1986	SIDEWALK CAPITAL RESERVE	Money Market Fund 75000 Capital One BK 3.25% 5/21/09	128,971.15	20,000.00		126,171.80	22,799.35	17,934.07	2,236.35		20,170.42	128,971.15	221.25	22,799.35	42,969.77
1986	SIDEWALK CAPITAL RESERVE TOTAL		128,971.15	95,000.00		97,799.35	17,934.07	17,934.07	2,236.35		20,170.42	128,971.15	221.25	98,020.60	118,191.02
1986	TOWN GENERATOR CAPITAL RES	NH PDJP #183-0019					1,957.80	28.95	1,986.75						
1987	BRIDGE MAINTENANCE	Money Market Fund 5000 FFCE 3.5% due 7/28/2008 FNMA 4% 7/23/09 Colonial Bank 4.8% 11/21/07 25000 StBk of Long Island 3.45% 9/30/09 50000 Discover BK 2.75% 9/03/09 14000 Beal BK 3.25% 5/20/09	23,419.75 4,930.00 4,899.25 50,000.00	5,000.00 - - - 25,000.00 50,000.00 14,000.00 119,000.00	70.00 100.75 - (127.14)	5,000.00 50,000.00 24,872.86	451.92 (707.39) - - 25,000.00 50,000.00 14,000.00 86,292.61	5,914.98 - - - - - - 6,366.90	3,309.23 22.78 88.96 2,406.58 501.78	10.96 3,309.23 22.78 88.96 2,406.58 501.78	462.88 9,224.21 - - - - - - 9,687.09	23,419.75 4,975.00 5,000.00 49,880.50		462.88 (707.39)	8,516.62
1987	COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	NH PDJP #183-0022	3,330.60	1,000.00		1,109.00	3,221.60	467.83	93.75		561.58	3,330.60		3,221.60	3,783.18
1988	DICTAPHONE REPLACEMENT	Money Market Fund 15000 Signature Bank 5.15% 6/20/08 15000 Capital One 3.75% 7/2/09 NH PDJP #183-0023	1,441.98 15,000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00	1,441.98	2,938.64	481.32		3,419.96	1,441.98		1,441.98	4,861.94
1989	DICTAPHONE REPLACEMENT TOTAL		16,441.98	15,000.00		15,000.00	16,441.98	591.63	14.95		606.58	16,441.98	86.10	15,066.10	15,066.10
1989	COPIER REPLACEMENT	NH PDJP #183-0025	1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	973.26	59.17		1,032.43	1,000.00		1,000.00	2,032.43
1989	NEW HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	Money Market Fund	2,399.00	14,000.00		8,744.50	7,854.50	10,454.46	373.69		10,828.15	2,399.00		7,854.50	18,462.65
	PAGE TOTAL		1,522,368.13	1,463,600.00	3,389.36	1,446,213.13	1,543,144.36	204,460.16	61,331.47	23,542.99	242,248.64	1,526,632.49	11,565.62	1,554,709.98	1,796,959.62

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

CREATE DATE	NAME OF FUND	HOW INVESTED	BEGINNING BALANCE	END BALANCE	BEGINNING BALANCE	END BALANCE	BEGINNING BALANCE	END BALANCE	MARKET VALUE	MARKET VALUE
2000	Bucklin Beach Project	NH-FDIP-01-0183-0028	241.29	241.29	41.84	4.29	46.13	241.29	39,447.00	241.29
2000	Hays Dam	NH-FDIP #183-0029			610.38	9.08	619.46			
2000	Fire Breathing Apparatus	NH-FDIP #183-0030	91.37	10,091.37	1,516.63	48.69	1,665.32	91.37	10,091.37	11,756.69
2002	Miffoil Prev & Treat	Money Market Fund	56,035.86	40,000.00	5,879.23	884.98	3,759.84	3,004.57	56,035.86	3,004.57
	Miffoil Prev & Treat Total	GE Capital Financial 3.3% 5/15/09	56,035.86	40,000.00	5,879.23	884.98	3,759.84	3,004.57	56,035.86	40,000.00
2002	Town Bldg. Maint.	Money Market Fund	16,785.80	40,000.00	3,473.68	530.59	4,004.27	16,785.80	16,785.80	13,283.58
2002	Transfer Station Improvement	Money Market Fund	33,009.56	5,000.00	35,489.23	2,755.74	1,308.90	11,364.56	33,009.56	13,884.89
		First Bank Puerto Rico 5.25% 2/29/08	25,000.00	25,000.00	1,308.90	253.19	253.19	24,994.00	24,994.00	-
		Lehman Bros Coml Bank 5.05% 8/15/08	5,000.00	5,000.00	387.74	387.74	387.74	4,996.95	4,996.95	-
		Disney Bank 3.7% 4/30/10	40,000.00	40,000.00						
		GE Capital Financial 3.3% 5/15/09	40,000.00	25,000.00	170.44	170.44	170.44	210.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
		Republic Bank 3.95% 9/29/10	95,000.00	95,000.00	8,608.82	4,876.01	1,202.27	11,364.56	63,000.51	25,210.00
2002	Transfer Station Improvement Total		63,009.56	67,520.33	8,608.82	4,876.01	1,202.27	11,364.56	63,000.51	79,084.89
2002	Bandstand Unrestricted	37000 Discover Bk CD 4.4% due 6/01/10	37,000.00	37,000.00	1,632.46	1,632.46	1,632.46	36,487.18	37,557.96	37,557.96
		37000 Washington Trust Bk CD 4.3% due 6/03/06	37,000.00	37,000.00	1,595.36	1,595.36	1,595.36	36,645.91	37,282.68	37,282.68
		25000 Bk N Capital 3.3% 2/20/09	25,000.00	25,000.00	501.78	501.78	501.78	282.68	282.68	282.68
		25000 Goldman Sachs Bk 4.35 12/05/11	25,000.00	25,000.00	113,351.08	113,351.08	113,351.08	156.25	25,156.25	25,156.25
		944 Standard and Proins Dep Rcpts	32,575.60	32,575.60	35,336.65	10,021.70	2,621.96	45,358.35	(28,164.52)	85,166.56
		BMW Bk 4.55% 12/05/11	25,000.00	25,000.00	2,621.96	2,621.96	2,621.96	212.50	25,212.50	27,980.00
		FNMA 5% 10/24/14	24,536.75	24,536.75	347.22	347.22	347.22	25,007.75	25,212.50	25,212.50
		Ishares Xinhua	19,984.30	19,984.30	457.48	457.48	457.48	17,726.80	9,076.08	9,076.08
		Ishares S&P Euro	19,897.69	19,897.69	1,059.82	1,059.82	1,059.82	18,637.42	10,151.64	10,151.64
		Ishares Russell	19,927.05	19,927.05	145.64	145.64	145.64	18,282.12	11,138.34	11,138.34
		Bank Hposalm 4.7% 11/28/08	25,000.00	25,000.00	1,171.78	1,171.78	1,171.78	24,918.50	24,918.50	24,918.50
		50000 Nat Bk SC 4.3% 1/23/09	329,282.47	329,282.47	35,336.65	19,555.20	9,533.50	348,303.52	348,303.52	318,409.51
	Total Bandstand Unrestricted		329,282.47	329,400.77	35,336.65	19,555.20	9,533.50	348,303.52	348,303.52	318,409.51
2002	Bandstand Restricted	34000 Washington Trust Bk CD 4.3% 6/3/09	34,000.00	34,000.00	1,466.00	1,466.00	1,466.00	33,674.62	34,259.76	34,259.76
		34000 Discover Bk CD 4.4% 6/1/10	34,000.00	34,000.00	1,245.98	1,245.98	1,245.98	33,528.76	34,259.76	34,259.76
		25000 National Bk SC 4.3% 1/23/09	25,000.00	25,000.00	10,110.76	2,177.15	2,177.15	29.25	25,029.25	25,029.25
		10000 BMW Bk 4.35% 9/19/11	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,110.76	2,177.15	2,177.15	85.00	10,085.00	10,085.00
		35000 Morgan Stanley Bk 4.1% 4/29/10	35,000.00	35,000.00	9,545.22	5,832.99	5,832.99	388.15	35,388.15	35,388.15
		Money Fund	34,446.29	36,352.92	9,545.22	3,121.01	2,711.98	12,666.23	34,446.29	10,759.60
	Total Bandstand Restricted		102,446.29	102,083.37	9,545.22	5,832.99	2,711.98	12,666.23	101,649.87	115,521.76
2003	Library Garden Maint.	NH-FDIP#183-0039	3,000.00	3,000.00	119.43	8.81	128.24	128.24	128.24	128.24
2003	Kearsarge Rsd Bldg	Money Market Fund	81,934.72	169,000.00	10,110.76	2,177.15	12,287.91	81,934.72	(12,065.28)	222.63
		Midwest Bk and Trust 1.25% 6/30/09	81,934.72	169,000.00	10,110.76	2,177.15	12,287.91	81,934.72	169,000.00	169,000.00
	Total Kearsarge Rsd Building		81,934.72	169,000.00	10,110.76	2,177.15	12,287.91	81,934.72	169,000.00	169,222.63
2003	Kearsarge Rsd Roof	Money Market Fund	504,174.98	43,656.90	60,257.48	11,482.10	71,739.58	504,174.98	43,656.90	115,395.48
		90000 First Priority Bk 2.9% 2/13/09	90,000.00	90,000.00	336.08	336.08	336.08	-	90,000.00	90,000.00
		90000 GE Capital Financial 2.9% 2/13/09	90,000.00	90,000.00	175.81	175.81	175.81	-	90,000.00	90,000.00
		90000 Wachovia Mortgage 3.1% 2/17/09	90,000.00	90,000.00	336.08	336.08	336.08	-	90,000.00	90,000.00
		90000 Wachovia Mortgage 3.1% 2/17/09	90,000.00	90,000.00	175.81	175.81	175.81	-	90,000.00	90,000.00
		90000 Wachovia Mortgage 3.1% 2/17/09	90,000.00	90,000.00	336.08	336.08	336.08	-	90,000.00	90,000.00
		90000 Wachovia Mortgage 3.1% 2/17/09	90,000.00	90,000.00	175.81	175.81	175.81	-	90,000.00	90,000.00
		100000 Toyota Finl Svcs Bk 2.75% 12/30/10	100,000.00	100,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	-	98,456.00	98,456.00
		50000 Colonial Bank 2.25% 12/31/09	504,174.98	504,174.98	60,257.48	11,993.99	511.89	71,739.58	504,174.98	50,000.00
	Total Kearsarge Rsd Roof		504,174.98	598,656.90	60,257.48	11,993.99	511.89	71,739.58	504,174.98	668,852.48
	PAGE TOTAL		1,154,002.34	1,412,000.00	135,600.12	45,921.78	19,302.87	162,219.03	1,172,217.72	1,419,274.35

CREATE DATE	NAME OF FUND	HOW INVESTED	BEGINNING BALANCE	END BALANCE	MARKET VALUE	39,447.00
2003	Computer Software	NHPDP#183-0042	3,363.00	783.99	102.01	886.00
2003	Kearsarge Special Education	Money Market Fund	325,000.00	33,841.30	6,759.93	40,601.23
		100,000 Midfirst Bk 1.2% 6/30/09	100,000.00	100,000.00		225,000.00
		100,000.00	33,841.30	6,759.93		325,000.00
2003	Hall Basement Improvement	Money Market Fund	89,757.92	8,196.55	2,314.64	10,510.19
		US Treas. Note 3.125% due 9/15/2008	104,972.85	110,307.97	468.76	89,757.92
			104,972.85	110,307.97	468.76	110,307.97
2003	Rebuild Main St. Fund	Money Market Fund	832.10	2,294.93	1,760.03	4,054.96
		RG Premier Bank of PR 5% 12/01/08	10,000.00		501.36	832.10
		US Treas. Note 3.125% due 9/15/2008	9,999.90	312.50	9,999.60	8,995.20
		NH PDP 183-0004	10,000.00	1,155.08	312.50	9,999.60
		Discover Bk 3.7% 4/30/10	10,000.00	185.51	185.51	10,000.00
		United Community Bank 4.5% 12/07/09	10,000.00	481.24	481.24	10,000.00
		Fed Home Lnmg 3.25% 3/14/08	8,635.50	164.50	162.50	8,635.50
			50,864.50	1,913.11	1,913.11	50,864.50
2004	Police Dept Computer	NHPDP#183-0045	1,338.68	57.21	381.32	995.79
2004	Intersection Improvement	Money Fund	133,735.80	7,579.65	2,805.67	10,185.32
			52,000.00	65,894.20		65,894.20
2004	Recreation Facilities CRF	Money Market Fund	100,000.00	7,624.89	1,601.06	9,225.95
		Silverton Bk 3.25% 5/22/09	68,000.00	7,624.89		68,000.00
			93,000.00	7,624.89	1,601.06	113,209.00
2004	Mestephan Update	Money Market Fund	27,292.68	2,810.30	551.77	3,362.07
2005	Tracy Library Computer Fund	NH PDP# 183-0035	6,762.28	1,025.88	190.90	1,216.78
2005	Police Vehicle Fund	NHPDP#183-0024	4,865.68	609.46	153.17	762.83
2005	Police Dept Office Equipment Fund	R-G Premier Bank CD 4.45% 6/19/08	4,000.00		178.49	3,985.28
		Community West Bank 5% 6/6/08	4,000.00	100.29	100.29	3,988.76
		Wachovia Bk 3.4% 6/18/09	4,000.00			4,015.52
		Money Market Fund	12,000.00	577.13	386.16	12,963.29
			8,000.00	577.13	664.94	16,015.52
2007	Sewer Department Fund	Money Market Fund	93,847.00	36.09	1,865.29	94,761.45
2007	Pleasant Lake Dam Fund	Money Market Fund	20,000.00	391.46	492.42	5,505.16
2008	Gravel Roads CRF	Money Market Fund	76,000.00	48.90	48.90	76,000.00
2008	KRSD Unanticipated Special Ed	Money Market Fund	75,000.00	161.26	161.26	75,000.00
		The Leaders Bank 1.25% 6/5/09	150,000.00	161.26	161.26	75,000.00
2008	Sewer Lagoon CRF	Money Market	12,500.00	7.87	7.87	11,287.50
			883,600.39	68,226.61	21,692.19	883,614.28
			684,000.00	194.75	554,230.52	1,013,564.62
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	3,870,685.75
			205,760.95	11,301.70	205,751.78	397,738.97
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	408,296.89
			209,432.15	46,036.45	308,724.17	255,468.60
			4,155,831.11	4,074,085.12	59,685.83	3,765,708.74
			4,523,893.32	534,314.74	194,027.41	616,479.69
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			1,385.39	9,784.74	466,715.62	407,533.71
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			27,732.54	4,908.72	266,266.69	259,885.07
			111,862.46	616,479.69	4,315,446.80	4,452,966.32
			883,600.39	68,226.61	21,692.19	883,614.28
			684,000.00	194.75	554,230.52	1,013,564.62
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	3,870,685.75
			205,760.95	11,301.70	205,751.78	397,738.97
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	408,296.89
			209,432.15	46,036.45	308,724.17	255,468.60
			4,155,831.11	4,074,085.12	59,685.83	3,765,708.74
			4,523,893.32	534,314.74	194,027.41	616,479.69
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			1,385.39	9,784.74	466,715.62	407,533.71
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			27,732.54	4,908.72	266,266.69	259,885.07
			111,862.46	616,479.69	4,315,446.80	4,452,966.32
			883,600.39	68,226.61	21,692.19	883,614.28
			684,000.00	194.75	554,230.52	1,013,564.62
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	3,870,685.75
			205,760.95	11,301.70	205,751.78	397,738.97
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	408,296.89
			209,432.15	46,036.45	308,724.17	255,468.60
			4,155,831.11	4,074,085.12	59,685.83	3,765,708.74
			4,523,893.32	534,314.74	194,027.41	616,479.69
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			1,385.39	9,784.74	466,715.62	407,533.71
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			27,732.54	4,908.72	266,266.69	259,885.07
			111,862.46	616,479.69	4,315,446.80	4,452,966.32
			883,600.39	68,226.61	21,692.19	883,614.28
			684,000.00	194.75	554,230.52	1,013,564.62
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	3,870,685.75
			205,760.95	11,301.70	205,751.78	397,738.97
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	408,296.89
			209,432.15	46,036.45	308,724.17	255,468.60
			4,155,831.11	4,074,085.12	59,685.83	3,765,708.74
			4,523,893.32	534,314.74	194,027.41	616,479.69
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			1,385.39	9,784.74	466,715.62	407,533.71
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			27,732.54	4,908.72	266,266.69	259,885.07
			111,862.46	616,479.69	4,315,446.80	4,452,966.32
			883,600.39	68,226.61	21,692.19	883,614.28
			684,000.00	194.75	554,230.52	1,013,564.62
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	3,870,685.75
			205,760.95	11,301.70	205,751.78	397,738.97
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	408,296.89
			209,432.15	46,036.45	308,724.17	255,468.60
			4,155,831.11	4,074,085.12	59,685.83	3,765,708.74
			4,523,893.32	534,314.74	194,027.41	616,479.69
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			1,385.39	9,784.74	466,715.62	407,533.71
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
			27,732.54	4,908.72	266,266.69	259,885.07
			111,862.46	616,479.69	4,315,446.80	4,452,966.32
			883,600.39	68,226.61	21,692.19	883,614.28
			684,000.00	194.75	554,230.52	1,013,564.62
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	3,870,685.75
			205,760.95	11,301.70	205,751.78	397,738.97
			3,559,970.86	2,347.68	3,251,232.79	408,296.89
			209,432.15	46,036.45	308,724.17	255,468.60
			4,155,831.11	4,074,085.12	59,685.83	3,765,708.74
			4,523,893.32	534,314.74	194,027.41	616,479.69
			45,567.83	491,664.50	3,582,464.49	3,825,547.54
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			27,732.54	4,908.72	266,266.69	259,885.07
			111,862.46	616,479.69	4	

COMMON FUNDS

CEMETERY FUND																	
Number Of Shares	How Invested	Balance		Additions:		Gains or (Losses) From Sales		Balance		Income During Yr	Exp'd During Yr	Balance End Year	GRAND TOTAL	(Principal Only) Begin of Yr	Unrealized Gains	End of Yr	Total Market Value
		Begin	End	Purchases	From Sales	End	Year	From Sales	Year								
		11,568.01		39,508.62	90,000.00	(38,923.37)		98,380.00	11,315.37	15,052.62	94,642.75	55,719.38	55,719.38	11,568.01	(38,923.37)	55,719.38	
15000	Money Fund	16,087.50				16,087.50		1,012.50	1,012.50	1,012.50		16,087.50	16,087.50	15,684.45	(600.00)	15,487.50	
15000	FHFB 6.045% 5/12/14	15,093.75				15,093.75		906.76	906.76	906.76		15,093.75	15,093.75	16,603.20	2,540.70	17,634.45	
15000	USTN 4% 11/15/12	14,884.05				14,884.05		600.00	600.00	600.00		14,884.05	14,884.05	15,404.25	1,767.15	16,651.20	
10000	USTN 5.5/8 05/15/08	9,984.10				9,984.10	15.90	281.25	281.25	281.25		10,000.00	10,000.00	10,080.50		16,651.20	
15000	Anchor Mutual Svgs Bk 4.15% 2/16/10	15,000.00				15,000.00		624.21	624.21	624.21		15,000.00	15,000.00	14,745.00	172.50	15,172.50	
312	S&P Midcap Dep Receipts	25,702.55			42,657.97	16,955.42		139.61	139.61	139.61		48,391.20	48,391.20	48,391.20			
183	S&P 500 Dep Receipts	15,894.94			24,676.03	8,781.09		259.38	259.38	259.38		21,862.00	21,862.00	21,862.00			
1700	Pimco Corp Inc. Fd	25,288.63			24,804.06	(484.57)		180.63	180.63	180.63		21,862.00	21,862.00	21,862.00			
460	Pimco Corp Opport. Fd.	7,685.33			6,639.45	(1,045.88)		52.90	52.90	52.90		6,187.00	6,187.00	6,187.00			
335,658	Vanguard Index Fnd	18,127.17			39,946.66	21,819.49		392.72	392.72	392.72		45,364.18	45,364.18	45,364.18			
725	Shares Lehman Aggregate Bond Fund	75,215.55				75,215.55		3,121.36	3,121.36	3,121.36		75,215.55	75,215.55	75,545.00	329.45	75,545.00	
50000	GE Money Bank 4.1% 8/20/10	50,000.00				50,000.00						50,000.00	50,000.00	50,150.00	150.00	50,150.00	
40000	Great Southern Bank 4.7% 8/15/12	40,000.00				40,000.00						40,000.00	40,000.00	40,560.00	560.00	40,560.00	
10000	Silverton Bank 3.25% 5/22/09	10,000.00				10,000.00						10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00		10,000.00	
24000	Discover Bank 5.1% 6/25/15	24,000.00				24,000.00		613.68	613.68	613.68		24,000.00	24,000.00	23,941.92	(58.08)	23,941.92	
50000	Wachovia Bank 5.75% 6/27/18	50,000.00			50,000.00			1,441.44	1,441.44	1,441.44		50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00		50,000.00	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	175,316.03		288,724.17	288,724.17	221,357.48	46,041.45	98,380.00	20,941.81	24,679.06	94,642.75	316,000.23	316,000.23	232,646.22	5,213.22	226,570.70	321,213.45

GENERAL SUPPORT FUND

GENERAL SUPPORT FUND																	
Number Of Shares	How Invested	Balance		Additions:		Gains or (Losses) From Sales		Balance		Income During Yr	Exp'd During Yr	Balance End Year	Grand Total	(Principal Only) Begin of Yr	Unrealized Gains	End of Yr	Total Market Value
		Begin	End	Purchases	From Sales	End	Year	From Sales	Year								
25000	Money Fund	(2,303.66)		20,000.00		17,696.34		14,427.60	3,283.10	3,283.10	17,710.70	35,407.04	35,407.04	(2,303.66)	(304.50)	17,696.34	35,407.04
20000	FHFB 6.25% 6/17/09	26,500.00				26,500.00		1,631.26	1,631.26	1,631.26		26,500.00	26,500.00	26,007.75	492.25	25,703.25	25,703.25
20000	FHL MTG 5% 1/29/14	20,005.00			20,000.00	(5.00)		1,422.22	1,422.22	1,422.22		20,005.00	20,005.00	20,001.60	3.40	20,005.00	
	NH PDIP #183-0014	(10,085.22)				(10,085.22)		11,052.76	23.59	23.59	11,076.35	991.13	991.13	(10,085.22)		991.13	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	34,116.12		20,000.00	20,000.00	34,111.12	(5.00)	25,480.36	6,360.17	3,053.48	28,787.05	62,898.17	62,898.17	33,620.47	(304.50)	33,314.37	62,101.42
	<b>COMMON FUND TOTAL</b>	209,432.15		308,724.17	308,724.17	255,468.60	46,036.45	123,860.36	27,301.98	27,732.54	123,429.80	378,898.40	378,898.40	266,266.69	4,908.72	259,865.07	383,314.87



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## *INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT*

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen  
Town of New London  
New London, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of New London as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. 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.

As discussed in Note 1-B to the financial statements, management has not recorded the capital assets of its governmental activities, nor the depreciation expense on those assets. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that those assets be capitalized and depreciated, which would increase the assets, net assets, and expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the assets, net assets, and expenses of the governmental activities is not reasonably determined.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the governmental activities of the Town of New London as of December 31, 2007, and the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended.

In addition, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of New London, as of December 31, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Town of New London 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.

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.

*Town of New London  
Independent Auditor's Report*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of New London's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. They have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

December 31, 2008

*Plodzik & Sanderson  
Professional Association*

**TOWN OF NEW LONDON BALANCE SHEET**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2007**  
**(AUDITED)**

						TOTALS	
	General Fund	Expendable Trust	Sewer Department	Permanent	Other Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds	Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 3,802,793	\$ 1,894,016	\$ 398,343	\$ 254,200	\$ 218,727	\$	6,568,079
Investments	2,449	595,369	719	1,113,478	147,986		1,860,001
Accounts Receivable	1,303		70,528		335,373		407,204
Taxes Receivable	401,649						401,649
Special Assessments							0
Intergovernmental	19,390						19,390
Interfund Receivable	22,865		28,750				51,615
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$ 4,250,449	\$ 2,489,385	\$ 498,340	\$ 1,367,678	\$ 702,086	\$	9,307,938
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCES</b>							
Accounts Payable	\$ 23,921		2,429		6,981	\$	33,331
Due to School District	\$ 3,419,820						3,419,820
Interfund Payable	\$ 512	22,620	245		28,238		51,615
Retainage Payable					8,909		8,909
Deferred Revenue					331,090		331,090
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	\$ 3,444,253	\$ 22,620	\$ 2,674	\$ -	\$ 375,218	\$	3,844,765
<b>Fund Balances</b>							
Reserved for Encumbrances	191,218						191,218
Reserved for endowments				1,195,536.00	66,744		1,262,280
Reserved for special purposes				172,142			172,142
Unreserved, undesignated reported in:							
General Funds	614,978						614,978
Special revenue funds		2,466,765	495,666				2,962,431
Capital project funds					260,124		260,124
<b>TOTAL FUND Balances</b>	\$ 806,196	\$ 2,466,765	\$ 495,666	\$ 1,367,678	\$ 326,868	\$	5,463,173
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	\$ 4,250,449	\$ 2,489,385	\$ 498,340	\$ 1,367,678	\$ 702,086	\$	9,307,938



## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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As we look back on the year 2008, it is hard to forget how it all began -- snow, snow and more snow. Near record snowfall tested us all, especially our town employees who spent countless hours, nights and weekends coping with the accumulation. It will be remembered as a great season for winter recreation, but even the most diehard skiers among us were happy to see the grass reappear.

The façade of New London saw some changes in 2008. The intersection of County Road and Newport Road was rebuilt into the much anticipated roundabout and sidewalks (and included the replacement of the water lines from Little Sunapee Road to New London Hospital), and the Selectmen’s mantra of “on time and on budget” was successfully met. Public comments have been overwhelmingly positive. Projects of this magnitude in the center of town cannot be accomplished without disruption to those who pass through, but the end result is just what was anticipated: smooth, slow and safe passage for all. We very much appreciate the patience of the traveling public and the businesses in the area, which remained open through the dusty days and ever-changing traffic patterns.

None can forget that 2008 was an election year, and New London voters came out in force on four different occasions. We cast ballots on a wide range of offices and articles, we elected a new president, and we voted on the required dimensional necessities for housing chickens. Participatory democracy was truly center stage in 2008. Thanks to all of our voters, and a special thank you to all of the volunteers who make the election process a smooth one.

New London saw significant institutional growth during the past year. The New London Hospital and Colby-Sawyer College undertook substantial construction projects during the year. We are grateful for the continued success both institutions enjoy and the benefits and services that the community receives from them. Our complete building permit summary is below. Overall, despite the economy, our number of new buildings increased, while our overall number declined slightly:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
New Buildings	12	9	12	20	43	33	28
Decks/Porches	24	22	23	19	21	19	26
Garages/Barns	8	16	14	20	22	18	14
Living Space Additions	23	34	28	31	36	31	33
Dormers/Windows	3	5	4	1	2	2	4
Interior Renovations	13	0	4	4	5	12	6
Demolition	8	3	5	5	15	7	4
Shed	8	14	16	12	12	8	5
Building Moved	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
Miscellaneous	36	26	26	33	19	23	15
Commercial	7	19	19	6	16	6	8
Excavation/Erosion Control	12	14	6	3	4	2	1
<b>Total Permits</b>	<b>154</b>	162	157	155	195	162	145

The new Kearsarge Regional Middle School in Sutton was completed and occupied in the spring, providing a spacious, modern facility to accommodate our school district’s ever growing student population and the corresponding needs of the educational community. This change in venue leaves vacant a large portion of the New London school facility. With cooperation from the Board of Selectmen, the Kearsarge Community Center, Inc. is working hard at this time to secure resources and programming to fill this space that will benefit the entire community for years to come.

The commercial make-up of New London saw its share of comings and goings in 2008. We take pride in the diverse offerings within our business community and we strive to remind our residents and visitors to trade with our local merchants whenever possible. We would be remiss if we failed to note the closing of the Argus Champion, the weekly newspaper that chronicled the lives and events of our area for 185 years. New London was served well by the Argus and it will be missed.

The December 2008 ice storm and its effects tested our fortitude; some neighborhoods were without power and utilities for over a week. Conversation in town changed from the usual holiday greetings to talk of woodstoves, generators and the ability to take a hot shower. The storm gave us a chance to check in with our neighbors and to volunteer our time and effort for the good of our community in a true time of need. Events such as this remind us that what really constitutes a great community such as ours are the people who reside and work within its boundaries.

In September, our newly-elected selectman, Brian Prescott, resigned from the Board for personal reasons. He served the town with distinction and we wish him well. The remaining two selectmen appointed Tina Helm to fill Brian's seat until Town Meeting in March 2009. Tina is a welcome addition to our select board and we are pleased that she is seeking reelection in March.

The end of the year focused on New London's response to the severe downturn in our national economy. Nearly all businesses are showing a decline in sales. The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee redoubled our efforts to contain costs, and received commendable cooperation from our Department Heads in holding down costs. Each and every one of them responded positively and reduced their budgets, and we are pleased to bring an operating budget to Town Meeting that is 5% lower than the 2008 operating budget.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Mark Kaplan*  
*Larry Ballin*  
*Tina Helm*



*Above: Old Main Street following the January 1998 Ice Storm (photo by Betty Buzby)*

*Below: President's House at Colby-Sawyer College following the December 2008 Ice Storm (photo by Maureen Rosen)*



## TOWN MODERATOR

**Elections:** In 2008 New London residents voted by ballot FOUR times at Whipple Memorial Town Hall during this Presidential election year and once in person at Town Meeting. I heartily thank all Election Officials for the over 2000 hours in volunteer and staff time spent in preparation and at the polls during this jam-packed year! Thanks to our many hours of training and preparation in 2007, each election during 2008 went smoothly and professionally. Some of the many activities our Election Officials accomplished in 2008 were:

- ✓ Election Official Training Session, January 7<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Presidential Primary Day, January 8<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Town & School Voting Day, March 11<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Town Meeting, March 12<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Election Official Training, July 24<sup>th</sup> - NH Secretary of State & Atty. General
- ✓ Election Official Training Session, September 8<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ NH State Primary Election, September 9<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Election Official Training Session, November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- ✓ General Election, November 4<sup>th</sup>

For those of you who love to count the numbers, here is a look at our updated New London Voting Statistics!

	2006	2007	2008
General Election # of Votes	2039		3004
% of Voter Turnout	60%		78%
Town Voting Day # of Votes	1528	1217	659
% of Voter Turnout	45%	36%	20%
# of People at Town Meeting	306	388	254

### **Thank you to Election Officials!**

If you see any of the following Election Officials around Town, please join me in thanking them for all their hard work in the elections of 2008:

- Town Clerk & Deputy Town Clerk: Linda Hardy & Joan Pankhurst
- Ballot Clerk Schedulers: Thelma Kaplan & Pam Saunders
- Ballot Clerks & Alternate Ballot Clerks: William T. Andrews, Jan Beardsley-Blanco, Shelby Blunt, Pat Coogan, Carlton Fitzgerald, Sonja Hannah, Tina Helm, Betty Herrick, Peg Holliday, Kathleen Horten, Linda Jackman, Suzanne Jesseman, Susan Kent, John Lightfoot, Yah Maguire, Irene Nelson, Richard, Reed, Mary Sawyer, Sara Scheuch, Janis Stokes, Peg Theroux, John Tilley, Patricia Tilley, Joan Trabucchi
- Assistant Moderators: Bob Bowers, Charlene Baxter, Greg Berger, Tom Chadwick, Hilary Cleveland, Karen Ebel, Patsy Steverson
- Supervisors of the Checklist: Celeste Cook, Liz Klingler, Arlene Marshall
- Selectboard: Larry Ballin, Mark Kaplan, Brian Prescott, Tina Helm

**2008 Electioneering Rules:** Over the years most Candidates for Election and their ardent supporters here in New London have exhibited great civility and cooperation in adhering to the New London Town Moderator rules for electioneering at the polls. However, a few have not. Therefore, I write to clarify the Moderator, Town and State Rules & Ordinances for Electioneering at the Whipple Memorial Town Hall on election days.

1. At the request of the NH Secretary of State and of the New London Town Moderator and with the full support of the Chief of Police, a New London police officer is on duty for each full election day to ensure that voters coming to the polls and exiting can do so safely and with no undue interference.
2. The primary designated place for electioneering outside of Whipple Memorial Town Hall is in front of the building on the lawn surrounding the war memorials at the corner of Main Street and Seamans Road. Every FOUR years at the November General/Presidential Election, the Town Moderator on behalf of the Town of New London Election Officials will reserve the Town Green as “spillover” space for additional electioneering activity. The rules of the Selectman for using this “spillover” space shall prevail on the Town Green.
3. In cooperation with the Chairs of the NL Republican Party and the NL Democratic Party the Moderator and the Town have agreed not to fence or tape the primary designated electioneering place. The local party chairs will assist the Town Moderator and the Police in assuring that all rules are followed and that electioneering is held only within the

designated places. All are agreed that with or without the tape, that signs or individuals holding signs must remain inside the designated electioneering area.

4. Signs may be placed on the primary electioneering area as early as 6:30 am the morning of the opening of the polls. Signs must be removed not later than 9:00 am of the day following the election.
5. Tents and tables are prohibited within the primary designated electioneering area.
6. Those campaigning for election and their representatives shall not call out to citizens as they approach the Town Hall to vote. It is the right of each citizen to go to the polls undisturbed by electioneering. There should be no behavior by electioneers that could be interpreted as harassment or intimidation. However, if a citizen approaches the candidate or representative and wishes to initiate a conversation, then that electioneer is welcome to respond.
7. Candidates for election and their supporters, as well as Election Officials and others, must adhere to the New London Board of Selectmen Town Ordinance regarding Parking on Election Days. This ordinance is designed for the safety and convenience of New London Town Voters. No vehicle may park for longer than 15 minutes in the designated parking spaces in the front lot at Whipple Memorial Town Hall (corner of Seamans Road and Main Street); and parking on Seamans Road between Gould Road and Main Street. Furthermore, to facilitate a higher voter turnout during the day, the Town Moderator strongly encourages all Election Officials, candidates and candidate representatives to park as far away as possible from the Town Hall in order to provide the highest number of spaces available for the voters.
8. No Election Officer (Ballot Clerks; Supervisors of the Checklist; Selectmen; Town Clerk; Moderator: etc.) shall electioneer (attempt to influence the vote of a voter on any question or office) while in the performance of his/her official duties.
9. Candidates or representatives shall NOT distribute or post any campaign material within the Town Hall.
10. Candidates and their representatives, when voting in the election, are warmly welcomed into the Town Hall to vote; they are however, discouraged from lingering within the Town Hall other than during the time it takes to vote, since such behavior could be misconstrued as electioneering within the polling area.
11. Candidates or their representatives are welcome to ask the Assistant Moderators at intervals during the day, the numbers of voters who have turned out.



*Terry Dancy speaks to 2008 Town Meeting (photo by Kelsie Lee).*

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to Michele Holton, Chair of the New London Republican Party and Michael Meller, Chair of the New London Democratic Party for their leadership in stepping forward to give their advice and counsel on developing these rules and their pledge to assist the Moderator, Assistant Moderators and the Town Police as we all work to keep each election civil and cooperative.

**Moderator Rules in New London:** As in previous reports, I am including New London Town Moderator Rules for Town Meeting for your interest and convenience:

- Please state your name clearly into the microphone before making your statement.
- No non-voters to participate, except Police Chief or similar resource person, who may speak only to offer information.
- All substantive motions and amendments in writing. In all motions or amendments, try to avoid situations where a negative vote is needed to express a positive intent.
- Only one amendment at a time.
- No amendments to amendments.
- Voice vote, show of hands (holding colored card for visibility) or secret (“yes/no”) paper ballot, which will be both color-coded and alpha-coded for voter clarity.
- Any request for secret ballot must come with five (5) signatures of voters registered in New London, and be handed to the moderator prior to voice vote on the article. The Moderator may initiate a secret ballot at any time.
- Any ruling by the moderator may be challenged by a qualified voter. The moderator will then poll the house. A simple majority controls.
- Try to avoid shutting off debate prematurely. A 2/3 vote is necessary to call the question and a call itself is not debatable.
- Give all the opportunity to speak once, beginning with the presenter of the motion, then recognize speakers giving a second chance after all have spoken at least once.
- All speakers should direct their remarks to the Moderator. In case of questions, the moderator shall call upon the appropriate person to respond.
- Each article remains open for further action until the moderator moves to the next article. After that, the meeting must vote to reconsider a previous article.
- No substantive actions may be taken under the "any other business" article. Votes of appreciation or recognition may be taken, and the moderator will only call for ayes.

The Town Meeting is a forum at which to ask questions, but more important, it is a place for debate. Proper respect and decorum will be expected of all.

In 2009 – an “off” election year - we will only have one election, which is Town & School Voting Day to be held on Tuesday, March 10. I also look forward to seeing you all at the 2009 Town Meeting on Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00 pm at the Kearsarge Regional Middle School in New London.

Respectfully submitted,

*Cotton Cleveland*

Town Moderator

## SUPERVISORS OF THE (VOTER) CHECKLIST

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January 2008 began with the Presidential Primary on Tuesday, January 8. The School Deliberative Session followed on Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. Town Elections and Town Meeting were held on March 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> respectively. The State Primary was held on Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> followed by the General Election on Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Supervisors held many work sessions to register voters, make changes and to correct the voter checklist. The Supervisors also continued to attend ongoing training sessions for HAVA (the Help America Vote Act of 2002) on ElectioNet (the Statewide Voter Registration system). The Supervisors conducted two additional voter registration sessions at Colby Sawyer College prior to the General Election. At the General Election itself 302 new voters were registered!

Voter registration takes place daily during office hours at the Town Office building with the Town Clerk or Assistant Town Clerk, at any session publicly advertised by the Supervisors or at the polling place (Whipple Memorial Town Hall) on Election Day. Applicants are required to present proof of citizenship, age and domicile in New London.

New London has a population of approximately 4400 persons. As of December 2008 there were 3,527 registered voters. Of these 1,370 were registered as Undeclared, 1,285 as Republicans and 872 as Democrats.

Respectfully submitted,

*Celeste Cavanaugh Cook*

*Elizabeth Klingler*

*Arlene Marshall*

## BUDGET COMMITTEE

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Preparing the Town's budget for 2009 has been very challenging. During the budgetary process this past fall, the world's economy imploded, forcing a philosophical reevaluation by the Budget Committee. Because we believe that no one thoroughly understands the dynamics of what is going on and what the future holds, the Committee's approach was to keep the budget very low, thus giving the beleaguered taxpayer needed relief. The proposed operating budget is 5.1% lower than last year's. This reduction was accomplished by tight trimming of departmental budgets and cutting the funding to many of our capital improvements accounts.

Hopefully, this coming year will allow the Town and the Budget Committee, in particular, some time to gain meaningful insight into how to handle this economic downturn. Reassessment of what a town provides its residents will be needed if the economic picture shows no significant improvement.

I would like to thank the members of the Budget Committee for their meeting attendance, diligent preparation, and for their ability to take difficult stands.

Respectfully submitted,

*John B. Wilson*, Chair

## TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR

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Recalling 1998 has been a fun exercise in showing just how far the Town Clerk and Tax Collector's Office has advanced!

In 1998, I was serving my 5<sup>th</sup> year as Deputy to Town Clerk and Tax Collector Lois Marshall. Most of the transactions we performed were done on our IBM Selectric typewriters! Today those typewriters are still fixtures in our office but are rarely used. Joan Pankhurst has just completed her 7<sup>th</sup> year as Deputy Town Clerk and Tax Collector, and I will celebrate my 5<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of becoming Town Clerk and Tax Collector in June 2009!

Computers are certainly our greatest asset. While we were able to do computer transactions in 1998, advances in software and internet connections now enable us to do almost all of our Town and State transactions quickly and efficiently. In 2008, we did abandon our first attempt at online bill paying for property taxes. With high transaction fees charged by the third party vendor directly to the taxpayer, this option did not appeal to our taxpayers. We continue to search for low-cost ways to bring this kind of service to you in the future.

In 2008, we conducted four elections and one Town Meeting. With near record turnouts for the Presidential Primary in January and the Presidential Election in November, a huge thank you is due to all of the Ballot Clerks, without whom we could not have had such efficient, smoothly run elections! We will be very glad to have only the ballot voting and Town Meeting in March as the sole elections in 2009.

With budgetary constraints and economic woes in mind, we are nonetheless committed to bring the highest quality service to our citizens. Both Joan Pankhurst and I enjoy our interactions with all of you, whether by mail, phone, or in person.

Respectfully submitted,

*Linda M. Hardy*

Town Clerk and Tax Collector

**DOG OWNERS** must register all dogs over three months of age. Rabies certificates are required for registration. Dog license renewals are due by **April 30**. Owners are liable for dogs running at large. License Fees: \$6.50 new puppy; adult dogs: \$6.50 altered, \$9.00 not altered. If owner is over 65 years of age, fee for license is \$2.00 for first dog in household. A late fee of \$1.00 per month is charged beginning June 1. Civil Forfeiture for not obtaining a dog license is a fine of \$25.00 (RSA 466:13) in addition to registration fees.

**VEHICLE OWNERS** must register their vehicles with the Town Clerk. New registrations, renewals, decals, transfers and plates are available. Consider registering your boats in our office as well! The Town is allowed to keep certain fees that would otherwise go directly to the State of New Hampshire.

**THOSE WORKING IN OR NEAR WETLANDS OR WATERWAYS** must file a Dredge and Fill application with DES through the Town Clerk's office before beginning work (RSA 483-A). Fines may be assessed for non-compliance.

**PASSPORT APPLICATIONS:** We process applications for first-time passports:

- Applicants for first-time passport must appear in person. Required documentation includes completed application, passport photos (set of 2), certified copy of birth certificate, and back-up identification.
- For children under the age of 14, **both** parents must appear, with Driver's Licenses or passports for identification. Children's renewals are treated the same as first-time passport applications.
- *Signatures must be witnessed by the Passport Agent*, so do not sign applications in advance of your visit.
- Total fees for standard processing are \$100.00 (adults) and \$85.00 (children under the age of 16). Please bring checks for payment, as fees are divided between two payees, and passport application fees must accompany paperwork to Passport Processing Office.
- Passport renewals for adults are done by mail directly with the Passport Office and require completed application, new photos, old passport and check.

**TOWN HISTORY BOOKS:** We sell copies of the Mirror to America, A History of New London, New Hampshire, 1900-1950, for \$20.00 and Our Voices, Our Town, A History of New London, New Hampshire, 1950-2000, for \$10.00.

## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

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Although I was not your Town Administrator in 1998, this year's Town Report theme of "Then and Now" has given me the opportunity to look back at the last ten years of life in New London. We have accomplished a lot in ten years: new Town Offices; a renovated Police Station and District Court; new Highway Garage and an addition onto the Fire Station; new sidewalks on Newport Road and a roundabout at Newport & County roads; new electronic gate at the Pleasant Lake Dam; combined the Sewer and Highway Departments into a Public Works Department; added new conservation land to the Town's holdings, including donations of beautiful properties from Sydney Crook and David and Celeste Cook; created a joint assessing department with Sunapee and Newbury; replaced our municipal software (twice!); improvements to Bucklin and Elkins Beaches; and many more short- and long-term projects for the benefit of our wonderful community.

There have been changes to personnel over the last ten years as the Town accommodated its growth of 29% in the 1990s and as building permits for new homes continued to climb. New London's population is projected to increase another 13% in this decade, according to estimates from the NH Office of Energy and Planning. Despite opinions that town government has grown by leaps and bounds during this time, our overall staffing has changed very little, from 34 full-time in 1998 to 40 full-time employees in 2008.

- **Police:** In 1998, the Police Department had 12 full-time employees: seven police officers, four dispatchers, and an executive secretary. Today, the Police Department has 13 employees: eight officers, four dispatchers, and an administrative assistant.
- **Public Works:** In 1998, the Town employed 13 people in what is now the Public Works Department: seven full-time employees in the Highway Department, three in the Transfer Station, and three in the Sewer Department. Today, there are 11 full-time members of the Public Works Department (including a new Administrative Assistant position and a single Sewer Department position) and three at the Transfer Station, for a total of 14.
- **Town Offices:** In 1998, there were five full-time employees in the Town Offices and today there are six full-time employees and one part-time Zoning Administrator, a position that is proposed to go full-time in 2009 due to increased regulatory pressure from the state that has impacted our local planning and zoning regulations.
- **Fire Department:** In 1998, the Town foresaw the need for a full-time employee in the Fire Department, which was fulfilled in 1999. That person has since become New London's first full-time Fire Chief and a second full-time firefighter position was added in 2008.
- **Recreation:** In 1998, the Town also planned for a full-time Recreation Director, which was added in 1999. Today, the Recreation Department continues to operate with that sole full-time employee and waterfront staff, and additional seasonal staff are covered by program fees through the Recreation Revolving Fund approved by voters in 2005.
- **Library:** In 1998, Tracy Library had four full-time employees and a complement of part-time help. Today, the Library still has four full-time employees, although that figure will drop to 3 upon the retirement of long-time custodian Ray Heath, whom we will all miss.

Surprisingly, some things have not changed: we still have a volunteer Health Officer in Don Bent, whose knowledge and energy are admirable; a volunteer Welfare Officer, Celeste Cook, who manages our public assistance fairly while keeping our costs far below neighboring towns; and a volunteer Emergency Management Director, Peter Berthiaume, who went above and beyond for New London in 2008. And, after all of these years, Mark Kaplan is still on the Board of Selectmen; Doug Baxter is still on the Budget Committee; Karen Ebel and Tom Cottrill are still on the Planning Board; Terry Dancy and Ruth White are still on the Conservation Commission; Steve Ensign is still serving on the Board of Firewards; and a Cleveland still presides over Town Meeting. Without the ongoing support of these and other volunteers, we could not operate as smoothly and efficiently as we do.

Speaking of volunteers, the most notable event of 2008, as in 1998, was the ice storm that hit us in December and left residents without power for as long as ten days! While we waited for PSNH to reconnect New London, an amazing community of volunteers kept us connected here in town. If someone had asked for a motto to summarize the wonderful support we received, it would have been "the answer is yes – what's the question?" That phrase reflects the immediate and ongoing support that we received from area residents and organizations that helped us open and maintain a shelter that served hundreds of meals in eight days and nights (see Emergency Management Director's report for more details). This was not something town government could have done alone, and we would be remiss to not mention the following organizations and businesses whose leaders and staff did not hesitate to provide resources and expertise: Colby-Sawyer

College and Sodexo Dining Services, Kearsarge Regional School District and New London Elementary School staff, New London Hospital and New London Ambulance, Boy Scout Troop 71, Kearsarge Council on Aging, Proctor Academy Ski Patrol, Lake Sunapee Region VNA, Sunapee CERT, Hannaford Supermarkets, Country Cats of New London, NH National Guard, and Woodcrest Village. If FEMA does not provide reimbursement for our expenses, then the staffing, food, utilities, and other resources will be covered by Colby-Sawyer College and the Kearsarge School District. We know there were many other individuals, organizations, businesses, and restaurants that were ready and willing to help, and we appreciate knowing you were there even if we did not call on you for assistance this time around.

We also experienced tireless support from our Police, Fire, and Public Works Departments and Town Office staff, who showed townspeople what an excellent and talented team we have. As I say every year, I feel very fortunate to work with such wonderful staff and Department Heads and the many volunteers – elected, appointed, or those who just show up -- who are so dedicated to their community.

**In the works for 2009:** The Board of Selectmen, Department Heads, and I are working on the following projects for the coming year:

- **Whipple Town Hall Basement:** Six years ago, at the 2003 Town Meeting, voters approved the creation of a capital reserve fund that looked toward the eventual renovation of the basement of Whipple Memorial Town Hall for police evidence storage, training space, and public meeting space. The basement was gutted two years ago to allow for better analysis of the conditions of the basement in anticipation of bringing forward a renovation plan. Since that time, police evidence has been stored in a secure trailer in the driveway of Whipple Town Hall, interfering with winter maintenance and access to the sally port (and costing the Town \$75 per month). The leak inside the wall along the generator has worsened and the windows and walls remain un-insulated, causing heating inefficiencies. Our initial plan to renovate the space for public use, which included a kitchen, bathrooms, and ADA-accessible access in the form of a covered ramp, was scrapped after bids were higher than we felt we could justify to taxpayers. A combination of reduced overhead from the contractor, the change to less expensive building materials, the elimination of the bathrooms, kitchen, and ramp, and the offer of volunteer labor from members of the Police and Fire Departments has reduced the construction cost to \$150,000. Of this, \$121,000 is in the existing capital reserve account, and we anticipate the remainder to be offset by FEMA reimbursement for the storm damage. Therefore, the project will have no impact on the tax rate but will improve the working conditions, energy efficiency, and overall operations of the Police Department.
- **Sunapee Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade:** The Board of Selectmen has been in regular contact with the Sunapee Water & Sewer Commission regarding the planned upgrade of the Sunapee wastewater treatment plant. The 30-year-old plant is in need of replacement and/or upgrading in order to handle the increasing flows from our two towns and to provide a discharge that meets more stringent EPA regulations. The New London and Sunapee boards agreed to seek funds for the design in 2009, with a goal of seeking funds for construction in 2010. Design will be approximately \$550,000, and construction estimates at this time are about \$7.1 million. New London “owns” 65% of the capacity at the Sunapee plant and therefore is on the hook for two-thirds of the cost of the project. While we hope that federal stimulus funds will help us defray the cost, at this point we believe that New London will have to bond its portion of the design and construction costs. If so, the construction bond will be the largest bond in New London’s history (not including the school bonds).
- **Sidewalks on Pleasant Street & Parkside Road:** The Recreation Department applied for and received a grant through the federal “Safe Routes to Schools” program, which will pay more than 50% of construction of sidewalks to the elementary school. This summer, our Public Works Department will build new sidewalks on Pleasant Street, from Job Seamans Acres to Cougar Court, and on Parkside Road from Main Street to the Outing Club.

This seems to be the most sobering conclusion that I have written in my nine years here. At the end of 2008 and beginning of 2009, the Budget Committee, Board of Selectmen, and Department Heads faced a difficult budget process. With the economy slowing and taxpayers still reeling from the 13% tax bill increase in 2008, we knew that we had to make some difficult decisions in order to have any real effect. At the conclusion of the process, the operating budget proposed for 2008 is 5.1% lower than in 2008, with some notable cuts:

- Ray Heath, long-time custodian for Tracy Library, will be retiring on March 31, 2009. Knowing that Ray is irreplaceable, his position will not be replaced at the Library and instead the Town will expand its cleaning contract with Sodexo.

- Deposits into the Town’s long-standing capital reserve funds received deep cuts and will be reviewed next year for the feasibility of restoring those programs. The funds for which deposits were cut or eliminated are: Police Cruiser Replacement, Fire Equipment Replacement, Sidewalk Improvements, Intersection Improvements, New Highway Equipment, Gravel Road Paving, Transfer Station Improvements, Conservation Land Acquisition, Police & Dispatch Equipment, Library Building Improvements, Library Computer Replacements, Town Building Maintenance, Recreation Facilities, and the Tracy Library Garden (for a better breakdown of these cuts, see Warrant Article 10 on page W6 of the 2009 Town Meeting Warrant). The reduction or elimination of contributions to these funds will postpone certain services, such as paving gravel roads or constructing additional sidewalks.
- A change in the employee health insurance plan that increases the prescription costs for the employee, lowering annual premiums for both the Town and the employees.
- The elimination or reduction of part-time positions in the Town Office, Police & Dispatch Departments, and Public Works Department, as well as postponed requests to create additional part-time positions.
- Postponing an increase in the highway paving budget, which means that the Town will be able to accomplish less paving due to the higher market conditions.

As I write this, the State of NH faces a deficit in the millions of dollars, and we do not know what costs will be shifted to the local taxpayer. For that reason, the Board of Selectmen and I are keeping a watchful eye on state government activities, and will work hard to protect the sources of revenue that we receive from the state.

My heartfelt thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their support, encouragement, and sense of humor. Every day is a pleasure (and an adventure).

Respectfully submitted,

*Jessie W. Levine*

Town Administrator



*Above: Evidence storage in trailer outside the sally port.*

*Left: Inside of Whipple basement.*

*(Photos by Chris Currier)*

## ASSESSING OFFICE

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It's been about three and a half years since I joined New London as the town assessor. I jumped right in with a statistical valuation update in 2005. I have to say that overall, it came off with very few problems, and provided a solid basis to use going forward. The basis still remains solid as we are looking to tweak various areas or groups of properties as new evidence presents itself. Appeals have been very low as we continue to adjust assessments when they are wrong and educate the taxpayer when we believe they are fairly assessed. In either case one of our goals is to educate the public on an on-going basis. No one likes paying taxes, but if property owners feel they are being treated fairly and are receiving answers to their questions, paying the bill becomes a little more palatable.

Taxpayers sometimes feel the only mechanism to challenge their tax bill is through the assessment. In fact, the only function we perform is how the total pie -- State Education, Local School, County and Municipal budgets -- is divided based on assessed values. The assessment function is a totally separate process from the budget process. Simply saying "my tax bill is too high" is not a reason to adjust an assessment. We are regularly monitoring the relationship between assessment and sales price. The goal is to keep all classes of property (low value, high value, waterfront, non-waterfront and vacant land) at a similar assessment-to-sale-price relationship.

The State of New Hampshire annually performs ratio studies in every community in the state. The purpose is to determine the overall ratio (assessment divided by sale price) of all arms length sales occurring over a one-year period, and then calculate a COD (coefficient of dispersion). This number measures assessment equity or overall fairness. The closer the COD is to zero, the better. An acceptable standard for a community with our characteristics is for the COD to be less than 20. The most recent study in 2008 indicated a COD in New London of 13.9. This number indicates that overall, property owners are being fairly assessed. In addition, on average (median), properties are being assessed at 88.3% of their sale price. In 2007, properties were being assessed at 89.5% of their sale price. This indicates the market has remained just about flat from the previous year, according to the sales statistics.

When I first arrived here, our data showed the market to be on a slight increase. It appeared in the middle of 2006 that the real estate market was showing signs of leveling off while news from many parts of the country was not good. The good news for our region was that we were not a big part of the sub-prime mortgage crisis that was prevalent in other parts of the country. The southern tier of our state and southern New England seemed to be more involved in this crisis. This has caused a cooling of the market because of the perception that real estate values are in the tank. But that is not so in our area.

According to a recent Forbes article as reported on WMUR-TV (<http://www.wmur.com/money/17735706/detail.html>), we are ideally situated for the long haul, located between three of the cities -- Keene, Lebanon and Concord -- that are considered to be recession-proof. These cities are employment centers for our area with many families going in different directions in the morning to work. These three areas do not have our added advantage of the four-season seasonal population and a steady influx of baby boomers of above average means choosing to re-locate to this beautiful area.

A recent New York Times article focusing on New London talked about the area and all of its advantages. People read this stuff and many follow up with a visit. Not everyone stays; just the ones that really want to be part of this vibrant area. This is one of the things that help to keep our market healthy. I have talked to several real estate brokers who indicate they had an average or better than average year.

The numbers indicate that our assessments are performing well overall in New London, Newbury and Sunapee. On average, we are assessing property between 87-94% of market value. This means that if you have a home that is assessed at \$300,000, the market value is on the average showing your property worth between \$319,200-344,800 (to determine estimated market value, divide present assessment by the assessment ratio). The number will give you an indication of average market value for your property. In the three communities, approximately 50% of the taxable value is from lakefront property, which includes all lakes, not just Lake Sunapee. Based on our statistics over the past year waterfront property is performing on an even par with other classes. In other words, their common level of assessment as compared to non-waterfront properties is consistent.

In conclusion, I believe our community is influenced by factors outside of our control but these factors do not control our local market as some would like to believe. The assessor's office constantly monitors the real estate market and if the time ever comes to adjust values downward we are poised to do so. However, in my opinion, the data suggest this is not the case. Again, we will monitor the market and make appropriate adjustments if and when necessary to obtain fairness and equity among all classes and types of property.

I have created a mission statement for the Tri-Town Assessing office which applies to New London. I have included it herein and it is available on the Town's web site. I have included it in this Town Report because I feel it is very important to communicate.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

### **SERVICES PROVIDED:**

The Tri-Town Assessing Staff provides professional and technical services to the three-member towns of Sunapee, New London and Newbury. The Department is responsible for discovering, identifying, and valuing all real estate within town boundaries. The Department provides real estate data including property record cards, maps (hard copy or GIS), specialized reports, ownership information, explanation of the assessment process, and various other information services. The Department manages an assessment roll of about 8,377 parcels totaling almost three billion dollars in property value.

### **DEPARTMENT OBJECTIVES:**

- Maintain fair and equitable assessments.
- Provide a high level of customer service.
- Perform assessment function within budget.
- Comply with State standards, laws and rules.
- Conduct town business in an ethical manner.
- Address abatement requests in a timely and professional manner.
- Adequately defend assessments.
- Provide statutorily required reports in a timely manner.
- Value property on an annual basis.
- Process property ownership changes.
- Expand staff knowledge base in the appraisal/assessment field.
- Assist other town departments with vital data and analysis.
- Provide digital information, via the Internet, including assessment data.
- Ensure that the taxpayer is well informed.
- Provide the best possible assessing program in an efficient and cost effective manner.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens for the opportunity to serve you over the past three and half years. I look forward to a cooperative and amicable relationship for many years to come.

If you have any questions regarding how assessments are done or about your particular assessment please feel free to call or stop by our office in the Town Office building. Also, please take the opportunity to review your property record file every few years or at a minimum your property record card where the information used to calculate your assessment is depicted.

Respectfully submitted,

*Normand G. Bernaiche*

Assessor

## TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS

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The following tax relief programs are permitted by state law and were adopted by Town Meeting. Applications for these programs are available at the Selectmen's Office and, *unless otherwise stated*, are due by March 1 following the final tax bill.

**Abatements:** Per RSA 76:16, property owners who believe that their property is assessed incorrectly or that the assessment is disproportionate to other similar properties may apply to the Board of Selectmen for abatement. Applications are available in the Selectmen's Office and on line at: [www.nh.gov/btla/forms.html](http://www.nh.gov/btla/forms.html). **March 1 deadline.**

**Blind Exemption:** Per RSA 72:37, residents who are legally blind, as determined by the Administrator of Blind Services of the Vocational Rehabilitation Division of the Education Department, may qualify for a \$15,000 exemption off the property value. Applications are available in the Selectmen's Office. **April 15 deadline.**

**Elderly Exemption:** Residents over 65 years of age who meet income and asset limits may apply for an exemption off the assessment of their property: a single resident must have a net income under \$26,800\* and married residents a combined net income under \$40,800, and cannot own assets in excess of \$150,000 (*excluding the value of the residence and up to two acres of residential land*). Applicants must be a resident of New London and must have lived in the State of New Hampshire for at least three years, as of April 1. Approved applicants will receive the following exemptions: ages 65-74, \$35,000; ages 75-79, \$50,000; and over 80 years old, \$70,000. **Applications are due by April 15 for the current tax year.**

**Low & Moderate Income Homeowner's Property Tax Relief:** The State of New Hampshire's Low and Moderate Property Tax Relief Program runs annually from May 1 - June 30. In the past, the State has made applications available at the Selectmen's Office by April 15 and required them to be filed directly with the state between May 1 - June 30. Those interested in learning more about this program should visit the Department of Revenue Administration website at [www.nh.gov/revenue/forms/low\\_mod\\_program.htm](http://www.nh.gov/revenue/forms/low_mod_program.htm) or contact the DRA at (603)271-2191. This is a state run program authorized by RSA 198:57 and eligibility is determined at the state level. You may be eligible for this program if you are single with an adjusted gross income equal to or less than \$20,000; married or filing head of a NH household with an adjusted gross income equal to or less than \$40,000; own a home subject to the State Education Property Tax; and resided in that home on April 1 of the tax year.

**Solar Exemption:** Per RSA 72:62, any resident who utilizes solar energy as defined in 72:61 may be entitled to an exemption from the assessed value. **Applications are due by April 15 for the current tax year.**

**Tax Deferral Lien:** Per RSA 72:38-a, a disabled resident or resident over 65 may apply for a tax deferral lien. This program allows a resident to defer payment of their residential property taxes, plus annual interest of 5%, until the transfer of their property. **March 1 deadline.**

**Veteran's Tax Credit:** Per RSA 72:28, a resident who has served in the armed forces in qualifying wars or armed conflicts and was honorably discharged; a resident who served in any war or armed conflict that has occurred since May 8, 1975 in which the resident earned an armed forces expeditionary medal or theater of operations service medal; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, may qualify for a \$500 tax credit. The surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty, so long as the surviving spouse does not remarry, may qualify for a \$2,000 tax credit. Applicants must be a resident of New London and must have lived in the State of New Hampshire for at least one year as of April 1. Any person who has a total and permanent service connected disability or is a double amputee or paraplegic because of service connected injury, and has been honorably discharged, may qualify for a \$2,000 tax credit. **Applications are due by April 15 for the current tax year.**

**Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption:** Per RSA 72:33, I, any resident who uses a wood-burning appliance as the sole source of heat may be entitled to an exemption. **Applications are due by April 15 for the current tax year.**

**For more information about any of these programs, please contact Amy Rankins, Land Use and Assessing Coordinator, at 526-4821, ext. 20 or by email at [landuse@nl-nh.com](mailto:landuse@nl-nh.com).**

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\*See Article 25 of the 2009 Town Warrant, which proposes to increase the maximum income to \$30,000 (single) and \$45,000 (married). If passed, this change would be effective for the 2009 tax year.

## POLICE AND COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENTS

In 1998 the New London Police and Communications departments went through what we believed at that time, would be a once in our career storm event that tested all of us. Coming out of that event, we learned a lot about ourselves, this community and how to deliver services under extreme conditions. Never wanting to put that knowledge and experience to the test again was our wish; however, ten years later, we had a similar ice event that plunged us into action again. There was no long term help from the other law enforcement agencies this time, as this storm wasn't isolated to the higher elevations, but crippled the entire State. Now we are thankful for the first event, as it provided us with much needed experience to handle the storm of 2008.

Staff has changed over that past ten years in both departments, and this year was no exception. We added part-time Communications Specialists Michael Cahill and Mary Hoyt and part-time Police Officer Richard Kelley. Maintaining our staff is very important to us, as it becomes stressful and expensive to outfit and train new employees. While the number of employees over the last ten years has increased by only one full-time officer, one part-time officer, and one additional part-time communications specialist, staffing overall has remained constant, a luxury that most Police Departments don't experience.

I think about how the Town has continued to grow over the past ten years, with the new housing developments and new residents, the expansion to the college and to the hospital and the increase in traffic on our streets. Ten years ago we didn't need a roundabout at the intersection of County and Newport Roads to control traffic -- a stop sign was good enough.

While I'm writing about the roundabout, I would like to remind the thoughtful and gracious drivers that when you are in the roundabout, please stop giving up your right of way! If you have the right of way (i.e., you are in the roundabout), don't stop and let someone else enter from the side street in front of you. Although this is thoughtful, it is also dangerous as the motorist behind you is not expecting you to do this. This also goes for any street or road in town. We have covered more rear end accidents than we should have by people stopping when they should not have.

One change that has impacted traffic for all of us was the middle school moving to Sutton. Most of us would agree that Main Street traffic has become less of a headache in the mornings and afternoons during the school year.

Last year the Police Department made an attempt at providing a citizen's police academy to the residents in the area. It was my thought that we could provide information and experiences to the community so that they would have a better understanding of what their police officers' roles and functions were, and also give them the opportunity to get to know their police officers better. Unfortunately, it did not draw much interest, so it never made it from the paper outline to a practical event. I may attempt to revive this program in the future, if interest in the program increases. One program we offered that worked well and will be offered again was the class in firearm safety and self defense. Those that participated found it informative and practical.

*Police & Dispatch Departments  
attend Skid School.*

*Back Row: Warren Foote  
(Bradford PD) Chris Currier, Ed  
Andersen, Dave Seastrand, Joe  
McCarthy, Matt McClay.*

*Front Row: Matt Pickering,  
Chuck Goodale (Bradford PD),  
Donna Davis, Heather Wood,  
Jodi Bailey, Marshall Osgood,  
David White, Tom Anderson.*

*Missing from photo:  
William J. Hardy, Jr.*



Training has continued to be a major commitment in our departments. One such training that was attended by both departments was Skid School. More police officer deaths are caused by traffic accidents than by any other method, to include firearms or heart attacks. This training course taught us how to drive defensively to avoid traffic crashes and maintain control of a vehicle at all times under extreme conditions. We learned a lot about vehicle handling, and maintenance. It also was a very good team building program.

Computers have become a necessity. With the growth in computer use, we have seen the growth in crime(s) relating to the use of a computer and the internet. This department has stayed with the times and has invested in many hours of training to our employees in the detection and apprehension of people who commit crimes over the internet. In the calls for service line, complaints of fraud nearly doubled this year and unfortunately some of our residents lost significant amounts of money. Because of the jurisdictional (often international) issues with these cases, they are often difficult to resolve at the local level. Please do not respond to unsolicited lottery notifications or any letter or e-mail requesting that you send money or provide personal information.

17 reported burglaries are more than double the number from last year. Most were residential. Five have been solved. Two of those were after an extensive investigation and search warrants involving the communities of Hanover, Enfield and Lebanon. Much of the stolen property was recovered and multiple arrest warrants have been issued for four individuals. Of the remaining burglaries, suspects have been developed in some of the cases and the investigations remain open.

Thefts have also increased this year and recent investigations have revealed that organized groups from as far away as Philadelphia may be involved. I would like to remind you to be very careful where you place your personal items while you are shopping.

Four members of our staff were recognized this year for their participation in a CPR save of one of our residents. It was the quick action and knowledge of these individuals that was honored by their peers and the medical community; they were awarded CPR save pins on their uniforms.



*Members of New London Ambulance, New London Fire Department, and New London Police and Dispatch Departments and their families following recognition by Kathy Doolan, Field Supervisor of the NH Bureau of EMA, for a CPR save. Our employees received a Tier Award and CPR Save Pins. (Photo by Donna Gatnarek, New London Hospital).*

The members of the Police and Communications departments would like to express their sincere appreciation to the residents and merchants of New London, along with the men and women of the following departments and organizations for their support throughout the past year: Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator, Finance Officer, and Town Office staff, the Fire Chief and members of New London Fire, and the Public Works Director and Public Works employees, the Director of Colby Sawyer College Safety and his staff, the neighboring police departments, and State Police.

Respectfully submitted,

*David Seastrand*

Chief of Police

**Police Department Incident Counts**

<b>Incident Type</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>Incident Type</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
911 Hangups	75	94	79	Log Notes	319	375	272
Abandoned Vehicle	119	81	113	Lost Property	41	68	48
Alarm	370	353	404	Medical Call	713	117	110
Animal Complaint	231	264	233	Missing Person	14	11	12
Arrest	155	208	293	MV Complaints	189	178	149
Assist Citizen	126	142	81	MV Unlocks	53	81	61
Assist Motorist	299	278	273	Noise Disturbance	36	30	52
Assault	8	9	12	OHRV Complaints	0	3	3
Assist Other Agency	269	225	189	Open Container	2	12	2
Bad Check	8	13	8	Open Door/Window	16	8	22
Be on Lookout	57	55	69	Other	13	16	28
Burglary	17	6	13	Paperwork Service	126	66	99
Burn Permits issued	240	131	42	Parking Violation	266	204	165
Business Check	517	387	1174	Passing a School Bus	1	7	1
Business Check Requests	7	4	6	Pistol Permit	20	25	12
Civil Issue/Stand-by	37	54	35	Police Information	90	67	39
Computer related	7	2	2	Property-Stolen	3	2	1
Counterfeiting	0	1	1	Property-Found	72	58	54
Criminal Threats	16	12	16	Protective Custody		5	4
Criminal Trespass	7	6	8	Protective Order	2	6	3
Criminal Mischief	55	35	42	Reckless Conduct	0	0	0
Death/Suicide	6	2	2	Residential Lockout		52	6
Directed Patrol	1222	754	564	Road Complaints	229	154	127
Disorderly Conduct	14	4	4	MV Repossession	5	4	4
Domestic Dispute	15	24	24	Sexual Assault	6	0	4
Drug Related	7	12	16	Shoplifting/Willful Concealment	1	2	3
Escort	0	1	0	Shots Fired	9	6	3
Facility Used	44	25	25	Stalking	2	2	4
Fingerprints	137	174	262	Subject Stop	13	12	13
Forgery	1	1	2	Suicide-Attempted	1	1	2
Fraud	47	25	26	Suspicious Person/Vehicle	269	290	343
Fireworks Violation	7	10	3	Theft	83	75	87
Harassment	27	44	26	Unwanted Subject	12	31	23
House Check	708	1179	1123	Traffic Accident	215	185	152
House Check Request	118	137	103	Traffic Stops	2246	2089	3183
Internet Crimes -Children	4	5	1	VIN Inspection	25	42	36
Indecent Exposure	0	1	2	Vehicle off road-no damage	24	34	19
Juvenile Complaints	24	69	35	Welfare Check	71	83	30
Liquor Law Violations	2	16	8	Wires Down	61	27	50
Littering	9	20	10	<b>TOTAL INCIDENTS</b>	<b>9967</b>	<b>9239</b>	<b>10570</b>

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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We have been asked to write our annual report on “then and now” so it will reflect on 1998 and 2008. It’s hard to believe we have gone ten years since the ice storm just to end the year with another ice storm. I’ll try to compare the different years in each division of the Public Works Department.

Highway Division: In 1998 we started the year off with the ice storm. We had many roads closed and only a couple of ways to get in and out of town. We had tree limbs and whole trees down on every road in town along with power lines, phone lines and cable TV lines. The Highway Department called in tree crews from the southern part of the state along with local contractors to help us remove brush and trees from the roads. We were very lucky that it warmed up and the ice melted off in a couple of days, and we didn’t have any snow storms right after that. We spent many hours removing brush during the winter and then we had to go around town and pick up brush again in the spring. We had a brush pile in the town pit that would have covered half a football field piled ten feet high! It was estimated the pile contained 10,000 cubic yards of brush. That was from the spring clean up alone we estimate that during the winter we had cleaned up and chipped that much if not more. So our total brush removal was around 20,000 cubic yards. The following summer we dealt with issues related to the storm from limbs falling down to cutting trees that were damaged. We continued to do our spring and summer maintenance even though we spent a lot of time cleaning up brush.

In 1998 we helped run the shelter at the school. The National Guard stayed there and we had all contractors and people working for the town stop there to get assignments and meals. We spent many hours at the shelter.

2008 started out with a lot of snow storms that continued until March. The Public Works Department spent many hours of overtime and used a lot of salt and sand last winter. During the summer we installed about 1,000 feet of drainage on Page Road and another 300 feet on Elkins Road. We installed another 200 feet of culverts on different roads. We cleaned the ditches on 40 Acres Road, Whitney Brook Road and Davis Hill Road. During the summer we spent many hours cleaning culverts and turnouts after rain storms. Seemed like we would get them cleaned and repaired and then we would have another heavy rain event and we would start all over again.

Our large project for paving was on County Road in conjunction with the roundabout project. The Highway Department paid for the grinding and paving on some of County Road and provided material to raise the grade on part of County Road so it would no longer be lower than the lawns and would drain properly.

During the year we saw the price of fuel and materials climb rapidly. We were still able to purchase material to top coat some of the gravel roads in town. We didn’t do as much as we would have liked but we were concerned about spending. We did top coat Columbus Avenue, 40 Acres Road, and Fox Run Lane, as well as part of Old Main Street, Rowell Hill Road and Whitney Brook Road. We rebuilt the front and rear areas of Elkins Beach, using Low Impact Development guidelines to try to stop the washing that was occurring on the beaches. We installed a new block wall, fence, catch basins and loam.

We continued with our regular summer maintenance programs such as applying magnesium chloride to the gravel roads, grading as needed, patching holes, and repairing/replacing signs. This fall we cut and chipped the brush along both sides of Hall Farm Road, Quarry Road and Tucker Road. The new chipper we purchased for the tractor works great. A couple of things we did not do were paint center lines on town roads and cut brush along the road sides. These were not done to save funds and fuel costs. We will probably paint a few of the lines in 2009 but not as many as before and we will mow the roadsides again as we did see a difference this fall with leaves and such plugging the ditches more without mowing.

We ended 2008 with another ice storm. This one wasn’t as bad as the storm in 1998. We did have some roads closed with trees and wires down but not as many as ten years ago. We didn’t have to put in the hours cleaning and cutting brush, nor will we have to in the spring. We were without power for a longer period this time. We did assist the people running the shelter moving items for them. After the ice storm it snowed a few times and it seems like the storms picked up where they left off last spring, with one every couple of days.

Transfer Station: Not much is different at the Transfer Station from 1998. We have added a new roof covering the back loading dock. We still accept the same items we did then only we now collect electronic waste (e-waste) and send it out to be recycled instead of it going into the landfill. Our trash does go to a landfill now instead of the incinerator in Claremont. The staff we have are very helpful and we continue to recycle at good rate (though we think we still could do better). Revenue for the fist part of 2008 was up for recycled materials but at the end of the year it dropped off to rates more in line with 1998. We are still able to move all the material we recycle but some of it we have to pay a small amount to get rid of. This is still cheaper than sending it to the landfill.

## Recycling and Disposal Report

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Trash (tons)	2,594.75	2,799.19	3,122.11	3,181.24	3,049.10
Recycling Material Sold (tons)	762.56	812.44	799.12	787.99	782.32
<b>Total Solid Waste</b>	<b>3,357.31</b>	<b>3,611.63</b>	<b>3,921.23</b>	<b>3,969.23</b>	<b>3,831.42</b>
Revenue from Material Sold	\$46,549.13	\$50,496.97	\$27,208.64	\$25,602.03	\$30,711.84
Cost Avoidance (\$68/ton)	\$51,854.08	\$61,288.32	\$72,719.92	\$71,707.09	\$61,466.23
<b>Total Benefit from Recycling</b>	<b>\$98,403.21</b>	<b>\$111,785.29</b>	<b>\$99,928.56</b>	<b>\$97,309.12</b>	<b>\$92,178.07</b>

Material Sold (in tons)	2008		2007		2006	2005	2004
	Weight	Revenue	Weight	Revenue	Weight	Weight	Weight
Paper	277.23	\$ 9,018.87	312.45	\$14,445.90	297.5	294.71	247.00
Cardboard	225.05	\$13,100.75	223.18	\$16,902.35	222.5	224.57	293.15
Glass <sup>1</sup>	165.52		162.98	\$1,906.20	136.3	150.04	136.99
Light Metal (Scrap)	42.96	\$4,760.92	64.32	\$3,953.88	97.37	84.13	152.50
Steel Cans (Tin)	21.82	\$1,821.04	21.57	\$672.59	25.5	18.60	16.04
Aluminum Cans	3.46	\$6,601.40	2.80	\$5,188.58	4.6	2.61	2.83
Batteries (Home)	0.12		1.08	\$212		0.22	1.25
Plastic Bottles (HDPE)	8.57	\$5,875.30	8.39	\$2,663.82	8.18	7.55	6.72
Plastic (PETE)	9.51	\$5,370.85	8.33	\$4,551.65	7.32	5.56	3.78
Electronic Waste <sup>2</sup>	8.32		7.33	\$0			
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>762.56</b>	<b>\$ 46,549.13</b>	<b>812.44</b>	<b>\$50,496.97</b>	<b>799.27</b>	<b>787.99</b>	<b>782.32</b>



2008 Hospital Days: The New London Public Works Department's "Recycle Train" took first place in the Hospital Days Parade float contest.

<sup>1</sup> We continue to recycle our own glass, which is crushed at the pit on Mountain Road and mixed with gravel into a product that we use for road repairs. Although we derive no revenue from the sale of glass, we save money by mixing glass with gravel and using it for road construction projects.

<sup>2</sup> There is no revenue for electronic waste, since the payment received for disposal covers the cost of disposal.

Cemetery Division: This summer John Wiltshire was back and we also had Brian Campbell for part of the summer in the cemeteries. These two continued to do a lot of work such as mowing, trimming, stone repair, tree trimming and spreading loam. We have three cemeteries that the town takes care of and all three look real nice all summer. We did have some people say they didn't like the vinyl fence along the Bog Road and they want to keep the wood fence along Old Main Street. We are in the process of getting a price to repair and paint the fence along Old Main Street.

Wastewater Division: This division continues to be busy. We have instituted inspections of all the grease traps in commercial establishments in town. Grease is a problem in the system, from plugging lines to the treatment of the water in Sunapee. We have been busy repairing the areas we found to need repairs when the smoke testing was done as part of the inflow and infiltration (I&I) study. Some of the things we have done are: install rubber seals in manholes; cement tops back on manholes; divert water away from manhole covers; and hire a company to come in and seal up manholes. We found one manhole that was receiving an estimated 1.5 gallons of clean water per minute from the ground. That may not sound like a lot but over a years time that is 788,000 gallons of clean water we pay to pump and treat at the plant in Sunapee. If we remove a couple of those we have made quite a difference. Looking at the figures it looks like we may have dropped our flows to Sunapee by about 7% this year and we will continue to look for more. We have a few more manholes to repair next year. We are also looking at upgrading the treatment plant in Sunapee. This process started this summer when the two towns hired an engineering firm to do the design work.

Please keep in mind we do not allow sump pumps to be connected to the wastewater system. If you have one connected it must be removed. Also watch for leaking toilets and dripping faucets, which waste water and cost just as much per gallon to treat as dirty water. A tip to see if you have a leaky toilet is to add food coloring to the tank at night when you go to bed, and if you get up in the morning and the water in the bowl shows the coloring then you have a leaky toilet.

We had a very busy year along with a trying one. With overtime being high and the price of materials and fuel jumping up and down it was hard to plan on jobs and leave enough funds to take us to the end of the year. We put off some of our paving that was planned due to the contractor's expectation that the price may come down in 2009.

We would like to say thank you to the residents, Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee for providing us with the funds to keep the roads, transfer station, cemeteries and wastewater in good shape. We would also like to thank the Police Department, Fire Department, Town Office Staff, Recreation Department and the Water Department for their help during the year. It is great to work with these departments to accomplish projects for the Town of New London.

I would also like to give a big THANK YOU to the staff of the Public Works Department. Without them we would not be able to accomplish what we do. They have stepped up to conserve fuel, power and materials where we can. We as whole are always trying to find ways to do more for less.

Please drive safely, check your tires in winter for good tread, clean your windows, and drive slower in snow. During the summer please slow down in work zones. Our job always has us in the road help keep us safe.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Richard E. Lee*  
Public Works Director

*November 2008: The Public Works Department installs new gate at the Pleasant Lake Dam (Photo by Kittie Wilson).*



## NEW LONDON FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Once again this has been an extraordinary year for the New London Fire Department. Your department responded to 810 calls in 2008. This is nearly a 27% increase from 2007, which held the record breaking number of 638 calls. This year the NLFD responded to many different weather events, from snowstorms, windstorms, and lightning strikes, but the most notable and recent was December's ice storm. This latest ice storm kept the department very busy, increasing our calls by an estimated 150 in one week. It was ironic that in November, Jessie Levine recommended to Department Heads that we should consider reviewing the last ten years.

Everyone remembers that nearly ten years ago, New London was also hit with a devastating ice storm. In 1998, areas around 800 feet in elevation were significantly affected. Some locations around New London, like Wilmot Flat, were minimally impacted while New London was the focal point for the state, receiving national coverage. The town was closed to non-residents and the NH National Guard responded to staff checkpoints, maintaining a perimeter that isolated New London. As damaging as this year's storm was, the ice storm of 1998 was more devastating with respect to the sheer number of trees that were affected. This year we only had 22 roads blocked or partially obstructed; in 1998 almost every road in town was affected. Back then, the fire department responded to five building fires in six days.

At the start of this year's storm, the department responded to 75 calls during the first day. Like last year's Mother's Day Nor-Easter, the department responded continually to downed power lines and trees, flooded basements, multiple fire alarm activations, burst pipes, and carbon monoxide calls from generators and citizens using un-vented propane devices. We closed roads, evacuated citizens residing in unsafe and/or unhealthy situations, completed door-to-door check, and responded to three structure fires. Since the station was staffed 24 hours a day, the three fires that we responded to were extinguished very quickly, minimizing the potential damage that could have occurred.

A life threatening difference with this year's storm was the extremely cold temperatures. Because temperatures at night were near zero degrees, the 2008 storm affected many more people. Evaluating home conditions, and in some cases evacuations, were needed to make sure that everyone in town was safe and healthy. During our door-to-door checks we found residents who were forced to use alternative sources of heating like fireplaces, wood stoves, unvented space heaters, and even ovens to heat their homes. Portable generators were the number one cause of unsafe carbon monoxide levels detected in homes. All of your firefighters did a phenomenal job during this event. Many of the members didn't have power themselves and worked unselfishly day and night to assist the general public.

One of the biggest differences between the two storms was the Firehouse accommodations. In 1998 we slept on the hose beds of the trucks or on cots set up around the apparatus. Exhaust from the trucks and chainsaws permeated the bays of the station where we ate and slept. In 2008, firefighters were able to take showers, have a place to meet and strategize, and catch up on sleep in comfortable beds between responding to calls. This incredible facility was supported and approved by the generous taxpayers of New London in 2004. This building allowed us to efficiently and effectively operate during this serious event. Although in the past we have periodically "manned" the station during larger snowstorms, this was the first major event that the station was utilized over a prolonged period of time. We sure appreciated our accommodations!

As everyone knows the United States is in a recession. This year the Town departments have been cutting the budget in order to be fiscally frugal. One way we have tried to reduce our budgetary requests to the Town has been to raise money through private donations through the New London Firefighters Association. This year the NLFFA mailed a solicitation letter to raise money to install a pump on the current tanker. This will expand our current capabilities and turn the tanker into an engine/tanker. This piece of equipment will be used to back up the ladder or engine if one of these main pieces of apparatus is out of town on a Mutual Aid call or out of service. The membership was able to raise \$35,000 to complete this fundraising event.

The Fire Department was also able to raise money and implement a service called "New London Safe Again – Care Trak Program." With the oversight of Firefighter Nancy Lyon (known to many as president of New England K-9 Search and Rescue), a service has been developed to track and safely find mentally impaired residents who wander. Fire and Police personnel have been trained to use radio tracking technology to locate a wandering subject who was previously identified and given a transmitter, which affixes to his or her wrist like a watch. The average time to find a lost subject using CareTrak is under 30 minutes, which greatly reduces the resources and time spent searching for a lost person. With nearly 4,000,000 Americans currently affected by Alzheimer's (and studies show that approximately 60% will wander), we are proud to offer this service to the community. If you know someone who is a caregiver for someone who might benefit from this program, please have them contact us. More information is also available at [www.nl-nh.com/caretrak](http://www.nl-nh.com/caretrak).

The NLFFA would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that contributed to these projects in order to limit our budgetary requests during this difficult economic time. Please be aware that the members of the New London Fire Department are not only thankful for your financial support; but for your smiles, waves, letters, and good words when we are out and about. We appreciate your support.

The NLFFA would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that contributed to this project in order to bring it to fruition during this difficult economic time. Please be aware that the members of the New London Fire Department are not only thankful for your financial support; but for your smiles, waves, letters, and good words when we are out and about. We appreciate your support.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again formally thank the members of the fire department and their families for their devotion to this amazing organization and for their continued support. I feel the Town of New London is very lucky to have these dedicated men and women who are willing to belong to this vital organization.

As always, if you have any fire safety questions or concerns stop by or call the firehouse at 526-6073.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Jay Lyon*, Fire Chief



*Above:*  
August 2008: New London Firefighters Glen Lohmann, Lt. Amy Lyon, Jamie MacKenna & Chief Jay Lyon lower, Fire Captain Peter Lewis to rescue Bernese Mountain dog stuck in well off Knights Hill Road.

*Above right:* Captain Peter Lewis & relieved dog.  
(Photos by Pam Castoldi).

*Right:*  
Hospital Days 2008: Firefighter Jeff Daley assists children with fire hose demonstration during Fire Department open house.



## NEW LONDON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Calls	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Alarm Response	45	45	25	47	25
Bomb Threat	1	1	0	0	1
Brush Fire	2	5	5	8	2
Carbon Monoxide Detector	26	21	13	14	14
Chimney Fire	10	3	4	5	6
DHART Transfer	2	1	0	1	0
Electrical Fire	13	8	9	7	5
Extrication	2	6	2	5	1
False Alarm	95	107	65	93	91
Flood Control	31	18	17	22	3
Furnace Malfunction	11	2	1	8	10
Gas Leak/LP	15	17	15	15	8
Hazardous Condition (BIO)	1	0	0	2	0
Hazardous Material Spill	10	11	5	7	7
Illegal Burn	8	8	8	11	11
Kitchen Fire	9	2	0	7	5
Medical Assist	91	41	31	32	24
Mutual Aid – Structure Fire	22	21	6	21	12
Mutual Aid - Other	18	10	10	3	7
Public Assistance	77	52	43	49	39
Rescue	5	7	5	5	4
Search	2	0	1	2	0
Smoke Report	22	26	21	15	17
Sprinkler Malfunction	6	6	1	10	10
Structure Fire	5	6	1	7	2
Vehicle Accident	141	136	90	136	106
Vehicle Fire	5	9	6	13	4
Wire Down – tree on the line	98	32	59	26	18
Wood Stove Malfunction	1	0	2	0	2
Other	36	38	18	21	21
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>457</b>



*January 2008: Firefighter Ed Broadhead mans the pump panel during a training burn at Colby-Sawyer College (Photo by Brian Campbell).*

## HEALTH OFFICER

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This will be the 30<sup>th</sup> Health Officer's report that I have submitted since being privileged to be appointed as the New London Health Officer from 1961-1966 and from 1985-present. Since coming to live in New London in 1959, almost 50 years ago, the population has grown from 1700 citizens to a present day count of over 4500 persons. During this time we have seen the formation of the Department of Environmental Services (first the Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission) from the Division of Sanitary Engineering of the New Hampshire Department of Public Health. At the same time the New Hampshire Department of Public Health became the Department of Health and Human Services and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was being organized at the Federal level.

On the local level, town health officers are selected by the towns but appointed by the Public Health Division of the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (NH DHHS). In addition to the investigation and enforcement of local health and environmental ordinances, town health officers are also charged with enforcement of both public health and environmental regulations of the State of New Hampshire. However, in most New Hampshire small towns (there are about 234 of them) most health and environmental laws are primarily enforced by the appropriate state departments and divisions. All towns are required to appoint a health officer but as there are yet no required qualifications for health officers, public health and environmental services provided to towns by their health officers are commiserate with their qualifications and interests. In the next several years we should see the implementation of a reorganization of the delivery of public health services on a regional basis with the concomitant voluntary institution of Health Officer Qualification standards. Presently, Manchester and Nashua are the only full service health departments in all of New Hampshire. There are several "self inspecting" towns with full time health officers such as in Concord and Salem. In a number of towns with full time health officers, the health officer is also the code enforcement officer or holds other town positions as well.

In New London, your part-time Health Officer has had over 50 years of dedicated public health service with an educational background in microbiology, public health and environmental science at the doctoral level. New London is also particularly fortunate at this time to have the appointment of a qualified Deputy Health Officer, Michael Loomis, who holds a Bachelor of Science in environmental science plus a Master of Science in Public Health (MPH).

In recent years, the primary health risk in New Hampshire has been from arbor virus infections. These viral diseases are transmitted by the bite of specific kinds of mosquitoes causing West Nile Virus (WNV) disease and Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). Presently other arbor virus diseases such as dengue and break-bone fever are fortunately not present in North America. Because in the last two years WNV and EEE have been almost exclusively limited to the south-eastern region of New Hampshire (Rockingham and south-eastern Hillsboro counties), it has been decided to forego a local WNV/EEE surveillance program this year in order to minimize health department expenses in this recessional period. In 2008, 10020 mosquito pools were tested by the NH DHHS laboratory with only one pool positive for WNV and eight positive for EEE and all of these from the southeastern region of the state. Of 188 tested, there were no positive human tests. Of seven veterinary samples tested in 2008, only one was positive for EEE and it came from an infected emu from Barnstead. These observations reinforce our decision to cancel New London's proposed mosquito surveillance program in 2009 unless incidences of WNV and EEE increase to produce a public health emergency in our area.

The December ice storm was a successful test of our Town's Emergency Management operations and also demonstrated the need for each home to be prepared with its own emergency plan and preparations. Publications are available at the Town Administration Building for helping with individual home emergency preparations. Fact sheets on water, septic systems and health subjects are also available to the public. Water testing kits are kept on hand for New London residents to more easily have their drinking water tested.

As in every year the witnessing of septic system test pits for determining the design criteria of septic drainage fields has been a primary responsibility of your health officer. Below is a table showing the 2008 figures for the various septic system oversight functions:

<b>Function</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
Sites visited	28	25	43	37	45
Test pits witnessed and recorded	39	35	59	34	55
Total number of plans reviewed before state submission	52	48	81	57	69
Systems in failure	9	3	4	2	2
Systems for new housing construction	7	13	19	27	40
Replacement systems	16	26	19	24	12
Septic loading increase (for expansion or increased use)	4	7	4	5	4

Additionally in 2008 there was one subdivision and one holding tank system. It is easy to conclude from this data that new construction of housing has decreased and that septic systems built in the last 20 to 30 years are failing and/or being replaced at an increasing rate.

It is gratifying to serve the people of New London and to work together to maintain and improve the health and environmental health of our populace. Thank you for your continued cooperation. Please feel to call me at any time to seek information or report on health and environmental problems in New London.

**Protect your Family! Test your Well!**

Go to [www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dwgb/well\\_testing/documents](http://www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dwgb/well_testing/documents) for more information.

Respectfully submitted,

*Donald F. Bent*, Ph.D.



*Above: Hospital Days 2008: Firefighters (from left) Allison Coy, Gena Edmunds, and Blair Weathers (and Smokey the Bear) on the Fire Rescue Boat in Hospital Days Parade.*

*Below: Police Chief David Seastrand and Town Administrator Jessie Levine survived the New London Roundabout.*



## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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The New London Emergency Management Committee is happy to share these highlights of 2008.

On May 15, 2008, Pam Drewniak, Don Bent and I attended a simulated public health emergency tabletop exercise sponsored by All Health Hazard Region 9 (of which New London is a member). The exercise, held at the Sullivan County complex was conducted to test the adequacy of the Point of Distribution (POD) Plan. The scenario described a bioterrorist event resulting in the activation of the four POD sites. The exercise provided a great opportunity for emergency management personnel to network while also identifying strengths and challenges within the plan.

On June 25, 2008, Emergency Management Committee members Jessie Levine, Jay Lyon, Don Bent, and Michael Loomis, as well as the All Health Hazard Region Public Health Coordinator, Jessica Rosman, attended the 4th Annual New Hampshire Emergency Preparedness Conference entitled, "Reinforcing the Foundation." Breakout sessions attended included Best Practices for the Management of Community Volunteers in NH; Public Health Emergencies; Legal Issues Roundtable and Community Resiliency: Preparing Communities to Survive and Thrive.

Elements of the All Health Hazard Region 9, including New London Dispatch, Dave Seastrand, Jay Lyon, Karl Bjorklund, Jessie Levine and I participated in an exercise held on October 30 to evaluate the validity of the Public Health Emergency and Preparedness Response Plan assumptions regarding Multi-Agency Coordination Entity (MACE) activation. The exercise tested our ability to communicate between intrastate partners and regional multi-agency coordination centers.

In August, a Motorola Astro Spectra radio was installed in the town's Emergency Operation Center (EOC) located in the Town Office. The radio was obtained through the State of New Hampshire Interoperability Project and installed by technicians from Ossipee Mountain Electronics, Inc. This radio is a high power remote mount radio similar to the radios that have been installed in police cruisers and fire apparatus throughout the State. It has already proven to be an extremely useful resource.

Almost serendipitously, Jessie Levine and I attended *WebEOC* training held at the state Emergency Operations Center on the morning of December 11. *WebEOC* is a web-enabled crisis information management system and provides secure real-time information sharing between the town's EOC and the state's EOC. Our successful completion of the training permitted us to communicate directly with the state via the web to receive updates, request resources, etc.

On December 12, all of our planning and training was tested when a major ice storm struck the northeast, causing power outages for 420,000 customers from the Lakes Region to the Massachusetts border. The Town's Emergency Operations Center was opened at 7:00 AM and members of the Emergency Management Committee began planning for a prolonged event.

By mid-afternoon on December 12, ten roads in town had been closed due to downed power lines and fallen debris and a majority of our residents were without power. Jessie Levine sent the first of what would be many informational updates regarding shelter, road closures, shower locations, drinking water access, etc., to the New London community via e-mail. She also worked with local media outlets to disseminate the most current information further.

As the conditions deteriorated, at 2:00 PM the Town, in collaboration with the Kearsarge Regional School District opened its first of what would be two Hospitality and Safety Centers in the New London Elementary School. Susie Burmann, Linda Jackman and Jessica Rosman worked with Principal Kevin Johnson and his team to create a welcoming, warm and lit environment. Cots and bedding were supplied by All Health Hazard Region 9 with additional cots coming from New London Hospital and the National Guard. New London Hospital provided transportation for individuals with special needs to the Center. Food service was provided by Colby-Sawyer College's Sodexo Dining service. Mike Heffernan, Goldie Burroughs, Henry Doyle and the rest of the Sodexo crew prepared hundreds of meals during the eight days the Hospitality and Safety Center was open.

To facilitate the reopening of school, on Monday, December 15, 2008, the Hospitality and Safety Center was moved to the Ware Campus Center on the campus of Colby-Sawyer College where it would remain open until Friday, December 19, when Newbury opened a shelter.

During its operation, over 145 residents from New London, Springfield, Sunapee, Wilmot, Sutton, Newbury, and Andover took turns staffing the Hospitality and Safety Center 24 hours a day. Some went above and beyond, serving multiple shifts (including midnight shifts), driving shelter guests and caring for their pets, and purchasing pajamas and personal hygiene items. The Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association and the Kearsarge Council on Aging provided services and

supplies for our elderly guests while Boy Scout Troop 71 and the Proctor Academy Ski Patrol were instrumental in helping to set-up and move the Center in record time. Throughout the week members of the Emergency Management Committee worked to ensure the community remained as safe as conditions would permit. New London Police and Fire Departments worked collaboratively to periodically check-in with all New London residents who were without power, providing information and bottled water. All totaled, Richard Lee and members of the Department of Public Works transported 120 cases of bottled water from Franklin to New London for distribution.

By Friday, December 19, 200 homes in New London were still without power. In response to a number of requests for generators a generator matching service was initiated. Residents who had gotten power back and who owned a generator and were willing to loan it out and residents who were in need of a generator were provided contact information. The only stipulation was that they comply with state law and the generator be installed by a licensed electrician. It would be Sunday, December 21, 2008 before a majority of the remaining New London homes still without power had it restored.

On behalf of the Emergency Management Committee I would like to thank the New London community for your outpouring of support throughout the power outage and for your feedback. We take all of your suggestions seriously and where possible will incorporate your recommendations into our next response. I would also like to thank members of the Emergency Management Committee and their respective departments, all of whom performed admirably throughout the year and especially during the ice storm and power outage of 2008.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Peter Berthiaume*

Emergency Management Director



*July 2008: Heavy duty wrecker removes motor vehicle from propane tanks at Colby-Sawyer College while fire hoses spray water to disperse vapors. Area residents and dormitories were evacuated until the area was deemed safe.*

*(Photo by Colby-Sawyer College).*

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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The New London Recreation Department continues to grow and become a cornerstone of the community. The evolution of the department from its inception as a full-time department in 1998 to the department of today is remarkable!

The origination of the Recreation Department was primarily based on maintaining and operating the New London town beaches. Today, that still remains one of the focal points of the department as the beaches play a large role in the recreational offerings within the community. The Recreation Department of 2008 consists of a very dedicated and active Recreation Commission, approximately 30 part-time employees throughout the year, support from all town departments and a full-time director. We are also extremely fortunate to have a great volunteer core that allows programs and events to grow and develop.

The department now has a database of over 1200 families in the Kearsarge region that have taken part in one or more programs over the past year. Some of the current programming, special events and life long learning opportunities include: Elementary School Intramural program, pre-school climbing classes, Kearsarge Outdoor Adventures, Learn-to-Skate Program, karate, dance classes, Tot Time, ice skating, sailing classes, kayaking classes, swimming lessons at both beaches, Red Sox games, NH State Wiffleball League, Sun N' Fun Summer Day Camp, Sun N' Fun for your Little One, adult soccer and softball, Middle School Summer outings, enrichment programs, Yoga, and North Country Aquatics.

We also offered the following popular special community-wide events in 2008:

- 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt (125 participants)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dinner with Jack Frost / New London Winter Carnival [www.campfiredining.com](http://www.campfiredining.com) (400 participants)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Western New Hampshire Trail Running Series [www.wnhtrs.com](http://www.wnhtrs.com) (485 participants)
- 1st Annual Halloween Haunted Woods (750 participants)

As you can see our department continues to offer excellent enriching opportunities especially in challenging economic times. These are the times a Town Recreation Department are needed most to bring residents together!

With the assistance of the Public Works Department, Fire Department, and many local volunteers, the Recreation Department maintains the following facilities that are open to the public:

- Elkins Beach, Pleasant Lake
- Bucklin Beach, Little Lake Sunapee
- Bob Andrews Memorial Ice Rink
- XC Ski Trails/Spring Ledge Farm/Messer property

The Recreation Department had three notable highlights in 2008 that will add great benefit to the community: 1) with assistance from the School District, we applied for and were awarded a \$100,000 Safe Routes to School Grant to create an education program for pedestrian safety and build two new sidewalks to the elementary school – one along Pleasant Street from Job Seamans Acres to the school, and one on Parkside Road from Main Street to the Outing Club; 2) with the assistance of students at Colby-Sawyer College, we completed a Master Plan for New London Recreation Department; and 3) with lots of town-wide and regional collaboration, we created two new special events, “Halloween Haunted Woods” and the Western New Hampshire Trail Running Series, both of which were well attended.

The Recreation Department’s ability to create new programming comes from an established revolving fund – approved by voters in 2005 -- that allows the department great versatility and creativity. Fees charged for our programs are deposited into this fund, which can only be used to create or maintain programming. This means that Recreation Department programs must be self-sustaining (beaches not included).

The Recreation Department would like to thank the residents, Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee for providing us with the funds to keep our beaches beautiful and programming viable. We also owe a huge debt of gratitude to our Public Works Department, Police Department, Fire Department, Town Office staff and the Library staff for their tremendous assistance throughout the year. Without these departments’ unselfish support the Recreation Department would not function!

I would also like to acknowledge the special work of the volunteer Recreation Commission for all of their excellent ideas, support and vision. They work tirelessly to make sure that the Recreation Department is focused on creating the best options for our community.

Through collaborative efforts with local businesses and organizations, the Department continues to offer needed programming at affordable prices. These entities should be thanked daily for their continued support: Lake Sunapee Bank, Sugar River Savings Bank, World Clinic, Walker Automotive, Arctic Dreams, Screwie Lewiez, Jack's of New London, the Millstone and Flying Goose restaurants, Inn at Pleasant Lake, Pizza Chef, Bistro at Ragged Mountain, Rockwell's at New London Inn, Colby-Sawyer/Sodexo Dining Services, Peter Christian's, New London Agency, Colonial Pharmacy, Spring Ledge Farm, New London Hospital, Inov-8, Village Sports, Lowe Alpine/Asolo, Colby-Sawyer College, the Outing Club, Kearsarge Youth Basketball, Kearsarge Youth Hockey and many more throughout the region. THANK YOU!

The Recreation Department has a year-round presence that adds tremendous value to our town as a desirable place to live, work and recreate! Escape to Relaxation! Please sign-up for our Rec News online at [www.nlrec.com](http://www.nlrec.com). Our website continues to be a valued source of information for recreation users in the Kearsarge Region. Bookmark it as one of your favorites!

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Chad Denning*  
Recreation Director



*Hospital Days Dash, August 2008.*

# TRACY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

## THEN & NOW

Ten years ago in the New London Town Report, citizens noted “The Great Ice Storm of ‘98” that gripped the region. Fast forward to 2008, when another ice storm marked year’s end; fortunately in both years, the Library sustained little damage. On both occasions, it was Custodian Ray Heath who cleared debris from the Library property, trimmed damaged branches, and insured the building’s systems fared well during the power outages. Ray has been taking good care of Tracy Memorial Library and its people for 26 years and for 13 years before that, he was the substitute for the previous custodian. In 1987 Ray was named New London’s employee of the year for his enthusiasm and many abilities. Thus it is with mixed feelings (sadness for us, happiness for him!) that we announce his retirement effective March 31, 2009.



*Ray Heath removing snow from the front walkway at Tracy Memorial Library. Ray will retire on March 31, 2009, and we wish him well!*

One thing that has *not* changed between 1998 and 2008 is the Library’s high level of performance. I am pleased to report that once again, Tracy Memorial Library has been ranked a National Top 10 Library in the 2,500-5,000 population categories. This honor would not be possible without the wonderful support of the Town of New London, dozens of faithful volunteers, and our talented staff. The more the community invests in our Library -- not just money, but time and service -- the more its residents receive.

So what *has* changed in ten years at Tracy Memorial Library? Tracy Memorial Library is busier than ever, offering more than ever. For example, the Library has seen a dramatic rise in circulation and materials. Patrons borrowed items 24,000 times in 1998, compared to 95,577 times in 2008: an increase of 298%! This shows we are an increasingly vibrant place in the community. In 1998, the Library added 1,496 new books and 244 new audio-visual items; in 2008, we added 2,265 new books and 747 new A/V items: an increase of 51% and 206%, respectively. This means our patrons enjoy a growing collection in multiple formats, including movies on DVD and downloadable audio books. Don’t know about downloadable audio books? Check out our website – [www.tracylibrary.org](http://www.tracylibrary.org) – and follow the link for Reading Resources.

Over the years, we have benefited from the generous support of the Friends of Tracy Memorial Library. But in 2008 they became even more active, expanding membership by 40%, and along the way funding events for children and adults, free passes to area attractions, online book clubs, a new bicycle rack, and vital reference materials. The Friends manage our ongoing Book Sale,

now housed in the Reading Room, where bargains always await you. In 2009, the Friends will focus on furnishing a brand-new Teen Space and revamping our Children’s Listening Center.

Today’s libraries, Tracy Library included, are multimedia centers, offering not only books, but DVDs, portable audio books, and Internet access. In times of economic hardship, libraries are an especially valuable community resource, offering computer access for typing resumes and job searching. Families know the value of a public library because it is cheaper to borrow books and DVDs than to buy them. There’s a slogan common in library circles: “Libraries will get you through times of no money better than money will get you through times of no libraries.” Thank you for your continued support!

Respectfully submitted,

*Sandra Licks*, Library Director

**Number of Library Patrons by Type, 2008**

Resident adults	2,930
Non-resident families	731
Children	1,040
<b>Total patrons</b>	<b>4,701</b>

**Number of Holdings by Type, 2008**

Adult Fiction	11,209
Adult Nonfiction	8,480
Teen Fiction	1,571
Children's Fiction	5,352
Children's Nonfiction	3,456
Movies	1,582
Audio books	1,946
Other	803
<b>Total holdings</b>	<b>34,399</b>

**2008 Circulation by Material Type**

Adult Fiction	Adult Non-Fiction	Teen Fiction	Children's Fiction	Children's Non-Fiction	Magazines	Audio-books	Movies	Other	Total
25,145	9,961	3,953	16,863	4,179	3,511	8,833	20,697	2,435	<b>95,577*</b>

*\*An increase of 13% over 2007!*



*Above: Writer's workshop at Tracy Library*

*Right: New large print book shelving at Tracy Library.*



## JOINT LOSS/WELLNESS COMMITTEE

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Thinking back on all that has taken place over the past ten years, I've realized that this committee has come quite far in all its accomplishments. I joined the Joint Loss Management Committee soon after its inception in 1995 and have witnessed first hand its many transitions. While we haven't deviated from our regular duties in joint loss, such as conducting annual inspections, meeting on a quarterly basis, and reviewing all workmen's compensation claims, we have worked hard to expand our focus by integrating wellness into our mission. With health awareness gaining more of the spotlight, and health insurance rates reaching all time highs, the decision to become a Joint Loss/Wellness Committee was an easy one.

This new focus and vision has provided many exciting changes to our committee and additional benefits to our employees. We publish an employee newsletter on a quarterly basis, which highlights recent happenings, fitness tips, and an employee "spotlight" section that offers an opportunity for employees to get to know one another. We also held a health fair in May that helped to inform employees of various health and safety matters and covered topics ranging from preventing certain illnesses to healthy eating habits, as well as suggested ways to becoming more active.

In the spring, the JLWC applied for a WellDollars Health and Safety Grant offered through the New Hampshire Local Government Center. The grant provides \$4,000 to be used towards innovative health and safety-related programs for public employees. There were many facets to the application, such as gathering input from employees regarding various programs, pulling together an implementation work plan, and outlining goals and objectives for the grant funds. The committee was very pleased to find out in November that New London was selected as one of the grant recipients! Beginning in 2009, the committee will work on organizing the different programs that we hope will emphasize to New London's employees the significance and benefits to living a more healthy and safe lifestyle.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Joint Loss/Wellness Committee members for their continued participation and input. Our duties are indeed a collaborative effort and our members work very well together. The committee comprises seven members representing each of the Town departments: Amy Rankins, Land Use Coordinator and Chair of the committee; Chad Denning, Recreation Director; Carolyn Fraley, Finance Officer; Jason Lyon, Fire Chief; Raymond Heath, Library Custodian; David Seastrand, Police Chief; and Karen Welch, Public Works.

I would like to extend a special thanks to Ray Heath, who will be retiring in April 2009. Ray has been a member of this committee for many, many years and also served as chair for most of them. Thank you, Ray, for all your hard work and dedication - you will be missed! While we say goodbye to Ray, we are also welcoming a new member to the committee in 2009: Linda Jackman, New London's Administrative Assistant. Linda brings with her many valuable qualities including a great personality and a multitude of ideas. We look forward to working with Linda in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

*Amy A. Rankins*, Chair

*Joint Loss/Wellness Committee chair  
Amy Rankins accepts \$4,000  
WellDollars Health and Safety Grant  
check from  
Kerri Mucher of the  
Local Government Center.*



## NEW LONDON ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

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2009 will bring changes to our archives. I will be stepping down as Archivist and Jim Perkins will be the new Archivist. He will bring his expertise and with our budget request granted, the archives will be brought to the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Arrolyn Vernon and Lindsay White have catalogued, repaired and sorted a very nice collection of World War II posters. Most all are in good condition after being rolled for many years.

An enlarged copy was made of the Bicentennial photograph. Names on archival tape with a foil backing are attached to each person's image. Joan McLean and Arrolyn have thought of a number of people who might be able to help with identifications.

This past fall, Howard Hoke, owner of Country Press, graciously gave the town archives two wooden cabinets, one larger than the other. The storage room across the hall from the archives proper has been cleared and organized to make room for these cabinets. The drawers have been lined with acid-free paper to protect the contents from the wood.

A long range program for the archives has been started by taking an inventory of its holdings. By doing this, we would be able to note work that needs to be done (sorting, cataloging, conservation, finding aides, to name a few). By prioritizing these needs, people would see where the gaps are and what kinds of things we should seek. We also discussed a need to digitally photograph or scan items in the collection and make the images and information accessible to the public via the computer. A new computer is essential for this job!

The New London Town Archives requires new computer equipment to ensure that it can continue to collect, catalog, and distribute historical information about the town. Photos, audio and video are increasingly recorded and stored in digital form. At the moment the Archives has no equipment capable of storing, searching, retrieving and displaying digital media. We need a system capable of handling such information. An Apple iMac is the preferred solution since nearly all of the required functionality is pre-installed on the computer. These applications include iTunes for storing both audio and video and iPhoto for storing digital images. The media in these databases are tagged with keywords to facilitate searching.

Old photographs are among the most-requested items kept in the archives. Volunteers have already converted nearly 1,500 New London images into digital format, so the new equipment can be put to immediate productive use by archives staff and patrons.

Respectfully submitted,

*Margaret Moreland*, Archivist



*Selectmen Tina Helm, Mark Kaplan, and Larry Ballin present Peg Moreland with flowers and a proclamation of appreciation upon her retirement as Town Archivist (Photo by Linda Jackman).*

### ***A brief history of Town Archives, in honor of Retiring Archivist Peg Moreland:***

At first, there was no town archive collection. The first continuing history committee was established in about 1935, with Oren Crockett, Charles Shepherd, Stanley Spiller, and Nancy Lord as members. By 1949, Dr. James D. Squires (social studies professor at Colby) was serving as chairman. The committee's main purpose at this point was to collect information for his book, *Mirror to America*, covering the history of New London from 1900-1950. It was published in 1952 with an edition of 2,000 copies. The committee continued, becoming extremely active in preparation for the town's Bicentennial in 1979. In 1962 the committee authorized a competition for an official seal of the town (won by Vincent S. Wickham) and embarked on an ambitious program of erecting town markers, one per year (sixteen in all), the last of which went up in 1978. Each marker was "unveiled" at an Old Home Day celebration over those years. In 1972 the committee was greatly enlarged to plan for both the town and U.S. Bicentennial.

Just prior to this, Mildred Tunis, a trained librarian and archivist, had begun collecting town records and other historical materials and in 1970 began transferring the earliest town books from the Town Hall to the vault in the Tracy Memorial Library basement for better security. In 1975 the History Committee name was changed to the New London History and Archives Committee. In December of 1976 Mildred wrote to Dr. Squires, still Chairman of the Committee, to request some money for buying archival boxes. By this time, she and Mary Haddad, the town clerk, had begun organizing the records, adding materials like old deeds, family papers, oral histories, cemetery records, photographs, and town-related historical materials to the Archives. In 1978 the Archives received a \$1,000 grant from the Herbert D. Swift Fund to compile a history of the holdings. Betsy Tunis, Mildred's daughter, was hired to do the work, completing her project in 1980. Mildred, who had served in her self-appointed role for years, was officially made Town Archivist in 1981. In 1985 she wrote to the selectmen expressing the hope that the new addition to the Town Hall, under construction, might provide space for the Archives. In September of 1986 she wrote to the Selectmen, submitting her resignation (she was then eighty-six), and suggesting that Peg Moreland be made Archivist. Peg had first joined the committee in 1985. Mildred wrote that Peg "had the interest, ability, and dedication to carry on this responsibility..." Mildred received a "Certificate of Appreciation" signed by the Selectmen on March 11, 1987.

Peg was officially made chairman at the same town meeting. Her first job was to prepare for and make the move to the new archive space in the Town Hall in August of 1987. The town provided \$2,000 for shelving, a map case, a table, chairs, and archival supplies. Among her first tasks was to begin conservation of some of the oldest and most valuable records in the collection, sending the first volume of Town Clerk records (1779-1808) to the New England Document Conservation Center in Andover, MA. By 1988 other new projects were begun, including photographing and describing tombstones in the Elkins cemetery, and adding to and transcribing oral histories (under the leadership of Barbara Stearns). The following year transcriptions and photos of the old gravestones in the West Part Cemetery were added to the Archives by Hope Howard. The Committee also began researching New London's older homes and buildings. Peg also encouraged donations to the Archives, and each year valuable collections were added. In 1990 Peg began copying the New London records from the State Vital Records collection in Concord.

By 1993 the first discussions began for what became Ann Page Stecker's *Our Voices, Our Town*. For the next seven years, the committee, with many helpers, was involved in organizing round-table discussions on various topics with panels of town's people and gathering information on a wide range of topics for Ann Page's use. In addition, under the leadership of Betty and Lindsay Collins, the group began working on gathering material for the Family Record section of the book. This entailed documenting which town dwellers met the ten year qualification for inclusion in the book, sending a questionnaire to them all (nearly 2,000 were sent), compiling the data in a uniform manner, and editing and finalizing the results. While many other people were involved in the book's development, the Committee played a central role, with Peg at the helm. The town appropriated funds for the book's publication over a six-year period, for a total of \$65,000 with an additional \$13,500 coming from other sources. The book was published in June 2000 and was officially distributed on New London History Day, held at the Historical Society on June 24. One copy was given, free, to each household in New London and Elkins.

That same year, Peg was in charge of the Archives moving once again – this time to its current home in the basement of the Old Academy Building. Under her leadership the Committee (officially called The New London Archives Committee since 2001 to avoid confusion with the New London Historical Society) has continued to meet on a regular basis, working on a wide variety of tasks. The Archives today has one of the best collections of any town in the state. Materials are properly stored in archival boxes in HVAC controlled spaces. Information from individuals, organizations, and publications is added constantly, and visitors and correspondents are continually being helped in their research. Through Peg's tenure as Archivist, the much expanded collection has received the care and attention it deserves, and we all appreciate her loyal dedication and service to New London.

--Compiled and written by Nancy Dutton

## ENERGY COMMITTEE

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The year has been devoted to gathering information and encouraging action in three main areas:

- Reduction of emission of toxic gases, substances and CO<sub>2</sub>: The “No Idling Policy” adopted by the Selectman was developed in cooperation with various groups within the town. The Police Department and New London Hospital reduced idling by switching some of their support systems in cruisers and ambulances to battery operated systems. This not only reduces the amount of toxic fumes delivered to the emergency rooms and atmosphere, but also reduces wear and tear on the engines of the vehicles.
- Energy Conservation: The “Lights Out” program was part of a national experiment to shut off the lights in towns and cities throughout the country and the world and thus save electricity. In addition it was intended to make us all aware of how dependent we are on this convenience and how potentially vulnerable we are to its loss. By conserving only two hours worth of electricity per day, especially in a huge city like Sao Paulo, Brazil, we could eliminate the need for a coal fired generator or its equivalent in oil, natural gas wind, solar or hydro power. The amount of equivalent savings in New London was not possible to obtain but since this was done in cooperation with Colby-Sawyer College their results were captured and should be available.

A pilot study of “Natural Landscaping” was borrowed from the program devised at the Chelmsford, Mass., EPA Laboratory. This was one of many recommendations included to encourage community participation in the 10% Carbon Challenge. Natural landscape design utilizes native plants as the main stay of the design with minimal grass and upkeep. By reducing lawn mower and leaf blower equipment use and elimination of pesticides and fertilizers, man power is conserved and pollution due to gas driven machines is markedly reduced. In New London, a small experimental plot was set up to the left of the entrance of the Transfer Station. The Public Works Department also reduced the frequency of mowing larger tracts of grass along the roads and utilized a newer mowing machine with a more efficient engine.

The State of New Hampshire has encouraged energy conservation through the use of energy audits. As a prototype we recommended the Tracy Memorial Library be studied with a blower door test and an infrared scan to evaluate the competency of the envelope. The investigation was performed by Margaret Dillon of SEEDS (Sustainable Energy Education Demonstration Services). Multiple defects were found in the structure as well as the ventilation /heating system. The report and recommendations were conveyed to the Library Trustees, and an incremental approach to the list of repairs was suggested. Once these corrections are made it is anticipated that significant savings will be found in the fuel budget. A baseline data base has been obtained that will allow for verification.

- Education about energy and Climate Change in cooperation with the library, newspapers, Colby Sawyer College and the NH Governor’s Task Force on Climate Change: Displays have been set up at Tracy Library promoting energy conservation and awareness of the impact of Climate Change on New Hampshire’s Natural Resources. In addition publication of articles written by members of the committee appeared in the Argus Champion and later in the Intertown Record. The activities of the Committee were also cited in the newsletter for the LEC (Local Energy Committees) sponsored by the Carbon Coalition and made available on their web site.

The Governor’s Task Force on Climate Change was followed closely during the latter half of the year. They discussed the action plans for meeting the challenges of “adaptation” and “mitigation” on the natural resources of New Hampshire. The final report will be available after January 2009 and will be of profound interest to the Energy Committee.

Finally, we would like to extend our thanks to Jessie Levine, Peter Stanley, Sarah Denz, Linda Jackman, Camille Holmes and all the Committee members for their dedicated time and effort of the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

*Chet Reynolds*, Chair

*Mark Vernon*, Vice Chair

## WELFARE OFFICER

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As I write this report, I am finishing my third year as Welfare Officer for the Town of New London. I continue to rely on the guidance of Jessie Levine, Town Administrator, and Carol Fraley, Finance Officer, to ensure that the town's money is spent fairly and to make sure that all those seeking help are advised of and take advantage of all state, federal, and private assistance. In this regard, I have worked closely with the local church assistance programs as well as the Community Action Program.

Most often immediate help with a specific rental housing and or fuel/utility payment is sought. In one particular case we assisted in the relocation a young mother and her child to housing in another community closer to her work place. We will seek reimbursement from this community for the dollars expended.

We are seeing a steady increase in the numbers of people who need assistance. The budget for the town welfare for the year 2008 was \$8000. We exceeded this amount by \$1,355 for a total dollar amount spent of \$9,355.

All those receiving assistance are residents of New London. Each is notified that they may be asked to reimburse the town when they financially able to do so.

All assistance provided is in response to immediate demonstrable need. For this, your support is vital and greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

*Celeste Cavanaugh Cook*

Welfare Officer



## NEW LONDON GARDEN CLUB

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The New London Garden Club has been an active service organization since its founding in 1928. At that time the purpose of the 24 members was to maintain the garden at the Tracy Library, which was designed by the renowned landscape architectural firm of Olmstead brothers. In the 80 years since, the membership of the club has expanded to include 130 active participants and the public gardens tended by its members now total 15. These "Pocket Gardens," created and maintained by the Garden Club, extend from Crockett's Corner to the Transfer Station and include perennial and herb gardens at the Historical Society, Norris Corner, the intersection at Old Main Street, Pleasant Street and Knights Hill Road, Bucklin Beach, the Elkins Post Office and Beach, as well as Whipple Town Hall, the Academy Building, the Bandstand and the Sargent Stone on the Town Common, the Fire Station, the Elementary School and the SAU Office. The Information Booth on Main Street is being rebuilt and the Garden Club will replant that garden. We have received funds in honor of Brad White, who admired our gardens. Those funds will be used to enhance all of the gardens and especially the Information Booth landscaping. Over 100 Club volunteers tend these gardens and many also assist at the Fells and the Community Garden at Tracy Library.

The New London Garden Club annually creates wreaths and swags displayed on local public buildings and churches throughout the Christmas Holiday season and create weekly flower arrangements for the New London Hospital. Scholarships are awarded annually to students at the University Of New Hampshire College Of Life Sciences and Agriculture and the Thompson School of Applied Science.

There will be a public program held in June at Whipple Town Hall on the subject of bird migration.

This year the Garden Club held its 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Antique Show on the Town Common. It is one of the few remaining outdoor Antique Shows in New England and we were fortunate to have beautiful weather this year. The proceeds from the show support the variety of community service projects undertaken by the Garden Club.

The Club meets monthly throughout the year for programs related to gardening, flower arranging, nature and conservation. While the Club is limited to 150 active members, anyone interested in supporting these activities is welcome to join as openings occur. All requests for information should be addressed to P.O. Box 1772, New London, NH 03257.

An informational brochure with a map of the gardens is available at the Information Booth and the Tracy Library.

Respectfully submitted,

*Bunny Keeshan*, President

## CEMETERY COMMISSION

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The cemeteries in the Town of New London continue to look wonderful and well maintained. We are so appreciative to the Town Public Works Department led by Richard Lee and especially to sextons John Wiltshire and Brian Campbell, who maintain the three cemeteries: Elkins, Old Main Street, and West Part.

We are hopeful that the expansion in West Part Cemetery will take place in the winter of 2009. Weather problems and other difficulties made it impossible to have this task accomplished last year. We are investigating the possibility of expanding Old Main Street and we are also discussing how best to contend with the fence in need of paint and repairs. Interest has been shown in an above ground columbarium for cremated remains so we are studying the feasibility of placing one in an existing cemetery.

We have copies of rules and regulations available in the Town Offices so please stop in and pick one up if you are interested. Additional cemetery space will be needed in the foreseeable future, so please don't hesitate to contact the Cemetery Commissioners, Town Administrator, Selectman, or Public Works Director if you know of a suitable site or would consider a donation of land for this purpose. We are proud of our Town Cemeteries as they are a reflection on how the town cares for its residents, past and present.

Respectfully submitted,

*Marion Hafner*

*Thomas Ginter*

*Charles Hafner*

# COMMUNITY GARDEN AT TRACY LIBRARY

It was Jane Tracy's vision and generosity that gave New London its superbly refurbished library building in 1926. Her finishing touch was to have the grounds designed and planted by Olmsted Brothers, the firm continued by the sons of Frederick Law Olmsted of public park fame. In 1928, the New London Garden Club was formed to help maintain the library grounds, but by the time of World War II, with Mrs. Tracy gone and victory gardens more important than public gardens, the large garden at the back of the library began to deteriorate.

Over the years, the townspeople's affection for the garden continued and the Garden Club tended the remaining plantings. By 1998, with membership strong again at 150 active members, a program was begun to gradually restore the "Olmsted Garden." With library custodian Ray Heath's memories of the garden layout, and photos from the library files, plans for Phase 1 were made.

Further research turned up the original Olmsted Brothers plan and planting lists, the correspondence between Jane Tracy and Olmsted Brothers on file at the Library of Congress, and records from the Olmsted Historical Site in Brookline, Massachusetts. With this information, the Garden Club approached the Library Trustees about a joint project to do a major restoration, with the Library raising the funds and the Garden Club overseeing the work. The decision was made to restore the whole area behind the building and the garden was named the Community Garden at Tracy Library.

The enthusiastic town response was extremely generous and after the long hot summer of 2002 -- with excavation, wall building and garden bed preparation -- a corps of gardening volunteers (Garden Club members and others) came forward and the planting began.

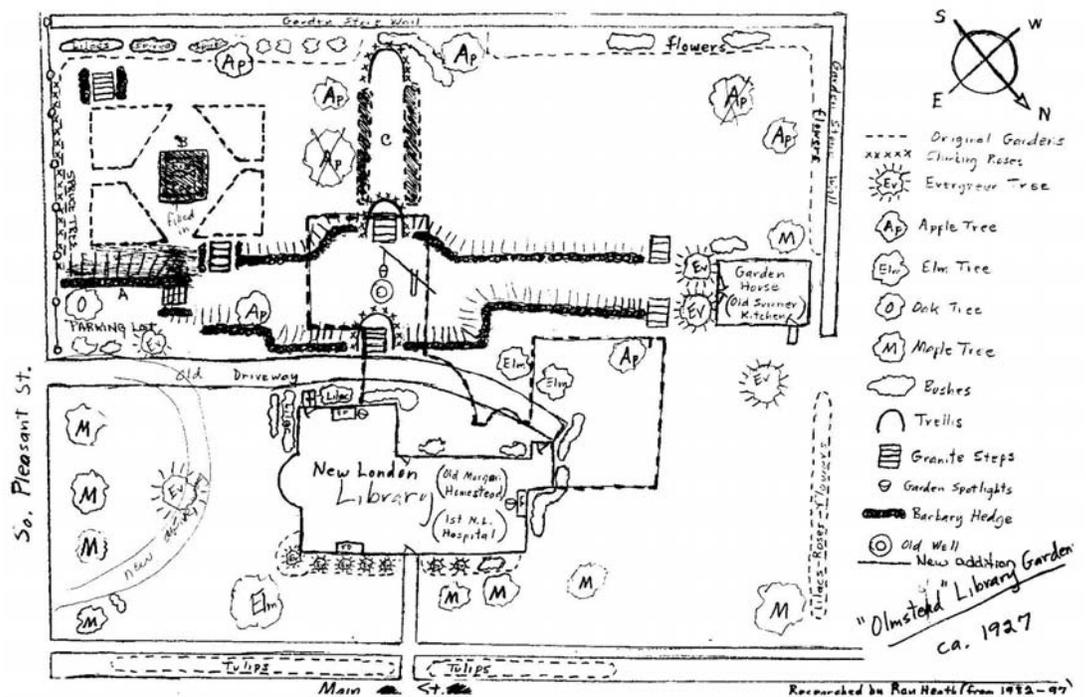
In 2008, the Community Garden at Tracy Library became a tax-exempt, non-profit organization with public charity status. Its purpose is to assist the library by raising funds, overseeing the garden maintenance and enlisting gardening volunteers. The garden is still included as a horticultural project of the Garden Club but is entirely managed by its own board of directors.

Every week, from mid-April to mid-November, the volunteers work on Monday mornings -- their best opportunity to chat with the many visitors who come through the garden every day. The garden is enjoyed by all ages and the people who support it can be very proud of their part in keeping Jane Tracy's legacy alive and beautiful.

Our 2008 annual garden party featured Ann Page Stecker, author of *Our Voices, Our Town*, New London's 2000 Town History. In 2009, the garden party (always free and open to all) will feature Judy Wallace presenting highlights from Jane Tracy's extraordinary life as a New London summer resident and world traveler.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Sue Little*, President

*Ray Heath's garden plan, drawn from memory.*



## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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The more things change, the more they stay the same. Ten years ago the Conservation Commission report noted the damage to trails caused by the ice storm. It's probable that this year's storm will also require considerable trail repair work. Fortunately, now as then, we are blessed with volunteers who give their time and sweat to maintain the hiking trails that form a network around our town. Dan Allen and Bob Brown are responsible for leadership of this task. Notable work has been done on the trail leading from Pleasant Street to the rear of the old Middle School, as well as to a large loop of the Philbrick-Cricenti Bog. More work is needed at the Bog, but only so much can be done at a time. We even ran short of hemlock planking from our supplier this year.

Other areas have not been neglected, and hikers going up to the Wilmot line will notice a couple of new bridges along the ridge, a project spearheaded by Dave Cook. Thanks to the Cook's gift of property on Whitney Brook Road, dedicated this October, access to the Pleasant Lake High Trail is now open in both directions.

Also, ten years ago, the report noted that a map of the trails had been published. Last year we published a much-updated trail map, this time on tear-proof and waterproof stock, which is available for sale at various points in town. In addition, thanks to new technology, this is not the only means of finding out where to go. The Conservation Commission web site, [www.nl-nhcc.com](http://www.nl-nhcc.com), maintained by Bob Crane, shows each town trail in some detail, as well as giving information on Commission projects and activities.

Year by year, the town increases the acreage of property conserved for future generations. Ten years ago, our report celebrated the conservation of a portion of the Low Plain property, thanks to action by Town Meeting, assisted by Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) and private donations. Thanks were also offered to Mr. John Melngailis for his gift of land bordering Messer Pond. In subsequent years, the following properties have been conserved, either by gift (G), purchase (P), or the granting of a conservation easement (E):

- 2001 – Knight's Hill Nature Park, County Road (E)
- 2005 – Clark Lookout, Davis Hill Road (G)
- 2006 – Evergreen Point, Little Sunapee (E)
- 2007 – Cordingley Preserve, Soo Nipi Park Road (E)
- 2007 – Cook Property, Whitney Brook Road (G)

This year, Town Meeting approved the purchase of a portion of the Schultz property, which now gives the town a total of 90 acres bordering Clark Pond. A trail is under development from Bog Road to the pond and, with care, access over a 0.7 mile trail is now possible. The work of conservation goes on. We hope that, in time, we shall raise our percentage of protected land from 15% to 25%, which is the commonly accepted target in New Hampshire.



*Conservation Commission member  
Terry Dancy and Eric Shultz at  
Clark Pond Natural Area.*

The everyday work of the Commission also goes on. Vicki Koron monitors the water of the Philbrick-Cricenti Bog after each significant rainfall. Emma and Bob Crane monitor each year those properties on which the town holds a conservation easement. Ruth White maintains the nature notes at various spots around town and organizes our annual series of Winter and Spring walks. Laura Alexander keeps us informed of the relevant activities of the ASLPT and of Colby-Sawyer College. We anticipate that, under her direction, Colby-Sawyer students will play a major role in conducting a natural resource inventory of the town in the coming year.

Commission members carry on the usual routine evaluation of developments as they may affect wetlands and water quality. We are fortunate that residents and business owners are happy to cooperate with our efforts to preserve the town for the future. Cooperation extends also beyond town boundaries, and we are doing an increased amount of collaborative work with neighboring communities and local agencies, such as ASLPT. In particular the Sunapee Area Watershed Coalition is providing leadership in helping to preserve water quality in the lake by offering guidance on control of erosion water runoff.

Looking forward, the Commission has spent considerable time and thought on the updating of our chapter of the town's Master Plan. We have taken note of the changing emphasis on energy needs, on local agriculture, and on wildlife resources, as well as the recreational needs of citizens. Development trends continue, yet we believe that good planning can preserve what we love best about the town in which we live.

In our town, much has changed since ten years ago; much remains the same. In particular, I notice that the 1998 report was submitted by Terry Dancy, chair of the Commission. Terry is still an active member, serving as an alternate, and serves also as our representative on the Watershed Coalition. In addition, he keeps us on the trail by making the signs which mark the entrances and turns. We thank him for all his work.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Les Norman*, Chair



*August 2008: Bill Clough and Conservation Commission member Dan Allen replace boardwalk on Kidder-Cleveland-Clough trail off Pleasant Street (Photo by GERALD GOLD).*

## PLANNING BOARD

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The major focus of the Planning Board's efforts in 2008 was continuing the work of updating the Master Plan. After completing the Visioning process for the Master Plan in the fall of 2007 and early winter of 2008, the Planning Board turned its attention to crafting a community survey for the Master Plan. The community survey was completed and distributed to the public this summer. Survey results are available on the Master Plan website ([www.nl-nh.com/masterplan](http://www.nl-nh.com/masterplan)) or printed copies can be picked up from the Town Offices.

In 2009, the Planning Board will continue to update the chapters and associated recommendations from the 1998 Master Plan during its monthly Master Plan work sessions on the second Tuesday each month at 7:00 pm in the Town Offices. The agendas for the work sessions will be posted at the Town Offices and on the above website. The culmination of this effort will be the preparation of a draft updated Master Plan to present to the community at one or more public hearings. After incorporating public comments, the Planning Board, by majority vote, will adopt the updated Town Master Plan. The Planning Board welcomes participation by any interested citizen in this planning process.

The Planning Board addressed a wide variety of planning activities during the 22 meetings conducted over the past year. Final site plans approved by the Planning Board during 2008 included two phases of a dental office development, a new parking lot, adding over 250 cubic yards of fill on a lot, a second floor addition to a congregate care living facility, and an advisory site plan for the Park and Ride.

The Planning Board also approved eight new subdivision lots in 2008, with one major subdivision of four lots and two minor subdivisions of two lots each for a total of eight new lots. The Board also approved four annexations and several lot mergers.

The annual process of updating the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) began in June and ended in November with the Planning Board approving the annual update for 2009-2018. Following established practice, the Planning Board appointed a CIP Committee to develop a draft report for the Planning Board's consideration. This working CIP Committee consisted of two members from the Planning Board, three members from the Budget Committee, and one member of the Board of Selectmen in addition to the Town Administrator, Finance Officer and Town Planner. The CIP Committee met with the department heads and, with the assistance of the Town Planner, they developed a draft CIP to submit to the Planning Board. One of the changes in this year's CIP update was the effort by departments to identify future equipment costs that seem to be escalating a more rapid rate than other capital items. Following discussion and adoption by the Planning Board, the CIP was then submitted to the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen for their consideration in the annual budget process.

For the Planning Board, the year began and ended with crafting and conducting public hearings on proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. The zoning amendments presented at the public hearings in January 2009 for ballot vote at the 2009 Town Meeting are the end result of a planning process that began in September. The Planning Board selected, reviewed and revised draft amendments over a series of work sessions in the fall to present at the January public hearings. Notably, the State of New Hampshire passed three significant pieces of legislation in 2008 which necessitate several substantive amendments to the zoning ordinance with regard to workforce housing, shore land protection and small wind energy systems. The most significant zoning amendment proposals, including those responsive to the state mandates, are set forth below:

- Amending the Zoning Ordinance to add a new article providing for Small Wind Energy Systems;
- Amending the Town's Shore Land Overlay District to comply with new state legislation revising the State Comprehensive Shore Land Protection Act;
- Amending the Zoning Ordinance to add a new article providing for Workforce Housing to comply with new state legislation mandating that communities provide reasonable and realistic opportunities for the development of Workforce Housing, including rental apartments. The new legislation requires that Workforce Housing be allowed in a majority of the land area zoned to permit residential uses by July 2009.
- Amending the Commercial District to permit Multi-Family Dwellings and Mixed Use;
- Amending the zoning boundaries shown on the Zoning Map to implement the changes to the zoning boundary lines as recommended by the Zoning Boundary Study, as amended, undertaken on behalf of the Planning Board by the Upper

Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. A series of maps identifying the recommended revisions to the zone district boundary lines shown on the zoning map is available for viewing in the Town Offices.

The Planning Board greatly appreciates the continuing dependable and committed service provided by the staff including Jessie Levine, Town Administrator, Peter Stanley, Zoning Administrator, Linda Jackman, Administrative Assistant, and Ken McWilliams, Town Planner. In particular, the Planning Board wants to commend Judy Condict for her many years of dedicated, cheerful, conscientious service to the Planning Board as its recording secretary. She will be sorely missed.

As always, the Planning Board is very thankful for the effort expended by the many people who assisted the Planning Board in its activities throughout the year. Your participation, inquiries and insights are invaluable and most appreciated.

The Planning Board generally meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month as well as conducting noticed public meetings or work sessions throughout the year working on various planning board initiatives. As noted above, the Planning Board is reserving the meeting on the second Tuesday of each month for work sessions on the Master Plan. All of the Planning Board meetings are open to the public and we always welcome your participation and input in the process of guiding the future growth of our community.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Karen E. Ebel*, Chair

**2009 MASTER PLAN WORK SESSION SCHEDULE**

March 10, 2009	Economic Base – Complete review of 1 <sup>st</sup> Draft Historic Resources – Review Revised Draft
April 14, 2009	Economic Base – Review Revised Draft Transportation – Review 1st Draft
May 12, 2009	Transportation – Review Revised Draft Conservation & Open Space Lands - Review 1 <sup>st</sup> Draft
June 9, 2009	Conservation & Open Space Lands - Review Revised Draft Watersheds & Water Resources - Review 1st Draft
July 14, 2009	Watersheds & Water Resources - Review Revised Draft Community Facilities & Services – Review 1 <sup>st</sup> Draft
August 11, 2009	Community Facilities & Services – Review 1 <sup>st</sup> Draft
September 8, 2009	Community Facilities & Services - Review Revised Draft Utilities – Review 1 <sup>st</sup> Draft
October 13, 2009	Utilities – Review Revised Draft Hazard Mitigation Plan & Elkins Plan – Review Plans already developed to be inserted into Master Plan

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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The Zoning Board of Adjustment met 11 times during the year 2008. The following reflects a summary of the cases heard.

### January 7, 2008

- KJAM Realty Trust, for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, Section E, 1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance for the construction of a new driveway crossing a small forested wetland finger and the edge of a mowed wetland impacting +/- 2,866 SF of wetland, with the offsetting mitigation of +/- 4,509 SF of wetlands, resulting in a net gain of 1,643 SF of wetlands on the 9-acre property. The property is located at 812 Route 103A (Tax Map 103, Lot 21) in the R-2 and ARR zones. **Granted.**
- Curtis and Kristen Lindamood for an area variance to the terms of Article VI, Section E, 1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance for the construction a 10' x 54' deck on the existing building, with less than the required side-yard setback. The property is located at 23 Heath Lane (Tax Map 42, Lot 1) in the ARR zone. **Granted.**
- Donald and Terry Pavlik for an area variance to the terms of Article V, Section C-2 of the New London Zoning Ordinance for the replacement of an existing garage and the construction of a stoop over the existing building, with less than the required side yard setback. The property is located at 368 County Road (Tax Map 72, Lot 13) in the R-2 zone. **Granted.**

### January 28, 2008

- J & F Realty for an area variance to the terms of Article VII, Section B, 1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance in order to construct a handicap ramp on the existing building, with less than the required front yard setback, since the new structure is closer to the street than neighboring properties. The property is located at 394 Main Street (Tax Map 84, Lot 1) in the Commercial zone. **Application withdrawn.**
- Robert W. Ewing, Jr., represented by CLD Consulting Engineers, for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, Section E of the New London Zoning Ordinance for the crossing of two wetlands for a 14' wide shared driveway, in order to access proposed building sites. The property is located off Main Street (Tax Map 96, Lot 15) in the ARR zone. **Granted.**

### April 14, 2008

- Susan Rowett, represented by Pierre Bedard, for an area variance to the terms of Article VI, Section C. 1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance in order to retain an illegally constructed shed addition to the rear of an existing barn. This shed addition fails to meet either the front yard requirement of 50' or the side yard requirement of 25'. The property is located at 683 Seamans Road (Tax Map 98, Lot 8) in the ARR zone. **Denied.**

### June 9, 2008

- Cate Family NH Realty Trust, represented by Erin Darrow, PE, for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, Section E, (1) & (2) of the New London Zoning Ordinance for wetland crossings for lot access and a water impoundment for the construction of a fire pond. The property is located off Route 103A (Tax Map 103, Lots 2-100, 1, 2-200) in the ARR zone. **Granted.**

### June 16, 2008

- Walter and Rebecca Partridge for an area variance to the terms of Article V, Section C,2 of the New London Zoning Ordinance to permit a side yard less than the minimum requirement. The property is located at 385 County Road (Tax Map 72, Lot 12) in the R2 zone. **Granted.**

### July 21, 2008

- Jerry and Jane Barnes for an area variance to the terms of Article XVI, Section C2 of the New London Ordinance to permit a building within the 50-foot setback from the lake. The property is located at 800 Lakeshore Drive (Tax Map 51, Lot 5) in the R2 zone. **Application Withdrawn.**

### August 25, 2008

- Janet and David Royle for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, Section E.1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance in order to cross a wetland with a temporary access to rebuild an existing 30-year-old septic system. The property is located at 195 Tracy Road (Tax Map 118, Lot 2) in the ARR zone. **Granted.**

- Albert Widmer & George Widmer for a special exception as permitted by Article XXII, Section G-3 of the New London Zoning Ordinance to request a reduction in the stream buffer in order to upgrade a septic system on the property. The property is located at 482 Lakeshore Drive (Tax Map 37, Lot 13) in the R2 zone. **Granted.**

#### **September 29, 2008**

- Audrey Perry, c/o Richard Burgess, represented by Blakeman Engineering for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, Section E.1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance in order to cross 2 wetlands with driveway and utilities to access the building site for a new single-family residence. The property is located off Fairway Lane (Tax Map 123, Lot 16) in the ARR zone. **Application withdrawn.**
- Woodcrest Village for a special exception as permitted by Article XXI, Section G. IV, f. of the New London Zoning Ordinance in order to construct an addition of 2-assisted living care apartments and one community room, within the existing footprint of the current building. The property is located at 356 Main Street (Tax Map 84, Lot 8) in the Commercial zone. **Granted.**
- George and Katherine Crozer for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, Section E.1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance in order to dredge and fill 951 S.F. of palustrine forested wetlands to relocate a portion of an existing driveway and upgrade an existing woods road for driveway access to an existing greenhouse operation and office. To offset the impact 595 S.F. of existing culverted crossing will be mitigated to create a stream channel and associated wetland environment to better treat surface water runoff that passes through the front of the lot. The property is located at 737 Burpee Hill Road (Tax Map 56, Lot 7) in the ARR zone. **Granted.**

#### **November 3, 2008**

- Stanley Farm Association for an area variance to the terms of Article VI, Section B, 1 of the New London Zoning Ordinance to permit a house lot with less than the 4-acre minimum size requirement in the ZRR zone district. The property is located at 412 Burpee Hill Road (Tax Map 57, Lot 4). **Granted.**
- Nancy Dahm, represented by Harrison Mulhern Architects for an area variance to the terms of Article V, Section B of the New London Zoning Ordinance for the replacement of an existing single-family dwelling with a new structure to be located farther from the shore line on a lot that is less than two acres in size, has less than the required road frontage, has less than the minimum shore line, and will have less than the required side yard setbacks. The property is located at 110 Murray Pond Road (Tax Map 45, Lot 5) in the R2 zone. **Granted.**

#### **December 15, 2008**

- Lynn and Rose Coy, represented by Allen Gamans, III for a variance to the terms of Article XVI, Section C,2 and J, 2, a of the New London Zoning Ordinance to allow for an expansion of a nonconforming structure into the Waterfront Buffer, after-the-fact. The property is located at 29 Woody Point Road (Tax Map 43, Lot 1) in the R2 zone. **Granted.**

#### **December 29, 2008**

- James Ward for a special exception as permitted by Article XIII, Section F, (2) of the New London Zoning Ordinance to fill an existing man-made drainage ditch for the purpose of developing a site for a new home. The property is located off Everett Park (Tax Map 72, Lot 27) in the R1 zone. **Application Withdrawn.**

Respectfully submitted,

*William D. Green*, Chair

## KEARSARGE VALLEY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM

Over the past year, the Kearsarge Valley Community Action Program has been the focal point of social service delivery in this area, providing help when needed to the income eligible and elderly, as well as to the community at large. As perhaps you are aware, Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. generates funds through the mobilization of available federal, state and local monies. Support for this local area center is derived from a combination of federal appropriations and local tax dollars. This combination allows the Kearsarge Valley CAP to provide a variety of services to the residents of your community, from the development of programs that meet local needs, to outreach, referral and direct assistance.

### 2008 SUMMARY OF SERVICES PROVIDED TO NEW LONDON RESIDENTS

SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNITS OF SERVICE	HOUSEHOLDS/ PERSONS	VALUE
COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM is a nutrition program that offers participants free nutritious foods to supplement their daily diet. The program serves children under six years of age, women during pregnancy and up to 12 months after the birth of their baby. (An individual may not be enrolled in both the WIC Program and CSFP but a family may have members on both programs.)		26 households	\$ 15,600.00
CONGREGATE MEALS: All elders are welcome to our congregate meal sites/Senior Centers for nutritious hot meals, social/recreational activities and special events. Value \$6.68 per meal.	544 meals	149 persons	\$ 3,797.12
MEALS-ON-WHEELS provides the delivery of nutritionally balanced hot meals to homebound elderly or adult residents five days per week. Value \$6.98 per meal.	4077 meals	31 persons	\$ 28,457.46
TRANSPORTATION provides regularly scheduled demand response to and from towns in Belknap and Merrimack Counties to medical and professional facilities, shopping centers, and congregate meal sites. Value \$8.00 per ridership.	55 rides	11 persons	\$ 440.00
EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRIES provide up to five days of food for people facing temporary food crisis. Value \$5.00 per meal.	170 meals	17 persons	\$ 850.00
FUEL ASSISTANCE is available to income eligible households to help with energy costs during the prime heating season. Priority is given to the elderly and disabled. The average benefit for the 2007-08 program was \$734.	36 applications	93 persons	\$ 26,625.00
ELECTRIC ASSISTANCE is a statewide program funded by all electric rate payers which provides a specific tier of discount from 5% to 70% on electric bills for income eligible households.		29 households enrolled	\$12,702.00
WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN provides specific food to supplement daily diet of pregnant or nursing women as well as children under five. Participants receive medical/nutritional screening, counseling and education. Value includes value of vouchers and clinical services.		22 households	\$ 17,704.08
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 106,175.66</b>

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

The staff of the Kearsarge Valley Area Center wishes to thank you and the Town of New London for your support in the past. With your continued interest, we will be able to continue to provide needed services to members of our community.

Sincerely,

*Laura Hall*

Area Director, Kearsarge Valley Area Center

## NEW LONDON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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The New London Historical Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and dissemination of historical information, artifacts, and “live” programs to bring back our history. This past year we worked hard to attract new member households as part of the Findlay Challenge of New Hampshire and to bring new people, ideas, and energy to the Society. Although we did not win the Challenge, we are very proud that we were able to add 150 new households to our total membership of 512 in 2008.

In 2008 we again collaborated with the Sunapee Historical Society, the Fells, the Barn Playhouse, the Lake Sunapee Protective Association, and we added the Newbury Historical Society as well. Our theme was “HOSTING OUR SUMMER GUESTS--the 1880’s through the 1930’s.” This included programs, beginning in cold January and through December, with subjects such as: Women Tavern Keepers in New Hampshire, Summer Stock in New England, Entertaining Visitors: Boarding Houses, Hotels, Cottages, Fishing Camps, and Camps; Love Your Lakes Day and Antique Boat Parade, and a number of others. Exhibits: A Victorian Hotel Room Quilts: Antique and Contemporary; and New London's Grand Hotels, Boarding Houses, and Camps

For 2009 Partners Around Lake Sunapee’s theme will be “THEN AND NOW AROUND LAKE SUNAPEE.” Some of the programs will include Susan B. Anthony, the Invincible, a drama; a Scytheville Walking Tour and a Cemetery Tour; The Mill System--from Scytheville to Manchester, NH to Manchester, England; New England Tourism in the 19th Century; and a Then and Now Photo Exhibit of the New London area. At the New London Historical Society we will have a photo contest for the best pictures by adults and by children of particular local subjects for this exhibit. So, all of you photographers, get your cameras ready and watch for our photo kickoff meeting this spring, and in the meantime be thinking of great subjects to shoot around here.

Back by popular demand will be another NLHS Quilt Exhibit, and our local quilters are working hard to create dazzling quilts for it next summer, and others will loan us their special antique quilts too. Our local area environment is very important: Debbie Stanley and Nancy Lyon will give us new insight into Our Rural Landscape Then and Now. Finally, our Art Show will be back and is scheduled for an extended weekend in late June.

The New London Historical Society is an all-volunteer organization looking for more volunteers. To date, we have always found a project to match each volunteer’s expertise and interest. Come join us. In addition, our campus is available for AIL classes, 4th grade class day, other company-sponsored events, weddings, and parties. Please go to our website to learn more: [newlondonhistoricalsociety.org](http://newlondonhistoricalsociety.org). We welcome your participation in all of our activities throughout the year, and we hope to see you in 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

*J.L. Tonner*, President



*Cordwood,  
Messer Farm  
(photo by Vern Violette).*

## NEW LONDON OUTING CLUB

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2008 was an exciting and challenging year for the New London Outing Club (NLOC), an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization serving the greater Kearsarge community. Over the past year, traditional sports programs continued to grow and the new Outing Club Indoor Center (OCIC) was opened in March with all kinds of year-round indoor activities.

Outdoor Programs – More than 800 children and adults participated in NLOC events including youth lacrosse, Ripken baseball, T-ball, tennis, girl's and adult softball, youth soccer, bocce ball, horseshoes and many more. Within those programs there were special events like the British Soccer camp, lacrosse tournaments, soccer jamborees, etc.

Indoor Programs – In just nine short months, the OCIC has provided a wide variety of programs and special events for more than 900 children and adults. These activities include:

- Off-season sports training and practice sessions (lacrosse, baseball, football, soccer, tennis, etc.);
- Indoor sports like badminton, basketball and volleyball;
- Teen events;
- Birthday and special occasion parties;
- Music and dance shows;
- NLOC Ski & Skate Sale;
- Special events such as our annual Ski & Skate Sale, the New London Hospital/VNA Health and Safety Fair, AAU Basketball Tournaments, sports clinics, etc.
- Acting classes and the Summer Intern's program for the New London Barn Playhouse.

The array of social, recreational and educational activities that can be staged at the OCIC is almost endless so we are continually searching for new programs that will best serve our many members and participants.

Community Support – In order to provide all of these programs and activities, we need a lot of support from the community. First, we need many volunteers to staff the programs and provide important management functions. Second, we need the financial support provided by membership and program fees as well as individual donations and the funds raised through special events like the capital campaign in 2007-2008 and the Fall Fling auction this past October. Remember, all of the programs and activities carried out by the NLOC are done without tax dollars other than the tax exemption the NLOC enjoys as a charitable organization.

We are so thankful for our many volunteers and the support and participation of community members. Working together, we will continue to expand our programs to satisfy the needs of our many community participants. We look forward to your support again in 2009!

Respectfully submitted,

*Dick Clayton*, President

## Bandstand Committee

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What would summer in New London be without our band concerts on the green? For sure, it would be a lot less fun!

Summer 2008 marked the 19<sup>th</sup> year in which the Bandstand Committee presented a summer concert series and the first year for the new Bandstand Committee. Although the Committee members were new to the game, we understood the founders' vision: the bandstand and its concerts stand "as a symbol of all that is good about our Town."

In September 2007, the then-current Bandstand Committee dissolved itself. Jessie Levine, Town Administrator, suggested that the fledgling Kearsarge Community Center (KCC) take over. Lois Marshall (then president) and I came together and worked out a transition plan under which a number of KCC board members would immediately take responsibility.

We wanted to do two things: first, make sure that we didn't mess up a heretofore very successful New London tradition; and second, demonstrate new vigor and a continued commitment to quality concerts. On the first point, we think the transition was seamless. To the second point, we hope you saw something new (and enjoyed it). We experimented... we added clowns, mimes, and jugglers from Urban Circus to broaden the appeal and engage the children.

In making the transition, my job was easy, since I had the benefit of board members and supporters who were experts in art and cultural events and who knew how to get things done. David Cleveland volunteered to head our operations function. He and board members Deb Barton, Bridget LeRoy, and Missy Owen (from the prior board) used their considerable artistic judgment to engage an excellent variety of bands and select Urban Circus performers. David Kidder and Joe Cardillo volunteered to head our sponsorship function. Most people probably do not realize it, but the Bandstand Committee is a non-profit entity that derives its operating funds from *sponsors* (local businesses and individuals). The Committee also maintains the bandstand, at no expense to the Town.

Deb Barton volunteered to head our publicity function. She, with the help of Lee Morrill (a past trustee), designed and produced all of our advertising material. With Deb's background in theater, she made an invaluable contribution. Mary Campe volunteered to be our Treasurer. Mary works at Lake Sunapee Bank and expertly manages our financial affairs. Our thanks to Cody Scherer, a very talented, well-organized and highly dependable KRHS student from Springfield who, without exception, made things work on Friday evenings (sound systems, chairs, rain-induced moves indoors).

Lastly, we sincerely thank Lois Marshall for her rock-solid guidance between September 2007 and January 2008 after her board passed the responsibility to us.

I can think of no finer way to conclude this report than to quote Steve Mendelson, founder and patron, from a 1998 statement:

The Committee looks forward to another successful summer of music and community spirit. So, when you see the bunting flying and the conductor raises the baton on the first note, take a moment to reflect on the calm and joy of eight fun-filled Friday evenings of music on Sargent Common and to remember those who worked so hard to keep the spirit of New London alive.

Steve Mendelson died unexpectedly October 2001 at age 58. The Bandstand Committee appreciates Steve's legacy and his vision to enrich the lives of New London citizens with music and theater. We shall do our best to meet the high standards of Steve and his fellow founders.

Respectfully submitted,

*Bill Dowd*

President

## LAKE SUNAPEE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

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In 2008, LSPA had many opportunities to further environmental education, science, water quality and collaborations in and around the Sunapee area:

**Invasive species:** Many thanks to our Weed Watchers, who reported more plant growth in general and more green filamentous algae. These long and stringy algae can form cloud-like masses, usually near the lake bottom in shallow areas. These “lake balls” are on the increase and indicate increasing nutrient levels in the water.

Invasive milfoil was discovered in Sunapee Harbor this year. LSPA actually discovered the plants last year but we could not confirm the species. A new fragment was sent to NHDES this year and it was positively identified as variable milfoil through DNA analysis. The milfoil has been covered with benthic barrier since last year and it will continue to be monitored and managed. It is fortunate that we caught the batch in Sunapee Harbor early. There are/were only two or three plants stems under boat slips – a difficult location for visibility. Monitoring and management of existing invasive milfoil continued successfully at George’s Mills this past season. Licensed handpicking with root removal and benthic barriers contained the spread of the plant. Meanwhile, suspicious milfoil off the State Beach coast is being analyzed. The three lake towns continue to support the control of invasives by contributing \$5,000 each.

**Lake Hosting:** This year, over 2300 boats were inspected, an increase over the 1700 checked in 2007. Lake Host hours were increased, with a fourth launch site added. The launch sites are Georges Mills, Sunapee Harbor, State Beach and Blodgett Landing which was added as the fourth site in 2008. The largest number of boats came from NH, with MA, VT, CT, and NY following in that order. Increases were greatest from MA and NY. Outboards, JETS, sailboats and canoes and kayaks saw the greatest increase in numbers. An invasive Eurasian milfoil “save” was confirmed from a CT boat, which had the plant all over the boat. We are pleased to have many Lake Hosts now returning from year to year.

**Education Programs:** LSPA held many programs for children and families throughout 2008, with many in school programs as well. LSPA also began an adult/family education series primarily in the summer season. These activities were free of charge and very popular. Love Your Lakes Day was held in August and was well attended with new exhibits, and demonstrations, and the Antique Boat Parade.

**Science:** The instrumented buoy continues to monitor the lake’s temperature, oxygen and other vital measurements, and is available in near-real time on [www.lakesunapee.org](http://www.lakesunapee.org). The data is supplemented with field measurements by staff and the many VLAP volunteers. The LSPA lab located at Colby Sawyer College analyzes water samples for over 25 local lakes and ponds.

In 2008, LSPA was a partner in a newly awarded NSF grant, to explore how the public, including schools, could best use scientific data, such as that from the buoy. A workshop was held and progress continues, with innovative potential interfaces.

Also in 2008, LSPA commissioned a bathymetric study of Lake Sunapee, with very accurate sonar soundings and GPS technology. The results showed that the lake is really several basins tied together. The study will help in understanding of how Lake Sunapee works by indicating flows, areas most likely for algae, such as Gloeotrichia, areas most vulnerable to milfoil, and most likely to have nutrient increases.

**Watershed:** LSPA continued to work with, support and guide many property owners, local municipalities, and the state on identifying problem areas and reducing the effects of stormwater throughout the watershed and the Sunapee area.

**Water Quality:** LSPA’s water quality laboratory, housed at Colby Sawyer College, continues to perform as a most well-respected analysis lab, designated as a DES satellite. It analyzed water quality samples for over 25 area lakes and ponds. The results are then sent to DES, which then become part of the VLAP (Volunteer Lake Assessment Program) reports, which go to the contributing lakes and ponds.

Respectfully submitted,

*June Fichter*

Executive Director

## PLEASANT LAKE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

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Looking back to the 1998 Town Report, the Pleasant Lake Protective Association was working with the Town to redesign and improve the water outflow control system at the Pleasant Lake Dam. Coincidentally, that is exactly what occurred in 2008! Pleasant Lake experienced a significant draw-down in the fall of 2008 so that a new gate could be installed at the dam. The Pleasant Lake Protective Association contributed \$8,000 toward this project. PLPA was happy to be a partner in this much needed improvement to the Pleasant Lake dam.

Once again, the PLPA is sincerely thankful to the Town of New London for continuing to help support our Lake Host Program in the form of a grant of \$7,000 from the Milfoil Capital Reserve Fund. Together with a grant of \$3,000 from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and the continued generosity of PLPA members, we were once again able to fund this important program which did not exist ten years ago. During the summer of 2008, our Lake Hosts inspected 1,321 vessels entering the waters of Pleasant Lake. In addition, a team of volunteer Weed Watchers patrolled our underwater environment. Due to these extensive efforts, we are pleased to report that Pleasant Lake remains free of invasive exotic weeds.

Ten years ago there were no Loons nesting on Pleasant Lake, and we have worked very hard to encourage their yearly nesting since 2003. Sadly, our Loon chicks were lost to predation during the early summer of 2008, most probably to Snapping Turtles. There has been a decrease in Merganser and Mallard chicks as well. A growing Snapping Turtle population in the lake is becoming an increasing problem. Tragically, an adult Loon died on Pleasant Lake due to lead poisoning during the summer of 2008. As a result, a “Get the Lead Out!” campaign was launched. Lead sinkers and jigs are banned by law. We ask that everyone please be sure that lead is removed from their tackle boxes and fishing lines.

The members of the Pleasant Lake Protective Association continue to be passionate about preserving and protecting Pleasant Lake. Our President is Dick Clayton, Vice President Doug Baxter, Treasurer Tom Stark, Secretary Kittie Wilson, and Membership Secretary Sue Andrews. PLPA is classified as a 501(c)3 organization. We have a very active and informative email communication called “*All Things Pleasant on the Lake!*” which you can join by visiting [www.plpa.net](http://www.plpa.net).

Join us as we work to preserve and protect one of New London’s greatest natural treasures, Pleasant Lake!

Respectfully submitted,

*Katherine Wilson*, Secretary



*Nesting loon (Photo by Kittie Wilson).*

## MESSER POND PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

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Messer Pond, located off Bog Road, Forest Acres Road, County Road and Fieldstone Lane, is one of New London's true small treasures. This 67.5 acre pond is home to over 50 families, many of whom live here year round. It is also a well-known favorite of fishermen from miles around who come each year in search of the "perfect bass." The broader watershed area encompasses 1,422 acres.

The Messer Pond Protective Association (MPPA) was founded in 1996 as a volunteer-based association with the purpose of overseeing the well-being of Messer Pond and the surrounding watershed. The primary goals of the MPPA are to test and monitor the water quality, educate residents about pond ecology and threats to water quality, and to promote public safety and safeguard the pond's wildlife environment. In 2008 MPPA had 111 members comprising 52 families.

True to its stated goals, over the past 12 years MPPA has developed an active and vigilant Weed Watcher program and Water Sampling program in conjunction with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES). In addition, over the past two years MPPA has implemented an active Lake Host™ program during the summer months.

MPPA is very grateful to the Town of New London for its support of its Weed Watcher and Lake Host™ programs. In 2008, the Town's grant of \$2,000 together with a \$1,000 grant from the New Hampshire Lakes Association made it possible to provide over 275 hours of paid Lake Host™ staffing at the Bog Road boat launch. MPPA volunteers provided an additional 100 hours of launch coverage. From Memorial Day through Labor Day, lake hosts conducted over 101 boat inspections. Messer Pond's dedicated team of 19 volunteer Weed Watchers provided monthly patrols of the Messer Pond shoreline from July through September. Due to these extensive efforts, we are pleased to report that Messer Pond continues to be free of exotic aquatic plants.

Since 1996 MPPA has also participated in the NHDES Volunteer Lake Assessment Program by sampling the water quality of the pond on a regular basis. The overall water quality for Messer Pond remains very good. In addition to being free of exotic plant species, we remain free of any harmful bacteria and the water is clear. We continue, however, to be mindful of the concerns about phosphorous and the harmful effects of increased phosphorous levels. Working with the NHDES Volunteer River Assessment Program we have increased our sampling of the pond waters to include several tributary sampling locations. Testing and analysis of the water samples is conveniently performed at the LSPA Water Quality Laboratory at Colby-Sawyer College and also at NHDES in Concord.

In 2008, MPPA expanded its pond protection efforts to include the broader watershed area. In the summer of 2007, MPPA contracted for a professional engineering-based evaluation of the Messer Pond watershed. The final report of the evaluation was presented to the MPPA Board in early 2008. The report includes a broad overview of the watershed area, identification of the trouble spots, a homeowner's guide to pond protection and recommendations to MPPA on actions to mitigate further deterioration of the pond water quality. The Board has shared the report, which is available at Tracy Library and on our website, with the membership and continues to educate the membership on the evaluation's findings. These efforts included a presentation at our July annual meeting on "Landscaping at the Water's Edge" by a Master Gardener from the UNH Cooperative Extension. In addition, MPPA is working closely with the Town's Public Works Director on various culvert issues along the Messer Pond roadways.

Past MPPA educational events have included a Dog Sledding demonstration, a presentation on Wells and Well Water, a Ski-Joring demonstration and a presentation on the Turkey Pond Women's Sawmill and Log Storage in Ponds due to the Hurricane of '38. Messer Pond was used for such log storage and we still discover the occasional specially stamped log that has surfaced.

In 2009, MPPA plans to continue its educational efforts and to develop a watershed protection plan consistent with the evaluation's recommendations. MPPA looks forward to working closely and cooperatively with the Town of New London, the other lake associations, and the Sunapee Area Watershed Coalition on water protection efforts.

Our website, [www.messerpond.org](http://www.messerpond.org), provides both educational information and historical data regarding Messer Pond and its pond protection activities, informative links to other relevant websites, as well as a directory of community and town events. We invite all of you to take a look at our very informative website.

Respectfully submitted, MPPA 2008-09 Officers and Board of Directors:

*Nancy Stetson, Terri Bingham, Betty Brown, Jean-Pierre Paquette,  
Scott Brown, Dick Denise, John Harris, Debbie Hunt and Bob Brown*

# THE AUSBON SARGENT LAND PRESERVATION TRUST

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The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) has been a leader in the conservation of our natural resources in the Mt. Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee Region for more than two decades. This non-profit, citizen-based group's mission is to protect the rural landscape of this region.

Operated by a volunteer Board of 14 Trustees, the ASLPT has grown from an all volunteer organization with an initial charter membership of 475 into an organization of over 1,100 memberships with a full-time executive director, two full-time land protection specialists and four part-time office assistants. We are pleased to have 100+ volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring, committee assignments and clerical work. Since our founding in 1987, the ASLPT has completed 100 projects and protected a total of 6,203 acres. All of our conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two-thirds of our properties offer public access.

Many of our members are involved in our events, act as easement monitors, volunteer to assist with office work, organize fundraising events and serve on various committees. We are especially thankful for their support and the countless hours that they give us during the year. Our members are the lifeblood of the ASLPT and if you are not already a member, I urge you to become one.

During the calendar year 2008, the ASLPT conserved eight properties including our 100<sup>th</sup> project! Integrated into your rural landscape forever are the following conservation easement properties: Baptist Pond Trust, 6.52 acres, Springfield; Town of Sutton, Russell Pond, 8.48 acres; Thad and Virginia Johnson, 92 acres, Sutton Mills; Shadow Hill Woodlot – Lorraine and Tim Davis, 50 acres, Sutton; Bradford Bog/Bradford Hotel & Spring, 177.8 acres; and Courser Phase 3 – three separate conservation easements, 440 acres, Warner and Webster. We also had an opportunity to work with the neighbors at Soo Nipi Park in conjunction with Lake Sunapee Protective Association to find a buyer to conserve 100 acres crucial to the Lake Sunapee watershed. In early January 2009, we anticipate closing on two New London properties and one Georges Mills property.

In April 2008 we were thrilled to be able to move to our new office located at 71 Pleasant Street. We are delighted to have the much needed additional work stations and storage and meeting space. Timed with the office move, we added two new members to our staff: Nancy Smith, Administrative Assistant, and Andy Deegan, Land Protection Specialist.

The Outreach Committee of the ASLPT cosponsored a conference in April 2008 with the Center for Land Conservation Assistance, "Saving Special Places." The conference addressed the issues of planning and conservation, land conservation basics, funding, land management and other topics of interest to town decision makers. In November 2008 the Committee sponsored a workshop, "Maintaining Rural Character," for the decision makers on town boards and commissions in our region. The workshop provided opportunities for the participants to compare current policies to retain their rural character through zoning, planning and conservation.

The Land Trust worked throughout 2008 to achieve accreditation from the Land Trust Accreditation Commission which is an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance. The Alliance conducts an extensive review of each applicant's policies and programs to insure that the Land Trust follows accepted accreditation practices. The public is increasingly demanding accountability from government and nonprofit organization, including land trusts. The land trust community has voluntarily heeded the calls for self-regulation. The accreditation seal will provide the Land Trust with enhanced credibility and respect from land conservation donors, members and others.

I would like to thank everyone involved with the ASLPT either as an easement donor, a member or as one who contributes many volunteer hours to the organization. I am especially grateful to our generous supportive members who sustain the land trust. And on behalf of present and future generations, a heartfelt thank you to all the willing landowners who love their land and recognize that their actions will preserve our rural landscapes.....forever. For further information regarding our land projects and future events, please visit our website at [www.ausbonsargent.org](http://www.ausbonsargent.org).

Respectfully submitted,

*Deborah L. Stanley*, Executive Director

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## SUNAPEE AREA WATERSHED COALITION

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The Sunapee Area Watershed Coalition (SAWC) was organized in 2005 by residents concerned with the future of water resources in the Sunapee region. SAWC is made up of representatives from each watershed town (Goshen, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sunapee and Sutton), area lake associations, and interested watershed residents. SAWC is assisted by Upper Valley Regional Planning Commission, Granite State Rural Water Association, and NH DES.

In 2008, the Watershed Management Plan for the Sunapee area was completed. Over 100 copies have been distributed to the watershed towns, as well as to all the watershed town libraries, the NH State Library and Colby Sawyer College Library. Copies are also available online at [www.sunapeewatershed.org](http://www.sunapeewatershed.org) or [www.lakesunapee.org](http://www.lakesunapee.org). During the year, while working on the Watershed Plan, members of SAWC toured the watershed, talking to experts and visiting the New London pump stations, the Sunapee water treatment plant, a managed forest, NH Department of Transportation sites, Sunapee Harbor and developments with stormwater controls. The Watershed Plan subcommittee also met with civil engineers, landscape architects, and foresters to understand effective methods of stormwater infiltration, such as swales, rain gardens, and level spreaders.

**What is in the Watershed Plan?** The top issues listed from the Watershed Plan investigation can be summarized into three general topics: Stormwater Runoff, Septic Systems, and Awareness and Compliance. The first two chapters contain information about watersheds and in particular the Sunapee Watershed. Chapter Three contains water quality data, as well as the federal and state regulations regarding water resource protection. The data indicate increasing levels of conductivity and phosphorus concentrations, increased occurrences of algal blooms and toxic algae, and elevated sodium and chloride concentrations. This section also contains a description of the Water Quality Model developed to evaluate the phosphorus loading from the watershed under two conditions: current land use and full future build-out land use. The next chapters contain an overview of existing protection measures in the watershed, inventories of potential threats to water quality, and a summary of the top watershed priorities.

A major concern and threat to water quality is stormwater runoff throughout the watershed, from roads, lawns and other impervious surfaces. An over-arching goal is to reduce phosphorus runoff rates and maintain in-water phosphorus concentrations. Why so much concern about phosphorus? Because it is a key indicator of pollution in a water body, as it occurs at a very low natural level. Human activity quickly increases phosphorus in a watershed and more phosphorus means more algae and plants. Water quality trends from the last 18 years indicate increases of more than 50%. This added phosphorus accelerates the aging of water bodies, shortening its life effecting recreational activities, wildlife, drinking water resources and the local economy. Rapid increases can even lead to massive plankton blooms, low oxygen, and fish kills. Feedback from municipal board members has been positive. Each town by itself may not have sufficient resources to solve the problem, so sharing information and solutions is valuable.

The Eight Areas of Major Concern are: stormwater runoff pollution; erosion from land development; impacts of impervious cover to water quality and quantity; impacts from aging septic systems and locations of new ones; enforcement of existing ordinances and regulations; road salt use and storage; lack of a watershed approach for water protection; and insufficient education on watershed plan implementation

**What's Next for SAWC and Watershed Planning?** SAWC representatives continue to meet with Select Boards and Planning Boards from each watershed area town to discuss potential action items from the recommendations such as:

- Stormwater runoff: Requiring low impact development for subdivisions and individual home construction.
- Erosion: Consider soil type and steep slopes.
- Impervious surfaces: Since uncontrolled impervious surfaces leads to erosion and can downgrade aquifer recharge, retain as much runoff as possible onsite.
- Septic Systems: These play a long term role in degradation of water quality, especially with increasing population. Understanding the “what, when, where and size” of septic systems and their proper maintenance schedules would go a long way to limiting their problems.
- Enforcement: The primary tool for improving the environment is education, but enforcement of existing regulations is important, with funding from permit fees.
- Watershed Planning: The idea of establishing watershed overlay districts in critical areas should be examined.
- Education: SAWC is willing to play a major role in keeping communities informed on water quality issues and the economic benefits to avoid future problems.

**What has Already Taken Place?** Information has been disseminated to the towns during the making of the Watershed Plan, leading to improvement in Zoning Ordinances for stormwater handling and Low Impact Development. Erosion and Sediment pamphlets have been prepared for distribution in several towns. A “Guide to Erosion Control and Stormwater Management” has been circulated to the towns. This is a well illustrated educational tool to be used by town officials, contractors, builders, and home owners. Copies are available at LSPA office, Sunapee Harbor or online at [sunapeewatershed.org](http://sunapeewatershed.org).

SAWC meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM in Room 201 of the Ivey Center at Colby Sawyer College.

Respectfully submitted,

*June Fichter*

Executive Director, Lake Sunapee Protective Association



*Calm water on Herrick-Cove, Lake Sunapee (Photo by Vern Violette).*

# COLBY-SAWYER COLLEGE

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## THEN AND NOW

**The Ice Storms:** The year 1998 began with a powerful ice storm that swept through New England, striking New London with particular ferocity. A decade later, 2008 ended with another ice storm that paralyzed parts of New England and knocked out power in much of New London. Through both of the storms, area residents, town officials, schools, businesses and organizations pulled together to ensure the safety and well-being of our community members. So while our theme of “Then and Now” illustrates major changes, the decade that began and ended with natural disasters also exemplified the caring and resilient character of this community.

In spring 1998, the cover story of the *Colby-Sawyer College Alumni Magazine* was, “Ice Storm: The Power of Community.” The article recalled the state of emergency in New London and the arrival of the National Guard. Some 33,000 households in the region had lost power, and heavy ice had downed or damaged trees, utility poles and power lines. “If there was a silver lining,” the article stated, “it was the way the community overcame even the worst of nature’s deeds.”

Colby-Sawyer College set up a command post at Colby Homestead to organize vans for evacuating people to shelters, and college maintenance staff assisted elderly people trapped in homes without heat. The Hogan Sports Center provided National Guardsmen and emergency workers with warmth and showers.

Similarly, the ice storm that battered the New London area on December 12, 2008, caused extensive damage and widespread power outages. Just as in 1998, the New London Elementary School served as a shelter, welcoming those who needed a warm meal or a place to sleep. Campus Safety Director Peter Berthiaume assumed his role as director of New London’s emergency management team, and Colby-Sawyer’s Dining Services Manager Mike Heffernan supervised the food service. Many college students and staff joined other local volunteers to work at the shelter.

When the elementary school needed to prepare for re-opening, the shelter was moved to the college’s Wheeler Hall in Ware Campus Center for several more days. Once again, Colby-Sawyer, town officials, emergency personnel, local and regional volunteers came to the community’s aid in a time of great need.

**Community-Based Academic Programs:** In 1998, Colby-Sawyer College, then led by President Anne Ponder, began planning for a new academic major, Community and Environmental Studies (CES), for which third-year students would work with local organizations to address environmental concerns. Since then, teams of students have worked with New London Conservation Commission, Lake Sunapee Protective Association, the John Hay National Wildlife Refuge, the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, and the Pleasant Lake and Blaisdell Lake Protective Associations. In 2008, the CES program was re-named Environmental Studies and joined by a new Environmental Science major.

In 2001, the college’s Nursing Department adopted a community-based curriculum in which student nurses work with organizations in address community health needs. The department has formed partnerships with New London Hospital and the Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice (LSRVNA). In recent years, teams of nursing student have assisted the hospital in honing its community outreach programs for its swing bed program and its diabetes education services. Student nurses have also assisted LSRVNA in publicizing its hospice services, as well as with finding alternatives to traditional prescription medications for their hospice and home care patients who suffer from chronic pain.

**Community Service, Service Learning and Internships:** Through the Community Service Club, classes on service learning, internships, and other volunteer opportunities, Colby-Sawyer students volunteer to serve local and distant communities. In the 1997-98 academic year, 321 student volunteers worked in 12 K-12 schools, 23 community or agency partnerships and on 20 different community projects.

In 2007-08, the Community Service Club organized many initiatives, including the Lend-a-Hand Project to collect items for food banks and pantries in the state. Students also engaged in mentoring and tutoring programs in area schools and helped with Habitat for Humanity projects, the Winter Special Olympics in Vermont, and the Kearsarge Council on Aging. Professor Basia Pietlicki’s Helping Interactions classes volunteered to teach African refugee children language and math skills through the Life Solutions program, to work with children locally at the Zone Program and at Camp Coniston.

Additionally, in the last decade, student interns contributed thousands of work hours to area schools, businesses and organizations, while gaining essential experience in their fields of study. Through the Harrington Center for Career Development and Community Service, the college has developed thriving and mutually beneficial partnerships with

organizations such as The Fells, New London Hospital and the Kearsarge Regional School District which provide mentors and internship sites for our students.

**Recreation, Fitness and Athletics:** Each year hundreds of community residents visit the Dan and Kathleen Hogan Sports Center to participate in sports, recreation or aerobics programs, use the Fitness Center, or compete in and watch athletic competitions. The center offers programs and activities for people of all ages.

Each summer, the Hogan Center hosts a day camp for children, a program that continues to expand. In 1998, 68 children attended camp over six weeks; in 2008, camp was offered for eight weeks and 150 children participated. In cooperation with the New London Recreation Department, “Mom and Tot Playtime” is now offered on Friday mornings throughout the winter months, as well as “Mom and Me Climbs” at the Ray Indoor Climbing Wall. A decade ago, local children and teens engaged in competitive swimming as part of the Hogan Center Sea Lions Swim Team. The program has since become part of North Country Aquatics, an organization that attracts an average of 60 area swimmers each year.

Community members have long taken advantage of a regular schedule of aerobics programs, which have increased in frequency and variety. The fitness center continues to offer a Healthy Heart cardiac rehabilitation program with supervised exercise sessions that meet three times per week. The program gives people an opportunity to achieve and maintain healthy, vigorous lifestyles.

Colby-Sawyer has 16 successful men’s and women’s intercollegiate athletic teams that have won 14 Conference Championships over the last decade. For more than 25 years, the Chargers Club, made up of community residents, has supported our student-athletes by attending their games and hosting recognition events and fund-raisers for the teams. Area residents are invited to attend exciting athletic competitions at the college.

**A Decade of Growth:** The last decade has been marked by growth and change of the student body, the campus, and college programs. In 1998, with 793 students enrolled, Lawson Hall--a residence hall named in honor of community member and former Trustee Charles J. Lawson and his wife Joan--was dedicated. Beams from New London’s original town meetinghouse were also used to re-construct a new lodge on campus. In 1999, Colby-Sawyer donated Colby Academy, the school's original building, to the town of New London; following renovations, New London repurposed the building as its town offices.

By 2001, student enrollment had risen to 912 students, and Danforth Hall, a residence hall named for New London resident and former Trustee Peter D. Danforth, was opened. In 2002, the Health, Exercise and Sport Sciences (HESS) building was extensively renovated and renamed Mercer Hall, in honor of benefactors William C. Mercer and Ramona Wells Mercer ’41, and the first two endowed faculty chairs were created. By 2004, the Curtis L. Ivey Science Center was constructed and named for a local benefactor and college friend. That year, the college announced that its capital campaign exceeded its \$40 million goal with the support of community friends and alumni.

Thomas C. Galligan Jr. joined the college as president in 2006. By 2008, student enrollment had jumped to 1,004, the largest in college history, and many new academic initiatives were launched. The college introduced its Progressive Scholars program, an effort to increase diversity on campus, and welcomed 20 urban students from two Boston-area high schools. New academic programs were announced, including majors in Art History, Creative Writing and Environmental Science, minors in Chemistry and Education, and a Coaching Certificate program that can be combined with any major. The college also welcomed its first Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence, Isaac Nyamongo, associate professor and director of the Institute of Anthropology, Gender and African Studies at the University of Nairobi in Kenya.

Just as the New London community is integral to Colby-Sawyer College’s growth, vitality and prosperity, the college enhances the quality of life for area residents through its programs and resources. Community members are invited to attend the college’s cultural events, which include art exhibitions, theater productions, music, films and speakers, through the academic year. Additionally, the college’s Windy Hill School has long provided excellent educational opportunities for children through its Toddler, Nursery School and Primary Programs, while Adventures in Learning, which celebrated its tenth anniversary in 2008, offers stimulating courses for adults. Most importantly, the Town of New London and Colby-Sawyer College share a strong spirit of community, which has grown and thrived throughout our long histories. We look forward to a future of mutual support and collaboration. To learn more about all of the programs mentioned above, please visit [www.colby-sawyer.edu](http://www.colby-sawyer.edu).

Respectfully submitted,

*Kimberly Swick Slover*, Director of Communications

## **NEW LONDON INFORMATION BOOTH & LAKE SUNAPEE REGION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

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The Information Booth reconstruction replacing a late 1960s-era building began in May after several years of planning and fund-raising. The previous building had extensive deterioration and did not adequately represent the Town or the area's primary office for the regional Chamber of Commerce. The New London Selectboard finalized a lease and granted demolition and building permits after important guidance on our applications by Town Administrator Jessie Levine, Zoning Administrator Peter Stanley and Richard Lee and his Public Works Department. The Town's support and cooperation is greatly appreciated. Donated construction materials, discounts, volunteer labor and financial support from many organizations and individuals have supplemented the Town's support.

During construction, the Information Booth activities continued from the temporary offices provided by Angeli & Associates Real Estate on Main Street. Nearly 1700 visitors were recorded at the temporary location and during the year. This figure is down from 2007 due primarily to the change in location. The completed building, which will include a public handicapped-accessible restroom will, be open year-round with occupancy expected by spring 2009.

The Chamber maintained the same telephone, web site and email contacts during the temporary relocation and during the entire calendar year of 2008, and an additional nearly 1500 such inquiries were received. The greatest number of inquiries and visitors came from NH, Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Maine. An increasing number of inquiries began to come in from the mid-Atlantic, and to a lesser extent from the Midwest, Canada and Europe. Last minute travel decisions, uncertain economic times, and fuel prices have affected travel patterns substantially.

The Chamber collaborates with the Towns of Sunapee and Newbury in the operation of their respective seasonal information booths, generally open from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Those booths are staffed and maintained by their respective towns.

The Chamber was involved in sponsoring several community events in New London during 2008, including the Chocolate Fest at the New London Inn in March, assisting with a Red Cross Blood Drive in June, working with various local organizations on a community calendar posted on the Chamber's web site ([www.lakesunapeenh.org](http://www.lakesunapeenh.org)) and in promoting "Shop Local" events related to the new roundabout opening and December's "Christmas in our Towns-Destination New London."

The Chamber participated in the promotion of events put on by local non-profit organizations such as the Barn Playhouse, the Historical Society, the Garden Club's Antique Show, Summer Music Associates, "Christmas Carol" and KAT Theatre presentations, the Bandstand Committee's Friday night concerts, plus New London Hospital, COA, Red Cross and VNA events. The Chamber distributed biking and hiking locations, including selling New London Trail Maps to benefit the Conservation Commission. Finally, the Chamber continued to provide information or referrals for visiting Gordon Conference attendees at Colby-Sawyer College. The Chamber also promoted Town Recreation Department services and events, the New London Outing Club and activities of the Kearsarge Community Center planning committee.

Spring Ledge Farm again donated the holiday tree in the Town gazebo with the Chamber adding seasonal lights and benefiting from the support of local caroling groups and banks that provided refreshments and entertainment. The Chamber also placed the Tomie DiPaola mailbox for letters to Santa.

Both the Booth itself and the Chamber offices operate with a part-time director and a New London resident who provides valuable part-time assistance in Chamber operations and information distribution. Ten years ago, Information Booth services were provided exclusively by dedicated volunteers. A paid staff was added about six years ago as the Chamber sought more statewide support and further stability to promote businesses that contribute to the local diversity and vitality of New London.

A volunteer 15-member Board of Directors governs the Chamber and was joined by retail and organizational volunteers from New London and other area towns guiding Chamber activities. The Chamber Director remains an at-large board member of the NH Association of Chambers of Commerce and works with state agencies and Business and Industry Association economic development and visitor-oriented organizations to advocate for our members, promote and facilitate commerce which enhance the quality of life of communities in the entire region.



*Above left: September 2008, foundation is poured for new Information Booth.*

*Above right: December 2008, Information Booth nears completion.*

### **The Value of the Chamber for the Community**

- The Chamber responds to requests for local and regional information advocating for New London and the surrounding area.
- The Chamber represents the interests and climate of the local business community while the Town advances its next Master Plan.
- The value of buying locally continues to be of primary value. The concepts of “Shop Local” and “Think Local First” and the Community Investment Program are ways to support the local economy.
- The Chamber’s web site -- [www.lakesunapeenh.org](http://www.lakesunapeenh.org) -- lists all local Chamber members including retail, service, real estate, business and social service organizations in addition to a community calendar. We hope in 2009 to provide the opportunity for all members to add events directly to the community calendar.
- Research continues to demonstrate that travel and tourism is one of this area’s leading industries and a driver of local economic success. The Chamber applies for state Joint Promotional Program (JPP) matching funds from the New Hampshire Department of Travel & Tourism for the production and development of annual publications. JPP funds supplement the Town support, member dues and modest fundraising efforts to meet our budget requirements for marketing and operating expenses.

### **Vision for 2009**

The Chamber’s strategic goals for 2009 continue to be increased communication to and among members, promotion of the services and businesses in the area, further web site development and organization, plus ongoing strong relationships with the Town.

For information on Chamber operations, calendar options or any other questions, please contact us at 526-6575 or email at [chamberinfo@tds.net](mailto:chamberinfo@tds.net).

We appreciate the support of the Town of New London.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rob Bryant*

Executive Director

# NEW LONDON HOSPITAL

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## Then and Now

Ten years has made a dramatic change in New London Hospital and the services it offers our community. In 1998, the Hospital had 35 inpatient beds, outpatient services, the 58-bed Clough Extended Care Center and a small number of employed providers in the Medical Office Center. In 2008, the Hospital is a Critical Access Hospital with 25 beds and many changes, notably the variety of services and providers and the expansion of the Hospital.

As we celebrate our 90<sup>th</sup> year of service to the Town of New London, our campus reflects the investment all of us are making in the health of our families and friends.

- Our 24/7 ambulance service continues to serve the community with financial support from the Town
- The team of Andrew Best, MD, David Corbin, MD, Hank Horak, MD, Kenneth Call, MD and Steve Powell, MD continues to provide 24/7 care in the Emergency Department and saw over 7,000 patients in 2008.
- We held our 6<sup>th</sup> annual Emergency Services Conference at Mount Sunapee Resort, attracting over 400 participants.
- The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) recognized our patient care quality in the areas of Community Acquired Pneumonia and Surgical Care. In addition, New London Hospital serves as a mentor hospital on quality issues with other hospitals across the country.
- New London Hospital is on the Harvard Pilgrim Honor Roll in recognition of our standing in the top 25% of hospitals nationally for the results of our quality measures as reported by the Centers for Medicare/Medicaid Services.
- The volume of our clinical services grew over 7% in FY 2008, with increases in patient visits to lab, oncology and radiology. In addition, the number of patients selecting New London Hospital for primary care, the number of surgery cases performed in our operating rooms, as well as visits to the Emergency Room all increased.
- The hospital began a Pain Management Program under the direction of Julie Sorensen, MD in collaboration with Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center.
- Working with three other area hospitals and one radiology practice, a picture archiving communication system (PACS) for radiology studies were activated, which allows physicians to access and review digital images on a computer from any location.
- A new DEXA Scan machine has been installed to provide improved bone density screenings.
- Our survey by the state Critical Access Hospital surveyors was successfully completed in September.
- We continue to ensure that we have quality providers to meet the primary care needs of our patients and we strive to provide the specialty services appropriate for our hospital:
  - Our primary care providers have been joined by three new colleagues: Arthur Moore, MD, Internal Medicine in New London; Marie Prinsen, MD, Family Medicine in New London; Christine Dube, ARNP, Family Practice in New London.
- The Clough Center initiated a Hospitalist program, providing increased physician access for residents and their families.
- Craig Labore, MA, NHA joined the management team of the hospital as Administrator of the Clough Center.
- The hospital generated a gain from operations of .5%
- The Hospital continues to implement new modules of its Healthcare Information System in the inpatient unit and operating rooms. Electronic Medical Records (EMR) implementation is on schedule to be used in the new physician offices after the building is occupied this winter.
- The *Building Towards the Future* project is on budget. The new attached building is nearing completion and we expect occupancy by the beginning of February 2009.

- Our capital campaign for *Building Towards the Future* has raised \$6.6 million of our \$7.2 million goal.
- We continue very thoughtful deliberation of the opportunity to create a Continuous Care Retirement Community (CCRC) on hospital land. We are researching a variety of options and speaking with several experts in the field.
- Community support for New London Hospital exceeded our projections with a very successful Annual Fund, our third Grand Gala, our fifth annual golf tournament and our 84<sup>th</sup> Hospital Days.
- The New London Hospital Art Program continues to showcase the works of local artists over the year with quarterly exhibits, bringing the art of healing to our walls for patients, visitors and staff. We are very grateful that the artists donate a percentage of all their sales to New London Hospital.
- Volunteer service to the hospital totaled more than 20,732 hours, with a value of over \$374,213. The Friends of New London Hospital also contributed countless hours supporting a variety of community-based programs.

We look to 2009 with excitement and expectation as we complete our expansion and renovation project and unite our campus. By June 2009, pediatrics and rehabilitative services will be back on campus and there will be one main entrance, one registration area for all services and significantly enlarged parking areas. All inpatients will have private rooms and our specialty services area oncology, pain management, cardiology, Coumadin, and sleep disorders center will be in the new enlarged space.

New London Hospital expresses its deep appreciation to the community for its support and interest in the Hospital's future.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dudley R. Smith*

Chairman, New London Hospital Board of Trustees

*Bruce P. King*

President & CEO New London Hospital



*New London Hospital employees sign beam used in the new addition. From left to right: Lori Underwood, Noah Thompson, Terry LeBlanc, Tina Naimie, Jeff McDaniel, Mike Traegde, Kim Elder, and Carol Lindahl (photo courtesy of New London Hospital).*

## LAKE SUNAPEE REGION VNA & HOSPICE

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Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA) remains grateful for the opportunities to provide home health, hospice, long-term care and community health services to all residents of New London. Our Mission remains to provide these services to support the dignity and independence of all individuals and families in your community. We strongly believe in the value and necessity of home care and the LSRVNA Board of Directors has reaffirmed that, within its financial resources, the Agency will continue to provide New London residents with all its services, except for long-term private duty care, regardless of insurance coverage or any patient's ability to pay for care.

I believe that a good visiting nurse agency occupies a unique niche in both the health care system and the communities within which it operates. In today's health care environment, most of the focus is on treating a disease or illness. To be sure, this is a focus of LSRVNA staff as well. However, my Agency goes one step further: We seek to provide education and emotional support to motivate and empower individuals to not only recover to the fullest extent possible, but to make informed independent choices about how to lead their lives and prevent future illness. When an individual is terminally ill, our focus is to provide comfort and support the dignity and essential worth of not only our patient, but our patient's family as well. Our support groups and clinics provide preventative care, emotional support and expert advice to all who choose to partake. I consider LSRVNA employees fortunate to be allowed into individual homes to provide most of our services. This intimate setting allows us to address not only disease and illness, but the complicated emotional, psychological and social issues that accompany them.

LSRVNA has always embraced the role of technology in home health care. Utilization of newer and sophisticated treatments have enabled some individuals to recover in their homes when, just a few years ago, their only options were to remain in a hospital or to receive care in a nursing home. Although the Agency does perform the most modern home care treatments available, when compared to much of our health care system, we are somewhat low-tech providers. Our greatest and most valuable asset is the personalized one-on-one care and teaching that our nurses, therapists, home health aides, homemakers, volunteers and counselors provide to our patients.

Unfortunately, health care reimbursement is often driven by technology and procedures such as MRIs and operations; home care remains an under-funded component of the system. For example, the average charge for two nights of room, board and nursing care (not including any tests, medications or procedures) in a hospital is roughly equal to the amount of money that a VNA is reimbursed for providing up to 60 days of Medicare-funded home care! As a result, LSRVNA depends on the financial support of the towns and individuals within the area it serves. That is why your ongoing support is so vitally necessary.

Over the past 12 months, LSRVNA staff provided care to more than 1010 New London residents. Here is a partial breakdown of the services provided:

- Community health clinics (blood pressure, foot care and flu clinics) provided services to at least 748 individuals;
- Our staff made over 3070 home care visits to 161 children, adults and newborns ;
- Fifty-six elderly and disabled individuals received over 11,200 hours of supportive in-home care; and,
- Thirty-two residents received compassionate end-of-life care in their homes through our hospice program. Their families and loved ones will be provided with bereavement and grief support services at no charge.

Again, although I believe that a vibrant VNA is an integral part of any community, LSRVNA would not exist without your ongoing support. Speaking on behalf of all Agency employees, I am grateful for your continued support and wish you all happiness and the best of health in the coming year.

Sincerely,

*Scott Fabry*, RN

President and CEO

**CHAPIN SENIOR CENTER  
KEARSARGE AREA COUNCIL ON AGING, INC.**

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COA's motto in fulfilling its basic mission is "People Helping People." From a philosophical standpoint COA provides multiple ongoing opportunities for New London seniors to get out and participate in activities and programs that keep their minds and bodies in action and improve the quality of their lives. This applies to members as well as the 155 New London volunteers. There are many studies, which support the fact that seniors who volunteer, get out to socialize and stay active, live longer, healthier lives and stay longer in their homes.

From a practical standpoint, in 2007 COA volunteers drove members from the nine-town area 50,000 miles. COA's transportation program provides home pick up and return to people who are unable to drive, at no charge and with no reimbursement. To put this overwhelming statistic in perspective, COA maintains separate listings of so-called "ongoing rides" -- those people who require treatment at the VA Hospital in White River Junction or Concord or Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospitals. Oncology patients can often receive treatments only at hospitals other than the New London Hospital, sometimes requiring transportation on a daily basis.

Thus, absent the Town of New London or some other organization(s) taking on the responsibility of servicing such needs of the large and growing senior segment of New London residents now being met in great part by COA, these needs would not be fulfilled.

A final point on need and impact, which is directed to the many residents of New London and the surrounding area who are younger than 55 but now have area parents and other relatives and friends who are in need of COA's services: many residents in this category rely on COA so that they can be at least in part free to go to their jobs or other obligations.

In 2007, 652 rides were provided to New London residents, with a total of 14,035 miles driven. Rides are up again this year, by 85 more rides given than in 2006.

These facts make it clear that COA is making significant contributions to the health, well being and quality of life of residents of the Town. New London residents value these services as evidenced by the high membership and the thousands of valuable hours of volunteer time they are willing to give.

<b>COA CHAPIN SENIOR CENTER ~ THEN &amp; NOW</b>		
	<u>2007</u>	<u>1996</u>
Membership	2452	628
Newsletter Delivery	2000	900
No. of COA Programs	54	10
No. of Volunteer Hours	10,905	4,900
No. of Volunteer Miles Driven	50,000	16,000

<p><b>COA IN 2007</b></p> <p>652 Rides Given by 652 Volunteers for New London Residents</p> <p>14,035 miles x \$2.54 per mile*</p> <p>\$ 35,648 per year</p>
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Respectfully submitted,  
*Kay Butler*, Chairman

\*\$2.54 per mile is the estimated cost of paying for a vehicle and driver for one mile (from the Rural Transit Administration)

# COMMUNITY FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER REPORT

Your local Forest Fire Warden, 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 your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local Fire Department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://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.nhdf.org](http://www.nhdf.org).

Spring fire season lasted unusually long this past year, with very high fire danger stretching into the first week of June. Once again, the rains started to fall during the summer and the fire activity was fairly light for the remainder of the year. The acreage burned was less than that of 2007. The largest forest fire during the 2008 season burned approximately 54 acres on Rattlesnake Mountain in Rumney on White Mountain National Forest property. Another 39-acre fire occurred on Mount Major in Alton during the month of April. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. 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 2008 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](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

**2008 FIRE STATISTICS** (All fires reported as of November 24, 2008) (figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	43	82
Carroll	6	40
Cheshire	28	45
Coos	5	18
Grafton	12	52
Hillsborough	13	54
Merrimack	12	67
Rockingham	35	46
Strafford	9	20
Sullivan	12	31

	Total Fires	Total Acres
	455	175
2007	437	212
2006	500	473
2005	546	174
2004	482	147
2003	374	100

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED	
Arson	2
Campfire	35
Children	23
Smoking	36
Debris	173
Railroad	2
Lightning	11
Equipment	11
Misc*	162

**ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE**

(\*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

## UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION - MERRIMACK COUNTY

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UNH Cooperative Extension, the public outreach arm of the University of New Hampshire, has engaged New Hampshire residents for 94 years with a broad variety of non-formal educational offerings. One in four Merrimack County residents took advantage of at least one Extension program last year.

We offer programs in parenting, family finances, food safety, home gardening, 4-H (including clubs, camps, special interest programs and after school programs for children and teens), nutrition education for low-income families, and acculturation for refugee families. We respond to the needs of forest landowners, commercial farmers, niche growers, farmers' markets, and many other groups.

Merrimack County Extension educators also work extensively with towns and school districts, organizing and advising after-school programs, helping school and town groundskeepers maintain athletic fields, landscaped areas, and town forests. We provide guidance to community boards on current use, timber tax law, and other land-use issues. We also help social service agencies plan programs and stay current with the latest research and best practices.

Our county staff participate and sometimes take leadership roles in many state and local coalitions, among them the Franklin and Concord Asset Building Coalitions, the Concord Substance Abuse Coalition, the Timberland Owners Association, N.H. Farm and Forest Exposition board, Ausbon Sargent Land Trust outreach committee, N.H. Association for Infant Mental Health, the state Marriage and Family Advisory Board, the N.H. Volunteer Administrators Association, and Pittsfield Youth Workshop.

Merrimack County Extension provides fact-sheet notebooks to all town libraries and our educators often appear on WPTL Radio (107.7 FM), which offers information to residents throughout the station's listening area.

UNH Cooperative Extension operates a statewide toll-free Info Line (1-877-398-4769) at our Family, Home & Garden Education Center, staffed Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. Last year, the Info Line handled nearly 700 requests from Merrimack County residents.

Finally, UNH Extension trains and supports more 5,000 volunteers statewide: 4-H leaders, master gardeners, wildlife coverts, community tree stewards, water quality monitors, marine docents, and others, who extend the reach of Extension programs into many domains of New Hampshire life. If volunteer opportunities interest you, please call Merrimack County Extension Office at 225-5505 or 796-2151, or stop by the office at 315 Daniel Webster Highway in Boscawen next to the County Nursing Home on Route 3.

Extension also distributes a wide range of information from our Web site: **[www.extension.unh.edu](http://www.extension.unh.edu)**.

## UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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The Commission is one of nine regional planning commissions in New Hampshire created to coordinate all aspects of planning, act as a liaison between local and state/federal agencies and provide advisory technical assistance on land use issues. We serve 27 communities from Piermont to Charleston along the Connecticut River and from Wilmot to Washington to the east.

Over the past year, the Commission has expended a significant amount of energy increasing visibility, public relations and identifying the needs of the communities, ultimately aimed at building stability and capacity in order to better address land use issues that are important to the long-term sustainability of the communities within the region. The Commission experienced a year of transition and expansion as it hired a Geographic Information Systems Analyst to provide mapping services and a new Executive Director to provide leadership and guidance. Revenue for the Commission was \$565,964 for FY08. A large percentage of this funding comes from the Unified Planning Work Program utilizing Federal Highway Administration funding through the NH Department of Transportation. Other state and federal funding sources include the NH Department of Environmental Services, the NH Department of Safety - Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and the Office of Energy and Planning. Member communities and counties provide membership dues. In FY2008 this allowed the Commission to leverage approximately \$250,000 in state and federal funds, and provided with the Commission with just over 15% of its revenue.

The Commission consists of representatives appointed by the leadership of each member municipality or county. These Commissioners represent your community's interests in the work the Commission does. The Commission had ten new Commissioners appointed by various municipalities and counties expanding resources and expertise within its leadership and demonstrating considerable renewed interest in regional collaboration. Additionally, Grafton County became a member of the Commission this year. Some of this year's highlights include completion of the Route 120 Phase I Corridor Study in Lebanon and Hanover and a number of Human Transit Coordination plans and Hazard Mitigation plans. The Commission assisted communities in developing Master Plans in Claremont, Cornish, Acworth, Enfield and Lyme which will enable communities to better align their policies and land uses decision with the goals expressed through community participation. Direct planning assistance was made available to Planning Boards in Orford, Wilmot and Springfield, and regulatory review and ordinance assistance was provided to Claremont, Plainfield, Springfield and Washington.

The Commission provides a significant amount of hours of technical assistance to communities that inquire about specific local issues, data requests or needed resources. The communities of Croydon, Lempster, Goshen, Cornish, Charlestown, New London, Hanover, Sunapee, Lebanon, Grantham, Dorchester, Newport, Unity, Orange, Enfield, Piermont, Plainfield and Leominster all took advantage of these services this past year. This past year we also received inquiries for assistance from regional and other organizations including the Sugar River Conservation Council, Connecticut River Joint Commissions, Mascoma River Watershed Council, Lake Sunapee Advisory Committee, The Nature Conservancy and Dartmouth College.

The Commission was engaged in over 45 projects within the region this year and has increased its capacity to serve the communities of the region. A list of some of this year's accomplishments and projects that were completed, as well as a copy of this Annual Report are available on our website at [www.uvlsrc.org](http://www.uvlsrc.org). We have already begun work on many new initiatives in the region and thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

*Christine Walker*

Executive Director

## 2008 RESIDENT BIRTHS

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Parents' Names</b>
January 10, 2008	Ciara Lyn Snyder	James & Marianna Snyder
January 19, 2008	Chase Owen Emery	Jason & Julie Emery
February 14, 2008	Robert John Clark	Ronald Clark & Sasha Thompson
April 15, 2008	Carly Helen Lorio	Christopher & Laura Lorio
April 15, 2008	Reagan Elisabeth Lorio	Christopher & Laura Lorio
April 16, 2008	Alexander Joseph Mennona	Vincent & Lucia Mennona
May 2, 2008	Mason John Christensen	Mark & Jaelyn Christensen
May 7, 2008	James Joseph Simek	Richard & Victoria Simek
June 11, 2008	Ava Ruing Erickson	Todd Erickson & Jessica Salvatoriello-Erickson
August 19, 2008	Siena Grace Loomis	Michael & Megan Loomis
September 2, 2008	Oliver Nicholas Boyer	Eric Boyer & Erica Webb
September 19, 2008	David Michael Lee Wigger	Barry Wigger & Dorothy Hitchmoth
September 21, 2008	Kyra Moon Felice	Bryan Felice & Dorothea Dodds
November 14, 2008	Emily Grace Beturne	Daniel & Margaret Beturne
November 28, 2008	Avery Jeanne Bemis	Matthew & Kathryn Bemis
November 28, 2008	Brooke Prudence Bemis	Matthew & Kathryn Bemis
December 15, 2008	Leah Joy Reeve	Michael & Rebecca Reeve



*Common Mergansers*

*Photo by Kittie Wilson*

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## 2008 RESIDENT MARRIAGES

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Groom's Name/Residence</b>	<b>Bride's Name/Residence</b>
January 29, 2008	Richard O. Dietrich New London, NH	Barbara E. Chase New London, NH
April 10, 2008	Jacob J. Messer New London, NH	Jennifer L. Roberts New London, NH
April 17, 2008	Kirk R. Bromfield New London, NH	Rosemary E. Bartz Concord, NH
April 26, 2008	Michael A. D'Amante Concord, NH	Laura Chowanski-Walters New London, NH
May 18, 2008	Ronald N. Clark New London, NH	Sasha A. Thompson New London, NH
May 24, 2008	Robert D. Snider New London, NH	Jessica K. Johnson New London, NH
August 30, 2008	Roderick W. Taylor La Mesa, CA	Kyle K. Koch New London, NH
September 6, 2008	Joshua D. Lizotte New London, NH	Corinne E. Newkirk New London, NH
September 20, 2008	Aaron O. Snay New London, NH	Cynthia L. Adie New London, NH
October 4, 2008	Benjamin C. Adams New London, NH	Maureen A. Kadish New London, NH
November 6, 2008	David R. Estey New London, NH	Denise M. Benton New London, NH

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## KEARSARGE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 2008 NEW LONDON GRADUATES

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Rosana Andrews  
Michaela Barry  
Alexander Barton  
Casey Bernard  
Jennifer Brayshaw  
James Broom

Joanna Broom  
Ryan Cady  
James Cahan  
Chris Conway  
Steven Conway  
Geoffrey Daley

Kout El-Sherbany  
Kristina Huntoon  
Sarah Jedd  
Zachary Rowett  
Joshua Vitagliano

## 2008 RESIDENT DEATHS

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Deceased</b>	<b>Father's Name</b>	<b>Mother's Name</b>
January 18, 2008	Robert Reynolds	Lester Reynolds	Helen Buxton
January 22, 2008	Surrissa Lewis	George Yates	Surrissa Harris
January 31, 2008	Lillian Patten	Unknown Booth	Gertrude Erlman
February 7, 2008	Irene Salzmman	Unknown	Unknown
February 7, 2008	Arline Bismore	Stanley Mikolajczyk	Ellen Decato
February 10, 2008	Doris Chandler	Frank Louiselle	Clarissa Harrison
February 20, 2008	Roger Zanes, Jr.	Roger Zanes	Mabel Caruthers
February 21, 2008	Elinore Cochran	Reuben Harkness	Ruth Thomas
February 22, 2008	Margaret Collins	Eliot Foot	Prudence Cobb
February 25, 2008	William Hoyt	William Hoyt	Ruth Burnham
March 5, 2008	Anna Sharkey	John McGuerty	Anna Kohler
March 13, 2008	Herbert Damon	Harry Damon	Martha Shore
April 5, 2008	James Tate	James Tate	Florence White
April 6, 2008	Doris Langenau	H. Perrine	Ethel Ray
April 12, 2008	Margaret Ensor	Edward Lorenz	Grace Norton
April 15, 2008	Susan Schubart	Raymond Houser	Nell Krauskopf
April 27, 2008	Hjordis Ingersoll	Oscar Lunde	Nellie Hansen
May 7, 2008	Barbara Burns	A. Harry Sargent	Dora Pickering
May 16, 2008	Helen Gould	Elmer Gould	Delia Flanders
June 3, 2008	Catherine Bogardus	John Bogardus	Kate Noble
June 7, 2008	David Hardy	James Hardy	Winifred Woodman
July 25, 2008	Dorothy Shovan	Clarence Green	Lillian Edmunds
July 27, 2008	Paul Orłowski	Ceslaw Orłowski	Jennie Tenczar
July 27, 2008	Eleanor Almstrom	Wilfrid Randall	Ruth Taylor
August 11, 2008	Roselyn Crabb	Floyd Curtis	Mary Smith
August 12, 2008	Lucien Wigdor	William Wigdor	Adele Rosen
August 13, 2008	Cheryl Cook	Raford Price	Doris Cox
September 4, 2008	Joseph Patrick	Joseph Petracca	Counsel Foriero
September 8, 2008	Helen McIlwraith	Howard Henderson	Sarah Whitman
September 16, 2008	Alice Robart	Carlos Sheldon	Louise Slayton
September 17, 2008	Ruth DiClerico	Harry Cummings	Marion Stanley
September 19, 2008	Dorothy Ballou	Charles Whiteacre	Miriam Humphrey
September 21, 2008	Ethne Barth	Hubert Savage	Alys Peake
September 23, 2008	Margaret Swenson	Harrison Goodwin	Jennie Carraher
September 24, 2008	Edward Kinzer, Sr.	Paul Kinzer	Rita Swift
September 28, 2008	George Cooper	George Cooper	Agnes McAuliffe
October 13, 2008	Arthur McCollum, Jr.	Arthur McCollum	Margaret Benninghoff
October 14, 2008	Florence Ellis	Jesse Holt	Iva Braley
October 19, 2008	Bradford White	Charles White	Grace Church
October 19, 2008	Kenneth Acker	Joseph Acker	Irma Giunipero
October 20, 2008	Kathleen Flanigin	Robert Gilmore	Evelyn Evans
October 25, 2008	Anne Gernat	John Kissel	Anne Hodan
November 1, 2008	William Loring	George Loring	Helen Mathewson
November 14, 2008	Gladys Prescott	Frank Babcock	Flora Pluff
November 20, 2008	Audrey Beardsley	Leland Emery	Lillian MacDougall
November 24, 2008	Donald Sparks	George Sparks	Jennie Poland
December 7, 2008	Thomas Duffin II	Thomas Duffin	Grace Deruitter
December 7, 2008	Randle Gillespie	Louis Gillespie	Penelope Pedley
December 9, 2008	Helen Rogers	Edwin Johnson	Olga Lindhag
December 14, 2008	Anna Conklin	William Conklin	Anna Dickerson
December 16, 2008	Judith Condict	Harry Pond	Evelyn Berube
December 21, 2008	Lawrence Sanborn	Alton Sanborn	Helen Leavitt
December 25, 2008	Barbara Stearns	Owen Johnson	Ruth Cheney

# **NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31, 2008**



**Providing water service to customers  
in the Towns of New London and Springfield**



## **Report to the Voters – 2008**

The annual meeting of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct in March of 2008 saw the election of James A. Cricenti elected to a three year term. Also elected on the same ballot were Marion Hafner as Treasurer/Clerk and Cotton Cleveland as Moderator, both for one-year terms. All articles set forth on the warrant were passed, including the proposed budget, funding for system improvements, building improvements and water main replacement on County Road and across Newport Road (upgraded to 12" from a 6" water line).

In the Dufrense-Henry report of July 1991 there were 3 recommended major projects for the New London-Springfield Water precinct. They were: Find a new water source, a second source of water distribution and upgrade the water line from Route 114 to Newport Road. The County Road water main replacement project concluded the last of the engineer recommended major projects for system improvements. This was completed in conjunction with the Town of New London, the round-a-bout project and the New London Hospital. The cost of the 12" water line from the New London Shopping Center to the New London Hospital was funded by the hospital.

In 2008 there were 4 applications for commercial service and applications for 2 new domestic water services.

As with all things, after a period of time, maintenance must be performed. This applies to water systems as well. In 2008 one of the vertical turbines at the Colby Point pump station was rebuilt. These turbine pumps are what transports the water from the clear well at the pump station to the one million gallon tank that ultimately supplies the Precinct.

A new 1 ton GMC with utility body was purchased and should serve the Precinct for 7-8 years.

Precinct Superintendent Todd Cartier became certified to inspect backflow devices.

The Board of Commissioners would again like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that summer irrigation adds stress to the system and to please conserve. The Precinct has information on hand at our office for those who wish it.

The Board of Commissioners extends their appreciation to the voters for the opportunity to serve the Precinct, and look forward to continuing service in 2009.

Thank You.

Commissioners:

John H. MacKenna, Chairman

Kenneth R. Jacques

James A. Cricenti

## WATER CONSERVATION

The New-London Water System Precinct has not experienced a water shortage, but overuse of water during a dry spell can result in a lower water flow to fire hydrants causing problems in fighting fires. The Precinct offers the following "10 steps to conserve water." Using these steps as guidelines to lower water usage helps both the Precinct and you, the consumer, by keeping the system at full flow and in lower water bills.

Draw only the water you need when you turn the faucet on: Keep water in the refrigerator for cold water, do not let faucet run to get water cold. Rinse vegetables in short sprays and defrost foods in refrigerator instead of under running water.

Take quicker showers and invest in a low flow shower head available at the local hardware store. It takes about 50 gallons of water to fill a standard bathtub, try bathing in just 10 gallons.

Check for leaks, a silent leak in the toilet can use several gallons of water a day. Be sure all faucets are turned off tight. Once a year inspect all inside and outside faucets for leaks.

Instead of dumping that unwanted or used water down the drain use it to water indoor flowers or outside plants.

When doing laundry look at your washer's settings, waiting for full loads saves water but if it is necessary to do smaller loads check the water level setting.

Water lawn and plants only as they require, when the grass is dull green and you can see your footprint as you walk on it. Water only the dry areas and consider changing your landscape to include less grass, more mulch and native plants. Watering by hand allows you to place the water where needed, but if you need to water a large area use soaker hoses and timers. Water early mornings for best results.

Wash vehicles with a sponge and bucket using the hose for rinsing only.

Cover swimming pools when not in use to prevent evaporation loss and lower the water level to avoid loss due to splashing overflow.

Sweep driveways, walks and decks with a broom instead of hosing them off.

Check appliance's connecting hoses and faucets for leaks. Even a pinhole leak wastes up to 170 gallons a day.

**NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD  
WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT  
PRECINCT WARRANT**

**Towns of New London and Springfield, New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct in the counties of Merrimack and Sullivan, respectively, qualified to vote in Precinct affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Whipple Hall in New London, New Hampshire on Tuesday, March 17, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. to act on the following subjects:  
(Note: By law the meeting must open before voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and polls will open at 4:00 p.m. At 4:15 p.m. the meeting will recess, but the polls will remain open until 7:30 p.m. The meeting will reconvene at 7:00 p.m. to act on Articles 2 through 6.)

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose all necessary officers for the coming year.

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear the reports of officers for the coming year.

**ARTICLE 3:** To set the salaries of all officers for the coming year.  
Commissioner-\$1,000.00/Moderator-\$50.00/Treasurer-\$250.00/Clerk-\$100.00

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums to defray Precinct charges for the coming year:

	<b>Approved Budget 2008</b>	<b>Proposed Budget 2009</b>
Salaries, Benefits, Taxes	280,200	288,200
Maintenance	32,000	32,000
Pump and tank maintenance	15,000	23,000
Utilities	53,000	53,000
Supplies	22,500	22,500
Insurance	9,700	10,000
Administration	8,000	8,000
Accounting Expense	5,000	5,000
Legal Expense	2,000	2,000
Election/Annual Meeting	1,800	2,000
Engineering Review	1,500	3,000
Equipment (Capitalized)	3,000	3,000
Contingency	1,000	1,000
Property Tax	2,300	2,500
Interest (Short Term)	1,000	1,000
Interest (Long Term)	77,300	61,566
Principal (Long Term)	129,830	138,434
Lease Expense	<u>14,500</u>	<u>14,500</u>
	\$659,630	\$670,700

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the voters of the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars(\$2,000.00) for updates to the water system.  
This amount will be funded from the General Fund Balance.  
This article to be non lapsing until Dec. 31, 2011  
**The Commissioners recommend this article.**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the voters of the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars(\$7,500.00) for improvements to the Precinct buildings.  
This Article to be funded from the General Fund Balance.  
This Article to be non-lapsing until Dec 31, 2011.  
**The Commissioners recommend this article.**

New London-Springfield Water System Precinct  
Board of Commissioners

John H. MacKenna, Chairman  
Kenneth R. Jacques  
James A. Cricenti

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New London-Springfield Water System Precinct  
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**NEW LONDON - SPRINGFIELD  
WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**NEW LONDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**DECEMBER 31, 2008**

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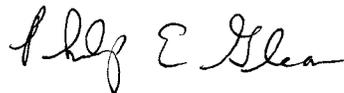
To the Commissioners  
New London-Springfield Water System Precinct  
New London, New Hampshire

I have reviewed the accompanying financial statements governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of New London-Springfield Water System Precinct as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, which collectively comprise the Precinct basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct.

A review consists principally of inquiries of Precinct personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

Based on my review, with the exception of the matter described in the following paragraph, I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As disclosed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Precinct carries its facilities and equipment at cost and does not provide for depreciation. Generally accepted accounting principles require that facility and equipment be stated at an amount not in excess of cost, reduced by depreciation over the expected useful life of the asset. Since the facility and equipment have not been depreciated resulting in these assets remaining at their original cost and not the depreciated value, the net assets are increased and total expenses have been decreased.



January 20, 2009

NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT  
BALANCE SHEETS  
DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007

	2008				2007
	OPERATING FUND	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FUND	PUMP STATION AND STORAGE TANK	COUNTY ROAD PROJECT	TOTAL Memorandum (Memorandum only)
<b>ASSETS</b>					
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$183,471		\$ 67,119		\$ 250,590
Receivables	1,124				1,124
Due from other Funds		\$ 12,540	34,158		46,698
Inventory	26,451				26,451
Total Current Assets	<u>211,046</u>	<u>12,540</u>	<u>101,277</u>		<u>324,863</u>
<b>PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</b>					
Facilities		4,056,104			4,056,104
Equipment		211,853			211,853
Pump Station and Storage Tank			1,773,723		1,773,723
County Road Project				\$303,108	303,108
Total Plant and Equipment		<u>4,267,957</u>	<u>1,773,723</u>	<u>303,108</u>	<u>6,344,788</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>\$211,046</u>	<u>\$4,280,497</u>	<u>\$1,875,000</u>	<u>\$303,108</u>	<u>\$6,669,651</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>					
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>					
Note Payable to Bank	\$ 3,212			\$268,950	\$ 268,950
Accounts Payable	12,540			34,158	46,698
Due to other Funds			\$ 42,903		42,903
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt			42,903		42,903
Total Current Liabilities	<u>15,752</u>		<u>42,903</u>	<u>303,108</u>	<u>361,763</u>
<b>LONG-TERM DEBT</b>					
Note Payable to Bank, less current portion			<u>1,286,406</u>		<u>1,286,406</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>15,752</u>		<u>1,329,309</u>	<u>303,108</u>	<u>1,648,169</u>
<b>FUND EQUITY</b>					
Appropriated		4,280,497	545,691		545,691
Unappropriated	195,294	<u>4,280,497</u>	<u>545,691</u>		4,475,791
Total Fund Equity	<u>195,294</u>	<u>4,280,497</u>	<u>545,691</u>		<u>5,021,482</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	<u>\$211,046</u>	<u>\$4,280,497</u>	<u>\$1,875,000</u>	<u>\$303,108</u>	<u>\$6,669,651</u>
					<u>\$ 12,540</u>
					<u>36,695</u>
					<u>49,235</u>
					<u>1,427,740</u>
					<u>1,476,975</u>
					422,216
					4,423,129
					4,845,345
					<u>\$6,322,320</u>

See Accountant's Review Report  
and Notes to Financial Statement

NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	OPERATING FUND			2007	CAPITAL PROJECT FUND		
	2008	ACTUAL		ACTUAL	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FUND 2008	PUMP STATION AND STORAGE TANK 2008	COUNTY ROAD PROJECT 2008
	BUDGET	ACTUAL		ACTUAL	TOTAL 2008	(memorandum only)	
Operating Revenue							
Water Charges and Fees	\$240,000	\$257,703	\$267,865				\$ 257,703
Interest	<u>4,500</u>	2,289	3,152				2,289
Other		<u>6,429</u>	<u>1,374</u>				<u>6,429</u>
Total Revenue	244,500	266,421	272,391				266,421
Operating Expenditures							
Salaries and wages	164,479	163,152	153,548				163,152
Payroll taxes and benefits	115,721	99,381	91,141				99,381
Maintenance	32,000	26,602	22,862				26,602
Utilities	53,000	56,496	50,027				56,496
Precinct supplies	22,500	18,412	15,333				18,412
Insurance	9,700	9,884	8,995				9,884
Administration and contingency	9,000	6,616	8,003				6,616
Accounting	5,000	4,500	5,876				4,500
Legal	2,000	972	1,108				972
Election/Annual meetings	1,800	1,954	1,775				1,954
Engineering review	1,500						1,954
Equipment	3,000	2,135	3,375				2,135
Interest (short-term)	1,000						2,135
Interest (long-term)	77,300	71,732	70,052				71,732
Lease	14,500	14,500	14,500				14,500
Note principal payments	129,830	135,126	106,515				135,126
Pump and tank maintenance	15,000	12,420	12,000				12,420
Payment in lieu of taxes	<u>2,300</u>	<u>2,483</u>	<u>4,153</u>				<u>2,483</u>
Total Expenditures	659,630	626,365	569,263				626,365
Operating (Loss)	<u>\$ (415,130)</u>	<u>\$ (359,944)</u>	<u>(296,872)</u>				<u>(359,944)</u>

NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	OPERATING FUND		2007 ACTUAL	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FUND 2008	CAPITAL PROJECT FUND		TOTAL 2008 (memorandum only)
	BUDGET	ACTUAL			PUMP STATION AND STORAGE TANK 2008	COUNTY ROAD PROJECT 2008	
	2008	2007			2008	2008	
Other Income (Expense)							
Precinct taxes	\$415,130	\$328,221				\$ 415,130	
Proceeds from sale of 2001 Ford F250	3,120					3,120	
Original cost of 2001 Ford F250 sold			\$ (21,566)			(21,566)	
Expenditures, Current Year				(21,566)		36,740	
Special Articles							
2008 Art. 5 - General Fund	\$33,850					33,297	
2008 Art. 6 - General Fund	6,000					6,000	
2007 Art. 2 - General Fund	\$337,300	\$ 12,287				290,821	
2007 Art. 6 - General Fund	\$10,000	5,849				4,151	
2007 Art. 7 - General Fund	\$7,500					7,500	
2005 Art. 2 - General Fund	\$1,675,000			\$ 8,018		8,018	
Total Expenditures	<u>50,948</u>	<u>18,136</u>			<u>8,018</u>	<u>290,821</u>	<u>349,787</u>
Net (Loss)	7,358	13,213		(21,566)	(8,018)	(290,821)	(313,047)
Fund Balance, January 1, 2008	175,649	162,436		4,259,131	410,565	4,845,345	
Transfer of Plant and Equipment Funding							42,932
Transfer of Note Payment Funding				42,932		135,126	
Transfer of Capital Project Fund					135,126	303,108	
Transfer of 2007 expenditures for 2007 Art 2 paid by the Operating Fund to the County Road Project	<u>12,287</u>					<u>(12,287)</u>	
Fund Balance, December 31, 2008	<u>\$195,294</u>	<u>\$175,649</u>		<u>\$4,280,497</u>	<u>\$545,691</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$5,021,482</u>

NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	OPERATING FUND	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FUND	PUMP STATION AND STORAGE TANK	CAPITAL PROJECT FUND COUNTY ROAD PROJECT	TOTAL (memorandum only)
Cash Flows from Operating Activities					
Net (Loss)	\$ 7,358	\$ (21,566)	\$ (8,018)	\$ (290,821)	\$ (313,047)
Decrease in accounts receivable	6,839				6,839
(Increase) in inventory	(2,138)				(2,138)
Increase in accounts payable and accrued expense	<u>3,212</u>				<u>3,212</u>
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	15,271	(21,566)	(8,018)	(290,821)	(305,134)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities					
Cost of vehicle sold		21,566			21,566
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities					
Proceeds from short-term borrowing				268,950	268,950
Loan to County Road Project			(34,158)		(34,158)
Loan from Pump Station and Storage Tank Project				34,158	34,158
Payment of Operating Fund for reimbursement of 2007 expenditures				(12,287)	(12,287)
Reimbursement of 2007 expenditures for 2007 Art 2 paid by operating fund from Capital Project Fund	<u>12,287</u>				<u>12,287</u>
Net Cash Provided by Capital and Related Financing Activities	12,287		(34,158)	290,821	268,950
Cash, January 1, 2008	<u>155,913</u>		<u>109,295</u>		<u>265,208</u>
Cash, December 31, 2008	<u>\$183,471</u>		<u>\$ 67,119</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$250,590</u>

NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2008

NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct (Precinct) have been prepared on the accrual basis. The significant accounting policies followed are described below:

Fund Accounting - To ensure observance of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of resources available to the Precinct, the accounts of the Precinct are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. This is the procedure by which resources for various purposes are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds established according to their nature and purposes. Separate accounts are maintained for each fund; however, in the accompanying financial statements, funds that have similar characteristics have been combined into fund groups. Accordingly, all financial transactions have been recorded and reported by each fund group.

The assets, liabilities and fund balances of the Precinct are reported in self-balancing fund groups as follows:

- o Operating Fund - This fund serves as the general operating fund of the Precinct. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- o Plant Fund - This group of accounts is used to account for all fixed assets of the Precinct other than those being accounted for in the Capital Project Funds. These items are purchased through transfer from the Operating Fund.
- o Capital Project Fund - The fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the construction and equipping of a new pump station and storage tank project and the County Road project.

Cash and Cash Equivalents - The Precinct considers all short-term, highly liquid investments with remaining maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Depreciation - Plant and equipment is stated at cost. Assets acquired by gift or bequest are recorded at the fair market value at the date of transfer. Depreciation is not provided for on the assets which is a departure from generally accepted accounting principles. Assets sold or otherwise disposed of are removed from the accounts at their original cost.

Inventory - The inventory of supplies are valued at cost.

Total Columns - The combined Financial Statements include a total column that is described as memorandum only. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Interfund transactions have not been eliminated from the total column of each financial statement.

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NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2008

NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgetary Data - The Precinct budgets revenue, expenditures, and other sources and uses of the Operating Fund. Appropriations in the Operating Fund are charged for encumbrances when commitments are made. Fund balances are reserved for outstanding encumbrances, which serve as authorizations for expenditures in the subsequent year. Budgetary comparisons in the financial statements are presented on a modified accrual basis of accounting. All unencumbered budget appropriation lapse at the end of each fiscal year.

NOTE 2 - CREDIT RISK

The Precinct cash was deposited in one institution during the year. At various times the amount on deposit in this institution exceeded the federally insured limit. The federally insured amount was \$100,000 from January 1, 2008 through October 2, 2008. On October 3, 2008 the amount insured was temporarily increased to \$250,000 through December 31, 2009. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007 the deposits on hand were in excess of the insured limit by \$590 and \$165,208.

NOTE 3 - Receivables

Receivables at December 31, 2008 and 2007 were comprised of the following:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Customers	<u>\$1,124</u>	<u>\$7,963</u>

NOTE 4 - PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Activity for the fixed assets which are capitalized by the Precinct are summarized below:

	<u>BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2008</u>	<u>ADDITIONS</u>	<u>DISPOSAL</u>	<u>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 2008</u>
Facility	\$4,048,604	\$ 7,500		\$4,056,104
Equipment	197,987	35,432	\$21,566	211,853
Pump Station and Storage Tank Project Cost	1,765,705	8,018		1,773,723
County Road Project Cost	<u>          </u>	<u>303,108</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>303,108</u>
	<u>\$6,012,296</u>	<u>\$354,058</u>	<u>\$21,566</u>	<u>\$6,344,788</u>

Cost incurred for the Pump Station and Storage Tank Project and the County Road Project by the Capital Project Fund are capitalized. Upon completion of the Projects, the total cost will be transferred to the Plant and Equipment Fund.

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NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2008

NOTE 5 - NOTES PAYABLE TO BANK

On April 4, 2005 the Precinct secured a 4.5% note payable from Lake Sunapee Bank for \$1,675,000. The loan was used to pay for construction cost associated with the new pump station and storage tank. The note agreement called for an interest only payment on the outstanding balance from May 2005 through November 2005. On December 4, 2005, the Precinct made a monthly principal and interest payment of \$8,486 that will continue through March 2031. The Precinct made an additional principal payments of \$98,713 on December 8, 2008 and \$74,713 on December 31, 2007. The outstanding loan balance at December 31, 2008 was \$1,329,309 and at December 31, 2007 was \$1,464,435.

Annual maturities of the note payable to bank are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2009	\$ 42,903
2010	44,873
2011	46,935
2012	49,092
2013	51,346
Thereafter	<u>1,094,160</u>
	<u>\$1,329,309</u>

On April 16, 2008 the Precinct secured a 4% note payable from Lake Sunapee Bank for \$337,300. The loan was used to pay construction cost associated with the County Road Project. The note agreement called for an interest only payment on the outstanding balance through April 16, 2009 when the loan matures.

Prior to this note maturing, the precinct plans on merging the two Lake Sunapee Bank notes payable and refinancing the combined balance over a fifteen year period.

NOTE 6 - COMMITMENT

In April, 1995, the Precinct reached a settlement with the Cleveland Company, Inc. over an eminent domain action for easements to Colby Point. The Precinct agreed to pay as just compensation \$25,000 upon delivery of the proper easement and ten annual payments of \$12,500. At the commencement of the eleventh year and each five years thereafter the annual payment will be adjusted based on the average of two factors; the Consumer Price Index and the percentage increase in gallonage pumped. In no event shall the annual payment be less than \$12,500 nor greater than 30% of \$12,500 for year 11 through 15 and 30% greater of the amount calculated in year 11 for years 16 through 20. At the expiration of 20 years, the Precinct shall have the option to renew the Agreement every five years up to ninety-nine years, upon the same terms and conditions except annual payments which shall be renegotiated. The lease payment for 2008 and 2007 were \$14,500 respectively.

# **CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT**

**2008**

**NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT  
72 OLD DUMP ROAD  
NEW LONDON NH 03257**

# Water Quality Report - 2008

## New London/Springfield Water System Precinct

<p>What is the water quality of my drinking water?</p> <p>We strive to have our water meet federal and state requirements however in September 2007 we had 1 sample in 4 test positive for total coliform. We are unable to say why this sample was positive but have not had any positive samples since. We will continue to work in your behalf in order to provide you with drinking water of the finest quality.</p>
<p>What is the source of my water?</p> <p>The water is provided from six (6) gravel-packed wells, drawing from an aquifer beneath Colby Point in the middle of Lake Sunapee.</p>
<p>Why are contaminants in my water?</p> <p>Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of contaminants. The presence of contaminants do not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the US Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4799).</p> <p>How can I get involved?</p> <p>The New London/Springfield Water System Precinct is served by an elected Board of Commissioners which meet the Monday of the first full week of each month at 7:00 p.m. These meetings, which the public is welcome to attend, are held at the Precinct office on Old Dump Rd. in New London. The Commissioners can be reached by calling 526-4441</p>
<p>Other information:</p> <p>The New London/Springfield Water System Precinct was formed in 1925 to provide domestic water and fire protection for the towns of New London and some sections of Springfield. Originally the Precinct was served by Morgan Pond(a surface water source in Springfield) via Kidder Brook to two (2) man made reservoirs until May 1996. Since then, our water has been provided via the Colby Point wells and a one million -gallon storage tank located in Springfield. 2006 saw the completion of a second pump station and storage tank located on the Colby Sawyer campus. The Precinct's 30 miles of water mains currently service approximately 875 domestic and 150 commercial customers.</p>
<p>Do I need to take special precautions?</p> <p>Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. immune compromised persons, such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ trans-plants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EP A/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by <i>Cryptosporidium</i> and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4799).</p>

**Definitions:**

MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. They are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

AL: Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, when exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

TT: Treatment Technique or a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or the level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

MRDL: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level or the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that the addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Abbreviations:**

ppm: parts per million	MFL: million fibers per liter	pCi/L: pico curies per liter
ppb: parts per billion	N/A: Not Applicable	
ppt: parts per trillion	nd: not detectable at testing limits	
ppq: parts per quadrillion	NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit	

Sample Dates: The results for detected contaminants listed below are from the most recent monitoring done in compliance with regulations ending with the year 2007 Results prior to 2005 will include the date the sample was taken.

Radon: Radon is a radioactive gas that you can't see, taste or smell. It can move up through the ground and into a home through cracks and holes in the foundation. Radon can also get into indoor air when released from tap water from showering, washing dishes, and other household activities. It is a known human carcinogen. Breathing radon can lead to lung cancer. Drinking water containing radon may cause an increased risk of stomach cancer. Presently EP A is reviewing a standard for radon in water.

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. It is monitored by surface water systems because it is a good indicator of water quality and thus helps measure the effectiveness of the treatment process. High turbidity can hinder the effectiveness of disinfectants.

## DETECTED WATER QUALITY RESULTS

Contaminant (Units)	Level Detected Violation Yes or No	MCL	MCLG	Likely Source of Contamination	Health Effects
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### Microbiological Contaminants

Total Coliform Bacteria	Yes		0	Naturally present in the environment	Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	NA		N/A	Naturally present in the Environment	Total organic carbon (TOC) has no health effects. However, total organic carbon provides a medium for the formation of disinfection byproducts. These byproducts include trihalomethanes (THMs) and haloacetic acids (HAAs). Drinking water containing these byproducts in excess of the MCL may lead to adverse health effects, liver, or kidney problems, or nervous system effects, and may lead to an increased risk of getting cancer.
Turbidity (NTU)	NA		N/A	Soil runoff	Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea and associated headaches.
Fecal Coliform And E.Coli Bacteria	NA		0	Human and animal fecal waste	Fecal coliforms and E. coli are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Microbes in these wastes can cause short-term effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a special health risk for infants, young children, and people with severely-compromised immune systems.

### Radioactive Contaminants

Radon (pCi/L)	ND		0	Erosion of natural deposits	Presently the US Environmental Protection Agency is reviewing the setting of a standard for radon in drinking water. See radon note above on page one of this report.
Compliance Gross Alpha (pCi/L)	No 1		0	Erosion of natural deposits	Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Uranium (ug/L)	No 1		0	Erosion of natural deposits	Some people who drink water containing uranium in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer and kidney toxicity.
Combined Radium (pCi/L)	No <1.0		a	Erosion of natural deposits	Some people who drink water containing radium 226 or 228 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

### Inorganic Contaminants

Antimony	ND		6	Discharge from	Some people who drink water containing
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(ppb)			petroleum; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder	antimony well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience increases in blood cholesterol and decreases in blood sugar
Arsenic (ppb)	ND	a	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes	(5 ppb through 10 ppb) While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems. (above 10 ppm) Some people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage or problems with their circulatory system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Asbestos (MFL)	ND	7	Decay of asbestos cement water mains; erosion of natural deposits	Some people who drink water containing asbestos in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of developing benign intestinal polyps.
Barium (ppm)	.5	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits	Some people who drink water containing barium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure.
Beryllium (ppb)	ND	4	Discharge from metal refineries and coal-burning factories; discharge from electrical, aerospace, and defense industries	Some people who drink water containing beryllium well in excess of the MCL over many years could develop intestinal lesions.
Cadmium (ppb)	ND	5	Corrosion of galvanized pipes; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints	Some people who drink water containing cadmium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience kidney damage.
Chromium (ppb)	ND	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits	Some people who use water containing chromium well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience allergic dermatitis.
Copper (ppm)	2007 e419 AL = 0	1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives	Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor.
Cyanide (ppb)	ND	200	Discharge from steel/metal factories;	Some people who drink water containing cyanide well in excess of the MCL over many
			discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories	years could experience nerve damage or problems with their thyroid.
Fluoride (ppm)	ND	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	Some people who drink water containing fluoride in excess of the MCL over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Fluoride in drinking water at half the MCL or more may cause mottling of children's teeth, usually in children less than nine years old. Mottling also known as dental fluorosis, may include brown staining and/or pitting of the teeth., and occurs only in developing teeth before they erupt from the gums.

Lead (ppb)	2007 Number of Copies above AL was 4	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits	(15 ppb in more than 5%) Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). (above 15 ppb) Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood vressure.
Mercury (inorganic) (ppb)	ND	2	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from refineries and factories; runoff from landfills; runoff from cropland	Some people who drink water containing inorganic mercury well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience kidney damage.
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	.8	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits	(5 ppm through 10ppm) Nitrate in drinking water at levels above 10 ppm is a health risk for infants of less than six months of age. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or agricultural activity. If you are caring for an infant, you should ask for advice from your health care provider. (Above 10 ppm) Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome.
Nitrite (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	ND	1	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits	Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrite in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill, and if untreated, may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome.
Selenium (ppm)	ND	50	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits;	Selenium is an essential nutrient. However, some people who drink water containing selenium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience hair or fingernail
			discharge from mines	losses, numbness in fingers or toes, or problems with their circulation.
Thallium (ppb)	ND	0.5	Leaching from ore-processing sites; discharge from electronics, glass and drug factories	Some people who drink water containing thallium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience hair loss, changes in their blood, or problems with their kidneys, intestines or liver.
Synthetic Organic Contaminants including Pesticides and Herbicides				
2,4-D (ppb)	ND	70	Runoff from herbicides used on row crops	Some people who drink water containing the weed killer 2,4-D well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their kidneys, liver, or adrenal glands.
2,4,5- TP (Silvex) (ppb)	ND	50	Residue of banned herbicide	Some people who drink water containing silvex in excess of the MCL over many years could experience liver problems.
Acrylamide	ND	0	Added in water during sewage/wastewater	Some people who drink water containing high levels of acrylamide over a long period of time

			treatment	could have problems with their nervous system or blood, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Alachlor (ppb)	ND	0	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops	Some people who drink water containing alachlor in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their eyes, liver, kidneys, or spleen, or experience anemia, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Atrazine (ppb)	ND	3	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops	Some people who drink water containing atrazine well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their cardiovascular system or reproductive difficulties.
Benzo(a)pyrene (PAH) (ppt)	ND	0	Leaching from linings of water storage tanks and distribution lines	Some people who drink water containing benzo(a)pyrene in excess of the MCL over many years may experience reproductive difficulties and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Carbofuran (ppb)	ND	40	Leaching of soil fumigant used on rice and alfalfa	Some people who drink water containing carbofuran in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their blood, or nervous or reproductive systems.
Chlordane (ppb)	ND	0	Residue of banned termiticide	Some people who drink water containing chlordane in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver or nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Dalapon (ppb)	ND	200	Runoff from herbicide used on rights of way	Some people who drink water containing dalapon well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience minor kidney changes.
Di(2-ethylhexyl) adipate (ppb)	ND	400	Discharge from chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing (Di 2-ethylhexyl) adipate well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience toxic effects such as weight loss, liver enlargement or possible reproductive difficulties.
Di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (ppb)	ND	0	Discharge from rubber and chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate in excess of the MCL over many years may have problems with their liver, or experience reproductive difficulties, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Dibromo-chloropropane (ppt)	ND	0	Runoff/leaching from soil fumigant used on soybeans, cotton, pineapples, and orchards	Some people who drink water containing DBCP in excess of the MCL over many years could experience reproductive problems and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Dinoseb (ppb)	ND	7	Runoff from herbicide used on soybeans and vegetables	Some people who drink water containing dinoseb well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience reproductive difficulties.
Diquat (ppb)	ND	20	Runoff from herbicide use	Some people who drink water containing diquat in excess of the MCL over many years could get cataracts.
Dioxin [2,3,7,8-TCDD] (ppq)	ND	0	Emissions from waste incineration and other combustion; discharge from chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing dioxin in excess of the MCL over many years could experience reproductive difficulties and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Endrin (ppb)	ND	2	Residue of banned insecticide	Some people who drink water containing endrin in excess of the MCL over many years could experience liver problems.
Ethylene dibromide (EDB) (ppt)	ND	0	Discharge from petroleum refineries	Some people who drink water containing ethylene dibromide in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver, stomach, reproductive system, or kidneys, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Glyphosate (ppb)	ND	700	Runoff from herbicide use	Some people who drink water containing glyphosate in excess of the MCL over many

				years could experience problems with their kidneys or reproductive difficulties.
Heptachlor (ppt)	ND	0	Residue of banned termiticide	Some people who drink water containing heptachlor in excess of the MCL over many years could experience liver damage and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Heptachlor-epoxide (ppt)	ND	0	Breakdown of heptachlor	Some people who drink water containing heptachlor epoxide in excess of the MCL over many years could experience liver damage, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Hexachloro-benzene (ppb)	ND	0	Discharge from metal refineries and agricultural chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing hexachlorobenzene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their kidneys, or adverse reproductive effects, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Lindane (ppt)	ND	200	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on cattle, lumber, gardens	Some people who drink water containing lindane in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their kidneys or liver.
Methoxychlor (ppb)	ND	40	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on fruits, vegetables, alfalfa, livestock	Some people who drink water containing methoxychlor in excess of the MCL over many years could experience reproductive difficulties.
Oxamyl (Vydate) (ppb)	ND	200	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on apples, potatoes, and tomatoes	Some people who drink water containing oxamyl in excess of the MCL over many years could experience slight nervous system effects.
PCBs (Polychlorinated biphenyls) (ppt)	ND	0	Runoff from landfills; discharge of waste chemicals	Some people who drink water containing PCBs in excess of the MCL over many years could experience changes in their skin, problems with their thymus gland, immune deficiencies, or reproductive or nervous system difficulties, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Pentachlorophenol (ppb)	ND	0	Discharge from wood preserving factories	Some people who drink water containing pentachlorophenol in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver or kidneys, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Picloram (ppb)	ND	500	Herbicide runoff	Some people who drink water containing picloram in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver.
Simazine (ppb)	ND	4	Herbicide runoff	Some people who drink water containing simazine in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their blood.
Toxaphene (ppb)	ND	0	Runoff/leaching from insecticide used on cotton and cattle	Some people who drink water containing toxaphene in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their kidneys, liver, or thyroid, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

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Benzene (ppb)	ND	0	Discharge from factories; leaching from gas storage tanks and landfills	Some people who drink water containing benzene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience anemia or a decrease in blood platelets, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Bromate (ppb)	ND	0	By-product of drinking-water chlorination	Some people who drink water containing bromate in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Carbon tetrachloride (ppb)	ND	0	Discharge from chemical plants and other industrial activities	Some people who drink water containing carbon tetrachloride in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems

				with their liver and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Chlorobenzene (ppb)	ND	100	Discharge from chemical and agricultural chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing chlorobenzene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver or kidneys.
Chloramines (ppm)	ND	MRDL 0=4	Water additive used to control microbes	Some people who use water containing chloramines well in excess of the MRDL could experience irritating effects to their eyes and nose. Some people who drink water containing chloramines well in excess of the MRDL could experience stomach discomfort or anemia.
Chlorine (ppm)	ND	MRDL 0=4	Water additive used to control microbes	Some people who use water containing chlorine well in excess of the MRDL could experience irritating effects to their eyes and nose. Some people who drink water containing chlorine well in excess of the MRDL could experience stomach discomfort.
Chlorite (ppm)	ND	.8	By-product of drinking water chlorination	Some infants and young children who drink water containing chlorite in excess of the MCL could experience nervous systems effects. Similar effects may occur in fetuses of pregnant women who drink water containing chlorite in excess of the MCL. Some people may experience anemia.
Chlorine dioxide (ppb)	ND	MRDL 0=800	Water additive used to control microbes	Some infants and young children who drink water containing chlorine dioxide in excess of the MRDL could experience nervous system effects. Similar effects may occur in fetuses of pregnant women who drink water containing chlorine dioxide in excess of the MRDL. Some DeoDle mav eXDerience anemia.
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o-Dichlorobenzene (ppb)	ND	600	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing 0-dichlorobenzene well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or circulatory systems.
p-Dichlorobenzene (ppb)	ND	75	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing p-dichlorobenzene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience anemia, damage to their liver, kidneys, or spleen, or changes in their blood.
1,2-Dichloroethane (ppb)	ND	0	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,2-dichloroethane in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
1,1-Dichloroethylene (ppb)	ND	7	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,1-dichloroethylene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver.
cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene (ppb)	ND	70	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing cis-1,2-dichloroethylene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver.
Trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene (ppb)	ND	100	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing trans-1,2-dichloroethylene well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver.
Dichloromethane (ppb)	ND	0	Discharge from pharmaceutical and chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing dichloromethane in excess of the MCL over many years could have liver problems and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
1,2-Dichloropropane (ppb)	ND	0	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,2-dichloropropane in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Ethylbenzene	ND	700	Discharge ITom	Some people who drink water containing

(ppb)			petroleum factories	ethylbenzene well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver or kidneys.
Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	ND	N/A	By-product of drinking water disinfection	Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE) (ppb)	ND	13	A gasoline additive	The New Hampshire Bureau of Health Risk Assessment considers MTBE a possible human carcinogen.
Styrene (ppb)	ND	100	Discharge from rubber and plastic factories; leaching from landfills	Some people who drink water containing styrene well in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their liver, kidneys, or circulatory system.
Tetrachloroethylene (ppb)	ND	0	Leaching from PVC pipes; discharge from factories and dry cleaners	Some people who drink water containing tetrachloroethylene in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their liver, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
1,2,4-Dichlorobenzene (ppb)	ND	70	Discharge from textile-finishing factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene well in excess of the MCL over many years could experience changes in their adrenal glands.
1,1,1-Trichloroethane (ppb)	ND	200	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories	Some people who drink water containing 1, 1, 1-trichloroethane in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver, nervous system, or circulatory system.
1,1,2-Trichloroethane (ppb)	ND	3	Discharge from industrial chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing 1,1,2-trichloroethane well in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their liver and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Trichloroethylene (ppb)	ND	0	Discharge from metal degreasing sites and other factories	Some people who drink water containing trichloroethylene in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their liver and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
TTHM (Take total of contaminants below) Bromodichloromethane Bromoform Dibromomethane Chloroform (ppb)	ND	N/A	By-product of drinking water chlorination	Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Toluene (ppm)	ND	1	Discharge from petroleum factories	Some people who drink water containing toluene well in excess of the MCL over many years could have problems with their nervous system, kidneys, or liver.
Vinyl Chloride (ppb)	ND	0	Leaching from PVC piping; discharge from plastic factories	Some people who drink water containing vinyl chloride in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.
Xylenes (total contaminants listed below) M/P-Xylenes O-Xylene (ppm)	ND	10	Discharge from petroleum factories; discharge from chemical factories	Some people who drink water containing xylenes in excess of the MCL over many years could experience damage to their nervous system.

**As reported in the Eagle Times the Precinct had some monthly samples that tested positive for total coliform bacteria. To resolve this issue the Precinct has hired the firm of Underwood Engineering to review procedure.**

## **Description of Drinking Water Contaminants:**

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also, come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

The results of all sampling done during the year can be reviewed on the EPA website.

## **Source Water Assessment Summary:**

The NH Department of Environmental Services has prepared a Source Water Assessment Report for the source serving this community water system, assessing the sources' vulnerability to contamination. The results of the assessment, prepared on (2001), are as follows:

(GPWI Lower Northeast), received (0) high susceptibility ratings, (0) medium susceptibility ratings, and (12) low susceptibility ratings.

(GPW 2 lower East) received (0) high susceptibility ratings, (0) medium susceptibility ratings, and (12) low susceptibility ratings.

(GPW Upper Northwest), received (0) high susceptibility ratings, (0) medium susceptibility ratings, and (12) low susceptibility ratings.

The complete Assessment Report is available for review at (NLSWSP@72 Old Dump Rd). For more information call (Pam@ 526-4441) or visit NH Department of Environmental Services Drinking Water Source Water Assessment Program web site at [www.des.state.nh.us/dwspp](http://www.des.state.nh.us/dwspp)



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 E-mail: [slicks@tracylibrary.org](mailto:slicks@tracylibrary.org)  
 Website: [www.tracylibrary.org](http://www.tracylibrary.org)

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT 526-6401**  
*Chad Denning, Recreation Director*  
**Mon-Fri: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM**  
 E-mail: [recreation@nl-nh.com](mailto:recreation@nl-nh.com)  
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**PLANNING BOARD 526-4821**  
**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**  
[landuse@nl-nh.com](mailto:landuse@nl-nh.com) or [zoning@nl-nh.com](mailto:zoning@nl-nh.com)

**CEMETERY COMMISSION 526-6442**  
*Marion C. Hafner, Chair*

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT 526-4761**  
*Donald F. Bent, Health Officer* [dfbent@tds.net](mailto:dfbent@tds.net)  
 Hours by appointment -- please leave a message

**DIRECTORY OF TOWN SERVICES**

Assessment of Property	Selectmen’s Office	526-4821 ext. 20	<a href="mailto:landuse@nl-nh.com">landuse@nl-nh.com</a>
Beach Parking Permits	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Beach Programs and Activities	Recreation Department	526-6401	<a href="mailto:recreation@nl-nh.com">recreation@nl-nh.com</a>
Birth Certificates	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Boat Registration	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Building Permits	Zoning Administrator	526-4821 ext. 16	<a href="mailto:zoning@nl-nh.com">zoning@nl-nh.com</a>
Burn Permits	Dispatch/Communications	526-2626	
Death Certificates	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Dog Licenses	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Election and Voter Information	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
False Alarm Reporting	Dispatch/Communications	526-2626	
Footpath/Hiking Maps	Selectmen’s Office	526-4821 ext. 10	<a href="mailto:office@nl-nh.com">office@nl-nh.com</a>
Hazardous Waste	Public Works Department	526-6337	<a href="mailto:nlhd@tds.net">nlhd@tds.net</a>
Health Concerns/Violations	Donald Bent, Health Officer	526-4761	<a href="mailto:dfbent@tds.net">dfbent@tds.net</a>
Home Business Permits	Zoning Administrator	526-4821 ext. 16	<a href="mailto:zoning@nl-nh.com">zoning@nl-nh.com</a>
Maps of Town/Tax Maps	Selectmen’s Office	526-4821 ext. 10	<a href="mailto:office@nl-nh.com">office@nl-nh.com</a>
Motor Vehicle Registration	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Passports	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Planning/Zoning Concerns	Zoning Administrator	526-4821 ext. 16	<a href="mailto:zoning@nl-nh.com">zoning@nl-nh.com</a>
Property Tax Payments	Tax Collector’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Recycling Information	Transfer Station	526-9499	<a href="mailto:nlhd@tds.net">nlhd@tds.net</a>
Roads, Streets and Sidewalks	Public Works Department	526-6337	<a href="mailto:nlhd@tds.net">nlhd@tds.net</a>
Sewer/Wastewater Questions	Public Works Department	526-6337	<a href="mailto:nlhd@tds.net">nlhd@tds.net</a>
Sign Permits	Zoning Administrator	526-4821 ext. 16	<a href="mailto:zoning@nl-nh.com">zoning@nl-nh.com</a>
Temporary Beach/Dump Permits	Selectmen’s Office	526-4821 ext. 10	<a href="mailto:office@nl-nh.com">office@nl-nh.com</a>
Town Hall/Conference Room Use	Selectmen’s Office	526-4821 ext. 10	<a href="mailto:office@nl-nh.com">office@nl-nh.com</a>
Transfer Station Permits	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Transfer Station Questions	Transfer Station	526-9499	<a href="mailto:nlhd@tds.net">nlhd@tds.net</a>
Voter Registration	Town Clerk’s Office	526-4821 ext. 11	<a href="mailto:tctc@nl-nh.com">tctc@nl-nh.com</a>
Welfare Assistance	Selectmen’s Office	526-4821 ext. 10	<a href="mailto:office@nl-nh.com">office@nl-nh.com</a>
Zoning Ordinances	Selectmen’s Office	526-4821 ext. 10	<a href="mailto:office@nl-nh.com">office@nl-nh.com</a>

**The Selectmen’s Office and Town Clerk/Tax Collector’s Office will be closed on the following holidays:**

Thursday, January 1, 2009	New Years Day
Monday, January 19, 2009	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, February 16, 2009	Presidents’ Day
Monday, May 25, 2009	Memorial Day
Friday, July 3, 2009	Independence Day
Monday, September 7, 2009	Labor Day
Wednesday, November 11, 2009	Veterans’ Day
Thursday, November 26 & Friday, November 27, 2009	Thanksgiving Holiday
Thursday, December 24 & Friday, December 25, 2009	Christmas

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