

DEDICATION



SELECTMAN JOHN SARETTE

Selectman John Sarette served the Town of Goffstown in various capacities for nearly 30 years. He was a Selectman for over 17 years retiring in 1995 and then being re-elected in 2003. John served as State Representative for several years as well.

A life long resident of this region and a resident of Goffstown since 1957, John served 40 years with the U.S. Navy and Naval Reserve and was a U.S. Navy veteran of the Korean War.

As a long time business owner in Pinardville, John also gave a life of service in civilian life in addition to his years as a Selectman. He was as a volunteer captain with the Goffstown Fire Department, an honorary Goffstown police officer and a NH Justice of the Peace. He contributed many hours as a member of several service organizations including Past Grand Knight, Knights of Columbus-Fourth Degree Knight, Optimist Club,

Veterans of foreign Wars, American Legion and Chair of the Board of Directors of the Boot Scootin' Boomers; a musical entertainment group that plays for charity.

In 1954, John married Sara Ann Turney in Long Beach, CA. and settled in Goffstown, raising five daughters and three sons, which has grown over the years to include 24 grandchildren as well as numerous nephews, nieces, and cousins.

John Sarette was the consummate public servant, always involved, ever contributing to the community, always a friend to the Town and its people.

The Board of Selectmen dedicate the 2004 Annual Report to their colleague for his many years of devoted and reliable service to the community of Goffstown and its residents.

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TOWN INFORMATION

During King Phillip's War in 1734 Goffstown and West Manchester were designated as Narragansett No. 4, and used as shelter for officers and soldiers. The Town of Goffstown, incorporated 1761, is named for Colonel John Goffe, an early settler, soldier, and civic leader. Goffstown was originally a farming community. As the town was settled during the 1760's, the timber that was cleared was used in building ships. Oxen drew the wood to the village of Piscataquog and from there it was floated by raft to Newburyport, Massachusetts. The oxen route became known as Mast Road, now the main road through Goffstown.

Goffstown is located at 43°N and 71', 36°W in Hillsborough County nine miles west of Manchester on NH Route 114; north of Bedford on Route 114; east of New Boston on Route 13; south of Weare on Route 114. It is 16 miles to Concord, the state capital of New Hampshire. The town has three boroughs or regions: Goffstown Village, Grasmere Village and Pinardville.

The Town has a population of approximately 17,485(2003 OEP) and occupies approximately 36.9 square miles. Town Hall elevation is 306' above sea level, and the top of Mt. Uncanoonuc is 1321' above sea level.

GOVERNMENT: A five member Board of Selectmen governs Goffstown. Legislative policy, including passage of the Town Budget, is determined by the annual Town Meeting. The Town provides a full array of governmental services, library and recreational services. At the 1996 Annual Meeting residents passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional town meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot.

The Town Hall is located at 16 Main Street. Town office hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday; 8:30 am to noon on Wednesday; and 8:30 am to 6:00 pm on Thursday.

TOWN CLERK: Voter registration is with the Supervisors of the Checklist or Town Clerk. To register to vote, one must be 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen and a resident of Goffstown. New voter registrations for local, state and federal elections may be done at the polls on Election Day. For eligibility to vote at the Ballot Determination Meeting you must register 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. Absentee ballots are available to qualified voters for all elections.

Dog licenses expire on April 30 of each year. A dog must be licensed at three months of age; rabies certificate required. Fees are \$6.50 for neutered animals; \$9.00 if unaltered. A penalty of \$1.00 per month is assessed as of June 1 for unlicensed dogs.

Automobile registration is initiated at the office of the Town Clerk. Registration is due and renewable in the birth month of the resident owner. Re-registration decals are available from the Town Clerk for an additional fee of \$2.50. Plates for passenger vehicles, motorcycles, trailers and tractors are also available in this office. The Town is on-line with NH Division of Motor Vehicles to provide a full range of improved motor vehicle registration services, including

boat registrations. You must present your driver's license and your state issued renewal form, or previous registration.

PROPERTY TAXES: Goffstown collects property taxes semi-annually; payments are due at the Tax Collector's Office July 1 and December 1. Property is assessed as of April 1. A town-wide revaluation was completed in 2003. The tax rate for 2004 was \$21.78 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

ZONING: The Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Goffstown was originally adopted and made effective on March 14, 1961. The Ordinance regulates land use throughout the town.

POLICE: The Goffstown Police Department is located on Route 114 across from the State Prison for Women and adjacent to the Hillsborough County Nursing Home.

PUBLIC WORKS: The Public Works Department is located at 404 Elm Street adjacent to the Transfer Station facility. Curbside solid waste and recycling pickups are once a week. The Transfer Station for solid wastes and recyclables is located at 404 Elm Street, and is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. The Public Works Office is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm.

LIBRARY: The Goffstown Public Library is located at the intersection of Main Street (Route 114), High Street and Elm Street adjacent to the historic Popcorn Stand. The library is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Thursday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday during the school year. Check our web site at www.goffstown.lib.nh.us for more information.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.: The Parks and Recreation Department, with an office at 155 Mast Street provides two supervised playgrounds with excellent summer programs, two public swimming pools, seven public tennis courts, athletic fields, a running track, and an outdoor ice-skating area, and a skateboard park. Extensive recreational activities for youth and adults are offered year-round.

SCHOOL DISTRICT: An elected nine-member School Board governs The Goffstown School District; the Annual School District Meeting determines its budget. At the 1996 Annual Meeting the residents passed RSA 40:13 changing the traditional school meeting to a ballot determination meeting followed by an official ballot. School Department offices are located in the White Building at 11 School Street in Goffstown Village. The Superintendent of Schools serves the school districts of Goffstown, Dunbarton and New Boston. In Goffstown, the public schools consist of two elementary schools, grades 1 - 4, Maple Avenue School in the Village and Bartlett School in Pinardville; one middle school, grades 5-8, Mountain View Middle School, 41 Lauren Lane in Goffstown; and one high school, grades 9-12, Goffstown High School, 27 Wallace Road in the Village, which accepts Dunbarton and New Boston tuition students.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Selectmen

Every Monday at 6:00 PM unless posted otherwise. Meetings held in the Selectmen Meeting Room at Goffstown Town Hall.

Budget Committee

Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Community Access Cable TV Committee

Second Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the GTV studio in Goffstown High School.

Capital Improvement Program (C.I.P.) Committee

May through November Wednesdays at 7:00 PM as needed.

Conservation Commission

Fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at Goffstown Town Hall.

Economic Development Council

Second Tuesday of the month at 5:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Highway Safety Committee

As needed

Historic District Commission

Second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Grasmere Town Hall / School House #9.

Library Trustees

Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Library.

Parks & Recreation Committee

Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Parks & Recreation Center.

Planning Board

Second and fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at Goffstown Town Hall.

School Board

First and third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown High School.

Sewer Commission

First Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

Solid Waste Commission

Third Wednesday of March, June, Sept., & Dec. at 6:45 PM at the Goffstown Dept. of Public Works Building.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Goffstown Town Hall.

PEOPLE SERVING GOFFSTOWN

Governor

Craig Benson

Governor – Elect as of 1/05

John Lynch

United States Senators

Judd Gregg

John E. Sununu

Representative in Congress

Jeb Bradley

Executive Councilor

David Wheeler

State Senator

Lou D'Allesandro

Representatives to

General Court as of 12/04

Stephen A. Baines

Lawrence A. Emerton, Sr.

Randolph (Rip) Holden

Bruce F. Hunter

Neal M. Kurk

Pamela V. Manney

Karen K. McRae

Robert L. Wheeler

Board of Selectmen

Robert L. Wheeler, *Chair* 2006

Bruce F. Hunter, *Vice Chair* 2007

Philip A. D'Avanza 2005

Barbara J. Griffin 2007

Gossett W. McRae 2005

John Sarette (Died 8/04)

Town Moderator

Rodney L. Stark 2006

Town Clerk

Donna A. Bergeron 2005

Town Treasurer

Jean C. Mayberry 2005

Administrative Officers

Sue Desruisseaux, MPA

Town Administrator

Michael French, *Police Chief*

Frank Carpentino, *Fire Chief and Forest
Fire Warden*

Carl L. Quiram, *Public Works Director*

David L. French, *Recreation Director*

Dianne Hathaway, *Library Director*

Jim Bingham, MS

Asst. Town Administrator

Janice O'Connell, MBA,

Finance Director

Gail Lavalley, *Tax Collector*

Ron Mace, *Assessor*

Edmond Neveu, *Building Inspector,*

*Building Code Enforcement Officer,
and Health Officer*

Stephen Griffin, AICP, *Planning &*

Economic Development Coordinator

Derek Horne, *Zoning Code*

Enforcement Officer

Neil Funcke, MS, *IT Administrator*

Kerry P. Steckowych, *Prosecutor*

Paul Fitzgerald and William Drescher,
Town Counsel

ADA Compliance Committee

Susan Desruisseaux, *Coord.*

Rosemary Garretson 2005

Richard Hopf 2005

Jean Mayberry 2005

Wayne Richardson 2005

Ellen Vermokowitz
School Board Rep. 2005

Budget Committee

John Caprio, *Chair* 2006

Gary Bernier 2006

Vivian Blondeau 2005

Dan Cloutier 2006

Eric Geissenhainer 2005

William Gleeson 2007

Budget Committee (cont.)

Phillip E. Kendall II	2007
Raymond Labore	2007
Dennis Rechcygl	2005
David W. Rowe	2006
Jeffrey A. Tate	2007
Suzanne Tremblay	2005
Scott Gross, <i>School Board Rep.</i>	
Robert L. Wheeler, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Richard Fletcher, <i>Goffstown Village Water Precinct Rep.</i>	
Peter Georgantas, <i>Grasmere Village Water Precinct Rep.</i>	

Building Board of Appeals

Arthur Rose, Sr. <i>Chair</i>
Norman Chauvette
Darron Pierson
Wayne Richardson
David White
Paul Lebrun, <i>Alt.</i>

Cable TV Access Committee

James Pingree, <i>Chair</i>	2004
Donald Gagnon, <i>Vice-Chair</i>	2005
Craig Battey	2004
Marie Boyle	2006
Andrea Card	2005
Rosemary Garretson	2006
Patrick Tucker	2006
Jim Bingham, <i>Gov't. Adv.</i>	
Richard Gagnon, <i>PEG Coordinator</i>	
3 Vacant Alternate Positions	

Cemetery Trustees

Leon Konieczny, <i>Chair</i>	2006
Linda Reynolds-Naughton	2005
Jean Walker	2007

C.I.P. Committee

Fred Plett, <i>Chair</i>	2005
Suzanne Tremblay, <i>Budget Rep.</i>	2005
Earl S. Carrel, <i>Community</i>	2005
Frederick P. Cass, <i>Community</i>	2005
Patrick Tucker, <i>Community</i>	2005
Janice O'Connell, <i>Finance Dir</i>	2005
Stephen Griffin, <i>Planning Adv.</i>	2005
Scott Gross, <i>Sch. Board. Rep.</i>	2005

C.I.P. Committee (cont.)

Keith Allard, <i>Alt. Sch. Bd Rep.</i>	2005
Robert L. Wheeler, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	2005

Charter Commission

Karen McRae, <i>Chair</i>	2005
John S. Davis, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2005
Fred R. Plett, <i>Secretary</i>	2005
John Caprio	2005
Charles W. Carr	2005
Stephen R. Crean	2005
Albert Desruisseaux	2005
Jo Ann Duffy	2005
Peter Georgantas	2005

Conservation Commission

Collis Adams, <i>Chair</i>	2006
Charles Freiburger	2004
Timothy Hanson	2005
Karen McRae	2006
Evelyn Miller	2005
Susan Tucker	2003
Jean Walker	2004
Jason Sachs, <i>Alt.</i>	2005
Barbara Griffin, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
David Nieman, <i>Alt.</i>	2007
Kimberly Peace, <i>Alt.</i>	2006
Lisa Yesse, <i>Alt.</i>	2006
1 Vacant	

Economic Development Council

Philip Tatro, <i>Chair</i>	2004
Richard Bruno	2006
Albert Desruisseaux	2007
Henry Grady	2005
Bryan King	2005
Bruce F. Hunter, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Robert Wheeler, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Stephen Griffin, <i>TA's Rep.</i>	
Vacant, <i>Planning Bd. Rep.</i>	
4 Vacant Positions	

Goffstown Common**Oversight Committee**

David French, <i>Parks & Rec Dir., Chair</i>	
Larry Brown, <i>Citizen Rep.</i>	2005
Carl Quiram, <i>Public Works Dir.</i>	

Goffstown Common

Oversight Committee(cont.)	
Mark Rynearson, <i>Citizen Rep.</i>	2005
Robert L. Wheeler, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	

Goffstown Village Water Precinct

Allen D. Gamans, <i>Chair</i>	2005
Henry C. Boyle	2008
Richard Coughlin	2007
Richard Fletcher	2009
Raymond Taber	2006
Linda Reynolds-Naughton, <i>Clerk</i>	

Grasmere Village Water Precinct

Arthur Rose, Jr., <i>Chair</i>	2006
Peter Georgantas	2005
William Swanson	2005
Diane Rand, <i>Clerk</i>	
Alice Rohr, <i>Treasurer</i>	

Highway Safety Committee

Michael French, <i>Police Dept., Chair</i>	
Stephen Griffin, <i>Planning & Economic Dev. Coordinator</i>	
Philip D'Avanza, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Carl Quiram, <i>Public Works Dir.</i>	
Ruth E. Gage, <i>Comm. Rep.</i>	2006

Historic District Commission

Philip D'Avanza, <i>Chair/Sel Rep.</i>	2005
Charles W. Carr	2007
Lionel Coulon	2006
Roberta Perkins, <i>Treasurer</i>	2007
Rodney Stark, <i>Alt.</i>	2005
Annie Vincent, <i>Alt.</i>	2005
David White, <i>Alt.</i>	2005
3 Vacant Positions	
2 Vacant Alt. Positions	

Library Trustees

Theresa Curtis, <i>Chair</i>	2005
Henry C. Boyle	2005
Steve Brzozowski	2005
George Fullerton	2005
Barbara J. Griffin, <i>Trustee & Sel. Rep.</i>	2006
Lisa Iodice	2007

Library Trustees (cont.)

Susan Osburn	2007
Susan Plante, <i>Alt.</i>	2007
2 Vacant Alt. Positions	

Parks & Recreation Commission

Robert P. Draper, <i>Chair</i>	2004
George Havener, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2005
Jeffrey Dorow	2004
Barbara Larkin	2004
D. Michael McKinnon	2006
Philip C. Tatro	2005
Susan Tucker	2005
J. Claude LaRoche, <i>Alt.</i>	2004
Robert L. Wheeler, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Jeffrey Tate, <i>Budget Rep.</i>	

Planning Board

Richard Georgantas, <i>Chairman</i>	2006
Jo Ann Duffy, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2006
James Raymond	2007
William Wynne	2007
Lowell VonRuden	2005
Joseph Beauchemin	2005
Collis Adams, <i>Alt.</i>	2005
Thomas Heaney, <i>Alt.</i>	2006
Gossett W. McRae, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
2 Vacant Alt Positions	

School Board

Ellen Vermokowitz, <i>Chair</i>	2007
Keith Allard	2006
Lorry Cloutier	2007
Scott Gross	2007
Virginia "Ginny" McKinnon	2006
Marie Morgan	2005
Philip Pancoast	2005
Jane Raymond	2006
Sara Ann Sarette	2005
Hannah Szlyk, <i>Student Rep.</i>	

School Moderator

Lawrence A. Emerton, Sr.	2006
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School Clerk

Jo Ann Duffy	2006
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School Treasurer		Solid Waste Commission (cont.)	
Helen Skoglund	2006	Paul Laperle	2007
School District Administration		Thomas Lee	2006
S.A.U. #19		Fred Plett	2006
Darrell J. Lockwood, Ed.D.		Andre Roy	2007
<i>Superintendent of Schools</i>		I. Richard Schaffner, Jr.	2005
Gail Kushner, <i>Asst. Superintendent</i>		Bruce F. Hunter, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>	
Kathi Titus, <i>Asst. Superintendent</i>		Tom Fatcheric, <i>Advisor</i>	
Michele Croteau, <i>Business Manager</i>		So. NH Planning Commission	
Bartlett Elementary School		Arthur Rose	2004
David Bousquet, <i>Principal</i>		Robert L. Wheeler	2005
Goffstown Area High School		Barbara J. Griffin, <i>Alt.</i>	2005
Frank McBride, <i>Principal</i>		Supervisors of the Checklist	
Dixie Tremblay, <i>Asst. Principal</i>		Patricia Wynne, <i>Chair</i>	2008
Kim McCann, <i>Asst. Principal</i>		Sara Ann Sarette	2010
Maple Ave. Elementary		Suzanne Tremblay	2006
Marc A. Boyd, <i>Principal</i>		Trustees of the Trust Funds	
Leslie Doster, <i>Asst. Principal</i>		Kenneth Rose, <i>Chair</i>	2007
Mountain View Middle		Earl S. Carrel	2005
Rose L. Colby, <i>Principal</i>		<i>1 Vacant Position</i>	
Fred Deppe, <i>Asst. Principal</i>		Zoning Board of Adjustment	
Sandra Davis, <i>Asst. Principal</i>		Anthony Marts, <i>Chair</i>	2005
Sewer Commission		Henry Grady, <i>Vice Chair</i>	2006
Stephen R. Crean, <i>Chair</i>	2005	Richard Georgantas,	
James A. Bouchard	2006	<i>Planning Bd. Rep.</i>	2005
Paul LaPerle	2007	Wayne Richardson	2005
Bruce F. Hunter, <i>Sel. Rep.</i>		Denise Renk	2005
Solid Waste Commission		Keith Allard, <i>Alt.</i>	2005
Frank Leffman, <i>Chair</i>	2006	Marie Boyle, <i>Alt.</i>	2007
J. Robert Champagne	2007	Julie Grandgeorge, <i>Alt</i>	2007
		Gail Labreque, <i>Alt.</i>	2005
		William Wynne,	
		<i>Alt. Planning Bd. Rep.</i>	

SELECTMEN ANNUAL REPORT



L-R: Vice Chairman Bruce Hunter; Selectman Gossett McRae; Chairman Robert Wheeler; Selectman Philip D'Avanza; and Selectman Barbara Griffin.

It is that time of year when we reflect upon the activities and events of the previous year. Last year the Board suffered the loss of our colleague and friend John Sarette, who served the Town of Goffstown for many years. He was a member of the Board of Selectmen when he passed away on August 17, 2004. His dedicated service to his community will live on.

Each year we set goals to achieve and then review our progress towards achieving those goals. During the past year the voters approved a single stream municipal curbside recycling program and the Public Works Department implemented the program very effectively. The program has been well received by the citizenry and it is estimated that Goffstown's recycling has increased from 17% to 28% with a savings of approximately \$130,000. It is hoped that the continued efforts in education and public awareness by the Solid Waste Commission and staff, that recycling will continue to increase.

In 2004 the town implemented Government Accounting Standards Board, Standard 34, (GASB34) which was a major revision in government accounting and reporting. In this annual report you will see a new report entitled Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). In addition to the Fund Financial Statements, new government-wide financials are now incorporated into the complete audit report for FYE 12/31/03. This annual report contains a portion of the new financial fund statements. Costs and space limitations prohibit printing of the full audit and footnotes. Our auditors have completed the annual audit for FYE 2003 and found the town to be GASB34 compliant. Please

contact the Finance Office if you would like to view or receive a copy of the full audit.

Last year's vote established a Charter Commission, which staff provided support to this year to assure that the statutory process was followed. The Charter Commission has completed their assignment and copies of their work can be found at any municipal building or at the town website www.ci.goffstown.nh.us. Voters will vote on the proposed Charter at the election on March 8th.

Keeping the town's website up-to-date has assisted in keeping residents informed of the activities of our boards and committees. The "Voters Guide" was published and distributed to each household in town and the response from the public was very positive. Unfortunately, the problems and delays digitizing GTV have interrupted live broadcasts to the community. New equipment and training should help get us back on track in 2005.

In an effort to control taxes, the Board of Selectmen made efforts to meet the challenge of increasing the industrial/commercial tax base. The result is that the commercial/industrial tax base increased by 1.14%. Goffstown's tax base is 80% residential, 11% commercial/industrial/utilities, and 9% exempt. Despite the increase in the tax base and the Board's attempt to keep a level tax rate, an increase was necessary due to the town meeting vote and department needs. The Board of Selectmen continues to assess department needs in conjunction with the taxpayers' ability to pay.

Ongoing efforts in 2005 will include the update of the Employee Wellness Policy, codification of the town ordinances, development of the Rails to Trails Project, completion of the Master Plan, review of employee compensation, and adoption of an Information Technology Plan.

The Selectmen thank the hardworking team of town employees who have helped in carrying out the Board of Selectmen goals and the mission given by the voters. We bid farewell to long time public works employees who retired in 2004 – Carole LaBrie, Leon Gagnon and Lucien Gagnon.

We recognize and thank the many volunteers who serve on town committees, commissions and boards. Your countless hours and efforts assist us in meeting the ever-increasing demands on municipal government. The Main Street Program volunteers are recognized for all their efforts in promoting Goffstown's community image. We welcome our new Main Street Director Cathy Ewing and wish her well.

This year's many accomplishments are attributed to the support of the Goffstown voters at the last town meeting. Thank you and we look forward to your continued support.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert Wheeler, *Chairman*

Bruce F. Hunter, *Vice-Chairman*

Philip A. D'Avanza

Barbara J. Griffin

Gossett McRae

REPORT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE SENATE TO THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

Thank you for the opportunity to report to the residents of Goffstown from the New Hampshire State Senate.

The greatest accomplishment for me personally from last year was the passage of SB335, which gives adult adoptees access to their original birth certificates. This is a very important step that NH has taken to give adult adoptees the same rights that we all enjoy.

Today we convened to officially begin the 2005 Legislative Session. Some of the priorities I will be working on this year include the passage of a bill that will make it easier for law enforcement to crack down on excessive noise from vehicles, as well as finding a solution to education funding.

I will again serve as Chairman of the Senate Ways and Means Committee and Vice Chairman of the Capital Budget Committee. I have also retained my seat on the Senate Finance Committee.

I look forward to working on these issues with you. If you would like to discuss a particular piece of legislation with me or if I can be of help with a problem or concern, please do not hesitate to call me at my office, 271-2600, or write me at: State House, Rm. 117, Concord, NH 03301.

The entire community was saddened by the untimely passing of one of Goffstown's most distinguished citizens, John Sarette. John served as a town selectman for many years and was a great contributor in so many other ways. There was a tremendous outpouring of grief in the community and as a friend of John's and an admirer of the work that he did, I was both moved and gratified by the town's sympathy. Great communities depend on great efforts by the citizenry. John Sarette was a perfect example of this.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou D'Allesandro
NH Senate, District 20

2005 WARRANT
BALLOT DETERMINATION SESSION –
FEBRUARY 9, 2005
OFFICIAL BALLOT SESSION – MARCH 8, 2005

To the inhabitants of the Town of Goffstown in the County of Hillsborough qualified to vote in Town affairs, and to the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Goffstown, qualified to vote in School District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet Wednesday, February 9, 2005 at seven o'clock in the evening at Goffstown Area High School in said Town for the first portion of Town Meeting, also known as the deliberative session, to act on the following subjects and determine matters which will then be voted upon by the official ballot on March 8, 2005. (Snow date is Thursday, February 10, 2005.)

You are further notified to meet March 8, 2005 to vote on all matters by official ballot. The polls will open on March 8, 2005 at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the First District at the Goffstown Area High School and will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M. in the Fifth District at the Bartlett Elementary School.

ARTICLE 1

To choose all Town Officers, Trustees, Commissioners, and School District Officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2

Shall the town adopt Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the Tables of Dimensional Regulations, combining the existing tables and including the regulation of multi-family housing by density and adding maximum allowed building footprints?

Recommended by the Planning Board

ARTICLE 3

Shall the town adopt Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending various requirements by making editing changes to sections relating to condominiums, accessory structures locations, modifying sign sizes and requirements, specifying shared parking requirements, deleting light projection permitting, updating manufactured homes and manufactured home park requirements, editing flood hazard districts requirements in conformance with flood hazard insurance requirements, editing deadlines as requested by the ZBA, and editing wetland definition, board membership, and impact fees in accordance with state law?

Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 4

Shall the town adopt Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending Sections 3.10, Table of Permitted Uses and Section 3.11, Table of Accessory Uses, and related provisions, combining uses and editing definitions for clarification?

Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 5

Shall the town adopt Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board, amending the table of permitted uses so that industrial parks would no longer be a permitted use by Special Exception in the Agricultural (A) district?

Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 6

Shall the town adopt Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board, establishing a new Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ) district and its regulations, in accordance with the Route 114/114A Corridor Management Plan?

Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 7

Shall the town adopt Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board, changing the zoning on various parcels to implement the Route 114/114A Corridor Management Plan by changing the zoning from Agricultural (A), Commercial (C) and Industrial (I) to the new Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ) on properties between the Tatro Drive industrial area and Henry Bridge Road, on the following map/lots?

5/43	5/46	5/51A	6/33-1	6/42	26/1	26/5
5/44	5/47	5/52	6/40	6/43	26/2	26/7
5/44-1	5/49	5/53	6/41	6/44	26/2A	26/20
5/45	5/51	5/54	6/41A	6/45	26/3	26/24
5/58	5/48	5/49	5/49-1	26/6	26/6-2	26/22
5/47	5/56-1	5/56-4	26/8-1	26/10A	26/13	26/23
5/49	5/56-2	5/56-5	26/9	26/11	26/13A	

Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 8

Shall the town adopt Amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board, changing the zoning from Industrial (I) to Agricultural (A), property fronts on Norman Road, on the following portion of a map/lot?

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Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 9

Shall the town adopt Amendment #8 as proposed by the Planning Board, changing the zoning from Commercial (C) to Village Commercial (VC) located within the Goffstown village center, on the following maps/lots?

34/85	34/148	34/155			
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Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 10

Shall the town adopt Amendment #9 as proposed by the Planning Board, changing the zoning from Industrial (I) to Village Commercial (VC) on the south side of Depot Street, within the Goffstown village center, on the following map/lots?

34/71	34/72	34/73			
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Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 11

Shall the town adopt Amendment #10 as proposed by the Planning Board, changing the zoning from Industrial (I) to Commercial Industrial Flex Zone (CIFZ) along Depot Street and the Piscataquog River in Goffstown’s village center, on the following map/lots?

34/75	34/76A	34/90	37/1	37/4	37/6
34/76	34/76B	34/94	37/3	37/5	37/7
34/95					

Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 12

Shall the town adopt Amendment #11 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown, to change the zoning on map 6, lot 47 (103 Center Street) from Residential-1 (R-1) and Agricultural (A) to Agricultural (A)?

Submitted by petition. Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 13

Shall the town adopt Amendment #12 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown, to change the zoning on map 5, lot 93 (92 Wallace Road) from Agricultural (A) to Residential-1 (R-1)?

Submitted by petition. Not recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 14

Shall the town adopt Amendment #13 as proposed by petition of the voters of Goffstown, to change the existing appointed 5-member Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) to a 5-member elected board?

Submitted by petition. Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 15

Shall the town adopt the Planning Board Article to designate Prime Wetlands, a local option under RSA 482-A:15, as delineated by Town of Goffstown Prime Wetlands Study and Mapping by Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., and dated December 2004, and as recommended by the Goffstown Conservation Commission?

Recommended by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee (and Board of Selectmen?) in the amount of sixteen million one hundred sixty one thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$16,161,550).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of seven million nine hundred and eighty one thousand nine hundred dollars (\$7,981,900).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of two million ninety-seven thousand two hundred two dollars (\$2,097,202) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of two hundred two thousand six hundred ninety five dollars (\$202,695) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment: "Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling sixteen million one hundred sixty one thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$16,161,550)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be fifteen million three hundred fifteen thousand five hundred thirty dollars (\$15,315,530), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only." NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Eight Hundred Sixty Five Thousand dollars (\$1,865,000) for the purpose of implementing the current phase of the road improvement plan. The road improvement plan has been part of the CIP process since 2002 and the annual appropriations for the plan have been approved as Special Articles since 2002. This article is designated as a Special Article pursuant to RSA 32:3, VI (d). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 16.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) to be deposited into the Conservation Capital Reserve Fund which was established in 2003 pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the purpose of land acquisition, easements and/or land rights for conservation purposes. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 16.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of funding the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 16.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of restoring the Grasmere Town Hall and to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be deposited in this fund. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 16.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Grasmere Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund as provided by RSA 35:15.

Presented by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 22

“Shall the Town of Goffstown approve the new charter recommended by the charter commission?”

Copies of the proposed Charter can be found in its entirety at any municipal building or at the town’s website: www.ci.goffstown.nh.us. The following chart summarizes the current form of government and the major changes in the proposed charter.

	CURRENT	PROPOSED CHANGES
GOVERNING BODY	5 Selectmen	7 Councilors
LEGISLATIVE BODY	Voters at Deliberative & Official Ballot Sessions pursuant to NH RSA 40:13	Voters at a budgetary town meeting; Voters on official ballot for budgets and zoning; Councilors for all other issues.
ADMINISTRATION	Selectmen/Town Administrator	Town Manager
CEMETERY TRUSTEES	Elected	Appointed
ZBA	Appointed	Elected

BUDGET COMMITTEE	12 elected members	9 elected members
BOND PASSAGE	3/5 (60%) majority vote	2/3 (66%) majority vote
DEFAULT BUDGET	set by Board of Selectmen	set by Budget Committee
PETITIONS	All Petitions (Appropriation, Zoning, other): 25 registered voters	Appropriation, Zoning Petitions: 25 registered voters Initiative Petitions: 50 registered voters Referendum Petitions: 500 registered voters Recall Petitions: 250 registered voters

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing agreement under Section 218 of the Social Security Act by excluding the services performed by election workers for a calendar year in which the remuneration paid for such service is less than \$1,200. The \$1,200 limit on the excludable amount of remuneration paid in a calendar year for the services specified in this modification will be subject to adjustment for calendar years after 2002 to reflect changes in wages in the economy without any further modification of the agreement, with respect to such services performed during such calendar years, in accordance with Section 218(c)(8)(B) of the Social Security Act.

Presented by the Board of Selectmen.



ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer ownership of approximately 20 acres of Map 5 Lot 14 to the Goffstown School District for the purpose of building a school on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen deem appropriate and to authorize the Selectmen to execute any and all documents to implement this conveyance.

Presented by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town will vote to require the Board of Selectmen to obtain voter approval before granting any easement, license or other encumbrance on Town Owned property?

Submitted by Petition.

ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to deposit 50% of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in a conservation fund, established under RSA 36-A:5, in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II, said funds to be used for conservation land and easement acquisition and costs associated therewith?

Submitted by Petition.

ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will vote to reaffirm the practice of and to maintain the current Fire Based Emergency Medical Service (Ambulance) for the Town of Goffstown.
Submitted by Petition.

ARTICLE 28

To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to prepare and present a plan that proposes 24 hour Fire and EMS staffing of at least one (1) fire station seven (7) days per week. This plan shall include the use of a system that utilizes full-time and call force employees working a regular work schedule not to exceed 45 hours per week. The proposed plan shall be all-inclusive and be presented as part of the Towns 2006 Budget process. The proposal shall have an effective date of July 1, 2006 as the start date of this staffing system.
Submitted by Petition.

ARTICLE 29

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money not to exceed Seven Hundred Thousand (\$700,000) Dollars to replace two (2) pieces of Emergency Fire Apparatus in the year 2005, and further direct the Board of Selectmen to enter into a multi-year purchasing agreement not to exceed five (5) years to complete the purchase of these vehicles. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 16.)
Submitted by Petition.
Not Recommended by Selectmen or Budget Committee.

ARTICLE 30

To hear the reports of Town Officers, Auditors and Committees and to pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 31

To transact any business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our Hands and Seal this 24th day of January 2005.

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert L. Wheeler, Chairman
Bruce F. Hunter, Vice Chairman
Gossett W. McRae

Barbara J. Griffin
Philip A. D’Avanza

Then personally appeared the above named Robert L. Wheeler, Bruce F. Hunter, Philip A. D’Avanza, Barbara J. Griffin, and Gossett W. McRae, and under oath that the above certificate by them is true.

Donna Bergeron, Town Clerk

2004 TOWN BALLOT

DETERMINATION MEETING

Minutes of February 9, 2004

The 2004 Town Ballot Determination meeting took place in the Goffstown High School Auditorium on Wednesday evening, Feb. 4, 2004. Town Moderator Rodney Stark called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. (There were 97 voters present according to the checklist at 8 p.m.)

Moderator Stark called for the presentation of the colors, which were carried forward and presented by VFW Post #7015 Commander Russell Lauriat and Senior Vice Commander John Burton, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

He next introduced the head tables - to his right, **Town Clerk Donna Bergeron, Town Scribe Marie Boyle, Assistant Town Moderator Gossett McRae**; and to his left, **the Board of Selectmen, Chairman Henry Boyle, Vice Chairman Barbara Griffin, Selectman Philip D'Avanza, Selectman John Sarette, Selectman Robert Wheeler; Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux and Finance Director Janice O'Connell.**

Selectman Barbara Griffin made a presentation to Selectman Henry Boyle, who has announced that he will not be seeking re-election this year, after having served on the Board for ten years. On behalf of the Board of Selectmen, Selectman Griffin thanked him for his service, and also thanked his wife, Marie, and announced that tonight is the Boyles' 48th wedding anniversary. Selectman Griffin presented Mr. Boyle with a certificate of appreciation and a gift certificate from the selectmen; she also presented Mrs. Boyle with a bouquet of flowers. Selectman and Mrs. Boyle thanked everyone for their kindness. Mr. Boyle expressed his feeling that this is a great board of selectmen and said he couldn't have done all he has without the wonderful people who have worked with him over the years.

Moderator Stark next introduced Parks and Recreation Director Dave French for the presentation of the annual Cullerot/Robinson award. This year's nominees included Tammy Gagne, Real Fallu, Stephen Ellis, and Ken Moineau. This year's Cullerot/Robinson recipient was Jim Gallagher.

R. Stark - The first six articles will not be involved in tonight's discussion. Since a protest petition has been submitted for Article 5, it means that Article 5 must pass by a 2/3 majority vote on voting day in March. In 1996, the town of Goffstown adopted Senate Bill 2, the Standardized Official Ballot System, which replaced the former traditional town meeting system. All articles are now voted on by written ballot on town meeting day. Tonight, articles will be discussed and may be amended, but there will not be any votes taken on the articles themselves. Voting will take place on Tuesday, March 9.

Tonight we'll talk about articles 7 through 17 - any amendments offered will be discussed, debated and voted upon. If an amendment is adopted by this meeting, the article will appear on the ballot in March, as amended. Amendment

of appropriation articles is allowed, up or down, as long as they relate to the general subject of the article.

All amendments must be presented in writing to the moderator, moved to the floor and seconded before discussion can take place on them. Following discussion a vote will be taken on the amendment. There will be no final vote on the articles.

After an article has been discussed a voter may move the previous question - that means there will be no further discussion. A simple majority vote passes that. Five registered voters may request in writing that a vote be taken by secret, written ballot. A motion to reconsider can only be made by a person who has voted on the prevailing side.

ARTICLE 7 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred seventy-eight thousand five hundred forty-one dollars (\$578,541) for the purpose of initiating a Municipal Curbside Recycling Program and to authorize the issuance of not more than Five Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred dollars (\$533,800) of bonds or notes with bond-related fees in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) as amended; and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town.

The bonded amount of five hundred thirty-three thousand eight hundred dollars (\$533,800) is for capital expenses including barrels, truck, 40' x 60' building, skid steer and attachments. The operating cost of forty-four thousand seven hundred forty-one dollars (\$44,741) includes employee wages/benefits, vehicle operating expenses, and recycling disposal fees. The operating costs will be raised by property taxes. It is anticipated that the savings generated from this program will cover the cost of the bond and at the end of the bond term will save the town an additional \$100,000 per year.

If this article passes, the Operating Budget, Article 8, will be reduced by sixty-nine thousand four hundred seventy-five dollars (\$69,475) which is equivalent to about four (4) months of the recycling contract.

(A 3/5 ballot vote is required) (This appropriation is in addition to Article 8).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

Selectman Wheeler moved that the article be placed on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman Boyle.

R. Wheeler said that Article 7 is a new concept - single-stream recycling - that this community has not embraced before. The work will be accomplished by people who work for the town and the net result will be a savings of about \$100,000 per year.

He explained that normally CIP items are not financed, but in this instance, what makes bonding attractive is, if this article passes we will be saving approximately \$100,000 per year from what we're doing now, with 20% recycling. And if we can improve on that 20%, we can do even better.

We started recycling a few years ago, but the costs for hiring the people in that business are very high. If we do it ourselves we can save that money, and if

we increase our recycling participation, that's even better because we won't have to pay as much for our trash disposal. The more we recycle, the less we have to haul and dump.

If this article passes, a deduction of \$69,475 will be taken from the Public Works' operating budget because the cost of four months' recycling contract will be eliminated. He also explained it takes a 60% vote for this article to pass since it's a bonding article.

Fred Plett, Chairman of the Solid Waste Commission added to Mr. Wheeler's statements. He said an additional reason to support this is the recycling barrel will not be an open bucket as it is now, but a wheeled barrel with a cover to protect it from animals and the elements like our trash barrels. Also we will not have to separate recyclables - just throw them all in together. He said actually, Goffstown's recycling participation level isn't 20%, it's only 17% and he'd like to see that double.

Carl Quiram, Director of Public Works noted that there's a cutaway of the new barrel out in the hall and urged everyone to check it when they go out into the hallway. There's also some information with it.

Larry Emerton lives at Medford Farms - he asked if the two pick-ups each week - one for trash and one for recycling - will be affected.

R. Wheeler said they would not.

Jim Beauchemin - If we increase to 40% recycling, what happens if we need another truck?

R. Wheeler - We may, but there would be such an avoidance of costs on the hauling and dumping of the solid waste it would more than offset the cost. Also, we have more than enough capacity to deal with more recycling than takes place now.

C. Quiram - It will be the same kind of truck we pick up our trash with now - we pick up the 80% of the trash that isn't recycled with that truck. If we can divert more of that waste into recycling we'll save even more money in the long run.

R. Stark asked if there were any further comments or questions on Article 7 - there were none.

(Article 7 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 8 - To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation, expenses and commitments of the town government, the budget approved by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen in the amount of fourteen million, eight hundred twenty-eight thousand nine hundred forty-nine dollars (\$14,828,949).

This budget will be predicated by estimated revenues in the amount of seven million one hundred fifty-nine thousand one hundred seventy dollars (\$7,159,170).

The Sewer Enterprise Fund of two million one hundred six thousand dollars (\$2,106,000) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The EMS Special Revenue Fund of one hundred fifty-two thousand forty-four dollars (\$152,044) is included in this revenue amount and in the appropriations request in this article.

The motion on the operating budget shall be the following, with only the appropriation amount subject to amendment: "Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling fourteen million eight hundred twenty-eight thousand and nine hundred forty-nine dollars (\$14,828,949)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be fourteen million three hundred seventy-eight thousand two hundred dollars (\$14,378,200), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only." NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

Selectman Boyle moved that Article 8 be placed on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman Sarette.

H. Boyle - The breakdown for this budget is in the handout. The EMS special revenue fund (the ambulance fund) and the sewer enterprise fund are where the costs are paid for by the users. Also in the handout is the complete town budget and the budgets of the town departments. The articles that were put in by petition are not included in these budget figures.

Moderator - Are there any further questions or comments on the budget article? There were none.

(Article 8 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 9 - To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Eight Hundred Ten Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$1,810,490) for the road improvement plan, which was initiated two years ago. This article is designated as a Special Article pursuant to RSA 32:3, VI (d). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 8).

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

Selectman Sarette moved that Article 9 appear on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman Griffin.

J. Sarette - This is the third year for this program. (He named the roads that have been reclaimed and repaired over the past two years). The program's goal is to rebuild roads, which are below the acceptable level and then maintain the acceptance level to reduce costly rebuilding of roads. So far about 126,000 sq. yards of pavement have been reclaimed.

R. Stark asked if there were any questions or comments about the road improvement plan - there were none.

(Article 9 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 10 - To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) for the Conservation Capital Reserve Fund, which was established last year pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the purpose of land acquisition, easements and/or land rights for conservation purposes. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 8)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

Selectman Griffin moved that Article 10 appear on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman D'Avanza.

B. Griffin - This is the second year for this article. Last year Goffstown voters established a Conservation Capital Reserve Fund and put in \$80,000. This year a second \$80,000 is requested to protect open space, etc.

Land purchases require recommendations from the planning board and the Conservation Commission and a public hearing before the Board of Selectmen. There has not been any acquisition yet, but the Conservation Commission is working with several landowners on easements, etc.

Al Desruisseaux - I have a concern only because there are two articles that talk about conservation, articles 10 and 17. Are we talking about a separate fund in 17 or the same fund that's in 10?

B. Griffin - It's a separate fund and I'll be presenting that article too. This article has been presented by the selectmen and recommended by them and by the budget committee.

A. Desruisseaux - My concern is that if it becomes another fund for conservation - it will be two funds for conservation for land acquisition? (Answer was yes).

Collis Adams, Chairman of the Conservation Commission - I hope that people will support this. Goffstown lags behind its neighbors and most of the communities in southern NH. What gives Goffstown it's rural character - if we don't take effective and immediate steps to increase our efforts in this, we will see a number of residential developments, which will consume the open space and place even more burden on the taxpayer.

Kurt Lauer - Are there any restrictions on conservation land for use? If for example, ten years from now they have money built up and they need forty acres for a new school - can they use this money for that?

B. Griffin - It's my understanding that the answer would be no. It would be an issue to do with zoning. One of those will be coming before the planning board this week because of the land for the kindergarten.

K. Lauer - How about recreational fields and a school? Can we use that for school needs on conservation land?

B. Griffin - You'd have to ask Collis Adams.

C. Adams - It depends on the easement and how it's drafted. Typically it's only for passive recreation. However, if there's a particular parcel, which would lend itself because of soils, etc., the easement could allow those things.

R. Stark asked if there were any further comments or questions on Article 10 - there were none.

(Article 10 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 11 - To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of funding the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. for the year 2004. This article is designated as a Special Article pursuant to RSA 32:3, VI (d). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 8).

Selectman D'Avanza moved that Article 11 appear on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman Boyle.

P. D'Avanza - The town has financially supported the Main Street program at this level for the past five years. Main Street's mission is to provide support, advice and promotion to current and potential business owners and residents of the designated Main Street area using the National Main Street Center's 4-point approach which revolves around principles of effective design, promotion, economic restructuring and organization as the keys to economic revitalization of historic downtowns. This is the fifth year - this is not the type of funding that's anticipated to go on forever. That's why it's a special article every year - it's not anticipated to be an annual expense.

R. Stark asked if there were any comments or questions on Article 11 - there were none.

(Article 11 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 12 - To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to RSA 72:39 (a) and (b), to modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Goffstown, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$25,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$30,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$40,000. To qualify the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39 (a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 consecutive 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 for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$18,500 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$24,000; and own net assets, whether married or not, not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

Presented and recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Selectman Boyle moved that Article 12 be placed on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman Griffin.

H. Boyle - This is an attempt to bring the elderly exemptions in line with current market values. The last time these figures were set was in 1997. Valuations have changed since then. Compared to other towns we will still be below the exemptions given by most of the surrounding towns. The qualifications for the new exemptions will be the same as in the past.

Charlie Carr - On what basis is this income level? Does it include social security and retirement?

H. Boyle - By RSA it includes social security and retirement - any income at all.

R. Stark asked if there were any other comments or questions on article 12 - there were none.

(Article 12 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 13 - Shall a Charter Commission be established for the purpose of revising the municipal charter or establishing a new municipal charter?

Presented and recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Selectman Griffin moved that Article 13 be placed on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman Sarette.

B. Griffin - The RSAs - the statutes that govern the state - provide that a community can evaluate the form of government and determine if a change should be made based on what changes occurred in the community over the years. This article would determine whether the change would be beneficial. This was placed here on the request of some citizens. Pursuant to the statute you will have an election to determine whether or not you will have a Charter Commission - if that passes you will have another election to determine who will be on the commission - people run to be elected. If this was put on by petition, we would have had to have another vote this year. By the selectmen putting this on the ballot, it will be on this March's election to save us one election. The selectmen support this article and urge that you also support it.

Steve Monier - I'm one of the people who met with the selectmen on this. Originally we began a petition to get this on the ballot - it became clear that because of the time line and number of elections this year we wouldn't want to have to have two special elections. What this does is it establishes a nine-member charter commission to review our local form of government. The process is set out in state law - it lets a town revise or amend its current charter. The thinking on this is - there are 236 towns and cities in NH and Goffstown is the 17th largest community and the sixth largest town. Our population has increased rapidly. The planning board is meeting with more and more challenges, the conservation commission, the solid waste commission - there are many issues we have to deal with. We have a master plan that's updated periodically with issues of economic development, growth, etc. But we haven't taken a thorough look at our government. We have no pre-conceived notions as to what form of government or what changes are needed, but we do think it needs to be looked at. Senate Bill 2 is just a variation on the town meeting form of government - what we've had since this town was established. We hope the Charter Commission is passed. Within a certain period of time there will be an election to elect a charter commission - 225 days from the first meeting they'll give a final report to the town. In the interim they have to have at least one public hearing and have to give preliminary reports - conduct a thorough analysis of what other communities do successfully and then make a final report. If they do recommend changes, the voters would still have to approve them. We urge people to support this article.

L. Emerton - I've served on two charter commissions. Assuming that all this goes through and we choose another type of government is it not true that we will

have another election after that to elect the people for that government? (Answer was yes).

Peter Osiecki - I have a question about the nine members of this group - what are their qualifications? How do you determine who they would be?

B. Griffin - It's the same general election we will have in March - it will be the election of individuals who sign up to run.

P. Osiecki - The people who are going to be elected - will they tell us about themselves, etc?

B. Griffin - I can't answer that directly because we've never done it, but I would think people would give you their qualifications.

S. Monier - I neglected to mention that it's a non-partisan local election. People who want to serve will put their names in and file for the election. We would encourage people who would like to be involved to take advantage of that.

Jim Bingham - Do we have any idea of what this would cost?

B. Griffin - Previous charter commissions have not had a special budget for it - the actual expense would be the expense of running the elections.

R. Stark - The cost of a special election is about \$5,000. Are there any further comments or questions on article 13? There were none.

(Article 13 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 14 - To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:35 I-a, for an optional veterans tax credit of \$2,000 for service-connected total disability on residential property and replace the standard tax credit in its entirety.

Submitted by petition.

Selectman Sarette moved that Article 14 be placed on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman Wheeler.

R. Stark - Is there a petitioner present who would like to be heard on this article? There was none.

J. Sarette - If there's a petitioner here I would invite him to come up to speak on this. This article proposes to increase the veteran's tax credit of \$1400 to \$2,000. A tax credit is a direct credit off the tax. In 2003, 27 households participated. If this passes, then the increase in tax credit should cost \$16,200.

Russ Lauriat - The reason I brought this petition forward is the veterans over the years have done a lot and they need a lot. A lot of them don't have jobs and have a lot of medical problems. They put their life on the line - with the higher cost of living they need whatever they can get. I'm a veteran and today I did a memorial service for a young man who died in the line of duty. We spend a lot of money on other things. We could be a communistic form of government and not have the opportunity to vote like we do here. I know it's a hard thing - I don't know how many of you are veterans or have friends or relatives who are. Visit the cemeteries and read the names - visit the hospitals and see the people. Every year I go to the cemetery and put the flags on the graves. I hope you all vote yes on these three articles.

Fred Plett - Selectman Sarette moved to put this on the ballot as written - must it appear as written or is it subject to amendment?

R. Stark - It's subject to amendment.

Susan Yost - I don't see that these articles are recommended or not by the Board of Selectmen.

R. Stark - There's no appropriation.

S. Yost - But it does have a tax impact in a different way. You can't make a recommendation on it?

Julie Grandgeorge - I think it goes without saying that we appreciate our veterans, but some of them are truly in need and others are not. There are other people who give of their time to help this country as well and I'm wondering if there are other qualifications for this as there are for the elderly. I do think the veterans going to Iraq need some help.

R. Stark - Article 14 does require a service-related disability.

Any further questions or comments on Article 14? There were none.

(Article 14 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 15 - To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28, II and IV, for an optional veterans tax credit of \$500 on residential property and replace the standard tax credit in its entirety.

Submitted by petition.

Selectman Wheeler moved to place Article 15 on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman D'Avanza.

R. Wheeler - The purpose of this article is to increase the current veterans' tax credit from \$100 to \$500. Based on our experience of the most recent year, if the numbers do not change, we could anticipate that the cost of this article would be \$311,200. In response to the previous question about the financial connotations attached to the statute, the answer is no. There are qualifications, but they are qualifications that make you a veteran or not. I believe the issue of this question is, do you want to pledge \$300,000 of next year's dollars as opposed to what we did this year.

Scott Gross - My question is, it went from \$100 to \$500. When was the last time this was looked at and where did the \$500 come from?

R. Lauriat - I didn't check with other towns around - I took it out of my head because veterans have not been getting much of anything, even from the government itself. I'm just trying to help the veterans the best I can. I feel that \$1,000 for a veteran who put his life on the line is pretty cheap. Other people will spend money on other things that are pretty foolish and think nothing of it.

R. Wheeler - I believe Scott, that you wanted to know the history of this. The original exemption was \$50 - in 1990 it went up to \$100 and has remained like that since then.

R. Stark - It's not an exemption, it's a credit, correct? (Answer was yes).

H. Boyle - Just because you're under the RSA doesn't mean you're a veteran for this. There are specific things that make you a veteran for this consideration. (Read from the RSA).

P. Manney - When my husband read this he was very interested. I would think that when people find out about this, they will take the credit and it will be

more than the \$311,000. I'm not opposed to it. In the reading of each of these articles you have the word optional in it. What does that mean?

R. Wheeler - That's the title you have to use for it.

D. Rechcygl - If this article fails, is it gone or does it go back to the \$100?

R. Wheeler - It goes back to what's in place now.

R. Stark asked if there were any more questions or comments on Article 15 - there were none.

(Article 15 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 16 - To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:29-a, II, for an optional veterans tax credit of \$2,000 on the real and personal property of the surviving spouse of a veteran who was killed in action or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or by 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.

Submitted by petition.

Selectman D'Avanza moved that Article 16 be placed on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman Griffin.

P. D'Avanza - This article proposes to increase this tax credit to \$2000. A tax credit is a direct credit off a property tax bill. In 2003 one household participated in this program. In 1992 this credit was increased from \$700 to \$1400. The fiscal impact if this passes at the current rate of participation is \$600.

R. Stark asked if there were any questions or comments concerning article 16 - there were none.

(Article 16 will appear on the ballot as printed).

ARTICLE 17 - To see if the Town will vote to deposit 50% of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) into a conservation fund, established under RSA 36-A:5, in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II, said funds to be used for conservation land and easement acquisition and costs associated therewith.

Submitted by petition.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Selectman Griffin moved that Article 17 be placed on the ballot as printed, motion was seconded by Selectman Wheeler.

B. Griffin - Property owners who own more than ten acres can choose to put their land in current use, thus reducing their property tax obligation. When they take their property out of current use, they pay a current use change tax equal to 10% of the fair market value of their property. This article seeks to divert 50% of the current use tax revenue from the General Fund to a new conservation fund. This would establish a second conservation fund. In 2003 we collected \$98,961 in current use change tax. The board of selectmen voted not to recommend this article because the selectmen did not account for the loss of that money when setting the budget, and a majority felt that the \$80,000 that was appropriated last year was the way the community had voted to come together for this conservation process.

Jason Sachs - I'm speaking on behalf of about fifty concerned citizens who signed this petition. I have been involved for about two years. Last year the Conservation Commission asked for \$250,000 to jumpstart a conservation fund and that was reduced to \$80,000 because they didn't have a plan. This year there is a plan. I think it's a really important thing for our town. We have a lot of land that's going to be developed. Development has increased a lot and this is one option that many towns in New Hampshire have used for this purpose. I think 85% of the towns in Hillsborough County have used this. I hope you would consider this if you support conservation.

Jim Raymond - We hear about projects coming before the planning board. The neighbors will appear before the board and say we shouldn't approve it because they enjoy seeing the land in an undeveloped state. Under our concept of land ownership we cannot keep Lowell from developing his land because Collis enjoys it the way it is. But you can have the town buy it. We know there's \$80,000 a year going into the Conservation Fund, but if you're in a hurry to lock up land this is another chance to do it. Otherwise, land will be developed subject to the restrictions and requirements we put on it. It can only be a certain amount to conservation. If you want it green - this is a way to do it. Do we want to do it just with the \$80,000 or do we want to speed it up? It's a question for the town's voters to decide.

P. Manney - This year we have two articles about conservation capital reserve funds - article 10 and article 17. The selectmen put article 10 in - can they bring that up again next year? Couldn't they decide not to put it on? (Answer was yes). This is put on by petition - once this article 17 passes, would it have to be put on the ballot every year?

B. Griffin - No, it would mean that the money would come from the current use change tax every year.

P. Manney - Last year they wanted \$250,000 - last year we only received \$98,000 in current use change taxes. They would receive only about \$50,000 a year.

B. Griffin - If it was the same.

C. Adams - I want to make one thing clear, this article wasn't brought forth by the Conservation Commission, it was brought forth by a petition of residents of the town. If you look at about the last six years the current use change tax comes to about \$75,000 a year. If you look at all of the appropriations, we're talking about something like 1% of you tax dollars to preserve open space. I would hope that you would put this article on the ballot and let the people decide if this is proper use of their tax dollars or not.

H. Boyle - I guess this is to Jason because he spoke to the article. Do these other town also give the \$80,000 like we do? Do they give something else in addition to the current use tax?

J. Sachs - I'm not sure.

J. Raymond - My firm represents about 35 towns and there are several towns that do both. They also do specific appropriations and they're also collecting a high percentage. Many towns are doing both - it wouldn't be unusual.

R. Wheeler - I would like to comment that I agree with Jim Raymond. This is about green. Do you want it to go to the landscape or go to the budget? This started out with \$250,000 last year - that had its roots in the conservation commission. After it went through the budget committee, the CIP and the board of selectmen it was agreed to be \$80,000. There are communities that place two or three million dollars for this - that's generally when there has been an identified project that a community can buy into. I don't think we've arrived there yet.

I think the conservation commission has worked on its plan. They haven't spent any of the \$80,000 - that money can only be used for the acquisition of land. This other money can be used for other things. There are many landowners in town who have expressed an interest in donating development rights of their land and that would entail significant legal costs. There's a pretty significant difference between the two funds.

S. Gross - This is just a comment - a few years ago the town voted to spend about \$120,000 for economic development. I'm not sure we had a specific plan in place then - I disagree with you, Bob, on that. If there's a sense this piece of land or a piece that perhaps could be specifically designated that would alleviate more development we could give the conservation commission the ability to do so. I would support the people who support this. A few years ago there was a piece of land on Jason Drive - it's houses now. It's about \$7,000 per child for the kids in our schools.

R. Stark - Right now I'm stepping down as moderator and speaking as a citizen of Goffstown. In the 70s or 80s I was on the conservation commission. At that time we had the opportunity to buy the Incline Railway. I think it was in excess of 250 acres. The town came up with the money. I think it was done in one year's time. And at that time the town's budget wasn't nearly as big as it is today. This town does have a history of preserving green space. It hasn't disregarded that obligation.

Dan Cloutier - We have two funds - one is controlled by the selectmen and would have to come to a public hearing to be spent. In article 17 we would be creating a fund that will go on and on. Who has control of those funds and what kind of public hearing would have to be held in order to spend those funds?

B. Griffin - It's my understanding that the town treasurer would have custody of the funds and disburses them at the direction of the conservation commission according to statute.

J. Sachs - There has to be a public hearing and to spend any money for land, the selectmen have to approve of it.

David Niemann - I would like to comment - it isn't just about the town buying up land necessarily, it's about enabling large landowners to keep their land and opening up green space. I would also like to keep in mind the urgency of the situation. The town is growing - we have many projects, and that growth will increase because of the airport, the growth of Manchester, the widening of Routes 93 and 293. We're a bedroom community of Manchester. Our tax bills will only keep going up and up due to that growth. This is one way to help

control that growth. It's not only about the green on the land, it's about future tax dollars - about the green in your wallet.

J. Grandgeorge - I have contacted members of the Conservation Commission because we do have some land. We would like to have a conservation easement in place, but we would then have to pay a lawyer to handle the paperwork to get the easement. We would like to do something that's right, but we would have to pay for it. I think this would give the conservation commission some power in that regard. Also current use - if pieces of land come out it means usually that there's going to be a major development. We don't have very good land in Goffstown - it's full of ledge or wetlands.

These properties can be pretty expensive - roads are difficult to maintain as we all know. Sometimes I think some pieces just shouldn't be developed. If we have land coming from current use we might want to invest some of that money to protect the green, and I think the conservation commission has shown great judgment in trying to protect these areas.

Al Desruisseaux - We're going to have two funds - one under the jurisdiction of the selectmen the other under the conservation commission. Both deal with easement issues based on what's written here. If one wants to purchase and the other one doesn't, where are we going with this? They requested \$250,000 last year - now it's 80. They had no plan - now this pops up. I think one or the other should suffice, we don't need them both. I think they should be coming before the selectmen and the budget committee to increase the money. There are plenty of acres of land that belong to the conservation commission through the town and I find it a little disturbing that no one wants to come forward and do this. Maybe the \$80,000 will disappear. We have had a very large increase in taxes this year - I think it would be nice to have the money go back to cut taxes. I'm urging people not to vote for this article.

R. Stark asked if there were any further comments or questions on article 17 - there were none.

(Article 17 will appear on the ballot as printed).

Selectman Boyle moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Selectmen Sarette. Motion passed.
Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

MARIE BOYLE

Respectfully submitted

**OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS
NON-PARTISAN TOWN ELECTION
GOFFSTOWN, NH 03045**

March 9, 2004

ARTICLE 1

SELECTMEN

For 3 Years	Vote for Two
Laurent P. Beaula	634
Jeremy Dupuis	1003
Barbara J. Griffin	2127
Bruce F. Hunter	1517
Frederick R. Plett	1098
Write In	30
Write In	

BUDGET COMMITTEE

For 3 Years	Vote for Four
Eric Geissenhainer	1626
William J. Gleeson	2198
Phillip E. Kendall, II	1836
Raymond J. Labore	1886
Jeffrey A. Tate	1974
Write In	43
Write In	
Write In	
Write In	

BUDGET COMMITTEE

For 2 Years	Vote for One
David W. Rowe	1798
Gordon M. Schaaf	1093
Write In	17

BUDGET COMMITTEE

For 1 Year	Vote for One
Vivian Blondeau	2972
Write In	35

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

For 3 Years	Vote for One
Jean Walker	3211
Write In	

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

For 3 Years	Vote for Two
Lisa M. Iodice	1578
Susan L. Osburn	2381
Kenneth J. Rose	1547
Write In	12
Write In	

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

For 1 Year	Vote for One
Henry C. Boyle	1978
Stephen Brzozowski	1198
Write In	

PLANNING BOARD

For 3 Year	Vote for Two
James Raymond	2300
Lowell S. Von Ruden	1504
William J. Wynne	1947
Write In	22
Write In	

SEWER COMMISSION

For 3 Years	Vote for One
Paul E. LaPerle	3053
Write In	23

SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST

For 6 Years	Vote for One
Rosemary Garretson	1209
Sara Ann Sarette	2045
Write In	

TOWN MODERATOR

For 2 Years	Vote for One
Rodney Stark	3115
Write In	21

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
For 3 Years **Vote for One**
Kenneth J. Rose **3001**
Write In 14

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
For 1 Year **Vote for One**
Earl S. Carrel **3015**
Write In 8

ARTICLE 2

Shall the town adopt Amendment #1 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: Limit the residential density of manufactured housing parks and subdivisions?

Recommended by the Planning Board.

YES – 2880

NO – 595

Passed

ARTICLE 3

Shall the town adopt Amendment #2 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: Edit changes for clarification, voiding approvals when implementation action has not been taken, and requiring certified foundation plans?

Recommended by the Planning Board.

YES – 2518

NO – 1095

Passed

ARTICLE 4

Shall the town adopt, pursuant to RSA 674:51-a, an amendment to the existing town building code as proposed by the planning board as follows: Repeal the present BOCA building codes and adopt, by reference, the International Codes 2000 as published by the International Code Council and all future supplements of the International Residential Code, and any future supplements of the other International Codes that are adopted by the State?

Recommended by the Planning Board.

YES – 2725

NO – 846

Passed

ARTICLE 5

Shall the town adopt an amendment to the existing town zoning ordinance as proposed by petition as follows: Amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of map 18, lot 17, from Commercial (C) to Residential 2 (R-2)?

(The property address is 7 Joffre Street.) (Submitted by Petition.)

Not recommended by the Planning Board.

YES – 1016

NO – 2489

Failed

ARTICLE 6

Shall the town adopt an amendment to the existing town zoning ordinance as proposed by petition as follows: Amend the zoning district by changing the zoning of map 18, lot 28, from Commercial (C) to Residential 2 (R-2)?

(The property address is 8 Joffre Street.) (Submitted by Petition.)

Not recommended by the Planning Board.

YES – 968

NO – 2534

Failed

ARTICLE 7

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred seventy eight thousand five hundred forty-one dollars (\$578,541) for the purpose of initiating a Municipal Curbside Recycling Program and to authorize the issuance of not more than Five Hundred Thirty Three Thousand Eight Hundred dollars (\$533,800) of bonds or notes with bond related fees in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) as amended; and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, the maturity and the other terms and provisions thereof, as may be in the best interests of the Town?

The bonded amount of five hundred thirty three thousand eight hundred dollars (\$533,800) is for capital expenses including barrels, truck, 40' x 60' building, skid steer and attachments. The operating cost of forty four thousand seven hundred forty one dollars (\$44,741) includes employee wages/benefits, vehicle operating expenses, and recycling disposal fees. The operating cost will be raised by property taxes.

It is anticipated that the savings generated from this program will cover the cost of the bond and at the end of the bond term will save the town an additional \$100,000 per year.

If this article passes, then the Operating Budget Article 8 will be reduced by sixty nine thousand four hundred seventy five dollars (\$69,475) which is equivalent to about four (4) months of the recycling contract. (A 3/5 ballot vote is required.) (This appropriation is in addition to Article 8.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

YES – 2623

NO – 1137

Passed

ARTICLE 8

Shall the Town of Goffstown raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling fourteen million eight hundred twenty eight thousand and nine hundred forty nine dollars (\$14,828,949)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be fourteen million three hundred seventy eight thousand two hundred dollars (\$14,378,200), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Goffstown or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. [NOTE: This article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant article.]

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

YES – 2098

NO – 1579

Passed

ARTICLE 9

Shall the town raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Eight Hundred Ten Thousand Four Hundred Ninety dollars (\$1,810,490) for the road improvement plan, which was initiated two years ago? This article is designated as a Special Article pursuant to RSA 32:3, VI (d). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 8.) *Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.*

YES – 2344**NO – 1389****Passed****ARTICLE 10**

Shall the town raise and appropriate Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) for the Conservation Capital Reserve Fund which was established last year pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the purpose of land acquisition, easements and/or land rights for conservation purposes? (This appropriation is in addition to Article 8.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

YES – 2365**NO – 1343****Passed****ARTICLE 11**

Shall the town raise and appropriate fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of funding the nonprofit Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc. for the year 2004? This article is designated as a Special Article pursuant to RSA 32:3, VI (d). (This appropriation is in addition to Article 8.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

YES – 2230**NO – 1521****Passed****ARTICLE 12**

Shall the Town, pursuant to RSA 72:39-(a) and (b), modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Goffstown, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$25,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$30,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$40,000? To qualify, the person must satisfy all the conditions of RSA 72:39-(a) and (b) that pertain to eligibility for this exemption as well as those contained in any other applicable statute, including, without limitation, that they demonstrate that they have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 consecutive 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 for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income in each applicable age group of not more than \$18,500 or, if married, a combined net income of less \$24,000; and own net assets, whether married or not, not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of the person's residence.

Presented and recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

YES – 3058**NO – 827****Passed**

ARTICLE 13

Shall a charter commission be established for the purpose of revising the municipal charter or establishing a new municipal charter?

Presented and recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

YES – 2336

NO – 1409

Passed

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 72:35 I-a, for an optional veterans tax credit of \$2,000 for service connected total disability on residential property and replace the standard tax credit in its entirety?

Submitted by petition.

YES – 2212

NO – 1545

Passed

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28, II & IV, for an optional veterans tax credit of \$500 on residential property and replace the standard tax credit in its entirety?

Submitted by petition.

YES – 1988

NO – 176

Passed

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 72:29-a, II, for an optional veterans tax credit of \$2,000 on the real and personal property of the surviving spouse of veteran who was killed in action or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or any of the armed forces of any governments associated with the United States in the wars, conflicts or armed conflicts, or combat zones set forth in RSA 72:28?

Submitted by petition.

YES – 2465

NO – 1328

Passed

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town deposit 50% of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in a conservation fund, established under RSA 36-A:5, in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II, said funds to be used for conservation land and easement acquisition and costs associated therewith?

Submitted by petition.

Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

YES – 1359

NO – 2444

Failed

RESULTS OF ELECTIONS IN 2004

Election Name	Date	Votes Cast District 1	Votes Cast District 5	Total Votes Cast	% Voter Turnout	# New Regis- trants	Total # Registered Voters
School Ballot Determination Meeting	2/2/2004	n/a	n/a			n/a	
Town Ballot Determination Meeting	2/4/2004	n/a	n/a			n/a	
Town/School Election	3/9/2004						
Presidential Primary	1/27/2004	2,450	1,211	3,661	38%	305	9,520
Special Town Charter Commission	5/18/2004	249	86	335	3%		9,700
NH State Primary	9/14/2004	1,342	907	2,249	23%	57	9,931
NH General Election	11/2/2004	6,111	2,733	8,844	77%	1,142	11,344

2004 MARRIAGES

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE
JAN					
14	DECKER, EDWARD F.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DECKER, ELAINE M.	EDGEWOOD, MD	MANCHESTER
17	FOSTER, MARK C.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	TERRY, CARISSA L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HUDSON
FEB.					
13	LACOURSE, MARC A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	FITZGERALD, GAETAN-MARIE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DERRY
14	BOSS, JOHN R.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	FIRENZE, LAYNE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEDFORD
MAR.					
6	DANIS, JAMES A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MOSHER, JANICE A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	NASHUA
20	DUPONT, BRENT D.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOSSSELIN, JOYCE M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	STEWARTS-TOWN
26	VAILLANCOURT, CHARLES G.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BURNS, CYNTHIA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEDFORD
APRIL					
4	CHAMPAGNE, STEPHEN M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BAUMAN, AMY M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HAMPSTEAD
16	LAVIGNE, RENALD R.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MAHONEY, DALLAS A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
17	MCLAUGHLIN, DEAN T.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SAMSON, PATRICIA A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
17	CONNARN, JOHN P.	MANCHESTER, NH	FREDETTE, HEATHER A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
18	BEAUPRE, JONATHAN A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PALM, ASHLEA N.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CHICHESTER
24	RAHE, ANTONY L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	NIKITAS, PENNY A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	NASHUA
MAY					
1	JOHNSON, DAVID C.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BURNS, CAREY A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PLYMOUTH
9	STANEK, FRANK M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DUDZIAK, INGRID E.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEDFORD
15	DESJARDINS, GILBERT C.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	WHITCHER, CAROLE L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
15	MANDAU, GARY N.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	WILSON, ERICA S.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
22	BROOKS, JONATHAN C.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SALVATORE, JANET L.	LONDONDERRY, NH	BEDFORD
23	ADAMS, MICHAEL W.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LERICHE, CHRISTINE A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HUDSON
29	GAGE, JAMES S.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LOVEREN, MAUREEN F.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
29	LECLAIR, DANNY A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ESTABROOK, CHRISTY J.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LONDONDERRY
29	FREDETTE, MATHEW P.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BOLIANITES, ANGELA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LONDONDERRY
5	ARCHAMBAULT, LEO E.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MARTINEAU, LINDA C.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE
JUNE					
6	VINCENT, NORMAN M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GEHLICH, EILEEN	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HENNIKER
10	SEYBOLD, PETER J.	COMMACK, NY	VOLCKMANN, MELINDA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
11	SCHOENFELD, JOSHUA P.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HERBERT, LEANNE E.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
19	SMITH, MICHAEL P.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PISCHETOLA, APRIL K.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
24	JOHNSON, BRUCE G.	WEBSTER, NH	BULTMAN, KATHERINE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ALEXANDRIA
26	O'DOWD, KYLE P.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LEROUX, JESSICA L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
27	MCNAUGHTON, KENNETH J.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DONOVAN, LISA A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DERRY
JULY					
3	LAREAU, STEVEN M.	FORT BRAGG, NC	LAROCHE, KATIE L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CONCORD
7	TREMBLAY, MICHAEL	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CONKLIN, FRED A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
9	DULAC, RANDY L.	GILFORD, NH	BEAULIEU, CHARLENE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
10	HOOPER, DENNIS F.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CUMMING, GLORIA S	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
10	YUSKA, MICHAEL J.	BAYPORT, NY	BLANCO, COURTNEY R.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
10	BERUBE, DANIEL R.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SCHAUFENBIL, TRACY L	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
10	MORIN, RYAN C.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PERATTO, NANCY A.	MANCHESTER, NH	MANCHESTER
10	PARIS, MICHAEL D.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	RIVARD, NATALIE T.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LEE
16	SYMS, JEFFREY A.	BOSCAWEN, NH	LORETTE, NATASHA A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CONCORD
16	MOYNIHAN, JEFFREY	RAYMOND, NH	RAYMOND, KERRIE A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LACONIA
17	STOCKLI, BRAD L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	OLSON, REBECCA J.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
17	BROWN, RICHARD	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BATTS, JENNIFER E.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
24	RZEPECKI, JAMES A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	STIRLING, AMY E.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
24	VEARY, CASEY A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	FRASER, TIFFANY L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
31	BERGERON, MARC J.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HAYFORD, LINDSEY M.	HUDSON, NH	NEW BOSTON
AUG.					
2	BROOKS, NELSON E.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BOULANGER, DONNA M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEDFORD
6	PROUTY, DAVID A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PROVENCHE, DEBRA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
7	TYRRELL, DAVID C.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CHAPMAN, SHERRY A.	EPPING, NH	HAMPTON
13	DENNIS, TIMON R.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LEE, DONNA J.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEDFORD
13	HORNE, DEREK M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DESRUISSEAU, LISA M	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEDFORD
20	MARCOUX, ERNEST G.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MARCOUX, VERONICA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE
21	NAWOJ, MARTIN M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BAUER, JENNY L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
SEPT.					
4	ROY, STEPHEN R.	MANCHESTER, NH	CIDZIK, JESSICA M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
12	RAAB, CHAD E.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MILLER, STEPHANIE L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEDFORD
18	BOROVICK, SEAN M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MARTIN, WENDY L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HAMPSTEAD
18	LORANGER, MARK J.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DUTCH, LEAH D.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
19	CHIRAS, ANDREW A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SPENARD, KELLY A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MERRIMACK
24	SAYKALY, NICHOLAS E.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	THOMAS, KELLY A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
25	MARGARIT, MICHAEL J.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LAROCQUE, SUZANNE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
25	JACQUES, DANIEL C.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HEAFIELD, KATHRYN M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
25	NAPIERKOSKI, CHAD P.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	TURANT, KATIE L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	KEENE
25	RIVARD, BRANDON, J.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	RUOPP, JENNIFER A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
OCT.					
2	MEGOWEN, ROBERT G.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ALLEN, RACHELLE, M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
3	ST CYR, JAMES M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DEVRIENDT, JUDITH A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
9	ODETTE, CHARLES P.	LOUDON, NH	LITTLE, DEBORAH C.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LONDONDERRY
9	BREWSTER, HOWARD	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DIETZ, DEBORAH L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SUNAPEE
9	MCINTYRE, TYLER T.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MOVAHEDI, SHARAREH	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SUNAPEE
9	ROY, BARRY A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SPAIN, BRANDI, L.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
10	ALLARD, KEITH D.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HIGGINS, JENNIFER M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	NASHUA
16	COX, GERALD D.	MANCHESTER, NH	PATTERSON, RUTH E.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HUDSON
24	RICKS, LAWRENCE N.	ALEXANDRIA, LA	HOLT, GILLIAN	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
30	CUSATO, JEFFREY M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LEDUC, JENNIFER E.	DUNBARTON, NH	CONCORD
30	CHUYKOV, SERGEY V.	SALEM, NH	OBUKHOV, YULIA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SALEM
NOV.					
20	BOYD, WILLIAM	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BELUSHKO, MICHELE M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MANCHESTER
DEC.					
7	AIKENS, STEVEN C.	MANCHESTER, NH	CROSSMAN, KRYSTLE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEDFORD
9	ROWE, VERNON G.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PATRICK, JOYCE M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MERRIMACK
11	TOKASH, KEITH D.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HERBERCHUK, ALICIA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
14	GAGNON, SCOTT M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GINGRAS, JUSTINE M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
18	BLUMENTHAL, RICHARD M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ARROYAVE ALZATE, LUZ M.	NASHUA, NH	NASHUA

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	BRIDE'S RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE
24	IDY, OTHMANE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	VELAZQUEZ, MARIA M.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CONCORD
29	KRITZON, RICHARD P.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ROOSEN, KATHLEEN A.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GOFFSTOWN
31	BAILEY, TERRY R.	GOFFSTOWN, NH	KUSTOVSKAYA, IRINA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEDFORD

TOTAL NUMBER OF MARRIAGES: 82

2004 BIRTHS

DATE	CHILD'S NAME	PARENT'S NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH
2	GREELEY, NYOMI ELIZABETH	GREELEY, RICHARD AND SUSAN	CONCORD, NH
6	FOX, VICTORIA LOUISE	FOX, BRIAN AND JENNIFER	MANCHESTER, NH
6	PELLETIER, ISABELLA ROSE	PELLETIER, DENNIS AND JENNIFER	NASHUA, NH
7	CAMPBELL, DILLON SEAN	CAMPBELL, SEAN AND LISA	MANCHESTER, NH
7	EATON, ZACHARY JACOB	EATON, JACOB AND JILL	MANCHESTER, NH
15	MCANDREW, KATELYN ROSE	MCANDREW, THOMAS AND KAREN	NASHUA, NH
20	TRNKA, LILLIAN MARIE	TRNKA, DAVID AND MARIE	MANCHESTER, NH
21	ATKINS, LIBERTY LEE	ATKINS, LUKE AND KRISTIN	MANCHESTER, NH
23	CADORETTE, LILITH FIELDING	CADORETTE, ANDREW AND CHAFFEE, RETA	MANCHESTER, NH
FEB.			
3	POLLOCK, CAMERON SCOTT	POLLOCK, JEFFREY AND CATHERINE	MANCHESTER, NH
4	POOLER, CAMERON JOSEPH	POOLER, BRUCE AND LYNNE	MANCHESTER, NH
12	FYTEN, STEPHANIE ROSE	FYTEN, STEVEN AND SODRE-FYTEN, JULIE	NASHUA, NH
16	SANDERS, KEITH RYAN	SANDERS, PHILIP AND FATIMA	DERRY, NH
17	VOUGIAS, MICHAEL ATHAN	VOUGIAS, VASILIOS AND CHRISTINA	MANCHESTER, NH
21	PLAZA, RYAN DAVID	PLAZA, AARON AND KENYA	MANCHESTER, NH
25	MCKAY, JENNA MARIA	MCKAY, KEVIN AND DONNA	MANCHESTER, NH
26	AMORELLI, JAMES ROBERT	AMORELLI, MARC AND MARGO	MANCHESTER, NH
26	MCGRANAGHAN, LOGAN JAMY	MCGRANAGHAN, JACOB AND AMY	MANCHESTER, NH
MAR.			
1	BENOIT, TIFFANY SHIRLEY LUCILLE	BENOIT, BRIAN AND MELISSA	MANCHESTER, NH
5	ECKELS, SAIGE EMMA	ECKELS, BRANDON AND LORI	MANCHESTER, NH
5	BYRNE, MIA KELLY	BYRNE, SCOTT AND JENNIFER	MANCHESTER, NH
7	MENCZYWOR, HANNAH GRACE	MENCZYWOR, DENIS AND MARIA	MANCHESTER, NH
11	DION, MASON KEITH	DION, BRIAN AND DANIELLE	MANCHESTER, NH
15	KESSELRING, MASON CARL	KESSELRING, CASEY AND SHAWNDRRA	MANCHESTER, NH
26	MANN, ANTHONY JOSEPH	MANN, JOSEPH AND KRISTEN	MANCHESTER, NH

DATE	CHILD'S NAME	PARENT'S NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH
30	HAQUE, KHALED ALI	HAQUE, KHALED AND ANN	MANCHESTER, NH
31	EVANS, MATTHEW JOHN	EVANS, SEAN AND AMY	MANCHESTER, NH
APRIL			
1	BARRETT, KADENCE LIBERTY	BARRETT, DANIEL AND JENNIFER	DERRY, NH
3	VAN GUILDER, BRYNNE LENA E	VAN GUILDER, MATHEW AND ALYSSA	MANCHESTER, NH
4	DAMBACH, HANNAH KATHERINE	DAMBACH, JAMES AND KIMBERLY DESFOSSÉS, BRADLEY AND MITCHELL,	MANCHESTER, NH
8	DESFOSSÉS, KARIS SUN	UN KYONG	NASHUA, NH
8	GLEICH, MATTHEW WARREN	GLEICH, WARREN AND KATHLEEN	MANCHESTER, NH
8	GLEICH, HOPE ELIZABETH	GLEICH, WARREN AND KATHLEEN	MANCHESTER, NH
8	EASTMAN, CONNOR JACKSON	EASTMAN, BRIAN AND SARAH	MANCHESTER, NH
15	SULLIVAN, JACK DANIEL	SULLIVAN, DANIEL AND MISSA	MANCHESTER, NH
19	PIECUCH, KENNA KENNEDY	PIECUCH, KENNETH AND KAREN	MANCHESTER, NH
19	YEAMAN, KATHERINE VALERIA	YEAMAN, PAUL AND ANN	HOPKINTON, NH
21	BELLIVEAU, ARIANNA GRACE	BELLIVEAU, DANIEL AND CHERYL	MANCHESTER, NH
21	SALDANHA, LEO VIKRAM	SALDANHA, ROHIT AND MALIECKAL, BINDU	MANCHESTER, NH
23	MILILLO, SOPHIA MARIE	MILILLO, JAMES AND AMY	MANCHESTER, NH
23	DIFRANCO, CHLOE ELAINE	DIFRANCO, ANTHONY AND ALISSA	NASHUA, NH
23	LAIDLAW, HANNAH JULIETTE	LAIDLAW, DOUGLAS AND NATHALIE	MANCHESTER, NH
27	CULBERSON, SARAH ELIZABETH	CULBERSON, TRACY AND AMY	CONCORD, NH
30	SCHAEFER, ROBERT GAGE	SCHAEFER, ROBERT AND SHERI	NASHUA, NH
MAY			
3	NEWELL, KAELE SAVANAH	NEWELL, CHRISTOPHER AND CHERYL	NASHUA, NH
5	BAILEY, MEREDITH SOPHIA	BAILEY, RAYMOND AND ERIN	MANCHESTER, NH
11	KINGSBURY, SKYLA FAE	KINGSBURY, SONNY AND CHRISTINA	MANCHESTER, NH
14	SCHILL, ASA ISRAEL	SCHILL, PAUL AND GAGNON, CHRISTINE	DERRY, NH
23	ALLEN, MADELYN ROSE	ALLEN, TRAVIS AND JOANNE	MANCHESTER, NH
25	JUNEAU, NOLAN KYLE	JUNEAU, ARMAND AND DONNA	MANCHESTER, NH
JUNE			
1	NELSON, JAKE HUNTER	NELSON, MARK AND ROUILLARD, JAMILEE	MANCHESTER, NH
3	HALPERN, TOBY RYAN	HALPERN, ALAN AND KRISTEN	MANCHESTER, NH
3	BOZZA, JAKE GERALD	BOZZA, BRADLEY AND DAVIE, TRACY	MANCHESTER, NH
3	CONLON, ALISHA JOAN	HAMBLETT, ALLEN AND CONLON, ASHLEY	MANCHESTER, NH
5	KORHONEN, JOSEPH MATTHEW WOODIN, COLON MICHAEL	KORHONEN, MATTHEW AND HEIDI	MANCHESTER, NH
7	CHARLES	WOODIN, MICHAEL AND LOYANA	MANCHESTER, NH
8	CARTIER, JOSIAH RICHARD	CARTIER, JUSTIN AND MICHELLE	MANCHESTER, NH

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9	MILES, CAMERON JOHN	MILES, JOHN AND LAURA	MANCHESTER, NH
12	GAOUCETTE, DARIUS ALEXANDER	GAOUCETTE, PETER AND TAIRI	MANCHESTER, NH
13	LACERTE, JAIDEN ELIZABETH	LACERTE, BIRAN AND MICHELLE	MANCHESTER, NH
18	ROMERO, JULIA MAE	ROMERO, FRANCISCO AND ANDREA	MANCHESTER, NH
18	PALMER, GAVIN MATTHEW	PALMER, CARL AND ALLISON	MANCHESTER, NH
21	MORRIS, ISABELLA ANGELA	MORRIS, WILLIAM AND ANGELA	MANCHESTER, NH
26	CARON, NATHAN MARCEL	CARON, DAVID AND MARGUERITE	MANCHESTER, NH
26	HOULE, ASHLEE MARIE	HOULE, JEFFREY AND GAIL	MANCHESTER, NH
27	MORGAN, RONALD PAUL	MORGAN, ANDREW AND KATHERINE	NASHUA, NH
28	WRIGHT, ASHLYN ELIZABETH	WRIGHT, PATRICK AND HEIDI	MANCHESTER, NH
28	TOZAJ, GABRIELLA	TOZAJ, VLADIMIR AND ERMIRA	MANCHESTER, NH
29	HAMMOND, FAITH ELIZABETH	HAMMOND, MICHAEL AND BETH	MANCHESTER, NH
JULY			
3	MOSES, KAYLA MARIE	MOSES, ADAM AND TORTORA-MOSES, DINA	MANCHESTER, NH
5	GOROSPE, KAYLA MARIE	GOROSPE, RODNEY AND AKERLY, AMANDA	MANCHESTER, NH
7	WESSON, CARTER MICHAEL	WESSON, MICHAEL AND BRANDI	MANCHESTER, NH
12	KOBLENZER, LAURA EMILY	KOBLENZER, SCOTT AND JENNIFER	MANCHESTER, NH
15	MILLER, RHIANNA SHANNON	MILLER, JEFFREY AND RHONDDA	MANCHESTER, NH
21	FOSS, AMANDA KELLY	FOSS, JOHN AND SARA	MANCHESTER, NH
22	YERXA, SKYLER ELLERY	YERXA, MORGAN AND SONYA	MANCHESTER, NH
22	BUCKLESS, ALEXANDER JAMES	BUCKLESS, JAMES AND JENNIFER	MANCHESTER, NH
25	TSETSERANOS, ATHENA LEE	TSETSERANOS, STERGIOUS AND REGINA	MANCHESTER, NH
27	EZEQUELLE, CALEB MARTIN	EZEQUELLE, ANDREW AND KARRIE	MANCHESTER, NH
AUG.			
13	DIXON, ISABELLE RYANNE	DIXON, JARROD AND JENNIFER	MANCHESTER, NH
20	COTE, RYAN REJEAN	COTE, JOEY AND KATHLEEN	MANCHESTER, NH
24	HANSEN, ETHAN SCOTT	HANSEN, BRIAN AND FRANCESCA	MANCHESTER, NH
24	GRENIER, CAMRYN NICOLE	GRENIER, MICHAEL AND ISABELLE	MANCHESTER, NH
25	BOUCHARD, COLBY EDWARD	BOUCHARD, BRIAN AND HOLLY	MANCHESTER, NH
26	DILLON, NOLAN THOMAS	DILLON, JOHN AND PLOTAS, JEAN	MANCHESTER, NH
27	FOLEY, JACOB DAVID	FOLEY, DAVID AND MICHELLE	NASHUA, NH
28	VANNORT, JACK KEEFE	VANNORT, MARK AND KELLY	MANCHESTER, NH
31	ROUKEY, NOAH JAMES	ROUKEY, JAMES AND TRACY	MANCHESTER, NH
SEPT			
4	BRUNETTI, TYLER JAY	BRUNETTI, JAY AND MICHELE	MANCHESTER, NH
7	BLANCO, COLE STEVEN	BLANCO, ANTHONY AND KRISTY	DERRY, NH

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12	RYAN, KALEY ALICIA	RYAN, STEPHANIE	MANCHESTER, NH
15	MORAN, KIRA NICOLE	MORAN, WILLIAM AND ANNE-MARIE	MANCHESTER, NH
17	DUBREUIL, BETHANY ANNE	DUBREUIL, ROBERT AND DEBBIE	MANCHESTER, NH
17	MCGRATH, MICHAEL EDWARD	MCGRATH, MICHAEL AND KENNEDY, MONICA	MANCHESTER, NH
29	WESS, TYLER ROBERT	WESS, CORY AND LISA	MANCHESTER, NH
30	PEACE, RITA ELIZABETH	PEACE, JAMES AND KIMBERLY	MANCHESTER, NH
30	HENDERSON, FINN CHRISTOPHER	HENDERSON, AARON AND KAREN	MANCHESTER, NH
OCT.			
11	PATTERSON, THOMAS EARL	PATTERSON, THOMAS AND SHARON	MANCHESTER, NH
16	MORTON, SHARON ELIZABETH	MORTON, MICHAEL AND JENNIFER	GOFFSTOWN, NH
16	SMITH, MORGAN GYNETTE	SMITH, ERIC AND NYCOLE	MANCHESTER, NH
20	ST PIERRE, CHRISTINA CLAIRE	ST PIERRE, DAVID AND KATHRYN	MANCHESTER, NH
21	STANBERRY, DAMIEN JACOB	STANBERRY, CHRISTOPHER AND THERESA	MANCHESTER, NH
25	DEAN, KALEIGH-RYLA ERIN CAITLIN	DEAN, JAMES AND CROWLEY, CAITLIN	MANCHESTER, NH
31	SAGNA, WILLIAM SERGE ASAMBOU	SAGNA, FRANCOIS AND JENCKS, KARY	MANCHESTER, NH
NOV.			
1	BOUVIER, PAUL JOSEPH	BOUVIER, MATTHEW AND MICHELLE	MANCHESTER, NH
2	BENDER, RYAN JACOB	BENDER, MICHAEL AND KELLY	CONCORD, NH
3	REED, ALISSA ELIZABETH MARIE	REED, KRYSTLE	MANCHESTER, NH
3	WALL, RACHEL LAUREN	WALL, JEFFREY AND STEPHANIE	MANCHESTER, NH
3	WALL, LOGAN ALEXANDER	WALL, JEFFREY AND STEPHANIE	MANCHESTER, NH
4	VIGEANT, JONATHAN ROBERT	VIGEANT, STEVEN AND SUSAN	MANCHESTER, NH
16	BLONDEAU, MASON PARKER	BLONDEAU, RAYMOND AND MICHELE	MANCHESTER, NH
16	LANGENBERGER, KAILEE MARIE	LANGENBERGER, JOSEPH AND LISA	MANCHESTER, NH
19	GREGOIRE, KYLE MICHAEL	GREGOIRE, TIMOTHY AND CHRISTINA	MANCHESTER, NH
19	HODGE, LIAM JOSEPH	HODGE, JAMES AND CHRISTINE	MANCHESTER, NH
20	MARTIN, PAIGE ELAINE	MARTIN, JAMES AND AMY	MANCHESTER, NH
21	BAINES, NICOLE JENSEN	BAINES, MICHAEL AND JULIE	CONCORD, NH
24	CALATA, MICHAEL JUDE BADURIA	CALATA, MICHAEL AND MARIA ARACELI	MANCHESTER, NH
30	MYERS, SARAH ANN	MYERS, DONALD AND RICKER, ANGELA	MANCHESTER, NH
30	NICKERSON, LILLIAN MARANDA	NICKERSON, KATHY	MANCHESTER, NH
DEC.			
2	EAMES, CHRISTIAN MIGUEL	COMPTON, MAUREEN	MANCHESTER, NH
4	HADLEY, NICHOLAS MICHAEL	HADLEY, CHRISTOPHER AND NICOLE	MANCHESTER, NH
10	LEDUC, GABRIEL MICHAEL	LEDUC, JOHN AND VICKI	MANCHESTER, NH

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11	ROY, COLIN CHRISTOPHER	ROY, ERIC AND CARA	MANCHESTER, NH
13	GUERRA, NICOLAS THANNER	GUERRA, DAVID AND MEGAN	MANCHESTER, NH
18	MARTINEAU, DAVID ROLAND	MARTINEAU, ALAN AND DANIELLE	MANCHESTER, NH
19	DIONNE, NORA ROSE	DIONNE, LANCE AND SIERS, CORINNE	MANCHESTER, NH
DEC.			
19	MASTROBERTE, SAMANTHA KATE	MASTROBERTE, MARK AND SUSAN	MANCHESTER, NH
19	MASTROBERTE, JILLIAN SARAH	MASTROBERTE, MARK AND SUSAN	MANCHESTER, NH
22	PEROZZI, MIA RYANN	PEROZZI, TIMOTHY AND KIMBERLY	MANCHESTER, NH
25	MORRISON, SEAMUS ANTHONY	MORRISON, KRYSTAL	MANCHESTER, NH
29	CHANCEY, BENJAMIN WARREN	CHANCEY, ANDREW AND JANINE	MANCHESTER, NH
TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS: 132			

2004 DEATHS

DATE	DECEDENT'S NAME	PLACE OF DEATH	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
JAN.				
4	ZDON, HOPE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ROGERS, HAROLD	MCFARLAND, FLORENCE
5	JACKSON, LUTHER	MANCHESTER, NH	JACKSON, MYRON	GRIFFIN, FLORENCE
6	FORCIER, RITA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PINARD, NAPOLEON	BOURQUE, ROSE
9	DROUIN, ELZEAR	MANCHESTER, NH	DROUIN, OSIAS	GAGNON, YVONNE
10	LUPA, HESTER	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MEEKINS, CHARLES	MYERS, RILLA
13	RICHER, ARTHUR	GOFFSTOWN, NH	RICHER, DONAT	AUGER, ALBERTINE
17	RILEY, REGINALD	GOFFSTOWN, NH	RILEY, EARL	EMERY, EDITH
27	DELCORE, ALBINA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SCOPA, PAUL	DI DIO, GIOVANNINA
FEB.				
1	PITERAK, BLANCHE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SVADAS, JOHN	VERYK, ADOLFINA
5	BUJOLD, GRACE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DUQUETTE, VALMORE	MARQUIS, MARY
10	CORRIVEAU, RENE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CORRIVEAU, JOSEPH	BILODEAU, EVA
11	BEAULAC, ALICE	MANCHESTER, NH	CURRY, WILFRED	JOHNSON, MAY
13	JOLICOEUR, ALICE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	COTE, WALTER	ROY, ROSE
14	REIDY, TIMOTHY	MANCHESTER, NH	REIDY, DANIEL	MURPHY, MINNIE
20	STERLING, KATRINA SCHUNEMANN,	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BOCHONOK, MICHAEL	OLYSZCZAK, MARY
21	BEATRICE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GENTES, ALBERT	DUBOIS, RACHAEL
22	MORRISON, EVA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GENDRON, ARTHUR	LIBERTY, BLANCHE
22	DESROCHERS, LEONARD	GREENFIELD, NH	DESROCHERS, LUCIEN	GAMACHE, LILLIAN

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FEB.				
22	SMITH, SANDRA	MERRIMACK, NH	SCADOVA, NORMAN	HYLIND, FRANCES
24	LEMAY, JULIETTE	MANCHESTER, NH	LIZOTTE, DONAT	PAQUET, MARIE
24	HOWARD-BRESLEND, MARGARET	MANCHESTER, NH	COTE, ALBERT	FORTUNE, FLORENCE
24	SAGE, RICHARD	MANCHESTER, NH	SAGE, ADOLPHE	LEMIEUX, GABRIELLE
25	PELLETIER, LAUREAT	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PELLETIER, JOSEPH	PELLETIER, CLAIRE
26	ROGERS, HARRY	MANCHESTER, NH	ROGERS, HARRY	PATRICK, MARGARET
28	STEELE, EDITH	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HEIBERG, CHARLES	PORTER, DAISY
29	MAILLET, SALLY	GOFFSTOWN, NH	KASINSKAS, ALEXANDER	ZIMINOVICH, MIKALINA
29	BUTT, MARIE	MANCHESTER, NH	TROTТА, CHRISTOPHER	MOLIGNANO, LENA
MAR.				
6	ORON, JOZEF	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ORON, MICHAT	ZWOLINSKA, ANNIELA
6	LEMIRE, VIOLET	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LAPLANTE, OVILA	BOISVERT, CLARA
12	THIBAUT, MARJORIE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LAFLAMME, SAMUEL	DESELETS, ANTOINETTE
12	HAMBLETT, OTIS	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HAMBLETT, SIDNEY	LIVINGSTON, NINA
13	CARON, EVA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CARON, FERDINAND	BOISVERT, ROSEANNA
20	AUGUST, RUDOLPH	CONCORD, NH	AUGUSTINOVITCH, PAUL	VAPOLITZ, BARBARA
26	LAMY, ROSARIO	MANCHESTER, NH	LAMY, ALEXANDRE	MILOT, DORILLA
27	DUBE, REAL	MANCHESTER, NH	DUBE, NESTOR	FORTIN, EMMA
29	WILIAMS, HAROLD	LEBANON, NH	WILLIAMS, HAROLD	TOWNE, IDA
APRIL				
2	STARITA, ROBERT	EPSOM, NH	STARITA, RENATO	SHERIDAN, EVELYN
2	KALLANDER, JOHN	GOFFSTOWN, NH	KALLANDER, ERNEST	ANDERSON, ANNA
3	NORMANDIN, CHARLES	MANCHESTER, NH	NORMANDIN, CHARLES	PELLETIER, ALICE
8	ELLISON, SANDRA	MANCHESTER, NH	ELLISON, RAYMOND	PHILBRICK, MARION
8	LOCKLIN, ADA BELLE	NASHUA, NH	MURDOUGH, WARREN	UNKNOWN, REBECCA
11	FURMAN, MARJORIE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	WILLIAMS, GEORGE	BADGER, VIRGINIA
11	PLANTE, GABRIELLE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DILIERS, ARTHUR	UNKNOWN, ALICE
11	COTE, IRMA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GRANDMAISON, JULES	DION, MARIE
11	TOUSIGNANT, PHYLLIS	MANCHESTER, NH	TOBIN, GERALD	FITZPATRICK, CATHERINE
12	STRYKOWSKI, ELIZABETH	MANCHESTER, NH	PAGEL, ROLF	DEBARBIERI, BLANCHE
13	ST HILAIRE, ARTHUR	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ST HILAIRE, ARTHUR	LAMARINE, LAURA
14	GAUTHIER, MARGARET	GOFFSTOWN, NH	COCHRAN, JAMES	MCCARTHUR, MARGARET
15	KELLY, CECILE	DERRY, NH	RICHARD, RAYMOND	OUELLETTE, BERTHA
16	LAVOIE, GERMAINE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LANGLOIS, ARCHILLE	UNKNOWN, ALICE

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APR.				
19	MOTTA, CHARLES	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MOTTA, JOSPEH	PETTERUTI, JOSEPHINE
20	GREENE, GERTRUDE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	RICARD, OVILA	TREMBLAY, MARIE
22	PLANTE, RACHEL	NASHUA, NH	PLANTE, ELPHEGE	CAMPBELL, DORA
26	PELLETIER, THERESE	BEDFORD, NH	BOUCHER, MOISE	FAUCHER, ALICE
29	BRINN, CECILE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MULTAIS, OVIDE	VALLEE, MARIE
30	MORTIMER, JUNE	MANCHESTER, NH	LOVELY, CLEMENT	LAMBING, VERA
MAY				
4	MCCARTHY, WINIFRED	MANCHESTER, NH	OHALLORAN, PATRICK	FAHEY, MARY
5	POLGREAN, JOHN	MANCHESTER, NH	POLGREAN, EDWARD	DUTTON, GLADYS
5	FITZGERALD, IRENE	MANCHESTER, NH	FLYNN, UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN, MARY
10	MILLER, DOROTHY HORSTKOTTE, MARY JANE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	TALBOYS, UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN
13	SMITH, ELEANOR	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MILLER, WILLIAM	HAMEL, ORA
16	DOBROLECKI, FLOSSIE	MANCHESTER, NH	PALMER, LLOYD	FRECHETTE, LILLIAN
JUNE				
2	CUDNEY, EILEEN	GOFFSTOWN, NH	FRANK, ELIAS	SOLOMON, AMELIA
16	DOHERTY, ROBERT	MANCHESTER, NH	DOHERTY, ROBERT	JASPER, JOYCE
19	TOWER-BRALEY, MARIE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SHATNEY, AMOS	GABREE, LILA
19	CHAMPAGNE, DANIEL	MANCHESTER, NH	CHAMPAGNE, ROBERT	SPARROW, PATRICIA
20	COBURN, JANICE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	COBURN, GEORGE	BEAN, ALINE
24	MOREAU, DORIS	GOFFSTOWN, NH	VERVILLE, DONAT	ROY, ARMANDE
25	DUGAN, JEANNETTE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BERNARD, ALEXANDER	LEVESQUE, MARIE
30	LEFEBVRE, LOUIS	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LEFEBVRE, ALFRED	GILL, HERMINE
30	STEWART, ISABELLE	MANCHESTER, NH	MITCHELL, ALFRED	COTE, MARIE
JULY				
1	DUPERE, LUDGER	MANCHESTER, NH	DUPERE, GEORGE	SIMARD, ROSEANNA
3	BECK, AUDREY	GOFFSTOWN, NH	EARLE, HERBERT	HARRISON, AUDREY
3	ROBERGE, ALBERT	MANCHESTER, NH	ROBERGE, MEDERIC	ROBY, CEDULIE
6	LAVERGNE, JEAN	CONCORD, NH	LAVERGNE, ULDAIDGE	COTE, AUORE
8	ROY, DORIS	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ST. ONGE, WILLIAM	ROYER, MARY
10	WAIN, TERRENCE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	WAIN, SAMUEL	JONES, ALICE
15	QUILTER, TIMOTHY	GOFFSTOWN, NH	QUILTER, TIMOTHY	DILLON, BRIDGET
18	CALISE, ANDREW	CONCORD, NH	CALISE, CRESCENZA	D'AMBRA, ASSUNTA
21	PINARD, AUORE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MONTMINY, PIERRE	BOUCHARD, ELMIRE

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AUG.				
28	GAGNE, EDMUND	MANCHESTER, NH	GAGNE, ROMEO	LITTLE, RUTH
2	RIVARD, PATRICIA	MANCHESTER, NH	FARRINGTON, FREDERICK	SUANDERS, IRENE
9	ANDREA, ANTHONY	GOFFSTOWN, NH	ANDREA, ANTHONY	ROPPLER, GERTRUDE
9	DOHERTY, CATHERINE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BEAULIEU, JOSEPH	DUFFY, BEATRICE
17	GREGOIRE, GERALD	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GREGOIRE, SYLVIO	MORIN, EVA
17	SARETTE, JOHN	MANCHESTER, NH	SARETTE, CLARENCE	PROULX, LAURETTE
20	RUWELL, WILLIAM	GOFFSTOWN, NH	RUWELL, WILLIAM	SMITH, SYDNEY
20	HEBERT, GEORGETTE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HEBERT, NOEL	GAGNE, ANNA
26	MESSIER, KATIE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PAROWSKIE, PETER	BEDNARCZYK, JUSTINA
28	LYONS, KENDRICK	MANCHESTER, NH	LYONS, JOSEPH	KENDRICK, BERTHA
29	LEEDS, AMELIA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GUNN, BERNARD	BOWIE, BLANCHE
SEPT.				
1	PROULX, RICHARD	MANCHESTER, NH	PROULX, LEO	FOURNIER, CECILE
2	GLYNN, ALICE	MANCHESTER, NH	GREGOIRE, OSCAR	PROVENCHE, AGNES
3	PROVOST, ANN	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CARTY, JOHN	STANHOPE, DOROTHY
5	PROVENCHE, RACHEL SHACKELFORD,	GOFFSTOWN, NH	COUTURE, WILLIAM	LAFLAMME, ALPHONSINE
13	MICHAEL	MANCHESTER, NH	SHACKELFORD, JOHN	GALBIN, FRANCES
19	DUVAL, JOSEPH	MANCHESTER, NH	DUVAL, ONESIME	PLOURDE, DELIMA
20	MCFARLAND, EARL	MANCHESTER, NH	MCFARLAND, EARL	BURNS, LILLIAN
21	GILBERT, BLANCHE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GILBERT, LEO	DANEAULT, ALICE
22	PETRASKE, WILLIAM	MANCHESTER, NH	PETRASKE, HERMAN	TANNER, JANE
23	OSBURN, ELIJAH	GOFFSTOWN, NH	OSBURN, HARRY	MASUER, MARGARET
28	DUHAIME, RICHARD	BEDFORD, NH	DUHAIME, LOUIS	MALO, BERNADETTE
28	LESMERISES, JULIA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	FOSTER, BROOKES	SARSFIELD, KATHERINE
30	DUCHARME, GERARD	GOFFSTOWN, NH	DUCHARME, PIERRE	DUBOIS, MARIE
OCT.				
3	LETENDRE, MARIE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LETENDRE, PHILLIPPE	LABBE, MARIE
9	FORCIER, EDOUARD	MANCHESTER, NH	FORCIER, EDOUARD	SOUCY, SOPHIE
10	BILODEAU, LAWRENCE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BILODEAU, JOSEPH	GAULIN, ADELLA
10	MARCAURELLE, DIANE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MARCAURELLE, RAYMOND	GILMOR, GERALDINE
15	COUTURE, VALERE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	COUTURE, JOSEPH	DROUIN, LAURA
17	BOISVERT, ELAINE	MANCHESTER, NH	BESSETTE, ALBERT	GRENIER, AUDOMINE
19	LAMOUREUX, RAYMOND	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LAMOUREUX, LUCIEN	POTVIN, DORIS
21	BARTON, CARL	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BAROTN, CLIFFORD	PALMETER, BERTHA

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OCT.				
31	WHEELER, BARBARA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CLARK, CELON	JOHNSON, HELEN
NOV.				
2	STRATTON, ANNE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HEBERT, JOSEPH	LAMOTHE, MERIE
3	NAPOLITANO, PASQUALE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	NAPOLITANO, ANNIBALO	NUCCI, MARIA
4	MITCHELL, PHILEMON	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MITCHELL, COSTA	CROSS, PHENETTA
7	LORANGER, MARGARETTE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	BLAKE, JOHN	HOWARD, MARGARET
7	GARDNER, EDOUARD	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GARDNER, GEORGES	LAROCHELLE, LAURA
8	REID, THOMAS	GOFFSTOWN, NH	REID, WILLIAM	CAMPBELL, EDITH
8	MERRILL, NANCY	MANCHESTER, NH	HENDERSON, WILLIAM	ROGERS, FLORENCE
11	HUARD, ROGER	GOFFSTOWN, NH	HUARD, JOSEPH	CHAREST, EVANGELINE
22	LOGAN, FRANK	BEDFORD, NH	LOGAN, FRANK	GRANT, CLAIRE
22	SOUTHWORTH, HERBERT	GOFFSTOWN, NH	SOUTHWORTH, EDGAR	BISHOP, FLORENCE
23	AUGER, ROGER	MANCHESTER, NH	AUGER, FRIDOLIN	UNKNOWN, LORRETTE
27	MCCLINTOCK, WILLIAM	MANCHESTER, NH	MCCLINTOCK, ALVIN	SIENKIEWICZ, HELEN
28	LEBLANC, THERESE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	LAFERTE, ERNEST	FRANCOEUR, MERILDA
29	PEPIN, BERTRAND	GOFFSTOWN, NH	PEPIN, ALBERT	ROUSSEAU, MATHILDA
29	ROUX, EVELYN	GOFFSTOWN, NH	GARON, WILFRED	CARON, ROSEANNA
29	O'MAHONEY, FINBAR	MANCHESTER, NH	O'MAHONEY, PATRICK	DALEY, MARY
30	KROL, VIRGINIA	MANCHESTER, NH	ZELONIS, GEORGE	BLAZONIS, MARY
DEC.				
5	REID, JULIE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	OLIVA, NICHOLAS	TEBO, ELAINE
5	BENOIT, DONAT	LEBANON, NH	BENOIT, DONAT	BEGIN, CLAIRE
6	HOLDEN, FLORENCE	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MARTIN, ANDREW	CARON, LOUISE
6	SUPULSKI, JOHNYNE	MANCHESTER, NH	SUPULSKI, JOHN	EVANITSKY, JUSTYNA
8	MARSHALL, HELEN	GOFFSTOWN, NH	CROSSLEY, OTIS	JONES, HELEN
10	CAMPILIO, FRANK	MANCHESTER, NH	CAMPILIO, FRANK	AMICONE, AMELIA
15	BIRON, WILFRED	MANCHESTER, NH	BIRON, WILFRED	HOULE, LYDIA
16	COUGHLIN, JOHN	MANCHESTER, NH	COUGHLIN JOHN	TINEL, MEDELINE
17	ANDERSON, HERBERT	BEDFORD, NH	ANDERSON, HERBERT	MCGREGOR, EVELYN
19	WHIPPLE, MILDRED	MANCHESTER, NH	RIEDEL, ERNEST	POLLMER, MAITA
24	FRANCOEUR, VIRGINIA	MERRIMACK, NH	COLLINS, OLLIE	MESERVE, LENA
29	BUTLER, ANNA	GOFFSTOWN, NH	MCLAUGHLIN, WILLIAM	LYON, LUCERNE
29	DUGRE, LUCILLE	MANCHESTER, NH	PELLETIER, GERARD	LANDRY, YVONNE
30	WHOOTEN, KATHERINE	MANCHESTER, NH	HALL, ARTHUR	FRANK, LOUISE

TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS: 149

2004 INTERMENTS

NAME	AGE	DATE OF DEATH	DATE OF BURIAL
Hillside Cemetery			
Steele, Edith Heiberg	91	2/28/2004	2/29/2004
Wildman, Barbara		1/8/2004	8/11/2004
Shirley Hill Cemetery			
Barton, Carl P	87	10/21/2004	10/27/2004
Coughlin, Jr. John Joseph	68	12/16/2004	12/18/2004
Hills, John Tucker	77	12/29/2003	1/3/2004
Hinckley, Robert H.			
Mussey, Zachary	2 days	7/18/2004	7/23/2004
Sarette, John C.	72	8/17/2004	8/21/2004
Westlawn Cemetery			
Blaisdell, Marion D.			7/9/2004
Boisvert, Elaine H.	80	10/17/2004	10/23/2004
Durmer-Warren, Virginia A.	83	4/4/2004	4/9/2004
Ellison, Sandra E.	58	4/8/2004	4/8/2004
Goodwin, Marion D.			7/6/2004
Gordon-Theos, Mabelle	89	12/16/2004	12/22/2004
Holden, Florence Irene	75	12/6/2004	12/9/2004
Jackson, Luther M.	92	1/5/2004	5/17/2004
Lambert, Joseph Lucien	84	9/17/2004	9/25/2004
Laroche, Maxine J	76	9/14/2004	9/16/2004
LeFebvre, Barbara A.	65	3/29/2004	4/7/2004
Logan, Frank Harding, Jr.	64	11/22/2004	11/27/2004
Noreen, Winston I.	81	8/3/2004	8/6/2004
Normandin, Charles Roland	85	4/3/2004	4/6/2004
Osburn, Elijah Joseph Sr.	87	9/23/2004	9/25/2004
Parker, John A.		12/19/2003	10/1/2004
Reid, Julie Elizabeth	40	12/5/2004	12/9/2004
Rivard, Patricia Irene	60	8/2/2004	8/6/2004
Southworth, Herbert	84	11/22/2004	11/24/2004
Stark, Lewis	96	6/28/2004	10/??/04
Stone, Margaret Ruth	91	12/24/2004	12/31/2004
Vincent, Alice			3/26/2004
Whipple, Mildred R.	89	12/19/2004	12/22/2004
Wood, Letitia Edna	95	4/2/2004	4/5/2004
Yeaton, Dolores		1/12/2004	1/19/2004

AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT LETTER

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APRIL 23, 2004

Board of Selectmen
Town of Goffstown
Goffstown, New Hampshire

We have audited the general purpose financial statements for the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003 and have issued our report thereon dated April 23, 2004. As part of our audit, we made a study and evaluation of the Town's system of internal accounting control to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system as required by generally accepted auditing standards. Under these standards, the purpose of such evaluations is to establish a basis for reliance on the system of internal accounting control in determining the nature, timing and extent of other auditing procedures that are necessary for expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

The management of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting control. In fulfilling his responsibility, estimates and judgements by them are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control procedures. The objectives of such a system are to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with required authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of inherent limitations in any system of internal accounting control, errors or irregularities may still occur without being detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risks that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

Our study and evaluation was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion of the internal accounting control structure and would not necessarily disclose all weaknesses in the system. However, as a result of our study and evaluation, and in an effort to be of assistance to the Town, we are

submitting for your consideration a number of comments and recommendations intended to improve operations and internal accounting control.

After you have had an opportunity to consider our comments and recommendations, we would be pleased to discuss them with you.

CURRENT YEAR ISSUES:

1. Improve Controls Over Recreation Department:

In our testing of department receipts, we noted that the Recreation Department currently disburses funds for vendor invoices directly from proceeds received for various activities, without flowing through the Town's general ledger. Additionally, these receipts and disbursements were not summarized in logs, and lacked a filing system for supporting documentation, such as invoices.

We recommend the Recreation Department submit all receipts and disbursements through the Town's general ledger and bank accounts. Additionally, the Recreation Department should maintain an activity log to record receipts and disbursements. This activity log should be reconciled to the general ledger periodically. This will result in improved oversight and documentation, and will reduce the risk that errors or irregularities occur and go undetected.

2. Maintain Overlay Balance Log:

The Assessor's Office has records for all abatements and exemptions issued. However, they do not maintain a running total balance of overlay (allowance for abatements and exemptions) accounts, and instead rely on the general ledger. A good internal control system dictates that the Assessor's Office maintains an independent balance of overlay and that this balance be periodically reconciled to the general ledger. As a result, there will be assurance that all abatements granted are properly recorded in the general ledger, and in a timely manner.

We recommend that the Assessor maintain a continuous record of all abatements and reconcile the balance of this record with the general ledger on a regular basis.

3. Improve Segregation of Duties

During testing of the Town Clerk's Office, we noted that clerks who are responsible for collecting receipts are also responsible for reconciling their own cash drawer to the collection software. This creates a lack of segregation of duties that could allow for errors or irregularities to occur and go undetected.

We recommend an employee other than the receiving clerk perform the cash drawer reconciliation. This will improve oversight and controls over detecting errors or irregularities in a timely manner.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2003, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Goffstown's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Goffstown, as of December 31, 2003, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 21, the Town has implemented several new *Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements* which has resulted in the restatement of beginning fund equity balances of several funds, and has established net assets for governmental and business-type activities.

The management's discussion and analysis, appearing on the following pages and the supplementary information, appearing on page 38, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*. 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.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated April 23, 2004 on our consideration of the Town's internal

control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Melanson Heath & Company
Nashua, New Hampshire
April 23, 2004

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Goffstown, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Goffstown for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

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

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

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities include general government, public safety, public works, health and welfare, and library and recreation. The business-type activities include sewer enterprise activities.

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

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

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

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

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are maintained as follows:

Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. Specifically, enterprise funds are used to account for sewer operations.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail.

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

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

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information, which is required to be disclosed by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*.

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$ 21,401,864 (i.e., net assets), an increase of \$ 233,870 in comparison to the prior year.

As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$ 3,852,681, a decrease of \$ 124,948 in comparison with the prior year.

At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$ 1,377,657, an increase of \$ 31,363 in comparison with the prior year.

Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was \$ 5,267,351, a decrease of \$ 663,314 in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current fiscal year. Because fiscal year 2003 was the first year of GASB 34 implementation, prior year comparative data was not available for presentation. Comparative information will be provided in future years.

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
CURRENT AND OTHER ASSETS	\$ 11,263,042	\$ 3,967,957	\$ 15,230,999
Capital assets	<u>8,677,135</u>	<u>10,274,254</u>	<u>18,951,389</u>
Total assets	19,940,177	14,242,211	34,182,388
Long-term liabilities outstanding	3,051,806	2,588,046	5,639,852
OTHER LIABILITIES	<u>6,544,066</u>	<u>596,606</u>	<u>7,140,672</u>
Total liabilities	9,595,872	3,184,652	12,780,524
Net assets:			
Invested in capital assets, net	8,677,135	7,581,775	16,258,910
Restricted	754,736	-	754,736
Unrestricted	<u>912,434</u>	<u>3,475,784</u>	<u>4,388,218</u>
Total net assets	\$ <u>10,344,305</u>	\$ <u>11,057,559</u>	\$ <u>21,401,864</u>

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	BusinessType <u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Revenues:			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 796,510	\$ 679,755	\$1,476,265
Operating grants and Contributions	437,446	191,970	629,416
Capital grants and Contributions	569,114	-	569,114
General revenues:			
Taxes 19,553,930	19,553,930	-	19,553,930
Motor vehicle permits	2,433,162	-	2,433,162
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	351,412	-	351,412
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	755,572	-	755,572
Investment income	23,065	14,538	37,603
Miscellaneous	<u>562,556</u>	<u>76,145</u>	<u>638,701</u>
Total revenues	25,482,767	962,408	26,445,175
Expenses:			
General government	1,290,917	-	1,290,917
Public safety	4,850,353	-	4,850,353
Public works	4,018,015	-	4,018,015
Health and welfare	35,743	-	35,743
Library and recreation	857,295	-	857,295
County assessments	1,429,256	-	1,429,256
School district assessments	9,915,040	-	9,915,040
Interest on long-term debt	82,727	-	82,727
Miscellaneous	2,719,677	-	2,719,677
Sewer operations	<u>-</u>	<u>1,012,387</u>	<u>1,012,387</u>
Total expenses		<u>25,199,023</u>	<u>1,012,387</u>
Change in net assets before permanent fund contributions	283,744	(49,979)	233,765
Permanent fund contributions	<u>105</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>105</u>
Change in net assets	283,849	(49,979)	233,870
Net assets - beginning of year	<u>10,060,456</u>	<u>11,107,538</u>	<u>21,167,994</u>
Net assets - end of year	<u>\$ 10,344,305</u>	<u>\$ 11,057,559</u>	<u>\$ 21,401,864</u>

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net assets were \$ 21,401,864, an increase of \$ 233,870 from the prior year.

By far the largest portion of net assets \$ 16,258,910 (76%) reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the

resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net assets \$ 754,736 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets \$ 4,388,218 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in an increase in net assets of \$ 283,849. Key elements of this increase are as follows:

Excess general fund revenues over budget	\$ 131,465
Excess general fund budget over expenditures	351,268
Excess of tax collections over budget	88,180
Use of fund balance for the Town's portion of property acquisition and plan design for the rails to trails project	(78,000)
Use of fund balance to reduce the tax rate	(461,549)
Excess of prior year encumbered appropriations spent in the current fiscal year, over current year encumbrances	(404,260)
Special revenue and certain trust fund revenues exceeding expenditures	247,948
Capital assets purchased through the tax levy	635,607
Depreciation expense exceeding bond principal payments	(251,027)
Other	<u>24,217</u>
Total	\$ <u>283,849</u>

Business-Type Activities. Business-type activities for the year resulted in a decrease in net assets of \$ 49,979. Key elements of this change resulted from an increase in operating costs.

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

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

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

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$ 3,852,681, a decrease of \$ 124,948 in comparison with the prior year. Most of this decrease was attributable to:

Excess general fund revenues over budget	\$ 131,465
Excess general fund budget over expenditures	351,268
Excess of tax collections over budget	88,180
Use of fund balance for the Town's portion of Property acquisition and plan design for the rails to trails project	(78,000)
Use of fund balance to reduce the tax rate	(461,549)
Excess of prior year encumbered appropriations spent in the current fiscal year, over current year encumbrances	(404,260)
Special revenue and certain trust fund revenues exceeding expenditures	<u>247,948</u>
Total	

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the general fund was \$ 1,377,657, while total fund balance was \$ 2,609,459. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Unreserved fund balance represents 5% of total general fund expenditures, while total fund balance represents 10% of that same amount.

The fund balance of the general fund decreased by \$ 372,896 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Excess revenues over budget	\$ 131,465
Excess budget over expenditures	351,268
Excess of tax collections over budget	88,180
Use of fund balance for the Town's portion of property acquisition and plan design for the rails to trails project	(78,000)
Use of fund balance to reduce the tax rate	(461,549)
Excess of prior year encumbered appropriations spent in the current fiscal year, over current year encumbrances	(404,260)
Total	\$ <u>(372,896)</u>

Proprietary funds. Proprietary funds provide the same type of information found in the business-type activities reported in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Unrestricted net assets of the enterprise funds at the end of the year amounted to \$ 3,475,784, a decrease of \$ 310,929 in comparison with the prior year.

Other factors concerning the finances of proprietary funds have already been addressed in the entity-wide discussion of business-type activities.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Differences between the original budget and the final amended budget represent reclassifications among articles and capital outlay.

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets for governmental and business-type activities at year-end amounted to \$ 18,951,389 (net of accumulated depreciation), an increase of approximately \$ 149,000 from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and system, improvements, and machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

Sewer main extension	\$ 166,000
Police, fire, and public works vehicles (excluding an ambulance)	\$ 293,410
Ambulance	\$ 112,000
Thermal imager	\$ 36,000
Land	\$ 197,700

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$ 5,267,351, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government. Additional information on capital assets and long-term debt can be found in the footnotes to the financial statements.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report represents a condensed version of the Town of Goffstown’s financial statements for FYE 12/31/03. Not all schedules and footnotes are presented in this town report version. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Finance Office
Town of Goffstown
16 Main Street
Goffstown, New Hampshire 03045

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS ----- DECEMBER 31, 2003

ASSETS:	Governmental	Business-Type	Total
	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Activities</u>	
Current:			
Cash and short-term investments	8,124,981	2,797,772	10,922,753
Investments	625,084	-	625,084
Receivables, net of allowance for un-collectibles:			
Property Taxes	1,467,640	-	1,467,640
User Fees	70,510	331,772	402,282
Intergovernmental	944,173	193,452	1,137,625
Other assets	30,654	-	30,654
Non-current:			
Receivables, net of allowance for un-collectibles:			
Intergovernmental	-	644,961	644,961
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	8,677,135	10,274,254	18,951,389
TOTAL ASSETS	19,940,177	14,242,211	34,182,388
LIABILITIES			
Current:			
Vouchers payable	467,176	30,406	497,582
Accrued liabilities	46,882	57,816	104,698
Due to school district	5,797,323	-	5,797,323
Due to other governments	1,576	-	1,576
Other current liabilities	21,039	18,384	39,423
Current portion of long-term liabilities:			
Bonds payable	168,311	490,000	658,311
Other liabilities	41,759	-	41,759
Non-current:			
Bonds payable, net of current portion	2,024,040	2,585,000	4,609,040
Other liabilities, net of current portion	1,027,766	3,046	1,030,812
TOTAL LIABILITIES	9,595,872	3,184,652	12,780,524
NET ASSETS			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	8,677,135	7,581,775	16,258,910
Restricted for Permanent funds:			
Nonexpendable	566,052	-	566,052
Expendable	188,684	-	188,684
Unrestricted	912,434	3,475,784	4,388,218
TOTAL NET ASSETS	10,344,305	11,057,559	21,401,864

Notes to financial statements available through financial office.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Assets</u>		<u>Total</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating</u>	<u>Grants and Contributions Capital</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Business-Type Activities</u>	
Governmental Activities:							
General government	1,290,917	128,710	96,795	-	(1,065,412)	-	(1,065,412)
Public safety	4,850,353	470,970	184,911	-	(4,194,472)	-	(4,194,472)
Public works	4,018,015	190,755	44,365	539,114	(3,243,781)	-	(3,243,781)
Health and welfare	35,743	-	-	-	(35,743)	-	(35,743)
Library and recreation	857,295	6,075	111,375	30,000	(709,845)	-	(709,845)
County assessments	1,429,256	-	-	-	(1,429,256)	-	(1,429,256)
School district assessments	9,915,040	-	-	-	(9,915,040)	-	(9,915,040)
Debt service	82,727	-	-	-	(82,727)	-	(82,727)
Miscellaneous	2,719,677	-	-	-	(2,719,677)	-	(2,719,677)
Total Governmental Activities	25,199,023	796,510	437,446	569,114	(23,395,953)	-	(23,395,953)
Business-Type Activities:							
Sewer services	1,012,387	679,755	191,970	-	-	(140,662)	(140,662)
	<u>\$ 26,211,410</u>	<u>1,476,265</u>	<u>629,416</u>	<u>569,114</u>	<u>\$ (23,395,953)</u>	<u>(140,662)</u>	<u>(23,536,615)</u>

Notes to financial statements available through financial office.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Assets

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Business Type <u>Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Taxes	\$ 19,553,930	-	\$ 19,553,930
Motor vehicle permits	\$ 2,433,162	-	\$ 2,433,162
Penalties, interest, and other taxes	\$ 351,412	-	\$ 351,412
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	\$ 755,572	-	\$ 755,572
Investment income	\$ 23,065	\$ 14,538	\$ 37,603
Miscellaneous	\$ 562,556	\$ 76,145	\$ 638,701
Permanent Fund Contributions	\$ 105	-	\$ 105
	<u>\$ 23,679,802</u>	<u>\$ 90,683</u>	<u>\$ 23,770,485</u>
 Change in Net Assets	 \$ 283,849	 \$ (49,979)	 \$ 233,870
 Beginning of year	 <u>\$ 10,060,456</u>	 <u>\$ 11,107,538</u>	 <u>\$ 21,167,994</u>
 End of year	 <u><u>\$ 10,344,305</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 11,057,559</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 21,401,864</u></u>

Notes to financial statements available through the Finance Office.

TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 FIDUCIARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
 DECEMBER 31, 2003

	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash and short term investments	\$ 46,116	\$ 929,526
Total Assets	46,116	929,526
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Escrow deposits	-	929,526
Total Liabilities	-	929,526
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		
Total net assets held in trust	\$ <u>46,116</u>	\$ <u>-</u>

Notes to financial statements available through the Finance Office.

SELECTMEN'S RESPONSE TO AUDITORS

August 2, 2004

Melanson Heath & Company, P.C.
11 Trafalgar Square, Suite 101
Nashua, New Hampshire 03063-1974

Dear Auditors:

The following are the responses to the Management Letter dated April 23, 2004, prepared by Melanson Heath & Company. The comments in the letter pertain to issues surrounding the audit for year ending December 31, 2003.

1. The Finance Director will establish a bank account for all recreational activity fees collected and disbursed by the Parks and Recreation Department. The Finance Office will instruct Parks and Recreation Staff on proper handling and recording procedures for these types of activities. The Parks and Recreation Department will develop and maintain an activity log of receipts and disbursements that will be periodically reconciled to the Recreational Activity-Fee bank account established for this purpose. We agree that this procedure will improve oversight and documentation, and reduce the risk of errors or irregularities from occurring and going undetected.
2. The Assessor's Office will establish and maintain a continuous record of all abatements. The Assessor's Office will maintain an independent running overlay balance that will be reconciled on a regular basis to the general ledger by the Finance Director. We agree that this procedure will assure that all abatements granted are properly recorded in the general ledger, and in a timely manner.
3. The Board of Selectmen understands the purpose of the recommendation to have an employee in the Town Clerk's Office, other than the receiving clerk, perform the cash drawer reconciliation. However, this recommendation is contrary to a prior audit recommendation. In our opinion, the action you are recommending could increase the possibility of errors or irregularities because you would now have several Clerks involved with the reconciling process of a cash drawer in the Town Clerk's Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

GOFFSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert L. Wheeler, *Chairman*
Barbara J. Griffin
Bruce F. Hunter

John C. Sarette, *Vice Chairman*
Philip A. D'Avanza

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
SCHOOL				
4/103	Maple Avenue	157,200	2,771,900	2,929,100
5/97	Wallace Road - GAHS	14,100		14,100
5/98	Wallace Road - GAHS	406,200	10,990,100	11,396,300
8/74	Tibbetts Hill Rd. - MVMS	937,200	8,243,600	9,180,800
17/182	Mast Road - Bartlett	531,300	1,213,700	1,745,000
SCHOOL TOTALS:		2,046,000	23,219,300	25,265,300

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

1/37	Back Mountain Road	472,000		472,000
1/38	Back Mountain Road	967,500	88,700	1,056,200
4/11	off Merrill Road	70,600	5,600	76,200
4/16/2	Mountain Road	102,000		102,000
7/2	Mast Road	42,200	11,000	53,200
7/5	North Mast Road	219,100		219,100
7/8/1	North Mast Road	31,400		31,400
7/106/2	High Street	60,700		60,700

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE

WATER PRECINCT TOTALS:		\$1,965,500	105,300	2,070,800
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TOWN & CONSERVATION

1/35	Back Mountain Road	291,800		291,800
2/39/4	off Back Mountain Rd	12,300		12,300
2/64/28	Shirley Hill Road	29,900		29,900
3/9	off School House Road	26,600		26,600
4/61	off New Boston Road	28,500		28,500
5/14	Goffstown Back Road	279,200		279,200
5/24	Elm Street	362,000	705,200	1,067,200
5/38/39	Juniper Drive	38,400		38,400
6/39/1/A	Mast Road	81,000	627,500	708,500
7/3/1	off Mast Road	17,300		17,300
7/72	Mast/Autumn Street	450,700		450,700
8/43	off Paige Hill Road	29,300		29,300
8/44	off Paige Hill Road	13,500		13,500
9/29/1	Tirrell Hill Road	76,600	195,600	272,200
10/11	Tenney Road	6,500		6,500
12/10A	Montelona Rd (off)	118,500		118,500
15/58	Rosemont Street	80,600		80,600

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
15/59	Rosemont Street	5,800		5,800
15/57A	Woodbine Avenue	90,000	103,400	193,400
15/73A	Rosemont Street	6,000		6,000
17/37	Plummer St./Mast Rd.	87,500	439,000	526,500
17/238	Laurier Street	173,200	12,500	185,700
19/15	Channel Lane	17,000	2,000	19,000
21/85	Cove Street	59,200		59,200
21/64A	Riverside Drive	26,400		26,400
21/120A	Moose Club	29,000		29,000
24/44	Rem Drive	7,400		7,400
24/44R/6	Rem Drive	15,100		15,100
24/59A	Lynchville Park Road	31,700		31,700
26/13A	Mast Rd./Henry Bridge	10,700		10,700
27/23	Henry Bridge Road	23,400		23,400
27/25	Center Street	45,000	2,000	47,000
28/28	Goffstown Back Road	58,800	141,500	200,300
30/81	Barnard Lane	134,800	146,100	280,900
30/25A	Pineridge Road	10,000		10,000
30/29/A	Highland Avenue	11,100		11,100
31/19	off Mast Road	75,500	142,200	217,700
31/22	off Mast Road	51,800		51,800
32/26E/18	Hermisdorf Avenue	11,600		11,600
32/26E/19	Hermisdorf Avenue	11,700		11,700
32/26E/22	Hermisdorf Avenue	11,600		11,600
32/26E/30	Janice Drive	11,600		11,600
32/26E/55	Thomas Drive	11,900		11,900
34/83	Main Street	212,900	588,400	801,300
34/96	Church Street	117,800	12,700	130,500
34/99	Church Street	147,200		147,200
34/107	High Street	176,100	268,500	444,600
34/129	Mill Street	34,100		34,100
34/138	Parker Street - SAU	128,000	210,700	338,700
34/148	Main Street	176,000	9,200	185,200
34/152	Main Street	138,400		138,400
34/177	East Union Street	105,300	69,000	174,300
35/48	Island on Glen Lake	250,400		250,400
37/9	North Mast Road	45,000		45,000
38/13	Church Street	159,500	270,000	429,500
40/1	Crescent Lane	48,700		48,700
40/8	Perimeter Road	4,500		4,500
40/11	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
40/12	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	33,000		33,000
40/14	Crescent Lane	4,600		4,600
40/15	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,600		4,600
40/16	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/17	Crescent Lane	4,500		4,500
40/18	Crescent Lane	4,500		4,500
40/19	Crescent Lane	4,300		4,300
40/20	Crescent Lane	4,300		4,300
40/21	Crescent Lane	4,500		4,500
40/22	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,600		4,600
40/23	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/24	Crescent Lane	4,500		4,500
40/25	Crescent Lane	4,900		4,900
40/27	Perimeter Road	4,600		4,600
40/29	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,600		4,600
40/34	Summit Road	4,400		4,400
40/35	Summit Road	4,400		4,400
40/42	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/4A	Uncanoonuc Mtn.	26,600		26,600
40/47	Perimeter Road	30,800		30,800
40/50	off Perimeter Road	5,000		5,000
40/53	Beech Lane	4,400		4,400
40/54	Summit Avenue	4,400		4,400
40/56	Maple Lane	4,400		4,400
40/57	Maple Lane	4,400		4,400
40/58	Summit Road	4,400		4,400
40/59	Maple Lane	4,600		4,600
40/60	41 Crescent Lane	4,400		4,400
40/61	Chestnut Lane	4,400		4,400
40/63	Chestnut Lane	4,400		4,400
40/64	Chestnut Ln/Summit	4,600		4,600
40/65	Beech Lane	4,600		4,600
40/66	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/67	Beech Lane	4,400		4,400
40/68	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/69	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/70	Chestnut Lane	4,400		4,400
40/71	Chestnut Lane	4,500		4,500
40/72	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,300		4,300
40/73	off Perimeter Road	4,400		4,400

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
40/74	Chestnut Lane	4,700		4,700
40/76	Birch Lane	4,400		4,400
40/77	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/78	Birch Lane	4,300		4,300
40/79	Uncanoonuc Mountain	4,400		4,400
40/80	Birch Lane	4,400		4,400
40/81	Uncanoonuc Mountain	4,400		4,400
40/82	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/83	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/85	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/86	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/87	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/88	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/89	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/90	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/91	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/92	Uncanoonuc Mountain	4,500		4,500
40/93	Cedar Lane	4,300		4,300
40/94	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/95	Uncanoonuc Mountain	4,600		4,600
40/97	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/98	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,500		4,500
40/99	Pine Lane	4,600		4,600
40/101	Pine Lane	4,700		4,700
40/103	off Perimeter Road	4,400		4,400
40/104	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/105	Summit Ave.	4,700		4,700
40/106	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/107	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	4,400		4,400
40/113	Perimeter Road	122,100	61,600	183,700
40/115	So. Uncanoonuc Mtn.	163,500		163,500
40/47A	off Perimeter Road	4,500		4,500
40/50A	off Perimeter Road	4,300		4,300
41/6	Forest Avenue	9,000		9,000
41/7	Incline Avenue	9,500		9,500
41/9	Incline Avenue	9,200		9,200
41/14	Mountain/Park Ave.	10,600		10,600
41/16	Mountain Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/17	Mountain Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/19	Uncanoonuc Avenue	9,000		9,000

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
41/21	Park Avenue	15,500		15,500
41/22	Crown Avenue	9,500		9,500
41/23	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,500		8,500
41/24	Uncanoonuc Avenue	9,200		9,200
41/29	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/30	Incline Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/31	South Mountain Base	8,800		8,800
41/32	Kaoka Avenue	9,900		9,900
41/33	Kaoka Avenue	13,800		13,800
41/34	Chocorua Avenue	23,100		23,100
41/35	Wonolancet Avenue	13,000		13,000
41/36	Wonolancet Avenue	25,700		25,700
41/37	Chocorua Avenue	17,900		17,900
41/38	Chocorua Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/39	Chocorua Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/40	Chocorua Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/41	Chocorua Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/42	Chocorua Avenue	9,500		9,500
41/43	Chocorua Avenue	11,600		11,600
41/45	Kaoka Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/46	Kaoka Avenue	9,200		9,200
41/47	Kaoka Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/48	Kaoka Avenue	10,000		10,000
41/49	Kaoka Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/50	Kaoka Avenue	9,200		9,200
41/51	Mascoma Avenue	44,400	5,000	49,400
41/56	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/61	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/62	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
41/69	Incline Avenue	45,200	14,400	59,600
41/75	So Mtn. Base/RR Ave.	14,200		14,200
41/76	Railroad Avenue	9,300		9,300
41/77	Railroad Avenue	11,300		11,300
41/78	Railroad Avenue	5,200		5,200
41/79	Mascoma Avenue	9,300		9,300
41/80	So. Mtn. Base Road	9,200		9,200
41/64A	Uncanoonuc Avenue	8,900		8,900
42/2	Railroad Avenue	9,700		9,700
42/4	Railroad Avenue	8,400		8,400
42/5	off Railroad Avenue	9,600		9,600

Map/Lot	Location	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
42/6	3 Orr St	46,800	8,000	54,800
42/12	Incline Avenue	8,900		8,900
42/15	Mountain Avenue	9,200		9,200
42/18	Mountain Avenue	10,200		10,200
42/19	Orr Street	9,200		9,200
42/22	Park Ave	11,700		11,700
42/23	Crown Avenue	12,800		12,800
42/24	Chestnut Slope	120,000		120,000
42/25	Chestnut Slope	9,200		9,200
42/28	Mountain Base Road	8,800		8,800
42/29	Chestnut Slope	8,800		8,800
42/30	169 Mountain Base Rd	45,900	10,700	56,600
42/31	Chestnut Slope	8,800		8,800
42/32	Chestnut Slope	8,800		8,800
42/33	Chestnut Slope	9,200		9,200
42/35	Chestnut Slope	8,900		8,900
42/36	Chestnut Slope	8,900		8,900
42/37	Chestnut Slope	8,900		8,900
42/40	off Mtn. Base Road	9,200		9,200
42/41	Chestnut Slope	8,800		8,800
42/42	Chestnut Slope	8,900		8,900
42/45	Lake Uncanoonuc	9,100		9,100
42/51	Railroad Avenue	5,200		5,200
43/24/1	Arrowhead Dr	66,000	20,000	86,000
TOTAL TOWN & CONSERVATION: \$		6,421,900	4,065,200	10,487,100
GRAND TOTAL		\$10,433,400	27,389,800	37,823,200

**NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION -- MS-4
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603) 271-3397**

DUE SEPTEMBER 1

City/Town: Goffstown

FY: 2004

REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

cct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.	For Use By Municipality	Reserved for Use by DRA
TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes	22	118,000	
3180	Resident Taxes			
3185	Timber Taxes	22	10,000	
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	22	77,226	
3189	Other Taxes			
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		142,900	
	Inventory Penalties			
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)			
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	22	4,026	
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	22	2,553,496	
3230	Building Permits	22	60,000	
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	22	27,640	
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	22	132,998	
FROM STATE				
3351	Shared Revenues	22	105,427	
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	22	577,786	
3353	Highway Block Grant	22	335,940	
3354	Water Pollution Grant	22	280,144	
3355	Housing & Community Development			
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement			
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement			
3359	Other (Includes Railroad Tax): Rails to Trails			

3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	22	63,007	
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401-3406	Income from Departments	22	564,789	
3401-3407	Other Charges	22	121,932	
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	22	2,500	
3502	Interest on Investments	22	25,000	
3503-3509	Other	22	224,101	
INTER-FUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
3912	Special Revenue Funds	22	356,675	
3913	Capital Projects Fund			
3914	Enterprise Fund			
	Sewer - (Offset)	22	1,825,856	
	Water - (Offset)			
	Electric - (Offset)			
	Airport - (Offset)			
3915	Capital Reserve Fund			
3916	Trust & Agency Funds	22	7,775	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		533,800	
SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES			8,151,018	
General Fund Balance				
For Municipal Use:				
	Unreserved Fund Balance	\$2,494,654		
	Voted From "Surplus"			
	Fund Balance - Retained	\$2,494,654		
	Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes	\$200,000		200,000
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS				8,351,018

REQUESTED OVERLAY (RSA 76:6)

\$60,000

Janice O'Connell M.B.A., Finance Director

10/7/2004

PREPARER'S NAME AND TITLE

DATE

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

MS-7

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	WARR ART. #	APPROPRIATIONS PRIOR YEAR AS APPROVED BY DRA	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES PRIOR YEAR	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
				RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX			
Police	16	3,261,767	3,056,315	3,377,061	3,377,061
Ambulance: Emergency Medical Services					
Fire	16	1,819,582	1,773,666	2,030,096	2,030,096
Building Inspection	16	83,364	74,293	89,947	89,947
Emergency Management	16	4,001	88,903	4,276	4,276
Other Public Safety (Including Communications)					
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX			
Admin.& Highways & Streets	16	2,678,692	2,355,369	2,856,179	2,856,179
Bridges					
Street Lighting & Other					
SANITATION		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX			
Admin.& Solid Waste Collection	16	1,144,960	1,230,994	1,163,577	1,163,577
Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup					
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX			
Administration & Water Services					
Water Treatment, Conservation & Other					
ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX			
Administration & Generation					
Purchase Costs					
Electric Equipment Maintenance					
Other Electric Costs					
HEALTH		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX			
Administration & Pest Control					
Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other					
WELFARE		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX			
Admin. & Direct Assistance	16	52,632	54,915	59,741	59,741
Inter-gov. Welfare Payments					

Vendor Payments & Other					
CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXXX			
Parks & Recreation	16	305,849	298,946	328,945	328,945
Library	16	518,345	495,382	541,884	541,884
Other Culture & Recreation: Public Access TV	16	45,140	39,720	46,851	46,851
CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXXX			
Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources					
Other Conservation					
Redevelopment & Housing Economic Development (Main St. Program)					
DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXXX			
Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes	16	168,311	168,311	249,111	249,111
Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	16	81,566	81,566	99,585	99,585
Interest on TANs	16	1	0	1	1
Other Debt Service					
CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXXX			
Land & Improvements	16	221,940	144,435	441,000	441,000
Machinery, Vehicles & Equip.	16	444,717	410,611	553,708	553,708
Buildings					
Improvements other than Buildings	16	231,175	166,632	434,860	434,860
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXXX			
To Special Revenue Fund	16	152,044	149,051	202,695	202,695
To Capital Projects Fund					
To Enterprise Fund					
Sewer-	16	2,106,000	1,652,727	2,097,202	2,097,202
Water-					
Electric-					
To Capital Reserve Fund					
To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maint. Trust Fund)					
To Health Maintenance Trust Fund					
To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
To Agency Funds					
SUBTOTAL 1		14,804,215	13,712,427	16,161,550	16,161,550

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	WARR ART. #	APPRO- PRIATIONS PRIOR YEAR AS APROVED BY DRA	ACTUAL EXPEND- ITURES PRIOR YEAR	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
MAIN STREET PROGRAM	19	15,000	15,000	15,000		15,000	
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended					15,000		15,000
MUNICIPAL CURBSIDE RECYCLING BOND		533,800	528,805				
DPW ROAD RECLAMATION & RESURFACING	17	1,810,490	1,802,325	1,865,000		1,865,000	
CONSERVATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	18	80,000	80,000	80,000		80,000	
GRASMERE TOWN HALL CAP. RESERVE FUND	20			100,000		100,000	
FIRE APPARATUS (TWO)	29				700,000		700,000
				2,045,000		2,045,000	

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year (ms-4)	Actual Revenue Prior Year	Estimated Revenue for Ensuing Fiscal Year
TAXES				
Land Use Change Taxes	16	118,000	182,267	80,000
Resident Taxes				
Yield Taxes	16	10,000	5,068	30,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	16	77,226	77,226	77,226
Other Taxes				
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	16	142,900	172,347	155,000
INVENTORY PENALTIES				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
Business Licenses & Permits	16	4,026	4,641	4,500
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	16	2,553,496	2,483,155	2,653,946
Building Permits	16	60,000	68,022	80,000
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	16	27,640	22,237	24,616
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	16	132,998	130,315	1,000
FROM STATE				
Shared Revenues	16	105,427	116,137	105,427
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	16	577,786	577,786	577,786
Highway Block Grant	16	335,940	335,940	363,290
Water Pollution Grant	16	280,144	280,144	146,697
Housing & Community Development				
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
Flood Control Reimbursement				
Other (Including Railroad Tax)				
FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	16	63,007	65,045	290,175
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
Income from Departments	16	564,789	674,977	514,570
Other Charges	16	121,932	142,220	145,766
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
Sale of Municipal Property	16	2,500	1,500	50,000

Interest on Investments	16	25,000	19,617	25,000
Other	16	224,101	230,514	217,101
INTER-FUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
Special Revenue Funds:				
EMS & Sewer	16	356,675	407,235	471,437
Capital Projects Fund				
Enterprise Fund				
Sewer - (Offset)	16	1,825,856	1,825,856	1,950,505
Water - (Offset)				
Electric - (Offset)				
Capital Reserve Fund				
Trust & Agency Funds	16	7,775	7,293	17,858
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		533,800	533,800	
Amounts Voted from "Surplus"				
"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes				
TOTAL REVENUES	16	8,151,018	8,363,342	7,981,900
BUDGET SUMMARY				
		SELECTMAN	BUDGET COMTE	
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 3)		16,161,550	16,161,550	
SUBTOTAL 2 "Individual" warrant articles (from page 4)		15,000	15,000	
SUBTOTAL 3 Special warrant articles as defined by Law (from page 4)		2,045,000	2,045,000	
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended		18,221,550	18,221,550	
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes)		7,981,900	7,981,900	
Amount of Taxes To Be Raised		10,239,650	10,239,650	

2004 TAX RATE CALCULATION

	<u>Town Portion</u>		
Appropriations	17,243,505		
Less: Revenues	8,351,018		
Less: Shared Revenues	111,651		
Add: Overlay	55,797		
War Service Credits	451,125		
		9,287,758	
Net Town Appropriation			
Municipal Tax Rate			7.65
	<u>School Portion</u>		
Net Local School Budget	20,612,067		
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(4,894,390)		
State Education Taxes	(3,675,235)		
		12,042,442	
Net School Appropriation			
Local Education Rate			9.91
State Education Taxes		3,675,235	
State Education Rate			3.09
	<u>County Portion</u>		
Due to County	1,391,540		
Less: Shared Revenues	(15,195)		
		1,376,345	
Approved County Tax Effort			
County Tax Rate			1.13
Total Tax Rate			<u>21.78</u>
Total Taxes Assessed		26,381,780	
Less: War Service Credits		(451,125)	
Total Property Tax Commitment		<u>25,930,655</u>	

	Tax Rate	Tax Assessment
Proof of Rate		
State Education Tax	3.09	3,675,235
All Other Taxes	18.69	22,706,545
		<u>26,381,780</u>

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 2004

DEBIT

Levies of:	2004	2003
Uncollected Taxes		
at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes		\$1,149,120
Taxes Committed this Year:		
Property Taxes	\$25,936,567	
Land Use Change	\$181,240	
Yield Taxes	\$5,497	
Overpayment:		
Property Taxes	\$100,082	\$41,781
Interest and Cost Collected		
on Delinquent Tax:	\$17,929	\$26,607
TOTAL DEBITS	\$26,241,315	\$1,217,508

CREDIT

	2004	2003
Remittance to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$24,787,411	\$681,335
Land Use Change	\$117,240	
Yield Taxes	\$4,288	
Interest	\$17,929	\$26,607
Conversion to Lien		\$452,688
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	\$19,543	\$56,878
Uncollected Taxes		
End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$1,230,754	
Land Use Change	\$64,000	
Yield Taxes	\$150	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$26,241,315	\$1,217,508

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT (MS-61)

Summary of Tax Lien Accounts
 Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004

DEBIT

Levies of:

	2003	2002	2001
Unredeemed Lien Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year:		\$239,167	\$80,700
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year:	\$483,708		
Interest & Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	\$23,250	\$25,938	\$31,037
Refunds of Liened Property:	\$8,095	\$3,500	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$515,053	\$268,605	\$111,737

CREDIT

	2003	2002	2001
Remittance to Treasurer			
Redemptions:	\$310,521	\$152,794	\$75,809
Interest/Costs Collected: (After Lien Execution)	\$23,250	\$25,938	\$31,037
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes:	\$8,099	\$23,006	
Liens Deeded to Municipality:			
Unredeemed Lien Balance At end of Year:	\$173,183	\$66,867	\$4,891
TOTAL CREDITS	\$515,053	\$268,605	\$111,737

2004 TAX YEAR: APRIL 1, 2004 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2005

BALANCE SHEET

Un-audited for Year Ending 12/31/2004

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$	9,866,753
Investments		187,104
Taxes receivable		1,678,485
Accounts receivable		13,143
Overlay		(64,190)
Due from other governments		32,208
Due from others		<u>207,387</u>
Total Assets and Other Debits	\$	<u><u>11,920,890</u></u>

LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS

Liabilities:

Accounts payable	\$	1,111,213
Due to School District		6,467,677
Other liabilities and accrued expenses		<u>106,879</u>
Total Liabilities	\$	7,685,769

Equity and Other Credits:

Fund balances:

Reserved for encumbrances	\$	1,176,544
Unreserved - undesignated		<u>3,058,577</u>
Total Equity and Other Credits	\$	<u><u>4,235,121</u></u>

Total Liabilities, Equity and Other Credits	\$	<u><u>11,920,890</u></u>
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TREASURY REPORT

Un-audited for Year Ending December 31, 2004

Cash on Hand – January 1, 2004	\$ 7,495,718.42
Deposits, Transfers & Adjustments	33,226,209.12
Total Cash	40,721,927.54
Disbursements, Transfers & Adjustments	30,583,477.06
Cash on Hand - December 31, 2004	\$ 10,138,450.48

Citizens Bank	\$ 9,951,346.70
NH Investment Pool	40,345.15
Fleet Bank	146,758.63
	\$ 10,138,450.48

TOWN CLERK /TAX COLLECTOR STAFF



*Standing L-R: Donna Bergeron, Town Clerk, Felice Dandurand, Karen Leclerc
Seated L-R: Gail Lavallee, Jean Mayberry, Treasurer, Renee Millson*

DEBT SCHEDULE

Year	Principal	Interest	Total	Year	Principal	Interest	Total
1989 General Obligation Bond – Sewer				2001 General Obligation Bond – Sewer			
2005	100,000	17,500	117,500	2012	75,000	17,456	92,456
2006	100,000	10,500	110,500	2013	75,000	14,081	89,081
2007	100,000	3,500	103,500	2014	75,000	10,631	85,631
1990 General Obligation Bond – Sewer				2015	75,000	7,163	82,163
2005	105,000	46,043	151,043	2016	75,000	3,600	78,600
2006	105,000	38,981	143,981	SEWER BONDS		TOTAL:	
2007	105,000	31,849	136,849	2,585,000	620,056	3,205,056	
2008	105,000	24,806	129,806	2001 Landfill Closure SRLFs			
2009	105,000	17,719	122,719	Year	Principal	Int./Fees	Total
2010	105,000	10,631	115,631	2005	168,311	75,303	243,614
2011	105,000	3,544	108,544	2006	168,311	69,040	237,351
1994 General Obligation Bond – Sewer				2007	168,311	62,778	231,089
2005	30,000	8,929	38,929	2008	168,311	56,515	224,826
2006	30,000	7,144	37,144	2009	168,311	50,252	218,563
2007	25,000	5,478	30,478	2010	168,311	43,990	212,301
2008	25,000	3,931	28,931	2011	168,311	37,727	206,038
2009	25,000	2,363	27,363	2012	168,311	31,464	199,775
2010	25,000	788	25,788	2013	168,311	25,200	193,511
1998 General Obligation Bond – Sewer				2014	168,311	18,938	187,249
2005	55,000	23,813	78,813	2015	168,311	12,675	180,986
2006	55,000	21,200	76,200	2016	168,311	6,412	174,723
2007	55,000	18,588	73,588	2017	4,311	150	4,460
2008	55,000	15,975	70,975	TOTAL LANDFILL CLOSURE SRLFs			
2009	55,000	13,363	68,636	2,024,040	490,444	2,514,484	
2010	55,000	10,750	65,750	2004 Municipal Curbside Recycling Bond			
2011	55,000	8,000	63,000	2005	80,800	24,282	105,082
2012	55,000	5,250	60,250	2006	85,000	20,400	105,400
2013	50,000	2,500	52,500	2007	85,000	17,000	102,000
2001 General Obligation Bond – Sewer				2008	85,000	12,750	97,750
2005	75,000	39,994	114,994	2009	85,000	8,500	93,500
2006	75,000	36,900	111,900	2010	85,000	4,250	89,250
2007	75,000	33,806	108,806	Total Municipal Curbside Recycling Bond			
2008	75,000	30,713	105,713	505,800	87,182	592,982	
2009	75,000	27,488	102,488				
2010	75,000	24,206	99,206				
2011	75,000	20,831	95,831				

TOWN CLERK TRANSACTIONS

	2003		2004	
<u>Quantity</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Motor Vehicle Permits:				
Automobiles	19,586	\$2,387,787.78	19,513	\$2,422,888.62
Municipal Agent Fees	18,361	\$46,015.00	18,519	\$46,297.50
Title Fees (CTA's)	3,945	\$7,902.00	3,603	\$7,204.00
Mail-In Fees	13,762	\$13,762.00	14,174	\$14,174.00
Boat Registrations	n/a	na	156	\$2,282.00
Boat Agent Fees	n/a	n/a	156	\$235.00
Protested Checks	38	\$1,184.00	33	\$1,056.00
Dog Licenses				
Fines	24	\$725.00	25	\$750.00
Licenses *	1,223	\$8,589.50	1,238	\$9,092.00
Filing Fees				
Articles of Agree.	4	\$20.00	1	\$5.00
Game Licenses	15	\$966.00	12	\$950.00
Pole Licenses	23	\$230.00	4	\$40.00
Filing Fees	35	\$465.00	15	\$170.00
Candidate Filings	7	\$7.00	17	\$26.00
UCCs	274	\$4,091.00	232	\$3,450.00
Vital Records:				
Birth Certificates *	195	\$2,220.00	251	\$2,816.00
Death Certificates *	408	\$3,780.00	520	\$4,716.00
Marriage Licenses *	87	\$3,915.00	77	\$3,465.00
Marriage Certificates *	161	\$1,744.00	190	\$2,004.00
Miscellaneous:		\$588.66		\$614.80
Amount Remitted to Treasurer		\$2,483,991.94		\$2,522,235.92

* Revenues prior to payments to the State of New Hampshire

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR THE TOWN OF GOFFSTOWN

REDUCE TRUSTEES SPREADSHEET (P1 OF 4)

Reduce Trustees Spreadsheet (p2 of 4)

Reduce Trustees Spreadsheet (p3 of 4)

Reduce Trustees Spreadsheet (p4 of 4)

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT



*Seated L-R: Daniel Cloutier, John Caprio, Chair, Raymond Labore, Dennis Rechcigl.
Standing L-R: Suzanne Tremblay, Phillip Kendall, Bill Gleeson, Gary Burnier, Eric
Geissenhainer, Richard Fletcher. Absent: Vivian Blondeau, Peter Georgantas, Scott Gross,
David Rowe, Jeffery Tate, Robert Wheeler, Selectman Rep.*

The Goffstown Budget Committee consists of 16 members. Twelve members are elected for staggered three-year terms, and four members are appointed each year; one from the Board of Selectmen, one from the School Board, one from the Grasmere Village Water Precinct and one from the Goffstown Village Water Precinct.

The Budget Committee normally meets on the third Tuesday of each month for the purpose of reviewing monthly expenditures by the Town departments and the school district. During the month of November the Budget Committee divides into two sub-committees. The Town sub-committee meets with the department heads to review the Town budget requests for the following year. The school sub-committee meets with the representatives from the Goffstown School Board for the same purpose. After a lengthy review process and deliberation sessions, each sub-committee recommends a proposed budget to the full Budget Committee during the month of December. In January the Budget Committee conducts public hearings and makes recommendations for the Deliberative Sessions for both the Town Meeting and School District Meeting.

Major items that were considered this year were: increases in the Town and school budgets, and special articles for the major road plan and the GAHS roof replacement. The Budget Committee's meetings are open to the public and we welcome your input during our public comment session.

Respectfully submitted,
John Caprio, Chairman

CABLE TELEVISION COMMUNITY ACCESS



Seated L-R: Rosemary Garretson, Marie Boyle, Andrea Card. Standing L-R: Dick Gagnon, GTV Coordinator, Jim Bingham, Gov't Liaison, James Pingree, Chairman, Donald Gagnon. Absent: Craig Battey, Patrick Tucker.

Goffstown Public Access television has had a challenging and productive year as it gears up with the latest technology. Phase I of the digital conversion is finally done. Shows are now saved on a digital server for computer-scheduled playback. The digital upgrades in the Mildred Stark Room allow for DVD recording of meetings as well as improved audio transmission on live feeds to the public. A new all digital web concentric bulletin board system is now in place. Additionally, the Mildred Stark room was fitted with an internal audio system with ceiling speakers for better audio reception for meeting attendees.

Training sessions have resumed at the studio, where patrons are being trained on the new, more friendly, digital editing systems and digital cameras to produce a number of shows. Video information/education programs have been created for several town departments.

The Goffstown Community Access TV committee invites individual residents and civic organizations to take classes in video editing and production for the creation of videos and programs for personal and community benefit. Prior experience is not necessary. Let your voice be heard or volunteer behind the scenes. GTV volunteers look forward to seeing you.

Respectfully yours,
James Pingree, Chairman

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

The Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) Committee is a subcommittee of the Planning Board charged with creating a six-year projection of capital expenditures for the town, school, and water precincts. Throughout the summer, the CIP Committee meets with various town and school officials to review capital cost items in excess of \$25,000. Based on the CIP Committee's review of our community's capital needs, we make recommendations to the Planning Board that serve to prioritize large expenditures and provide some stability to our local tax rate. The purpose of the CIP Committee is as specified in RSA 674:6:

"The capital improvements program shall classify projects according to the urgency and need for realization and shall recommend a time sequence for their implementation. The program may also contain the estimated cost of each project and indicate probable operating and maintenance costs and probable revenues, if any, as well as existing sources of funds or the need for additional sources of funds for the implementation and operation of each project. The program shall be based on information submitted by the departments and agencies of the municipality and shall take into account public facility needs indicated by the prospective development shown in the master plan of the municipality or as permitted by other municipal land use controls."

Last year in 2004, the Town approved a capital budget of \$5,561,978. The CIP is recommending a capital budget for 2005 of \$6,100,161 (subject to revision as the Capital Budget makes its way through the budget process). Although this is a significant increase from the previous year, it is not as significant of an increase over the amount approved for 2004 by the Planning Board of \$5,831,339. Given the anticipated growth in our local tax base, this is essentially level funded compared to the Planning Board approved number.

The CIP could not reduce the capital budget any more in 2005 because deferring expenditures would have had a detrimental effect in years 2006-2010 (a projection for 2007 of up to \$7 million, for example). The town is facing some costly capital expenditures in the next few years, and we continue to recommend that there is a need for additional commercial and industrial tax base to keep the residential tax burden reasonable. I would like to thank the Committee for their hard work during the hot summer months.

Respectfully Submitted,
Fred Plett, Chairman

CEMETERY TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT



Leon Konieczny, Jean Walker Absent: Linda Reynolds-Naughton

The Goffstown Cemetery Trustees would like to extend their thanks to the community for their positive response to recent amendments in the cemetery rules and regulations. As with most things, changes became necessary over time. The rules were updated to not only ease the growing burden of proper maintenance, but to preserve an atmosphere of uniformity at all times. 2004 accomplishments for cemetery operations include:

- Continued rebuilding of lawns needing attention with a grub control program
- Replacement of five trees
- Repaired many of the broken monuments
- Provided a gravel road maintenance and turnaround for vehicles at Hillside

Through the generosity of community members who have bequeathed funds in Perpetual Care for the specific purpose of beautifying Westlawn, the Cemetery Trustees have installed a 25' fiberglass flagpole and veterans plaque. This memorial is in appreciation to all Goffstown men and women who served our country in times of war and peace. Once again the Trustees express their gratitude to the DPW for their support in the efforts of the Trustees to make the three town cemeteries a place of pride and reverence, and a sustaining source of comfort to family members.

Respectfully submitted,
Goffstown Cemetery Trustees

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Goffstown, in coordinating its land related planning, development and regulation activities, is now reporting them as a single activity under the title of community development. The Planning Office, the Code Enforcement Office and the Building/Health Inspection Office are included under this heading. The citizen board and council community development participants are still listed separately, which includes the Economic Development Council, the Planning Board, and the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

PLANNING OFFICE

In 2004, plan proposal activity dropped toward the 1998–1999 level. The table below shows the number of subdivision, site plan and conceptual plan applications submitted for Planning Board review each year:

Type	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Subdivision	16	23	21	26	37	25	22
Site Plan	12	14	17	12	14	19	15
Conceptual	13	19	15	15	31	16	5
Total	41	56	53	53	82	60	42
% Change	+71%	+37%	-5%	0%	+55%	-27%	-30%

Of these 22 subdivisions in 2004, 18 were approved, representing 68 new home lots and 9 new industrial lots. Given the absorption of lots for new homes, it had been estimated that the level of new home construction in 2004 would drop to the 1999 level, which it did. Given this low level of building permits in 2004, compared to the number of residential lots created, plus 40 residential lots that are pending, building permits in 2005 may return to their 2002–2003 levels.

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
100	79	58	53	95	95	64

Notwithstanding this variation, Goffstown continues to face the challenges of growth, particularly of increased residential development, as well as additional pressures on our roadways due to the increasing development of our neighboring communities to the west and north.

In addition to plan reviews, the planning staff worked on a number of projects. (1) Staff focused on the Route 114/114A corridor management plan following its adoption by the Planning Board. The proposed 2005 zoning changes begin to implement this plan. A new zoning district, the Commercial-Industrial Flex District, would be placed along South Mast Road, which, along

with the Board's Development Regulations, would provide for non-residential development while still protecting South Mast Road's traffic carrying capacity and Goffstown's existing village scale and rural character. (2) In 2004, a Request for Proposal and consultant selection for completion of the Master Plan Update was completed. This Master Plan update should be completed 2005. This plan, among other things, will look at how residential pressure might be abated in the more rural areas, while being more concentrated along the Mast Road corridor and in Goffstown's multiple village centers. (3) Staff, in coordination with Goffstown Main Street Program, Inc., developed an economic development brochure. (4) Lastly, staff is actively working with several non-residential economic development proposals that would result in an increased tax base.

The Planning office serves as staff to several boards and committees, including the Planning Board, Capital Improvements Program Committee, Highway Safety Committee, Economic Development Council and Technical Review Committee. All planning is coordinated with the Board of Selectmen and the Goffstown Main Street Program.

ZONING CODE ENFORCEMENT

Since the adoption of the Goffstown Zoning Ordinance at Town Meeting in 1961, various offices have performed the enforcement and interpretation of the ordinance. The Zoning Code Enforcement Officer has become a separate, full-time position, resulting in additional, consistent zoning enforcement action.

Zoning enforcement includes interpretation and enforcement of the zoning ordinance, as well as the enforcement of specific approval conditions attached to a Zoning Board of Adjustment, Planning Board, or Historic District Commission action. The Zoning Code Enforcement Officer also serves as staff to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

BUILDING INSPECTION

Goffstown finished the year with 64 new dwelling unit permitted, down 33% from last year. Commercial activities in 2004 remained fairly stable. Hopefully, we will see an increase in commercial construction in 2005.

At the 2004 March Town Meeting, the Town adopted Building Codes from the International Code Council for non-residential and multi-family development. These codes, also adopted by the State, include:

- International Building Code 2000;
- International Plumbing Code 2000;
- International Mechanical Code 2000;
- International Energy Conservational Code 2000.

Also at the 2004 March Town Meeting, the 1995 CABO was replaced with the International Residential Code 2000, and all future supplements. At the

present, the 2003 IRC is enforced. This code applies to one and two-family development.

The 2002 NFPA National Electrical Code remains in place, but will be replaced with the 2005 edition on July 1, 2005. This code applies to all development.

HEALTH OFFICER

Drinking water remains a concern. Water users still expect the purest water possible. It is advisable to have well water tested from time to time to minimize the threat of ingesting contaminant that may be harmful to health. For more information check the State web site at www.des.state.nh.us/wseb

WEST NILE VIRUS is slowing creeping in our region. We are cautioned not to leave standing water on our property to minimize its spread.

Permit / Fee Source	2002		2003		2004	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
New 1 and 2 - Family Units	95	59,362	95	57,847	64	22,641
Misc. Buildings Permits	529	20,108	733	25,156	799	27,209
New Commercial Permits	12	17,062	12	4,596	8	3,247
Misc. Commercial Permits	21	14,587	27	2,823	37	3,118
Child Care Inspection	7	275	3	120	9	385
Health Inspection	21	0	5	0	16	0
Junkyard Inspection	1	25	3	225	0	0
Mobile Home Inspection	2	200	2	200	0	0
Sign Permits	55	1,115	49	720	68	1,530
ZBA Applications	83	5,042	49	4,897	60	9,730
Planning Board Applications	-	-	-	57,057	-	20,589
Misc. Fees / Sales	-	480	-	1,263	-	1,266
TOTALS		\$118,256		\$154,904		\$89,715

Permit / Fee Source	2002		2003		2004	
	#	Value	#	Value	#	Value
School Impact Fees	29	108,593	91	322,225	45	158,636
Road Impact Fees	28	3,076	89	9,350	39	4,180
Recreational Impact Fees	-	0	-	0	2	2,000
TOTALS	-	\$111,669	-	\$331,575		\$164,816

Respectively submitted,
 Stephen B. Griffin, AICP
 Planning and Economic Development Coordinator

CONSERVATION COMMISSION



Seated L-R: recording sec. Doris Frye, Chairman Collis Adams, Kimberly Peace. Standing L-R: Selectman Barbara Griffin, Evelyn Miller, Jean Walker, Jason Sachs, Vice-Chairman David Nieman, Lisa Yesse, and Karen McRae. Absent: Susan Tucker

The Conservation Commission continues to take an active role in support of the Planning Board for all subdivision and site plan applications. The commission conducted over 40 site inspections and provided reports and recommendations to the Planning Board for their deliberations on these applications. The commission also maintains representation at Planning Board meetings to provide assistance as requested by the board. The commission reviewed, inspected and commented on 8 applications to the NH Department of Environmental Services for wetland dredges and fill permits and intent-to-cut timber notices in 2004.

The commission has received the final report and mapping for the prime wetlands study which was completed through contract with Vanasse, Hangen Brustlin of Bedford. This study was funded through a \$30,000 appropriation as approved by the voters in 2003. The commission is pleased with the quality of the final report and the Planning Board has given their support to the effort by recommending acceptance and approval by the voters on the March 2005 ballot. The report can be reviewed at the town offices and should be available on the town website soon.

The commission also received the final natural resources inventory that was completed through contract with the University of New Hampshire. This inventory is also available for public review.

The prime wetlands study and natural resources inventory are both important documents that will be incorporated into the Goffstown Open Space Plan. With the addition of these two documents and the development of mapping overlays from the town wide GIS system, the plan will be complete and ready for presentation to the Board of Selectmen for approval and acceptance. This plan will become a valuable reference and planning tool for the various boards, commissions and members of our community.

The commission has had preliminary discussions with several landowners relative to their desires to conserve their open space lands through the land conservation reserve fund. The commission continues to evaluate these properties in the context of the open space plan and hopes to have much more to report in the year to come.

Anyone interested in sharing their knowledge, expertise and time in support of the commission's efforts is encouraged to contact any member of the commission.

Respectfully submitted,
Collis G. Adams, Chairman

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



*Seated L-R: Richard Bruno, Chairman, Philip Tatro, Secretary, Marie Boyle.
Standing L-R: Henry Grady, Planning and Economic Development Coordinator, Steve Griffin,
Selectman Robert Wheeler.
Absent: Albert Desruisseaux, Selectman Bruce Hunter, Bryan King, Arthur Rose, Jr.*

Goffstown Economic Development Council continues its work to foster the commercial and industrial development of the community, and to retain and strengthen its existing base. This year the council was pleased to see the approval of the industrial park on the Goffstown Back Road at the Manchester line, and the beginning of its infrastructure. The council was able to realize a long-term goal in 2004 with the availability of high speed internet access to most businesses in the community through Business DSL. We continue to work on the implementation of the recommendations set forth in the Rte. 114 Corridor Study. In doing so, we have completed a business survey to better understand our existing business's needs and have continued to work with the Planning Board on the creation of a commercial flex zone on the corridor. This new zone, and the first proposed lots to be changed to this new designation, should be brought before the town for a vote at the 2005 Town Meeting. These zoning changes

would allow for more economic development opportunities along the corridor within the boundaries of the Corridor Study.

The council continues to seek interested individuals who would like to be involved with the development of a healthy and prospering economic environment within our community. Please contact the Town Administrator's office and ask for a Volunteer Application Form if you are interested.

Respectfully submitted,
Philip Tatro Sr., Chairman

GOFFSTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The year 2004 was fast paced for the Fire Department and its employees, who worked together to provide the highest level of Fire and EMS services to the community. In addition to providing emergency services to the Town, employees also completed a number of projects and collateral duties within the Department.

Unfortunately, the Goffstown Fire Department lost 2 past members in 2004. Selectman John Sarette and Mr. Edouard Forcier both passed away during the year. Selectman Sarette was a retired Call Captain of Training and contributed to the growth and professionalism of the Goffstown Fire Department through his many years as the Department's Training Officer. Mr. Forcier was instrumental in the construction of the Pinardville Fire Station and was an active member of the Pinardville Fire Station for many years. They will be missed.

The Goffstown Fire Department celebrated the promotions of 4 employees during the year. Captain Mark Hurley was promoted to the rank of Deputy Fire Chief of Operations. Lieutenant Steve Tower was promoted to the rank of Training Captain. Fire Fighter Eric Battey was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, and Call Fire Fighter Rob Peters was promoted to the rank of Full Time Fire Fighter / EMT.

The Department was active in many community and school activities during the year. The employees' commitment to involve themselves with the community along with their commitment to respond to the emergency needs of the community has helped the Department and the community to collaborate to meet the community's needs more effectively.

ADMINISTRATION:

Administration made many strides during the year as it received a great deal of support and cooperation from a number of internal and external resources. The Department was fortunate to be able to draw upon the resources of two college institutions located in the State. The students at the University of New Hampshire completed two research projects on Fire Station Locations and Fire

Station Designs. Students at St. Anselm's College completed a telephone survey designed to provide feedback to the Department and Town regarding the level of service that is provided to the community. The results of this survey identified several areas that the Department could improve on in the future.

Administration completed a total revision of the Fire Department's section of the Town's Master Plan. This document has identified a number of areas that the Town should consider in order to continue to provide effective and efficient Fire and EMS services to the community in the future.

The Department also conducted an extensive Officer Promotional Exam Process that covered Officer positions in both the Full Time and Call Force ranks. This process identified several outstanding candidates for promotion as well as provided the candidates with a clear path and direction for future advancement within the organization.

The Department increased the number of authorized and certified Driver / Operators and Covering Fire Officers during the year. The requirements of these positions were identified through sponsored training programs along with a written description of the requirements for each position. Both of these items have enabled employees to utilize their skills and education to function at a higher level of service.

Upon authorization of the Board of Selectmen, Administration created and submitted a substantial proposal for moving the Fire Department to a 24-hour full time staffing system. This system would use a combination of both Full Time and Call Force employees to provide Fire and EMS services to the community. The adoption of this system would provide a system more responsive to the needs of the community while providing much needed relief to the employees of the Call Force. The Administration also developed a report comparing a Fire Based EMS System as compared to a Private EMS Based System.

Due to a number of employee injuries and surgeries and the loss of several employees, maintaining full coverage in all operational shifts was extremely difficult. Lieutenant Steve Roberts and Fire Fighter Dean Covis did an excellent job in handling this task throughout the year.

The Department struggled in the area of apparatus maintenance and was forced to borrow apparatus from the City of Manchester on several occasions while several pieces of our apparatus were sent out for service. The Town of Goffstown is fortunate to have the ability to draw upon the available resources of the City of Manchester. On behalf of the Town and Department I thank the City of Manchester, Chief Kane and his employees for all of their support.

Many thanks go to the Department's secretary, Brenda Barss, for all of her dedication and hard work during the year. Secretary Barss continually puts in many extra hours and exceeds what is required of her to make sure that the Department stays on track.

APPARATUS MAINTENANCE DIVISION:

The year 2004 was an extremely busy year for this division. Lieutenant Steve Roberts, Town Mechanic Mark Urella and several area fire truck vendors worked extremely hard to keep the Department's fleet in service during the year. The current fleet is aging and the need for maintenance and repair is increasing annually.

Currently the Department has placed Engine 2 and Engine 5 out of service due to maintenance/mechanical issues. Both of these vehicles have served the Town and Department for a number of years and are in need of replacement. Engine 2 is a 1979 American LaFrance and Engine 5 is a 1985 Ford/Grumman.

With these two pieces of apparatus out of service the Department's remaining two fire engines, Engine 1 and Engine 6 are being used at an increased level in order to provide services to the community. The increased wear and tear on these vehicles will reduce their life span and increase their need for maintenance and repair in future years.

Some of the major work that was completed during 2004 to the Department's fleet include: Body work on Ambulance 2; the complete rewiring of the electrical system of the Forestry vehicle; and transmission work to Engine 1. In addition, both Ladder 1 and Ladder 6 were sent out of State several times for work.

The Department created a new 20-year Apparatus Replacement Matrix and submitted this document as part of the Department's Capital Improvements Plan. This updated document includes all apparatus and has outlined a replacement schedule for the next 20 years. Like all plans this is a living document that should be updated annually and can be changed if the need arises.

The Department submitted a grant request as part of the Federal Fire Act Program in 2004 to replace Engine 5 with a new 2,500 Gallon Pumper/Tanker. Unfortunately, the Department's request was not approved.

CALL FORCE:

The year 2004 marked the retirement of Call Deputy Chief Gossett McRae, who retired after providing 24 years of service to the Department. During his tenure, Deputy Chief McRae served as a member of the Department's Board of Fire Wardens and assisted with the advancement into the area of EMS.

The Call Force continues to provide a valuable service to the community, responding to the needs of the community for Fire and EMS responses on a regular basis. The Call Force is responsible for providing Fire and EMS coverage for the Town every night after 6:00 PM, weekends and holidays. Call Force employees also provide coverage 5 days a week at the East Goffstown Fire Station and supplement the full time employees during the week. An increased demand for service requires the Call Force to put in more and more time responding to the needs of the community. In recent years, the time required to complete and fully process an ambulance call has doubled.

The Department greatly appreciates and acknowledges the efforts made by all of the members of the Call Force, each of whom must make a number of tough

decisions regarding their role and commitment to serve the community and the Department. The Call Force employees demonstrate a commitment to service and have stepped up to meet to the demands of increased calls for service.

COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPUTERS:

The Fire Department made steady progress in these areas of the Department in 2004. Lieutenant Eric Battey contributed many hours working with employees, and Neil Funcke the Town's Information Technology Manager, to upgrade the Department's computer system, included hardware and software upgrades as well as the addition of 2 static IP addresses to its system.

The Department worked with the Police Department to purchase several new items in the Town's Dispatch Center. A new Computer Aided Dispatch computer software module has been installed, which will allow the Dispatcher to receive, enter, dispatch and track Fire and EMS calls in the same manner as they handle police calls. This new software module will help provide a more standardized method of operation for the on-duty Dispatcher.

The Department moved forward in 2004 with the purchase of a new base station radio that is located on the top of Mount Uncanoonuc. This radio can transmit a radio tone alert to the radio pagers that are carried by all members to notify them of an emergency response. This unit is critical to emergency operations as it is the primary method used to notify the members of the Call Force that their services are required.

The Fire Department radio communication has been less effective in certain areas in town. The Department identified the exact areas that were affected and purchased two mobile repeaters that have been installed in two pieces of apparatus. The addition of these units has improved our ability to communicate in these areas. The Department has requested funding in 2005 to purchase 2 additional mobile repeaters to help provide an increased level of communications for employees working in the field.

The Department received a grant to purchase and install 14 new State Wide Interoperable Mobile Radios. These new mobile radios will provide the ability to communicate with other communities throughout the State using a standardized radio system.

EQUIPMENT:

In 2004 the Department identified a number of areas that had old and outdated equipment or areas that lacked equipment items that may be needed on emergency calls. The Department obtained the needed funding through the Town's budget process, and through donations and grants to purchase a number of new equipment items including; new fire hose and nozzles, new rescue rope, new protective helmets, a new hydraulic rescue system and two new self-contained breathing apparatus booster pumps.

The Department also received the donation of several large pieces of physical fitness equipment from the City of Manchester and from several citizens, which will be used by employees under a structured voluntary physical fitness program.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:

The Department continues to have employees trained and certified at the EMT – Basic, Intermediate and Paramedic levels throughout the year. The Department went through an EMT re-certification process as well as sponsored a 10-week EMT-I class. EMS Coordinator, Diana Sterling, oversees the EMS activities and works closely with the Training and Administrative Divisions. EMS Coordinator Sterling also represents the Department and its employees at Regional and State level meetings.

FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION ACTIVITIES:

	2003	2004	Change
Construction Related Inspections	546	763	+217
Life Safety Inspections	164	284	+120
Fire Prevention – Misc.	1518	1700	+182
Permits	1757	1542	-215
<u>Totals:</u>	<u>3985</u>	<u>4289</u>	<u>304</u>

Other Activities- Fire Prevention Officer:

- Conducted training for department personnel on Propane piping & tanks, Building construction for firefighter safety and Fire Inspector certification program.
- Developed Cistern & driveway standards.
- Worked with NH Oil Burner Technicians Association on developing a State adoptable standard format for oil burner inspection
- Applied for and received a Fire Safety Public Education Grant from Wal-Mart for school safety committees for all schools in town.
- Addressing: Updated over 5,000 entries to reflect current conditions. Confirmed address & condition of all static fire suppression water supplies
- Municipal Fire Alarm: 6 major (multi day / multi personnel) repair / relocation projects; 6 minor repairs; Numerous system fuse replacements due to lighting strikes; Inventory updates including materials & tools
- Large projects (requiring several meetings & site visits): Bouchard Building remodel; Timberstone property development & kindergarten site; Catamount Ridge; Oak Hill; Factory Street redevelopment; St Anselm to resolve major fire sprinkler problem at the Sullivan Arena; Democratic Debate at St Anselm (inspected & staffed).

TRAINING DIVISION:

Employees today are required to receive training in a number of Fire and EMS dimensions in order to keep pace and provide services to the community. An increased emphasis on safety, training on basic techniques and skills as well as advanced training has helped address the liability issues that face the Department and the community.

The Training Division excelled in 2004 under the direction and leadership of Deputy Chief Mark Hurley and Captain Steve Tower. The Training Division worked with several outside training institutions to sponsor and conduct a large number of training classes for employees of the Department at all levels. Some of the classes that were completed in 2004 by the employees include: Ladder Operations Reorientation, Hose and Nozzle Operations, Driver/Operator Training; Ice Rescue Operations, State Certified Fire Fighter Level 1 A&B, State Certified Incident Command Systems, State Certified Fire Inspector Level 1, State and Nationally Certified EMT – Intermediate Level and Confined Space Rescue Training.

In addition to the above training programs, the Local Government Center provided training. The Department also participated in a large-scale exercise during the year at the New Boston Tracking Station.

MUNICIPAL FIRE ALARM SYSTEM:

During the year the Department sponsored and sent 4 individuals to a Municipal Fire Alarm Training Course. Three of these employees received certification to work on the Town's Municipal Fire Alarm System after completing this training.

The Department, again working with the Police Department and outside vendors, purchased and installed a new fire alarm receiver when the existing unit failed. This state of the art unit will provide the Department with numerous options that were not available on the previous unit. Several repairs to the town's system were made and several new fire alarm boxes were added to the system. The Department is moving forward with establishing a bench stock of common items that are used in the maintenance and repair of the Town's system. Fire Fighter Moe Mailhot and Retired Fire Chief Paul Nault are responsible for the Town's Municipal Fire Alarm System.

An item that is needed to help maintain this system is certified bucket truck, which would provide a safe working environment for the crew working on elevated fire alarm lines among active power lines.

FACILITIES:

The following facility maintenance projects were completed during the year:

- Station 17, East Goffstown-new heating system installed in the office area, a new septic system, water purification system work, and electrical work.
- Station 18, Village Station-several new heating system zones added; the construction of 3 new storage rooms and a locker room for employees, the

painting of several areas of the station; the completion of electrical work, new telephone system and office area renovations.

- Station 19, Pinardville-a new boiler installed, new telephone system, the construction of a storage room, the kitchen and break room areas renovated and electrical work.
- All Facilities-an energy audit completed by Public Service of New Hampshire (PSNH), resulting in new lighting mechanisms installed at all 3 stations to make the stations more energy efficient.

The Local Government Center conducted a safety inspection and identified a number of items in all facilities. The Department has requested funding in 2005 to address some of the issues that were identified in this report.

Many thanks go out to all members for their time, skills, equipment and patience while working on these projects.

FUTURE NEEDS OF THE DEPARTMENT:

The Fire Department finds itself in a very difficult position for many reasons. We are sensitive to the financial impact that our organization has on the community, yet we need to be able to provide the services that the community expects and deserves from their Fire and EMS organization.

The Fire Department submitted a budget for the year 2005 that identified a number of needs of the organization. The submitted budget requested additional funds to add six new Call Force employees, and replace two pieces of apparatus that are out of service. Unfortunately, the projected increase was high and adjustments to our budget request had to be made.

We fully understand that there are many departments in the town and each of them provides a great service to the community. We also fully understand that we will not receive all of the items that we include in our budget request. More importantly, we feel strongly that we have an obligation to you, the citizen taxpayer and the beneficiary of the services, to inform you of our accomplishments during the previous year and what our needs for the future are. As this report clearly shows, the employees of your Fire Department have worked hard, put an extraordinary amount of time and effort in all areas of the Department. The work that has been completed is an excellent example of team work by the employees, Administration, the Elected Officials and you the taxpayer. Unfortunately with all that has been completed in the Department there is still a great deal of work that needs to be done. During the next year the Department will be working with the governing body on the following: developing a plan to provide 24/7 coverage; adoption of a long-term apparatus replacement program; and facility development plan. As the Town and Community continues to grow so must the Fire Department. Staffing needs will be reviewed with the governing body during 2005.

RESPONSE & ACTIVITY SUMMARY:

	2003	2004	Change
Fire	75	86	11
Rescue & EMS incidents	1006	1061	55
Hazardous condition - no fire	85	70	-15
Service Call	149	186	37
Good intent	125	121	-4
False call	244	183	-61
Severe weather & natural disaster	8	1	-7
Special incident type	0	1	1
Total Incident Count	1694	1710	16

SUMMARY:

As this report shows many people have put a great deal of time and effort into the Department. The year 2005 does not show any signs of slowing down for the Department and its employees.

The members of your Fire Department will continue to provide you with the highest level of service that we can in all areas with the resources available to us. We would like to thank each of you for your continued understanding, support and encouragement.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, all Town Departments and Committees, all of our mutual aid Fire and EMS Departments and the employees of the Goffstown Fire Department and their families for all of your support of our organization.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank Carpentino
Fire Chief

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION HERITAGE COMMISSION

The year 2004 has been a busy and fruitful year for the Goffstown Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission. The Commission worked with the historic architectural firm, Weller and Michal Architects, Inc., to complete the design and bid specifications for the final phase of restoration the Grasmere Town Hall. An artist's rendering of the project with the ADA compliant addition has been received and is on display at Town Hall.

The cost of the completed design was \$29,822.46, which was approximately \$5,000 under budget. This was a matching funds grant with NH Division of Historic Resources covering 60% of the cost and the Town covering 40%.

The Town of Goffstown was awarded a 2004 CLG grant from the NH Division of Historic Resources in the amount of \$19,600 for preliminary work in preparation for the addition and refurbishing the exterior front doors leading to the 2nd floor.

The Commission has worked diligently on the restoration of this grand Queen Anne Style Town Hall since the Town voted to retain its ownership in 1997. The Commission, working with the Town of Goffstown, continues seeking innovative ways to raise money and to secure grant funding to successfully complete this restoration project.

The Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission continued to watch over its three Historic Districts. There were no hearings held this past year regarding construction or demolition in any of the districts.

Respectfully submitted by,

Philip D'Avanza, Chairman

The Goffstown Historic District Commission/Heritage Commission

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Information Age provides us with the potential to revolutionize the way we work, think, learn and live. The wide spread use and availability of information has become an important factor in maintaining worldwide economic growth and employment levels. The ability to connect with anyone, anywhere, will bring together diverse groups of people in ways never imagined. Municipalities everywhere need to develop IT based business strategies and adopt technology that allows their constituencies to connect and do business with anybody, anywhere, at any time. In order for the Town of Goffstown to prosper, it must acknowledge this potential for growth and economic diversification and respond to the challenges that accompany the rapid changes in information technology.

The Town's current IT environment is evolving to position itself to effectively and efficiently support the Town's future information needs. A strategic plan is being reviewed to better develop an appropriate IT environment that enables and empowers the Town to provide for the future prosperity of the Town of Goffstown. While the barriers faced in meeting these goals are challenging and complex, they are neither unique nor insurmountable. The IT Office believes the answer lies in careful strategic planning and seizing the advantages of new and current technology as appropriate.

Mission Statement

To responsively and efficiently support customers with technical knowledge and strategy while maintaining integrity of the Town's electronic information.

Goal

The Information Office will support Town operations through the application of effective and efficient computer and telecommunications technology. The office's focus is to provide the Town with the best possible service, quality and innovations.

Summary

The dynamic nature of information systems and technology demands that we recognize our current needs while also planning for the future. These systems are vital to the operation of government within our community.

2004 Projects

This year the IT office began the budgeting process to add a technology support staff position to assist in maintaining the Town's expanding IT infrastructure. Virtual Private Networks (VPNs) were created to connect departments throughout town for information and resource sharing. Online renewal programs for motor vehicles registrations were reviewed and tested in other communities this year. The Town of Goffstown has approved one of these programs for

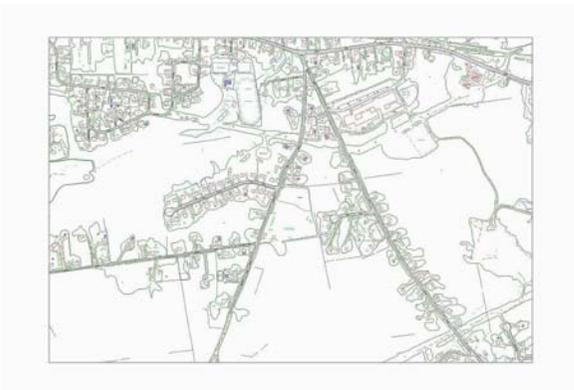
implementation in 2005. This program will allow citizens to renew their motor vehicle permits/registrations from their home, office, or any public internet access point. A number of Department Head's have moved to mobile computing solutions to enable more flexible capabilities, and as usual, there were the daily activities of maintaining and upgrading Town computers, networks, software, and systems.

The Town's Geographic Information System (GIS) has been developed into a browser-based application, allowing most Town departments to access the mapping system over their intranet connection. New products were created to be available to the public. Tax, plan, and contour maps will now be available for purchase in the Land Use Office at Town Hall in AutoCAD or PDF formats.



Tax Parcel Map
(Intersection of Wallace Road, Worthley Hill Road, and South Mast Street)

Plan Map



Contour Map



Respectfully submitted,
Neil Funcke, IT Director

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION



*Front Row L-R: J. Claude LaRoche, Susan Tucker, Barbara Larkin,
Back Row L-R: Philip Tatro, George Havener, Dave French, Chairman Robert Draper,
Jeffrey Tate. Absent: D. Michael McKinnon, Robert Wheeler, Jeffrey Dorow.*

The year 2004 was another busy year for the Parks & Recreation Department. Our youth basketball program continues to grow with the addition of 2 new teams in our Senior Boys Division. Our Girls Softball program has also continued to grow in participation with an additional team in our Instructional League. Our summer playground program at both Barnard and Roy Parks saw an increase in participation. We continued our Senior Citizen Trips by traveling to Plymouth Plantation and Duck Boat Tour in Boston. The Parks & Recreation Commission has continued to work on its master plan of re-vitalizing our parks with requests to do major renovation work at Barnard Park for fiscal year 2005.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Parks & Recreation Commission for their support of the department as well as their work in looking to the future of this department and its facilities. I would like to acknowledge Steven Paul, Groundskeeper and Anastasia Hurley, Program Supervisor for all of their efforts on behalf of the department.

I would like to extend my appreciation to all of our volunteer coaches in our youth programs. A special note of thanks to Bob Corson, David Turner, Jim Gallagher, Mike Tremblay, Doug Millard, Mike McKinnon, Matt Corson, Steve Macek, Bill Sarette, Tori Tuthill for their coaching of our youth basketball travel teams.

I would also like to thank Scout troop #99 and Dan Fallu for his efforts on behalf of the department as well as Jill Hastings and the Girl Scouts for their park beautification efforts. Also, I wish to express my appreciation to several organizations including: Uncanoonuc Mountaineers, Tri-Town Soccer, Goffstown Jr. Baseball, Goffstown Lions Club, Goffstown Rotary Club, Tae Kwon Do Karate Club, Goffstown Youth Football, Men's 30 & Over Basketball,

Goffstown Babe Ruth Baseball as well as the Main St. Program for their efforts on behalf of the community.

I would like to extend my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen as well as Town Administrator Sue Desruisseaux and her staff for all of their support and cooperation. Thanks also to DPW, Police, Fire, Water, and Library departments for all of their cooperation and support. I would like to express my appreciation to the CIP and budget committees for their efforts.

I would also like to thank the Goffstown School District and Supt. Dr. Darrell Lockwood as well as Athletic Director Howard Sobolov for their continued support of use of the school facilities by our department.

Finally, to my family I thank them for their continued understanding and support. We look forward to serving the people of Goffstown in the upcoming year.

Respectfully submitted,
David L. French, Director

FACILITIES

RECREATION CENTER:

Groups using the French Community Room: Karate, Gymnastics, Ballet, Jazz Dancing, Tap Dancing, Girls & Boys Basketball, Summer Programs, Special Events, Youth Sports Registration, G.Y.F.A., Library Ski & Skate Sale, Open Gym

Groups using the Commissioners Room: Uncanoonuc Mountaineers Snowmobile Club, Goffstown Jr. Baseball, Goffstown Babe Ruth Baseball, G.Y.F.A., Early Years Playgroup, Quilting Class, Yoga

Skating Rink/Picnic Area

Church St. Park

Skateboard Park: Located on Church St.; open dawn to dusk to skateboarders

Barnard Park

Roy Park

- John Brown Track & Field
- Tennis Courts (4)
- Stark Memorial Pool
- Playground Area
- Basketball Courts
- Outdoor Volleyball Area

- Tennis Courts (3)
- Softball/Baseball Field
- Basketball Court
- Playground Area
- Roy Memorial Pool

Pool Attendance	2001	2002	2003	2004
Barnard Pool	11,136	11,536	11,690	11,700
Roy Pool	6,174	6,467	6,853	6,340
Total	17,310	18,003	18,543	18,040

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The police department is a full-service 24-hour per day, seven day per week department that provides the initial primary response in most emergency situations. The department handled 19,079 calls for service during 2004 and 8.2 percent increase over calls in 2003. There were 3,437 criminal and motor vehicle arrests, an average of 9.4 per day. A listing of the more significant categories of calls and arrests can be found at the end of this report.

Incidences that are extremely labor intensive to investigate and prosecute showed significant increases during the year. Domestic violence situations increased by 18. Assaults (including Safe School Act Reports) went up by 30 cases over those reported in 2003. Burglary cases reported increased by 18. An arrest was made towards the end of the year that resulted in the recovery of thousands of dollars worth of stolen property from this community and other surrounding towns. Narcotics complaints dropped from 88 in 2003 to 76 in 2004. Equally encouraging is the drop in drug cases reported on school property from 20 in 2003 to 15 in 2004.

Calls involving the illegal possession of alcohol by minors have also been reduced by 50 incidents. This reduction can be attributed to the department's zero tolerance policy, as well as creative initiatives such as "Cops in Shops" that help local merchants reduce the instances of improper sales. Although this news is good, the arrests for Driving While Intoxicated once again showed a dramatic increase from 107 in 2003 to 123 in 2004.

After a one year low, traffic crashes involving injury rose from 68 in 2003 to 88 in 2004. Overall, traffic crashes dropped from 693 in 2003 to 667 in 2004. Tragically, there was one fatality during the year involving a motorcycle.

Personnel: After 22 years of dedicated service Sergeant John Tuthill announced his retirement from the department to become effective January 5, 2005. John most recently was the Commander of Investigative Services and prior to that assignment was a street supervisor in the uniform division.

Through the concentrated efforts of many individuals and Town committee's the department was able to re-institute the K-9 Program after a 10 year lapse. Rex, a five-year-old German Shepard was given to the Town by the Working Dog Foundation. Officer Keith Chauvette was selected as the handler and after a transition period of training, Rex and Keith were certified as a K-9 Team by the Working Dog Foundation in October. In November, the Criminal Justice Club at the New Hampshire Vocational Technical College in Concord donated a bullet resistant vest for Rex to wear on duty.



Programs:

The department continues its community policing initiatives, using a problem-solving model in a cooperative effort with individuals, schools, town departments, and community groups in an effort to deter and prevent incidents before they occur.

Officer Chuck Nickerson was named the new D.A.R.E. Officer allowing the department to return the program to the middle school after staffing shortages in 2003 caused it to be suspended.

In its sixth year the Citizen's Volunteer Program has been successful in assisting the department in its day-to-day operations. These trained volunteers assist the department by answering the business phones,

filing, property management and witness coordination in the District Court. The program took on additional members after the department conducted its second Citizens Police Academy. Under the direction of Detective Rob Browne and Communications Division Team Leader Lisa Sturgill, this 12-week class exposed civilians to several aspects of law enforcement and department operations.

The department coordinated another successful Halloween Safety Day and a Public Service Safety Day at Hannaford's. The Public Safety Day gave citizens the opportunity to see demonstrations by Police, Fire, and Public Works, along with the Manchester Chapter of the American Red Cross.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The Communications Center serves as a Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Dispatch for the Town. In addition, we provide after hours communications for the Goffstown Water Department and the Department of Public Works. Also, on a contractual basis, we provide Emergency Services Dispatching for the Towns of New Boston and Weare. Goffstown realizes approximately \$45,521 in annual revenue from these contracts.

Eight communications specialists and one supervisor provide coverage 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, to staff the Center. Over 24,000 calls for service are communicated from this division each year, along with 81,000 telephone calls and 560,000 radio transmissions.

POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS FOR 2004

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS	
Abuse/Neglect	34
Alcohol	171
Intoxication	71
Assaults (includes Safe School Acts)	251
Criminal Threat (Includes Safe School Acts)	96
Domestic Violence	52
Domestic Violence Petitions	134
Homicide	0
Sex Offenses (Includes sexual assaults, and sex offender registrations)	42
Juvenile Offenses (Includes runaways, tobacco possession, truancy, etc)	262
Drug Offenses (Includes Safe School Acts – 15)	91
Robbery	4
TOTAL CRIME AGAINST PERSONS	1,537
CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY/OTHER	
Alarms	763
Animal Complaints	459
Arson	1
Burglary	49
Courtesy Calls (Includes vehicle lockouts, 911 calls, fingerprinting, etc.)	
Crime Prevention	1,459
Administration	320
Criminal Mischief	481
Disorderly Conduct	66
Fraud (Includes bad checks, credit card fraud, counterfeiting)	77
Hazards (Includes power outages, trees & wires down, etc)	195
Larceny (Includes motor vehicle thefts-12)	376
Mutual Aid	1,169
Operations	2,543
Property (Lost/Found)	279
Suspicious Persons	158
Suspicious Vehicles	221
TOTAL CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY-OTHER	9,657
MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY	
Total Adult Arrests	623
Total Juvenile Arrests	157
Total Arrests – 2004	780
D.W.I.	123
Speed	2,436
Driving After Suspension/Revocation	98
Summons/Warnings Issued	4,051
Motor Vehicle Activity (Includes M/V Hazards, Disabled MV, Abandoned MV etc)	1,059
Motor Vehicle Accidents	667
Accidents With Injury	88
Accidents – Fatalities	1
Total Motor Vehicle Activity	8,523
Total Calls For Service 2004	19,079

PUBLIC LIBRARY



Seated L-R: George Fullerton, Director Dianne Hathaway.

Standing L-R: Henry Boyle, Steve Brzozowski, Chairman Theresa Paré Curtis, Susan Plante, Susan Osborn, Absent: Barbara Griffin.

This year brought some challenges and changes to our staff and the usual excitement with special projects and services. While we are still growing with program attendance and online usage of our services, our circulation numbers are just about what they were in 2003. We continue to struggle with the challenges of a facility that is not keeping up with the demand placed on it with regards to programs, materials, and parking. We do anticipate a leveling out of our numbers in the future and we will begin a strategic planning process in 2005 to address some of our issues and concerns.

Staffing: This year Assistant Director Amy Lapointe headed to the Hooksett Public Library as their new director. While we were all delighted with Amy's new position, we sent her off with sadness and tears. The staff and public transitioned quickly as we welcomed Steve Viggiano in July to take her place. Steve brings his expertise in cataloging, his desire to be a hands-on librarian, as well as his knowledge of a large technical services department at the Manchester City Library.

Goffstown Public Library Endowment Fund: The library's endowment fund is now in its fourth year and the quarterly profits are still being reinvested. As of September 30, 2004 the balance of the fund had grown to \$173,122.42. The Manchester Regional Community Foundation, a division of the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, manages the Goffstown Public Library Endowment Fund. The purpose of the fund is "to support special initiatives of the Goffstown Public Library Trustees in furtherance of the mission of the Goffstown Public Library not funded by other sources."

Automation and Web Services: In October 2004 GMILCS, Inc. embarked on a cutting-edge service to provide live chat reference to anyone who has access to the web site of one of the twelve member libraries, including the Goffstown Public Library at www.goffstown.lib.nh.us. This service, called "Answers Here and Now," connects the user to a professional reference librarian for 24/7 research assistance and serves one quarter of New Hampshire's population centered in southern NH. This service is on a one-year trial for the consortium and its funding has been made possible by a Rebecca Lee Spitz Library Grant from the Saul O. Sidore Memorial Foundation.

Programming: We are truly programming for all ages from 18 months old with our lap sit programs all the way to the elderly who enjoy our Knitting and Crochet Club and monthly Tea Time events. We welcomed local artists Rosemary Conroy, Judy McLean and Tammy Gross as they exhibited their work and met with members of the community. The Goffstown Scrap and Stamp Club met here monthly and provided FREE workshops for those interested in this popular craft. During our annual summer reading program, "Check out a Hero," we gathered about 80 people and went to a Fisher Cats game to watch them win handily. We also joined together with the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works Department and other organizations to host a Truck Rodeo for kids to meet their own local heroes. We embarked on a monthly "Indie Film Night" that proved to be popular with the community even though showing films means a rearrangement of the entire third floor! Add to this our first Prom Preview at the Goffstown High School in conjunction with their annual fashion show and our regular story time and adult programs, and we have some tired, happy librarians.

The Vietnam Moving Wall: The Goffstown Public Library was selected in 2004 by the Vietnam Combat Veterans, Ltd. to host the official Vietnam Moving Wall during July 2005! Sandy Whipple is the catalyst and heart of this project and we are all excited and thrilled to have been selected as well as humbled to bring this amazing memorial to Goffstown. The Wall will be on display at the Goffstown High School practice field July 9-16 and will truly be a community event we will all be proud of.

As usual we would not be half as successful without the dedication and hard work of our library staff: Steve Viggiano, Marsha McKay, Sandy Whipple,

Jessica Stevens, Sharon Archambault, Debra Durant, Diane Lewis, Barbara Schuler, Katie Blackford, Fred Sites, Mackenzie Hamilton, Nick Levesque, Jessica D’Avanza, Erika Hamel, and Angelo Camberis. They are the heart and soul of your library and we all look forward to seeing you in 2005.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Dianne G. Hathaway, Library Director

GOFFSTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

TRUSTEES REPORT

JANUARY 1, 2004 – DECEMBER 31, 2004

REVENUES

Fines	\$ 3,400.70
Interest	59.40
Fundraising	350.00
Dividends	1,334.50
Other Revenue:	
Gifts/Donations	675.00
Miscellaneous	1,311.85
Programs	715.00
	\$7,846.45

Total Revenue \$7,846.45

~ Miscellaneous:
 Fees collected for
 Library cards,
 Lost Books

EXPENSES

Books/Subscript	\$ 468.15
Other Expenses:	
Programs	2,565.00
Transfer Out*	6,755.00
Book Cart	497.51
Other	407.06
	\$10,692.72

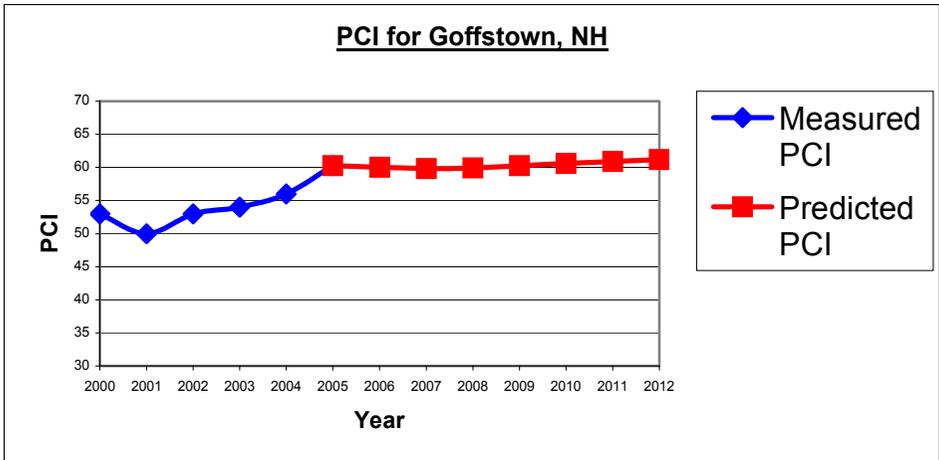
Total Expense \$10,692.72

*Transfer Out:
 Periodicals 3,923.00
 Gen'l Mtls 2,395.00
 Programs 437.00

PUBLIC WORKS

2004 has been a very productive year for Public Works. We completed backlogged projects from prior years such as the First Avenue Drainage Swale Project and the in-house reclamation of Hoyt Road, Raymond, Lucille and Plimpton that were all carried from 2003. We also completed all of the departments paving and road projects that were scheduled for 2004. We rented an excavator last year and utilizing our own staff operator were able to begin adding in-house reclamation to our repertoire of tools to accomplish the road plan list with the cost constraints of the program. We also were able to reclaim Orchard Hill Road and Eagles Nest as well as complete the section of sidewalk on Mast Road in Pinardville from Shaw's to Hannaford. As far as the contracted reclamation work, we completed a section of Tirrell Hill Road, and Mountain Base Road. We also began the First Avenue Neighborhood, which is our most extensive project to date. This work will continue into 2005 and includes utility rehabilitation being done in cooperation with the Sewer Commission and the Goffstown Village Water Precinct.

Below is the updated graph tracking the Pavement Condition Index, which is the measure of the average condition of the road network in town. As you can see, the investment we are making in the Road Plan is working but there is still considerable work to be done.



We also spent a considerable amount of time working on closing out old subdivision projects and working on updating our development regulations to address the new requirements of the EPA- NPDES Phase II rules.

The Solid Waste Commission worked closely with DPW to implement the new recycling and hauling programs. Their report summarizes the success of the new recycling program. DPW provided much of the site work to help the

construction of the new building come out on schedule and on budget. Also, the success of the new solid waste collection and hauling programs depends heavily on the support of the public works drivers who fill in on those trucks when needed. Hauling our own waste has led to significant savings for the community and given the department a degree of flexibility that we did not have in the past.

Unfortunately, once again we had to spend a significant amount of time and money on repairs to the landfill cap down chutes. The landfill cap will require considerable ongoing maintenance just due to the nature of the function that it provides. However, the ball fields continue to be a great asset to the community and it was an honor to be present at the dedication of the fields to the memory of John Sarette. We also continued our work in the Cemeteries in cooperation with the Cemetery Trustees. You can see their report for the details.

The amount of major projects completed did not detract from our continued response to calls that come into Public Works. In 2004 we received 731 work requests. These are evaluated, prioritized and dealt with as soon as we are able. Often times they involve more than meets the eye to complete. Of the calls we received in 2004 we resolved 667 of them. We also completed 95 service call cards that were backlogged from prior years.

In closing I would like to take the opportunity to thank the many dedicated and truly professional employees that make this department function so well. Every spring we meet to try to figure out how we can possibly accomplish all of the work that needs to be done each year. Miraculously, each year we find a way to get it done. I would like to especially thank Carole LaBrie, who retired from service as the department's secretary after serving for more than 25 years for the Town.

Submitted By,

Carl L. Quiram, P.E.
Director

SOLID WASTE COMMISSION

It was a productive year for the Committee. Volunteers Andy Roy and J.R. Champagne joined, and Kilton Barnard and Eugene Haselton resigned after many years of faithful service. With the sudden passing of John Sarette, Bruce Hunter became the new Selectman Representative.

The strong recycling promotion begun in 2003 was successful with the passage of the *single-stream recycling* article on the ballot in 2004. Voters approved a new building to house recyclable materials, a new state-of-the-art recycling truck, and "Big Blue", a 65 gallon tote the same as the trash tote, but distinctive in color. Single stream recycling and curbside collection by the Town

of Goffstown has already saved over \$130,000 per year, just in the first few months of operation, and savings are expected to increase over time. The new method requires no bagging or separation and now permits many more types of recyclables to be commingled. Of 8,070 tons of refuse materials picked up by DPW, 1,759 tons have been diverted to recycling, and the remainder, 6,311 tons, is trash. For each additional ton that can get diverted to recycling, \$40 is saved by the residents, which would have a direct impact on the tax rate.

The Treasure Trailer was closed in 2003 and removed to make way for the new Recycling Materials building. Under a contract with a Canadian firm, Haycore, a semi trailer is loaded with the recyclables, and when full, taken to Canada to be recycled.

The previously approved glass reuse pilot program has also been a success. About 1,500 tons of mixed glass has been accepted and processed to date. The NRRA sponsored pilot program allows the Transfer Station to accept mixed glass from neighboring communities. Accumulated glass is ground into a fine aggregate and used by Public Works as road base. The Transfer Station is reimbursed for operating costs, and Public Works gets free drainage material.

Another pilot project to recycle electronic equipment began in October 2004. TVs, radios, computers, and other electronic devices are placed in a trailer conveniently located at the Transfer Station. At this time, no charge is made. The purpose is to keep hazardous materials from the general waste stream.



Single Stream Recycling Truck and Collection

SOUTHERN N. H. PLANNING COMMISSION

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission has a wide range of services and resources available to help the dues-paying members deal with a variety of municipal issues. A professional staff provides technical assistance. The SNHPC staff's expertise is, when necessary, supplemented by consultants, who are selected for their specialized skills or services, provides technical assistance. Each year, with the approval of the Town's appointed representatives, the Commission staff designs and implements programs of area-wide significance that are mandated under New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, as well as local projects which would pertain more exclusively to your community.

Technical assistance is provided in a professional and timely manner by staff at the request of the Town's Planning and Economic Development Coordinator and/or the Town Administrator. The Commission conducts planning studies and carries out projects that are of common interest and benefit to all member communities, keeps your officials apprised of changes in planning and land use regulation.

Services that were performed for the Town of Goffstown during the past year are as follows:

- Co-Sponsored the Municipal Law Lecture Series. Goffstown officials attended these meetings.
- Provided comments on the Traffic Impact Study for the Catamount Ridge residential subdivision.
- Provided comments on a proposed industrial development (Pond View Park).
- Collected HPMS data for selected locations, as requested by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation.
- Conducted traffic counts at twenty-six (26) locations. Data was forwarded to the Planning and Economic Development Coordinator.
- Mapped all sewer and water lines for town.
- Conducted National Flood Insurance Program Community Assistance Visit with Planning, Zoning and Building Department staff on behalf of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- Completed the Goffstown Hazard Mitigation Plan, The plan received final approval from FEMA, and was adopted by the Town Council on February 23, 2004.
- Hosted a NFIP Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map workshop, which was attended by the Town's Building Inspector and Zoning Officer.

Goffstown's Representatives to the Commission are:

Henry C. Boyle, Arthur W. Rose, Robert L. Wheeler, Executive Committee Member, Barbara J. Griffin, Alternate

SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT

This office holds four major areas of responsibility: Facilities Management, administration of the General Assistance program, Administrative Liaison to three town committees and Special Projects Management.

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT: The Assistant Town Administrator is charged with managing both the Goffstown and Grasmere Town Halls. Work continues at Goffstown Town Hall's permanent records storage area where reorganization has moved forward steadily. We are beginning to more accurately determine our storage space requirements, as the town offices begin their annual cycle of purging stored records that have expired per State law and storing current records. We are investigating a universal filing system for the town offices that would require less file space.

Weller & Michal, Architects, Inc. of Keene, NH, completed architectural plans and construction cost estimates for construction of the handicapped accessible addition and renovation the second floor auditorium of the Grasmere Town Hall. This project was funded through a grant from the New Hampshire Division of Historic Resources.

The Town Hall replaced their 20-year old 4 Kw emergency generator with a new 30 Kw propane generator that will provide back up electrical current for emergency needs at the Town Hall for up to 48 hours on one fuel supply.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE: The Town of Goffstown, along with the other municipalities in New Hampshire, has the responsibility of relieving and maintaining any persons in town who are poor and unable to support themselves. Assistance with the necessities of life is provided through a voucher system and eligibility is determined according to guidelines established by the Board of Selectmen. This community is truly fortunate in having a large number of individuals, organizations and businesses that help in this effort. The groups that regularly assist their fellow townspeople include Goffstown Salvation Army, Goffstown Network, St. Joseph Community Center, Vestree Shop, Goffstown Outreach Program, Clergy Association, Lions Club and St. Matthew's Outreach program.

SPECIAL PROJECTS: The Assistant Administrator's office received another matching grant in December to help with the construction phase of the Grasmere Town Hall project and has recently collaborated with the Main Street Program on a grant application that would offer potential tax credits to selected commercial properties that undergo major rehabilitation to buildings.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Bingham, Assistant Town Administrator

TOWN CLERK

We have seen many new residents moving in to our town and automobile registrations continue to increase. If you wish to avoid waiting in a line, you may take advantage of our mail-in renewal registration program. Renewal notices are sent out by the 25th of the month prior to your registration expiration. Registrations are processed in the order in which they are received. Currently, the mail-in response rate is approximately 33%.

Please read the instructions on the notice carefully. You must send two checks and a self-addressed stamped envelope. If you wish to receive your decals from us, there is a \$2.50 processing fee. If you deduct this fee from the amount shown on your mail-in renewal form, you will have to finish your renewal registration at a State Motor Vehicle office. The State does not allow mail-in forms to be forwarded so please remember to change your address even if you are moving within the Town of Goffstown. We do not do quotes or release any information over the phone because of the privacy laws. We will no longer renew a motor vehicle registration unless you have your previous registration or the mail-in renewal form. If you are a new resident, you must bring proof of residency with you and you must bring your previous registration.

We are continually trying to provide additional services to make your life a little easier. We began doing boat registrations as of January 2004, which will bring additional revenue to the Town. There is a \$1.50 processing fee. Please be sure to bring your state renewal form and your driver's license.

The 911 report coming out of Washington DC and being signed by the President is driving many issues relative to obtaining vital records (birth, death and marriage certificates) as well as security issues regarding motor vehicle information. Staff recently attended a required "Privacy Act" training class. We will be tightening up our policy and will be requiring additional proof of identification in order to comply with the state policies. You may refer to NH RSA #260:14 for more information on this subject as it relates to motor vehicles and RSA 5C-16 and 170-B II.

There will be one election on March 8, 2005 for town and school issues. Should the proposed Town Charter article pass, a special election will need to be held within 90 days to elect councilors, Zoning Board of Adjustment and budget committee members.

Residents may register to vote at the Town Clerk's office during regular office hours. Residents may also register to vote when the Checklist Supervisors are in session. These sessions are posted and notice given in the *Goffstown News*. Residents may also register to vote on election day in the appropriate polling district. Proof of residency is required in the form of a photo identification, such as a New Hampshire driver's license, with the Goffstown address imprinted on it. Without such imprinted address, a second proof of residency will be required (i.e. – utility bill, lease agreement). Please remember to complete address change forms (available in the Town Clerk's office) even if

you move within the Town of Goffstown. Your polling location may be affected by your move. Goffstown has two voting districts.

District 1 - Goffstown Area High School, 27 Wallace Road, Goffstown: Includes those residents living in the Goffstown Village area and the Grasmere area (from Route 114/114A intersection westerly to the Weare, New Boston and Dunbarton town lines and includes residents on the east side of the Piscataquog River.

District 5 – Bartlett Elementary School, 689 Mast Road, Pinardville: Includes residents from the Route 114/114A intersection to the Piscataquog River and easterly to the Manchester line.

2004 was an extremely busy year with five (5) elections. I would like to thank the election workers, Checklist Supervisors, Jerry Agate of SAU 19, Marc Tessier and the employees at the Public Works and Police Departments for all their hard work throughout this year. Without their help, it would be impossible for me to manage town's election needs.

Residents are reminded that State law mandates that all dogs over the age of four (4) months must be licensed annually. Dog licenses are effective May 1 to April 30 of the next year regardless of when the license is issued. Failure to comply results in a penalty of \$1.00 per month after May 31st and you may be subject to a \$25.00 unlicensed dog fine. A puppy needs to be registered as soon as it receives its first rabies shot. Dog registration fees are \$6.50 for a spayed/neutered animal and \$9.00 if they have not been neutered. Residents must present a current rabies certificate and certificate of neutering (if applicable) in order for the Town Clerk to process a dog license.

You may renew your dog's registration via mail. You must send a copy of the rabies certificate showing the rabies expiration date and tag number. Also be sure to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope and your check payable to the Town of Goffstown.

The Town Clerk's office is regulated by many RSAs as well as State Administrative Rules. The policies established in the Town Clerk's office are not done to inconvenience you but are for your protection. The staff in the Town Clerk's office is here to help you in any way we can. Feel free to call us if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna A. Bergeron, Town Clerk

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT



*Seated L-R: Henry Grady, Anthony Marts, Chairman, Marie Boyle.
Standing L-R: William Wynne, Derek Horne, Zoning Code Officer, & Wayne Richardson. Absent: Richard Georgantas, Julie Grandgeorge, Gail Lebreque*

Goffstown's Zoning Ordinance is intended to provide a framework for the development of private property consistent with the Town's view of how it should grow. This framework is supported by the policies identified in the Master Plan, the Route 114 Corridor Study and other studies and reports adopted by the Planning Board. Since March 14, 1961, the date Goffstown adopted its first Zoning Ordinance, the Goffstown Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) has acted as an interpreter of the Ordinance, as well as a safety valve against overly strict application of the Ordinance. In that regard, it is established for the protection of private landowners and the community in a planning process, which is not an accurate science and is often in flux. The ZBA hears requests for variances, special exceptions, equitable waivers of dimensional requirements, and appeals from decisions made by the Code Enforcement Officer, the Planning Board, and the Historic District Commission as they relate to application of the Zoning Ordinance.

As New Hampshire has grown, and that growth has affected Goffstown, land use and zoning issues have become more complex and the cost of development has risen. As a result, parties are much more inclined to resort to litigation to press their agendas for or against specific projects and growth in general. The

ZBA is put in the position of attempting to apply the Zoning Ordinance as applicable state law allows, while balancing the perceived needs of and impacts on the community and abutters with the rights of landowners. The New Hampshire Supreme Court has, over this past year, significantly changed the standards to be applied by the ZBA as it too deals with the impact of growth on the State and the litigation between private parties seeking to determine their rights to development versus countervailing desires to limit growth.

A homeowner seeking to build a deck or garage or add an addition to their home is sometimes frustrated by the need to come to the ZBA to seek a variance to do what may otherwise be prohibited under the Zoning Ordinance. These seemingly minor and incremental issues do contribute to the growth and density of our Town and provide a background against which the ZBA is required to deal with other requests which may not seem so minor; such as industrial, commercial and residential development. A sure balance is not easy to maintain as our community grows and diversifies.

Unfortunately, the Zoning Ordinance and State law, which allow its enforcement, do not often provide clear answers or any bright line test to determine which developments are allowed and which should be restricted. The ZBA strives to hear all sides and apply the law to each case.

Our thanks go out to Derek Horne, our Code Enforcement Officer, who is charged with maintaining our agenda and assuring the efficient work of the ZBA. We have also seen a number of members resign due to work requirements or relocation, including Diane Shakra and Denise Renk (as well as Mike Pelletier who is still deployed in Iraq). Thanks to each of you for your service. We also welcome Wayne Richardson, Gail Lebreque and Julie Grandgeorge as our newest members. The ZBA meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anthony Marts, Chairman

GOFFSTOWN SEWER COMMISSION



Seated L-R: Administrative Assistant Marilyn Hozeny, Chairman James Bouchard, Paul LaPerle, Standing L-R: Selectman Bruce Hunter, Mike Yergeau and Mike Walton. Absent: Stephen Crean

Early spring a contract was awarded to Flow Assessment Services LLC to conduct a survey and flow study of the wastewater system in the Summer Street and First Avenue neighborhood. This survey determined those areas where inflow (water from roof drains, sump pumps etc) was entering into the wastewater system. In addressing the problem the Department of Public Works and the Sewer Commission entered into a joint project. A contract was awarded to John E. Neville Excavating, Inc. for the reclamation/reconstruction of the First Avenue neighborhood. Once completed, storm water that presently enters into the wastewater system will be diverted to the Town's drainage system. This should reduce, to some extent, the inflow/infiltration that the wastewater system is presently experiencing.

A public hearing was held in June with the residents of Lynchville Park and Danis/Dumont Park to discuss the expansion of the wastewater system into those areas. Ballots and Sanitary Surveys were mailed to all residents. Upon evaluation the project was scheduled in the Capital Improvement Program for 2006.

Thirty new properties were connected to the municipal wastewater system bringing a total of 1,974 properties being serviced. Throughout the year several large projects were presented to the Commission for review including the renovation of the mill on Factory Street, a three bay car wash, and a proposed retail development on Mast Road. Additionally, the Commission continues to

meet with the Economic Development Council to discuss their present and long-range wastewater requirements. With the Town's continuing growth the Commission, using their Facility Plan as a guideline, will strive to meet the developmental needs of the Town within the service areas.

The Commission was created in 1956 and is comprised of a three member elected board. Pubic meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month at the Town Hall. Individuals requesting to be on the agenda should contact the Sewer Commission's Office (603 497-8992 Extension 116) to schedule an appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen R. Crean, Chairman

ADMINISTRATION	2004 BUDGET	2004 ACTUAL*	2005 BUDGET
SALARIES / BENEFITS	63,778.00	63,958.94	67,952.00
EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT	200.00	18.00	200.00
AUDIT	5,700.00	5,700.00	4,700.00
LEGAL EXPENSE	10,000.00	3,714.64	10,000.00
CONTRACTED SVCS (ADMIN)	5,568.00	5,301.93	6,035.00
INSURANCE	8,037.00	3,141.23	8,518.00
POSTAGE	3,700.00	3,303.92	3,760.00
SUPPLIES	1,416.00	1,063.82	1,340.00
COMPUTER	2,143.00	642.96	2,183.00
TELECOMMUNICATION	1,608.00	999.96	600.00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
INTEREST	166,163.00	165,886.26	136,279.00
PRINCIPLE	490,000.00	490,000.00	365,000.00
SUB TOTAL	760,313.00	743,731.66	608,567.00
SEWER OPERATIONS			
CONTRACT SVCS (DPW)	93,500.00	55,726.41	85,000.00
SEWER PROJECT	0.00	0.00	90,000.00
TRUCK EQUIPMENT/REPAIR	46,000.00	29,853.69	3,000.00
PERSONNEL EQUIP	3,600.00	210.76	3,000.00
MNTNCE/SUPPLY+ENCUMBRANCE	682,799.00	417,795.51	516,920.00
MNTNCE/LABOR (VAC)	5,000.00	2,735.65	5,000.00
SEWER OPERATION (O&M CHRG)	442,270.00	361,032.37	714,197.00
SUB TOTAL	1,273,169.00	867,354.39	1,417,117.00
SEWERAGE / PUMP STATION			
CONTRACTED SERVICES	5,000.00	3,329.33	5,000.00
SUPPLIES	11,200.00	2,603.14	11,200.00
ELECTRICITY	19,000.00	14,861.15	19,000.00
PROPANE GAS	1,818.00	1,427.31	1,818.00
WATER	500.00	370.54	500.00
TELEPHONE ALARM SYS	4,000.00	2,771.55	4,000.00
SOLID WASTE REMOVAL	6,000.00	0.00	0.00
CHEMICALS	1,000.00	303.52	1,000.00
DIESEL FUEL	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
PUMP REPAIRS	20,000.00	15,974.44	25,000.00
SUB TOTAL	72,518.00	41,640.98	71,518.00
TOTAL	2,106,000.00	1,652,727.03	2,097,202.00
*UNAUDITED			

GOFFSTOWN VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

Many important projects were contemplated for this year, and as part of future planning. The first phase of water main replacement at Ledgewood on Summer Street from First Avenue to Whipple Lane is complete. The second phase is due to be done in 2005. Our satellite system at Mountain Laurel Estates was upgraded with a new filtration system that required much attention to bring it on line with proper treatment for water from on site wells. We are also studying the possibility of moving to larger quarters. Several options are involved. The Water Commissioners meet at our 11 East Union Street office on the second Tuesday of each month.

Respectfully submitted,
Allen D. Gamans, Chairman

2005 WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 21, 2005

To the inhabitants of the Goffstown Village Precinct qualified to vote on Precinct affairs. You are hereby notified to meet at the Goffstown Town Hall in said Goffstown, in said Precinct, on Monday, March 21, 2004, at 7:00 in the evening to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE I

To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year, including a Moderator and Clerk.

ARTICLE II

To elect one (1) member to the Board of Commissioners for a term of five (5) years.

ARTICLE III

To see if the Precinct will vote to accept the report of the Board of Water Commissioners to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand, Six Hundred Thirty-six Dollars for the ensuing year.

(Approved by the Board of Commissioners)

ARTICLE IV

To see if the Precinct will vote to appropriate Two Hundred Thousand Dollars from undesignated fund balance to construct an office building on No. Mast Street on a parcel of land already owned by the Precinct. (This amount not included in Budget amount in Article III)(Approved by the Board of Commissioners)

ARTICLE V

To hear the reports of the various officers of the Precinct and to pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE VI

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 4th day of January 2005.

Richard Fletcher, 2009

Allen Gamans, Jr., 2005

Raymond Taber, 2006

Richard Coughlin, 2007

Henry Boyle, 2008

EXPENDITURES (UNAUDITED)

	<u>2004 Budget</u>	<u>YTD 2004</u>	<u>2005 Budget</u>
<u>4130 EXECUTIVE</u>	88000.00	86251.06	92400.00
Salaries	88000.00	86251.06	92400.00
<u>4150 FIN.ADM.</u>	4910.00	4084.46	5060.00
Audit	1500.00	1500.00	1650.00
Bus. Supplies	2000.00	2101.82	2000.00
Office Equip.	1000.00	279.90	1000.00
Personnel Supp.	350.00	142.74	350.00
Safe Box	60.00	60.00	60.00
<u>4155 PERSONNEL ADM.</u>	38647.00	38476.05	44062.00
Fica	6732.00	6600.84	7070.00
Health Ins.	27185.00	27389.16	31662.00
W/C Ins.	1200.00	1081.29	1300.00
Retir. fund	3500.00	3382.76	4000.00
Unemp. Ins.	30.00	22.00	30.00
<u>4194 BUILDING MAINT.</u>	1000.00	1306.00	1300.00
Office Repairs	200.00	0.00	200.00
Fitr. bldg	200.00	1052.64	500.00
Well Bldg.	300.00	253.36	300.00
Tank	300.00	0.00	300.00
<u>4196 INSURANCE</u>	3200.00	2660.97	3200.00
Liab./Prop. Veh.	3000.00	2660.97	3000.00
Bond Ins.	200.00	0.00	200.00
<u>4153 LEGAL</u>	1500.00	70.00	1500.00
<u>4197 ADV/REG.ASSOC.</u>	1500.00	1139.70	1800.00
Advertising	800.00	154.00	700.00
Assns Fees	250.00	240.00	350.00
License Fees	250.00	350.00	250.00
Meeting Exp.	200.00	395.70	500.00

<u>4199 OTHER GEN.GOV'T.</u>	17700.00	27536.23	25500.00
Vehicle Exp.	2000.00	3416.27	2500.00
Rent	7000.00	6600.00	7000.00
Tel/Comm.	4200.00	4194.61	4500.00
Postage	2700.00	2240.64	2700.00
Forestry	0.00	0.00	7000.00
Eng.	800.00	10589.71	800.00
Comp. Support	1000.00	495.00	1000.00
<u>4332 WATER SERVICES</u>	28500.00	23482.65	34700.00
Contract Labor	6000.00	2925.00	6000.00
Hydrant Repairs	3000.00	1382.86	3000.00
Dam Repairs	500.00	0.00	500.00
Service Repairs	5000.00	8729.43	5000.00
Main Repairs	10000.00	8508.86	14700.00
Meter Repairs	200.00	0.00	200.00
Pump Repairs	500.00	1136.60	1500.00
Equip Repairs	500.00	799.90	1000.00
Road Repairs	500.00	0.00	500.00
New Services	2000.00	0.00	2000.00
Thawing	300.00	0.00	300.00
<u>335 WATER TREATMENT</u>	55700.00	50390.90	65800.00
Chemicals	10000.00	5940.41	12000.00
Elec.	21700.00	18447.41	23000.00
Heat	2000.00	1967.40	4000.00
Glenview	3000.00	2399.22	3600.00
Supplies	3000.00	2058.07	3000.00
Water Tests	4000.00	3319.50	4500.00
Mt. Laurel Water	12000.00	16258.89	15700.00
<u>4326 SEWAGE</u>	13050.00	9455.42	13050.00
<u>4711 & 4721 DEBT SERV.</u>	151025.00	151025.00	95970.00
#1Bond-Princ.	50000.00	50000.00	0.00
#2Bond princ.	60000.00	60000.00	60000.00
#1Bond interest	1905.00	1905.00	0.00
#2Bond interest	39120.00	39120.00	35970.00
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>			
<u>4901 Land & Improve.</u>	165000.00	164644.81	215944.00
Conting. Fund	10000.00	1680.00	10000.00

Cap. Replace.	10000.00	20881.56	35000.00
Upgrade mains/sys	145000.00	142083.25	170944.00
<u>4901Mach./Equip.</u>	32300.00	31682.28	7000.00
House Meters	4300.00	3762.23	4000.00
New Equip.	3000.00	2744.05	3000.00
new Vehicle	25000.00	25176.00	0.00
<u>Operating Tranfers Out</u>			
4915 To Cap. Res. Fund	13350.00	13350.00	18350.00
Mtn Laurel septiic	13350.00	13350.00	13350.00
Vehicle	0.00		5000.00
TOTAL	615382.00	605555.53	625636.00
New Office Building			200000.00
			825636.00

GRASMERE VILLAGE WATER PRECINCT

This past year has been a quiet one for the Grasmere Village Water Precinct. We have managed to get through the year without any major breaks in the system and with the regular maintenance work done during the past year the system is in good shape. There have been only a few requests for connections to our existing lines.

The next major project for the Precinct is the extension of the main from the Manchester line on the Back Road to our present main near the entrance to Medford Farms. We will also be improving the old water main which runs along Mast Road from Henry Bridge Road to Greer Road.

Your continued support of the officers who have endeavored to make the Precinct function and give all members of the Precinct good service is greatly appreciated. Thank you one and all.

Arthur W. Rose, Jr.,
Chairman of the Board

2005 WARRANT

To the members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct in the Town of Goffstown, in the County of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire; you are hereby notified to meet in the Grasmere Grange Town Hall in the Village of Grasmere at seven-thirty p.m. (7:00 p.m.) o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, March 23, 2005 to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE #1

To choose a Commissioner for the years 2005 and 2006.

ARTICLE #2

To choose a Moderator for the years 2005 and 2006.

ARTICLE #3

To see if the Precinct will vote to approve the budget as proposed by the Commissioners and approved by the Town Budget Committee to appropriate the sum of two hundred sixty-nine thousand, eight hundred and fifty dollars (\$269,850) for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE #4

To hear the reports of the treasurer and clerk for the year 2004.

ARTICLE #5

To act upon any unfinished business from the previous meeting.

ARTICLE #6

To discuss and act upon any other business, which may rightfully come before said meeting.

This is the Precinct's annual meeting and it is hoped that all members of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct will attend and support the Precinct.

Arthur W. Rose, Jr.

William Swanson

Peter Georgantas

Commissioners of the Grasmere Village Water Precinct

Given on this twelfth (12th) day of January 2005, under our hands:

REVENUE (Unaudited)

	2004 BUDGET	2004 ACTUALS	2005 BUDGET
WATER CHARGE			
Meter Charge	\$104,700	\$99,168.97	\$122,500
Fire protection			
Hydrant Rent	\$10,252	\$10,252.00	\$16,100
Misc. Water Sales	\$300		\$1,500
OTHER			
Hydrant Repair			\$800
Service repairs	\$200		\$200
New Services	\$3,000	\$885.00	\$3,000
On/Off			\$100
Meter repair			\$600
Service Contracts	\$4,800	\$4,800.00	\$4,800
INTEREST			
Check Book	\$25	\$40.77	\$50
Savings		\$184.20	\$200
SUBTOTAL REVENUE	\$123,277	\$115,330.94	\$149,850
SAVINGS TRANSFER			
	\$10,000	\$10,000.00	
Project One Mast Road			\$100,000
Project Two T's & valves for Goffstown Back Rd			\$20,000
TOTAL	\$133,277	\$125,330.94	\$269,850

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash on Hand (General Fund Check Book)	\$16,051.87
On Deposit NHPDIP	\$152,970.41
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE	\$169,022.28

Liabilities

Bills Owed by Precinct	\$0.00
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EXPENDITURES (Unaudited)

	2004	2004	2005
	BUDGET	ACTUALS	BUDGET
Executive	\$8,500	\$8,300.00	\$10,800
Salaries	\$8,500	\$8,300.00	\$10,800
Fin. Adm.	\$1,900	\$690.24	\$2,100
Audit	\$1,000	\$0.00	\$1,000
Office Supplies	\$900	\$690.24	\$600
Postage			\$350
Post Office Box			\$150
Building Maintenance	\$0	\$0.00	\$200
Insurance	\$1,000	\$580.91	\$1,000
Liability /Property	\$1,000	\$580.91	\$1,000
Legal			\$1,500
Legal			\$1,500
Adv./Reg. Assoc.	\$1,000	\$841.04	\$1,000
Training	\$500	\$435.00	\$500
Associate Fees	\$500	\$406.04	\$500
Other Gen. Gov't	\$3,760	\$2,818.96	\$3,400
Telephone	\$1,000	\$613.40	\$600
Electric	\$2,760	\$2,205.99	\$2,800
Water Services	\$107,050	\$88,207.72	\$119,850
Man.Wtr Works	\$70,000	\$65,552.95	\$78,000
Service Repairs			\$200
Contract Labor	\$30,000	\$19,832.58	\$30,000
Hydrant Repairs			\$800
Meter Repairs			\$600
New Services			\$3,000
Water Tests	\$5,000	\$432.51	\$6,000
Snow Plowing	\$800	\$300.00	
Maint. Supplies	\$1,250	\$2,089.68	\$1,250
DEBT SERVICES	\$10,000	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Manchester Water Works	\$10,000	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Capital Projects			
Project One Mast Road			\$100,000
Project Two T's & valves for Goffstown Back Rd.			\$20,000
TOTAL	\$133,210	\$111,439.30	\$269,850

