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# TOWN OF PLAISTOW



Cover design by A.J. DiPirro 8 years old, 3rd grade Pollard School

# 1997 ANNUAL REPORT

COVER: This picture is the winning entry in the 250<sup>th</sup> Committee's art contest for the elementary school students. The winner was Anthony DiPirro, who is 8 years old and a third grade student at Pollard School.

The Committee has the following items for sale as fund raisers. They are available at the Town Hall and will be sold at Old Home Day and other gatherings:

Rocking Chairs, Captain's Chairs, & lamps with a picture of Town Hall engraved on them

T-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, mugs, and tote bags - also imprinted

T-shirts and sweatshirts with the cover picture on them

Please support our Town's efforts to raise money for the celebration! They make great gifts, too!



## 1997 DEDICATION

This year's Town Report is dedicated to Robert A. Chooljian, a man who has consistently volunteered his time, energy, and sense of caring to the residents of Plaistow. During the past 40 years as a Plaistow resident, Bob has shown the true meaning of volunteerism, continually giving of himself and his time for the betterment of the community.

In 1950, Bob joined the Plaistow Fish and Game Club where he is a Lifetime Member. Bob has been a Hunter Safety Instructor for the Club for over 30 years sharing his knowledge and expertise in the area of hunter safety.

On April 1, 1960, Bob applied to the Plaistow Fire Department to become Volunteer Firefighter. He has been volunteering with the Department for over 37 years, responding to fire and rescue calls. From 1972 to 1983, he also served as Deputy Chief for the Department; a position he served very well.

In October of 1973, Bob joined the Plaistow Lions Club. This year he will be celebrating his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a member. From 1989 to 1995, Bob served as the Lions Club Secretary, and from 1977 to 1978, he served as the Lions Club President. He also served in the distinguished position of District Governor in 1987 and in 1988. He was the Multiple Council Chairmen for District 44 from 1988 to 1989. In May of 1988, he received the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award, which is the highest form of recognition conferred by Lions International. Then, in May of 1989, he received a second Melvin Jones Award, exemplifying his commitment to the Lions Club organization.

Bob has also been involved with the Lions Club Camp Pride. This camp is located in New Durham, New Hampshire, and provides a summer camp for special needs children and adults. He served on the board of Directors for many years and is now a Lifetime Associate Member of the Board of Directors at Camp Pride. Bob also served as the Head of Maintenance at Camp Pride for many years and was one of the originators of Camp Pride Bingo, where he served as chairman for several years.

In addition to serving with these organizations, Bob volunteered many hours of his time and talent as a coach and organizer with Plaistow Youth Athletics and with Boy Scouts, while he and his wife Rose raised their three sons, Bobby, Mark and Barry. His energy and enthusiasm for these programs never seemed to end.

Anyone that knows Bob can see the kindness and caring qualities of his personality. He is a person who has always given willingly to those in need and to the community in general. So for all your efforts and your sense of caring for the residents of Plaistow, this year's Town Report is dedicated to you.



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## ***IN MEMORIAM:***

The following residents of Plaistow who passed away in 1997, both served the town in an elected, appointed or volunteer capacity, therefore we dedicate this page to their memory.

***LeRoy S. Dube***

***b. August 14, 1908***

***d. July 14, 1997***

***Selectman 17 years (Chairman 15 years)***

***NH House of Representatives 5 terms***

***Town Budget Committee 20 years***

***Town Auditor***

***Representative to Rockingham County Commissioners***

***Representative to Rockingham County Transportation Planning Board***

***Site Committee for new Plaistow District Courthouse***

***Rockingham County Law Enforcement Committee***

***Plaistow Industrial Commission***

***J. Russell Colcord***

***b. August 5, 1915***

***d. September 8, 1997***

***Selectman***

***Policeman***

***Firefighter***

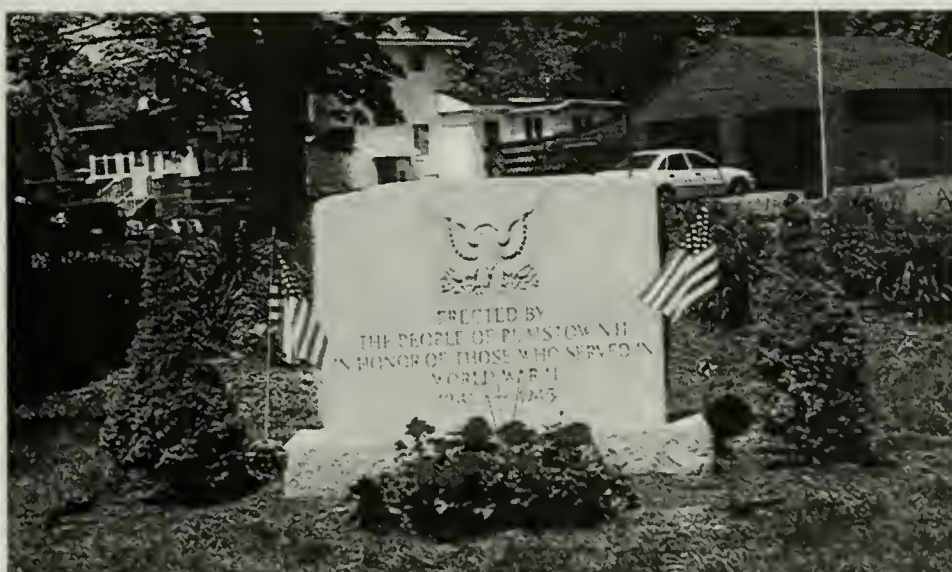
***President, Plaistow Fireman's Association***

***President, Rockingham County Fireman's Association***

***Fire Warden Special Deputy***

***Town Budget Committee***

***Timberlane School Board***



## 1998 DATES OF IMPORTANCE

February	7, 1998	1998 Town Meeting Deliberative Session
March	10	1998 Town Meeting Voting
April	30	Dog Licenses Due (late fees will be assessed daily)
September	8	State Primary
November	3	State General Elections

### LANDFILL DATES

January	3 & 17	July	11 & 18
February	Closed	August	1 & 15
March	7 & 21	September	12 & 19
April	4 & 18	October	3 & 17 & 24
May	2 & 16 & 23	November	7 & 14
June	6 & 20	December	5 & 19

***Note:** Days and dates are subject to change due to weather and/or site conditions. Any questions, call 382-6771.*

The Landfill Site Recycling area is located on Old County Road. Hours are: 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

### RECYCLE WEEKS

Curbside recycling is collected every other week on your regular trash collection day.

January	5 & 19	July	6 & 20
February	2 & 16	August	3 & 17 & 31
March	2 & 16 & 30	September	14 & 28
April	13 & 27	October	12 & 26
May	11 & 25	November	9 & 23
June	8 & 22	December	7 & 21

***Note:** Whenever a collection day for trash falls on a holiday, all collections for that and the rest of the week will be delayed one day.*

White goods will be picked up once a month – call BFI at 1-800-442-9006 to arrange pickup.



# TOWN DIRECTORY

## EMERGENCY (Police & Fire)

911

### Town Hall Offices:

General Information	382-8469
Selectmen's Office	382-5200
Town Manager	382-7106
Town Clerk	382-8129
(M-F 8:30-4:30 Mon. evening 6:30-9:00)	
Tax Collector	382-8611
(M-W 8:30-4:30)	
Assessor	382-5200
(M&W 8-4, T&T 8-12)	
Inspection/ Code Enforcement	382-1191
(M-F 8:00-4:30)	
Planning Office	382-7371
(M-F 8:00-4:30)	
Health Department	382-1191
Parks & Recreation	382-5200
Rec Field	382-5930
Welfare Office	382-8469
(T-TH 9:00-2:00)	
District Court	382-4651

### Fitzgerald Safety Complex:

#### Police Department:

Emergency	382-1200
Business	382-6816
	382-6207

#### Fire Department:

Emergency	382-8512
Business	382-5012
Fire Permits	382-5012

#### Wood Stove/Chimney/

Oil Burner Inspections	382-5012
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#### Emergency Management/

Civil Defense	382-5847
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### Other Town Numbers:

Animal Control	382-8144
Public Library	382-6011
14 Elm Street	
(M-TH 9-8:30 F 9-5 Sat. 9-2)	
Family Mediation	362-9957
Historical Society	382-1675

## Timberlane School District Offices

Pollard Elementary , Joean Griffin, Principal, (382-7146)  
 Timberland Middle, Lou Reste, Principal, (382-7131)  
 Timberlane High, William Mealey, Principal (382-6541)  
 Superintendent, Dr. Douglas Mac Donald (382-6119)

## Government Officials and Local Representatives

### *US Congressional Delegation:*

Honorable Judd Gregg  
 Suit 513 Hart  
 Senate Office Building  
 Washington, DC 20510-2902  
 (202)224-3324  
 FAX# 202-224-4952  
 (202) 228-3793 (SC,SH)

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 Concord, NH 03301-4921  
 (603)225-7115  
 FAX# 224-0198

Honorable Robert Smith  
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Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510  
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Honorable John E. Sununu  
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Washington, DC 20515  
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FAX# 225-4370

Office of Rep. John E. Sununu  
1750 Elm Street  
Manchester, NH 03101  
(603)641-9536  
FAX# 647-6596

*New Hampshire Senators & Representatives:*

Sen. Richard L. Russman  
18 Bartlett Beach Drive  
Kingston, NH 03848  
Home (603)642-5904

Sen. Richard L. Russman  
14 Center Street  
Exeter, NH 03833  
Office (603)772-3433

**Representatives to General Court:**

Leroy S. Dube deceased  
Norman L. Major  
12 Kingston Road, Plaistow, NH 03865  
382-5429  
Marie Rabideau  
54 Forrest Street, Plaistow, NH 03865  
382-3815  
Mark A. Cegelis, Hampstead  
Kevin L. Camm, Hampstead





## ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

### ***Board of Selectmen***

George E. Melvin, Chairman	2000
Charles L. Blinn, Jr.	1998
Lawrence W. Gil	1998
Barbara Hobbs	2000
Merilyn P. Senter	1999

### ***Moderator***

Barry A. Sargent	1998
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### ***Treasurer***

Bernadine A. Fitzgerald	1998
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### ***Town Clerk***

Barbara E. Tavitian	1998
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### ***Tax Collector***

Rosemarie L. Bayek	2000
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### ***Trustee of the Trust Funds***

Helen A. Hart, Chairman	1998
Kenneth Thurston	1999
George B. Peabody	2000

### ***Board of Fire Engineers***

David Sargent , 1 <sup>st</sup> Eng.	1998
John W. Judson, III, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Eng	1998
John H. McArdle, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Eng	1998
Richard A. Colcord, 4 <sup>th</sup> Eng.	1998

### ***Planning Board***

Timothy Moore, Chairman	1999
Robert Gray, Vice Chair.	1998
Ronald Charrette	1998
Paul Lavallee	1998
Thomas Underwood	2000
John Lamb	2000
Hal Lewis (Alternate)	
George E. Melvin, Sel-Rep.	

### ***Trustees of Public Library***

Catherine Emmons, Chair	1998
Scott Lane, Assistant Chair	1999
Bertha Hill	2000
Catherine Willis, Treasurer	2000
Jennifer Kiarsis	1998

### ***Municipal Budget Committee***

Michael Emmons, Chairman	1998
Henry Szmyt	1998
Leroy S. Dube (deceased)	1998
Brenda Major	1998
B. Jill Senter	1998
Bernadine A. Fitzgerald	1999
John A. Sherman	1999
George B. Peabody	1999
Delorse Ackerman-Keiser	1999
Helen Hart	2000
Ronald Yeager	2000
Thomas J. Vinci	2000
Marilyn Davis	2000
Charles L. Blinn, Jr., Sel-Rep	1998

### ***Supervisors of the Check List***

Nancy Jackman	2000
Eleanor Peabody	2001
Katherine Fitzpatrick	2002

### ***Auditors***

Leroy S. Dube (deceased)	1998
Thomas J. Vinci	1998
Brenda E. Major, appointed	1998



## APPOINTED PERSONNEL

### *Administration*

Robert M. Belmore, Town Manager  
Ruth E. Jenne, Executive Secretary  
Susan Drew, Bookkeeper

### *Inspection/Enforcement*

P. Michael Dorman, Bldg. Insp/ Code Enforcement Officer  
Kate Reusch, (Resigned) Secretary  
Janet Dow, Secretary  
John Scione, Jr., Elect. Insp.  
Jeff Paradis, Plumbing Insp

### *Highway Safety Committee*

Stephen Savage, Police Chief, Chair  
Merilyn Senter, Vice Chairman  
Kenneth Crowell, Highway Sup.(resigned)  
Dan Garlington, Highway Supervisor  
Donald Petzold, Fire Chief  
Ronald Charette, Planning Board  
Jill Senter, Conserv. Comm.  
Tom Underwood, Planning Board  
Kathy Giragosian, Citizen Rep.

### *Zoning Board of Appeals*

Lawrence Ordway, Chairman 2000  
Barbara, Burri, Vice Chair 2000  
Emile Langlois 1999  
Donald Wood 1999  
Joyce Wright, Secretary 1998  
Guy L. Sawyer, Alt. 1999  
Norman L. Major, Alt. 2000

### *Conservation Commision*

Timothy Moore, Chairman 1999  
Edward Killam 1998  
B. Jill Senter 2000  
Lawrence Gil, Select. Rep. 1998  
Ken Braiterman 1998  
Charles L. Blinn, Alt. 1998

### *Office of Town Clerk*

Maryellen Pelletier, Deputy

### *Cemetery Sexton*

Herbert Reed

### *Office of Tax Collector*

Donna Kimball, Deputy

### *Health & Human Services*

Carrie Chooljian, Human Services  
Mary Ellen Tufts, Health Officer

### *Assessing Clerk*

Cathy Orff

### *Animal Control*

Donald Sargent, Officer  
Judith Sargent, (resigned)  
Jason J. Felton, Assistant

### *Highway Department*

Kenneth Crowell, (resigned) Supervisor  
Daniel Garlington, Supervisor  
Mario Mejia  
Glen Peabody  
Barry Ordway

### *Cable TV Advisory Committee*

Henry Szmyt, Chairman 2000  
Peter Cunningham 1999  
Robert Brunelle 1999  
Roland Dubois 2000  
Diane Rothwell 1998  
Merilyn P. Senter, Sel. Rep. 1998

### *Building Maintenance*

David R. Bowles  
John Arahovites

***Parks and Recreation***

Carlene Sarty, Director

***Recreation Commission***

Susan Sherman, Chair	2000
Cindy Hendy	1999
Martha Sumner	1999
Joseph D'Arezzo	2000
Dennis Heffernan	1998

***Public Library***

Laurie Houlihan, Director  
Susan Dufault, Assistant Director

***Emergency Management***

William Scully, Director  
P. Michael Dorman, Deputy Director

***Water Department***

Donald Sargent  
Superintendent & Maintenance  
Kenneth Higgins, Asst.

***Planning Board Administrative  
Assistant***

Ann Sharpe

***Zoning Board Administrative  
Assistant***

Ruth E. Palmer

***Budget Committee Clerk***

Danielle Plante-Healey, resigned  
Tracy Kippenberger

***Highway Safety Clerk***

Wendy Hutchinson

***Crossing Guard***

Ruth Jillson, resigned

***Victim Witness Advocate***

Vanessa Underwood

***Assistant Moderator***

Norman L. Major

***Police Department***

Stephen Savage, Chief  
Kathleen Jones, Lieutenant  
James DeOrio, Sergeant  
Glenn Miller, Detective  
Scott Anderson, Detective  
Alec Porter, Officer-in-Charge  
Patrick Caggiano, Officer  
Thomas Hawthorne, Officer  
Charles Myers, Officer  
Steven Ranlett, Officer  
John Lavoie, Officer  
Robert Clements, Officer  
Michael Beauchesne, Officer  
Thomas Bourque, Lieutenant(resigned)

***Special Officers***

David Cianfrini  
Robert Elwell  
George Lorden  
Walter Pare  
Joan Marsilia  
Scott McCabe  
Shawn McCabe  
John Tetreault  
George Murray  
Kristian Hanley

***Communications***

Lucia Cusimano  
Communications Supervisor  
Cherie Chevalier  
Mark Flyzik  
Robert Hawes  
Communications Part Time  
Jason Rodriguez  
Brenda Lee Boisvert  
Sharon Pangaro  
Valquerio Eiro

***Police Department Support Staff***

Eileen Shields, Executive Secretary  
Nancy Hetherington

***250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee***

Barry Sargent, Chairman  
Bernadine A. Fitzgerald, Vice Chrmn  
Dianne Nye, Secretary  
Brenda Major, Treasurer

***Fire Department Officers***

Donald Petzold, Chief  
David Sargent, Deputy Chief  
John Judson III, Captain  
John McArdle, Captain  
Richard Colcord, Lieutenant  
Don Hutchinson, Lieutenant  
Greg Boulduc, Lieutenant

***Fire Department Firefighters***

Bob Agneta  
Tom Blinn  
Mike Borges  
Gary Carbonneau  
Bob Chooljian  
Steve Clayman(LOA)  
Mike Dolfe (LOA)  
Dave Florin  
Jason Gionet  
Linda Guide  
Bruce Gusler  
Rick Johnston  
Chris Karampatsos  
Mike Kennedy  
Robert Lang Jr.  
Jon Lovett  
Hector Martinez  
Paul McKendry  
Bob Newhouse  
Gardiner Owen  
Butch Peabody  
Dan Poliquin  
Russ Sargent  
Bill Scully  
Warren Seckendorf  
Skip Senter  
John Sproul  
Scott Sullivan  
Roy Walling(LOA)  
\*LOA- Leave of absence from active duty

***Revaluation Committee***

Tom J. Vinci, Chairman  
Michael L. Emmons  
B. Jill Senter  
Davena Szmyt  
Ira Shinberg  
George E. Melvin, Sel. Rep.  
Lawrence W. Gil, Sel. Rep.  
John Blinn  
Robert M. Belmore, Town Manager

***Cemetery Advisory Committee***

Francis J. Berube Jr.  
Vanda B. Mc Sheehy  
Bernadine A. Fitzgerald

***District Court Site Committee***

Senator Richard L. Russman  
State Rep. Norman L. Major  
Town Manager Robert M. Belmore  
Selectman Marilyn P. Senter  
Selectman George E. Melvin  
Building Insp. P. Michael Dorman  
Police Chief Stephen C. Savage  
State Rep., Leroy S. Dube (deceased)

***Capital Improvement Plan Comm.***

Michael L. Emmons, Budget Comm.  
John A. Sherman, Budget Comm.  
Timothy E. Moore, Planning Bd.  
John Lamb, Planning Board  
Robert Gray, Planning Board  
Marilyn P. Senter, Selectman  
Barbara Hobbs, Selectman  
Bernadine A. Fitzgerald, Budget Comm.  
Anne Sharpe, Adm. Assist., Planning Bd.  
Robert M. Belmore, Town Manager



# MINUTES

## 1997 TOWN MEETING

### DELIBERATIVE SESSION

The Deliberative Session was held on March 15, 1997. The warrant articles were read, debated and sometimes amended. This is now done at the Deliberative Session before elections, and the outcome is printed on the ballot. All warrant articles and zoning articles are placed on the ballot. This is known as Senate Bill II.

The moderator opened the meeting at 10:00 o'clock in the morning with the salute to the American Flag. It was noted that an omission of John Palmer's passing in the town report. We had a moment of silence for Cliff Cook who had been town moderator for over forty years, and held many other offices in the town.

Many announcements were made. One was concerning the selling of the afghan to raise money for the 250th anniversary, which will be in 1999. Robert's Rule's of order was used as a guide. Every voter received a registration card, and votes, were either by voice, standing votes, or secret ballots.

After the first session there will be a public hearing that will be on March 24th at seven to go over what took place at the Deliberative Session. On April 8th, Election Day, you will be voting on all your warrant articles.

ARTICLE 1: To elect all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2: Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amount set forth on the budget for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$3,235,597? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$3,269,235, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 30:13,x and XVI, to take up the issue of revised operating budget only.

Motion made by Michael Emmons, and seconded by Thomas Vinci to accept this article as read.

Michael Emmons made a presentation of the Budget Committee's recommended Budget. Michael is going to explain the major items in this budget. Before he did that, he introduce the Budget Committee members . At this time Mr. Dube thank all the people for there kindness to him during his recent illness. He was glad to be back. Michael thanked all the members for there long hours putting together a budget we can all be proud of.

The debt service was down 10% this year almost \$27,000. The land closure is due - - the bond on land closure is due to end in "98." The bond on the safety complex is due to end in the year 2000.

The highway budget is down \$45,000.00, primarily due to no replacement truck in "97." The library is up almost \$18,000. Over half is due to maintenance on the building which was approved by the CIP committee. The personnel admin. budget, which is all of your insurance, Workmen's Compensation is up \$28,000.00, primarily because of a small than usual credit on Workmen's Compensation and an increase in the retirement which was negotiated with the Town employee's union and health insurance is also up. The police department is down \$13,000.00, no new cruisers in 1997. The total budget set down in the operating budget is down \$41,000.00 from 1996. We have a difference between the Budget Committee budget and Selectmen's budget of around \$24,000.

The differences between the Budget Committee budgets, and the Selectmen's budget is carpeting, it was approved last year, but was removed at that time. The Budget Committee approved it this year. The selectmen did not. A thousand dollars was added by the Budget Committee to the fire department for training purposes. The town clerk raise and the tax collector raise is not in this operating budget. The selectmen recommended raises. We have traditionally done raises to those two positions here on the floor of the town meeting and we recommend that continue to be the case. There are two warrant articles that give you the opportunity to change that way of doing

business.

The major item that the selectmen and the budget committee did not agree on was trash pickup. The Budget Committee reduced \$17,000 from the submitted budget from the selectmen. There are some other reduction health agencies and welfare administration and tax anticipation notes all due to historical basis that they have been lower that we have been proposing in the past and we made reductions based on that this year.

The default budget is roughly \$34,000.00 more than is proposed here in this operating budget.

Lawrence Gil proposed an amendment to the budget in Warrant Article 2, to delete the proposed operating budget from \$3,235,597.00 and replace it with an operating budget of \$3,252,597.00 that's \$17,000.00 for inclusion of trash pick up, solid waste pick up for the condominium complexes that we have in Town. This was seconded by George Melvin. After much discussion on the floor about the fairness to our people and their obligation to the contracts that they may have. it was put to a vote.

This amendment was defeated by a voice vote.

Lawrence Gil asked for a card vote and this was also defeated with 16 voting yes.

The moderator instructed the clerk to put the original Article 2 on the ballot as read.

The moderator asked for permission to have two non-voters speak. One was Kenneth Crowell, highway supervisor, and Robert Belmore, town manager.

Kenneth Thurston made a motion to allow this, and it was seconded by Thomas Vinci

A voice vote was taken and the "ayes" have it.

Steve Savage introduced Sgt. Kathleen Jones, our executive officer, and asked if she could sit next to him to learn about what was going on in the meeting.

At this time Mary Collins spoke thanking people for their support and encouragement during her term of office.

ARTICLE 3. Shall the Town vote to accept New Hampshire Department of Transportation Highway Block Grant in the amount of \$102,875.00 for the maintenance, construction, and reconstruction of Class IV and V roads in accordance with Chapter 235 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and appropriate said sum for local highway maintenance. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Recommended by CIP Committee)

Mary Collins made a motion to accept the article as read, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

There was no discussion on the article and the moderator instructed the clerk to place Article 3 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 4. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000.00 for the construction of the new salt shed that will hold approximately 640 tons of minerals, predominantly salt, at the highway department site off Old County Road. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Recommended by CIP Committee)

Mary Collins made a motion to accept the motion as read, seconded by George Melvin.

There was much discussion on this article with Kenny Crowell, the highway supervisor explaining in detail the necessity for the salt shed, to how big it would be, what materials would be using to build it, how big, to asking if he had gotten bids. Kenny went into great detail with all the information about the salt shed.

The Moderator instructed the clerk to put this Article 4 on the ballot as read.



ARTICLE 5. Shall the Town vote to retain and hold for public use pursuant to RSA 80:80, V, to include recreational purposes, the 25.5 acre parcel of real estate property on Old County Road (Tax Map 30, Block 1, Lot 1) acquired by the town by tax collector deed.

George Melvin made a motion, seconded by Thomas Vinci to accept this article as read.

George Melvin made a quick presentation, and Carlene Sarty, our new Recreation Director stated the need for this property.

No further questions or comments the moderator instructed the clerk to put Article 5 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 6. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000, for the purchase of new playground equipment to be placed at Smith Field Town Parks and Recreation Site. Fifty percent of the cost of \$7,5000 will be reimbursed through fund raising donations raised by the Friends of the Recreation.

George Melvin made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Jill Senter.

Carlene Sarty explained we desperately needed playground equipment. We have on piece of equipment for about 125 children. for a six week program. A lot of businesses have donated their time and equipment free of charge to help wherever needed. Jack's Towing will remove existing equipment , Plaistow Highway Department is going to dig where the new equipment is going . Bill Bartlett has donated his services and equipment wherever needed. The piece that is being looked at is handicapped accessible. It was also stated that the \$7,500 is already in place.

With no further comments, the Moderator instructed the clerk to put Article 6 as read.

ARTICLE 7 Should the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,752, which represents the salary, fringe benefits, uniforms, and equipment for an additional full-time police officer position beginning January 1, 1997 as continued annual funding, three year 75 - - 25% grant position of a Federal Police Hiring Supplemental Grant of which \$23,439.00 is reimbursable under the COPS FAST FEDERAL GRANT. Federal Grant \$23,439.00. Raised by the town, \$8,313. Total cost \$31,752.00.

Merilyn Senter made a motion to instruct the clerk to include Article 7 as read on the April 8 ballot, seconded by Brenda Major.

The moderator instructed Merilyn Senter that she had to make a motion to put it on the floor for discussion. It was put on the floor and seconded by George Peabody.

Chief Savage stated that is was a cornerstone to our community policing endeavor and has been for three years. It was fitted into our expanded DARE program and it has enable us to expand our detective unit by one full-time detective. It has been beneficial to the Department, and the community in a variety of ways. Next year it would be our intention to ask that it will fully funded.

Mr Dube asked a question and made comments, but the Moderator said no further questions, he would instruct the clerk to put Article 7 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 8. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,952 which represents the salary and fringe benefits of a part-time Victim-Witness Advocate for the Police Department as funded by the Violence Against Woman Federal Grant, one year 75% - - 25% grant position of which \$11,244 is reimbursable. Federal grant is \$11,244. Raised by the town, \$3,748.00. Total cost #14,992.00

Merilyn Senter made a motion to put the Article 8 on the floor as read, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

Merilyn Senter gave a brief stating this grant was the result of three years of planning. This has been a volunteer position It will help victims of domestic violence, theft, sexual assault, even something as simple as an auto accident.



Chief Savage spoke on this issue , as did many others. The Moderator instructed the town clerk to put Article 8, on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 9. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,906 for the Police Department Unit software computer, software and mobile radios of which \$12,515 is reimbursable under the Federal COPS MORE block grant 90% - - 10% grant match. Federal grant, \$12,515. Raised by the town, \$1,391. Total cost, \$13,906.

Merilyn Senter made a motion that Article 9 be placed on the floor as read, seconded by Brenda Major.

Merilyn Senter state this was a block grant awarded by the federal government and the local department determines how it will be spent.

Steve Savage spoke on this. We received notification that we had been awarded \$13,906. without applying for it . It was determined that the radios were an important need, and the software was identified for the detective unit as part and parcel of our computerization plan.

Mike Emmons pointed out that the monies of \$12,515 was at hand.

The moderator instructed the clerk to put Article 9 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 10. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,550 for Phase IV computer plan for the Police Department.

Merilyn Senter made a motion to place Article 10 on the floor for discussion, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

Merilyn gave a brief explanation. This is the fourth phase of the Department's computer plan. Steve Savage then gave a brief explanation.

With no further comment the moderator instructed the clerk to place Article 10 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 11. Shall the town vote to approve the cost item in the two year collective bargaining agreement resulting from the factfinder's report between the Board of Selectmen and the Police Teamsters Union, which call for the following increases in salary and benefits: Year, fiscal year, '97, cost retro to 4/1/96, estimated increase \$45,905, roll up costs, \$5,977: for a total of \$52,883. Information: fiscal year '98 1/1/98 to 3/31/98 \$6,653; roll up costs \$866.00; for a total of \$7,519 and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,882. for the 1997 fiscal year. such sum representing the addition costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

Lawrence Gil made a motion , seconded by George Melvin to place this on the floor as read.

Lawrence Gil made a presentation and after much discussion on Article 11, the moderator instructed the clerk to put it on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 12 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,200 to complete energy conservation measure (ECM) improvements to the public safety complex. Fifty percent of the cost of \$18,600 is reimbursable under the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services ECM Grant Program. State grant, \$18,600. Raised by the town \$18,600. Total project costs \$37,200.

Lawrence Gil made a motion to place on the floor, seconded by George Melvin.

Lawrence Gil explained that this would reduce the energy operating costs; heat, air condition and electricity, and repairs. Approximately \$17,470 is planned for 1988 .We are in phase two of a three or four year project.

There being no other comments the moderator instructed the clerk to place Article 12 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 13 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,000 to begin capital improvement to the Town Cemetery off of Elm Street. Said costs to include necessary site preparation, drainage and engineering work to repair the interior roadway network as phase one of a two year project: phase one not to include paving.

George Melvin made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Mary Collins.

George Melvin explained it was a two phase project . The money will be used for engineering work, the interior drainage, with \$8,000 planned for "09" to do paving, fencing and a new shed.

There being no other comments Article 13 was placed on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 14 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to install a new gas furnace heating system in town hall to replace the failing oil furnace. Said sum will cover preparation and installation of two gas fired systems to cover both heating and air conditioning and to complete all duct work and piping.

Charles Blinn made a motion to place this motion on the floor, seconded by Bernadine Fitzgerald.

Charles Blinn mention that the system was antiquated and inefficient.

Michael Dorman made a presentation. We had boiler specialist, stating that the system was on it's last leg. Some maintenance was involved at that time and prices were given to install a new gas boilers. We will have two systems , splitting the building in half, new duct work, new boilers. It will also include air conditioning for the first floor. The gas company is willing to run the gas to the building for naught, and we will pick it up at the wall and do the rest. It was recommended that gas replace the electrical system on the second floor. The fire department has donated an emergency generator which will be installed for emergency if power is lost.

The moderator instructed the clerk to place Article 14, on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 15 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,450 to cover the costs to upgrade the present town hall electrical system to meet current town electrical building codes.

Charles Blinn made a motion to place on the floor, seconded by Donald Sargent.

Michael Doorman stated we were only talking about the basement area. It's totally in violation. It doesn't comply with any codes, never mind the town building code, the National Electric Code, the State Electrical code. The building is very dangerous. The computer systems need to be protected. Anything that has been done in the last 10 years. has been up to code, we are talking about work that has been done many years ago.

A brief discussion was held, and then the moderator instructed the clerk to place Article 15 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 16 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to continue with the town-wide mapping and revaluation project. This is the second year of a planned three year appropriation project to complete new town tax maps and the town-wide revaluation of real estate property. Said project sums will also cover purchase of a computer assisted mass appraisal system (CAMA) for the town assessing office. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA32:7, VI and will not lapse until the mapping and revaluation project is completed or in three years, whichever is less.

George Melvin made a motion to place this article on the floor, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

George Melvin, this is the second year of a three year project. We looking to raise \$75,000.00 for CAMA tax maps GIS project.

A discussion was held, and then the moderator instructed the clerk to put Article 16 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 17 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 as the town's matching portion of a State of New Hampshire Transportation Enhancement Funding Project to widen Main Street, NH Route 121A, to



accommodate four foot wide paved shoulder, bike ways, beginning at the railroad crossing and running north to a point about 100 feet north of Ingalls Terrace. The total project cost is \$75,000 and will be funded and complete by the State of New Hampshire through a 80% ---20% matching Federal Grant Program.

Merilyn Senter made a motion to place this article on the floor, seconded by Brenda Major.

Merilyn Senter made a presentation along with Chief Savage, after which there were no comments,

The moderator instructed the clerk to place Article 17, on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 18 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,500.00 to cover the cost of consultant services for the preparation of a study of Route 125 between the railroad overpass Westville Road area to the Kingston Town line. This study will review and acess existing traffic patterns, roadway networks, and intersections as they relate to safety concerns and future grown patterns. Improvement designs with estimated costs will be prepared to assist the town in transportation grant applications and developer impact fee allocations.

Merilyn Senter made a motion to place the article on the floor, seconded by Brenda Major.

Brenda Major made a presentation and some discussion followed after which the moderator instructed the clerk to put Article 18 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE19 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$539 to increase the tax collectors salary by \$500.00 from \$18,000 to \$18,500. The additional \$39 is to cover town payments to Social Security and Medicare.

Mary Collins made a motion to put this article on the floor, seconded by Brenda Major.

Mary Collins made a presentation on this article about how the work load has increased and how there has not been a raise since the last tax collector.

A few comments were made, after which the moderator instructed the clerk to place Article 19 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 20 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$862.00 to increase the Town Clerk's salary by \$800.00 from \$27,300 to \$28,100. The additional \$62,00 is to cover town payments to Social Security and Medicare.

Mary Collins made a motion to put this article on the floor, seconded by Brenda Major.

A little discussion took place, and the moderator instructed the clerk to place Article 20 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 21 Shall the town vote to establish a paid Water Department Superintendent position and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,359 to fund the position for the first year. Said sum will cover the cost of wages and Social Security Medicare payments for this year. The Water Department superintendent position will be established as a working supervisor position of approximately five hours per week and the Water Superintendent position will be established consistent with the requirements under the town manger form of government. NHRSA Chapter 37.

Lawrence Gil made a motion, seconded by George Peabody.

Lawrence Gill made a presentation and their were no comments on this article. The moderator instructed the clerk to place Article 21 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 22 Shall the town vote to adopt the provisions of the State of New Hampshire RSA 202-a:4-d authorizing the library trustees to accept gift of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, provided however, that no acceptance of personal property by the library trustees shall be deemed to bind the town or the library trustees to raise, appropriate, or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair, or replacement of such person property



Mary Collins made a motion, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

Mary Collins made mention that this was a housekeeping article, and it did not pertain to land.

Without further comment the moderator instructed the clerk to place Article the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 23. Shall the town vote to delegate to the Board of Selectmen the authority to accept dedicated streets under the provisions of RSA 674:40-a until such authority is rescinded by the Town meeting; the Selectmen may vote to accept any dedicated street only if the street corresponds in its location and lines with a street shown on a subdivision plat or site plan approved by the Planning Board, or on the official map, or on a street plat made and adopted by the Planning Board, and only if such street has been determined by the Board of Selectmen or their designee.

Lawrence Gil made a motion, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

Lawrence Gil explained this article noting we are asking to give the town's people the authority to approve subdivision road as delineated here in the town warrant. We will be under the strict guidelines of that provision before we would accept a road it would have to be built to town specs, to the guidelines that are up on here and this article. The selectmen still forward the issue to you the towns people to decide on whether or not the roads should be approved or not. The selectmen's designee would be the town engineer, and the Highway Safety Committee.

Article 23 was put on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 24 Shall the town vote to accept and retain for public purposes a gift of an 8 -acre parcel of real estate off Main Street, Tax Map 46, Block 1, Lot 2, and vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen of Selectmen to manage this parcel in the best interest of the town.

George Melvin made a motion , seconded by Thomas Vinci.

A lot of discussion on this article and talk about contamination on this property.

Norman Major made an amendment to this article, seconded by Kenneth Thurston

Shall the town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and retain for public purposes the gift of an 8 acre parcel of real estate property off Main Street(Tax Map 46, Block 1, Lot 2) only if the conclude that no hazardous waste contamination exists on the site and vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to manage this parcel in the best interest of the town.

There was much discussion on this amended article and it is all noted in the Rockingham Transcript notes, Big issue about receiving contaminated property and the costs of cleaning up. Should we accept this gift?

The amended Article 24 will be on your ballot.

ARTICLE 25 Pursuant to authority granted under RSA 72: 39-b, shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the town of Plaistow, based on assessed value, for qualified tax payers, to be as follows: For a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$66,300, for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$99,500: for a person 80 years of age or older, \$132,600.

To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least five years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such a person's spouse, they must have been married for at least five years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$22,000, or if married, a combined net income of less than \$28,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$45,000. Under no circumstances shall the amounts of the exception for any age category be less than \$5,000.

George Melvin made a motion, seconded by Lawrence Gil

Lawrence Gil made a brief presentation, and Michael Emmons stated that it cost the taxpayer about \$7.00 on \$5.7 million dollars.

Merilyn Senter mentioned that the elderly who are now getting the exemption, must reapply this year as stated in the new law.

The moderator instructed the clerk to put Article 25 on the ballot as read.

Norman Major stated after consulting with a couple other members of the District Court Committee, I move to rescind the amendment on Article 24.

Norman Major made a motion to reconsider Article 24, seconded by Steven Savage.

Norman Major wanted to put it back on the original motion. The original article. After consulting with other members of the District Court Committee and I know there are four of us that do not want to see this article pass, but we felt if it went the way it was amended that it would be too confusing, because there would be a couple of double negatives

We would we would like to do is insure that it's very clear to the voters that the majority of the members of the District Court Site Selection Committee do not want to see this article pass.

Moderator: Okay. You've heard his reasoning as to why he want to reconsider. I'll now call for a vote as to whether or not you want to that. This vote is do you want to go back to Article 24 and discuss it all those in favor of going back to Article 24, please say "Aye" Those who wish to not go back to Article 24 and reconsider it say "no" The "ayes" have it. We are now going back to reconsider Article 24.

Norman Major wants to remove the amendment from Article 24, and have it as printed in the Town Report., seconded by Ken Thurston.

Moderator : So now we have a motion on the floor and a second to take away the amendment that you made. So, you want to take away the words "do not accept" and you want to take away the words "do not vote not vote".

Major: That's correct. And so it read as original printed in the Town Report.

Mr. Sherman: So Norm, what you're saying is you're not in favor of Article 24 but you want it to appear on the ballot in a positive format?.

There was much more discussion on this article before a vote was taken to take out the words "not accepted" and "do not" out. A vote was taken and there were forty-eight "yes" and ten "no". So, the wording is taken out and Article 24 is now back to its original statement as it reads in your Town report.

Mr Whalen made an amendment to Article 24 as follows: Shall the town vote to accept and retain for public purposes the gift of an 8-acre parcel of real estate property off Main Street, tax map 47, Block 1, Lot 2 and vote to authorize the board of Selectmen to manage this parcel in the best interest of the town. Such acceptance contingent of the prior removal of any environmental hazards that may be present on this property. It would if people vote for it, that we don't have to accept it if it has the hazards. If they vote against it then we still don't have to accept the property.

Mr. Whalen would like to add such acceptance contingent on the prior removal or any environmental hazards that may be present on this property. Seconded by Norm Major.

Those that are in favor of adding this amendment to the end of this article: Such acceptance contingent on the prior approval of any environmental hazards that may be present on this property. A voice vote was taken and no's have it, this amendment was defeated.

Larry Gil made an amendment adding a sentence He's making an amendment and he wants to add a sentence at the end of Article 24, the sentence to read: Acceptance will require the expenditure of town funds to determine the extent of an environment hazards on the site and may require the further expenditure of town funds to remove any



detected hazardous materials. This was seconded by George Melvin.

There was some discussion on the amendment and then the moderator took a voice vote. The "nos" have it. It's defeated

Brenda Major heard a suggestion by one of the selectmen that maybe we should call town counsel today and find out from him the correct wording to bring this up for reconsideration before the end of the evening.

The moderator allowed it to happen , and we moved along.

ARTICLE 26 To the extent consistent with RSA41:21 shall the town vote to change the method for providing raises to the town clerk from an annual Warrant Article to including raises in the operating budget. This change would become effective for the 1998 fiscal year.

Mary Collins made a motion, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

Mary Collins explained that it puts the raises in the operating budget, instead of having it as a warrant article each year.

Jill Senter made an amendment , I would like it to read to the extent consistent with RSA41:25, that the town vote not to change the methods of providing raises to the town clerk from an annual town warrant article to including raises in the operating budget.

Moderator : So, you want to put the word "not"?

Jill Senter, and remove the last sentence, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

After much discussion the a voice vote was taken and the amendment was defeated.

Article 26 will appear on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 27 To the extent consistent with RAS41:33 shall the town vote to change the method for providing raises to the Tax Collector from an annual Warrant Article to including raises in the Operating Budget. This change would become effective for the 1998 Fiscal Year.

Mary Collins made a motion, seconded by Ronald Yeager.

Article 26 was place on the ballot as read.

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Mr. Vinci introduced the Town Manager, Robert Belmore, and spoke of the fine job that he was doing.

Mr. Blinn also spoke of the fine job that Robert Belmore was doing.

Moderator Sargent: I do have an assistant here, Norm Major and I'm going to turn it over to him, as I have a few articles that I am directly involved in.

ARTICLE 28 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for a fireworks display on Old Home Day 1997

George Melvin made a motion, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

This Article 28 will be placed on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 29 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for a parade on Old Home Day in 1997.

Charles Blinn made a motion, seconded by Brenda Major.



Charles Blinn and Barry Sargent both spoke on this article and Article 29 was placed on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 30 Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to purchase a World War II monument in honor of the Plaits men and woman who served their community and country in World War II said monument will be placed on the Town Hall Green. Said sum will be reimbursed by \$1,000 in fund raising and donations. Donations from the American Legion Post 34 equals \$500.00. Community fund raising \$500.00. Raised by the town, \$1,000. Total cost \$2,000.

Merilyn Senter made a motion, seconded by Bernadine Fitzgerald.

Due to Sheila Dorman's fundraising, we have already raised in cash donation in the community over \$2,000. Bob Senter has donated \$1,000 to this and George Melvin has donated \$500.00. Barry \Sargent thanked them both for their generous donations.

Norman major made an amendment to delete \$1,000.00 and replace and insert of \$2,000 in fund raising and donations and delete the rest of the article. On page six of the warrant, on the fourth line of the article, change \$1000.00 to \$2,000.00 and then it would delete donations from American Legion Post 34 and the rest of the article. Seconded by Thomas Vinci.

The amendment has passed with a voice vote.

We are now on the regular article and the regular article is the same. Article 30: Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to purchase a World War II monument in honor of Plaistow men and woman who served their community and country in World War II. Such monument will be place on the Town Hall Green. Said sum will be reimbursed by \$2,000 in fund raising and donations .

The article will appear on the ballot as amended.

ARTICLE 31 Shall the town establish a committee in 1997 for the purpose of planning the 250th anniversary of the town in the year 1999.

Brenda Major made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Bernadine Fitzgerald.

Several people spoke on this article, given facts of the past events, and what possibility there are for the 250th Barry Sargent, Bernadine Fitzgerald, Brenda Major, and Diane Nye spoke and urged us all to volunteer.

Article 31 will appear on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 32 Shall the town vote to accept Greenfield Drive and Ridgewood Road.

Notation: If accepted, the town will be taking over these roads for the purpose of maintaining them.

Brian Murphy made a motion to add this to the ballot, seconded by Thomas Vinci..

After much discussion and Ken Crowell presenting the facts on this article Michael Emmons made an amendment. If Article 23, herein, which delegates the authority to accept dedicated street to the selectmen fails to pass then continue on with the rest of the articles. I'm proposing the first sentence. In other words, we reject providing authority to accept the street the selectmen, then go on and vote on this warrant article. If Article 23 passes, then the vote on this article will be null and void. a second by Jill Senter

After much discussion Michael Emmons moved to take the amendment on the floor, and Jill Senter removed her second. The original amendment is now on the floor.

Michael Emmons made another amendment to add to the end of Article that -- that shall the town vote to accept Greenfield drive and Ridgewood road and then the parenthesis, subject to verification that the roads are brought up



to town standards verified by the town -- that the current residents bring the (town) up to standards.

Brian Murphy wanted the notation taken out of the amendment (by petition) It was put there for clarification but should not have been.

I, Brian Murphy., would like to make an amendment to Article 32, requesting the deletion of the parenthetical phrase, notation, if it accepted the town will be taking over these roads for the purpose of maintaining them, seconded by Keith Cornell.

Mr Gil explained that the notation was put in for clarification purposes, and probably should not have been.

If you are in favor of the amendment to delete the second sentence, which is in parentheses, if you are in favor of deleting that, signify by saying "aye". Those opposed "no." The "ayes" have it. The second sentence is taken out.

Mr. Murphy made another amendment to change Article 32 to say shall the town vote to accept Greenfield Drive and Ridgewood Road as town roads, seconded by Mr. Plein. Those in favor of adding "as a town road" at the end please signify by saying "aye". Those opposed "no". The "ayes" have it. We now have an amended article that says shall the town vote to accept Greenfield Drive and Ridgewood Road as a town road - - town roads with an "s".

Mr Emmons back to another amendment here, after the first sentence which has just been amended to add as town roads, add a second sentence which says such acceptance is subject to verification by the town engineer that the subject roads are brought up to current town standards.

Barry Sargent We have an amendment here that says after the first sentence now such acceptance is subject to verification by the town engineer that the subject roads are brought up to current town standards. Amendment proposed by Michael Emmons, seconded by Jill Senter.

After much discussion the amendment reads, such acceptance is subject to verification by the town engineer that the subject roads are brought up to current standards. Those in favor adding that sentence please signify by saying "aye". Those opposed "no" I can't tell.

A standing vote, yes votes are 29, and no votes 20. There the amendment is included.

Article 32 an amended article. After (Ridgewood) Road we are now including this new sentence. Much discussion took place and the moderator was going to move to Article 33, but an amendment was to be added to the end of the sentence, and property taxes shall be adjusted accordingly by Mr. Plein, seconded by Sharon Kaelin. After much discussion Mr. Plein rescinded the amendment and Sharon Kaelin withdrew her second.

Mr. Kaelin made a motion to amend the standards would be met with exception of the grade, seconded by Keith Cornell.

If you are in favor of adding "with the exception of the grade: please signify by saying "aye". Those opposed "no". The "ayes" have it.

Article 32 will read, Shall the town vote to accept Greenfield Drive and Ridgewood roads as town roads, subject to the verification by the town engineer that the subject roads are brought up to current standards with the acceptance of the grade. That is the way it will be on the ballot on April 8th for you to vote on.

ARTICLE 33 Shall the town vote to accept Arbor Lane as a town road.

A motion was made by Michael Emmons, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

Kenneth Crowell stated the road has been approved by the town engineer.

The moderator instructed the clerk to put Article 33 on the ballot as read.

ARTICLE 34 Shall the town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of surplus personal property without further action by the town meeting, by public auction, sealed bid or in any manner that is in the best interest

of the town.

Charles Blinn made a motion seconded by George Melvin.

Lawrence Gil clarified this as being a house keeping article, this would not be real estate property. Furniture, old computers, old highway trucks, old police cruisers, et cetera.

The moderator instructed the clerk to put Article 34 on the ballot as read.

A motion was made by Lawrence Gil to reconsider Article 24, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

Article 24 shall read : Shall the town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and retain for public purposes the gift of an 8 acre parcel of real estate property off of Main Street, Tax Map 47, block 1, Lot 2 only if the can conclude that no hazardous waste contamination exists on the site and vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to manage this parcel in the best interest of the town.

Those in favor of this amendment please signify by saying "aye." Those opposed "no".  
Then we have a new Article 24, and that's the way it will appear on your ballot.

Zoning articles cannot be amended, so there was some discussion on them for clarification.

Michael Emmons made a motion as an advisory motion that the people at this meeting either do or do not recommend that the selectmen put recommended or not recommended by the Planning board, just as we always have. This does not included warrant articles.

Seconded by Henry Szymt.

Thos in favor of this advisory motion please signify by saying "aye. Thos opposed "no".  
The "ayes" have it, it passes as an advisory motion.

Nancy Jackman won the afghan in the raffle.

Kenneth Thurston would like to extended a vote of recognition to our retiring selectman, Mr Melvin and Mary Collins. He move to give the a rising vote of thanks for their service.

ARTICLE 48 Shall the town vote to accept, as submitted, the reports of its agents, auditors, and other officers and committees thereby appointed.

Larry Gil made a motion to accept, and seconded by Henry Szmyt..

Article 48 will be on the ballot as it is written.

Moderator can I have a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Chief Savage made a motion seconded by Robert Gray. Vote taken, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Barbara Tavitian, Town Clerk



# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION 1997

ACCOUNT	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	AMOUNT
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>		
4130	Executive	\$155,772
4140	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	60,106
4150	Financial Administration	119,803
4153	Legal Expenses	36,000
4155	Personnel Administration	252,815
4191	Planning & Zoning	41,869
4194	General Government Buildings	110,970
4195	Cemetery	7,700
4196	Insurance	75,000
	<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>\$860,035</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>		
4210	Police	\$766,668
4215	Ambulance	26,000
4220	Fire	165,107
4240	Building Inspection	63,203
4290	Emergency Management	3,545
	<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>\$1,024,523</b>
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>		
4311	Highways & Streets Administration	\$144,656
4312	Highways & Streets	197,470
	<b>TOTAL HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>	<b>\$342,126</b>
<b>STREET LIGHTS</b>		
4316	Street Lights	\$52,000
	<b>TOTAL STREET LIGHTS</b>	<b>\$52,000</b>
<b>SANITATION</b>		
4323	Solid Waste Disposal	\$323,000
4200	Landfill Maintenance	9,150
	<b>TOTAL SANITATION</b>	<b>\$332,150</b>
<b>WATER DISTRIBUTION &amp; TREATMENT</b>		
4332	Water Distribution & Treatment	\$23,700
	<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTION &amp; TREATMENT</b>	<b>\$23,700</b>

<b>HEALTH</b>		
4411	Health Department Administration	\$22,142
4414	Animal Control	9,600
	<b>TOTAL HEALTH</b>	<b>\$31,742</b>
<b>HUMAN SERVICES</b>		
4419	Human Services	\$56,360
	<b>TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES</b>	<b>\$56,360</b>
<b>WELFARE</b>		
4441	Welfare-Administrative	\$9,772
4442	Welfare-Direct Assistance	33,800
	<b>TOTAL WELFARE</b>	<b>\$43,572</b>
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>		
4520	Parks & Recreation	\$60,278
4550	Library	164,141
4583	Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day)	600
4589	Tree Care	4,594
	<b>TOTAL CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>	<b>\$229,613</b>
<b>CONSERVATION</b>		
4611	Conservation Commission	\$5,771
	<b>TOTAL CONSERVATION</b>	<b>\$5,771</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>		
4711	Principle Due	\$150,000
4721	Interest/Long Term Notes	34,005
4723	Interest/T. A. N.	50,000
	<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>\$234,005</b>
<b>TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>\$3,235,597</b>
<b>WARRANT ARTICLES</b>		
6197	Warrant Articles (16)	\$ 298,726
	<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$3,534,323</b>

## DETAILED DISBURSEMENTS 1997

<b>EXECUTIVE</b>		
<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$155,772</b>
4130-10-110	Merit/Step Raise	4,622
4130-10-130	Town Officer Salary (Selectmen)	5,000
4130-10-140	T. O. E. Overtime	4,235
4130-10-190	Unused Sick Leave	6,218
4130-10-310	Contracted Consulting Services	23,212
4130-10-341	Telephone	4,121
4130-10-392	Labor Relations Consultant	5,919



4130-10-500	Training/Conference	305
4130-10-550	Town Report Expense	4,707
4130-10-560	Dues	9,804
4130-10-570	Advertising	1,201
4130-10-620	Office Supplies	2,573
4130-10-625	Postage	1,127
4130-10-630	Office Equipment/Maintenance	7,888
4130-10-670	R. S. A. Supplies	53
4130-10-690	Miscellaneous	1,135
4130-10-870	Record Deeds	42
4130-10-880	Cable Committee Expense	3,431
4130-20-110	Salary Town Manager	51,560
4130-20-680	Town Managers Expense	4,414
4130-20-830	Employment Expenses	927
4130-21-110	B. O. S./T. M. Secretary	27,003
4130-30-150	Highway Safety Expense	281
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 169,781</b>

#### **ELECTIONS, REGISTRATION & VITAL STATISTICS**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 60,106</b>	
4140-10-110	Salary Deputy & Assistant	20,108	
4140-10-130	Town Clerk Salary	27,600	
4140-10-341	Telephone	794	
4140-10-342	Computer Hardware/Software Expense	1,639	
4140-10-500	Convention & Mileage	1,359	
4140-10-520	Bond	590	
4140-10-610	Dog Tags & Forms	140	
4140-10-620	Office Supplies	929	
4140-10-625	Postage	2,335	
4140-10-630	Office Equipment & Maintenance	468	
4140-20-110	Supervisor Checklist Salary	1,582	
4140-30-110	Salary/Administration	875	
4140-30-130	Election Salary/Moderator	675	
4140-30-342	Software Support	1,955	
4140-30-360	Janitorial Services	120	
4140-30-440	Voting Facility Rental	600	
4140-30-550	Ballot Printing & Checklist	3,141	
4140-30-610	Repairs & Supplies	408	
4140-30-625	Postage	8	
4140-30-630	Polling Booths	425	
4140-30-680	Meals	434	
4140-40-500	Training Moderator Workshop	40	
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 66,257</b>	

#### **FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 119,803</b>	
4150-10-110	Salary Accounting	20,178	
4150-10-680	Computer Expenses	2,564	
4150-10-801	Mileage/Travel	195	
4150-20-301	Professional Audit	4,970	
4150-30-110	Assessor's Salary Contract	33,985	
4150-30-150	Assessing Office Clerk	12,065	
4150-30-355	Photos	0	
4150-30-500	Education/Conference	50	
4150-30-550	Tax Maps & Mapping Services	54	
4150-30-560	Dues	20	
4150-30-620	Supplies	308	
4150-30-665	Mileage	114	

4150-40-130	Tax Collector Salary	18,198
4150-40-150	Deputy Tax Collector Salary	2,281
4150-40-320	Mortgage Research	2,975
4150-40-341	Telephone	369
4150-40-500	Dues, Convention & Mileage	1,089
4150-40-550	Computer Supplies	247
4150-40-620	Office Supplies	257
4150-40-625	Postage	2,467
4150-40-630	Equipment & Maintenance	1,738
4150-40-870	Record Registry of Deeds	446
4150-50-110	Treasurer's Salary	4,000
4150-90-150	Budget Committee Secretary	1,835
4150-90-880	Budget Committee Expenses	489
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 110,890</b>

#### **LEGAL EXPENSES**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 36,000</b>	
4153-00-320	Legal Expenses		34,651
4153-10-320	Cable Consultant		3,183
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 37,833</b>	

#### **PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 252,815</b>	
4155-20-210	Work/Health Insurance		115,215
4155-30-220	FICA		46,865
4155-30-225	Medicare		16,204
4155-40-230	New Hampshire Retirement		35,872
4155-40-250	Unemployment Compensation		1,015
4155-40-260	N. H. Municipal Workers Compensation		16,515
4155-40-290	12.5 Caf. Plan Pre-Tax		500
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 232,186</b>	

#### **PLANNING & ZONING**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 41,869</b>	
4191-10-110	Planning Salaries		23,947
4191-10-140	Overtime		2,696
4191-10-310	Engineering		0
4191-10-320	Attorney Fees		9,074
4191-10-341	Telephone		537
4191-10-500	Education & Training		180
4191-10-550	Printing Zoning Maps		224
4191-10-570	Legal Notices		955
4191-10-620	Supplies		208
4191-10-625	Postage		1,283
4191-10-630	Equipment Repairs		195
4191-10-680	Computer Supplies		0
4191-10-801	Mileage		51
4191-10-870	Recording Fees		760
4191-20-110	Recording Secretary		1,334
4191-20-500	Education		0
4191-20-570	Advertising		414
4191-20-620	Supplies		50
4191-20-625	Postage		804
4191-20-630	Equipment/Reimbursement		75
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 42,787</b>	



**GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 110,970</b>	
4191-00-110	Custodian Salary		15,840
4194-00-140	Custodian O. T./Part Time		12,897
4190-00-630	Maintenance Supplies/Equipment		3,205
4190-00-650	Grounds Maintenance		12,907
4190-00-740	Maintenance Equipment Purchase		149
4190-00-801	Mileage		10
4190-10-341	Town Hall Public Telephone		618
4190-10-410	Town Hall Electric		7,956
4190-10-411	Town Hall Heat		1,749
4190-10-430	Town Hall Repairs & Renovation		16,117
4190-10-510	Town Hall Alarm		180
4190-20-341	Safety Complex Public Telephone		600
4190-20-410	Safety Complex Electric		15,438
4190-20-411	Safety Complex Heat		9,166
4190-20-430	Safety Complex Repairs		8,934.
4190-30-431	Museum Telephone		168
4190-30-410	Museum Electric		310
4190-30-411	Museum Heat		1,501
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 107,745</b>	

**CEMETERY**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 7,700</b>	
4195-00-740	Equipment Purchase		0
4195-10-610-	Cemetery Labor		2,541
4195-10-610	Supplies		100
4195-10-630	Repairs		0
4195-10-635	Gas & Oil		0
4195-10-650	Contracted Services		4,451
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 7,092</b>	

**INSURANCE**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 75,000</b>	
4196-00-480	Town Insurance/NHMA PLIT		62,764
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 62,764</b>	

**POLICE**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 766,668</b>	
4210-10-110	Administrative Salaries		1,261,76
4210-10-430	Communication Equipment/Repairs		16,943
4210-10-500	Professional Development		1,623
4210-10-560	Dues & Subscriptions		537
4210-10-610	Operational Supplies		4,758
4210-10-620	Office Supplies		2,640
4210-10-625	Postage		1,582
4210-10-630	Office Equipment & Repairs		7,181
4120-10-680	Chief's Expenses		1,225
4210-10-690	Miscellaneous		2,521
4210-10-831	Recruiting/Medical		1,565
4210-20-110	Officer Salaries		306,619
4210-20-140	Officer Overtime		31,8910
4210-10-150	Officer Part Time		46,338
4210-20-291	Officer Uniforms		10,678
4210-20-341	Telephone		10,683
4210-20-439	Vehicle Maintenance		14,966
4210-20-440	Motorcycle Lease		2,525
4210-20-635	Fuels		14,687
4210-20-760	Vehicle Purchase		0
4210-30-150	Crossing Guard		4,048

4210-50-110	Dispatch Salaries	95,769
4210-50-140	Dispatch Overtime	3,830
4210-50-150	Dispatch Part Time Salaries	17,394
4210-50-291	Dispatch Uniforms	1,706
4210-60-190	Contracted Police	38,866
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 766,750</b>

**AMBULANCE  
1997**

	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 26,000</b>
4215-10-350	Ambulance	24,167
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 24,167</b>

**FIRE DEPARTMENT  
1997**

	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 165,107.</b>
4220-10-110	Chief's Salary	42,228
4220-10-291	Personal Equipment	504
4220-10-341	Telephones	1,149
4220-10-560	Annual Dues	1,019
4220-10-620	Supplies	362
4220-10-680	Chief's Expenses	1,756
4220-10-690	Miscellaneous	748
4220-20-150	Payroll	77,393
4220-20-500	Training	6,042
4220-20-560	HAZMAT District	3,500
4220-20-660	Vehicle Maintenance/Supplies	10,944
4220-20-740	Fire Fighting Equipment	4,258
4220-20-741	Hose	1,650
4220-20-742	New Equipment	3,000
4220-30-670	Fire Prevention Inspections	832
4220-50-430	Radios	681
4220-50-431	Pager System	1,916
4220-70-610	Medical Supplies	1,978
4220-80-630	Building Improvements	492
4220-90-150	Forest Fire Payroll	317
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 160,767</b>

**BUILDING INSPECTION  
1997**

	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 63,203</b>
4240-10-110	Inspection Salaries	52,316
4240-10-341	Telephone	1,564
4240-10-440	Pager	64
4240-10-500	Training & Conference	429
4240-10-560	Dues & Subscriptions	35
4240-10-620	Supplies	584
4240-10-625	Postage	8
4240-10-660	Vehicle Maintenance Supplies	1,882
4240-40-500	Plumbing Consultants	2,400
4240-50-500	Electric Consultants	2,970
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 62,252</b>

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
1997**

	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 3,545</b>
4290-10-341	Telephone	484
4290-10-430	Emergency Generator	437
4290-10-560	Dues	0
4290-10-620	Office Supplies	87
4290-10-625	Postage	0
4290-10-630	Radio Maintenance	40
4290-10-670	Subscriptions	0



4290-10-750	Equipment		560
4290-10-801	Mileage/Travel		0
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 1,608	

#### HIGHWAYS & STREETS ADMINISTRATION

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 144,656</b>	
4311-00-110	Highway Salaries		96,909
4311-00-120	Highway Temporary Labor		46
4311-00-140	Highway Overtime		13,301
4311-00-291	Clothing Allowance		1,661
4311-00-341	Telephone		1,675
4311-00-410	Electric		1,631
4311-00-430	Radios		2,256
4311-00-440	Pager		345
4311-00-500	Training/Conferences		100
4311-00-560	Licenses & Dues		220
4311-00-610	Building Supplies		2,062
4311-00-620	Office Supplies		184
4311-00-635	Gas & Oil		835
4311-00-636	Diesel Fuel		4,364
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 125,588	

#### HIGHWAYS & STREETS

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 197,470</b>	
4312-00-390	Welding		290
4312-00-439	Vehicle Repairs/Maintenance		6,059
4312-00-583	Hot Top Expense, Adv., Etc.		113
4312-00-610	Signs		2,161
4312-00-660	Vehicle Maintenance		4,893
4312-00-74	Hand Tools		389
4312-10-580	Safety Lines		1,775
4312-10-582	Guard Rail		3,477
4312-10-612	Crushed Stone		457
4312-10-630	Road Repairs & Maintenance		1,369
4312-20-440	Equipment Rental		1,999
4312-20-581	Street Sweeping		4,984
4312-30-730	Culverts & Catch Basins		8,207
4312-51-390	Snow Plowing		56,613
4312-52-611	Road Salt		31,631
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 250,005	

#### STREET LIGHTS

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 52,000</b>	
4316-30-410	Street Lights		53,547
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 53,547	

#### SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 323,000</b>	
4323-10-570	Sanitation/Waste Disposal		323,451
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 323,452	

#### LANDFILL MAINTENANCE

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 9,150</b>	
4324-40-150	Landfill Attendants		109
4325-10-391	Monitoring Well Testing		4,467
4325-10-650	CAP Maintenance		1,001
4325-10-750	Monitoring Well Replacement		23,85
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 7,962	

**WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT**

1997	APPROPRIATION	\$ 23,700	
4331-10-341	Telephone		384
4331-10-410	Electric		4,902
4331-10-411	Northern Utilities		1,992
4332-10-432	Pump House Maintenance		2,363
4332-10-434	Process Pump Maintenance		1,138
4332-10-630	Process Engineering Water Tower Maintenance		1,088
4332-30-630	Water Line Maintenance		7,598
4339-10-150	Payroll Maple Avenue		725
4339-10-310	Engineering		4,810
4339-10-630	Water Holes		0
4339-20-150	Payroll Process EI		693
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 25,692	

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION**

1997	APPROPRIATION	\$ 22,142	
4411-00-150	Health Department Salaries		14,748
4411-00-341	Telephone		183
4411-00-500	Training		195
411-00-560	Dues		95
4411-00-620	Office Supplies		442
4411-00-625	Postage		183
4411-00-801	Mileage		347
4411-20-350	Vaccinations		874
4411-20-391	Water Testing		259
4411-20-500	Serv Safe Training Grant		3,879
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 21,204	

**ANIMAL CONTROL**

1997	APPROPRIATION	\$ 9,600	
4414-00-150	Animal Control Salaries		6,825
4414-00-440	Kennel Lease		700
4414-00-610	Supplies		859
4414-00-801	Mileage		1,050
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 9,434	

**HUMAN SERVICES**

1997	APPROPRIATION	\$ 56,360	
4419-10-390	Mediation		10,333
4419-20-390	Rockingham V. N. A.		3,982
4119-21-390	Community Action Program		0
4419-22-390	Sexual Assault Support		566
4419-23-390	Crisis Pregnancy Center		2,200
4419-24-390	A Safe Place		300
4419-40-390	Brickett Mill		0
4419-91-390	Retired Senior Volunteer Program		800
4419-92-390	Greater Salem Caregivers		3,500
4419-93-390	Vic Geary Center		5,500
4419-94-390	Lamprey Health		1,650
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 28,831	

**WELFARE ADMINISTRATION**

1997	APPROPRIATION	\$ 9,772	
4441-10-110	Welfare Director's Salary		7,241



4441-10-619	Supplies		132
4441-10-801	Mileage/Travel		190
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 7,563	

#### WELFARE DIRECT ASSISTANCE

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 33,800</b>	
4442-10-840	Shelter/Rent		17,820
4442-10-843	Food/Markets		359
4442-10-845	New England Telephone		0
4442-10-846	Exeter & Hampton Electric		1,376
4442-10-847	Heat		432
4442-10-848	Medical		1,619
4442-10-849	Other Expense (water, gas)		542
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 22,147	

#### RECREATION

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 60,278</b>	
4520-10-110	Director Salary		11,359
4520-10-120	Summer Rec Salary		22,680
4520-10-291	Summer Clothing		1,457
4520-10-341	Telephone		451
4520-10-610	Supplies		551
4520-10-640	Field Maintenance		1,809
4520-10-740	Equipment		1,064
4520-20-801	Transportation		2,825
4520-20-855	Old Home Day		4,959
4520-20-856	Concerts		1,500
4520-20-857	Community Trips		1,908
4520-20-858	Senior Citizens Account		350
4520-20-859	Arts & Crafts		250
4520-20-860	Special Events		250
4520-20-861	Baseball Leagues		2,425
4520-20-862	Cheerleading Program		200
4520-20-863	Little League Baseball		2,391
4520-20-864	Youth Basketball		0
4520-20-865	Softball		2,508
4520-20-866	Youth Football		500
4520-20-868	Timberlane Youth Soccer		0
4520-20-869	Babe Ruth Baseball		500
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 59,936	

#### LIBRARY

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 164,141</b>	
4550-10-920	Library		159,391
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 159,391	

#### MEMORIAL DAY

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 600</b>	
4583-10-854	Memorial Day		600
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	\$ 600	

#### TREE CARE

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 4,594</b>	
4589-00-150	Salaries		25
4589-00151	Emergency Tree Care		9

4589-00152	Outside Tree Care	390
4589-00-341	Telephone/Mileage	11
4589-00-390	Tree Maintenance	2,092
4589-00-610	Purchase Planting	0
4589-00-630	Equipment Maintenance	0
4589-00-740	New Equipment	0
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 2,527</b>

#### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 5,771</b>
4611-10-120	Secretary Salary	0
4611-10-390	Forest Management	240
4611-20-240	Training Conference	45
4611-20-391	Water Samples	2,635
4611-20-560	Dues	256
4611-20-610	Supplies	4
4611-20-801	Mileage/Travel	0
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 3,180</b>

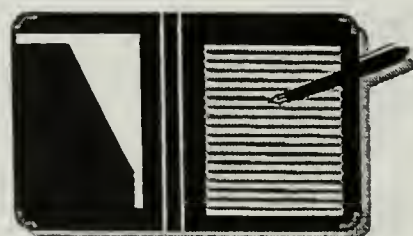
#### **DEBT SERVICE**

<b>1997</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 234,005</b>
4711-00-980	Principal Due	150,000
4721-00-981	Interest/Long Term Notes	34,005
4723-00-981	Interest/T. A. N.	30,087
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997</b>	<b>\$ 214,092</b>

### **REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR**

This year with all the changes in the new laws, the date changes, and with the passing of my friend and auditor, LeRoy Dube, I am behind in my audit. Mrs. Brenda Majors has been appointed to Mr. Dube's position. The books are now closed and we can finish going over the bills and finish with the books. In the past, LeRoy would do the daytime work of going over the books and I would do the bills with him; this year I am doing them without my friend. I have started examining the various payment and receipt records in the Town of Plaistow for the year ending December 31, 1997. In my opinion, while examination is not complete, the accounts are kept in accordance with accepted accounting procedure.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Thomas Vinci  
 Brenda Major





# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

Appropriation Account	Appropriated	Expended	+(-) Variance
Executive	\$ 155,772	\$ 169,781	(\$14,009)
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	60,106	66,225	(6,119)
Financial Administration	119,803	110,890	8,913
Legal Expenses	36,000	37,883	(833)
Personnel Administration	252,218	232,186	20,629
Planning & Zoning	41,869	42,786	(918)
General Government Buildings	110,970	107,745	3,245
Cemetery	7,700	7,092	608
Insurance	860,035	837,303	22,732
Police	766,668	766,750	(82)
Ambulance	26000	24,167	1,833
Fire	165,107	160,767	4,340
Building Inspection	63,203	62,252	951
Emergency Management	3,545	1,608	1,937
Highways & Streets Administration	144656	125,588	19,068
Highways & Streets	197470	124,417	73,052
Street Lights	52,000	53,547	(1,547)
Solid Waste Disposal	323,000	323,452	(452)
Landfill Maintenance	9,150	7,962	1,188
Water Distribution & Treatment	23,700	25,693	(1,993)
Health Department Administration	22,142	21,204	938
Animal Control	9,600	9,434	166
Human Services	56,360	28,831	27,529
Welfare-Administrative	9,772	7,563	2,209
Welfare-Direct Assistance	33,800	22,147	11,653
Parks & Recreation	60,278	59,937	341
Library	164,141	159,391	4,750
Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day)	600	600	600
Tree Care	4,594	2,527	2,067
Conservation Commission	5,771	3,180	2,592
Debt Service	234,005	214,093	19,912
<b>Account Totals</b>	<b>\$3,235,597</b>	<b>\$3,042,412</b>	<b>\$193,185</b>

## 1996 Encumbered Funds

Tax Maps of Town WA #17	46,784	46,874	0
Improv to Town Bldgs WA #15	33,850	24,921	8,929
Phase II PD Computer WA #20	6,566	0	6,566
Rec. Field. Maint.-Fence Project	1,500	1,500	0
Forest Mgmnt Project	2,260	2,260	0
<b>Total Encumbered to 1997</b>	<b>\$90,960</b>	<b>\$75,465</b>	<b>\$15,495</b>

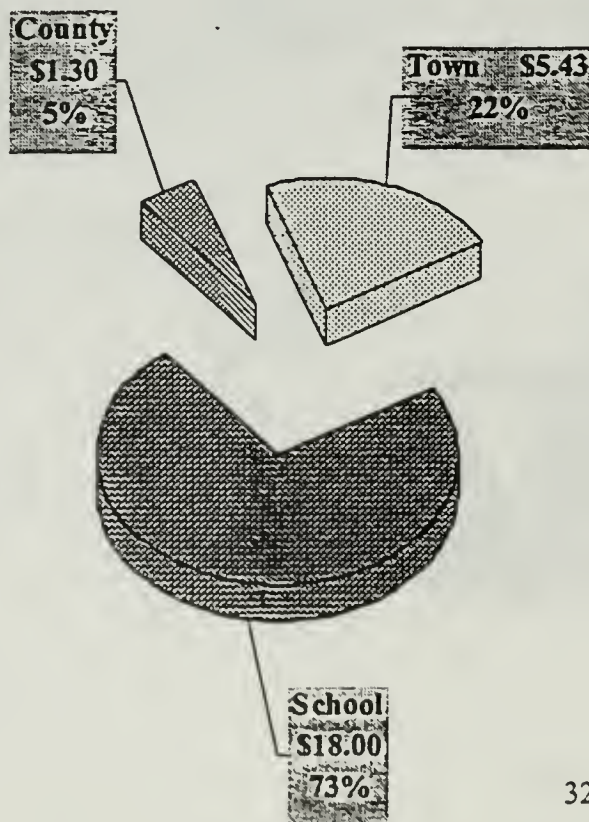
## 1997 Warrant Articles

WW II Monument WA #30	2,000	0	2,000
F/T Police Officer WA #7	31,752	32,693	(941)
Incr Tax Collector Salary WA #19	539	538	1
Hwy Block Grant WA #3	102,875	47,526	55,349
Smith Fld Equipment WA # 6	15,000	14,510	490
Fireworks Old Home Day WA # 28	5,000	5,000	0
Vict/Witness Advocate WA # 8	14,992	5,030	9,962
Incr Town Clerk Salary	862	860	2
Widen Main Street WA #17	15,000	0	15,000
Imp Town Hall Heating WA #14	12,600	12,600	0
PD Computer/Mobile Radio WA #9	13,906	13,915	(9)
PD Computer Phase IV WA #10	4,550	3,653	897
Parade OH Day WA #29	5,000	5,000	0
Imp Town Hall Elect System WA #15	21,450	13,316	8,134
PubSafety Complex ECM Impr WA #12	37,200	36,990	210
Elm Street Cemetery	16,000	15,974	26
<b>Total 1997 Warrant Articles</b>	<b>\$298,726</b>	<b>\$207,605</b>	<b>\$91,121</b>

## HISTORY OF PLAISTOW TAX RATES & CHART

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOWN/SCHOOL/COUNTY</u>	<u>TOWN PORTION</u>
1990	\$15.54	\$3.83
1991	15.90	4.41
1992	21.00	5.08
1993	19.45	4.64
1994	22.04	5.78
1995	22.54	5.77
1996	24.31	5.75
1997	24.73	5.43

### 1997 Tax Rate



### • Plaistow Property Tax Rate for 1997

• Town	\$ 5.43
• School	\$18.00
• County	\$ 1.30
• <b>Total Tax Rate</b>	<b>\$24.73</b>

<u>1996</u>	<u>1997 Tax Rate Comparison</u>
\$5.75	Town \$5.43 = 5.6% decrease / (.32 down)
\$17.18	School \$18.00 = 4.8% increase / .82 increase
\$1.38	County \$1.30 = 5.8% decrease / (.08 down)
\$24.31	\$24.73 = 1.7% increase / .42 increase



# REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

## FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF PLAISTOW

DR.	Levy for Year of this Report 1997	PRIOR LEVIES 1996	
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES- BEG. OF YEAR:</b>			
Property Taxes		713,228	
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change			
Yield Taxes			
Utilities			
<b>TAXES COMMITTED-THIS YEAR</b>			
Property Taxes	10,569,837		
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change	5,810		
Yield Taxes			
Utilities	337		
<b>OVERPAYMENT</b>	17,847	404	
Property Taxes	13,849	3,327	
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change			
Yield Taxes			
Interest Collected on Delinquent Tax	10,619	35,884	
Collected Resident Tax Penalties			
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$10,604,450</b>	<b>\$749,516</b>	<b>\$</b>

CR.	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
<b>Remitted to Treas. During FY</b>	1997	1996		

Property Taxes	9,833,813	714,206		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	5,810			
Yield Taxes				
Utilities	337			
Interest	10,619	35,884		
Penalties				
<b>Discounts Allowed:</b>				
<b>Abatements Made: Property Taxes</b>	10,417	9,372		
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Utilities				
Curr. Levy Deeded				
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES-END OF YR.</b>				
Property Taxes	743,454	-0-		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Utilities				
Total Credits	\$10,604,450	\$749,516	\$	\$

Dr.	Last Years Levy	Prior Please specify Levies years					
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Yr.	1996	1995 269,298	1994 99,753	1993 29,356	1992 28,919	1991 27,781	1990 27,102



Line Executed During Fiscal Yr.	365,833						
Interest & Costs Coll. After Lien Execution	12,932	16,752	23,575	530	43		
Yield Tax	4,956						
Water Bill	39,509	9,786	8,690	11,103	7,606		
Mortgage Notice		2,106					
TOTAL DEBITS	423,229	288,840	196,575	28,919	27,781		
CR. REMITTANCE TO TREASURER:							
Redemptions	106,934	63,957	62,575	973			
Int./Costs (after Lien execution)	12,932	17,610	23,575	530	43		
Yield Tax	2,273						
Water Bill	24,598						
Abatement of Water Bills	3,552						
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	2,648	64,031	1,604				
Liens DEEDED to Municipalities		1,223					
Water Bill Unredeemed Liens	11,358	9,786	8,690	11,103	7,606	27,781	27,103
Yield Tax	256,251	141,335	35,575	28,382	28,919		
Bal. End of Year	2,683						
TOTAL CREDITS	\$423,229	\$297,942	\$132,108	\$40,989	\$36,568	\$27,781	\$27,103

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosemarie L. Bayek, Tax Collector



## TAX RATE COMPUTATION & TAXES ASSESSED

<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,534,323</u></b>		
Less: Revenues	1,695,999		
Less: Shared Revenues	9,266		
Add: Overlay	452,824		
War Service Credits	47,275		
Net Town Appropriation		\$2,329,157	
Approved Town/City Tax Effort			\$2,329,157
<b><u>Municipal Tax Rate</u></b>			<b><u>\$ 5.43</u></b>

<b><u>SCHOOL PORTION</u></b>			
Due to Regional School	\$7,876,233		
Less: Shared Revenues	159,656		
Net School Appropriation		\$7,716,577	
Approved School Tax Effort			\$7,716,577
<b><u>School Tax Rate</u></b>			<b><u>\$18.00</u></b>

<b><u>COUNTY PORTION</u></b>			
Due to County	\$564,685		
Less: Shared Revenues	9,266		
Net County Appropriation		\$ 555,419	
Approved County Tax Effort			\$ 555,419
<b><u>County Tax Rate</u></b>			<b><u>\$ 1.30</u></b>

<b><u>COMBINED TAX RATE</u></b>			<b><u>\$24.73</u></b>
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Total Property Taxes Assessed		\$10,601,153	
Less: War Service Credits		47,275	

<b><u>TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT</u></b>		<b><u>\$10,553,878</u></b>	
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	<b>—Proof of Rate—</b>		
Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment	
\$428,675,785	\$24.73	\$10,601,153	

## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

LAND	\$148,421,866		
BUILDINGS	279,477,900		
UTILITIES	5,260,169		
<b>Total Valuation Before Exemption</b>		<b>\$433,159,935</b>	
LESS: Blind Exemptions	75,000		
Elderly Exemptions	4,409,150		
<b>Total Amount of Exemption</b>		<b>\$ 4,484,150</b>	
<b>Net Value on Which Tax is Computed</b>			<b>\$428,675,785</b>



# TREASURER'S REPORT

Report for January 1, 1997 - December 31, 1997

Balance on hand January 1, 1997 \$ 3,156,176.69

RECEIPTS FROM	AMOUNT
TAX COLLECTOR:	
1996 Property Taxes	358,456.11
1997 Property Taxes	10,200,077.81
Property Tax Interest	24,995.60
Mortgage Notice Costs	2,889.00
Redemption Sales	237,564.23
Redemption Interest Costs	48,829.46
Tax Sale Costs	666.00
Current Use	5,810.00
Yield Tax	2,273.00
Yield Tax Interest	21.03
Water Bills	25,042.59
Water Bill Interest	21.38
Return Checks	(54,235.98)
Return Checks Paid	54,235.98
Return Check Fines	75.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,906,721.21</b>
STATE OF NH:	
Police Training	247.00
Highway Block Grant	107,827.98
Witness Fees	2,453.58
Shared Revenues	235,044.33
Emergency Mgmnt Reimbursement	1,978.44
Court Lease	34,332.00
Railroad Tax	871.71
Gas Tax Reimbursement	2,915.10
Grants	18,517.27
Comp Funds of NH	5,120.79
Meals & Rooms Tax	81,957.59
Welfare Assistance Reimbursement	1,114.73
Landfill Closure Grant	184,841.55
Permit	25.00
NHEMA	161.76
Court Ordered Restitution	41.04
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$677,449.87</b>
FROM OTHER SOURCES:	
Police Dept.	34,534.18
Returned Checks	(1,439.13)
Returned Checks Paid	1,439.13
Returned Check Fees	28.00
Fire Dept.	410.99
Insurance	15.00
Health Dept.	7,450.75
Returned Checks	(120.00)
Returned Checks Paid	120.00
Returned Check Fees	25.00
Recreation Dept.	24,218.00
Returned Checks	(180.00)

RECEIPTS FROM	AMOUNT
TOWN CLERK:	
W/H State of NH	3,354.00
U.C.C. Fees	5,099.75
Motor Vehicle Permits	885,441.00
Dog Licenses	7,439.00
Dog License/Pick up Fines	750.00
Marriage Licenses	504.00
Certified Copies	486.00
Municipal Agent Program	23,342.50
Dredge & Fill	40.00
Boat registrations	6,800.32
Recordings	10.00
Filing Fees	20.00
Voter Registrations	15.00
Title Fees	3,747.00
Miscellaneous	108.33
Mail In Registration Fees	3,794.00
Returned Check Fines	900.00
1996 Returned Check Collected	38.50
Pole Licenses	40.00
Recount Fees	20.00
1997 Returned Checks Uncollected	(303.50)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 941,645.90</b>
FROM REIMBURSEMENTS:	
Cemetery Trustees	3,509.34
Monitoring of Well	45.67
Health Insurance	8,978.55
Overpayment P.D.	13.47
Wages from Landfill	1,503.04
Welfare	4,480.86
Public Telephone	42.72
Overpayment-Sumner Kalman	458.75
Hazardous Waste Spill	4,698.48
Restitution (Fire Dept)	1,062.75
Telephone Calls	77.50
Moore Business Services	507.30
NHR	14.91
Timberlane School Crossing Guard	1,942.65
Property Damage Settlement	5,006.61
NHMA	312.00
SE Regional Solid Waste Dist.(dues)	137.44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 32,792.04</b>
OTHER SOURCE (CONT'D):	
COPS	13,906.00
Grants	7,444.00
Cable-Media one	28,241.79

Returned Checks Paid	35.00
Inspection Dept.	82,930.05
Planning Board	9,295.97
Returned Checks	(15.00)
Returned Check Paid	15.00
Zoning Board	2,710.66
Assessor's Office	342.00
John Wilder (Compost Pile)	300.00
Court Witness Fee	25.00
Refunds	291.89
Police Agreement	11,472.23
Cemetery Lots	2,250.00
Cemetery Closing Fees	750.00
Court Order	643.45

FROM DISTRICT COURT:

Portion of Fines	1,106.00
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FROM FLEET BANK:

Earned Interest	2,112.20
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Police Outside Detail	43,884.46
Hawkers & Peddlers Permits	190.00
Miscellaneous	601.65
Permits & Licenses	125.00
Dispatching Services	19,582.50
Identi Kit Rentals	100.00
Police Officer Settlement	16,500.00
Pawn Brokers & Second Hand	450.00
Friends of Rec. WA #6	7,255.08
Killam Land	900.00
Police Agreement	10,000.00
Historical Museum Lease	1.00
Court Order	55,255.96
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$381,985.61</b>

FROM FAMILY BANK:

Tax Anticipation Note	1,000,000.00
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Earned Interest	93,374.81
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**TOTAL 1997 RECEIPTS**

**\$14,407,207.17**

**TOTAL 1997 DISBURSEMENTS**

**\$13,392,844.83**

**TOTAL**

**\$3,810,539.03**

BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1997

\$ 3,799,745.69

No Cash To Treasurer

Previous years abatements applied to 1997 Taxes

\$ 10,793.34

**TOTAL**

**\$3,810,539.03**

Respectfully submitted,  
Bernadine A. Fitzgerald, Treasurer

**STATEMENT OF BOND DEBT**

Fitzgerald Public Safety Complex  
Original Amount: \$1,150,000.00  
Year/Term: 1985/15 Yrs. @ 8.0%

Landfill Closure Construction  
Original Amount: \$750,000.00  
Year/Term: 1988/10 Yrs. @ 7.029%

YEAR	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	YEARLY TOTALS
1998	\$150,000	\$22,175	\$172,175
1999	75,000	12,944	87,944
2000	75,000	6,341	81,341
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>	<b>\$41,460</b>	<b>\$341,460</b>



## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

### DEBITS:

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued -9408	\$885,441
Filing Fees	20
Dog Licenses Issued-985	7,439
Fines - Dog Pickup	750
Marriages	504
W/H State N.H. (Marriages & Certified Copies)	3,354
Certified Copies	486
Boat Registrations	6,800
Uniform Commercial Codes	5,100
Titles	3,747
Mail In Registration Fees	3,794
Municipal Agent Program	23,342
Voter Registration Certification	15
Dredge & Fill Permits	40
Recordings	10
Miscellaneous	108
Pole License	40
Recount	20
Returned Check Fines	900
TOTAL	\$941,910

### CREDITS:

#### Remittance To Treasurer:

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$885,441
Filing Fees	20
Dog Licenses	7,439
Fines For Dog Pickup	750
Marriages StateOf N.H. (Marriages & Certified Copies)	3,354
Marriages	504
Certified Copies	486
Boat Registrations	6,800
Uniform Commercial Codes	5,100
Titles	3,747
Mail In Registration Fees	3,794
Municipal Agent Fees	23,342
Voter Registration Certificates	15
Dredge & Fill	40
Recordings	10
Recount	20
Pole License	40
Miscellaneous	108
Returned Check Charges	900
	\$941,910

1996 Returned Check Collected	\$38
1997 Returned Checks	304
REMITTED TO TREASURER	\$941,644

Respectfully Submitted,  
Barbara E. Tavitian, Town Clerk

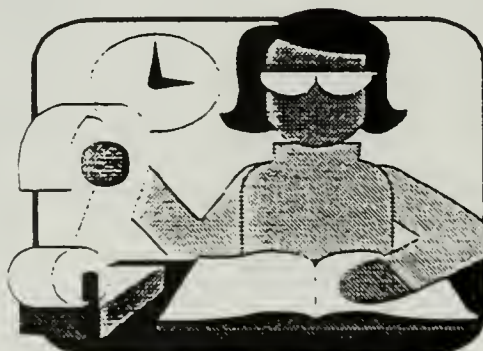
## POLICE DEPARTMENT REVENUE

<u>Source</u>	<u>#Issued</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>
Parking Violations	149	\$3,510
Insurance Request Report Fees	964	6,474
Gun Permits	37	370
Identi-Kit Rental Fees	2	100
License Fee – Pistol/Revolver Sellers	5	125
NH Gas Tax Reimbursements		2,467
Hawkers & Peddlers Permits	4	120
NH Court Witness Fees		2,479
COPS FAST Hiring Grant		23,439
Law Enforcement Block Grant		13,906
NH Victim-Witness Advocate Grant		2,197
NH Motorcycle Training Grant		600
NH Training Grant ( St. Anselm's)		247
Timberlane Hampstead School Districts		1,943
Police Officer – Wal-Mar		11,472
Trammel Crow NE Inc.		16,000
TCNE, Inc. Agent for ALIC		6,000
Agent for BCLM Assoc.		4,500
Municipal Dispatching Contract		14,687
Sub Total		\$110,710
Contracted Police Services		36,243
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$146,953</b>

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Due to the time situation this year, the Trustees Report was not available at press time. It will be available at Town Meeting on March 10, as a handout. Apologies are extended for the delay.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ken Thurston, Chairman





# REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

## PLAISTOW PUBLIC LIBRARY

INCOME	
TOWN OF PLAISTOW	164,141.00
DONATIONS	2,775.00
FINES	3,435.00
COPIER FEES	1,551.60
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS	1,430.84
LOST BOOKS	395.59
T-SHIRT SALES	20.00
BOOK SALES	219.25
NON-RESIDENT FEES	224.10
STATE OF N.H.GRANTS	610.00
MARY NELSON TRUST (BUILDING PROGRAM)	1,375.50
TOTAL	176,173.78
EXPENSES	
AUTOMATION	806.17
BOOKS	23,163.15
BUILDING INSURANCE	1,542.00
BUILDING PROGRAM	1,375.50
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	8,796.20
CONTINUING EDUCATION	1,263.12
ELECTRICITY	4,173.06
ENCUMBERED (SIDING-BUILDING)	4,750.00
GAS	806.17
HEALTH,LIFE,DISABILITY INSURANCE	7,392.34
JANITOR SERVICE	4,303.52
MISCELLANEOUS	179.52
PERIODICALS	2,509.35
POSTAGE	224.10
PROFESSIONAL DUES	225.00
PUBLIC ACTIVITIES	1,139.52

REFERENCE	4,903.41
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	2,870.50
RETIREMENT	1,056.41
SALARIES	84,595.25
SECURITY	165.00
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	6,471.54
SUPPLIES	3,024.28
TELEPHONE	795.51
TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT	1,458.95
UNEMPLOYMENT	329.18
WORKERS COMPENSATION	414.52
TOTAL	168,913.24
LIBRARY ACCOUNT BALANCES	
ROGER B. HILL MEMORIAL FUND	10,511.97
FINES/LOST BOOKS FUND	3,835.37
SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND	10,984.86
MEMORIAL FUNDS (IN HONOR OF): ANNIE L. DOW MARY GILMAN MURIEL HERRICK SHEILA MCPHERSON PAUL D. PALMER IRVING E. PEASLEE VIRGINIA ROBINSON DAVID WOOD BUILDING FUND ENCYCLOPEDIA FUND	9,549.49
DONALD R. WILLIS MEMORIAL FUND	891.57
CONTI FAMILY FUND	575.80

CATHERINE EMMONS, CHAIR  
SCOTT LANE, ASSISTANT CHAIRPERSON  
JENNIFER KIARSIS, SECRETARY  
CATHERINE WILLIS, TREASURER  
BERTHA HILL



## 11/6/97

(with \$345K Bond in 98 & ~\$2M Bond in 99)

CAPITAL ITEM BY DEPARTMENT		1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
FIRE DEPARTMENT							
1) Capital Reserve Fund to Replace Fire Engines	W	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
4) Install Ventilation System			\$32,000				
5) Breathing Apparatus			\$57,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
Grants							
Subtotal							
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT							
1) Replacement Vehicles	B	\$80,000	\$84,000				
3) Dome Salt Shed	B	\$105,277	\$110,541	\$116,068	\$121,871	\$127,965	\$134,363
5) Road Reconstruction/Reclamation/Drainage Repair	W	(\$105,277)	(\$110,541)	(\$116,068)	(\$121,871)	(\$127,965)	(\$134,363)
Highway Block Grant Funds Available	O	(\$5,000)					
Vehicle Trade-In		\$75,000	\$84,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal							
LIBRARY							
1) New 13,000 sf Library on 3-5 acres.	O	\$100,000					
3) Paint & Repairing of Library ('97)	O	(\$100,000)					
4) Land Purchase for new Library							
Income from Trust Funds		\$0	\$0				
Subtotal							
PARKS & RECREATION							
1) New Recreation Field: 2-Baseball Diamonds, 2 multipurpose	W	\$170,000					
2) Upgrade existing play equipment at Smith Field ('97)	W	\$30,000					
3) Building for concessions and toilet facilities(New Site)	W	\$30,000					
5) Playground (New Site)	W	\$115,000					
6) Access Road Construction							
Building Grants & Fundraising							
Subtotal							
BOND \$1,932,000 for 10 years							
BOND \$345,000 for 10 Years							

B = BUDGET LINE ITEM  
W = WARRANT ARTICLE  
O = OTHER

# PLAISTOW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (1998-2003)

(with \$345K Bond in 98 & ~\$2M Bond in 99)

CAPITAL ITEM BY DEPARTMENT		1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>							
1) Software/Hardware Computerization	W	\$7,050					
2) Replacement of Police Cruisers	B	\$46,000	\$46,000	\$46,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
3) Replace 2 Position Motorola Console					\$110,000	\$20,500	
4) Replace Dictaphone							
5) Copy Machine ('97)							
6) Mobile Data Terminals							\$45,000
7) Expansion of Safety Complex						\$100,000	
8) Cruiser Radios							
Grants							
Subtotal		\$12,984 (\$11,686)	\$46,000	\$46,000	\$160,000	\$170,500	\$95,000
<b>SELECTMEN'S OFFICE</b>							
2) Energy Conservation Program / Central Air Conditioning	W	\$17,470					
6) Records Management (Microfiche \$5k)							
8) Town Hall Fire Alarm(\$17K) & Sprinkler System(\$45K)							
9) Cemetery Improvements	W	\$8,000	\$8,000				
10) Town Hall expansion to 2nd Floor (\$?)							
11) Town Hall Heating System Replacement (Gas HVAC) ('97)							
12) Town Hall Electrical Upgrade ('97)							
Grants							
Subtotal	W	(\$8,735) \$16,735	\$8,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>WATER DEPARTMENT</b>							
1) Extend water line (north loop)	B	\$12,000	\$175,000	BOND \$175,000 for 10 yrs			
2) Replace 8" piping			\$50,000	BOND \$50,000 for 10 yrs			
4) Repairs to Water Tower	B	\$9,500	\$40,700	\$111,500			
Grants							
Subtotal	B	\$21,500	\$40,700	\$111,500	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>							
1) Remove & Replace 500 Gallon Inground Storage Tank	B	\$10,000					
Grant	B	(\$5,000) \$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal							

B = BUDGET LINE ITEM  
W = WARRANT ARTICLE  
O = OTHER



# PLAISTOW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (1998-2003)

(with \$345K Bond in 98 & ~\$2M Bond in 99)

11/6/97

CAPITAL ITEM BY DEPARTMENT		1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
TAX ASSESSING OFFICE							
1) GIS Tax Maps, Property Revaluation & Computerization	W/B	\$150,000	\$75,000				
Grants							
Subtotal		\$150,000	\$75,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE							
1) Sidewalk Improvements (Railroad Tracks to Ingalls Terr.)	W	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000			
Grants							
Subtotal		\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT							
1) Route 125 Study	W	\$12,000			\$15,000		
2) Building Inspector Vehicle Replacement							
Grants							
Subtotal		\$12,000	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$0	\$0
BONDED DEBT							
1) Safety Complex & Landfill	B	\$172,174	\$87,943	\$81,340	\$320,513	\$309,938	\$299,363
2) Library & WaterLine				\$339,928	\$47,973	\$46,328	\$44,683
3) Recreation Fields on Old County Rd.	O		\$52,618	\$49,618			
Other Funds - Land Closure		(\$15,448)					
Subtotal		\$156,726	\$140,561	\$470,886	\$368,486	\$356,266	\$344,046
Animal Control							
1) Animal Control Vehicle							
Grants							
Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COST - TOTAL		\$777,455	\$571,802	\$779,454	\$690,357	\$679,731	\$598,409
OFFSETTING FUNDS - PRIVATE/PUBLIC		(\$251,146)	(\$110,541)	(\$196,068)	(\$201,871)	(\$207,965)	(\$214,363)
NET TOTAL		\$526,309	\$461,261	\$583,386	\$488,486	\$471,766	\$384,046
TARGET (2.5% Inflation + 0.5% growth)		\$435,150	\$448,205	\$461,651	\$475,500	\$489,765	\$504,458
Delta		\$91,159	\$13,056	\$121,735	\$12,986	(\$17,999)	(\$120,412)

B = BUDGET LINE ITEM

W = WARRANT ARTICLE

## 11/6/97

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O = OTHER



# PLAISTOW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (1998-2003)

(with \$345K Bond in 98 & ~\$2M Bond in 99)

CAPITAL ITEM BY DEPARTMENT	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>						
1) Software/Hardware Computerization	\$54,000	\$54,000	\$54,000	\$57,000	\$57,000	\$57,000
2) Replacement of Police Cruisers						
3) Replace 2 Position Motorola Console						
4) Replace Dictaphone						
5) Copy Machine ('97)						
6) Mobile Data Terminals						
7) Expansion of Safety Complex						
8) Cruiser Radios						
Grants						
<b>Subtotal</b>	\$54,000	\$54,000	\$54,000	\$57,000	\$57,000	\$57,000
<b>SELECTMEN'S OFFICE</b>						
2) Energy Conservation Program / Central Air Conditioning						
6) Records Management (Microfiche \$5k)						
8) Town Hall Fire Alarm(\$17K) & Sprinkler System(\$45K)						
9) Cemetery Improvements						
10) Town Hall expansion to 2nd Floor (\$?)						
11) Town Hall Heating System Replacement (Gas I-IVAC) ('97)						
12) Town Hall Electrical Upgrade ('97)						
Grants						
<b>Subtotal</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>WATER DEPARTMENT</b>						
1) Extend water line (north loop)						
2) Replace 8" piping						
4) Repairs to Water Tower						
Grants						
<b>Subtotal</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>						
1) Remove & Replace 500 Gallon Inground Storage Tank						
Grant						
<b>Subtotal</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	BOND \$175,000 for 10 yrs					
	BOND \$50,000 for 10 yrs					

# PLAISTOW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (1998-2003)

(with \$345K Bond in 98 & ~\$2M Bond in 99)

CAPITAL ITEM BY DEPARTMENT	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
<b>TAX ASSESSING OFFICE</b>						
1) GIS Tax Maps, Property Revaluation & Computerization						
Grants	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE</b>						
1) Sidewalk Improvements (Railroad Tracks to Ingalls Terr.)						
Grants	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>PLANNING &amp; COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</b>						
1) Route 125 Study						
2) Building Inspector Vehicle Replacement						
Grants	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>BONDED DEBT</b>						
1) Safety Complex & Landfill	\$288,788	\$278,213	\$267,638	\$257,063	\$246,488	\$235,800
2) Library & WaterLine	\$43,038	\$41,393	\$39,748	\$38,103	\$31,440	
3) Recreation Fields on Old County Rd.						
Other Funds - Land Closure	\$331,826	\$319,606	\$307,386	\$295,166	\$277,928	\$235,800
Subtotal	\$663,652	\$639,212	\$614,772	\$590,332	\$555,856	\$471,600
<b>Animal Control</b>						
1) Animal Control Vehicle						
Grants	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COST - TOTAL</b>	\$551,907	\$546,741	\$585,928	\$628,485	\$563,413	\$652,859
<b>OFFSETTING FUNDS - PRIVATE/PUBLIC</b>	(\$221,081)	(\$228,135)	(\$215,542)	(\$223,319)	(\$231,485)	(\$236,859)
<b>NET TOTAL</b>	\$330,826	\$318,606	\$370,386	\$405,166	\$331,928	\$416,000
<b>TARGET (2.5% inflation + 0.5% growth)</b>	\$519,592	\$535,180	\$551,235	\$567,772	\$584,806	\$602,350
<b>Delta</b>	(\$188,766)	(\$216,574)	(\$180,849)	(\$162,606)	(\$252,878)	(\$186,350)

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# STATISTICS

## LIBRARY STATISTICS

Materials purchased (includes Reference)

Adult ..... 1,010  
 Juvenile ..... 677 ..... 1,687

Gift books added to collection ..... 137

Total videos in collection ..... 432

Total cassettes in collection ..... 347

Total CD ROM materials (Reference) ..... 10

Magazine/Newspaper subscriptions ..... 61

Gift subscriptions ..... 2

Books lost/paid for ..... 62

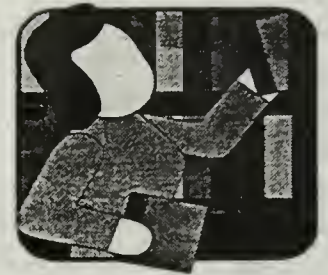
Total materials in collection..... 30,296  
 (including periodicals)

Total circulation ..... 53,850

Registered patrons ..... 2,320

Total visits by patrons ..... 32,962

Days open ..... 300

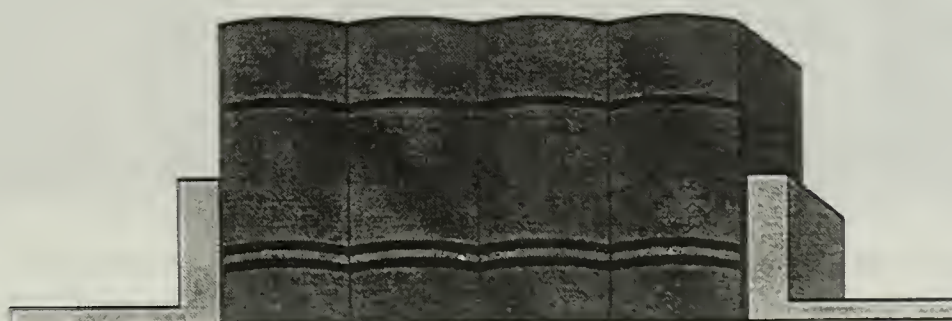


## LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday  
 9:00am - 8:30 pm  
 Friday  
 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
 Saturday  
 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

## SUMMER HOURS (July - Labor Day )

Monday - Thursday  
 9:00am - 8:00 pm  
 Friday  
 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
 Saturday  
 9:00 am - noon



## POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIME STATISTICS

OFFENSE/INCIDENT	1995	1996	1997	%
Murder/Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Burglary	70	91	51	-44%
Theft	353	359	321	-10%
MV Theft/Recovery	96	82	75	- 8%
Criminal Mischief	292	237	224	- 5%
DWI	26	22	22	0%
MV Accidents	419	452	423	- 6%
Alarms	813	890	846	- 5%
Assaults	120	103	132	+29%
Sexual Assaults	21	22	20	- 9%
Calls for Service	9,385	12,877	15,231	+19%
Court Cases	1,378	1,005	1,010	+ 1%
Arrests Adults	380	404	408	+ 1%
Arrests Juveniles	81	108	116	+ 8%
MV Arrests	70	62	63	+ 2%
Traffic Citations	1,360	718	719	+ 1%
Domestic Calls	139	144	113	-21%





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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager  
Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the provisions of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-128, "Audits of State and Local Governments." Those standards and OMB Circular A-128 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As more fully described in Note 1, the general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the financial statements of the General Fixed Asset Account Group, which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amount that should be recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group is not known.

As described in Note 1, the Town has recognized tax revenues of \$842,291 in its General Fund which were not received in cash within sixty days of year end as required by generally accepted accounting principles (GASB Interpretation 3). Town officials believe, and we concur, that the application of this accounting principle, which would result in a decrease in the undesignated General Fund balance from \$167,404 to (\$674,887), would give a misleading impression of the Town's ability to meet its current and future obligations.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the general purpose financial statements of the omission described in the third paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire as of December 31, 1996 and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its non-expendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated June 4, 1997 on our consideration of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire's internal control structure and a report dated June 4, 1997 on its compliance with laws and regulations.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

*Vachon, Clukey & Co., PC*

June 4, 1997



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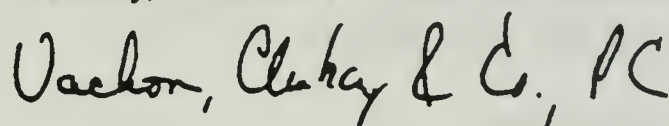
To the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager  
Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 1996, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

However, during our audit we became aware of several matters that are opportunities for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency. The memorandum that accompanies this letter summarizes our comments and recommendations regarding those matters. We previously reported on the Town's internal control structure in our report dated June 4, 1997. This letter does not affect that report or our report on the general purpose financial statements dated June 4, 1997.

We have already discussed these comments and recommendations with various Town personnel, and we will be pleased to discuss them in further detail at your convenience, to perform additional study of these matters, or to assist you in implementing the recommendations.

Sincerely,



Vachon, Clukay & Co., PC

## FEDERAL INSURANCE DEPOSIT COVERAGE OF CASH DEPOSITS

### *Observation*

At December 31, 1996, \$2,953,602 or 84% of the Town's cash and investment deposits were not covered by federal depository insurance or collateralized in any manner. Federal depository insurance is provided for the first \$100,000 of cash deposits for each bank and type of bank account.

### *Implication*

Uninsured or uncollateralized deposits are exposed to an increased level of risk of loss. In the event of the failure of the banking institution, the Town will have a significant amount of deposits that will not be insured or collateralized.

### *Recommendation*

We recommend that the Town review its current banking arrangements and consider the various alternatives for improving the level of safety of the Town's funds. We would be pleased to work with the Town to implement a cash management program.

### *Town Response*

During 1996, the Town Treasurer started discussions to formalize a collateralization agreement with its financial institution to protect Town deposits in excess of FDIC insured limits. The Town will pursue finalizing an agreement with its Banking partner in 1997 as well as continue the use of the NHPDIP.

## TRUST FUND REPORTS

### *Observation*

We noted that the total principal and income balances as reported by the Trustees of Trust Funds of the Forms MS-9 and MS-10 for the year ended December 31, 1996 were not in agreement with the bank balances. However, we noted that the principal balances at December 31, 1996 were properly reported. The bank balances at year ended exceeded the reported amounts on the MS-9 and MS-10 by \$8,318.

### *Implication*

The conservation trust and the individual cemetery common trusts are not correctly reported on the MS-9 and MS-10.

### *Recommendation*

We recommend that the additional income not reported on the MS-9 and MS-10 be adjusted for the conservation trust and proportionately allocated to each individual cemetery common trust fund. We also recommend that the Trustees consider updating the listing of the individual common trusts on a quarterly basis and reconcile the total funds maintained with the various cash and investment accounts. This will help insure that the reported amounts are accurate.



*Town Response*

The Trustees are aware of the problem.

**DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE POLICY**

*Observation*

We noted that the Town does not have a formal drug-free workplace policy for all of its employees. During the year ended December 31, 1996, the Town received several federal grants which require a drug free workplace policy in the format required by federal regulations.

*Implication*

The Town may not be in compliance with the federal grant requirements.

*Recommendation*

We recommend that the Town adopt a drug-free workplace policy for all employees as required by federal law. This policy should be included in the personnel policy submitted to all employees.

*Town Response*

The Town will implement a revised policy this year.

# TOWN OF PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups

December 31, 1996

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
	General	Special Revenue	Trust & Agency	General Long- Term Debt	1996	1995
<b>ASSETS</b>						
Cash and equivalents	\$2,949,168	\$20,566	\$214,074		\$3,183,808	\$2,714,164
Investments	188,290	45,603	114,182		348,075	111,228
Receivables:						
Taxes receivable	940,847				940,847	1,153,866
Notes receivable	334,299				334,299	374,768
Accounts receivable	22,126				22,126	79,907
Unbilled charges for service	30,034				30,034	29,728
Due from other funds	361				361	3,446
Due from other governments	39,227				39,227	6,502
Amounts to be provided for retirement of long-term obligations				\$496,871	496,871	650,832
Total Assets	<u>\$4,504,352</u>	<u>\$66,169</u>	<u>\$328,256</u>	<u>\$496,871</u>	<u>\$5,395,648</u>	<u>\$5,124,441</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$297,583				\$297,583	\$143,849
Accrued expenses	17,443		\$15,050		32,493	35,908
Retainage payable						4,807
Deposits			213,270		213,270	27,180
Due to other funds			361		361	3,446
Due to other governments	3,648,545				3,648,545	3,360,517
Deferred revenue	15,988				15,988	18,962
Compensated absences payable				\$46,871	46,871	50,832
General long-term debt obligations				450,000	450,000	600,000
Total Liabilities	<u>3,979,559</u>		<u>228,681</u>	<u>496,871</u>	<u>4,705,111</u>	<u>4,245,501</u>
Fund Balances:						
Reserved:						
Reserved for endowments		\$10,550	59,200		69,750	68,325
Reserved for encumbrances	3,760				3,760	
Reserved for long term receivables	284,903				284,903	333,298
Unreserved:						
Designated for future year's expenditures	68,726		14,868		83,594	18,880
Undesignated	167,404	55,619	25,507		248,530	458,437
Total Fund Balances	<u>524,793</u>	<u>66,169</u>	<u>99,575</u>		<u>690,537</u>	<u>878,940</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$4,504,352</u>	<u>\$66,169</u>	<u>\$328,256</u>	<u>\$496,871</u>	<u>\$5,395,648</u>	<u>\$5,124,441</u>



# TOWN OF PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

### Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis) - General Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 1996

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Taxes	\$2,057,750	\$1,564,790	(\$492,960)
Licenses and permits	800,233	947,649	147,416
Intergovernmental revenues	288,126	271,185	(16,941)
Charges for service	163,417	169,484	6,067
Miscellaneous revenues	<u>157,421</u>	<u>220,739</u>	<u>63,318</u>
Total Revenues	<u>3,466,947</u>	<u>3,173,847</u>	<u>(293,100)</u>
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	836,088	801,670	34,418
Public safety	1,039,434	1,025,399	14,035
Highways and streets	532,095	579,241	(47,146)
Health and welfare	131,839	99,949	31,890
Sanitation	324,200	306,700	- 17,500
Water distribution and treatment	29,164	25,960	3,204
Culture and recreation	69,513	63,185	6,328
Capital outlay	133,253	126,142	7,111
Debt service	<u>260,718</u>	<u>231,786</u>	<u>28,932</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>3,356,304</u>	<u>3,260,032</u>	<u>96,272</u>
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>110,643</u>	<u>(86,185)</u>	<u>(196,828)</u>
Other Financing Uses:			
Operating transfers out	<u>(146,443)</u>	<u>(146,443)</u>	
Excess of Revenues under Expenditures and Other Uses	(35,800)	(232,628)	(196,828)
Fund Balance - January 1	<u>753,661</u>	<u>753,661</u>	
Fund Balance - December 31 - Budgetary Basis	<u>\$717,861</u>	<u>521,033</u>	<u>(\$196,828)</u>
Reconciliation to GAAP Basis:			
Elimination of encumbrances outstanding at end of year		<u>3,760</u>	
Fund Balance - December 31 - GAAP Basis		<u>\$524,793</u>	

# TOWN OF PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

### All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 1996

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
	General	Special Revenue	Expendable Trust	1996	1995
Revenues:					
Taxes	\$1,564,790			\$1,564,790	\$2,269,211
Licenses and permits	947,649			947,649	830,801
Intergovernmental revenues	271,185	\$33,936		305,121	255,970
Charges for service	169,484			169,484	68,994
Miscellaneous revenues	220,739	19,489	\$514	240,742	215,466
Total Revenues	<u>3,173,847</u>	<u>53,425</u>	<u>514</u>	<u>3,227,786</u>	<u>3,640,442</u>
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government	801,670			801,670	733,847
Public safety	1,025,399	8,573		1,033,972	1,016,016
Highways and streets	579,241			579,241	413,117
Health and welfare	99,949			99,949	100,823
Sanitation	306,700			306,700	384,695
Water distribution and treatment	25,960			25,960	32,109
Culture and recreation	59,425	149,616		209,041	202,351
Capital outlay	126,142	5,472		131,614	128,945
Debt service	231,786			231,786	321,410
Total Expenditures	<u>3,256,272</u>	<u>163,661</u>		<u>3,419,933</u>	<u>3,333,313</u>
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>(82,425)</u>	<u>(110,236)</u>	<u>514</u>	<u>(192,147)</u>	<u>307,129</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Operating transfers in		146,443		146,443	134,308
Operating transfers out	(146,443)			(146,443)	(134,308)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(146,443)</u>	<u>146,443</u>			
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources over (under) Expenditures and Other Uses	<u>(228,868)</u>	<u>36,207</u>	<u>514</u>	<u>(192,147)</u>	<u>307,129</u>
Fund Balances - January 1	<u>753,661</u>	<u>29,962</u>	<u>14,354</u>	<u>797,977</u>	<u>490,848</u>
Fund Balances - December 31	<u>\$524,793</u>	<u>\$66,169</u>	<u>\$14,868</u>	<u>\$605,830</u>	<u>\$797,977</u>



## DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The year 1997 has been an eventful one with the election of Barbara Hobbs as our newest member; a welcome addition I might add. Selectman George Melvin was re-elected to serve another three years. There was a delay in the swearing in of officers due to a recount, and of course, a late election caused by the adoption of Senate Bill #2.

Once the oath of office was administered and a full board finally reconvened, the Board quickly got down to business. George Melvin was elected Chairman. Many decisions needed to be made to better serve the people of Plaistow and maintain the highest level of services at the most affordable cost. The voters turned down the 2nd phase of the revaluation process. The Board of Selectmen will propose the revaluation of the town once again this year. I cannot stress how important this needs to be done. The replacement of the heating system at Town Hall is an important safety and cost-effective measure for the preservation of a historical building, and the home of Plaistow's Town Hall for many years to come.

It is important that the Board of Selectmen stress to the residents of Plaistow that we are always mindful of the voter's rights and we have rendered decisions that represent fiscal responsibility. We will continue to do so.

The Board of Selectmen is pleased and proud to report that the cost to the taxpayers of Plaistow for the municipal government has gone down. The Selectmen hope to continue with sound fiscal controls and plans are under way for management studies so as to continue excellent services at affordable prices.

We remember Leroy Dube as a Selectman for many years and a State Representative with a list of many credits too lengthy to list. Leroy will be missed. He was a credit to his family, his church and this Town he dearly loved.

The future of Plaistow looks brighter as we continue to work together. Officials from Plaistow, New Hampshire and Haverhill, Massachusetts held a joint meeting and formed committees that are working for the betterment of both communities and the region by addressing the traffic problems on Route 125. This type of coexistence can only benefit us all and is a positive trend.

In closing, the Board of Selectmen would like to thank all the residents, employees and volunteers who help make our town great. It is our pleasure to serve you.

Respectfully submitted for the Board,  
*George E. Melvin*, Chairman  
*Charles L. Blinn, Jr.*, Vice Chairman.

*Barbara Hobbs*  
*Lawrence W. Gil*  
*Merilyn Senter*

## TOWN MANAGER

I want to thank all our town officials, both appointed and elected, for their support and assistance over the course of 1997, and to the many volunteers in service to the community. Only with your efforts can we improve our delivery of service to our residents and community members. In turn, we need community support and involvement. Our goal is perhaps best stated by our mission statement:

Plaistow – *Community & Government, working together, making a difference.*

The Town's Department Heads have conceptually approved this mission statement. For the past three years, I have held monthly staff meetings with the various department heads of the Town. This provides a forum for direct communication between staff to share mutual ideas, concerns, and happenings. It allows for better inter-department understanding and is intended to foster a team-working atmosphere. Internally, we can't do it alone, nor can we go it alone externally.

Last year and again this year, I engaged a consultant from Compensation Funds of New Hampshire to facilitate joint meetings between the Board of Selectmen and Department Heads in an effort to create a mutual sense of purpose and better understanding between our elected and appointed officials.

The Board of Selectmen and I also held joint meetings with the Plaistow Board of Fire Engineers in June, with the town's various land use boards this past May and with the Budget Committee this past year. With on-going communication, support, and involvement I believe we can reach one common goal, that we are *all working together for the best interest of the Town of Plaistow*. I ask you to work with me toward community consensus, working *together* to make a difference.

I believe a mission statement is the first step toward organizational unity that is driven by a shared sense of purpose, a shared statement of values and a shared set of guiding principles. This translates to better service to the community and its members by re-engineering our thinking to meet your direct needs. It will work best with your feedback and comments. Please share your thoughts, your ideas and consider becoming involved.

1997 welcomes team additions including a new Parks and Recreation Director, Carlene Sarty; a new Bookkeeper, Susan Drew; and a new Highway Supervisor, Dan Garlington. We were also fortunate to welcome back to the Highway Department, Glen Peabody who took a short hiatus, and Barry Ordway joined the Highway Department team. Please take the time to read the various other town department reports that will highlight other staff changes and program accomplishments.



A Yankee sampler of project work & accomplishments over the past year includes:

- Continued negotiations for a new Cable TV Franchise Agreement.
- An examination of and improvements to the Water Department operations.
- Formation and adoption of a town Joint Loss Management Committee and Program.
- Town Cemetery improvements and new cemetery regulations.
- Adoption of a Town Purchasing Policy.
- A revised Town Personnel Plan (awaiting final Board approval).
- Acceptance of student internships from the UNH Graduate School of Public Administration who helped with the aforementioned policy revisions.
- Continued work to site a new Plaistow District Court.
- The de-certification of the AFSCME collective bargaining unit (effective 4/1/98).
- Successful conclusion of negotiations with the Teamsters (police union/collective bargaining unit which is contingent on the March 1998 town vote).
- Receipt of a State of NH Landfill Reimbursement Grant check in the amount of \$ 184,841.55 with another check to be received in January of 1998 in the amount of \$ 15,448.36 for a combined grant award of \$ 200,289.91.

Feel free to stop by to hear more about what is going on at your town hall. You are always welcome - *open house is whenever we are open.*

Stay positive and enjoy each day, respecting one another and each other.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Robert M. Belmore**  
Town Manager



## ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

We would like to thank the Town Officers and residents who worked with us this past year. This year, due to sickness, my wife and assistant for the last 20 years will have to give up the Animal Control Officer position. This team helped a lot of residents of Plaistow and surrounding towns with animal problems.

I have hired a person who will work with any resident of the town on an animal problem the best way he can within the law of the State. I have informed him that the job will be done the way the State calls for in the R.S.A. on animals.

Jason Felton is the new Assistant for the Animal Control Office in Plaistow. I ask that the residents work with him as he is new on the job, but will do the job right. His telephone number is 382-4211 and he will be there during the daytime hours.

This year 90% of the dogs in town are licensed which is the highest it has ever been. This office doesn't like to see fines put on the residents but with the RABIES out there we all feel that we can not let up on this problem. Next year, please get to the town hall on time to have your dog licensed and there will be no fine.

Coyotes have become a problem all over the state and do carry the RABIES that we are working hard to stop. If you spot a coyote in your yard give us a call and we will trap it out before it gives someone trouble.

### LIST OF CALLS:

General Information	926	Opossums trapped alive	38
Information about lost dogs	108	Opossums hit by cars	8
Lost cats	96	Deer hit by cars	5
Dogs killed by cars	36	Deer killed by dogs	0
Cats killed by cars	71	Foxes killed by cars	5
Dogs put to sleep	16	Skunks trapped alive	48
Dogs returned to owners	87	Skunks killed on road	10
Reported dog bites	8	Cats put to sleep	41
Dogs to new homes	24	Raccoons killed by cars	32
Dogs picked up	134	Raccoons trapped alive put	
Unrestrained dogs	101	to sleep	12
Bat problems	6	Woodchucks trapped alive	42
Animals in chimneys	21	Raccoons found dead in yards	
Beavers killed on roads	8		3
Licensed dogs for 1997	782	Chickens running loose	4
Coyotes hit by cars	2		

Respectfully submitted,

**Donald and Judy Sargent**, Animal Control Officers



## CEMETERY SEXTON

The big news of 1997! We finally addressed the drainage problems at the Plaistow Cemetery. This problem has been with us for several years and it looks as though we can put this behind us now and move on.

I wish to thank all of those people involved who took the time with the financing and planning and actual labor needed to complete this project at a very low price. The work was labor intensive and required many hours of digging and installing piping and drains. Next year should see a big improvement.

In early 1997, we had ice and windstorms that bent and broke trees and limbs, which required extensive clean-up operations. We also removed a large tree stump with a diameter of approximately four feet.

The Town Manager and Board of Selectmen have revised our cemetery rules and regulations, a copy of which may be obtained at the Selectmen's Office, Town Hall. There was a modest increase in the price of lots, something that has not been done since 1981.

Looking ahead to 1998, main projects include improvements to roadways and eventually new fencing along property lines.

As always, I wish to thank everyone for their suggestions and concerns, particularly, the Cemetery Advisory Committee which was newly formed in 1997. Their help has been extremely beneficial.

Please feel free to contact me through the Selectmen's Office with any concerns or recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Herbert Reed*, Cemetery Sexton

## CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

This year, 1997, marked my Tenth Anniversary as your Building Inspector. I am pleased to report that, in my opinion, this office has done well to hold the line on the budget while improving services to the taxpayers.

Residential construction is still strong with five subdivisions, ranging from five to fifty lots, which all should be completed in 1998. There are no other residential projects in front of the Town at this time.

Commercial and Industrial Development has been, and I expect will remain consistent. In 1997, sites were approved by the Planning Board, which will add in excess of 250,000 square feet of taxable Real Estate to the tax base in 1998 or 1999. This office will continue to pursue vigorously this type of development.

To date, the following is the breakdown of the permits issued and the revenue generated for 1997. I believe it is important to note that although not expected this office will end up in the black for fiscal '97.

Building	\$39,362.50
Electrical	\$ 9,971.00
Plumbing & Mechanical	\$11,548.00
Well	\$ 450.00
Septic	\$ 5,074.00
Sign	\$ 1,200.00
Occupancy	\$ 355.00
Reinspection	\$ 125.00
Photocopy	\$ 89.50
Amusement License	\$ 270.00
Storage Trailer	\$ 84.00
Foundation	\$ 50.00
Junk yards	\$ 75.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$68,654.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
**P. Michael Dorman**  
 Chief Code Enforcement Officer

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

In 1997, the Conservation Commission continued our annual water-sampling program at 17 sites. During the year we also participated in the Merrimack River Watershed Council's (MRWC) volunteer monitoring program for the Little River watershed. Each participating member took a section of the Little River in Plaistow and completed a shoreline survey and took water samples at various points along their section of the river. The testing included BOD, turbidity, total coliform and E-coliform measures. To be compatible with this testing program the tests performed in 1997 at the 17 sites were also modified. VOC testing will not be done in 1997; no traces of VOCs were ever detected in the 3 years of VOC testing.

Throughout the year, the Conservation Commission made several site inspections on behalf of the Planning Board and the Code Enforcement Officer. We also participated in some drainage discussions on Jesse George Rd.



The forester hired in 1996 continued his work in 1997 in the general area known as Frog Pond Woods; an area of about 200 acres that has been set aside for conservation purposes. Our goal is to have a high level plan in place in 1998 that would provide details about where selective cutting should take place and then to do the selective cutting. The revenues from the selective cutting would then finance the remaining work on a detailed plan that would spell out specific uses for the forest areas and the location of trails.

The Conservation Commission meets at the Town Hall on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM. All meetings are open to the public, please stop by. If you would be interested in helping we are still looking for members and alternates.

Respectfully Submitted,  
**Timothy Moore**, Chairman  
Plaistow Conservation Commission

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

First, I would like to thank the two organizations that stepped forward and offered their services: the Plaistow Fish and Game Club and the Knights of Columbus of Plaistow #6617. The Plaistow Fish and Game Club has offered their facility for emergency needs. Their members have also agreed to work with Emergency Management. The Knights of Columbus members have volunteered their skills to assist in times of emergency. I look forward to continuing to work with them as well as providing training to them.

Secondly, we still have need of volunteers to assist the Emergency Management. We are seeking persons willing to volunteer their services for natural and man-made emergencies. Training will be provided for any volunteers wanting to advance their knowledge to handle such emergencies. Also needed for volunteer services are local persons who are amateur radio operators.

Finally, there are two things to remember during times of emergency. 1) Please provide neighborly assistance to any elders or handicapped persons in your immediate vicinity. 2) Please refrain from making unnecessary telephone calls to the police and fire emergency dispatchers. For instance, repeated calls requesting information about restoration of power simply tie up the telephone lines for true emergencies. If you do find it necessary to call and the dispatcher provides you with an estimate of service restoration, please do not call back before the time has lapsed to ask for a new update.

Use 911 only for a true emergency, i.e., someone having a heart attack, a home is on fire.

Respectfully submitted,  
**William T. Scully**  
Director

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the officers and firefighters of the Plaistow Fire Department. The residents of Plaistow, as well as those who happen to pass through our town, are extremely fortunate that such a dedicated and loyal group of individuals have committed themselves to answering their neighbors' call for help. The number of hours each member willfully volunteers can only be appreciated by their family, for every moment given to the Department is a moment not spent with their loved ones. The hours spent in actual response to alarms represents only a small portion of the time given by each member. Training, meetings and general equipment maintenance take up so much more time, that it seems many have a second home at the firehouse. The evolving complexities of the fire service require perpetual training to ensure we are able to respond to the constantly changing hazards that present themselves on a routine basis. Without their dedication and enthusiasm, we could not continue to provide the community with the exceptional level of service that has become a tradition in the Town of Plaistow. In 1997, we responded to 632 alarms, which exceeded our past highest total alarm volume of 625, set last year. Through their dedication, we continue to remain a "CALL" department, even as the residential and business populations expand and place an increased demand for our services. I am sincerely honored and proud to be a part of this very special and talented group. We appreciate your continued support and commit to providing the Town with the finest possible service.

During this past year, we replaced the breathing air compressor, used to replenish our SCBA units. This was done in cooperation with 4 other towns that share that piece of equipment. In the fall, we took responsibility for one of our Hazardous Materials District's emergency response trailers. This is a storage trailer that contains supplies and materials to be used in response to a Hazardous Materials spill anywhere in the 14 towns that make up the District. So far, we have responded to 2 situations, out of town, requiring the trailer.

One of the Department's passive "fire defenses" is our Fire Education and Prevention program. Every year, our members volunteer to visit the various pre-schools and kindergartens in the town and teach the basics of fire safety and prevention. This year, we expanded the program to include all of the students in the Pollard Elementary School. This aspect of our program included basic Emergency Medical Service information and what they could expect if we were called to assist their family during a medical emergency. In total, the program was presented to approximately 800 children over the course of Fire Prevention Week. Completing Fire Prevention week was an open house at the Fire Station. Approximately 200 residents visited their fire station and were given an informative tour, had their blood pressure screened, inspected the apparatus and familiarized themselves with their Fire Department.

There are a couple of "standard" issues that have earned an annual mention in this report. The first pertains to the use of smoke detectors. Quoting state and local ordinances is probably the most ineffective method of promoting one of the least expensive life saving devices available to the general public.



Study after study indicates **SMOKE DETECTORS, WHEN PROPERLY INSTALLED AND MAINTAINED, SAVE LIVES....EVERYDAY!** We continue to find smoke detectors that have been installed which have either been disconnected, removed or contain dead batteries. The risk of serious injury and substantial property loss is increased dramatically whenever one of these detectors is not maintained properly. Please, for your own well being and that of your family, install and maintain smoke detectors in your home. In addition to smoke detectors, the use of carbon monoxide detectors is increasing. When installing a CO detector, remember it should be located in close proximity to your sleeping area. If you have a CO detector installed, maintain it per the manufacturer's instructions. Take a few moments to read the literature that was supplied with the unit so you know what to do if it alarms. Remember, although carbon monoxide is **ODORLESS, COLORLESS and TASTELESS**, it is **DEADLY**. Make sure your heating system (oil, wood or gas), gas hot water heater and/or gas dryer are operating properly and maintained by qualified technicians. In these instances, "an ounce of prevention " can avert a tragedy.

Another issue deals with clearly identifying your residence. There have been several occasions where precious moments were wasted during the response effort when we could not find the location of the call. The importance of **VISIBLE** numbers that contrast with their background (i.e. white reflective numerals on a black background) cannot be stressed enough. The next time you drive down an unfamiliar street, see how many house numbers you can easily locate and identify, only then will you realize the importance of ensuring your house is clearly identified. Help us **BEFORE** you need our help, install visible, contrasting house numbers where they can be seen, preferably beside the front door. If in doubt or have any question, call the Fire Department non-emergency number (382-5012). If you have already done this **THANK YOU**, then survey your neighbor's numbers and suggest they do the same, as we will use their house to target your location. Finally, a reminder that a permit is required whenever burning materials outside (brush, cooking fire, etc.). Contact Plaistow Dispatch (382-5012) for information on obtaining a permit **BEFORE** you light any outside fire.

**ALARM SUMMARY - 1997**

Automobile Fires	14	Odor Investigations	10
Boiler/Heating Appliance	8	Other (various non-specific categories)	33
Carbon Monoxide Alarms	15	Rescue Calls	228
Fire Alarm Activation	72	Rescue Squad Only	108
Hazardous Materials Spills	4	Smoke Investigations	10
Motor Vehicle Accidents	104	Structure Fires	7
Mutual Aid	14	Wood/Grass/Brush	5
Total			632

Respectfully submitted,  
**Donald Petzold**, Chief, Plaistow Fire Department

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

This past June we presented the *ServSafe* Food Safety of the National Restaurant Association to participants. This course was made possible through a Public Health Grant from the State Of New Hampshire. It was offered to State Health Officers as a Municipal Block Grant Funding. Funding was in the amount of \$3,879.00. This amount paid all expenses associated with this class.

The intent of this class was to educate restaurant personnel in proper food handling techniques. Of the 25 students tested, 22 received passing scores. This is equivalent to a 91.7% passing rate. This was higher than the national average of 85%. The course was quite a bit of work, but it was a fulfilling venture.

I was awarded an all-expense paid three-day trip to Washington, DC, to attend a conference where members of the EPA taught us about IAQ (indoor air quality). We learned about IAQ in schools which can be monitored through the program *Tods for Schools*, which was developed by the EPA. Other key topics covered were radon, Environmental Justice, and ETS (Environmental Tobacco Smoke). The Town has been awarded a \$1,000.00 grant from the International County and Municipal Association of which the Town is a participant. We plan to direct the usage of this grant towards work in the areas of radon and ETS.

Last year Plaistow experienced its first major recall of products from a manufacturing firm. The products were contaminated with bacteria that cause foodborne illness. I assisted the FDA in enforcing this recall.

The Health Department is available to help Plaistow residents with complaints or questions regarding public health matters.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Mary Ellen Tufts**  
Health Officer

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Another year has come and gone and this department has seen some changes in personnel. Kenneth Crowell resigned as Highway Supervisor in early July and Glen Peabody had resigned in April but has since rejoined the department. The current department consists of Highway Supervisor Dan Garlington, Glen Peabody, Mario Mejia and our latest addition, Barry Ordway. The somewhat new department completed several projects during the year and I list some of them below.

Catch basins: We had all (355) town maintained catch basins cleaned this fall to try to eliminate any possible clogging or freeze up problems during the winter. This also allows us to inspect the catch basins to catch any possible problems down the road.



Cemetery Project: The Highway Department and Senter Brothers Construction combined forces to install some much needed drainage structures at the Plaistow Cemetery, located off Elm Street. We installed four complete catch basin structures, 520 feet of pipe and a detention pond. We also brought in some fill to bring up the elevation in the middle section of the cemetery. All this in hopes of eliminating the water problems that have existed for some time. With help from the voters, we plan to hot top the access roads in and out of the cemetery next year.

Drainage: We repaired 30 feet of collapsed drainage pipe on Smith Corner Road along with some drainage work on Rolling Hill Avenue, Brandy Brow Road and Nicholas Road.

Road Repairs: The town hired Busby Construction from Atkinson to reclaim all of Smith Corner Road. To reclaim means to grind it all up, re-grade it and then hot top. This process reestablishes the road base to increase the longevity of the roadway. Next year we plan to put another inch of hot top on Smith Corner Road and Crane Crossing Road.

Looking ahead to 1998, the department plans to alleviate drainage problems on Jesse George Road, Witch Lane, and Secluded Circle.

In closing, I remind the residents of Plaistow that I maintain an "open door policy " and if anyone has any questions, concerns or even suggestions, please feel free to stop by the garage or call me at 382-6771.

Respectfully submitted,  
***Daniel Garlington***  
Highway Supervisor  
Plaistow Highway Department

## HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

During 1997, the Highway Safety Committee met monthly to consider a variety of plans and issues prior to Planning Board meetings. We have found that the Technical Review Committee process is working very well and we appreciate the input provided by that committee in our own deliberations.

Among the projects we addressed during 1997 were: the intersection of Elm and Main Streets; an industrial complex off Old County Road; worked with the City of Haverhill, Mass., to get Haynes Boulevard made one way; a large subdivision on Greenough Road; drafted criteria to recommendations for lowering speed on town roads; succeeded in getting the intersection of Routes 121A and 125 on the state Transportation Improvement Plan for fiscal year 1999 (with great help from the Rockingham Planning Commission); met with residents of Auburn Street about speeding vehicles and vehicles not stopping at

intersections in the area; dedicated the new Michael C. Weston Memorial Park and Ride on Westville Road; and addressed new changes at State Line Plaza.

Highway Safety had significant changes in membership this year and we thank former Highway Department Supervisor Ken Crowell, Planning Board member Ron Charette, Conservation Commission Chairman Tim Moore and Former Senior Planner Leigh Komornick of the Rockingham Planning Commission for their help over the years.

In 1998, there will be a warrant article for \$10,000 to construct a formal sidewalk on Main Street from the railroad tracks to Ingalls Terrace. Last year we raised \$15,000 for paved shoulders on both sides of Main Street; however, the residents in the area were opposed to the paved shoulders and wanted to have “proper” sidewalks in the area. Because residents’ input was so strong, Highway Safety strongly supports the additional money, which will build a raised curbed sidewalk on the eastern side of Main Street to protect our children as they walk to the Earl Smith Recreation Field on Ingalls Terrace. The warrant article is the town’s share of a Federal grant, which was approved four years ago. We also thank the State Department of Transportation for its cooperation in this project.

As a town, we must aggressively continue to support sidewalk projects that make sense and to provide safety advice to the Planning Board as requested.

Respectfully submitted:

Chief of Police **Stephen C. Savage** (Chairman)

**Merilyn P. Senter**, Selectman (Vice Chairman)

**Donald Petzold** (Fire Chief)

**Daniel Garlington** (Supervisor, Highway Department)

**Thomas Underwood** (Planning Board)

**B. Jill Senter** (Conservation Commission)

**Kathleen Giragosian** (Citizen Representative)

**Wendy Hutchinson** (Clerk)

## HUMAN SERVICES

The Human Services Department, previously known as the Welfare Department, remained busy during 1997. Yet, the changes that took place at the state level in the Division of Human Services did not create a “downshift ” to our town, as many people had thought it might. There were 17 new applications for assistance this year, but the majority of those were for just one month. Five additional requests came in from previous clients, with the majority of those requests again being only for one month’s assistance.



The clothing basement also remained busy with donations and with volunteers providing their help to keep it tidy. All donations and assistance are greatly appreciated, as the basement is truly a wonderful support to a lot of families.

My heartfelt thanks go out to all the local organizations that continually come through to help those families in need. They include the Plaistow Lion's Club, the St. Jude's Knights of Columbus Council, the People Helping People group, the Plaistow Fish and Game Club, and the American Legion.

The Human Services Office remains open to all residents for questions and assistance in a variety of ways. Please feel free to call or stop in to explore those services during office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, from 9:00 to 2:00.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Carrie Chooljian*  
Human Services Coordinator

## LIBRARY

This past year was filled with celebration and change. On January 2, 1997 the library was officially 100 years old. The 100th anniversary party of the library was celebrated during Old Home Days in June. A display of books and artifacts was made available to the public as part of the celebration. The books were given to the Plaistow Library in January 1997 by the State Library and were from the original collection comprised of 267 books. In addition to the display, the library Trustees served birthday cake and old-fashioned lemonade to the public.

Another cause for celebration was the tremendous growth experienced by the library. The original collection of 267 books has grown to 30,296. The circulation count for 1997 was a record breaking 53,850. This was an increase of 11% over the 1996 circulation figures and a 63 % increase over the past 10 years. The library circulated videos and "books on tape" 8,711 times and children's picture books 13,827 times during the past year. Also, the State Library designated the Plaistow Public Library a "net " library because of the volume of interlibrary loan. This qualified the library for state recognition and a small financial compensation.

The summer reading program, "Take Me to Your Readers", was a great success with 190 children registered for the program and 336 children attending various activities held during the summer. Together the children read 2,651 books!

Needless to say, this has been an extremely busy and productive year and I would first and foremost like to thank all the staff members who have worked at the library during 1997. The staff members include Jennie LeBlanc, Susan Dufault, Marjorie Knowles, Florence Rullo, Sharon Spires, Martha Dickerson, Brian Stack, Charles Wicks, Kristin

Wicks, Erica Clarke and Dave Bowles. They have worked extremely hard to meet the demands throughout the year and deserve recognition and appreciation.

I would also like to thank the Board of Trustees, who again this past year have been extremely supportive. The continued growth experienced by the library is directly related to their efforts and it has been a pleasure working with them.

There were several changes at the library in 1997. Jennie LeBlanc, assistant director, and Martha Dickerson, circulation librarian, both resigned during the year in order to pursue other endeavors. I would like to thank Jennie for her 17 years of service and Martha for her 3 years of service. I would also like to welcome Susan Dufault as the new assistant director and Kristin Wicks and Erica Clarke as student aides. The library also lost a friend and supporter with the death of Don Willis. Don gave countless hours of his time to the library and will be missed by all who knew him.

The challenge presented to the library is to continue our rate of growth and level of service to the public. Much of our success can be attributed to the technological advances we have made. We will continue to explore new technology as well as required space needs. Our goal, as always, is to provide the best possible service to the public. It has been a rewarding year and I look forward to the challenges of 1998.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Laurie Houlihan*  
Director

## PARKS & RECREATION

This year the Plaistow Parks & Recreation Department again had considerable growth in all areas of our programming. We had to turn children away from our summer program before the program had even started in July. For 1998, we have requested the addition of a 13<sup>th</sup> counselor to better meet the needs of the summer program; this will also make a few more slots available to children. Over 250 children participated in the Plaistow/Atkinson Summer Recreation Olympics held at the Smith Field in July. We also took day trips to Hampton Beach, Pilgrim Lanes, The Cinema, Canobie Lake Park, and The Boston Museum of Science. Plaistow Recreation received a grant from the Boston Museum of Science for \$600.00, which reduced the entrance fee and made the cost of the trip financially available to our program.

Our Baseball/ Softball programs increased by 2 mini T- ball teams, 2 T-ball teams, and 1 minor league team. All of our teams did a great job representing our town. I would like to thank all of our supportive parents and team coaches for their patience with our field shortage this year. We utilized every corner of every field in Plaistow so that all of our players had a place to play. In April, we will be starting another creative year, as we will not have the use of the Middle School due to their field's construction. We are, however, regaining a field back at Pollard School.



The Recreation Department and The Recreation Commission are proceeding forward with our plans of developing a 25.5-acre parcel of land off of Old County Road. This is the piece of land that the voters last year deeded as Recreational Land. The plans include 2 Baseball/Softball Diamonds, 2 Multi-Purpose Soccer/ Football Fields, Play Area Structure, Concession/ Storage/Bathroom Facility, and Walking Trails. We would like to invite any one who is interested in helping out with this project to please call the Parks & Recreation Department.

We would like to thank the voters of Plaistow and The Plaistow Friends of Recreation for the new Play Structure that was installed last June at Smith Field. This was made possible with 50% town money and 50% fund raising. We would also like to thank the following: Jack's Towing for the removal of the old equipment, the Plaistow Highway Department for digging the pit area for the structure and spreading the sand in the area underneath, and Al Hoyt & Sons for the donation of all the sand under the structure. This piece of equipment was desperately needed for our children of Plaistow and by working together with everyone's help we accomplished this. Thank You!

With the help of a few Plaistow organizations we were able to improve conditions at the Recreation Field. Spring gave us some extensive damage to the shelter at the field. The Plaistow Lions Club again came to our rescue and provided the manpower to fix our roof and straighten all the support beams and secure them. The addition of a new freezer at the Recreation Field came from the Plaistow Police Association. This opened up many new ideas for our summer program. The staff and the children appreciated this gift; it made life much easier for all.

In 1998 we are adding a Senior Citizen Day Trip. We are very excited about this new addition to our program and welcome any ideas that you have in the future.

I would like to personally thank all who helped in any way during my first year as Recreation Director. I could not have accomplished what was done over the past year without the Coaching Volunteers, Team Parents, Summer Recreation Program Volunteers, Summer Staff, the Recreation Commission, Town Hall Employees, and the tremendous support from the Business Community. For this I say Thank You, we all have made this Department what it is. I am looking forward working with you all again in 1998.

Respectfully Submitted,

***Carlene Sarty***

Director, Parks & Recreation



# PLAISTOW AREA TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Plaistow Area Transit Advisory Committee (PATAC) was formed with volunteers from neighboring New Hampshire towns and does not receive any funding from any local, state, or federal agency. The committee's goal was originally to establish MBTA commuter rail service to Plaistow. The first step toward realizing the goal was to establish a commuter bus route along the Route 125 corridor with express service from Plaistow to Boston. The commuter bus starts at the Epping Park and Ride, continues to the Carriage Town Plaza in Kingston, and then to the Plaistow Park and Ride.

The commuter bus service was started on January 31, 1994 and continues to enjoy increasing ridership. During 1997, the second step toward the commuter rail goal was realized when the Plaistow Park and Ride was officially opened at the site of the commuter rail stop. PATAC was both proud and pleased to dedicate the Park and Ride to Michael Weston, a founding member of PATAC, whose knowledge, dedication, and determination were instrumental in completing the first 2 goals.

The next step to get MBTA service established in Plaistow will be the establishment of the long awaited AMTRAK service from Boston to Portland, Maine. This service will use the same tracks and signaling, and will fund the upgrading that is required for the MBTA extension from Haverhill, MA, to Plaistow. Throughout all of 1997, we have been in a "wait and see" mode to find out when the AMTRAK service will start.

We also keep in touch with Trainriders Northeast, an organization dedicated to establishing passenger service throughout the northeast, and the New Hampshire Rail Revitalization Association whose members are working all kinds of rail projects including extending MBTA commuter rail to Nashua and Salem.

PATAC meets on the last Tuesday of the month at the Vic Geary Center at 7:00 PM. Please stop by, all meetings are informal. Our next meeting will be January 27, 1998.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Timothy Moore*, Chairman





# PLANNING BOARD & CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

With the 1997 Town Election, John Lamb and Thomas Underwood were re-elected for three-year terms, and Paul Lavalley was elected for a one-year term. The Board extends their appreciation and best wishes to Kate Reusch who has resigned to accept a position for career advancement. The Board welcomes Janet Dow as the minute taker.

The Technical Review Committee reviewed and presented approximately thirty plans to the Board. Some of the plans approved by the Board included expansions or new buildings.

John Wilder, Old County Road	21,700-sq. ft. (Industrial)
John Wilder, Old County Road	70,200-sq. ft. (Industrial)
Market Basket, Plaistow Road	287 sq. ft.
Ali Mashhadi, 205 N. Main Street	4,500 sq. ft.
Scandia Plastics, 55 Westville Road	13,600 sq. ft.
Richard Shaw, 33 Newton Road	5,000 sq. ft.
Spinnaker Realty Trust, 83 Main St.	6,707 sq. ft.
Stateline Plaza, 4 Plaistow Road	7,700 sq. ft. (Pending)
Oakwood Cemetery, Inc., 47 Newton Rd.	Cemetery & 6,000 sq. ft. Mausoleum (Pending)
Morgan Realty Trust, N. Main Street	4 Lot Subdivision

The Planning Board has a proposal to amend the Commercial Land Use Section of the Master Plan, proposals for amendments to the Zoning Ordinance which address the Home Occupation, Telecommunication Facility, Impact Fee Assessment, Definitions, General Provisions, Wetlands, Establishment of District and District Regulations, Sign Ordinances, and also proposals for a new Adult Oriented Business Ordinance and School Impact Fee Ordinance.

The Board has a proposal for a Warrant Article to reduce the number of Planning Board members from seven to five (4) elected and (1) Selectmen's Representative. There is also a proposal to adopt updates or revisions to the already adopted national codes and one to adopt the provisions authorizing the governing body to establish and amend fees for building permits and all related permits.

## **Capital Improvement Plan** The members of the CIP Committee were:

Michael Emmons, Chairman (Budget Committee)  
John Lamb, Vice Chairman (Planning Board)  
Robert Gray (Planning Board)  
Timothy E. Moore (Planning Board)  
John Sherman (Budget Committee)  
Bernadine A. Fitzgerald (Budget Committee)  
Barbara Hobbs (Selectman)  
Merilyn Senter (Selectman)  
Robert M. Belmore (Town Manager)  
Ann M. Sharpe (Planning Board Administrative Assistant)

The Committee updated the Plan for 1998.

Please note that the CIP in its entirety is located in the Financial Statements & Statistics section of this report.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Timothy E. Moore**, Chairman  
**Robert J. Gray**, Vice Chairman  
**Lawrence W. Gil**, Selectmen's Representative  
**Ronald Charette**  
**Thomas Underwood**  
**John Lamb**  
**Paul Lavallee**  
**Hal Lewis**, Alternate  
**Ann Sharpe**, Administrative Assistant

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

During 1997, our members participated in 1,822 training hours for all officers to include firearms and 77 training hours for all dispatchers. Continuous training for our K-9 team of Officer Alec Porter and Rajah occurred throughout the year and we also completed our K-9 Obstacle Course begun last year. The Department promoted Kathleen Jones to Lieutenant during the year and appointed Officer John Lavoie to teach 5th Grade DARE. Detective Glenn Miller is currently teaching 7th Grade DARE.



Our Special Investigations Unit (Detectives Glenn Miller and Scott Anderson) has had a very productive year that saw implementation of a town-wide PawnShop ordinance. During 1997, the Special Investigations Unit conducted 126 long-term investigations resulting in 81 arrests. Of that number 8 were narcotic investigations with 22 arrests. Additionally, our Victim-Witness Advocate has had an impact, we believe, on Domestic Violence cases during the year. The grant for the position has been extended by the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office into 1998, good news indeed.



Our computer software/hardware is progressing although it seems to be a never-ending process. The Department has acquired software for the Special Investigations Unit and administrative components.

Also during 1997, the Plaistow Police Association conducted a raffle for the first time with the first prize being a Harley-Davidson motorcycle or \$15,000. cash. The raffle seemed a much more positive, fund-raising tool, rather than more traditional telemarketing.

Our Communications Center handled an extraordinary number of Calls for Service during the year (18% increase in the first nine months of 1997 over 1996). They also took advantage of a \$6,550. Unutil grant written by Communications Supervisor Lucia Cusimano which will enable the Center to be in direct communications with Exeter-Hampton trucks and base station during storm emergencies.

As this report is being written, our Operations/Patrol Division realized some startling statistics of their own, comparing the first nine months of 1997 to 1996. Our reported Burglaries went down 53%, Thefts and Motor Vehicle Thefts by 14% and 16% respectively. DWI arrests remained the same. Reported Motor Vehicle Accidents dropped by 4%. Assaults rose by 23% while Sexual Assaults dropped by 6%. Our Calls for Service rose dramatically 18%. Adult arrests jumped 37% and juvenile arrests by 17%. Our traffic citations rose 20% while Domestic Violence incidents dropped 25%. In a nutshell, these 3/4 year statistics suggest an aggressive patrol force issuing significant traffic tickets and making adult and juvenile arrests. This activity positively impacts reported crimes and accident rates.

In 1998, by Warrant Article, the Department intends to pursue it's last-year grant funding for a full-time Police Officer, the second year of the grant funding for a part-time Victim Witness Advocate, full grant funding for Communication Technology (radios), and completion of our Computer Technology plan.

Lastly, in the latter stages of 1997, the Town reached an accord with the Teamster Union local within the Department, which will be presented as a Warrant Article in 1998. It is our belief that the numbers appear fair and logical and will now be a matter for the voters to decide in March.

The Department looks eagerly forward to 1998 with renewed vigor that a new year brings new promise and new challenges. We appreciate the support shown by the community day in and day out and pledge to you, taxpayers and residents alike, our commitment to discipline, wisdom, and sensitivity.

"Treat people as if they were what they ought to be and you help them become what they are capable of being."

Respectfully submitted,  
***Stephen C. Savage***  
Chief of Police

## TREE WARDEN

Late 1996 and early 1997 was a tough year on the trees of Plaistow. We had a "wet " snowstorm in December of 1996 and also a storm in early April of 1997. These two storms alone took down several trees and limbs and knocked out electricity in most of Plaistow.

During all this mess the Town of Plaistow had their Tree Warden of many years, Jim Collins, resign and the position has not been filled. The Highway Department has been handling all emergency tree removal and will blend tree removal into their highway department operations.

The highway Department has now absorbed the emergency functions of the Tree Warden. We will use the County Forester and other available resources to take care of planning functions, thus eliminating the need for the Tree Warden position.

Any questions please call the Highway Department at 382-6771.

Respectfully submitted,

*Daniel Garlington,*  
Highway Supervisor

## WATER DEPARTMENT

This is my first full year as the Water Superintendent and it has been a year of new direction. In March we had a water line break on Main Street at the end of the line from the Maple Ave. Pumphouse. Upon looking at the pipe and damage, it was caused by two things: one, when the line was installed it was not put in a bed of sand as the contract called for and second, the water line has a water hammer that, when the diesel starts, causes water pressure at the end of the line in the area of 250 pounds which will cause a break in the system. We will be working on both of these problems in coming months.

In June of this year I had the water tower inspected, as it must be done every 5 years according to the specs. When it was done we found out that we have a very big problem inside the tower. The pipes that heat the tower are all broken away and ready to fall from the rust. This was done in 1985 with all new pipes and 12 years later they are gone again. Also, the inside will need painting again and the outside will need painting soon at a large cost to the taxpayers of the town.

In August we worked with the state and put in the pipe on the bridge over Pollard Brook while they were repairing the bridge. The only cost was the pipe because the state did the labor on installing the pipe. The pipe is there now so if we extend the water line to Rt. 125 it will be ready and we won't have to hurt the bridge.



In November we ran a test of both Pumphouses to see if we could pump enough water and pressure from the Maple Ave. Pumphouse so in the near future we can take the water tower off the line and save the town some big money in repairs to the tower. As of now the tests look better than we thought they would. If the tests prove out then there is a good chance the town will take the water tower off line and go with the Maple Ave. Pumphouse as the No. 1 system with the Process Pumphouse second.

As a whole the water line has worked well this past year. We have fixed the battery problem with the charger, which was burning up the batteries a set at a time. We have put on a second man to do maintenance at one pumphouse while I do it at the other pumphouse. Also he has cross-trained in case I am out of town so the system is covered. Ken Higgins has done a great job so far this year and is a big help to me when we need two hands at the same time.

I invite any resident to see the water system. If you would like to tour the Pumphouses, call myself at 382-8144 or Ken Higgins at 382-4211 so we can set up a time. We look forward to working with the other departments for the good of the town.

Thank you.

***Donald Sargent***

## **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

The Board's principle role is reviewing applications for special exemptions and variances, as well as administrative decisions and preparing them for public hearings.

The ordinance exists to protect the health, safety, moral prosperity, convenience and general welfare of the public as well as for the promotion of the efficiency and economy in the process of development of the Town. In so doing, it restricts the property owner's freedom by placing restrictions on the use of land.

We will take this opportunity to explain that a special exception is a use of land or buildings that is permitted in the ordinance, subject to specific conditions that are set forth in the ordinance. A variance is a waiver or relaxation of particular requirements of an ordinance when strict enforcement would cause undue hardship because of circumstances unique to the property.

We have maintained a permit fee of \$65, plus \$3.50 for each necessary mailing to abutters.

We have five regular members on the Board and two alternates. We are always looking for someone interested in serving on the Board. Our newest alternate is Guy Sawyer, who is a former building inspector for the Town.

The Board of Adjustment had a total of 29 cases for 1997, which is a great deal less than last year's total of 56. Of these 29 cases, 14 were variances and 15 were special exceptions.

Meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month at the Town Hall. Give a call to Town Hall if you would like more information or would like to become a member.

Respectfully submitted,

**Lawrence M. Ordway**, Chairman

**Barbara Burri**, Vice Chairman

**Joyce E. Wright**, Clerk

**Donald E. Wood**

**Emile G. Langlois**

Alternates:

**Norman L. Major**

**Guy L. Sawyer**

Administrative Assistant:

**Ruth E. Palmer**

## **250<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE**

At the 1997 Annual Town Meeting the people voted to establish an anniversary committee to start planning Plaistow's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Following the annual meeting the selectman appointed us to carry out the wishes of the voters.

Our goals were to lay the initial groundwork, establish a plan, and present a complete proposal at the 1998 town meeting. After countless meetings, and taking in all the input available, we feel that we have accomplished most of our goals. In the planning process we have established 12 sub-committees to help plan, organize, and supervise the 5-day event. The dates of the gala event are June 23 through June 27, 1999. There will be no Old Home Day that year.

### **Schedule of Events:**

Wednesday, June 23, 1999:	Fire Works Military Band
Thursday, June 24, 1999:	Talent Show Melodrama
Friday, June 25, 1999:	Youth Dance with D.J. Melodrama
Saturday, June 26, 1999:	Typical Old Home Day with Children's Parade Horse and Buggy Rides Sports and Games Chicken Barbecue Grand Ball with Band and Dinner
Sunday, June 27, 1999:	Ecumenical Service Parade with 10 Bands Governor's Reception Fireworks Concert



Our warrant article this year shows that we are asking for \$123,950. Revenues from various events and fundraisers will offset some of this amount.

We hope that our plans meet with the approval of voters on election day. Hopefully few Plans will change, and of course more volunteers are always needed. To volunteer please contact any of us.

Respectfully Submitted,

***Barry Sargent***--Chairman

***Bernadine A. Fitzgerald***--Vice Chairman

***Brenda Major***--Treasurer

***Diane Nye***--Secretary







# TOWN OF PLAISTOW

## 1998

# Warrant & Budget



*As amended at Town Meeting Deliberative Session on February 7, 1998.*







## **Plaistow Town Warrant**

### **The State of New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire, in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet for the first session of the annual town meeting at the Timberlane Regional *Middle School* in said Plaistow on Saturday, February 7, 1998 at 10:00 AM in the forenoon to explain, discuss, and debate each Article and to determine the form for questions on the ballot, except those warrant articles where wording is prescribed by law. The final voting on all warrant articles will take place by official ballot at the second session.

FURTHER, You are hereby notified to meet for the second session of the annual town meeting at Sawyer's Banquet Hall, 182 Plaistow Road (Route 125), in said Plaistow on Tuesday, March 10, 1998 from 8:00 AM in the forenoon until 8:00 PM in the afternoon to elect officers and to act on the following Articles by official ballot voting.

The article numbers begin with "98" to differentiate these town articles from the school district article numbers.

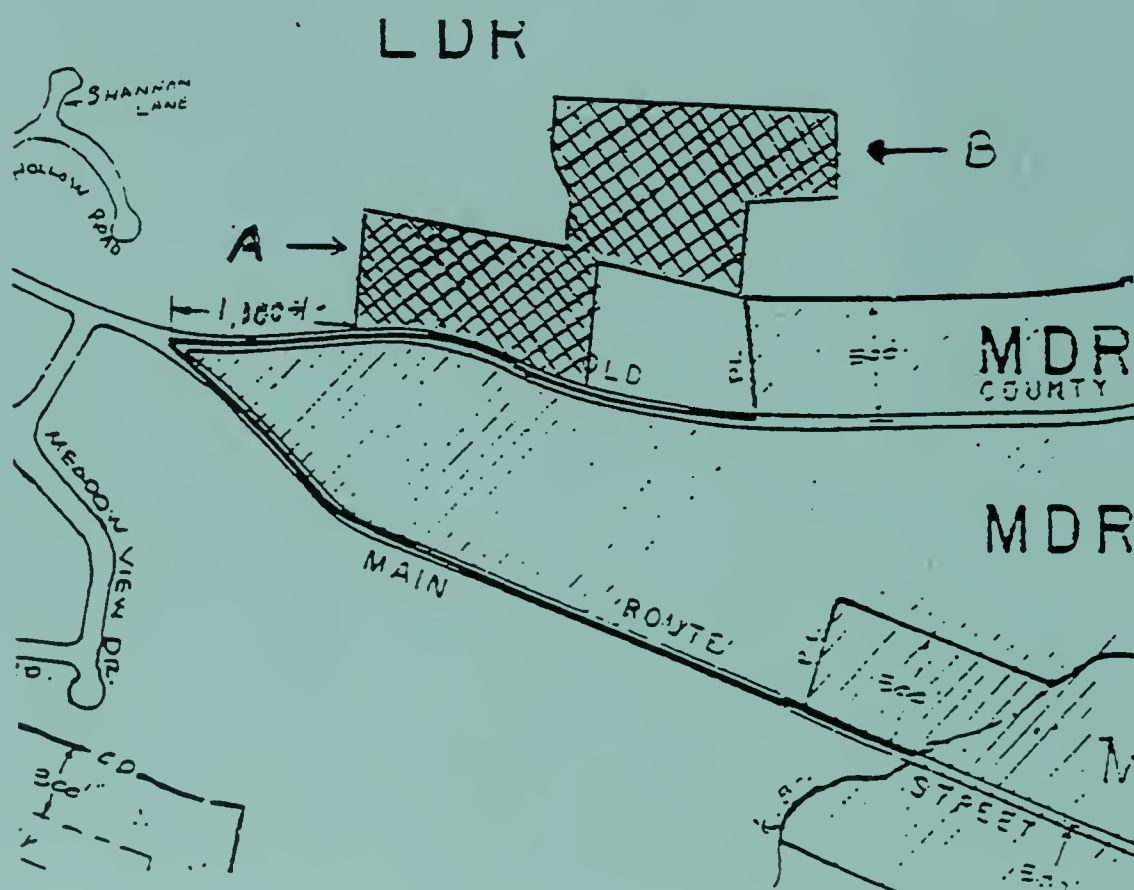
Article 98-1. To elect all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 98-2. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$345,000 for the purpose of constructing a recreational facility off Old County Road (presently identified by the Town Tax Map as a 21.46 acre parcel: Map 24, Block 3, Lot 3 and a 25.5 acre parcel: Map 30, Block 1, Lot 1) to include construction of an access road, recreational fields and buildings as well as associated costs such as engineering, surveying, legal and other necessary expenses; \$345,000 of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; to authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. The cutting of trees for roads, parking and sports fields on lots 24-3-3 and 30-1-1 shall be planned and executed at the same time that any other forest improvement cuts and trails clearing. The Town Forester, in cooperation with the recreation committee and conservation commission, shall oversee all timber cutting. The funds received from the sale of any wood from these two lots shall be put into the existing Conservation Trust for the purchase of other conservation land or conservation easements on other properties. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)(2/3 majority required to approve)

Shaded Area will be the location of the Recreational Facility.

A = 21.46 acres

B = 25.5 acres





Article 98-3. Shall the town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$ 3,473,382 ? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$ 3,264,802 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the town, 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.

Article 98-4. Shall the town vote to fund a complete revaluation of the town at a cost of \$175,000 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$175,000 for the year 1998.  
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-5. Shall the town vote to establish a paid water superintendent position and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,359 to fund the position for the first year. Said sum will cover the cost of wages and social security/medicare payments for the first year. The water department superintendent position will be established as a working supervisor position of approximately 5 hours per week. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-6. Shall the town vote to approve the cost items in the three year collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Plaistow and the Police (Teamsters) Union which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

<u>Fiscal Year 1998</u>	<u>Estimated Increases</u>
Salaries	\$33,478
Roll Up Costs	<u>10,037</u>
	\$43,515
<i>INFO for FY 99 (1/1/99 – 3/31/99)</i>	
Salaries	\$14,383
Roll up Costs	<u>1,512</u>
	\$15,410

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 43,515 for the 1998 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.  
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-7. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$123,950 for costs associated with the 5-day 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration for the Town of Plaistow to be held in the year 1999. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the Celebration is completed and costs are paid in association with this event or in two years, whichever is less. In addition, to vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee to apply for and accept any fund raising revenues or private donations to help defray the costs of this 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-8. Shall the town vote to accept the NH Dept. of Transportation Highway Block Grant in the amount of \$105,277 for maintenance, construction and reconstruction of Class IV and V roads in accordance with Chapter 235 of the NH Revised Statutes Annotated and appropriate said sum for local highway maintenance. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-9. Shall the town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of fire department apparatus vehicle/s and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in this fund. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-10. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to cover the cost of preparing Route 125 improvement designs, estimated costs to implement the designs, and updating of Route 125 improvement impact fee schedule. These will be used to assist the town in preparation of transportation grant applications and assessment of Route 125 roadway impact fees. The improvement design will cover the area from East Road to the Plaistow / Kingston line. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-11. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 for capital improvements to the town cemetery off Elm Street to include the paving of the interior roads. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-12. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,470 to complete energy conservation measures (ECM) improvements to town buildings to include work to the Highway Garage, Historical Society Building, and Town Hall. Fifty percent of the cost, or \$ 8,735 is eligible and will be submitted for reimbursement under the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services ECM Grant Program. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-13. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to complete the town's matching portion of a State of New Hampshire Transportation Enhancement Funding Project to construct a 4' shoulder and 5' sidewalk along the east side of Route 121A (Main Street) from the railroad crossing to Ingalls Terrace. The total project cost will



be funded and completed by the State of New Hampshire through a 80% Federal/State-20%-Town matching Federal Grant Program. The estimated total cost of the project is \$125,000. The Town's share is \$25,000 of which \$15,000 has been appropriated in FY 1997 and will be carried forward to complete the match. This is the second and final year of appropriations for this Grant project. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-14. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,373 which represents the salary, fringe benefits, uniforms, and equipment for an additional full-time police officer position beginning January 1, 1998, as continued funding (three year, 75%-25% grant position) of a Federal Police Hiring Supplemental Grant of which approximately \$16,780 is reimbursable under the COPS FAST Federal Grant. This is the final year of the Grant and the funding ends around September 1, 1998.

Raised by Town of Plaistow	\$ 5,593.
Federal Grant	<u>\$16,780.</u>
Total Cost	\$22,373.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-15. Shall the town vote to establish a new full time police officer position and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,584 for the 1998 fiscal year to fund the position for the four month period of September 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998 which follows the expiration of the Federal COPS FAST Police Hiring Grant. If approved, the cost of a new officer may have proposed funding entirely within the operating budget of the ensuing fiscal years beginning with an estimated 1999 fiscal year sum of approximately \$33,000. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-16. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,371. which represents the salary, fringe benefits, and equipment of a part-time Victim Witness Advocate for the Police Department as funded by the Violence Against Women Federal Grant (second year, 75%-25% grant position extension) of which up to \$ 2,529. is reimbursable.

Raised by Town of Plaistow	\$842.
Federal Grant	<u>\$2,529.</u>
Total Cost	\$ 3,371.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-17. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,050 for Phase V Computer plan for the Police Department. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-18. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,984 for the Police Department for communications equipment of which \$11,686 is reimbursable under the Federal COPS MORE Block Grant (90%-10% grant match).

Raised by Town of Plaistow	\$1,298.
Federal Grant	<u>\$11,686.</u>
Total Cost	\$12,984.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Article 98-19. Shall the town, if article # 98-6 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article # 98-6 (Police Teamsters Union Contract) cost items only?

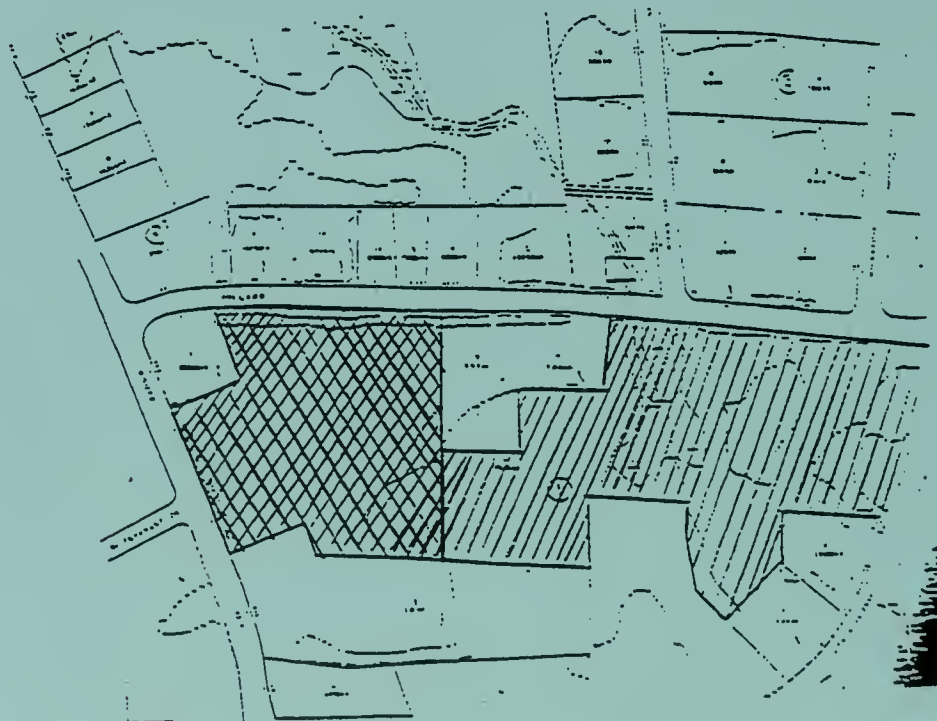
Article 98-20. Shall the town vote to authorize the Library Board of Trustees and the Board of Selectmen to purchase from Theodore Baratt, Trustee of B&TB Realty Trust, an approximate 4.9 acre portion of land which is part of a 12.6 acre parcel presently identified by the Town Tax Map as Map 61, Block 1, Lot 2, located at the intersection of Main Street and Pollard Road for a new Library for the sum of \$208,000. , subject to current land use, and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$228,000 which includes \$20,000 for consulting fees; said sum of \$228,000 being reimbursed from the Mary Nelson Trust established for this purpose. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee)

Approximately 4.9 proposed site parcel  
to be subdivided from this 12.6 acre  
parcel.

4.9 →

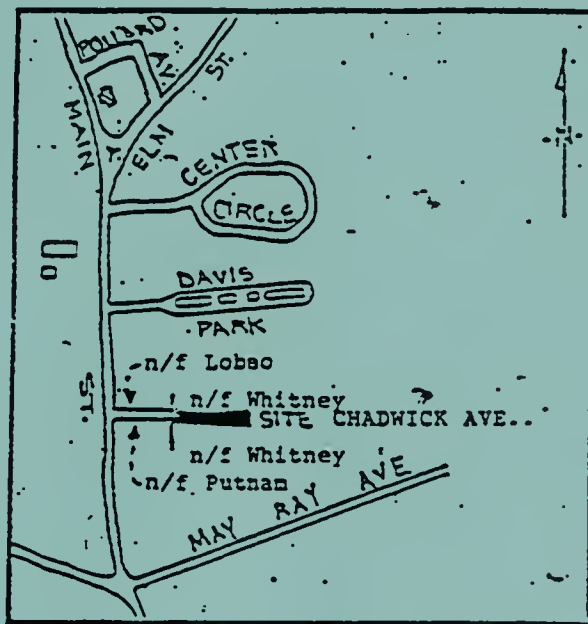


12.6 →





Article 98-21. Shall the town vote to discontinue pursuant to New Hampshire Revised Statute Annotated 231:43 the end section of Chadwick Avenue. Starting about three hundred (300) feet easterly from Main Street at the easterly property corners of land now or formerly Putnam on the south side of Chadwick Avenue and land now or formerly Lobao on the north side of Chadwick Avenue, and thence easterly the remaining land of Chadwick Avenue as it now exists. This section of Chadwick Avenue is abutted on the north, east, and south sides by land now or formerly James Whitney as trustee of SAM Nominee Trust. Conditioned on James D. Whitney as Trustee of SAM Nominee Trust, will hold harmless and indemnify the Town of Plaistow, N.H. from any damage subject to the discontinuance of Chadwick Avenue.



Article 98-22. Shall the provisions for voting by official ballot on all issues before the town under RSA 40:13 be limited to election of officers and certain other questions? By Petition. (If approved, this action will rescind, the Official Ballot Law, also known as Senate Bill 2 for the town only.) (A 3/5 majority vote is required to pass.)

Article 98-23. Shall the town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to grant a restated easement to the successors in interest of Ralph L. and Janice C. Fowler clarifying access to the Town of Plaistow Disposal Area confirming the Town's original intent to acquire an easement and no further interest in the property. This is a housekeeping article intended to correct a past error.

Article 98-24. By petition of 25 or more registered voters in the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell by deed, without covenants, to Bernice Ely, a parcel of land off Forrest Street described on the Town Tax Map as Map 81, Block 1, Lot 11 for the sum of \$ 120,000 and under the terms and conditions to be determined by the Board of Selectmen to be in the best interest of the Town. (Deed recorded at Book 2561, Page 2261 at the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds.) By Petition.

Article 98-25. By petition of 25 or more registered voters in the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell by deed, without covenants, to Billy Bartlett and Paul Lavallee, a parcel of land off Forrest Street

described on the Town Tax Map as Map 81, Block 1, Lot 11 for the sum of \$120,000 and under the terms and conditions to be determined by the Board of Selectmen to be in the best interest of the Town. Deed recorded at Book 2561, Page 2261 at the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds. By Petition.

Article 98-26. To see if the town will vote to sell by deed without covenant to J & N Fieldstone Supply Inc. a parcel of land off Old County Road approximately 5 acres + or -, shown on the Town of Plaistow Tax Map, as Map 31, Block 3, Lot 15, for the sum of \$120,000 and under the terms and conditions to be determined by the Board of Selectmen to be in the best interest of the town. By Petition.

Article 98-27. Shall the town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of surplus personal property without further action by the town meeting, by public auction, sealed bid or in any manner that is in the best interest of the town.

Article 98-28. Shall the town vote to accept, as submitted, the reports of its agents, auditors, and other officers and committees thereby appointed.

~~*{Italicized and lined out text in brackets is text deleted by this proposed change}*~~

**[Underlined bold text in square brackets is text added by this proposed change]**

## ZONING ARTICLES

Article 98-29. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Article II - Definitions Section 200 - Definitions

200:1 by Adding:

**[P2 Poorly Drained Soils. Soils are categorized by High Intensity Soils mapping or other methods as adopted by State Certified Soil Scientist.]**

**[S4 Stables. A building for lodging and feeding of horses and other farm animals.]**

**[V3 Very Poorly Drained Soils. Soils are categorized by High Intensity Soils mapping or other methods as adopted by State Certified Soil Scientist.]**

200:1 by Amending::

B5 a. Home business/home occupation. Any use as permitted in Article X which is clearly incidental and ~~{secondary}~~ **[subordinate]** to the ~~{use-off}~~ principle **[residential]** use ~~{the-structure}~~ and does not change the character thereof. Anything of **[retail]**, commercial or industrial ~~{type}~~ use will not be considered as a home business/home



occupation [unless specifically listed in Article X. Garage/yard sales, garden produce selling and similar seasonal or temporary activities will not be considered as a Home Occupation.]

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-30. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article III - General Provisions

Section 300.5 - Usage of a Substandard Lot

b. Any building or structure otherwise permitted in ~~{a residential}~~ **[any]** district shall be permitted on a substandard lot of record provided that such substandard lot is legally buildable in all other aspects.

c. Any building or structure otherwise permitted in ~~[all commercial or industrial]~~ **[any]** district ~~{s}~~ may be expanded on a substandard lot of record provided that such expansion is legally buildable in all other aspects.

Explanation: The proposed changes to this article will allow the construction or expansion on a pre-existing substandard (undersized) lot of record in any district.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-31. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Amend Article III: General Provisions**

Section 300.11 - Unregistered Vehicles & Commercial Equipment

Delete in its entirety. ~~{No more than one unregistered or inoperable motor vehicle and no more than two commercial motor vehicle may be kept on any lot in the residential zone. One shall be garaged. No commercial equipment shall be parked or stored on any residential site.}~~

Add new rewritten section:

a. [No more than one unregistered or inoperable motor vehicle may be kept on any lot in any zone unless part of an approved site plan. Such vehicles shall not be stored between the principal building and the street line unless adequately buffered from the street and neighbors by a stockade fence or other solid screening. This section shall not apply to the parking of one non-commercial motor vehicle parked on a driveway, if the same is in operable condition and meets standards as required under New Hampshire revised statute annotated 266:1 IV for inspection and registration.]

b. [No more than two commercial motor vehicles may be kept on any lot in the residential zone. One shall be garaged or fenced in with a stockade fence or other solid screening.]

c. [No construction equipment may be parked or stored on any lot in the residential zone.]

Explanation: This change will deter the selling of vehicles, as defined in Article 2, from all lots in all districts unless approved by the Planning Board on a commercial or industrial site or the Zoning Board of Adjustment on a residential site. The new regulation would allow a vehicle for sale on the driveway of a residential lot provided it is legally drivable.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-32. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Amend Article III: General Provisions**

**Section 300.14 - Vehicular, Trailer & Recreational Vehicle Sales**

c. ~~{An}~~ Annual inspections with the required inspection fee [of \$100.00] shall be completed by the Code Enforcement Officer for [renewal of] the Certificate of Occupancy.

Add:

d. [This use shall stand alone or may be combined with another vehicular, trailer or recreational vehicle related use only.]

Explanation: The \$100 fee has been added to cover the cost of the annual inspections.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-33. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Amend Article IV: Wetlands Ordinance**

Section 402:1 The Wetlands Ordinance shall address all wetlands areas ~~{and the Flood Plains District.}~~

Section 402:4 Delete in its entirety. ~~{The flood plains district is defined as those areas subject to periodic flooding and pending as delineated by the Flood Insurance Rate Map, dated April 15, 1981, on file with the Planning Board.}~~

Explanation: Flood Plains Ordinance addresses district boundaries.

**Section 403. Wetlands Buffer Zone**

Delete present definition in its entirety: ~~{The buffer zone is defined as those areas adjacent to the Wetlands District and extending to a width of 100 horizontal feet from the district boundary providing that 5 feet of elevation has been reached. If the 5 feet has not been reached, the buffer zone shall extend either until the 5 foot mark has been reached or until a point has been reached where a 5 foot drop in the he water table is shown to exit. In any case, the buffer zone shall not exceed 300 feet.}~~



Replace with the following new definition.

[There shall be a buffer zone adjacent to all Wetlands districts that shall extend to 100 horizontal feet beyond the Wetlands district when the buffer zone is also adjacent to any septic system or waste disposal system. The wetlands buffer shall extend to 50 horizontal feet beyond any Wetlands district when the district is comprised of poorly drained soils and shall extend to 75 horizontal feet beyond any Wetlands district when the district is comprised of very poorly drained soils and the buffer is also adjacent to any road, driveway, or structure not part of any septic system or waste disposal system.]

#### Section 404. Boundary Appeals

In the event that the Code Enforcement Officer, the Conservation Commission, or the Planning Board questions the validity of a wetlands boundary, ~~{a Flood Plains district boundary,}~~ or a wetlands buffer zone on a specific parcel of land, the Board may call upon the services of a qualified soil scientist, or biologist, or botanist, as applicable, to examine and report the findings to the Planning Board for their determination of the boundary. Any necessary soil testing procedures or vegetation determination procedures shall be conducted at the expense of the applicant. Any costs associated with such an appeal shall be borne by the applicant.

#### Section 405. Relation to Other Districts

Where wetlands ~~{flood plain areas}~~ are superimposed over another zoning district, the more restrictive regulation shall apply.

#### Section 407 Prohibitions In The Wetlands District and Buffer Zone

407.2 Building activity ~~{shall not be permitted within 50 feet of a poorly drained soil or 75 feet of a very poorly drained soil. Building activity includes, but is}~~ [includes but is] not limited to, all roads, driveways, and structures.

407.3 Deposits of fill unless approved by state and municipal authorities. Add: [A Conditional Use Permit may also be necessary - see section 412 for the Conditional Use Permit requirements.]

#### Section 408 Permitted Uses In Flood Plains District

Delete in its entirety, covered in Article IX.

~~{Permitted uses in the district are those compatible with the purposes specified in Section 401 and those in compliance with other state and municipal regulations including the US Department of Urban Development Flood Plain Regulations (See Article IX)}~~

~~{ 408:1 Cultivation and harvesting of crops according to recognized soil conservation practices,}~~

~~{ 408:2 Pasture, grazing land, wildlife refuge, woodland preserve, and arboretums,}~~

~~{ 408:3 Outdoor plant nurseries, orchards, forestry and tree farming except for any buildings,}~~

~~{ 408:4 Harvesting wild crops except those protected by state and municipal regulations,}~~

~~{ 408:5 Recreation uses such as a park, day camp, picnic area, golf courses, hunting and fishing, excluding structures,}~~

~~{ 408:6 Utility transmission lines,}~~

~~{ 408:7 Flood retention dams, culverts, bridges, and roads.}~~

#### Section 409 Prohibited Uses In Flood Plains District

Delete in its entirety, covered in Article XIII.

~~{Prohibited uses include:~~

~~409:1 Filling in of flood plain lands except to build roads and dams in compliance with state and municipal regulations,}~~

~~{ 409:2 Removing topsoil or damming or relocation of any watercourse without permission of state and municipal authorities,}~~

~~{ 409:3 All permanent structures.}~~

#### Section 410 Prohibited Uses in Areas Contiguous to Flood Plains

Delete in its entirety, covered in Article XII.

~~{ 410:1 All permanent structures within a 100 foot horizontal distance from the boundaries of the district,}~~

~~{ 410:2 All structures between 100 feet and 300 feet horizontal distance from the flood plain district boundary with the exception of those whose lowest floor (including basement) and openings are at least 2 feet above the elevation of the flood plain boundary,}~~

~~{ 410:3 All buildings with a height of more than two stories including basement.}~~

#### Section 412 Conditional Uses

412:1.a. The proposed construction is essential to the productive use of land not within the Wetlands { ~~Flood Plains~~ } District.

#### Section 413 Special Exception for Non-Conforming Lots

413.1 Upon application to the Board of Adjustment, a special exception shall be granted to permit the erection of a structure within the Wetlands { ~~Flood Plains~~ } District on vacant lots provided all of the following conditions are found to exist:

Explanation: The reference to Floodplains District in Article IV are redundant and should be removed to avoid any conflicts with the Floodplains Ordinance. A new Floodplains Ordinance has been written by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) with specific language to insure Plaistow residents can be covered by flood insurance. Article IV contained conflicting guidelines as to how wide a wetlands buffer should be; these changes clarify and make consistent the buffer width.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**



Article 98-34. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article V - Establishment of Districts and District Regulations

Table 504.2 - "CI - Commercial I"

C. Area and Dimensions - Maximum Lot Coverage (Percent)                      {~~50%~~} to [75%]

Explanation: This will bring sites which exceed the 50% lot coverage into compliance with zoning as well as maximize the use of the remaining undeveloped parcels on Plaistow Road.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-35. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article V - Establishment of Districts and District Regulation

Table 504.2 "CI" Commercial I

B. Uses

Permitted

Add: 21. Theaters

Explanation: The adding of theaters is a housekeeping issue since a theater has existed in Plaistow for many years.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-36. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article V - Establishment of Districts and District Regulation

Table 504.5 - "MDR" Medium Density Residential

C. Area and Dimensions

3. Minimum Yard Dimensions in Feet:

Side: Min. 1 side 15 ft., Total 2 sides 50 ft. change to [15']

Rear: 25' change to [15']

Explanation: The intent of this amendment is to be consistent on sides and rear setbacks.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-37. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article V - Establishment of Districts and District Regulation

Table 504.6- "LDR" Low Density Residential

C. Area and Dimensions

3. Minimum Yard Dimensions (Ft.):

Side: Min. 1 side 15 ft total 2 sides; 50 ft. change to [25']

Rear: Shall remain at (25')

Explanation: The intent of this amendment is to be consistent on sides and rear setbacks.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-38. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article V - Establishment of Districts and District Regulation

Table 504.7- "ICR" Integrated Commercial-Residential

B. Uses change to [B1.] Uses [Non-Combined]

Add:

[B2. Uses - Permitted - Combined

1. All uses permitted in the CI District except:

- a. Bank
- b. Restaurant
- c. Private/service club
- d. Commercial recreation
- e. Public use
- f. Park and Ride]

2. All uses permitted in the LDR District

3. Cemetery/Burial Site and Mausoleum

Permitted by Special Exception

4. All Special Exceptions allowed in CI

5. All Special Exceptions allowed in LDR

6. Attached or detached combined uses

Amend

C. Area and Dimensions

- 1. For area and dimensions for a CI use, refer to Table 504.2
- 2. For area and dimensions for a LDR use, refer to Table 504.5

Add:

[3. For combined use on one lot the residential use must be existing as of the adoption of this ordinance in March 1998.

4 For the commercial use portion of a combined use not to exceed 2,500 square feet.

5 All commercial and combined uses require Planning Board approval. The more restrictive zoning requirements in lot size, setbacks and buffers shall apply.

6. Maximum Lot Coverage Residential Use: 20%  
Combined Use: 50%  
Commercial Use: 50%]

Explanation: Combined uses has been added here to allow the Z.B.A. the opportunity to review the plan.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**



Article 98-39. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Amend Article IX: Signs**

Section 900:4:1 - Temporary Signs

Delete

~~{(b) in its entirety. Portable or wheeled signs are limited to ten (10) days upon the opening of a new business and the period from December 1 to January 6, are permitted.}~~

Add a new rewritten

**[(b). Portable or wheeled sign permits may be issued for a period of thirty (30) days. No more than two thirty 30-day permits shall be issued for temporary signs on any lot in any thirty (30) day period. Temporary signs shall pertain to the business conducted on the premises upon which they are to be located. Temporary signs shall be no larger than thirty (32) square feet. Fee (\$50.00).]**

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-40. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 12 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**AMEND ARTICLE X: HOME OCCUPATION**

**Section 1000.**

Business uses **[clearly]** secondary to the home may be permitted, by special exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment, to allow a place to work within their legal residence for persons ~~{employed}~~ in one of the following professions, occupations or trades:

a. Attorney, **[architects, consultants, engineers]** real estate agent, insurance agent or similar recognized profession. ~~{doctor to d} clergyman}~~

b. Artist, Craftsman, Daycare, **[Seamstress, One (1) chair beauty parlor. Teaching not more than four (4) pupils simultaneously in addition to those living in the home), and other similar occupations.]**

c. Tradesman, repairman, **[contractors and other similar self employed (see 300:11)]**

**[d. Doctors, dentists, and other medical or mental health specialists using Home Occupation will only be permitted within ICR or C II Zones (See 500:1)]**

1000:1 Such business use shall not be injurious, noxious or offensive to the neighborhood by reason of emission of odor, fumes, dust, smoke, vibration, noise ~~{or other cause.}~~ **[No equipment or process will be allowed that creates visual, audible or electrical interference or causes fluctuations in voltage off premises.]**

1000:2 [Use by owner or tenant in (1) or (2) family dwellings] with owner's written permission. The residential use is established prior to the business use.

1000:3 The business use is conducted within the residential building and does not exceed 25% of the total normal living area of the residence. The normal living area is ~~{defined as}~~ that portion of the residential building of living room/s, kitchen/s, dining room/s, family room/s, den/s, [bath room/s], laundry room/s and bedroom/s.

1000:4 The business use ~~{does}~~ [shall] not change the residential character of the dwelling and the property. [Storage in an accessory building or exterior storage may be permitted by special exception, granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Exterior storage must be screened from neighboring views by either a solid fence, evergreens of an adequate height and bulk at the time of planting or by an existing combination of natural foliage and longer distances; to be determined sufficient by the Code Enforcement Officer.]

1000:5 Not more than one sign or other advertising device is to be displayed on the property and it shall not exceed a size of three (3) square feet. [Signs will not be lighted from within or by exterior spot lighting in residential Zones ICR, LDR, MDR and AEHC (See 500:1)]

1000:6 [A Home Business Use will meet the following criteria:]

- a. Not more than one person not residing in the home is to be employed on the premises at the same time.

[b. No outside merchandise display.]

1000:7 Sufficient off-street parking for the employee and clients ~~{customers}~~ is to be provided. [Any required deliveries can only be made by vehicles consistent with normal residential activities between the hours of 7 AM and 7 PM. The outside parking of not more than two (2) business vehicles for each dwelling unit on the lot is permitted in all residential districts provided the vehicles:

a. Do not exceed (1) ton capacity. (manufacturer's rating)

b. Are used as a means of transportation to and from the resident's place of business.

c. Are not loaded with flammable, noxious or dangerous materials.

d. Must conform with 300:11]

1000:8 ~~{Not more than one business use will be conducted on the property.}~~

Renumber all following numbers to read as follows:

1000:8 The business shall not be contrary to any covenants or conditions contained on the deed to the property.

1000:9 Special exceptions granted under this ordinance are intended to allow for a specific business use by the current residents and as such, shall not be transferable to



subsequent occupants. To apply for an exception, the proper forms must be filled out and returned to the Zoning Board. The applicant is required to provide:

- a. A sketch and/or drawing of the floor plan of the residence, clearly showing the dimensions of the living area and the area to be used for the business and plot plan of the property showing provisions for off-street parking.
- b. A copy of your deed must be submitted to the Board when applying for an exception.
- c. An accurate list of abutters and mailing addresses [on labels.]

**1000:10** Before a permit is granted, mandatory building inspections shall be made by the Code Enforcement Officer if the public is to be served at the proposed location or if hazardous materials are to be stored there. In addition, a formal site plan review [by the Planning Board] may be required if deemed necessary [by the Code Enforcement Officer.]

**1000:11** Periodic inspections of the home occupation premises may be required subsequent to the issuance of a permit in order to confirm compliance with the conditions of the original special exception granted. If, in the opinion of the Code Enforcement Officer, the business practices originally set forth and defined in the initial approval have changed, the ~~{Board of Selectmen}~~ [ Code Enforcement Officer] shall revoke the permit that was issued. Permit holders whose permits are revoked may make application to the Board of Adjustment for a new permit based on the changed circumstances of the home occupation.

**[1000:12 Application for a home occupation permit shall be made to the Building Department on a form provided by the Building Department and shall be accompanied by a fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). All Home Occupation permits shall be issued for a period of three years and may be renewed provided there is no violation of the provisions of Section 1000. Requests for renewals shall be submitted to the building Department accompanied by the renewal fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) prior to the expiration of the permit.]**

Explanation: To allow the continued operation of home based businesses in residentially zoned districts while also regulating the size and scope of home occupation business activities.

### **(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-41. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 13 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

#### **Amend ARTICLE XIV: IMPACT FEE ASSESSMENT**

#### **Section 1410. Imposition of Roadway Improvement Impact Fee.**

C. The roadway improvement impact fee **[for retail use]** shall be assessed for new development to compensate the Town of Plaistow for roadway improvements constructed or to be constructed in anticipation of new growth.

**Section 1420. Computation of Impact Fee.**

A. The amount of the roadway improvement impact fee shall be determined by an Impact Fee Schedule prepared in accordance with the methodology established in the study as prepared for the Planning Board by Vanasse & Associates, Inc. and as outlined below.

<b><u>TABLE I Add [ Retail Use ] Impact Fee per Square Foot of Development</u></b>		
<b><u>Project Size</u></b>	<b><u>Route 125 Between State Line and Westville Road</u></b>	<b><u>Route 125 North of Westville Road</u></b>
0 to 50,000 s.f.	\$ 1.10	\$0.87
50,001 to 100,000 sf	0.87	0.69
100,000+ sf	0.74	0.59

**Add**

**[C. The amount of roadway fee for all other uses will be established by the Planning Board traffic study Impact Fee consultant.]**

**Section 1430. Payment of Impact Fee.**

No building permit shall be issued for new development until the impact fee has been assessed by the Planning Board and full payment has been received by the Town of Plaistow, or until the feepayer has established a mutually acceptable schedule for payment **[unless waived under Section 1410b.]**

Explanation: This article is being amended to make the ordinance match the Vanasse & Associates, Inc. study upon which the ordinance was based.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-42. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 14 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Add a new Section - Article XV - School District Impact Fee Assessment

**Section 1500. Applicability of Article**

The following regulations shall govern the assessment fees for the Town of Plaistow's share of the Timberlane Regional School District's capital improvements. These fees are authorized by RSA 674:21, V as an innovative land use control. These fees are a direct result of a Timberlane Regional School District approved study performed by Bruce C. Mayberry called "Methodology For The Calculation of School Impact Fees In the Towns of the Timberlane Regional School District", Final Report, September 22, 1997. New residential growth development shall be assessed a proportional share of school district capital improvement costs which are a result of increasing student population in the District. Note both terms, District and School District, shall be synonymous with Timberlane Regional School District throughout this section of the Zoning Ordinance.



### Section 1510. Imposition of School District Impact Fees

A. Any person who seeks new residential development upon adoption of this article is hereby required to pay a School District capital impact fee in the manner and amount set forth in Section 1520.

B. The Planning Board may grant a full or partial waiver of impact fee payments if the Board agrees that the full impact fee is not appropriate.

C. The School District impact fee shall be assessed for new residential development to compensate the Town of Plaistow for its share of the School District's capital costs for those capital costs constructed or to be constructed in anticipation of new growth.

### Section 1520. Computation of Impact Fees

A. The amount of the School District impact fee shall be determined by an Impact Fee Schedule prepared in accordance with the Methodology established in the Study referenced in Section 1500 of the Article and summarized for the Town of Plaistow below:

TABLE 2 - SCHOOL DISTRICT IMPACT FEES
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Units in Structure/Building Type	Impact Fee Assessment Per Unit
Single Family Detached (Single Family House)	\$2916
Single Family Attached (Condo or Town House)	\$1899
Duplex (2-unit)	\$2269
3 - 4 Unit (Condo or Apartment)	\$1812
5+ Units (Condo or Apartment)	\$1057
Manufactured Housing	\$1795

### Section 1530 - Payment of Impact Fee

No building permit shall be issued for new development until the impact fee has been assessed by the Planning Board for subdivisions or by the Building Inspector for single family lots and full payment has been received by the Town of Plaistow, or until the feepayer has established a mutually acceptable schedule for payment unless waived under Section 1510b.

### Section 1540 - Appeals

A. If a feepayer elects to dispute the amount of the impact fee, the feepayer may prepare and submit to the Planning Board an independent fee calculation study for the new development activity which is proposed. The Planning Board shall review such study and render its decision. All costs incurred by the Town for the review of such a study shall be paid by the feepayer.

#### Section 1550 - Administration of Funds Collected

A. All funds collected shall be properly identified and promptly transferred for deposit in a School District Impact Fee Account and shall be used solely for the purposes specified and as outlined in the Study referenced in Section 1500 of this Article. Impact Fee accounts shall be special revenue accounts and under no circumstances shall such revenues accrue to the General Fund.

B. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all fee accounts, and shall pay out the same only upon written approval of the Board of Selectmen.

C. The Town Treasurer shall record all fees paid, by date of payment and the name of the person making payment, and shall maintain an updated record of the current ownership, tax map and lot reference number of properties for which fees have been paid under this Article for a period of at least six (6) years.

D. At the end of each fiscal year, the Town Treasurer shall make a report to the Board of Selectmen, giving a particular account of all "School District" improvement impact fee transactions during this year.

E. In the event that bonds or similar instruments have been issued for identified school district improvements which were constructed in anticipation of new development, impact fees may be used to pay debt service on such bonds or similar debt instruments.

#### Section 1560 - Refund of Fees Paid

A. The owner of record of property for which an impact fee has been paid shall be entitled to a refund of that fee or a portion of that fee, plus accrued interest where:

(1) The impact fee or some remaining portion of the impact fee has not been encumbered or legally bound to be spent for the purpose for which it was collected within a period of six (6) years from the date of the final payment of the fee; or total fee

(2) The Town has failed, within the period of six (6) years from the date of final payment of such total fee, to appropriate the non-impact fee share of related capital improvement costs.

B. The Board of Selectmen shall, annually, provide all owners of record who are due a refund, written notice of the amount due, including accrued interest.



## Section 1570 - Additional Assessments

Payment of a school district improvement impact fee does not restrict the Town or the Planning Board in requiring other payments from the feepayer, including such payments relating to the costs of the extensions of water and sewer mains, or the construction of roads or streets or necessary drainage work or other infrastructure and facilities specifically benefiting the development as required by the subdivision or site plan review regulations.

## Section 1580 - Review

The Impact Fee Assessment Schedule shall be periodically reviewed by the Planning Board, using the methodology established in the Study referenced in Section 1500 and summarized in Table 2 - Section 1520.

Explanation: This ordinance will assess new residential development an impact fee to help offset the capital portion of Plaistow's portion of the Timberlane Regional School District assessment.

### **(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-43. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 15 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

### **AMEND AND RENUMBER ARTICLE XV TO ARTICLE XVI: TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITY ORDINANCE**

#### **Section 1620. DEFINITIONS**

##### **5) "Height"**

Shall mean, when referring to a tower or other structure, the distance measured from ground level to the highest point on the tower or other structure, even if said highest point is an antenna.  
[“Height shall not exceed two hundred (200) feet”.]

#### **Section 1630. SITING STANDARDS**

##### **1630:1 General**

The uses listed in this section are deemed to be permitted uses that may require further review under this ordinance in accordance with Section VII CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS. However, all such uses must comply with other applicable ordinances and regulations of Plaistow (including Site Plan Review). The following tables represent the siting standards for the listed uses as delineated by the district in which they are located in Plaistow.

##### **1. Principal or Secondary Use**

Subject to this Ordinance, an applicant who successfully obtains permission to site under this ordinance the Zoning Ordinance as a

second and permitted use may construct telecommunications facilities in addition to the existing permitted use. Antennas and towers may be considered either principal or secondary uses. A different existing use or an existing structure on the same lot shall not preclude the installation of an antenna or tower on such lot.

~~{For purposes of determining whether the installation of a tower or antenna complies with district development regulations, including but not limited to set back requirements, lot coverage requirements, and other such requirements, the dimensions of the entire lot shall control, even though the antennas or towers may be located on leased parcels within such lots. Towers that are constructed, and antennas that are installed, in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance, shall not be deemed to constitute the expansion of a nonconforming use or structure. Nor shall such facilities be deemed to be an "accessory use".}~~

### 1630:2 Use Districts

	New Tower Construction <sup>1</sup>	Co-location on Preexisting Tower <sup>2</sup>	Co-location on Existing Structure <sup>3</sup>
Commercial I District	PCU	P	<del>{P}</del> to <b>[PCU]</b>
Industrial District <b>[which abuts 125]</b>	<del>{X}</del> <b>[PCU]</b>	P	PCU
Residential District	X	<del>{P}</del> to <b>[X]</b>	<del>{PCU}</del> to <b>[X]</b>
<del>{Telecom Overlay<sup>4</sup>}</del>	<del>{PCU}</del>	<del>{P}</del>	<del>{PCU}</del>

P = Permitted Use without Conditional Use Permit

PCU = Permitted Use with Conditional Use Permit

X = Prohibited

<sup>1</sup> An antenna may be located on a tower, newly constructed, under this Ordinance.

<sup>2</sup> An antenna may be located on a preexisting tower, constructed prior to the adoption of this ordinance.

<sup>3</sup> An antenna may be located on other existing structures with certain limitations ~~{(See Section 1530:3 below).}~~

~~{The Telecom Overlay is delineated by the following textual description or as depicted on the Official Zoning map as Telecom Overlay or "TO".}~~



~~f1630:3~~ Height Requirements.

~~These requirements and limitations shall preempt all other height limitations as required by the Plaistow Zoning Ordinance and shall apply only to telecommunications facilities. These height requirements may be waived through the Conditional Use Permit process only if the intent of the Ordinance is preserved (e.g. where a 200' tower would not increase adverse impacts but provide a greater opportunity for co location) in accordance with Section 1570 Waivers.~~

	<del>New Tower Construction</del>	<del>Co location on Preexisting Tower</del>	<del>Co location on Existing Structure</del>
<del>Commercial I District</del>	<del>180'</del>	<del>Current Height + 15%</del>	<del>Current Height + 30'</del>
<del>Industrial District</del>	<del>N/A</del>	<del>Current Height</del>	<del>Current Height + 30'</del>
<del>Residential District</del>	<del>N/A</del>	<del>N/A</del>	<del>N/A</del>
<del>Telecom Overlay</del>	<del>180'</del>	<del>Current Height + 20%</del>	<del>Current Height + 40'</del>

**Section 1640. APPLICABILITY**

**1640:1 Public Property.**

~~{Antennas or towers located on property owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by the Town may be exempt from the requirements of this ordinance, except that uses are only permitted in the zones and areas as delineated in Section 1530:2. This partial exemption shall be available if a license or lease authorizing such antenna or tower has been approved by the governing body and the governing body elects subject to state law and local ordinance, to seek the partial exemption from this Ordinance.}~~

[Town owned, leased or controlled antennas and/or towers located on property owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by the Town may be exempt from the requirements of this ordinance. This exemption shall be available if a license or lease authorizing such antenna or tower has been approved by the governing body and the governing body elects, subject to state law and local ordinance, to seek the exemption from this Ordinance.]

**1640:2 Amateur Radio; Receive-Only Antennas.**

This ordinance shall not govern any tower, or the installation of any antenna that is ~~{under 70 feet in height and}~~ owned and operated by a federally-licensed amateur radio station operator or is used exclusively for receive only antennas. This application adopts the provisions and limitations as referenced in RSA 674:16, IV.

Explanation: These changes bring our existing Telecommunication Ordinance into full compliance with the Federal Telecom Act of 1996.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-44. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 16 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Add a new Section - Article XVII - Adult Oriented Business

**Section 1710: Purpose**

To limit the location of Adult Oriented Businesses.

**Section 1720: Definitions**

A1 Adult Arcade - any place to which the public is permitted or invited where in coin-operated or slug-operated or electronically, electrically, or mechanically controlled still or motion picture machines, projectors, or other image producing devices are maintained to show images to five or fewer persons per machine at any one time, and where the images displayed are distinguished or characterized by the depicting or describing sexual activities or anatomical areas.

A2 Adult Bookstore or Adult Video Store - a commercial establishment which, as one of its principle business purposes, offers for sale or rental for any form of consideration any one or more of the following:

a. Books, magazines, periodicals or other printed matter, or photographs, films, motion picture, video cassettes or video reproductions, slides, CD-ROMS, or other visual representations which depict or describe sexual activities or anatomical areas.

b. Instruments, devices or paraphernalia which are designed for use in connection with sexual activities.

A3 Adult Cabaret - a nightclub, bar, restaurant, or similar commercial establishment which regularly features:

a. Persons who appear in a state of nudity or semi-nudity

b. Live performances which are characterized by the exposure of anatomical areas or by sexual activities.



c. Films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, CD-ROMS, or other photographic reproductions which are characterized by the depiction or description of sexual activities or anatomical areas.

A4 Adult Oriented Business - an Adult Arcade, Adult Bookstore or Adult Videostore, Adult Caberet, Adult Theater, or sexual encounter center.

A5 Adult Theater - a theater, concert hall, auditorium, or similar commercial establishment which regularly features persons who appear in a state of nudity or semi-nudity or live performances which are characterized by the exposure of anatomical areas or by sexual activities.

S1 Sexual Encounter Center - a business or commercial enterprise that, as one of its primary business purposes, offers for any form of consideration:

a. Physical contact in the form of wrestling or tumbling between persons of the same or opposite sex.

b. Activities between two or more people when one or more of the persons is in a state of nudity or semi-nudity.

### **Section 1730: Requirements**

An adult oriented business use, in addition to all other requirements of this ordinance, shall, prior to a request for a special exception demonstrates compliance with the following requirements:

1. No sexually oriented business use shall be located within 500 feet from any property line of the following uses:

a. A public, religious or private school or similar education facility.

b. Licensed group day care facility (no age restriction).

c. A public park, public recreation field or similar publicly owned facility.

d. A religious institution or place of worship.

e. Any Residential zone or use.

f. A mixed Residential/Business zone

2. There shall be a minimum of 1,000 feet between any two adult oriented businesses.

3. In addition to the conditions for special exceptions, the following conditions shall also apply:

a. The site shall be maintained daily in a condition that is free and clear of any sexual paraphernalia or packaging.

b. Signs shall not visually depict any person in a "State of Nudity" or "Semi-Nudity." Signs shall not depict any written sexually oriented material.

#### **ARTICLE V: Establishment of Districts & District Regulations**

##### **Amend Table 504.2 "CI" - Commercial I**

###### **B. Uses**

Under Allowed by Special Exception -

Add: 24. Adult Oriented Business

Explanation: The Town of Plaistow does not currently have an ordinance that specifically addresses any proposals for adult oriented business. This ordinance will give the Planning Board the ability to appropriately locate these businesses in order to limit the possibility of adverse affects on our community.

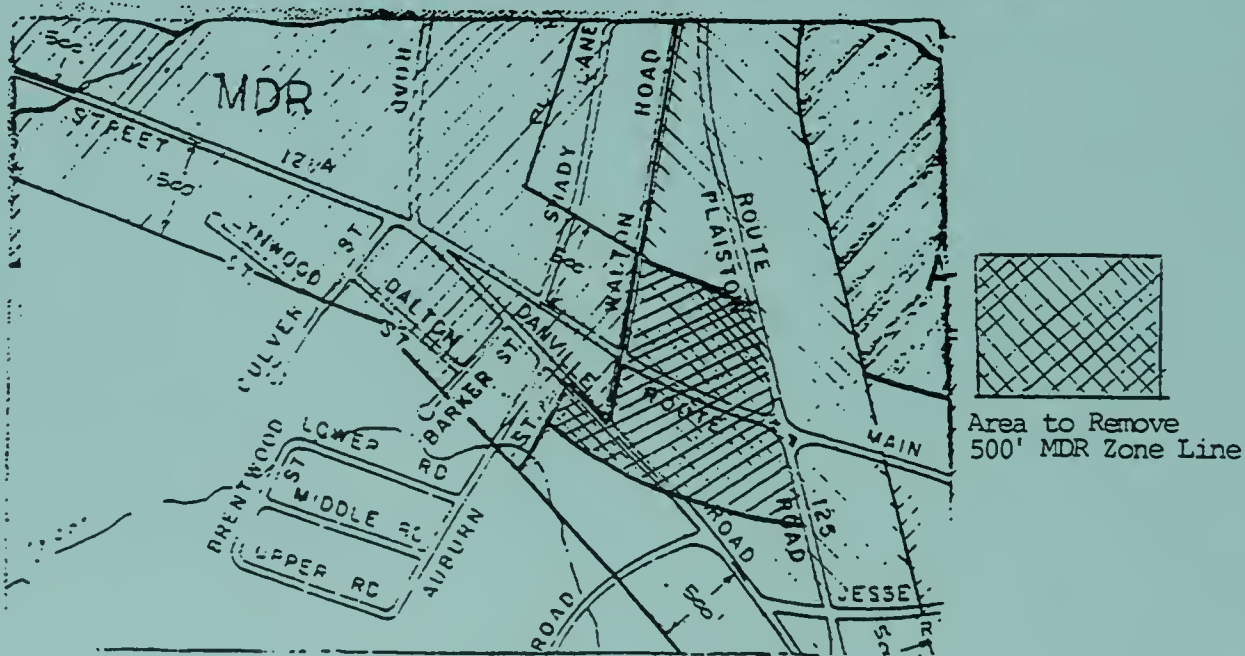
#### **(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-45. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 17 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Remove the 500' Medium Density Residential "MDR" zone line, as the Planning Board interpreted in petitioned Article 46, between Walton Road and Plaistow Road/Route 125 Northeast and Southwest of Main Street to Commercial I "CI" per the Master Plan beginning at the center line of Walton Road and concluding at the center line of Plaistow Road/route 125 so that the CI/MDR zone line will run southwest on Walton Road to the center point of Danville Road, then northwest to the lot line between the properties described as Tax Map 33, Block 1, Lot 1 owned by Richard J. Rurak and Tax Map 33, Block 1, Lot 2 owned by Aline E. Menasian, running southwest to 500' back from the center line of Danville Road to the Current CI zone line.

Explanation: To maintain a 500' width of the Commercial I "CI" zone along Route 125 and to be consistent with the Master Plan.

#### **(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**





Article 98-46. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 18 as proposed by the Planning Board for an amendment to Renumber and Classify current zoning regulations for the purposes of orderly reference?

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-47. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 19 as proposed by the Planning Board to adopt the provisions of R.S.A. 674:51 II (d) authorizing the governing body to establish and amend fees for building permits and all related permits?

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-48. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 20 as proposed by the Planning Board to adopt the provisions of R.S.A. 674:52 VI authorizing the Building Inspector to adopt updates or revisions to already adopted building codes?

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article 98-49. Shall the town vote to eliminate two positions so as to reduce the Elected Planning Board from seven (7) members to five (5) members if approved to be implemented pursuant to RSA 673:5 II and RSA 673:2 II?

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Given under our hands and seal this 21st day of January in the year of our Lord, One Thousand and Nine Hundred and Ninety-eight.

George E. Melvin

George E. Melvin, Chairman

Charles L. Blinn, Jr.

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**Plaistow, New Hampshire**  
**January 21, 1998**

A true copy – Attest:

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**Plaistow, New Hampshire**  
**January 21, 1998**

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named to meet at the time and place for the purpose, within mentioned, by posting up an attached copy at the Plaistow Post Office, Plaistow Public Library, and Plaistow Town Hall, being public places in said Town on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-eight.

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Form MS-7

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



BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF PLAISTOW N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998 or for Fiscal Year

from \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended or not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the Town Clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Budget Committee (Please sign in ink)

M. L. Enos  
Brenda E. Major  
Gayle C. Daniels  
Donald A. Yeager  
George B. Peabody  
Anna J. Verrill

Date

1/19/98

B. Hill  
Penelope A. Thompson  
Joseph A. Sherman  
Charles D. Blinn

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					Recommended 1998	Not Recommended 1998	Recommended 1998	Not Recommended 1998
	<b>General Government</b>							
4130-4139	Executive		\$155,772	\$169,780	\$164,201		\$164,201	
4140-4149	Elections, Registration, Vital Stats		\$60,106	\$66,227	\$69,229		\$69,229	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		\$119,803	\$110,894	\$171,202		\$171,202	
4152	Revaluation of Property							
4153	Legal Expense		\$36,000	\$37,834	\$39,000		\$39,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		\$252,815	\$232,186	\$252,213		\$252,213	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		\$41,869	\$42,787	\$46,011		\$46,011	
4194	General Government Buildings		\$110,970	\$107,745	\$112,564		\$112,564	
4195	Cemetery		\$7,700	\$7,092	\$11,643		\$11,643	
4196	Insurance		\$75,000	\$62,764	\$70,000		\$70,000	
4197	Advertising and Reg. Assoc.							
4199	Other General Government							
	<b>Public Safety</b>							
4210-4214	Police Department		\$766,668	\$766,751	\$798,920		\$798,725	\$195
4215-4219	Ambulance		\$26,000	\$24,167	\$26,000		\$26,000	
4220-4229	Fire Department		\$165,107	\$160,768	\$173,937		\$173,937	
4240-4249	Inspection		\$63,203	\$62,252	\$67,334		\$67,334	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		\$3,545	\$1,608	\$13,545		\$13,545	
4299	Other Public Safety (Inc. Communications)							
	<b>Highway &amp; Streets</b>							
4311-4312	Highway Admin		\$342,126	\$250,005	\$405,076		\$405,076	
4313	Bridges							
4316	Street Lights		\$52,000	\$53,547	\$54,000		\$54,000	
4319	Other							
	<b>Sanitation</b>							
4321-4323	Admin & Solid Waste Collection		\$323,000	\$323,452	\$350,202		\$350,202	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		\$1,100	\$109	\$500		\$500	
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$8,050	\$7,853	\$4,850		\$4,850	
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other							
	<b>Water Distrib &amp; Treatment</b>							
4331-4332	Admin & Water Services		\$23,700	\$25,693	\$39,200		\$39,200	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conservation & Other							



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					Recommended 1998	Not Recommended 1998	Recommended 1998	Not Recommended 1998
	<b>Electric</b>							
4351-4352	Admin & Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equip. Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
	<b>Health &amp; Welfare</b>							
4411-4414	Admin & Pest Control		\$31,742	\$30,639	\$31,707		\$31,136	\$571
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other		\$56,360	\$28,831	\$46,389		\$46,389	
4441-4442	Admin & Direct Assistance		\$43,572	\$29,712	\$43,031		\$43,031	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments.							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							
	<b>Culture &amp; Recreation</b>							
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		\$55,313	\$54,977	\$73,525		\$73,138	\$387
4550-4559	Library		\$164,141	\$163,749	\$167,958		\$167,958	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		\$600	\$600	\$600		\$600	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation (Old Home Day)		\$4,965	\$4,959	\$15,252		\$15,252	
	<b>Conservation</b>							
4611-4612	Admin & Purchase of Natural Resources		\$5,771	\$3,180	\$5,771		\$5,771	
4619	Other Conservation		\$4,594	\$2,527	\$3,500		\$3,500	
4631-4632	Revelopment & Housing							
4651-4659	Economic Development							
	<b>Debt Service</b>							
4711	Princlpal-Long Term Notes & Bonds		\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000		\$150,000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Notes & Bonds		\$34,005	\$34,005	\$22,175		\$22,175	
4723	Interest on TAN		\$50,000	\$30,087	\$45,000		\$45,000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
	<b>Capital Outlay</b>							
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equip.							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements, other than buildings							
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer -							

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					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
					1998	1998	1998	1998
	Water -							
	Electric -							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds							
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds							
4918	To NonExpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Agency Funds							
	<b>SUBTOTAL 1</b>		<b>\$3,236,597</b>	<b>\$3,046,780</b>	<b>\$3,474,636</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,473,382</b>	<b>\$1,153</b>

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space to the right to identify the make up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

## SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

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

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					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
					1998	1998	1998	1998
	Bond for New Recreation Fields & Access	98-2			\$346,000		\$346,000	
	Funding for 250th Anniversary Celebration	98-7			\$123,950		\$123,950	
	Establish & Fund Fire Dept Capital Reserve	98-9			\$26,000		\$26,000	



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					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
			1997	1997	1998	1998	1998	1998
	SUBTOTAL 2 (Recommended)				\$493,950		\$493,950	

## INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "Special Warrant Articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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					Recommended	Not Recommended	Recommended	Not Recommended
			1996	1996	1997	1997	1997	1997
	Revaluation of Town	98-4			\$100,000		\$100,000	
	Establish Waterline Superintendent position	98-5			\$3,359		\$3,359	
	Police Union Collective Bargaining Agreement	98-6			\$43,515		\$43,515	
	Highway Block Grant	98-8			\$105,277		\$105,277	
	Rt 125 Engineering Study	98-10			\$12,000		\$12,000	
	Cemetery Improvements (Phase 2 of 3)	98-11			\$8,000		\$8,000	
	Energy Conservation Improvements	98-12			\$17,470		\$17,470	
	Main St Sidewalk (north of Railroad tracks)	98-13			\$10,000		\$10,000	
	Additional Police Officer (75%-25% Grant)	98-14			\$22,373		\$22,373	
	Additional Police Officer - Part Year	98-15			\$10,584		\$10,584	
	Victim Witness Advocate Position	98-16			\$3,371		\$3,371	
	Police Computer Enhancements	98-17			\$7,050		\$7,050	
	Police Communications Equipment (Grant)	98-18			\$12,984		\$12,984	
	Purchase Land for New Library	98-20			\$208,000		\$208,000	
	SUBTOTAL 3 (Recommended)				\$563,983		\$563,983	

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Acct No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year 1997	Actual Revenues Prior Year 1997	Estimated Revenue for Ensuing Fiscal Year 1998
	<b>TAXES</b>				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Yield Taxes			\$1,578	
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on delinquent Taxes		\$140,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
	Inventory Penalties				
	<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>				
3210	Business licenses and Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		\$700,000	\$800,000	\$725,000
3230	Building Permits		\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
3290	Other licenses, Permits & Fees		\$40,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT (Police Grants, etc)		\$52,640	\$47,198	\$30,995
	<b>FROM STATE</b>				
3351	Shared Revenue		\$110,000	\$56,870	\$56,870
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution			\$81,869	\$81,869
3353	Highway Block Grant		\$102,875	\$107,828	\$105,277
3354	Water Pollution Grants				
3355	Housing & Community Development (CDBG Grant)				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Inc. Railroad Tax) (Court lease, ECM, ICMA, Land Closure)		\$155,000	\$234,147	\$54,783
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT (Atkinson Dispatch)		\$19,500	\$20,000	\$20,000
	<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>				
3401-3406	Income from Departments		\$75,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
3409	Other Charges (Cable TV, Water Dept)		\$44,600	\$91,000	\$91,000



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	<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$10,000	\$2,000	\$120,000
3502	Interest on Investments		\$55,000	\$60,000	\$60,000
3503-3509	Other (Fundraising, etc)		\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000
	<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>				
3912	Special Revenue Fund				
3913	Capital Projects Fund				
3914	Enterprise Fund				
	Sewer - (offset)				
	Water - (offset)				
	Electric - (offset)				
3915	Capital Reserve Fund				
3916	Trust and Agency Funds (Library Trust Fund)			\$3,509	\$211,509
	<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Notes & Bonds				\$345,000
	Amounts voted from Fund Balance ("surplus")				
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to reduce taxes				\$100,000
	<b>TOTAL REVENUES &amp; CREDITS</b>		<b>\$1,614,615</b>	<b>\$1,795,999</b>	<b>\$2,292,303</b>

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY</b>	<b>SELECTMEN</b>	<b>BUDGET COMMITTEE</b>
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 3)	\$3,474,535	\$3,473,382
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles (from page 4)	\$493,950	\$493,950
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles (from page 4)	\$563,983	\$563,983
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED</b>	<b>\$4,532,468</b>	<b>\$4,531,315</b>
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenue (from above) (Exclusive of Property Taxes)	\$2,292,303	
<b>AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED</b>	<b>\$1,895,165</b>	<b>\$1,894,012</b>







