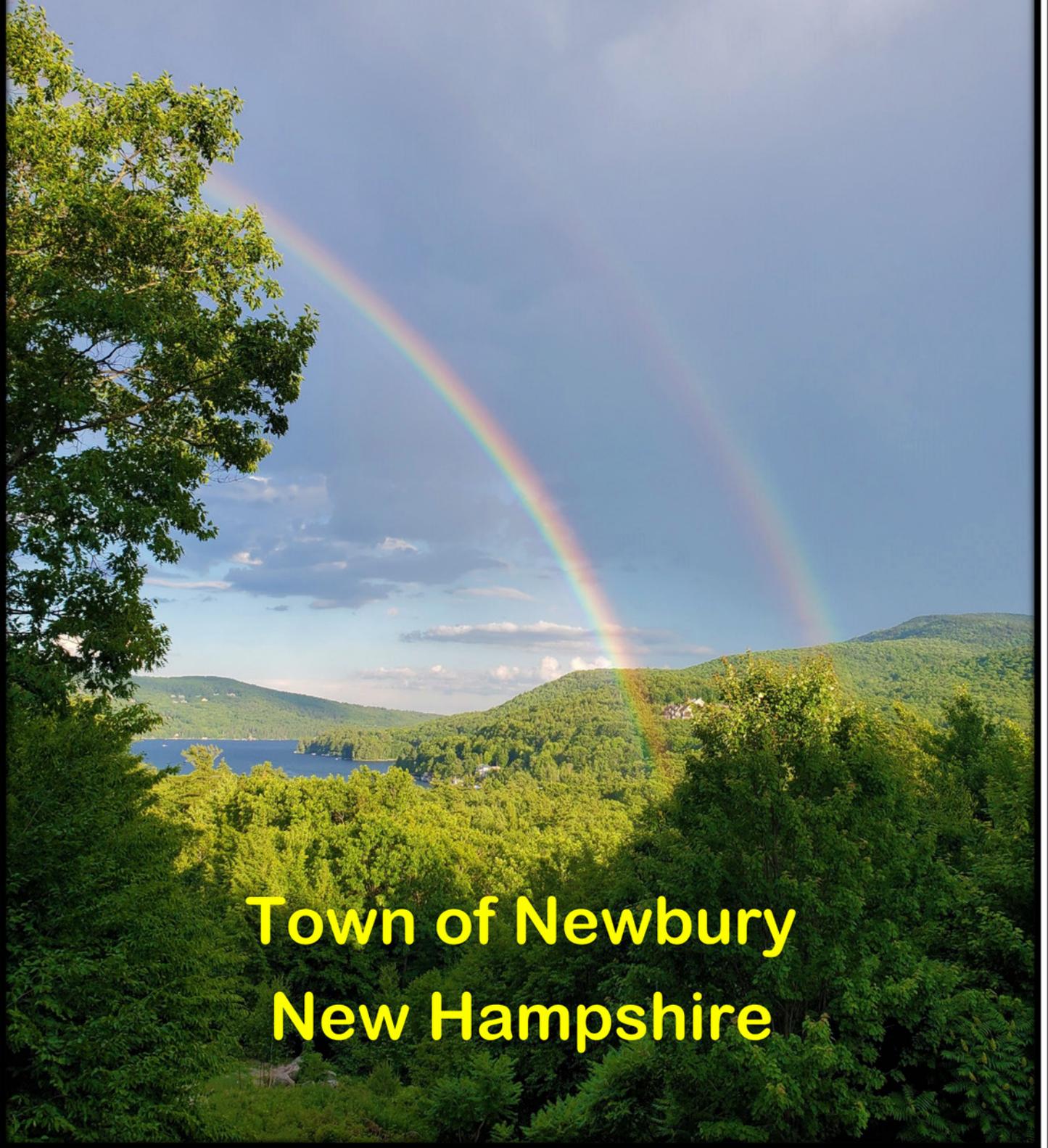


2020 Annual Report

**Town of Newbury
New Hampshire**





Monarch butterflies on the purple liatris.
Photo Courtesy Maureen Rosen

Annual Report
of the
Selectboard, Treasurer, and other Town Officers
for the
Town of Newbury
New Hampshire



*Mike Croteau's Retirement Celebration after 75 years with the Fire Department.
Photo Courtesy Jennifer Parkhurst-Smith*

For
the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2020
with
Vital Statistics for the year 2020

*Cover photo – Double Rainbow over Lake Sunapee.
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Town Officers

Selectboard*

Edward Thorson, chair, term expires 2023
Joy Nowell, term expires 2022
Russell Smith, term expires 2021

Town Administrator**

Dennis J. Pavlicek

Moderator*

Sarah Christie, term expires 2022

Representative to the General Court

Karen Ebel
Daniel H. Wolf

Town Clerk and Tax Collector*

Linda Plunkett, term expires 2021

Deputy Town Clerk and Deputy Tax Collector**

Jennifer Parkhurst-Smith

Treasurer*

Jennifer Goin, term expires 2023

Deputy Treasurer**

Debbie Johnson

Trustees of Trust Funds*

Daniel H. Wolf, term expires 2023
Clayton Johnson, term expires 2022
Debra Prussman, term expires 2021

Library Trustees*

Jeanne Palleiko, term expires 2023
Helen Wright, term expires 2022
Lynne Tuohy, term expires 2021
Patricia Sherman, term expires 2021
Ken Tentarelli, alternate term expires 2022

Newbury Member

Kearsarge Regional School Board*

Richard Wright, term expires 2021

Newbury Member

KRSD Municipal Budget Committee*

Robert Hemenway, term expires 2021

Supervisors of the Checklist*

Clayton Johnson, term expires 2025
Sue Russell, term expires 2023
Helen Wright, term expires 2021

Cemetery Trustees*

Deane Geddes, term expires 2023
Judy Healey, term expires 2022
Knowlton Reynders, term expires 2021

Planning Board*

Bruce Healey, chair, term expires 2021
M. Darren Finneral, term expires 2023
Christopher Hernick, term expires 2023
Michael Beaton, term expires 2022
Richard Wright, term expires 2021
Deane Geddes, alternate, term expires 2021
Russell Smith, Selectboard, ex-officio

Zoning Board of Adjustment*

Peter Fichter, chair, term expires 2021
Dave Blohm, vice chair, term expires 2023
Reed Gelzer, term expires 2022
Gary Budd, term expires 2022
Hank Thomas, term expires 2022
Alex Azodi, alternate, term expires 2021

Conservation Commission**

Katheryn Holmes, chair, term expires 2023
Eric Unger, vice-chair, term expires 2023
Bob Stewart, term expires 2023
Sue Russell, term expires 2023
Steve Russell, alternate, term expires 2023

Chief of Police**

Bradley Wheeler

Chief of Fire Department**

Henry E. Thomas, Jr.

Officer of Emergency Management**

Wayne R. Whitford

Health Officer**

Wayne R. Whitford

Code Enforcement Officer**

E. Ladd Kautz

Highway Administrator**

Calvin Prussman, Jr.

Family Services Director**

Gail Bostic

Inspectors of Election/Ballot Clerks**

Cynthia Bascom

M. Darren Finneral

Vincent Marzelli

Doris Newell

Cindy Peterson

Steve Russell, alternate

Forest Fire Warden***

Dave Smith

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens***

Michael Bascom

Ken Burnell

John G. Croteau

Henry E. Thomas, Jr.

Ed Thorson

* Elected at Town Meeting

** Appointed by Selectboard

*** State appointment

**In Memoriam
Violet Jones
1913 – 2020**

Violet Jones, part of the Newbury community, passed away at 107 years young on July 19, 2020.

Violet and her husband Arthur purchased the Lake Sunapee Lodge and Cottages here in Newbury in 1953. They ran the resort for more than 25 years.

Violet was Newbury's town clerk and tax collector for 10 years. She also served as a member of the Newbury School Board. Later in the 1990's, Violet ran the Newbury Information Booth.

In 2014, the Town of Newbury presented Violet, age 101 years, with the Newbury Bicentennial Cane, which is granted to the town's eldest citizen; a Newbury tradition dating back to 1892.

Even in her 90's, you could find Violet mowing her hill or shoveling snow off her roof.

Violet left New Hampshire with these words:

“When I am gone, I beg no fanfare; Indeed I shall not be there. So no tears need be shed, they will not bring to me Lake Sunapee sunsets or the tall pine tree, or the cat's purr-song, nor yet wild geese waking me at dawn-for I shall be dead. So greet the new day pretending I am not away.”



**In Memoriam
Helga Thomas
1941-2020**



Helga Thomas, 79, of Newbury died September 20, 2020 at her home.

Helga was born in Adelmansfelden, Germany on February 15, 1941.

Helga was a longtime employee of the Town of Newbury. Over the years she worked for the Police and Fire Departments and for Parks & Recreation. She owned and operated H&H General Store in Newbury for 13 years. If you wanted to know what was going on in town, H&H was the place to go.

Helga spent hours gardening at her own home as well as around town. Residents and tourists alike were able to enjoy the results of her green thumb around the esplanade in Newbury. The flourishing blooms in the whiskey barrels were always a hit.

When Helga was out and about, you would rarely see her alone. You would most always see her

with one of her furry four-legged family members riding shotgun.

Helga's presence around town will be missed.

The Road Well-Traveled

They say take the road less traveled, and in 2020 everyone did take that road. It quickly became the road well-traveled. During a time when outside activities became the thing to do, Newbury became the place to be. Our quiet roads became busier and more people made themselves comfortable here. It just goes to show how much our town has to offer, with our abundance of outdoor fun!

While things did get busy and we did encounter some new problems, our town employees worked hard to help solve the issues. Whether it was traffic control, adding no parking signs, registering new voters, or just helping new residents feel welcomed in our town, we worked through it, shared our outdoor fun and our community grew.

Newbury is a growing community, where old and new can flourish together. Be kind, let people see that Newbury is a perfect place to live, visit and pass through.

*Pam Bryk
Administrative Assistant*



*Welcome to Newbury.
Photo Courtesy Cal Prussman*

Selectboard

The past year was a very challenging one to say the least. COVID did affect how we conducted business in the Town and placed some changes upon our residents as well. Having information readily available to the community was difficult. This coming Town Meeting, we have put an article for the voters to consider in the Town Warrant for a permanent electronic sign to be placed in front of the Town Office. This would be a way to let our residents know what is happening as far as emergencies, meetings, events and much more.

Unfortunately, we were forced to cancel Old Home Day this past year. We are hopeful that 2021 will bring better times.

The new firehouse broke ground and is coming along nicely. As you drive by take a look and see how far the work has progressed. The project is still on time and on budget. The firehouse is a project that we all can be proud of.

One of the major challenges, was making the presidential election safe for our workers and our residents. Thanks to the leadership of Sarah Christie, our town moderator, and Linda Plunkett, our town clerk, the voting process went very well. Kudos to them and all that worked with them to organize and work the election. One last thanks to our voters, who also made the voting process run well.



*The night sky over the harbor.
Photo Courtesy Dennis Pavlicek*

With the hope that the vaccine brings, let us hope that the distribution goes smoothly, and we return to a more normal life.

We also send a huge thank you to all our essential workers here in town. We would include fire, police, highway, transfer station, sewer, and town office employees, who all worked diligently through the crisis.

*Ed Thorson, Chair
Russell Smith
Joy Nowell*

Town Administrator

This year can be best described from the Grateful Dead anthem “Truckin” - what a long, strange trip it’s been. We have had to face many obstacles and challenges to normalcy, but, like the Energizer Bunny, we have kept on ticking. As I write this report, we are in the midst of the most significant public health emergency since before most of us were born, however, we are looking through the tunnel to the other side. We will get there! Here is a partial list of all that we have had to deal with in 2020: Quarantine, COVID-19, 6 feet apart, social distancing, Toilet Paper shortage, cancelled plans, staying at home, Zoom meetings, face masks, flattening the curve, always checking your temp, overzealous washing of hands, curbside pickup, super spreader events, herd immunity, personal protective equipment (PPE), hand sanitizer, contact tracing and lock down. They say you can’t teach an old dawg new tricks, but I am proof that you can!

2020 brought many changes to life as we knew it. We started the year receiving information about COVID-19. At the time, many of us did not think that we would be affected by it, but we now know that is not true. We were able to hold our Town Meeting and, fortunately, the new fire station passed easily on a turnout of over 300 people. Thanks to COVID-19, those days of large-scale meetings quickly evaporated within a week of Town Meeting. The Town office, library and other town buildings were closed to only town staff. While these buildings have been allowed to open up somewhat, we are still following strict guidelines and limitations. Thank you to our town first responders and town staff not only for your coverage and fortitude in these difficult times, but also for going the extra mile to safeguard the residents of our town. Even with the challenges of COVID-19, the Town’s assessed values for homes and vacant lots continues to rise and this year we will be doing a revaluation. While most taxpayers can expect the value of their property to increase, some may see a reduction in their tax bill as the tax rates are expected to be lower than previous years.

2020 Highlights:

- The fire station is coming along, and we expect construction to be complete in the summer of 2021. North Branch has done a great job. Much thanks to Ed Rimm, Darren Finch, and Ken Holmes, our representatives on the construction. Architect Peter Tennant designed the station, and it blends well into the lot.
- Our Town tax rate went up slightly this year, but our full value (equalized) tax rate continues to be in the lowest 10% for the state.
- We are still waiting on delivery of our newest highway department dump truck and fire department rescue truck which are delayed because of COVID-19.
- The Town did receive our Durango Pursuit police vehicle. We are very pleased with it and are looking to order another Dodge Durango this year for the police department.
- For those folks who live here year-round, you may have noticed more people being around. We have noticed quite an uptick at the transfer station, more people going there and greater waste disposal amounts.
- State roads in Newbury (Route 103 and Route 103A) were both resurfaced in 2020, this was a needed maintenance item for both roads.

Warrant Articles

- Warrant Article #2 asks the Town if they would appropriate \$1,822,557 for the construction and other related expenses for a library addition. The sum would be offset by \$500,000 from the Newbury Library Foundation, the remaining amount of \$1,322,557 would be bonded. 60% of the vote is required as this is long term debt. Last year the Town appropriated \$200,000 for architectural expenditures for this project. There will be no payment necessary for fiscal year 2021. Repayment of the long-term debt would commence in 2022.

- Warrant Article #3 is the article pertaining to the budget. It shows an increase of \$487,781 which is more than normal, however nearly one half of the increase is the debt service for the new fire station (\$231,020). Another budget that increased was the transfer station, which saw a large increase in usage. We are also replacing the Bobcat at the transfer station after 10 years of use. The Police Department budget is up this year due to a new officer at the academy and increased retirement costs that the state has implemented. Overall, the Town continues to benefit from increased revenue which will help offset the budget increases. When that is factored in the change to the budget is less than 3%.
- Warrant Articles 4 & 5 ask residents to add to existing Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds. The amounts are determined during the annual planning process conducted by the capital improvements committee. This annual process is an integral part of keeping our tax rate stable.
- Warrant Article #6 asks residents to raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,008 for an installed digital sign with a viewing area of 3' by 7' to be used for communicating town activities and events. The sign will be placed on the Town Office grass and will be visible on Route 103 both ways.
- Warrant Article #7 is a housekeeping article that transfers the sale of lots into the cemetery expendable trust fund.
- Warrant Article #8 asks residents to appropriate the sum of \$41,995 for the purchase of a new 2021 all-wheel drive Dodge Durango Pursuit-rated police vehicle. This article will be offset by disposing the 2017 police cruiser which has more than 100,000 miles.
- Warrant Article #9 asks residents to raise and appropriate the sum of \$72,115 for the purchase of a new one-ton pickup for the highway department. The purchase will include a plow, flatbed, and sander. The 2013 one ton with plow and sander will be traded in for \$24,000. The remaining funds of \$48,115 will come from the Highway Capital Reserve Fund.
- Warrant Article #10 asks residents to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,011 for a 2021 Polaris XP1000 rescue UTV fully equipped and includes winter tracks. This unit will be utilized for rescues in all kinds of terrain. The funds will come out of the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund.
- Warrant Articles #12 – 18 are articles that modify tax credits for Veterans and modify exemption amounts for the elderly, disabled and the blind.

If all the articles pass, the increase to the Town tax rate would be 14 cents or less on the final tax bill.

A Thank You

This year our town office staff had to face even more zig zags and challenges, but they calmly and professionally handled everything with grace and humor. Please join me in thanking Debbie Prussman, Pam Bryk, Tiffany Favreau, Linda Plunkett, Jennifer Parkhurst-Smith and Donna Long. Newbury is very fortunate to have such an experienced, dedicated, and capable group of professionals.

As always, please contact me with your ideas and suggestions on how OUR TOWN can better serve the needs of our residents. If you would like to become more involved in town functions, consider volunteering to serve on any of the many town boards and committees. Our citizen volunteers are critical to us, so I hope you will consider volunteering and become a part of the wonderful town called Newbury.

“At the end of the day it’s not about what you have or even what you’ve accomplished... it’s about who you’ve lifted up, who you’ve made better. It’s about what you’ve given back.” – Denzel Washington

*Dennis J. Pavlicek
Town Administrator*

NOTES

**Town Warrant
State of New Hampshire – 2021**

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 11:00 a.m. TO 7:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Newbury in the County of Merrimack in said state qualified to vote in the town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Office Building in said Newbury on Tuesday, the Ninth (9) day of March, next at eleven of the o'clock in the morning, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

The Town shall recess the business portion of the meeting scheduled for Saturday May 1, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. at the Mount Sunapee Resort by the main lodge in the parking lot – off Route 103 in Newbury.

2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one million eight hundred twenty two thousand five hundred fifty seven dollars (\$1,822,557) for the construction of and other related expenses for the library addition (the “Project”), and to authorize the Selectboard to issue not more than one million three hundred twenty two thousand five hundred fifty seven dollars (\$1,322,557) of bonds and/or notes in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); to authorize the Selectboard to issue, negotiate, sell, and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; to authorize the Selectboard to apply for, obtain, and accept federal, state, or other aid, if any, which may be available for the Project and to comply with all laws applicable to the Project; and to authorize the Selectboard to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. The remaining five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) required for the Project will be funded by a donation from the Newbury Library Foundation. (The Selectboard recommend this appropriation.) (3/5 ballot vote required)

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,842,395 for general operations:

ANNUAL BUDGET	2020	Difference	2021
Executive	247,772	9,972	257,744
Elections	11,890	-271	11,619
Financial Administration	693,781	3,847	697,628
Legal Expenses	23,000	0	23,000
Personnel Administration	5,000	0	5,000
Planning	54,214	14,151	68,365
Zoning	19,921	1,809	21,730
General Government Buildings	79,631	6,984	86,615
Cemeteries	26,100	0	26,100
Insurance	59,806	4,854	64,660
Other General Government	8,300	5,200	13,500
Police Department	628,887	56,953	685,840
Fire Department	258,916	11,963	270,879
Forest Fire	1,146	20	1,166
Code Enforcement	47,775	19,701	67,476

Emergency Management	6,417	646	7,063
Highway Maintenance	785,695	-10,374	775,321
Highway Reconstruction	235,000	0	235,000
Street Lighting	7,000	0	7,000
Transfer Station	329,964	110,630	440,594
Health Agencies	73,004	0	73,004
Welfare	23,269	861	24,130
Information Booth	8,068	191	8,259
Parks and Recreation	113,314	6,977	120,291
Library	244,249	-323	243,926
Conservation Commission	3,662	76	3,738
Historical Society	2,000	0	2,000
Tax Anticipation Notes	100	0	100
Sewer Department	300,958	4,621	305,579
Bond/Note Principal	0	113,400	113,400
Bond/Note Interest	0	117,620	117,620
Safety Communication Services	55,775	8,273	64,048
Capital Outlay	0	0	0
TOTAL	4,354,614	487,781	4,842,395

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$170,000 to be placed in the following previously established capital reserve funds: (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority vote required)

FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$ 75,000
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	\$ 75,000
RECREATION FACILITIES	\$ 20,000

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$196,000 to be placed in the following existing RSA 31:19-a maintenance expendable trust funds previously established: (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority vote required)

DOCKS	\$ 3,000
TOWN OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$ 15,000
TOWN BUILDINGS	\$ 35,000
MILFOIL CONTROL	\$ 5,000
FD PERSONAL PROTECTION	\$ 8,000
PAVING AND GRAVEL	\$130,000

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,608 for an installed digital sign with a viewing area of 3 feet by 7 feet to be used for communicating town activities and events. The sign will be placed on the Town Office grass and will be visible on Route 103 both ways. And can be updated smoothly and quickly. This sign will also be used for emergency purposes if needed. (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority vote required)

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800 to be placed in the Cemetery Maintenance Trust Fund and authorize the transfer of \$1,800 from the December 31, 2020 undesignated fund balance for this purpose. Said sum represents the sale of cemetery lots in the prior fiscal year. (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority vote required)

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$41,995 for the purchase of a new 2021 All-Wheel Drive Dodge Durango Pursuit rated police vehicle and furthermore authorize the trade in or public auction of the old vehicle. The balance will be raised by general taxation. (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority Vote Required)

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$72,115 for the purchase of a new one-ton pickup truck for the Highway Department. The purchase will include plow, flatbed, and sander. The Town furthermore authorizes the withdrawal of up to \$48,115 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and authorizes the trade-in of the 2013 one ton with plow and sander. The amount agreed to for the trade-in is \$24,000. The amount to be expended out of the capital reserve will be the difference between the trade/auction amount and the total cost of the vehicle. (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority Vote Required)

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,011 for a 2021 Polaris Ranger XP 1000 Rescue UTV fully equipped and includes winter tracks. The Town furthermore authorizes the withdrawal of up to \$25,011 from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund for this purpose. (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority Vote Required)

11. Shall the Town vote to retain or dispose of the Recreation Department handicapped accessible bus? (Majority vote required)

12. Shall the Town vote to modify the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, all Veterans' tax credits amount from \$500 to \$750? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and (2) was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from services and is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$750, the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit previously voted by the Town under RSA 72:28. (Majority vote required)

13. Shall the Town modify the provisions of RSA 72:37, Exemption for the Blind, to allow an inhabitant who is legally blind as determined by the blind services program, to be exempt each year on the assessed value, for property tax purposes, of his or her residential real estate to the value of \$30,000? (Majority vote required)

14. Shall the Town modify the provisions of RSA 72:37-b, Exemption for the Disabled from property tax, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers to be \$50,000? To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$23,000 if single or if married, a combined net income of not more than \$32,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$75,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. (Majority vote required)

15. Shall the Town modify the provisions of RSA 72:39-a for elderly exemption from property tax in the Town, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 74 years, \$60,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 79 years, \$75,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$90,000? To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$23,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$32,000 and own net assets not in excess of \$75,000 excluding the value of the person's residence (Majority vote required)

16. Shall the Town modify the provisions of RSA 72:35 for an optional tax credit of \$4,000 for Service-Connected Total Disability on residential property? It currently is \$2,000. (Majority vote required)

17. Shall the Town of Newbury modify the Surviving Spouse Credit in accordance with RSA 72:29-a for a tax credit of \$700 per year to \$2,000? (Majority vote required)

18. Shall the Town of Newbury modify the Veteran's Tax Credit in accordance with RSA 72:28, II from its current tax credit of \$500 per year to \$750? (Majority vote required)

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

We certify and attest that on or before February 17, 2021, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of the meeting and at the Newbury town office and Newbury post office and that an original was delivered to the town clerk.

Newbury Selectboard

_____ Edward Thorson, Chair
_____ Russell Smith
_____ Joy Nowell

February 17, 2021 Date Posted

**Budget and Comparative Statement of Expenditures
for
The Town of Newbury, NH
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021**

<u>Purpose of Appropriation</u>	<u>Appropriations Prior Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Actual Expenditures Prior Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year</u>
RSA 32:3v			
General Government			
Executive	247,772	238,657	257,744
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	11,890	18,177	11,619
Financial Administration	693,781	569,666	697,628
Legal Expenses	23,000	15,589	23,000
Personnel Administration	5,000	3,349	5,000
Planning	54,214	46,407	68,365
Zoning	19,921	17,339	21,730
General Government Buildings	79,631	103,614	86,615
Cemeteries	26,100	23,030	26,100
Insurance	59,806	55,298	64,660
Other General Government	8,300	9,119	13,500
Public Safety			
Police Department	628,887	604,028	685,840
Fire Department	260,062	272,305	272,045
Code Enforcement & Inspection	47,775	57,517	67,476
Emergency Management	6,417	10,239	7,063
Safety Communications Services	55,775	79,900	64,048
Highway			
Administration/Maintenance/Constr.	1,020,695	921,257	1,010,321
Street Lighting	7,000	6,759	7,000
Sanitation			
Solid Waste Collection	169,364	176,932	250,494
Solid Waste Disposal	127,100	150,842	150,600
Solid Waste Recycling	33,500	40,981	39,500
Health			
Health/Community/School Programs	73,004	73,004	73,004
Welfare			
Administration & Direct Assistance	23,269	11,674	24,130
Culture & Recreation			
Parks & Recreation	113,314	139,422	120,291
Library	244,249	225,215	243,926
Other	10,068	7,673	10,259

Conservation Commission			
Administration & Operations	3,662	3,265	3,738
Debt Service			
Principal: Long Term Bonds & Notes	0	0	113,400
Interest: Long Term Bonds & Notes	0	0	117,620
Interest: Tax Anticipation Notes	100	0	100
Bond Issuance Costs	0	0	0
Capital Outlay			
Land	0	0	0
Improvements – bridges and study	200,000	195,755	0
Machinery/Vehicles /Equipment	219,500	201,277	139,121
Buildings	3,750,000	3,750,000	1,854,165
Operating Transfers Out			
To Special Revenue Fund	300,958	274,377	305,579
To Capital Reserve Fund	296,000	296,000	170,000
To Expendable Trust Funds	89,200	89,200	197,800
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	8,909,314	8,687,867	7,203,481

<u>Revenue Source</u>	<u>2020 Revenue Estimate</u>	<u>2020 Actual Revenue</u>	<u>2021 Revenue Estimate</u>
Taxes			
Land Use Change Taxes	25,000	5,200	25,000
Yield Taxes	15,000	4,808	15,000
Payment In Lieu Of Taxes	29,500	29,596	29,500
Other Taxes	12,000	10,176	12,000
Int. & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	65,000	46,930	65,000
Excavation Activity Tax	500	49	500
Licenses/Permits & Fees			
Business Licenses & Permits	1,000	0	1,000
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	630,000	587,656	630,000
Building Permits	33,000	32,108	35,000
Other Licenses/Permits & Fees	40,000	10,161	40,000
From State			
Shared Revenue	20,000	15,642	20,000
Meals & Room Tax Distribution	115,000	110,972	115,000
Highway Block Grant	125,000	118,468	125,000
Forest Land Reimbursement	500	492	500
Other	6,500	85,138	6,500
From Other Governments	225,000	141,060	225,000

Charges For Services			
Income From Departments	80,000	50,114	80,000
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Sale of Municipal Property	25,000	11,826	52,000
Interest on Investments	55,000	11,577	55,000
Other	6,000	59,324	6,000
Interfund Operating Transfers In			
Special Revenue Funds	300,958	301,295	305,579
Capital Reserve Funds	180,000	180,000	71,126
Cemetery	0	0	0
Other Financing Sources			
Long Term Bonds & Notes	3,750,000	3,750,000	1,322,557
Library Donations			500,000
Surplus	185,000	231,200	201,800
TOTAL REVENUES/CREDITS	5,924,958	5,793,792	3,939,062

Year 2020 With Articles Year 2021 With Articles

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	8,909,314	7,203,481
LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES	5,877,584	3,939,062
SUBTOTAL	3,031,730	3,264,419
ADD OVERLAY	23,000	23,000
ADD WAR SERVICE CREDITS	80,500	80,500
 AMOUNT OF TAXES TO RAISE	 3,135,230	 3,367,919
 LOCAL ASSESSED VALUATION	 761,645,361	 770,500,000
PROJECTED TOWN TAX RATE	\$4.12	\$4.26
TAX RATE % CHANGE		3.53%
Tax Rate \$ Change Per Thousand		\$0.14

**Town Clerk
Debits**

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued.....	\$587,656.04
Dog Licenses Issued.....	\$3,625.50
UCC Filing	\$1,145.00
Boat Registration	\$10,176.11
Vital Records	\$1,829.00
Miscellaneous.....	\$3,941.71
TOTAL.....	\$608,373.36

Credits

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Vital Records	\$1,829.00
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TOTAL.....	\$608,373.36

**Treasurer
General Fund 2020 Receipts**

Received from Tax Collector	\$ 13,103,959.59
Received from Town Clerk	607,581.16
Received from Selectmen's Office	698,524.74
Interest	11,224.65
Total	\$ 14,421,290.14
Transfers to/from Investment Accounts	722,592.12
Beginning Balance January 1, 2020	3,641,482.45
Total Receipts & Beginning Balance	18,785,364.71
Selectmen's Orders Paid	(15,339,236.74)
Balance on December 31, 2020	\$ 3,446,127.97

*Jennifer J. Goin
Treasurer*

Investment Accounts

NH Public Deposit Investment Pool

Balance January 1, 2020	\$ 1,351.24
Plus: Interest	8.47
Plus: Deposits	0.00
Less: Transfers	0.00
Balance December 31, 2020	\$ 1,359.71

Blodgett Sewer Money Market Account

Balance January 1, 2020	\$ 69,377.20
Plus: Deposits	434.83
Plus: Interest	0.00
Less: Transfers	<u>0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2020	\$ 69,812.03

Conservation Commission

Balance January 1, 2020	\$ 186,009.36
Plus: Interest	1,159.06
Less: Transfers	(120,000.00)
Plus: Transfers	<u>0.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2020	\$ 67,168.42

Recreation Revolving Fund

Balance January 1, 2020	\$ 21,153.61
Plus: Interest	2.76
Less: Transfers	(16,281.17)
Plus: Transfers	<u>3,460.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2020	\$ 8,335.20

Lake Sunapee Savings Account

Balance January 1, 2020	\$ 0
Plus: Interest	343.46
Less: Transfers	(350,886.08)
Plus: Transfers	<u>3,301,906.37</u>
Balance December 31, 2020	\$ 2,951,363.75



Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Newbury, NH
December 31, 2020

DATE OF FUND CREATION	TRUST NAME	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	% OF TOTAL	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			GRAND TOTAL 12/31/20			
					BALANCE 01/01/20	NEW FUNDS GAIN/LOSS	EXPEND	BALANCE 01/01/20	GROSS INCOME	EXPEND DURING YEAR		BALANCE 12/31/20		
CEMETERY FUNDS:														
Various	Various Cemetery Fund Names	Perpetual Care	Stocks & Bonds	1.73%	15,847.75	-	1,037.72	-	16,885.47	21,247.70	916.56 (451.05)	-	21,715.21	38,598.68
LIBRARY FUNDS:														
Total Cemetery Funds: 1.73% 15,847.75 - 1,037.72 - 16,885.47														
1954	Jeanie J. Folsom	Library	Stocks & Bonds	0.14%	5,029.54	-	85.93	-	5,115.27	65.74	75.54 (14.50)	(65.74)	61.04	3,176.31
1966	Shirley Powers	Library	Stocks & Bonds	0.05%	1,012.29	-	28.72	-	1,041.01	21.97	25.25 (4.85)	(21.97)	20.40	1,061.41
2000	Patricia W. Steinfeld	Library	Stocks & Bonds	0.74%	15,785.62	-	447.72	-	16,233.34	542.53	595.53 (75.53)	(342.53)	318.00	16,549.34
2002	White Library Fund	Library	Stocks & Bonds	0.25%	4,808.38	-	136.39	-	4,944.77	104.35	119.88 (23.01)	(104.35)	96.87	5,041.64
2004	Marian Smith Fund	Library	Stocks & Bonds	1.49%	31,690.74	-	898.95	-	32,589.69	687.75	790.17 (151.69)	(687.75)	638.48	33,228.17
2006	Perkins Library Fund	Library	Stocks & Bonds	1.49%	31,640.17	-	897.56	-	32,537.73	686.65	788.80 (151.40)	(686.65)	637.40	33,175.13
Total Library Funds: 4.13% 87,964.53 - 2,495.27 90,459.80														
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:														
Total Library Funds: 4.13% 87,964.53 - 2,495.27 90,459.80														
1962	Town of Newbury	Highway Equip	Money Market	19.62%	551,560.78	75,000.00	(77.48)	-	626,283.30	6,172.45	6,783.38 (1,591.05)	-	11,364.78	487,648.08
1971	Town of Newbury	Fire Equip	Money Market	45.71%	770,563.83	210,000.00	(176.83)	-	980,389.00	27,852.82	15,409.47 (3,596.66)	-	39,565.63	1,019,754.63
1984	Town of Newbury	Safety Service Buildings	Money Market	0.59%	10,093.94	-	(2.54)	-	10,091.40	2,823.81	228.07 (54.63)	-	2,997.25	13,088.65
1993	Town of Newbury	Ambulance Fund Recreational Facility	Money Market	2.28%	44,484.86	-	(0.94)	-	44,474.92	5,671.00	885.62 (212.08)	-	6,344.54	50,819.46
1996	Town of Newbury	Facility	Money Market	3.08%	54,292.65	11,000.00	(12.27)	-	65,281.38	2,711.23	1,075.55 (252.66)	-	3,534.12	68,815.50
1997	Town of Newbury	Bridges	Money Market	0.02%	408.60	-	(0.09)	-	408.51	17.77	7.51 (1.81)	-	23.47	431.98
Total Capital Reserve Funds: 71.30% 1,231,207.66 295,000.00 (279.15) - 1,526,928.51														
GENERAL TRUST FUNDS:														
Total Capital Reserve Funds: 71.30% 1,231,207.66 295,000.00 (279.15) - 1,526,928.51														
1977	Town of Newbury	Dock Repairs	Money Market	6.09%	129,222.75	10,000.00	(26.50)	(5,319.01)	133,877.24	221.14	2,348.34 (557.95)	-	2,011.55	135,888.79
1964	Town of Newbury	Town Bldgs	Money Market	2.91%	50,237.07	35,000.00	(3.12)	(21,390.00)	69,833.95	121.34	1,108.68 (249.91)	-	980.11	64,814.06
1995	Town of Newbury	Office Equip	Money Market	1.82%	25,082.25	15,000.00	(6.32)	-	40,073.93	50.94	597.82 (122.11)	-	466.65	40,540.58
2002	Town of Newbury	Mifflin	Money Market	0.15%	3,501.05	5,000.00	(1.11)	(5,000.00)	3,500.94	14.01	89.89 (19.30)	-	84.60	3,584.53
2004	Town of Newbury	Cemetery Maint	Money Market	0.48%	9,111.72	1,200.00	(1.92)	-	10,509.80	177.00	171.54 (40.54)	-	308.00	10,817.80
2006	Town of Newbury	Fire Dept - PPE	Money Market	3.35%	70,182.13	8,000.00	(14.63)	(4,642.18)	73,526.34	131.21	1,291.73 (305.78)	-	1,117.16	74,643.50
2014	Town of Newbury	Paving Fund	Money Market	8.05%	292,344.00	15,000.00	(59.26)	(132,145.16)	175,139.58	514.15	5,265.16 (1,254.20)	-	4,525.11	179,664.69
Total General Trust Funds: 22.84% 579,480.00 89,200.00 (122.86) (168,496.35) 500,060.79														
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GRAND TOTALS: 100% 1,914,999.93 385,200.00 3,130.98 (168,496.35) 2,134,334.36														



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Debits

Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
			Year: 2019	Year: 2018	Year: 2017
Property Taxes	3110		\$532,476.08		
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185		\$2,972.06		
Excavation Tax	3187				
Other Taxes	3189		\$17,388.46		
Property Tax Credit Balance					
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance					

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies	
			2019	
Property Taxes	3110	\$12,511,187.64		
Resident Taxes	3180			
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$5,200.00		
Yield Taxes	3185	\$4,808.25		
Excavation Tax	3187	\$49.31		
Other Taxes	3189	\$294,336.00		
Bad Check Charge		\$100.00		

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
			2019	2018	2017
Property Taxes	3110	\$7,960.09			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Bad Check Charge					
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$7,248.43	\$14,988.99		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				
Total Debits		\$12,830,889.72	\$567,825.59	\$0.00	\$0.00



Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	2019	Prior Levies	
			2018	2017
Property Taxes	\$12,078,475.72	\$531,671.67		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$5,200.00			
Yield Taxes	\$4,808.25	\$2,972.06		
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$7,224.78	\$14,988.99		
Penalties	\$25.00			
Excavation Tax	\$49.31			
Other Taxes	\$283,828.03	\$17,388.46		
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)				
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	2019	Prior Levies	
			2018	2017
Property Taxes	\$172.86	\$804.41		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Current Levy Deeded	\$3,211.00			



Lien Summary

Summary of Debits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2019	Year: 2018	Year: 2017
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year		\$97,586.97	\$49,609.83	\$361.10
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$126,389.06			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$2,826.35	\$4,905.21	\$16,699.05	
Mtg research costs and INF Funds Fee		\$414.00	\$631.54	
Total Debits	\$129,215.41	\$102,906.18	\$66,940.42	\$361.10

Summary of Credits				
	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2019	2018	2017
Redemptions	\$21,662.06	\$37,836.84	\$46,550.92	
Mtg research and Interest		\$4,870.85	\$16,979.47	
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$1,971.35			
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality	\$3,565.07	\$3,489.28	\$3,410.03	\$361.91
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$102,016.93	\$56,709.21		
Total Credits	\$129,215.41	\$102,906.18	\$66,940.42	\$361.91

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$447,894.77
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 -All Years)	\$158,726.14

Assessor's Report

I am excited to put 2020 in the rear-view mirror - what a year it has been. I never would have predicted that in a global pandemic the real estate market would continue to astound me. Below is sales data taken off the Multiple Listing Service regarding arm's length transactions in Newbury.

YEAR	TRANSACTIONS	\$\$ IN SALES	% TO ASKING PRICE	SALE TO ASSESS
2020	98	\$40,000,000	3.5%	77.7%
2019	75	\$38,000,000	5.9%	82.6%
2018	69	\$23,500,000	7.0%	88.1%

This year we visited properties that had not been viewed in several years, only from the exterior. We also looked at all the sales that have occurred in the last 18 months to confirm data accuracy. We are constantly trying to keep the property data current, to be fair and equitable to all at the time of reassessment.

With that said, beginning in the spring of 2021, we will begin the revaluation process in Newbury. As shown in the above statistics, the Town of Newbury has fallen out of acceptable state standards on the sale to assessment ratio. The New Hampshire Department of Revenue requires all municipalities to be between 90-110% of market value.

The Assessing Office will be transitioning to a different assessing software in 2021 as well. We will no longer be using the Vision product, instead moving to the New Hampshire based Avitar product. As always, your property data can be viewed online at www.newburynh.org on the assessing database link. There is also a good amount of information on the assessing page including recent sales, credit and exemption qualifications, and a great short video explaining "The Role of the Assessor".

I will continue to closely monitor the real estate market. Sales over the next few months should be a good indicator of how far north we can anticipate assessed values to go in August 2021. When assessments go up in value and if all remains equal, the tax rate will be adjusted in kind. Again, please watch the video "The Role of the Assessor", it is helpful in understanding how the process works.

I thank Tiffany Favreau, land use and assessing coordinator, for her hard work and assistance she provides, and to all the Town of Newbury staff. It has been difficult, but we are getting through this together.

Kristen McAllister
Chief Assessor

**Summary Inventory of Valuation
2020 Assessed Valuation**

Value of Land Only			
	Acres	Valuation	Totals
Current Use	12,277	\$676,713	
Residential	5,031	\$376,519,540	
Commercial/Industrial	1,691	\$8,653,760	
Farm Land	2	\$648	
Total of Land	19,001		\$385,850,661
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable	3,273	(\$36,537,324)	
Value of Buildings Only			
Residential		\$345,099,100	
Manufactured Housing		\$452,400	
Commercial/Industrial		\$25,746,600	
Farm Structures	12	\$95,500	
Total of Buildings			\$371,393,600
Tax Exempt & Non Taxable		(\$13,796,200)	
Public Utilities			
Electric			\$4,631,100
Water			
Valuation Before Exemptions			\$761,875,361
Blind Exemptions (Number: 0)		\$0	\$0
Elderly/Disabled Exemptions (Number: 2)		\$120,000	\$120,000
Wood Heating/Wind/Solar Exemptions (Number: 22)		\$110,000	\$110,000
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$230,000
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed			\$761,645,361
Revenues Received From Payments in Lieu of Taxes		\$29,014	
State and Federal Forest Land Recreation and/or Flood Control Land		\$0	

Tax Credit

	Limit	Number	Tax Credit
Totally and Permanently Disabled	\$2,000	7	\$14,000
Veterans, Spouses and Widows	\$500	130	\$65,000
Total War Service Credits		137	\$79,000



*Recreation's summer soccer camps at Fishersfield.
Photo Courtesy Sydney Bryk*

Inventory of Town Property

Location	Assessed Value	Use
Newbury Traffic Circle	\$ 31,800	Cemetery
365 Bowles Road	2,600,100	Sewer treatment lagoons
Chestnut Road	1,700	Vacant land
Park 10 Road	1,800	Vacant land
919/937 Route 103	937,700	Town Office/Library/Fire Station
Route 103A	437,500	Lakeside Cemetery
Off Route 103	1,100	Old Railroad Bed
952 Route 103	768,600	Safety Services Building/Veterans Hall
967 Route 103	719,800	Parking and Docks
977 Route 103	739,200	Beach/Train Station
Route 103	1,275,900	Info Booth/Caboose
Lakeview Avenue	17,700	Vacant land
Stoney Brook Road	20,500	Bean Cemetery
Baker Hill Road	23,800	Baker Hill Cemetery
Chalk Pond Road	500	Vacant land
Chalk Pond Road	34,900	Vacant land
Blodgett Brook Road	33,900	Vacant land
Old County Road South	17,400	Vacant land
Bartlett Road	38,100	Vacant land
Off Province Road	30,100	Cemetery
Old Post Road	591,200	Fishersfield Park
Route 103	6,800	Vacant land
Route 103/Colburn Farm Road	4,800	Vacant land
Mountain Road/Route 103	46,800	Vacant land
Newell Road	29,800	Marshall Cemetery
Pleasant View/South Roads	32,900	Booth Sherman Cemetery
20 Sutton Road	170,200	Old Highway Shed
Sutton Road	1,000	Simon's Cemetery
Sutton Road	19,000	Vacant land
44 Pine Street	95,400	Blodgett Fire Station
7 Sutton Road	109,200	Storage Shed
133 Village Road	320,300	Sherman Hall/Grange Hall
Southgate Road	13,900	Fire Pond
Washington Street	89,400	Town Park
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201 Old Post Road	123,900	Transfer Station
Brookside Road	29,100	Vacant land
33 Lake Avenue	192,300	Blodgett Docks
Skytop Drive	22,500	Vacant land
50 South Road	812,900	Highway Garage
Village Road	41,300	Vacant land
335 Old Post Road	73,365	Tax Deeded
Rollins Road	67,800	Tax Deeded
97 Old Sutton Road	126,600	Tax Deeded
TOTAL	10,841,965	

Note: Vacant land includes dry hydrant locations, easements, retention ponds, etc.

Budget Committee

The Newbury Budget Committee is responsible for the preparation of the town budget and its related warrant articles for the ensuing fiscal year. The Committee meets in public session bi-weekly as a scheduled agenda item at regularly scheduled Selectboard meetings. The Committee meets from mid-October until the public hearing in February of the following year. The Committee is composed of the Selectboard, the town administrator, and three appointed Newbury residents.

The Committee reviews the individual line item budget proposals as submitted by each of the municipal heads, boards, trustees and commissions. The department head or representative chairperson is present during the scheduled budget proposal to provide clarity and rationale.

A properly noticed public hearing on the 2021 proposed budget and warrant articles will be held in February 2021. The final budget and warrant articles will then be approved by the Selectboard for presentation at the annual Town Meeting.

If all warrant articles pass, the 2021 proposed budget and warrant articles will reflect a projected town tax rate of \$4.26.

The Committee wishes to thank all department heads, boards, trustees and commissions for all their work in presenting thorough budget presentations. The Budget Committee recommends the passage of the proposed 2021 budget, and all attending warrant articles, as submitted by the Selectboard.

*Ed Thorson, Russell Smith, Joy Nowell, Newbury Selectboard
Dennis Pavlicek, Town Administrator
Alison Kinsman, Ivor Freeman, At-Large Members.*



Bruce Barton (left) US Army veteran received a plaque honoring his many years of Army service and his years as chair of the Newbury Veterans Committee, and Ed Wollensak (right) Air Force veteran was honored as the wreath layer commemorating all the fallen in past conflicts.

Photo Courtesy Maureen Rosen

Police Department

All of us at the Police Department would like to thank the members of our community for their continued support of the department. Our success is your success, and we achieve this by working together with all of you. Your dedication to pointing us in the right direction with safety concerns you have within the town greatly aids us in being able to properly address issues prior to them becoming something much larger.

2020 proved to be extremely challenging, and we at the Police Department are hoping for a much better 2021. With COVID-19 came the wearing of masks, generating guidance for officers' exposure and policy changes. Other events across the country have sparked the demand for additional police training upping the current 8-hour mandatory yearly police training to 24-hours. This does not include mandatory recertification trainings that officers need to complete each year.

The department experienced numbers very similar to last year as far as calls for service and arrests, with an increase in motor vehicle enforcement in 2020 over 2019. Traffic accidents were down from 71 in 2019 to 47 in 2020. I believe this is in part a result of the increased traffic enforcement and officers being visible all over town.

The department added Officer Levi Clark as a full-time police officer in May of 2020. He was previously part-time certified and a member of the State of New Hampshire Marine Patrol. We are extremely happy to have him on board and anticipate that he will graduate the full-time academy and be back out on patrol by June. The rest of the department has stayed the same. Sergeant Sparks has been with this department for approximately 13 years and has 20 years of full-time experience. Officer Harriman remains with the department and will have served 10 years here in July of 2021 and has approximately 16 years of full-time experience. Officer Fisher also continues to be a full-time member of the department and is working on his second year here in Newbury and has approximately 11 years of full-time experience. Our part-time staff has stayed the same with Officer Cobb and Officer Reopel at this time.

Our administrative assistant has been with the Department for over 23 years and is truly an asset to the department, so thank you Deborah Lacombe for your loyalty and dedication to the department over the years.

In closing, I would again just like to thank all the residents in town for your continued support of this department. We encourage you to continue to stop in or call with any concerns or any suspicious activity you may see in the town. Here is to a safe and happy new year from all of us at the Police Department.

Brad Wheeler
Chief

Sergeant Aaron Sparks
Officer Thomas Harriman
Officer Joshua Fisher
Officer Levi Clark
P/T Officer Neill Cobb
P/T Officer Brian Reopel
Administrative Assistant Deborah Lacombe

Newbury Police Department Calls for Service 2020	
Classification	Total
Death/Suicide/Unattended	6
Assault/Sexual	0
Assault/Battery	1
Arson	0
Criminal Threat	6
Criminal Trespass	9
Criminal Mischief	14
Burglary	3
Theft/Shoplifting	31
Fraud/ID Fraud/Bad Check	19
Drugs/Possession	13
Property Lost	22
Property Found	44
Property Return	5
Neighborhood Disputes	14
Domestic Dispute	12
Disturbance (Noise)	34
Weapons Permits/Renewals	26
Shots Fired	8
Fireworks Violations	9
Harassing Communication/Harassment	12
Disorderly Conduct	2
DUI - Drunk	10
Driving on Suspension/Revocation	5
VIN Inspection	24
Abandoned Vehicle	8
MV Unlock	25
Road Hazard/Obstruction or Placing Snow/Debris on Road	45
Traffic Offense Warning	1398
Traffic Offense Citation	569
Parking Violations/Town Ordinance	96
Criminal Citations	59
Motor Vehicle (MV) Checks	36
MV/Traffic Complaint/Manner of Operation	131
Assist-Stranded Motorist	35
Traffic Crash/Personal Injury/Property Damage	32
Traffic Crash/Non-Reportable	15
MV Repossession	1
Reckless Driving	4
Road Rage	1
Littering - Illegal Dumping	4
OHRV Complaints	3
OHRV Accident	1
Animal - Complaints/Unlicensed Dogs	60
Animal - Cruelty/Vicious	2

Animal - Stray	46
Animal - Nuisance	8
Animal - Bite	1
Animal - Livestock Complaint	3
Animal - Wild	19
Assist - Fire/Police In-State/Out-of-State	137
Assist - Newbury Fire	88
Assist - Newbury Medical/Rescue	92
Assist - Town Office	8
Assist - Public Works	16
Assist - Social Service Agencies/Court	8
Alarm-Bank	3
Alarm - Business	25
Alarm - House/Public Building	80
Public Relations-talk or lecture	8
911 Hang-up	13
Juvenile Complaint/Runaway	7
Citizen Requested Assistance	133
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Incident	111
Unwanted Subject	9
Civil Issue/Stand-by	58
Welfare Check	33
Open Door/Window/Gate	15
Paperwork Relay	12
Paperwork Service	31
Warrant - Criminal/Civil	2
Sex Offender Registration	17
Missing Person	3
Ride Along	2
Case Follow up	29
Selective Enforcement Request	613
Military Record Check	1
Fingerprints/School, Work	16
Police Information	163
House Check Request	386
Building Check - Business	707
Building Check - Public/Residential	1061

Fire Department

Summary for the Year

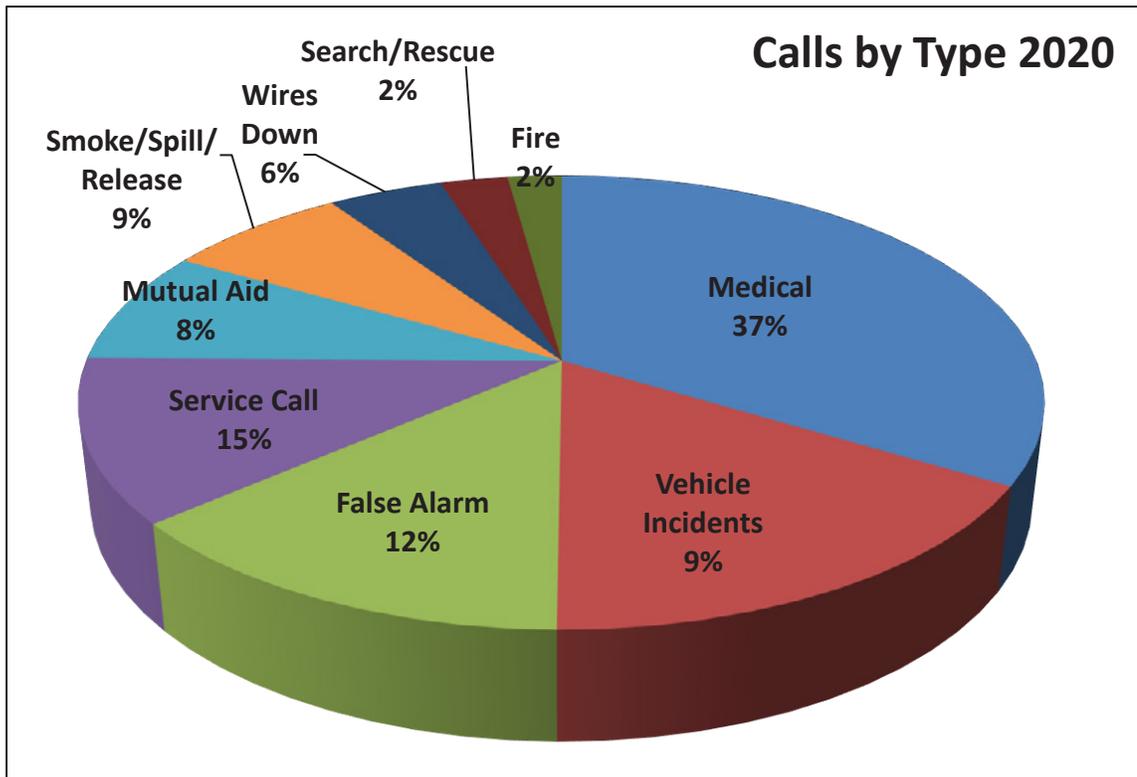
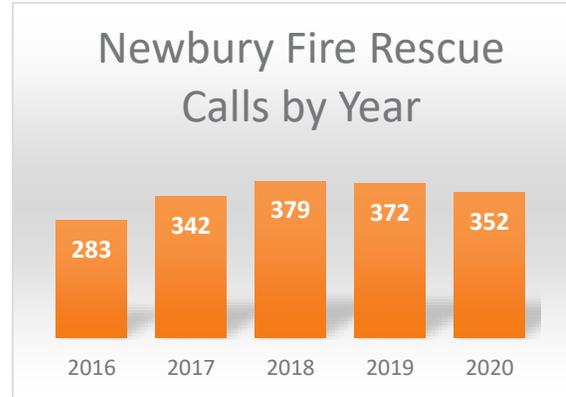
Newbury Fire Rescue completed 2020 with a total of 352 calls for service. The chart below shows a summary of the total calls for service over the last five years.

The total calls were down about 6% from 2019, primarily because of the Governor's Stay at Home Order. In March, April and May calls averaged 20 a month which is down from the normal monthly average. This was due to many residents not commuting to work or attending school.

In 2020, medical calls accounted for 37% of the call volume, a 19% increase from 2019. Public Service calls which include lift assists, non-medical or 911 non-emergency calls, road obstructions not involving power lines, vehicles stuck in the snow, off the road issues without injury or vehicle damage, and lock outs were at 15%, a 29% increase from 2019.

Motor vehicle incidents accounted for 9% of the call volume this year, a 30% decrease from 2019. This could be attributed to the COVID-19 stay at home order and travel restrictions which resulted in fewer vehicles on the road during the spring and thus fewer collisions.

In addition to the 352 calls for emergency service, the department held 44 training classes, conducted 59 fire code inspections, and issued 233 fireworks and outside burning permits.



Along with the COVID-19 Pandemic came a tremendous amount of documentation required by the federal government as well as the State of New Hampshire. This took additional time, weekly reports were required on COVID cases, all medical and fire reports had additional sections requiring COVID information. Administrative payroll hours doubled to 1,255 hours in 2020 to manage these COVID related recordkeeping requirements. We also needed special equipment purchased to protect our first responders.

New Fire Station

In 2020 the new fire rescue facility was approved by the voters at the March town meeting. Site work started in the late spring and building construction started in the summer. Work is progressing on schedule with completion of the building in the late spring and occupancy in the summer. The members of the Newbury Fire Department thank the voters for their support.



COVID-19

In March 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic struck New Hampshire and the rest of the country and as the year ended, the pandemic was still gripping the nation. The pandemic drastically changed the operations of Newbury Fire Rescue as well as most other organizations in the nation. The protection of our first responders on calls was our primary concern. Full personal protective equipment (PPE) was mandated on all calls. In addition to wearing gloves and department jackets, which residents were accustomed to, now saw responders with masks and face shields on all calls. The enhanced PPE was to protect the patient as well as the first responder. A set of medical history questions were asked prior to treating a patient. If there was a positive case of the illness additional precautions were taken. Fortunately, Newbury Fire Rescue did not have the number of positive COVID-19 patients that some of the neighboring departments encountered.

We are hopeful that the COVID vaccine will reduce the number of people that are impacted by the virus. Even with the vaccine we need to be vigilant and continue to protect ourselves and our families. Newbury Fire Rescue will be continuing to utilize enhanced personal protection equipment for the foreseeable future.

Training

Even with COVID-19, our training has continued. We have been offering classroom training virtually, as well as online training. Our hands-on training was accomplished by splitting into small groups.

Even though there were a few months at the beginning of the pandemic where we were not able to conduct training, Newbury Fire Rescue members attended a total of 44 in-house and 20 outside training programs. Most of the outside training was virtual classes provided by the New Hampshire Fire Academy, New London Hospital, Littleton Hospital, and other training organizations. A total of 1,449 payroll hours, 21% of the department total hours, was for training in 2020.

Permits

With the success of the on-line permit system for fire alarms, fireworks and outside burning, Newbury Fire Rescue added applications for fire code permits, which include oil burner installation, gas appliance installation and wood burning equipment installation. All these permits can be found on our website, www.newburyfd.org. An automatic notification will be sent and the applicant will be contacted to schedule an appointment for inspection of the installation and issued a permit to operate.

Once a site has been inspected and approved for a Category I or II (campfire) Seasonal permit by the Fire Warden, renewal permits can be requested on-line and they are automatically emailed to the permit holder.

Just a reminder that seasonal fire permits expire on December 31, of the year that they were issued. Fireworks permits once inspected can be renewed online as well. In 2020, a total of 46 fireworks permits and 184 Seasonal Category I & II permits were issued.

Solar

Solar Installations are also inspected by the fire department. New Hampshire has amended National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1 to include a licensed NH Professional Engineer to review and approve all roof installations on one and two family dwellings. The panels can only cover 50% of the aggregate roof area of the dwelling. The panels shall be a minimum of 18” down from the ridge. Also, the installation shall follow NFPA 1 (other than amendment), IRC, and National Electric code NFPA 70.



Public Information

Newbury Fire Rescue has focused on providing the latest information on COVID-19 through the Newbury Fire Rescue Facebook page. Daily updates on the pandemic are provided based on information received from the State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management, the US Center for Disease Control (CDC) and US Health & Human Services as well as other sources. The Facebook page provides information on

Newbury Fire Rescue calls, training, the new station and community activities, such as the children’s Christmas event.

Street Numbering

Help the first responders help you. Have your street number visible and have your driveway plowed and sanded in the winter. We can not help you if we can not find you or get to you.

*Henry E Thomas Jr.
Fire Chief*

David Smith, Assistant Chief

Nick Bibeau, Captain

Michael Bascom, Kenneth Burnell, Devon Palmer, Lieutenants

Wayne Whitford, Administration/ Fire Prevention/EMS Adm./Communication

Mike Menino, Vicki Hayward, Mark Witchtermann, Standing Committee

Forest Fire Warden

I would like to start this year's report by saying THANK YOU to now retired Deputy Warden John "Mike" Croteau for his many decades of service to Newbury and to the State of New Hampshire! I have already had people tell me how they miss meeting with Mike and having a chat while obtaining a fire permit. His personality would always put a smile on one's face when you met him, it has been a privilege to work with him for so many years.

This past year's weather, coupled with the COVID outbreak, made for a busier and interesting year. Overall, permit numbers were up by about a third. People were home and were looking for things to do outside. We answered many questions on burn laws from first time permittees and neighbors of people who were burning. Education is always a good thing and it is always better to have questions answered upfront than after the fact.

Early August to late October we had to deal with the extended period of drought. Governor Sununu did sign a burn ban on smoking in the woods and category III (brush) fire permits. Campfire permits were still allowed. This caused some confusion as many people were under the impression that all outside burning was banned, again we answered many questions about neighbors' actions. We did make it through the drought period with no incidents, thanks everyone for being extra careful.

We did have three notable incidents, all in the spring on days of high fire danger, two of which required a mutual aid response. Two were of accidental origin and one a non-permitted, unattended campfire. I thank our fire department for prompt responses and our mutual aid neighboring towns for their assistance. Historically, in Newbury, it has been very rare that we have a fire incident caused by permitted burning and that continued to be true this past year.

Points to Remember:

- All outside burning requires a written permit whenever the ground is not covered with snow.
- All category I and II permits expired December 31, 2020 and must be renewed annually.
- Category III Brush Permits will only be issued when weather allows between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. or while raining.
- All permitted fires must be attended by the individual responsible for the fire and they must be on the same property as the fire.
- Written landowner permission is required to obtain a permit on another person's property.
- Brush and wood cannot exceed five (5) inches in diameter. No combustible domestic waste, treated wood, or composite materials may be burned.

I thank you for your continued cooperation.

Dave Smith
Forest Fire Warden

State Forest Ranger

This year, we experienced challenging wildfire conditions which led to deep burning fires in remote locations that were difficult to extinguish. Your local fire departments and the Division of Forests & Lands worked throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. The towers' fire detection efforts are supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger is especially high.

Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Every year, New Hampshire sees fires which threaten or destroy structures, a constant reminder that wildfires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildfire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the State's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

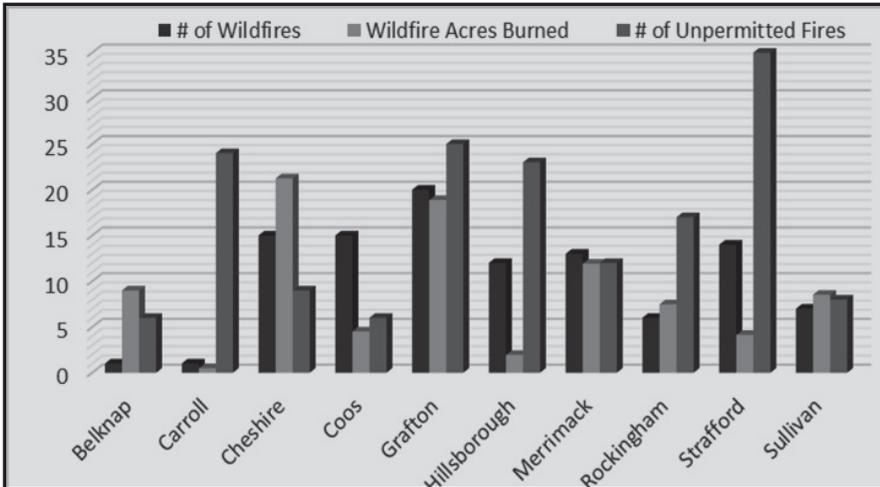
Between COVID-19 and the drought conditions, 2020 was a unique year. The drought conditions led to the need to have a proclamation from the governor, which banned much of the outdoor burning statewide. This, along with the vigilance of the public, helped to reduce the number of serious fires across New Hampshire. However, the fires which we did have burned deep and proved difficult to extinguish due to the lack of water. While the drought conditions have improved, we expect many areas of the state to still be experiencing abnormally dry and drought conditions this spring. For this reason, we ask everyone to remember Smokey's message about personal responsibility and follow his ABC's: Always Be Careful with fire. If you start a fire, put it out when you are done. "Remember, Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!"

As we prepare for the 2021 fire season, please remember to contact your local forest fire warden or fire department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the local fire department for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information, please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nh.gov/nhdf/. For up-to-date information, follow us on Twitter: @NHForestRangers.

Scan here for
Fire Permits.



2020 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS
(All fires reported as of December 01, 2020)



Year	Number of Wildfires	Wildfire Acres Burned	Number of Unpermitted
2020	113	89	165
2019	15	23.5	92
2018	53	46	91
2017	65	134	100
2016	351	1090	159

*Unpermitted fires which escape control are considered Wildfires. *

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED (These numbers do not include the WMNF)								
Arson	Debris Burning	Campfire	Children	Smoking	Railroad	Equipment	Lightning	Misc.
4	22	21	4	3	1	4	10	44

Miscellaneous includes power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc....

Code Enforcement Officer

This year demanded we change the way we live and work. Without the support of the Selectboard, town staff and the residents, my job would have been significantly more difficult. To all of you, thank you for your patience and understanding as I got up to speed as “the new guy” in town.

A total of 192 Permits were issued in 2020.

Single Family Homes	14	Garages	6	Electrical	38
Modular Homes	3	Docks	6	Plumbing	20
Interior Renovations	19	Decks	4	Mechanical	2
Additions	8	Sheds	12	Demolition	10
Barns	3	Generators	6	Commercial	2
Decks	4	Septic Systems	17		
Pools	4	Solar Energy	8		

As of the end of November, I made more than 480 building inspections.

I inspected over 61 sites for tree trimming or removal. Thank you, Katheryn Holmes and the Conservation Commission, for your diligence in protecting our lakes, streams, and trees.

It is my goal in 2021 that we shorten the review time for permits. The recent change to have all applications first reviewed by the Land Use Office has been an overall a success. Thank you, Tiffany, for pulling that process together.

For 2021, I will be working with the Selectboard, Town Office staff, builders, and residents to streamline and accelerate the application process. Should you have suggestions on how that can be accomplished please email me at codeenforcement@newburynh.org.

I am always willing to discuss your building ideas. Should you wish to meet with me, please make an appointment. However, do not hesitate to stop by for a “do you have 2 minutes” conversation. Newbury is a very special town, and I am pleased to be here.

Many of you have met our town welcomer, Flyler. He has had a great year as the Town Puppy. He is always eager to come to work every day. Many of you inquire about his age. He was born on January 8, 2020. He loves his job and looks forward to more attention.

E. Ladd Kautz
Code Enforcement Officer

Highway Department

Beginning on November 8, 2019 and running through April 27, 2020, we had 56 events, which required the Highway Department to plow and/or sand the roads - using approximately 5,307 tons of sand.

Along with our usual duties of snow removal, grading, ditching, sweeping, mowing, etc., the Highway Department completed the following projects:

- The new bridge and guardrails on Bay Point Road along with the realigning of Chandler Brook.
- 7,920 feet of Cheney Road and 2,640 feet of Richards Road were resurfaced with 4 inches of .75-inch ledge pak using 4,400 tons of material.
- Approximately 5,280 feet of Mountain Road were resurfaced with 4 inches of 1.5-inch crushed gravel using approximately 1,955 tons of material.
- 8,117 feet of Bay Point Road was repaved.
- 2,470 feet of Lakewood Manor Road and 3,570 feet of Sutton Road were shimmed and overlaid with 1.5 inch of pavement.
- Several hundred feet of culverts were replaced at various locations in town.
- New guardrails were installed on the bridge on Bowles Road over Blodgetts Brook.



*The building of the new Bay Point Road Bridge.
Photo Courtesy Cal Prussman*

The new truck was ordered but due to shutdowns from COVID-19, we are still waiting for it. The truck is currently at Tenco in Barre, Vermont, waiting to be outfitted with plow, wing, sander, etc. We should have it by the time you read this, hopefully.

Winter sand is available at the old highway shed on Sutton Road for all town residents.

As always, my sincere thanks to the residents for all their support, the Selectboard, Town Office staff, and Police and Fire departments.

*Cal Prussman
Highway Administrator*

Emergency Management

In 2020, the primary focus of Emergency Management in Newbury, as well as most other communities, was the COVID-19 pandemic. In early March and through the spring, Newbury Emergency Management worked with the New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management as well as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Daily conference calls were held with our state partners to keep updated on the latest COVID-19 information.

In the spring there was a shortage of personal protective equipment (PPE) such as face masks, face shields and gloves for the first responders. Regular suppliers no longer had PPE to sell. Emergency management worked with vendors and the State including the New Hampshire National Guard to obtain this important protection for police, fire, and emergency medical responders. Protective equipment had to also be obtained for other town departments, so that the business in the town could continue. Based on recommendations provided by the State, the Town Office did close the building to foot traffic for a period of time. Fortunately, town business was able to continue utilizing the telephone, email, and the town website. Committee meetings were held virtually, and the town government functioned very well during this period.

The fact that supplies were being provided by state and federal agencies required substantial cost documentation. A significant amount of employee time was utilized to document labor and material costs for reimbursement by the government.

During the late fall when the pandemic spiked, additional procedures had to be implemented. Through strategic purchasing of PPE, the town's first responders had adequate supplies to do their duties safely. The daily conference calls with the State transitioned to weekly calls and as the year ended, the calls continued. Bulletins are issued daily by state and federal agencies. Emergency Management had to review all these bulletins, policies, and procedures being issued to pass the appropriate information on to the town departments and the public.

Wayne Whitford
Emergency Management Director

Health Officer

Most of the work of the Newbury Health Officer during 2020 was focused on the COVID-19 pandemic. There was a tremendous amount of health-related information distributed by the Center for Disease Control (CDC), US Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Greater Sullivan Public Health Network, NH Governor's office, DHHS Health Officer Liaison, New London Hospital, and other agencies. Assistance was also provided to town departments on personal protective equipment and guidance from the State on the Stay-at-Home Order, quarantining and the protection of town employees.



*The new fire station.
Photo Courtesy Dennis Pavlicek*

In late 2020, Newbury Health Officer, Wayne Whitford, was elected president of the New Hampshire Health Officer's Association. He had served as vice president for two years and had been on the Health Officer's board of directors for several years. Health Officer's Association membership provides the Town of Newbury with a tremendous resource of public health information. Leadership in the organization provides a unique view of public health issues and solutions from all the health officers in New Hampshire. Through this position, firsthand information is available on new state legislation and agency regulations.

It is our hope that the pandemic will wind down during 2021, and we can return to some form of normal life by the end of the year. Please keep in mind that some of the things we have learned during this difficult period will benefit the community in the long run. Things like frequent hand washing, avoiding crowds and maintaining a safe distance from people. Most of us have become used to wearing a face mask and realize that it does provide protection to ourselves, our families, and the people around us. A COVID-19 vaccine is now available, as people are getting vaccinated, we still need to be vigilant until the pandemic is over.

*Wayne Whitford
Health Officer*

Joint Loss Management Committee

The Joint Loss Management Committee (JLMC) is the safety committee that each employer in the State of New Hampshire is required to have by the New Hampshire Department of Labor. The JLMC is very active and exceeds the state's minimum quarterly meeting requirements by meeting every other month. The committee is made up of both department supervisors and workers as required under the state guidelines. Our committee exceeds the Department of Labor requirements by not only looking at employee safety, but also considers potential safety hazards to the public at town buildings and facilities.

During 2020, the JLMC worked with the Town's insurer, Primex, to address risk management recommendations that the company had made during inspections to town locations over the past year. Compliance with the recommendations and implementing certain policies and procedures qualified the Town for the insurer's PRIME program which ultimately reduces the cost of the insurance premiums that we pay and thus the insurance costs to taxpayers.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, safety classes by the insurer were provided to town employees via online training, which included Vehicle Collision Avoidance and Back Injury Prevention. In the fall, a presentation on Critical Incident Stress Management for police and fire was presented by the Granite State Incident Management team. To maintain social distancing, half of the attendees participated in the training virtually on Zoom, while the rest were in person.

The bi-monthly safety meetings had to be canceled during The Governor's Stay at Home Order in the spring of 2020. Meetings resumed in the summer and have continued through the fall.

Wayne Whitford
Chair

Blodgett Wastewater Treatment Facility

The Blodgett Landing Wastewater Treatment Plant had a good year in 2020. There were no problems at the plant or at the pump stations. The nitrate and ammonia levels remained steady throughout the year at the below-state-limit levels (10 milligrams per liter). Testing for Ph nitrates and ammonia were conducted on a daily, weekly and monthly basis.

The plant had 20,000 gallons of sludge removed. We also had the sand beds cleaned off and we repaired two manholes.

Thank you to Mary Thayer and the Newbury Highway Department for their continued assistance throughout the year.

*Tim Mulder
Chief Operator*



*View of Lake Sunapee from High Point Road.
Photo Courtesy Jennifer Parkhurst- Smith*

Newbury Public Library

This was an unusual year for all of us, and some changes were made at the Newbury Library to adapt to the pandemic and our community's changing needs. We expanded our virtual services to include new digital libraries, created a no-contact pick-up system and created virtual programs and kits for all ages for entertainment and education for all our growing minds. We know it may be some time before life returns to normal, and we are happy to be able to continue to provide programs and services and help our community in any way we can.

Patron Visits and Checkouts

The library had 4,943 visits and 10,123 checkouts in 2020. A large portion of 2020 saw the building closed to the public, and as a result, the library expanded services to offer no-contact porch pickups, for a total of 630 no-contact pickups. In addition, 206 users borrowed 5,275 digital materials from Overdrive and Hoopla. The Newbury Public Library loaned 302 items and borrowed 596 items through the NH State Interlibrary Loan program, which was restarted in September, after shutting down due to COVID in March.

Our Collection

At the end of 2020, the Newbury Public Library had 16,205 items on its shelves. To keep our collection up to date, we added 1,387 items and withdrew 1,138 items. The library's collection includes current bestsellers, non-fiction, magazines and newspapers, a large DVD library, audiobooks, large-print titles, a young adult collection and a children's/juvenile collection, which includes the Cat in the Hat Learning Library and the Welcoming Library, as well as our childhood literacy book bag collection called the Reading Railroad. We also lend other items such as a telescope, microscopes and a pickleball set. In addition, Newbury patrons have access to the NH State Library's Downloadable Books collection and Hoopla Digital.

Adult Programs

The Library held 18 in-person programs, with 133 people attending, from January through March, including book discussions, poetry, writer's group meetings, and several speaker programs including a program on NH's Golden Age of Aviation, programs on the 2020 Census, and a program on the Suffrage Movement.

Adult programming was limited during COVID, but we held virtual programs including two book discussions and a program on Arlington National Cemetery. We also offered two craft kits in the fall: a mask kit and an ornament kit.

Virtual programming took place through live programs on Zoom and recorded programs on YouTube. We created 7 videos for adults, getting 119 views. Our most popular virtual program was on Arlington National Cemetery, which received 26 Zoom views and 27 views on YouTube.

Children's Programs

- Afterschool: Although COVID limited our ability to hold in-person programming, we did host one round of afterschool programming last January and February. Children grades 1-5 participated in crafts, read stories, and played fun and educational games each week. We were able to hold 10



*Natalie, Meryn, Savannah, and Evelyn show us their creations.
Photo Courtesy Lea McBain*

afterschool sessions, with 82 visits total. We look forward to being able to host more after-school programs in the future, with special help from a grant from Walmart Giving.

- Family Programs: We held a limited number of in-person family programs from January-March, including 9 story times with 22 children and 21 adults participating and a family program for February vacation called Animal Athletes with 16 children and 23 adults attending.
- Read-alouds: COVID made us get creative with our programs for children, and we created online read-alouds and craft videos, starting with a community-wide reading of “Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland”. We would like to thank the amazing community members who joined the project including Sergeant Aaron Sparks of the Newbury Police Department, Simon Parsons of the Fells, Bubba Williams of Bubba’s Bar and Grille, Elizabeth Martel of Bar Harbor Bank, Josh Tuohy of Salt Hill Pub, and Julia Allen of Bradford Elementary. Many publishers also gave us permission to record online story times, several of which were paired with fun family crafts. These videos were viewed 707 times.
- Summer Reading: Our summer reading program looked a little different this year, with weekly themed program kits for multiple age levels with curated book lists, activities, and games. This year’s theme was “Imagine Your Story”, and weekly kits referenced fairytales, fantastic creatures, wizards and more. For the six-week program, we had 259 bags picked up by families. These kits were so popular that we continued the concept into the school year, creating monthly themed kits for children and teens. In addition, we created videos for children each week, and of the 9 videos, we received 204 views. We also had 11 children participate in the reading challenge, reading a total of 360 hours.
- Treasure Hunt: Our community partners made summer extra special, helping us with a community-wide treasure hunt to round out the summer, and we would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to Bubba's Bar & Grille, Newbury Police Department, the Tackle Shack, Salt Hill Pub, Newbury Palace Pizza, The John Hay Estate at the Fells, Marzelli’s Deli, LaPorte’s Skindiving Shop, and the Newbury Information Booth. Thank you for all you do for your community!
- Program Bags: During the fall, Mrs. Gove created monthly themed “Take & Make” program bags for children grades 1-2 and 3-5. These bags contained activities, crafts, games, coloring pages and treats, and were a hit with all ages. Teen bags were also created with activities and challenges, including a movie night bag and a “Take It, Make It and Give It” craft bag. The library handed out a total of 179 bags for children and 26 bags for teens from September to December. Five teens also participated in our “Walking Read” reading challenge.



*A family enjoys their prize after completing the Newbury Public Library Community Treasure Hunt.
Photo Courtesy Lea McBain*

Grants

The Newbury Public Library received a grant from the New London Rotary's Literacy Committee to create a Welcoming Library. The Welcoming Library is a children’s book collection that invites readers of all ages to explore other cultures and immigration through stories. These picture books invite readers to see the lives and perspectives of New American families, showing us, we are more similar than different. In

addition, materials for discussion will be available for families who want to continue the conversation beyond the book.

Reference/Information Services and Amenities

Information searching in the digital age can be difficult, and our librarians are here to help! The library provides reference services, including searching for documents, books or periodicals, or helping to find the best sources of information on a particular topic. We also offer Interlibrary Loan for books, movies and even documents and journal articles, both from public and academic libraries within the State and a variety of academic, medical, and public libraries across the country. In addition, the library has access to EBSCO periodical databases and Ancestry Library Edition for genealogical research.

Our librarians are here to help, even during times of remote work and living. We are happy to provide porch pick-up when needed, and we can hand-pick items for you based on authors, titles, subject or genre preferences. We also provide home delivery for short and long-term disability or transportation difficulty.



Lily, Elena, and Nora turn Austin into a "snowman" during the library's afterschool program.

Photo courtesy Lea McBain

Let us know if you or a loved one would benefit from this service. Deliveries are made on a weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly basis depending on patron's desire. These deliveries occur on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Call us for more information.

Technology, Computers and Scanning

The library has free printing, photocopying, and faxing available to the public. Free Wi-Fi is available to the public on all library computers and patrons' devices. Wi-Fi is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We expanded our technology services to include photo scanning for the public, digitizing personal, historic, and family photos, and uploading photo albums for convenience. Patrons are invited to arrange with staff for scanning of any photos or documents. During contactless services, the library also offered printing services, faxing and informational and reference searches.

Databases and Digital Libraries

Our library offers access to NH Downloadable books, Hoopla Digital, EBSCO, and Ancestry.com. The library can also receive articles from the National Library of Medicine, through ILL request. NH Downloadable Books (Overdrive) and Hoopla Digital are two digital libraries that are free for all patrons to use, with e-books, audiobooks, and in the case of Hoopla, books, movies, music, and TV episodes available to check out. Call 763-5803 or visit the library for more information.

Web Access

Our website can be found at www.newburynhlibrary.net and is the place to go for our calendar of events, services, and other news, as well as Trustee, Friends of the Library, and Foundation information. We also have a Facebook page and an Instagram page to keep you up to date with library happenings. In addition, our library catalog is available online, and patrons can view and request items from their homes. We have recorded video guides for patrons needing help and are happy to assist you with navigating the process.

Museum Passes

The library has a large selection of free museum passes to local and regional museums available to all patrons and their families. These passes may be reserved up to three months in advance by phone, email or in person. The museum passes offered include: The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens, Strawberry Banke, The Currier Art Museum, VINS, the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center, the See Science Center, the Warner Telephone Museum, and Billings Farm. These passes were generously donated by the Friends of the Newbury Public Library and the Newbury Beautification Committee.

We would like to thank our community for your support during these difficult times and look forward to seeing you all in the new year. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, feel free to contact us!

Lea McBain
Director

Laura Pezone, Assistant Director
Nancy Gove, Children's Librarian
Pete Mitchell, Library Assistant
Sophie Shields, Library Intern

Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Newbury Public Library have supported the library during this difficult year of 2020, most prominently by contributing financially to the increase in digital services, from New Hampshire Downloadable Books to the addition of a new online platform, Hoopla. We also have helped with the continued purchase of new books and DVDs, as demand for these items has increased especially during this time. Lastly, we were able to fund online programs the library was able to do over the course of the year. COVID-19 limited our fundraising to our annual appeal letter only, and the community was generous enough to continue supporting our requests. Sadly, we were unable to host our book sales. As always, we extend our gratitude for your continued support and generosity.

The Friends of the Newbury Public Library are a 501 c-3 organization that meets quarterly. All money that we raise goes directly to support the library, from funding programs to enhancing the book budget, purchasing all DVDs, and supporting the technology budget.

If you would like to help with the Friends, please come to one of our meetings. We are looking for several new board members for next year. If you are interested, please join us at our next meeting or let our librarians know of your interest. Our meetings are posted at the library and online at the library website.

Liz Moulton
President

Walter Hennings, Treasurer
Paula Falkowski, Secretary
Heather Jacques, Mickey Noyer, Linda Porter, Directors

Newbury Library Trustees

As we head toward town meeting and a vote on our proposal to expand our library, your library trustees have much to be thankful for:

- First and foremost, we are thankful for the library's staff, Director Lea McBain, Assistant Director Laura Pezone, Children's Librarian Nancy Gove, and Library Aide Pete Mitchell. Throughout a year that has challenged us all, they have exhibited incredible fortitude and creativity in striving to continue to serve our community in the best and safest ways possible. Lea divided her staff into two teams, so that if one team were exposed to COVID-19, the other could take over during the quarantine. Thankfully, that has not happened to date, but the plan illustrates great leadership and foresight. Their virtual creations and Nancy's grab-and-go activity bags have been greeted enthusiastically by the patrons they are dedicated to serving.
- We are also thankful for the highly successful fundraising efforts of trustee Jeanne Palleiko. In her role as director of the Newbury Library Foundation, Jeanne has built on the accomplishments of her predecessor, Regina Cockerill, and brought funds raised through pledges and donations to a stunning \$363,631 by December 31, 2020. These pledges, including \$100,000 from an anonymous donor and a \$25,000 matching grant from Bar Harbor Bank, will offset the bonding cost of the library expansion warrant and minimize costs to every Newbury household. And, as Jeanne asserts, "I'm not done yet."

With construction costs rising dramatically, Lea, Laura and the trustees have worked with architect Ron Lamarre to pare back the scale of the proposed library expansion in an effort to keep costs down. With interest rates continuing to remain at near-record lows, we believe the most cost-effective approach is to bring this project to a vote this year. We hope we can count on your continued support of our library, which we view as the hub and heart of this town we love.

Newbury Public Library Board of Trustees
Patricia Sherman, Jeanne Palleiko, Helen Wright, Lynne Tuohy
Ken Tentarelli, Alternate

Newbury Public Library Foundation and Library Expansion Project

As of January 1, 2020, the Library Foundation had received a total of \$173,521.60 in pledges (\$130,200.00) and donations (\$43,321.60) for the construction of and other related expenses for the library addition.

As of December 31, 2020, the Foundation received an additional \$190,110.15 in pledges (\$126,600.00) and donations (\$63,510.15), bringing the total raised thus far \$363,631.75.

In 2019, Regina Cockerill, chair of the Foundation, set up the Newbury Public Library Foundation structure; applied for and received 501 c-3 status for the Foundation, which makes donations tax deductible to the donor; selected the software program to track donations; designed communication materials for the Foundation; and kicked off the initial funding campaign. In February 2020, Regina stepped down as chair, and Library Trustee Jeanne Palleiko stepped in as chair of the Foundation.

At town meeting in March 2020, the library received a majority YES vote for \$200,000 to initiate full architectural construction documents and pre-construction requirements. This summer, the Trustees and library director met with the architect to review these plans with focus on making them as cost effective as possible yet serving the needs of the community for the next 20 years. We now have a guaranteed maximum price for the expansion project, which can begin as soon as weather allows after a positive vote at town meeting.

In August, the Foundation received an anonymous matching pledge of \$25,000. The match was to be paid once the Foundation received \$25,000 in new cash donations which happened in early December. This pledge is included in the 2020 totals.

In October, the Foundation received an anonymous pledge of \$100,000. This pledge is valid for only one town meeting cycle. Should the expansion not be funded to the requested level or not funded at all at the next regular town meeting, the pledge is void.

Fundraising during a pandemic has reduced the donations typically available from banks and foundations, since these organizations are appropriately directing their donations to those in need. Consequently, most of the donations have come from individuals and library trustees. Although two major pledges have helped reach the current total, most gifts are in the \$100 to \$1,000 range.

At the Newbury Selectboard meeting on Monday, January 4, 2021, the Selectboard voted unanimously to support the Warrant Article to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,822,557 for the construction of and other related expenses for the library addition. As part of the Warrant Article, the Selectboard is authorized to issue not more than \$1,322,557 of bonds and/or notes. The remaining \$500,000 required for the project will be funded by a donation from the Newbury Public Library Foundation.

*Jeanne Palleiko
Foundation Chair*



*Chloe completes the "i" in "kind" for the Summer Reading Kindness Week at the Library.
Photo Courtesy Lea McBain*

Newbury Poet Laureate

Serving as Poet Laureate of Newbury, NH, during this COVID year has been full of challenges yet still very rewarding. The John Hay Poetry Society continues to meet on the second Monday of the month but not at the Newbury Library. We have entered the world of Zoom. It is still a welcoming, poetry-loving crowd. All are invited to join us, just ask me for a Zoom invite at dianaleevelie@aol.com

Every April is Poetry Month, and I invite a visiting poet to join The John Hay Poetry Society at the Newbury Library. Last April, we enjoyed hearing Marie Harris, former New Hampshire State Poet Laureate, alas, on Zoom. This year, on Monday, April 12th, newly appointed New Hampshire State Poet Laureate, Alexandria Peary will be our guest poet. She will read and sign her books. If the library is still closed, we will be on Zoom.

Last April, Newbury once again, became the hub for poetry when we celebrated The Center for the Arts Poetry Contest winners, not at the Town Offices but once again on Zoom. The poetry contest is held every year and sponsored by the Literary Arts Guild of the Center for the Arts. Alexandria Peary, New Hampshire State Poet Laureate was last year's judge, and the theme for the contest was "Snapshots in Time." This year's judge will be Marie Harris, former New Hampshire State Poet Laureate. This year the theme for the Poetry Contest is "Native American Beauty is Diversity." There are categories for adults, teenagers and children. Come celebrate and hear the poets read their winning poems, hopefully at Town Offices on Friday, April 9th at 5:30 p.m. where Marie will present the winners. If we are still on COVID precautions, the event will be on Zoom. Everyone will find this special event memorable. All are welcome and it is free.

Monthly, I submit poems from The John Hay Poetry Society and from other area poetry fans to the Intertown Record for the Poetry Page. The page has been enthusiastically received and I look forward to pouring over each submission. Poetry is alive and thriving in Newbury, New Hampshire.

As a member of the Literary Arts Guild of The Center for the Arts, we have published *Visual Verse III, Snapshots in Time*, another book of poetry by the John Hay Poets in collaboration with photos from local Historical Societies. We are sure it will be as successful as our first two books, *Visual Verse I, Art and Poetry Inspired by the Fells* and *Visual Verse II, The Ripple Effect* in collaboration with The Lake Sunapee Protective Association. Like the previous two books it will be made available in local bookstores. We are now in the early planning stages of *Visual Verse IV* and will be collaborating with The Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum in Warner.

Once again, I was one of the judges for The Poetry Out Loud Competition at Kearsarge High School. It is always so rewarding to hear these students recite memorized poems as they vie for the opportunity to go on to the state finals.

Continuing to celebrate poetry in Newbury, seven Poetry Plaques have already been installed on the Poetry Path between the Library and the Velie Memorial Playground. The installed plaques present poems by Donald Hall, Jane Kenyon, Maxine Kumin, Pat Farnogli, Marie Harris, Walter Butts and Cynthia Huntington. We have approval from the remaining New Hampshire Poet Laureates and/or their publishers to display poems written by all the past and present Poet Laureates of New Hampshire. We are in the process of raising funds for these additional plaques. If you are interested in donating to this project, please contact one of The Poetry Posse members: Nancy Marashio, Lea McBain or Dianalee Velie. All donations should be made out to the Town of Newbury with Poetry Path written in the memo space. Donations are tax deductible.

The Poetry Posse, in collaboration with the Newbury Library and Simon Parsons, Director of Education at the Fells Historic Estate and Gardens, established a seasonal Poetry Walk along the Fell's paths. Sixteen

poems are chosen by season and location on the Fell's property. This year the poetry installation will hopefully be rotated two times to reflect the changing seasons. In addition, a logbook is kept for visitor's comments. We look forward to continuing this changeable exhibit on a yearly basis.

It has been an honor to continue serving as Newbury's Poet Laureate, and I thank the entire town for their support.

*Dianalee Velie
Poet Laureate*



*Noah, Kaelyn and Leia draw on the library's kindness rock.
Photo Courtesy Lea McBain*

QUARANTINE: THE LONG AND THE SHORT OF IT

Today, like yesterday,
blends into panoramic
pandemic lethargy.

Getting dressed
to get the mail:
the new euphoria.

Breakfast can now last
two hours as we
prepare for lunch.
Dinner?

Bandit outfits
in the supermarket:
masks, hats,
no six shooters.

Hair grows shaggy,
gray roots the new look.
Missing my hairdresser.

Toilet paper shelves empty,
no disinfectant soap,
but good hygiene is crucial.

Social distancing
growing tedious.
Desire for friendly contact
dominates thoughts.

Even Spring
is self isolating,
keeping away from
snow falls in April.

Thank goodness for Zoom,
the need to comb my hair
and be presentable waist up.

COVID fear pushed down
like lava, captured in a volcano
that can't erupt, turns
into self-laughter.

Recreation Department

The Newbury Recreation Department offers town residents and visitors a wide range of programs and events throughout the year, incorporating outdoor and indoor activities. It was a difficult year to coordinate such activities due to the pandemic. To ensure our residents remained safe and healthy during these times, we had limited options. Hopefully in 2021 things will start looking different and we will be able to continue our goals from 2020 with program expansion and community-driven outreach.

Fishersfield Park

Pickleball remained a popular sport at Fishersfield, especially during the pandemic. Residents and other individuals were able to get out and incorporate physical activities. We reserve the tennis court three times a week for anyone wanting to participate in pickleball. Fishersfield was actively used throughout the summer for camps and throughout the fall by Mount Royal Academy and the New Hampshire Soccer Association.

Summer Concert Series

We were able to put on seven summer concerts. We closed the parking lot to allow for social distancing of fans and encouraged the use of face masks. Overall, it was a great success and residents and non-residents were able to come out and enjoy live entertainment during these uncertain times.

Summer Camps

The Recreation Department hosted four summer programs: Challenge Week, Nature Week, Athlete Week, and Soccer Camp. During these weeks, the camps were hosted at Fishersfield Park and taking various field trips. We were able to use the recreation vehicle to transport children to The Fells, Mount Sunapee to hike to Lake Solitude, Chucksters, and the Newbury Docks.

We were not able to offer swim lessons this year due to the pandemic.



*Nature Camp trip to Lake Solitude.
Photo Courtesy Sydney Bryk*

Events

During the pandemic, we were able to provide take-home projects and virtual craft projects that we demonstrated through online “How To” videos. Our goal was to provide ideas to encourage kids’ creativity and physical wellness. We held a few scrapbooking events that we plan on continuing throughout the year as well. The Recreation Department is always open to suggestions for new ideas to include as many people as possible.

It is unpredictable of what the future holds, but we plan to provide more of these types of activities to promote positivity during these times.

Trunk or Treat

In October, our annual Halloween Trunk or Treat event was a huge success, creating a safe set up where participants and families attending the event followed guidelines for COVID. Despite the freezing cold

temperatures over the course of two hours, we had over 150 kids come and participate in this event, which is the most we ever had attend. We would like to thank everyone who came out and participated for Newbury's Trunk or Treat! A special thanks to all the departments, residents, and businesses that volunteered their time to decorate their trunks and pass out candy. Without all the work and your participation this event would not be able to happen.

Light Up Newbury

Our 4th annual "Light Up Newbury" contest was held in December. This year, Andrew Brook Tails, participated and won for "The Best Display". We thank all the businesses for participating and making Newbury as festive as possible during the holiday season!

*Sydney Bryk
Recreation Director*



*Summer Camp at Fishersfield.
Photo Courtesy Sydney Bryk*

Newbury Planning Board

The Newbury Planning Board holds regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the Town Offices. The Board may also hold periodic work session meetings. During 2020, the Board held 11 regular meetings and one “Joint Meeting” with the Selectboard, Zoning Board of Adjustment and Conservation Commission, specifically to discuss possible amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and reasons for doing so.

The Planning Board is comprised of six elected members. Each elected member serves for a term of three years. Also, serving on the Board, is one Selectboard ex-officio member, or ex-officio alternate, appointed by the Selectboard. The Planning Board may also have five alternate members who are appointed by the Board.

The Planning Board has three roles and responsibilities in town affairs: Planning, Legislative, and Regulatory.

Planning

In its planning capacity, the Board develops and promotes the town Master Plan, which is a collective community vision for the future development of Newbury. The goal of the Master Plan is to preserve and enhance the unique quality of life and culture of Newbury as identified by the citizens of the town. One of the significant chapters of the Master Plan is “The Action Plan”. This chapter is a list of tasks that were identified by community input and other Town boards and committees with the express purpose of identifying projects and initiatives that ideally need to be addressed over the next 10 years.

During 2020 the Planning Board worked on the following Action Items:

- **Demographics and Housing: DH – 2, DH – 3** Housing alternatives. The Planning Board with assistance of the Selectboard formed a “Newbury Housing Committee” to review and work on proposed amendments to all regulations necessary to encourage development of a variety of housing types beyond single family residential units.
- **BR – 5** Amended Site Plan Review to require developers to identify Historic and Cultural Resources.
- **Telecommunications: T – 2** Due to significant Federal and State changes in regulating telecommunications services and businesses (cell towers), our current zoning regulations were out-of-date. In 2019, the Board finalized a complete rewrite of this Zoning Ordinance Article and the proposed amendment was approved by ballot in March 2020.
- **Community Facilities: CFS – 5** Update Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to reflect initiatives in Master Plan.

Annually, the Planning Board leads the effort to update the town’s Capital Improvements Program (CIP), which is a schedule of Newbury's capital expenditure needs for the next six years. Thanks to the 2021-2026 CIP committee: Ivor Freeman (Chair), Richard Wright and Joanne Lord (Planning Board), Dennis Pavlicek (Town Administrator), and Ed Thorson (Selectboard Representative).

Legislative

This role is one in which the Board writes and proposes zoning ordinances and amendments for discussion and adoption by ballot vote at Town Meeting. The Board also writes and adopts, after public hearings, Planning Board specific regulations concerning property subdivision, commercial development and other jurisdictions like driveways and earth excavation.

During 2020 the Board did not complete any proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. However, the Board adopted the following amendments to the Planning Board regulations:

- 04/21 - Amend Site Plan Review (SPR) for new Personal Wireless Service Facilities (PWSF) Zoning Ordinance Article approved by ballot in March 2020
- 05/19 - Amend SPR to make clearer the requirements for Major – Minor applications
- 08/18 - Amend SPR – add provisions for the Protection of Historic & Cultural Resources
- 11/17 - New Driveway Access Regulations

Regulatory

In the Regulatory role, the Planning Board applies the town ordinances and Planning Board regulations specific to the needs of an application for a subdivision, commercial development, or other Planning Board jurisdictions. During open public meetings, an applicant can choose to start a project with conceptual consultation. Depending on the project and regulation, the applicant would then proceed to a Design Review phase or the Final Approval phase which are both conducted in a Public Hearing.

Applications reviewed in 2020:

Conceptual Consultations - 6

General Town Regulations – 2
Site Plan Review – 2
Earth Excavation – 1
Zoning Regulations - 1

Final Application Hearings - 10

Site Plan Review - 4
Conditional Use Permit (wetland buffer) – 1
Minor Subdivision – 2
Cottage Industry – 1
Earth Excavation - 2

Acknowledgements

I would like to thank the members of the Planning Board who are both new to the Board and those who continue to serve on the Board. I am fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with this dedicated, knowledgeable, and responsible group of volunteers. Each is an individual asset to the Town of Newbury, and they include board members: Mike Beaton (vice chair), Richard Wright, Joanne Lord, Christopher Hernick, Darren Finneral, and Russell Smith (ex-officio, Selectboard). Also, Donna Long (recording secretary), Tiffany Favreau (land use coordinator), and Kenneth McWilliams and Peter Stanley (planning board advisor).

Finally, I would like to thank the Board members for their confidence in electing me as chair for the past eight years. I have found the position to be challenging but rewarding work and a privilege to serve the needs of our community.

Bruce Healey
Chair

Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) met for nine sessions in 2020 hearing a total of 14 applications, including 12 applications for Variance, 1 application for Special Exception and 1 request for a Rehearing to a Board decision of a Variance decision. The majority of applications were granted, most by unanimous vote, the Request for Rehearing was denied by the Board as it did not meet the criteria of either identifying an error in Hearing procedure nor introduction of new facts not available at the time of the original hearing.

The Board at its April meeting elected Peter Fichter as chair and David Blohm as vice-chair.

As in past years, the majority of applications were for projects in the Shoreland Overlay District. Several included tear downs of existing structures, with replacement structures that did not fully comply with the setback requirements of our Zoning Ordinances. The Board seeks to find balance among property owner's rights and Zoning Ordinances and that the goals of the community are upheld. We have renewed our vigilances in assuring that robust storm water plans are incorporated in projects both in the Shoreland Overlay District as well as projects throughout the town.

The ZBA has a close working relationship with the Town's code enforcement officer, Ladd Kautz, and receives tremendous support from Tiffany Favreau, land use coordinator, in preparation of hearing documents, meeting minutes, and working with applicants to guide them through the application process. This year the Zoning Board held a joint session with the Planning Board to review ordinances which could be improved or clarified. While no specific changes resulted, several areas were identified for future consideration.

The ZBA's mission is to adjudicate appeals to Zoning Ordinances and Administrative Decisions, attempting to balance property owners' rights with state and local ordinances. The Board is also guided by the Master Plan for the Town of Newbury.

I would like to thank the Board members for their dedication in service on the Board and to the Town. While the State of New Hampshire RSA's stipulate that Zoning Boards be comprised of five permanent members and multiple alternate members, our Board has been functioning with only four permanent members. Fortunately, we have been able to configure a full Board of five with the dedication of our alternate members. We would like to encourage town residents to consider joining the Board either as a member or alternate.

Peter Fichter
Chair

David Blohm, Vice Chair
Gary Budd, Reed Gelzer, Members
Alex Azodi, Hank Thomas, Alternates

Transfer Station

This past year - 2020 - was the busiest year we had ever seen at the Transfer Station. Our busy season started early with the Stay-at-Home order, with many residents deciding to stay close to home and not traveling. Many part-time residents became permanent full-time residents, increasing the number of items being brought to the Transfer Station. We hired our third full time attendant, Darien Staats, to help with this increase. We have also taken precautions at the Transfer Station by asking everyone to wear a mask and follow the directional signs posted.

Transfer station permits are required, please pick up your permit at the Town Office. Your permit needs to be displayed in your car window. The leaf pile is no longer at Fishersfield; it is now located at the Transfer Station where the brush pile was previously.

We would like to thank everyone for taking recycling seriously. Ask an attendant for help if you have any questions about where to place a recyclable item (or any other item).

*Churchill Hesselton, Chief Operator
Ryan Cilley, Attendant
Darien Staats, Attendant*



*Inside the bays of the new fire station.
Photo Courtesy Dennis Pavlicek*



Northeast Resource Recovery Association

"Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions"

Newbury, NH

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

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

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

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2020	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of recycling materials rather than manufacturing products from virgin resources
Electronics	11,667 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to power 1.5 houses for one year!
Paper	68 tons	Saved 1,171 trees!
Scrap Metal	72.1 gross tons	Conserved 201,775 pounds of iron ore!

Avoided Emissions:

Recycling uses much less energy than making products from virgin resources, and using less energy means fewer greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere.

By recycling the materials above, you have avoided about **594 tons** of carbon dioxide emissions
This is the equivalent of removing **126 passenger cars** from the road for an entire year.

Information Booth

Due to the pandemic, we had a shorter season. The Information Booth was opened from July 2nd to Labor Day. In this short time, we saw over 2,000 people. Mary, Charley, and I wore our masks and practiced social distancing. We asked people without masks to remain 10 feet from the booth.

Driving through Newbury Harbor, it was notable that many cars were from out of state. The town beach was crowded with families, and unfortunately, many of them were not wearing masks or practicing social distancing. We had a lot of our residents drop by the booth and talk to us about considering restrictions for the upcoming summer, wearing masks, and maintaining social distancing; requesting that we pass it on to the town officials. We want our residents and our visitors to be safe.

We hope the summer of 2021 will go smoothly.

*Martha von Redlich
Charley Killam
Mary Thayer*



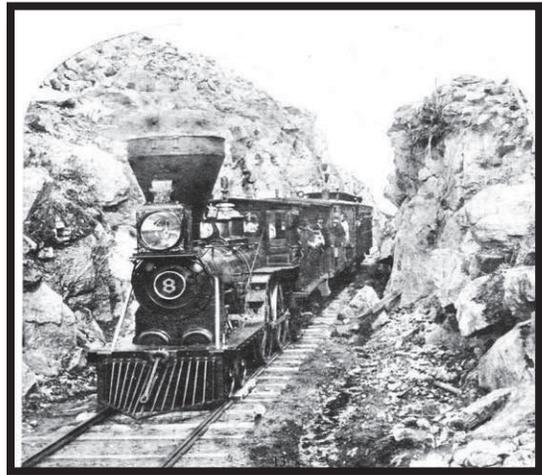
*Enjoying the lake and state beach in Newbury on a fall day.
Photo Courtesy Pam Bryk*

Newbury Historical Society

The Newbury Historical Society (NHS) managed to have several board meetings, and Deane Geddes hosted two slideshow presentations on the steamboats of Lake Sunapee, before COVID put everything on hold in 2020.

At our annual meeting, Thomas M. Hardiman, Jr., a “Keeper” at the Portsmouth Athenaeum, was supposed to talk about his book, *MONEY, REVOLUTION, AND BOOKS*: a multi-generational perspective on the Portsmouth Athenaeum’s Library of John Fisher of London. Unfortunately, the meeting was postponed. We hope to have Mr. Hardiman come and speak in the future. The Fisher name figures prominently in the Town of Newbury’s history.

John Lyons had planned to present a slide show about the Concord to Claremont Railroad line. The Bradford Depot was the last Concord stop from 1850 to 1870 while the Newbury Cut was being blasted. The climb of 100 feet per mile is almost impossible for a train. Ten thousand cubic feet of granite rock at the Newbury Summit barred the way for 20 years until 1870. We hope to learn about how the impossible became only difficult in a future presentation.



The NHS participated in Visual Verse – Snapshots in Time, a volume of poetry and photographs from the collections of seven Lake Sunapee-area historical societies. The publication is the third volume created by the Literary Arts Guild of The Center for the Arts, Lake Sunapee Region.

The History Committee usually meets the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m., and board meetings are generally held the second Thursday of January, March, May, September, and November at 2:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Town Office. We look forward to meeting again in 2021.

Board of Directors

*Paula Falkowski, Ashley Geddes, Deane Geddes, John Lyons
Gay Sheary, Bill Weiler and Margie Weiler*

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Cemetery Trustees

The Trustees held three meetings in 2020, one was at the town office and because of COVID, two were by phone. There was also one other meeting in October to sign deeds issued to new owners in 2020.

Deane Geddes and Nonie Reynders marked out the new lower section of Marshall Cemetery into plot sites during the summer to meet the town's future needs. There are only a few cremains left at Lakeside Cemetery. Booth Sherman and Marshall Cemeteries will remain our main cemeteries for the future.

Judy Healey continues to monitor the deeds, researching old ones and adding new ones. Judy replaces and adds flags at three of the larger cemeteries the week before Memorial Day. All three of the trustees check the larger cemeteries for damage after any major storm. Deane Geddes helps with the history for plot owners and helps locate pertinent information and past records. Deane monitors a lot of the general maintenance. He also will be checking storm damage at the various cemeteries this spring.

There were nine burials in 2020. Three full burials and six cremains. There were four plots sold, three plots in Marshall Cemetery and one in Lakeside Cemetery. Markers were installed and deeds sent in November. We had 10 inquires and family tours of the three active cemeteries.

There are 190 Veterans buried in our Newbury Cemeteries. Flags are placed on each gravesite each year accompanied by an appropriate marker.

The Trustees have reassessed the costs of maintaining the cemeteries. The committee feels that we should continue with our local vendors and look at each site separately instead of signing maintenance contracts on a yearly basis that have monthly charges. Each cemetery has different needs, and we will tend to each one separately to meet those specific needs. We were able to stay well under budget in 2020.

At Marshall Cemetery we have several large trees that need to be pruned back away from the fencing, electrical wires, and Newell Road. There is also a large red maple that is proving to be a hazard to the older gravestones along the fence line. We plan to get estimates in the spring.

We are planning to update and restock the booklets for the town cemeteries. They will be distributed to the Town Office and Library.

Burial and death certificates were catalogued for this past year and are now up to date in the Town Clerk's Office.

The Cemetery Trustees wish to thank the Newbury Beautification Committee for the gift of over fifteen hundred mixed daffodil bulbs and their planting at the gates of several of our more visible roadside cemeteries. This has occurred the last three falls. Beautification has added more bulbs at the Chandler Cemetery for next spring. It has made a distinct difference to the cemetery entrances in the spring and has been greatly appreciated by those who visit and pass by.

*Nonie Reynders
Chair*

Deane Geddes, Judy Healey, Trustees

Newbury Beautification Committee

As with everything else, 2020 was a challenging year for Newbury Beautification Committee (NBC) members to fulfill our usual schedule of activities.

2020 Highlights

- In March, NBC provided the traditional ham and bean supper for the large number of residents attending the annual Town Meeting. The dinner provides a social time before taking on the business portion of Town Meeting.
- In our endeavor to partner with other organizations in Newbury, NBC funded passes to the Newbury Library for the SEE Science Museum in Manchester, VINS Nature Center, the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center, and the Billings Farm & Museum.
- Our annual plant sale held in May became a virtual plant sale. The proceeds of the sale financed the summer plantings around Newbury and South Newbury. The plants were ordered, delivered, separated out between town plantings and pre-orders.
- The garden captains and their crews planted all the barrels, hanging baskets and window boxes around Town. They provided a colorful show of flowers all summer and into autumn. Along with all those plantings, comes the job of daily watering with our watering cart. It is very rewarding to hear people call out to us or stop and express their appreciation for what we do. The triangle at the junction of Routes 103 and 103A was a project NBC undertook in 2013. Each spring, the shrubs get trimmed, the weeds pulled, and dead plantings removed. This year, new hosta plants, lilies and bulbs were put in place and the triangle freshened up for another year.
- NBC received a request from the Newbury Cemetery Committee for the purchase of additional daffodil bulbs. NBC volunteers planted 500 more bulbs at the gates of the Lakeside, South Newbury, Marshall, and Booth Sherman cemeteries. Our last gardening project before winter set in was to plant daffodil bulbs at the Chandler and Marshall cemeteries. Look for them in the spring.
- Trunk or Treat has become a fixture of Halloween regardless of flu, snow and cold. We enjoyed participating with other organizations in the community giving out treats and enjoying the parade of costumes.
- In past years, NBC and the Center Meeting House have partnered for the Christmas Tree Lighting and the Thanks for Giving event. This year, Bruce and Cheron Barton were to be honored at the Thanks for Giving for all they have done volunteering with the Newbury Veterans, the Library, The John Hay Estate at the Fells and NBC. Due to the ongoing pandemic, the event had to be cancelled. Regardless, our congratulations to Bruce and Cheron. Well done and well deserved.
- Our annual wreath sale became a virtual wreath sale. We appreciate the continued support from the businesses in Newbury for purchasing wreaths. Proceeds from the sale are used to purchase all the wreaths used in the greening of the Town for the holidays. We look forward to 2021 and a less complicated way of fulfilling our mission through our annual activities and events.

Internship

NBC provided funds for a landscape internship for 4 hours a week Memorial Day to Labor Day. Luke Kalpakgian did an outstanding job of keeping the harbor area looking its best.

Scholarship

The most rewarding program NBC engages in is to provide two \$500 scholarships for graduating high school seniors from Newbury. Each year we are very impressed with the quality of the applications. The 2020 recipients are Kateri Terese Kalpakgian and Katherine Marie Kelly.

*Garrett Keane, Marcia Keane, Nonie Reynders
Co-Presidents*

Family Services

2020 was an extremely busy and challenging year for Newbury Family Services.

Thirty applicants sought assistance from the town. Of the 30, 15 applicants met the Town of Newbury guidelines. Assistance was granted before and after eviction notices, electric shutoffs, heating necessities, medical needs, gas, and food, along with four homeless situations.

Working along side the Kearsarge Region Ecumenical Ministries, (KREM) most of these needs were met. Often, if a family in need does not meet the town's guidelines for assistance, KREM can help fulfill those needs. Their volunteers are all caring and extremely efficient.

2020 was our 14th year sponsoring the annual holiday "Giving Tree" at the Town Offices. Once again, the generosity of the residents in Newbury ensured that a Christmas wish came true for many children.

Things were a little different this year for our families in need. In coordination with the South Newbury Union Church, a list of families was compiled and, due to Market Basket being unable to assure that all the items for baskets would be available, gift certificates were sent out to 40 families. Holiday goodies were delivered to Newbury Commons to bring a smile to some of Newbury's senior residents.

Over the years, I have come to realize that New Englander's are proud people who find it difficult to ask for help. With that in mind, if you know of a situation where someone is in need, please call the Newbury Town Office at (603)763-4940 ext. 219 and leave a message for me. Confidentiality is respected and guaranteed.

No doubt about it, Newbury residents excel in compassion and generosity. I am very proud to be part of this community and I thank you for your help and support throughout the year.

*Gail Bostic
Family Services*

Conservation Commission

The Newbury Conservation Commission (NCC) is dedicated to preserving and protecting the land and water in Newbury. We encourage land easements, stewardship, and work to create a meaningful relationship with our town and people. We serve as an advisory board and do not enforce regulations. However, we do provide oversight in many areas, including tree cutting applications for the Protected Shoreland and Wetland Board Application. We also work with the area land and water preservation organizations, including Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT), Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forest (SPNHF), Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA), Sunapee Hills Association (Chalk Pond), Lake Todd Association, Trout Unlimited and the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES).

A tree cutting application in the protected shoreland (land within 250 feet of a lake, pond, or stream) is required before removing any trees. The permits ensure compliance with our zoning ordinance and serve to emphasize the importance of vegetation management so that water quality remains healthy and safe. Tree cutting applications are available on the town's website, www.newburynh.org.

Throughout the year, the NCC works diligently to implement the Newbury Masterplan's mission which clearly states to preserve the town's rural character by preserving and protecting its environment and the water quality. NCC maintains an environmentally sound approach to the surrounding watershed through education and collaboration and encourages all residents to better understand the impact of their day-to-day behavior on our environment.

Easement Work

Our major project for the past year has been to obtain an easement in collaboration with Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) to conserve 85 acres on Mountain Road in Newbury. Together with the Selectboard, Trout Unlimited, NH Fish & Game and many others, we are proud to announce our new easement. ASLPT purchased the property, formerly owned by the Avery family, with funds from the Town of Newbury Conservation Commission and other sources. The NCC applied for an Arm Grant from DES and was awarded the grant in December 2020. The money spent by the Town will be offset by the grant. ASLPT will own the property and NCC will hold the conservation easement. Accordingly, we had to write the actual easement document and were very fortunate to work with Paul Doscher, a longtime easement writer and now retired from the NH Forest Society. We owe him our gratitude for his immense help, work, and guidance. Thank you so much, Paul Doscher!

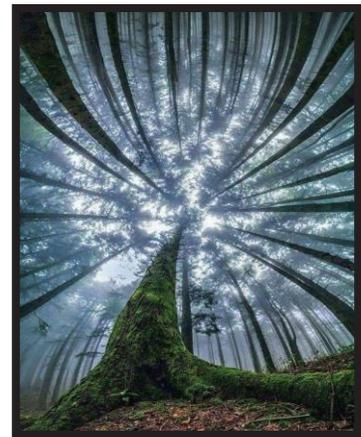


Photo Courtesy Katheryn Holmes

The property easement's name is "Between the Mountains Preserve". It is part of a large area including Mount Sunapee, Pillsbury State Park and a large parcel protected by the Forest Society that abuts our easement. Obtaining this property was a high priority for NCC because of its un-fragmented forestland, which is critical to wildlife and the health of the existing watershed. The pristine stream that runs through the land and the entire 85 acres are now protected from development.

The Old Growth Forest on Mount Sunapee

Another major focus of the NCC, this past year was the unique forest on Mount Sunapee. The State-documented forest is the only one of its type to be classified by the State of NH as an Exemplary System. This is the highest ranking that can be conferred by the State. The forest covering 484 acres contains the only known ancient forest in Merrimack County and lies entirely within the town of Newbury. With old forests comprising less than one tenth of one percent statewide, the NCC is advocating for the permanent

protection of this rare resource. All of Mount Sunapee's major hiking trails pass through this forest which boasts trees documented more than 300 years old. The NCC wrote a letter to the Commissioner of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources urging the Department to cooperate with the current lease holder to work together to permanently preserve this special area of Newbury as a priceless inheritance for generations to come.

Safety Reminder

Due to Covid-19, we were unable to host our annual bubbler workshop. As a reminder, the state laws governing bubblers are RSA 270:33 and RSA 270:34 which you can review at www.nh.gov. The bubbler application can be found on the Town website at www.newburynh.org.

The operation of ice melting devices (de-icers, aquatherms, circulators, bubblers, etc.) at your dock often results in open water on Lake Sunapee at a distance more than 100 feet from the dock and creates a safety hazard for persons utilizing Lake Sunapee for winter recreation. The area of open water should be limited to the immediate vicinity of the dock and not extend out into the Lake. These safety rules can be accomplished by installing a thermostat and a timer to help control the size of open water. Remember to control your bubbler so your neighbors can enjoy winter activities on the frozen lake.

Permits Reviewed

Tree Cuts in the Protected Shoreland - 55

Intents to Cut - 13

NH DES Permits Reviewed

Shoreland Impact Permit - 15

Wetlands Permit-by-Notification (PBN) & Non-Site-Specific Permit - 3

Wetland Permit by Notification (PBN) - 6

Wetland & Non-Site-Specific Permit - 3

Expedited Minimum Impact Wetland Permit - 1

Dredge and Fill Permits - 0

Complete Forestry PBN - 1

Shoreland Standard - 2

Shoreland Permit PBN - 2

Letter of Compliance for Letter of Deficiency - 1

Notice of Rejection - 1

Thank you to our commission members, including our ex-officio, Russell Smith, and our recording secretary, Donna Long. We look forward to welcoming our new member in 2021, Kate Brena.

Katheryn C. Holmes
Chair

Eric Unger, Vice Chair
Robert Stewart, Sue Russell, Steve Russell, John Magee, Members

Newbury Veterans Committee

The objectives of the Newbury Veterans Committee are to be of service to Newbury and to veterans in need while encouraging patriotism in the area and offering fellowship to committee members.

COVID-19 influenced all activities this year. Memorial Day and Veterans Day were celebrated traditionally at the Veterans Memorial, but this year the Veterans Day community lunch was not held due to COVID-19. Still, the outdoor celebration drew close to 100 people, many wearing caps and jackets with military emblems.

The Veterans Day event also served as an opportunity to honor Bruce Barton, the retiring chair of the Veterans Committee. Bruce served as chair for over ten years, a period that included the construction of the Newbury Veterans Memorial. Bob Wilkonski was elected as chair and assumed leadership for all remaining activities.

Principal events in 2020 were the Fishersfield gathering to honor Newbury's first responders - our police, fire, and EMS personnel. The event was conceived and organized by Bob Wilkonski with the support of the Selectboard. The Veterans Committee also conducted the Third Annual Clothing Drive for homeless veterans. Newbury residents and others contributed 1,200 lbs. of clothing, all delivered to Liberty House in Manchester for distribution. This was followed by a collaboration with local school systems in a fall food drive for needy veterans. Seventy-seven cartons of food were collected by the students and delivered to Liberty House by the Veterans Committee for winter distribution.

The Newbury Veterans Committee welcomes all Newbury veterans interested in service and fellowship. Our meetings are held regularly in the Newbury Veterans Hall. Meeting dates can be obtained by e-mailing bob.ski93@yahoo.com. You are welcome to drop in for any meeting at any time.



*Bob Wilkonski presiding over the Veterans Day service.
Photo Courtesy Maureen Rosen.*

*Bob Wilkonski
Chair*

Newbury Energy Committee

Newbury Energy was approved as a committee on October 26, 2020. It will perform an advisory function to the Selectboard in support of the town's vision of stewardship of its shared resources. Our mission is to identify opportunities for the town and its residents to reduce energy costs and adopt energy efficiency best practices to lower our town's environmental impact.

We have begun our efforts toward energy conservation with an energy audit, focused on lighting. The audit was performed by a representative from Eversource on December 15, 2020. The town had previously installed LED streetlights, so the focus was on the lighting in the municipal buildings. We are hopeful that several buildings will qualify for an Eversource subsidy to install LED lighting and reduce the town's electricity bill. At this time, we are awaiting the auditor's report. We also plan to perform an audit of the town's heating and cooling (HVAC) usage.

Another major goal of this committee will be working with the community members to help them use energy more efficiently. We plan to offer programs on possible topics such as weatherizing, residential solar, and composting. There are slides from a Button-Up (Do It Yourself Weatherizing) virtual workshop, sponsored by NH Saves that can be found on the town website under Newbury Energy Committee. We also hope to engage local businesses in our efforts.

As a new committee we are still considering areas where we can have an impact. Certainly, the issue of waste and recycling has a lot of interest. We have been in communication with local energy groups in an effort to learn from their experience. We plan to keep abreast of state and local legislation that may align with our mission. We welcome input and suggestions from all Newbury residents, please feel free to contact Lisa at c.lisa7716@gmail.com.

Finally, I feel very fortunate to have a group of dedicated, talented individuals who have volunteered to serve on this committee.

*Lisa Correa
Chair*

Deb Benjamin, Andrew Cockerill, Peter Fichter, Mary Fuller, Sue Kelley, Tracy Wood, Members
Joy Nowell Ex Officio Member (Selectboard)
Dan Wolf (Advisory)



New Hampshire
 Department of
 Revenue
 Administration

2020 \$16.52

Tax Rate Breakdown Newbury

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$3,136,876	\$761,645,361	\$4.12
County	\$2,238,604	\$761,645,361	\$2.94
Local Education	\$5,581,668	\$761,645,361	\$7.33
State Education	\$1,615,368	\$757,014,261	\$2.13
Total	\$12,572,516		\$16.52

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Lake Todd Village	\$13,954	\$17,016,943	\$0.82
Total	\$13,954		\$0.82

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$12,572,516
War Service Credits	(\$79,000)
Village District Tax Effort	\$13,954
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$12,507,470

10/14/2020

James P. Gerry
 Director of Municipal and Property Division
 New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$8,909,314	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$5,647,584)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$11,050)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		(\$218,950)
War Service Credits	\$79,000	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$26,146	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$3,136,876	

County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$2,238,604	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$2,238,604	

Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$7,197,036	
Net Education Grant		\$0
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$1,615,368)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$5,581,668	
State Education Tax	\$1,615,368	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$1,615,368	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)

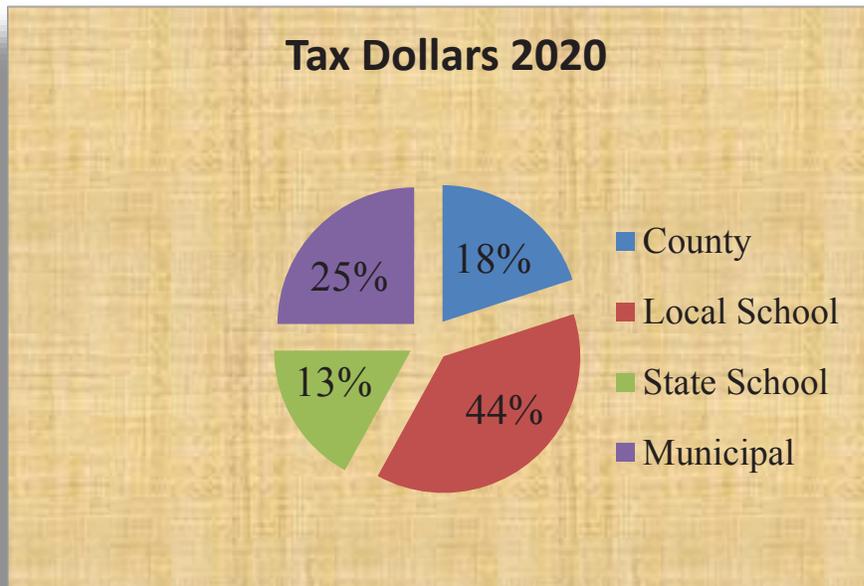
Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$761,645,361	\$752,348,611
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$757,014,261	\$747,431,711
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$0	\$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$761,645,361	\$752,348,611

Village (MS-1V)

Description	Current Year
Lake Todd Village	\$17,016,943

Your Tax Dollars 2020

County	\$2.94	18%
Local School	\$7.33	44%
State School	\$2.13	13%
Municipal	\$4.12	25%
Total	\$16.52	100%



New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Clean Water SRF Loan Schedule

Print Date: 11/3/2016
Total Disbursed: 2,729,898
Interest rate: 0.7200%
Administrative Fee: 2.0000%
Term: 20 Years

Borrower: Newbury
Project Number: 333229-02

Ref Num	Due Date	Date Received	Beginning Balance	Principal Payment	Principal Forgiven	Interest Payment	Interest Rate %	Administrative Fees	Total Payment	Ending Balance
1	6/1/2011	12/29/2010	2,472,605.16	0.00	0.00	5,131.87	0.0100	0.00	5,131.87	2,472,605.16
2	6/1/2012	12/19/2012	2,607,028.30	0.00	0.00	54,495.76	0.7200	36,110.75	90,606.51	2,607,028.30
221487	6/1/2013	6/12/2013	2,729,898.06	70,919.40	1,364,949.03	309.09	0.7200	16,888.40	88,116.89	1,294,029.63
221650	6/1/2014	5/23/2014	1,294,029.63	52,919.29	0.00	9,317.01	0.7200	25,880.59	88,116.89	1,241,110.34
221799	6/1/2015	6/2/2015	1,241,110.34	54,358.69	0.00	8,935.99	0.7200	24,822.21	88,116.89	1,186,751.65
221956	6/1/2016	6/7/2016	1,186,751.65	55,837.25	0.00	8,544.61	0.7200	23,735.03	88,116.89	1,130,914.40
7	6/1/2017		1,130,914.40	57,356.02	0.00	8,142.58	0.7200	22,618.29	88,116.89	1,073,558.38
8	6/1/2018		1,073,558.38	58,916.10	0.00	7,729.62	0.7200	21,471.17	88,116.89	1,014,642.28
9	6/1/2019		1,014,642.28	60,518.62	0.00	7,305.42	0.7200	20,292.85	88,116.89	954,123.66
10	6/1/2020		954,123.66	62,164.73	0.00	6,869.69	0.7200	19,082.47	88,116.89	891,958.93
11	6/1/2021		891,958.93	63,855.61	0.00	6,422.10	0.7200	17,839.18	88,116.89	828,103.32
12	6/1/2022		828,103.32	65,592.48	0.00	5,962.34	0.7200	16,562.07	88,116.89	762,510.84
13	6/1/2023		762,510.84	67,376.59	0.00	5,490.08	0.7200	15,250.22	88,116.89	695,134.25
14	6/1/2024		695,134.25	69,209.23	0.00	5,004.97	0.7200	13,902.69	88,116.89	625,925.02
15	6/1/2025		625,925.02	71,091.73	0.00	4,506.66	0.7200	12,518.50	88,116.89	554,833.29
16	6/1/2026		554,833.29	73,025.42	0.00	3,994.80	0.7200	11,096.67	88,116.89	481,807.87
17	6/1/2027		481,807.87	75,011.71	0.00	3,469.02	0.7200	9,636.16	88,116.89	406,796.16
18	6/1/2028		406,796.16	77,052.04	0.00	2,928.93	0.7200	8,135.92	88,116.89	329,744.12
19	6/1/2029		329,744.12	79,147.85	0.00	2,374.16	0.7200	6,594.88	88,116.89	250,596.27
20	6/1/2030		250,596.27	81,300.67	0.00	1,804.29	0.7200	5,011.93	88,116.89	169,295.60
21	6/1/2031		169,295.60	83,512.05	0.00	1,218.93	0.7200	3,385.91	88,116.89	85,783.55
22	6/1/2032		85,783.55	85,783.55	0.00	617.64	0.7200	1,715.67	88,116.86	0.00
			1,364,949.03	1,364,949.03	1,364,949.03	160,575.56		332,551.56	1,858,076.15	

**New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
Clean Water SRF Loan Schedule**

Print Date: 11/3/2016
 Total Disbursed: 307,807
 Interest rate: 0.9520%
 Administrative Fee: 2.0000%
 Term: 20 Years

Borrower: Newbury
 Project Number: 229-01

Ref Num	Due Date	Date Received	Beginning Balance	Principal Payment	Interest Payment	Interest Rate %	Administrative Fees	Total Payment	Ending Balance
Adj1	2/1/2008	1/18/2008	0.00	0.00	1,627.92	0.0000	0.00	0.00	0.00
220951	1/1/2009	12/29/2008	307,807.03	0.00	3,078.07	1.0000	0.00	3,078.07	307,807.03
221051	1/1/2010	12/29/2009	307,807.03	0.00	3,078.07	1.0000	0.00	3,078.07	307,807.03
221156	1/1/2011	1/7/2011	307,807.03	15,390.35	2,930.32	0.9520	6,156.14	24,476.81	292,416.68
221288	1/1/2012	1/6/2012	292,416.68	15,390.35	2,783.81	0.9520	5,848.33	24,022.49	277,026.33
221438	1/1/2013	1/4/2013	277,026.33	15,390.35	2,637.29	0.9520	5,540.53	23,568.17	261,635.98
221607	1/1/2014	1/13/2014	261,635.98	15,390.35	2,490.77	0.9520	5,232.72	23,113.84	246,245.63
221750	1/1/2015	1/8/2015	246,245.63	15,390.35	2,344.26	0.9520	4,924.91	22,659.52	230,855.28
221910	1/1/2016	2/5/2016	230,855.28	15,390.35	2,197.74	0.9520	4,617.11	22,205.20	215,464.93
9	1/1/2017		215,464.93	15,390.35	2,051.23	0.9520	4,309.30	21,750.88	200,074.58
10	1/1/2018		200,074.58	15,390.35	1,904.71	0.9520	4,001.49	21,296.55	184,684.23
11	1/1/2019		184,684.23	15,390.35	1,758.19	0.9520	3,693.68	20,842.22	169,293.88
12	1/1/2020		169,293.88	15,390.35	1,611.68	0.9520	3,385.88	20,387.91	153,903.53
13	1/1/2021		153,903.53	15,390.35	1,465.16	0.9520	3,078.07	19,933.58	138,513.18
14	1/1/2022		138,513.18	15,390.35	1,318.65	0.9520	2,770.26	19,479.26	123,122.83
15	1/1/2023		123,122.83	15,390.35	1,172.13	0.9520	2,462.46	19,024.94	107,732.48
16	1/1/2024		107,732.48	15,390.35	1,025.61	0.9520	2,154.65	18,570.61	92,342.13
17	1/1/2025		92,342.13	15,390.35	879.10	0.9520	1,846.84	18,116.29	76,951.78
18	1/1/2026		76,951.78	15,390.35	732.58	0.9520	1,539.04	17,661.97	61,561.43
19	1/1/2027		61,561.43	15,390.35	586.06	0.9520	1,231.23	17,207.64	46,171.08
20	1/1/2028		46,171.08	15,390.35	439.55	0.9520	923.42	16,753.32	30,780.73
21	1/1/2029		30,780.73	15,390.35	293.03	0.9520	615.61	16,298.99	15,390.38
22	1/1/2030		15,390.38	15,390.38	146.52	0.9520	307.81	15,844.71	0.00
								38,552.45	409,371.04
				307,807.03			64,639.48		

NHMBB New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank

2020 SERIES B NON GUARANTEED

20 YEAR LEVEL DEBT SCHEDULE FOR

TOWN OF NEWBURY

DATE PREPARED:	07/16/20	Total Proceeds	\$3,750,000.00
BONDS DATED: 7/14/20	08/15/20	Premium to Reduce Loan	\$397,100.00
INTEREST START DATE:	08/12/20	Amount of Loan to be Paid	\$3,352,900.00
FIRST INTEREST PAYMENT:	02/15/21		
TRUE INTEREST COST:	1.75%		

DEBT YEAR	PERIOD ENDING	PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING	PRINCIPAL	RATE	INTEREST	TOTAL PAYMENT*	CALENDAR YEAR TOTAL PAYMENT
	02/15/21				\$59,296.02	\$59,296.02	
1	08/15/21	\$3,352,900.00	\$113,400.00	5.100%	68,323.95	171,723.95	\$231,019.97
	02/15/22				55,432.25	55,432.25	
2	08/15/22	3,239,500.00	115,000.00	5.100%	55,432.25	170,432.25	225,864.50
	02/15/23				52,499.75	52,499.75	
3	08/15/23	3,124,500.00	119,500.00	5.100%	52,499.75	171,999.75	224,499.50
	02/15/24				49,452.50	49,452.50	
4	08/15/24	3,005,000.00	125,000.00	5.100%	49,452.50	174,452.50	223,905.00
	02/15/25				46,265.00	46,265.00	
5	08/15/25	2,880,000.00	130,000.00	5.100%	46,265.00	176,265.00	222,530.00
	02/15/26				42,950.00	42,950.00	
6	08/15/26	2,750,000.00	135,000.00	5.100%	42,950.00	177,950.00	220,900.00
	02/15/27				39,507.50	39,507.50	
7	08/15/27	2,615,000.00	145,000.00	5.100%	39,507.50	184,507.50	224,015.00
	02/15/28				35,810.00	35,810.00	
8	08/15/28	2,470,000.00	150,000.00	5.100%	35,810.00	185,810.00	221,620.00
	02/15/29				31,985.00	31,985.00	
9	08/15/29	2,320,000.00	160,000.00	5.100%	31,985.00	191,985.00	223,970.00
	02/15/30				27,905.00	27,905.00	
10	08/15/30	2,160,000.00	170,000.00	5.100%	27,905.00	197,905.00	225,810.00
	02/15/31				23,570.00	23,570.00	
11	08/15/31	1,990,000.00	175,000.00	4.100%	23,570.00	198,570.00	222,140.00
	02/15/32				19,982.50	19,982.50	
12	08/15/32	1,815,000.00	185,000.00	3.100%	19,982.50	204,982.50	224,965.00
	02/15/33				17,115.00	17,115.00	
13	08/15/33	1,630,000.00	190,000.00	2.100%	17,115.00	207,115.00	224,230.00
	02/15/34				15,120.00	15,120.00	
14	08/15/34	1,440,000.00	195,000.00	2.100%	15,120.00	210,120.00	225,240.00
	02/15/35				13,072.50	13,072.50	
15	08/15/35	1,245,000.00	195,000.00	2.100%	13,072.50	208,072.50	221,145.00
	02/15/36				11,025.00	11,025.00	
16	08/15/36	1,050,000.00	200,000.00	2.100%	11,025.00	211,025.00	222,050.00
	02/15/37				8,925.00	8,925.00	
17	08/15/37	850,000.00	205,000.00	2.100%	8,925.00	213,925.00	222,850.00
	02/15/38				6,772.50	6,772.50	
18	08/15/38	645,000.00	210,000.00	2.100%	6,772.50	216,772.50	223,545.00
	02/15/39				4,567.50	4,567.50	
19	08/15/39	435,000.00	215,000.00	2.100%	4,567.50	219,567.50	224,135.00
	02/15/40				2,310.00	2,310.00	
20	08/15/40	220,000.00	220,000.00	2.100%	2,310.00	222,310.00	224,620.00
TOTALS			\$3,352,900.00		\$1,126,153.97	\$4,479,053.97	\$4,479,053.97

Center Meeting House

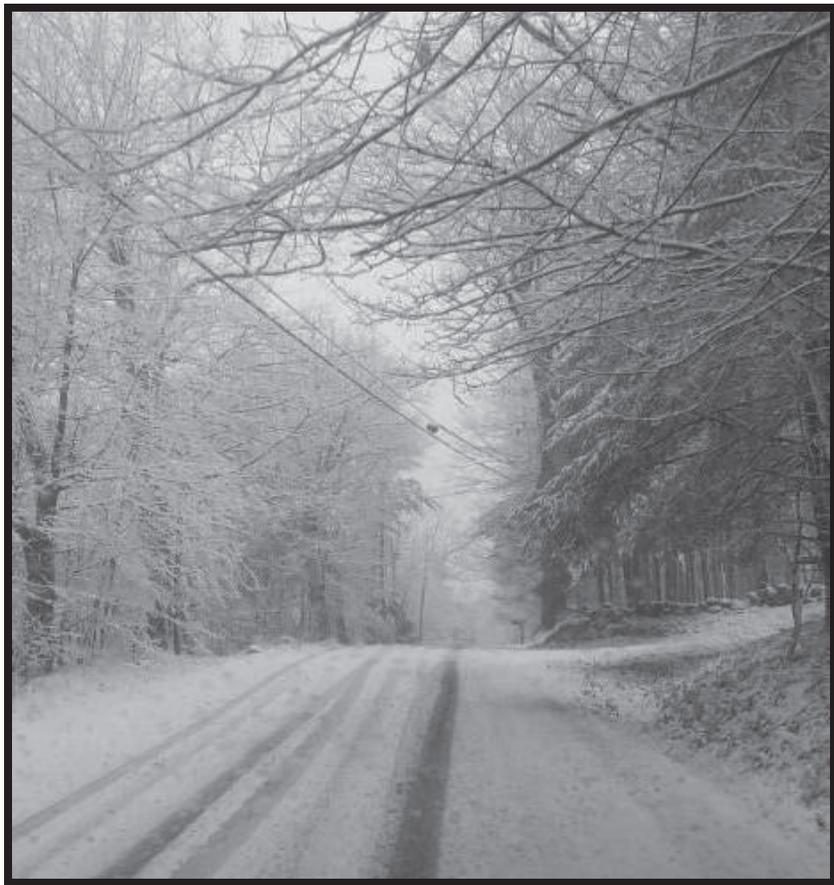
The Center Meeting House, like all other communal activities, had to cancel all its 2020 events, except the Town's tree lighting in December, as it was held outdoors. We felt this was very important to try to bring the Town together in a safe environment. Joy Nowell managed this beautifully with the lighting of the tree, caroling with a few members of the Kearsarge Chorale, and Bruce and Cheron Barton with the actual lighting and ringing of the bell.

We welcome back Joy Nowell and Barbara Steward to the Board and Dan Wolf as a consultant.

In the coming months, we hope to start planning new programs for 2021. This year we are very excited to begin to co-ordinate the joining together with Newbury Historical Society. We both have deep interests which are near and dear to our Town.

We still have open seats on the Board and would love to have you join us. We meet most months on the last Wednesday of the month for an hour or so. Please consider joining us. Also, please continue to support us in 2021 – contact Ivor Freeman, chairperson, at (603) 938-5225.

*Ivor Freeman
Chair*



*A snow-covered Old Post Road.
Photo Courtesy DJ Smith*

Kearsarge Regional School Board

Living through the travails thrust upon us by COVID-19 and dealing with everyday life has been difficult for all of us. Nowhere has this been more apparent than in our own Kearsarge Regional School District. Having to switch to remote learning and its varied versions has been a challenge to school administration, teachers, support staff, as well as the students themselves and their parents. Also, do not forget the awesome effort by the school nurses to keep everyone as safe and healthy as possible.

We now come to a new year with yet more challenges, but as the old saying goes, “we shall prevail.” The Annual Meeting for the district was held on January 9, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the high school gym. Not counting the school administration, municipal budget committee, school board members and supervisors of the checklist for each town, a total of 22 voters showed up to deliberate a budget of \$46,485,550. I still cannot get over how few voters attend to spend such a large sum of money. One must wonder how long this can go on without dire consequences. The budget committee recommended a lesser amount of \$46,343,295. The lesser amount eliminated two part-time positions for a total 2.18% increase over last year while the school board proposes a budget increase of 2.51% over last year.

There were other areas of budget disagreements, but for the most part, the increases in the budget are fixed costs due to contract agreements, health benefits and retirement.

*Richard J. Wright
School Board Representative
Town of Newbury*

Bradford Newbury Sutton Youth Sports

Bradford Newbury Sutton Youth Sports (BNSYS) had another successful year, thanks to the continued support of the Town of Newbury. BNSYS is a 501©3 non-profit organization and the sole mission is to provide quality sports opportunities to area youths while reinforcing the concepts of sportsmanship and team participation. BNSYS owns and maintains the structures and facilities at Warren Brook Park, located at 164 Old Warner Road in Bradford. Our revenue is derived from fundraising events, program participation fees, donations, and contributions from area towns. Our annual expenses include, but are not limited to, utility bills, liability insurance, team equipment, league fees, uniforms, field/building maintenance, toilet rentals and scholarships.

A special thank you also goes out to former Wrestling Director Erik Croto and his family of Bradford. Erik had stepped down from his role as director and passed the reins on to Jesse Griffin. Erik had been a BNSYS Board member for many years, even after his children moved on from the program. He has devoted countless hours to our organization and was instrumental in starting our youth wrestling program. His expertise in the sport helped to build a top-notch coaching staff that instilled the basics of the sport into our youth, while also putting a focus on sportsmanship and growth as individuals. Erik will be missed by BNSYS parents, the Board, and athletes.

Facilities

If you attended any events at our facility, or just drove by, you probably noticed the fantastic condition that our fields were in all season. Our facility is maintained by volunteers that operate under our field director, Scott Richard, who as a group put in countless hours all summer long. Thank you to everyone who donated their time to ensure that our fields were in the best condition possible so that our athletes had a great playing surface.

Our field director continued to stay on top of the playing fields to ensure that they were in tip-top shape for our athletes to use. An email was sent out to all families to let them know that the fields were still open for use. It was nice to see parents down there using the fields and batting cages, working with their children, so that they could continue to develop their skillsets.

New signage for all the fields were hand constructed and installed by Clark Roberge of Roberge Signs in Bradford, NH.

In 2021, BNSYS plans to undertake a major facilities project. For years now we have rented portable bathrooms for the park and feel that it is time to improve. Several local companies have offered to assist us in this project, to include but not limited to, Joe Messer at Messer Dirt Works, Brett Cusick at Northcape Design, David Paquette of Lakeside Home Improvements, Nate Kimball of Valley Excavating and Rick Baron of Legacy Mechanical Services. If you would like to get involved in this project, please feel free to contact me.

BNSYS has also set plans to build dugouts on Raymond Memorial Field. Jim Bruss of Bruss Construction has graciously offered his team to construct the dugouts with supplies donated by Belletetes.

Registrations

2020 was a challenging year for BNSYS and the youth athletes due to the COVID-19 global pandemic that started in March.

After careful review, the Kearsarge Valley Baseball League and Kearsarge Mountain South Softball League, decided to cancel their upcoming seasons. This was 100% the correct decision as the safety of our children is first and foremost.

YES Soccer Camp was pushed back to August due to State guidelines prohibiting large gatherings and youth sports. Once the State issued new guidelines, Jared Lamothe (Soccer Director) and the Board were quick to review the guidelines and setup a plan to allow us to run the camp safely and effectively. This was a new challenge for us all, but it was well worth it in the end to see kids out playing in a safe and spacious environment. We are proud to announce that we had ZERO athletes test positive after camp.

Next up was Fall Soccer. The Kearsarge Valley Soccer League, after careful review, made the difficult decision to cancel their fall season. The Board reviewed our plan from YES camp, as well as the Kearsarge School District's Safety Plan, and made the decision to run a Fall Soccer season in house. Athletes from Warner Youth Sports Association (WYSA) were also invited to participate. Registrants were carefully divided into teams based on their grade, classmates, and school to limit any cross contamination. Volunteer coaches were quick to step up and help, which allowed our athletes to get another year of development both as athletes and as young adults. This was by far our largest turnout ever for fall soccer with over 150 kids. The Board understood that many families were either out of work, or on a restricted income with a tighter budget, due to the global pandemic. Donations received throughout the year, as well as town appropriations from Bradford, Newbury, and Sutton, allowed us to run fall soccer at NO cost for all athletes.



*YES Soccer Camp 2020
Photo Courtesy BNSYS*

On October 7th, we held our 20th Annual Golf Tournament. It was the biggest and best tournament to date. Thank you to everyone that participated and a huge thank you to all our sponsors. Special thanks to our Albatross sponsors - Northcape Design Build, Colby Insurance, Crown Point Cabinetry and Go Lightly Consignment Boutique.

If you missed out this year, then mark your calendar and start gathering your foursome, because the 21st Annual Golf Tournament is set for October 6, 2021.

Unfortunately, our winter wrestling season was cancelled due to the inability to safely remain distant and limit close contact.

Volunteers

The success of our program would not be possible without the help of countless volunteers. Thank you to everyone who continues to volunteer and support BNSYS. From the Board to the Directors to the volunteers who run the snack shack during the year, paint the fields and cut the grass, we are where we are because of all of you.

If you would like to get involved with BNSYS, look at what we have to offer, or think you can help in other ways, please visit our website, www.bnsyouthsports.org, or contact one of the directors. We would love to have you involved in making BNSYS the best youth sports program possible.

New additions to the Board in 2021 will be Devin Pendleton (Baseball) and Jeff Glover (Softball).

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Jesse Griffin, Softball Director
Jared LaMothe, Soccer Director
Erik Croto, Wrestling Director
Amy Cook, Equipment Director
Scott Richard, Field Director



In Memory of Erik V. Croto (1969-2021)
Photo Courtesy BNSYS

New London Hospital

Despite the hardships endured this past year, they helped highlight and affirm the value of community and the critical role of every member. As COVID-19 challenged our health, hopes and patience, signs of unity flourished – offering confirmation that we are not alone. At New London Hospital (NLH), our mission to provide safe and quality care never wavered as we adapted to rapidly changing protocols. We achieved excellence in healthcare delivery due to our committed staff, the support of our system members within Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health (D-HH) and our generous community and were still able to meet 2020 goals and focus on opportunities for the New Year.

Strength of the System

As the pandemic worsened, our strategic relationship as a member of D-HH proved vital as we were able to share information and resources critical for supplies, testing and vaccine distribution. This partnership not only provided additional safety support for staff but also enabled NLH to avoid implementing furloughs during this crisis.

Entering 2020, our priority was to make the transition to Epic, the same electronic health record system used at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center and many other healthcare institutions across the country. COVID-19 initially forced us to place a hold on our plans, but the lessening of cases during the summer provided resources and time for our dedicated employees to successfully execute NLH's migration to Epic in early October. This launch also included the transition to the new patient portal, myD-H. Providing our patients with a single health record securely unifies their information with our other member hospitals, and more importantly, allows them more control over their personal data and appointments. This transition is a work in progress and will become more seamless over time.

Leadership

In March, the same week COVID-19 was declared a global pandemic, we welcomed our new President and CEO, Tom Manion. His previous experience at a small community hospital that, like NLH, is part of a larger health system, continues to prove valuable as we navigate the pandemic and the advancement of the D-HH system. While it was our hope to introduce Tom to the community through a series of local events, a lockdown and social distancing measures derailed these plans, forcing introductions through a variety of digital platforms. Even though the summer months allowed for some small outside meetings, we hope to revisit these efforts during the summer of 2021.

Recognition and Appreciation

In a year that demanded so much of our providers and staff at NLH and Newport Health Center, we are grateful for their dedication and commitment. Our staff willingly assumed new roles and responsibilities required to meet our changing daily needs, while maintaining a shared passion to provide the best care possible. It was uplifting to witness.

Financial Performance

Like many hospitals in the nation, NLH suffered financial losses as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. In order to keep patients and staff safe, we reduced elective procedures and experienced a drop in outpatient care volume. While NLH received funds from the CARES Act and several other federal initiatives, we ended our fiscal year with a \$2.5 million loss. The year ahead will be even more challenging financially. Now, more than ever, we need our community to access its hospital and clinics so that NLH will still be here for the next 100-year-pandemic.

Community Counts

One of the biggest challenges for all of us this past year was losing the interaction we share as a community. It was heartbreaking to see the empty streets and town greens during times typically bustling with farmer's markets, fairs, and Hospital Days. What didn't surprise us was the tremendous amount of support demonstrated by community members, not only to NLH, but also to each other. It's what makes living here so special. We are humbled and grateful that we are able to provide care to such a thoughtful and appreciative community.

We all hope for a healthier and happier year ahead. We look forward to sharing smiles and new initiatives with you in the coming months.

Warm wishes.

M. Tom Manion
President and CEO

Douglas W. Lyon
Chair, Board of Trustees

Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) & Hospice

On behalf of the staff and volunteers of the Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health, hospice, personal care, and community-based programs in Newbury. In 2020, our agency celebrated its 50th anniversary and it was truly an extraordinary year. Together we found creative ways to celebrate this exciting milestone and engage our community. But 2020 also brought an unprecedented pandemic.

Mission

As we have since our founding in 1970, we responded to community need and supported one another to sustain our core mission to provide health care and supportive services in home and community settings with the safety of staff, patients, and the community always our priority. COVID-19 forced us to adapt dramatically, sometimes daily. I could not be prouder of how our team came together to do whatever was needed under difficult and stressful circumstances. The impact of this dedication and compassion in providing needed services in Newbury and more than thirty other area towns cannot be underestimated.



*A peaceful moment in time.
Photo Courtesy Jennifer Parkhurst-Smith*

2020 Highlights

I am perhaps prouder than ever to report that, for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2020, LSRVNA served residents of Newbury in the following ways:

- Provided skilled nursing, therapy, hospice, and in-home supportive care to 85 residents.
- Provided free/reduced fee in-home nursing, therapy, and social work visits to residents; visits also provided under various Medicaid programs (NH Medicaid reimburses at less than 65% of cost).
- Provided 14 months of bereavement support to hospice families after the death of their loved ones at no cost, including free virtual bereavement support groups throughout the pandemic for these families and the community at large.
- Residents benefited from the expansion of our Palliative Care program, overseen by a physician, and dedicated to specialized care that focuses on the navigation of chronic or serious illnesses with an emphasis on symptom management and personal goals.
- Due to COVID-19, our regularly scheduled Foot Care and Blood Pressure clinics were suspended in late March 2020; however, due to high demand and clinical need, Foot Care was carefully reinstated in limited locations for the last few months of 2020.
- Even with limited locations available to do community Flu Clinics due to COVID-19, we partnered with 15 plus organizations to offer flu vaccines, which were especially important to receive this past year.

With special funding from state and federal programs and with a strong financial foundation to start from, we did not lay off a single employee during the pandemic even when work hours were reduced. We knew we would need our team to be intact and ready to serve when demand rebounded, which it did. We took all available safety measures such as quickly setting up remote, at-home workstations for office staff and researching every avenue to secure vital personal protective equipment (PPE). We were also able to retain

employee benefits and offer extra measures of support such as the “COVID-19 Employee Assistance Fund”, all with the goal of keeping our staff whole.

Our competent and compassionate team remains dedicated to quality of life for every person and to the overall wellness of our community. This past year underscores this so very clearly. We rely on your confidence to remain a leading provider of home care in the region, be the best place to work and volunteer, and remain an enduring presence for years to come. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is any way we may be of service to you, your loved ones, or your Town’s residents. Thank you.

*Jim Culhane
President & CEO*

Below are pictures from the Newbury Veteran’s Rally thanking all first responders.



*Newbury Police – Officer Clark, Sergeant Sparks,
Chief Wheeler, Officer Fisher.
Photo Courtesy Ed Wollensak*



*Newbury Fire Personnel.
Photo Courtesy Ed Wollensak*

**Community Action Program
Kearsarge Valley Area Center**

The Community Action program (CAP) offers critical services to area residents whose annual income cannot meet basic living expenses in several areas including food, heating and electric costs.

Emergency Food Pantry: Provides up to five days of food for people facing a temporary food crisis.
Value: \$5.00 per meal.

Fuel Assistance Program: Available to income-eligible households to help with energy costs during the prime heating season. Priority is given to the elderly and disabled.

Electric Assistance Program: A statewide program funded by all electric rate payers which provides a specific tier of discount from 9% to 77% on electric bills for income-eligible households.

The 2020 CAP services provided to Newbury residents are as follows:

Service Description	Units of Service	Households/ Persons	Value
Emergency Food Pantries	Meals 1690	Persons 338	\$8,450.00
Fuel Assistance	Applications 31		\$26,618.00
Electric Assistance		Households 33	\$12,746.00
Total			\$47,814.00

*Erin Reed
Area Director*

Kearsarge Area Council on Aging

Established in 1992, the Kearsarge Area Council on Aging (COA) has become an important social service organization dedicated to meeting the needs of our communities' seniors, and their families, friends, and neighbors. The mission of COA is to promote, develop, and reinforce programs that support and enhance the health, well-being, dignity, and independence of older people in the nine towns we serve in the greater Kearsarge area. COA is a focal point for many area seniors who depend on us to help support their independence, help them find their sense of purpose, and provide the opportunity to help others through our many volunteer opportunities.

2020 has been an extraordinarily challenging year for our organization and for many area individuals. COVID-19 caused COA to close on March 6, 2020 in response to the pandemic. Immediately after closing, our staff began to examine the possibilities for continuing to provide services to area seniors. We determined that it was feasible to continue our Durable Medical Equipment Program by developing non-contact procedures and launching our "Mobility to Go" program. While we could not subject our clients or volunteers to the risks of a continued Transportation Program, we contacted our Transportation clients to make sure that their basic needs were being met. Recognizing that the social isolation caused by the NH Stay at Home order would be a source of anxiety for many, we launched #ALONEWESTAYTOGETHER and provided calls to many of our members. We partnered with local organizations to aid those who asked for help or who were identified as needing assistance.

Our staff worked diligently during the time COA was closed to plan for the resumption of services and programs. We developed an extensive re-opening plan and safely launched a revised Transportation Program. We are now operating with a paid driver to ensure adherence to established safety protocols. We re-opened our doors on July 6, 2020 with many programs needing only minor changes and others extensively re-designed for safety and social distancing.

COA is currently operating with 2.5 staff and will work diligently to reestablish our senior volunteer base in 2021. We continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation. We are prepared to make necessary changes to our operations as the need arises. We are proud to be a resource center, operate the second largest free Mobility Lending Equipment Program in New Hampshire, and to provide free transportation to our clients in the nine towns we serve.

We appreciate our partners, volunteers, members, donors, business sponsors, board members and staff. It is with their guidance and support that we continue to provide a high level of health and well-being opportunities for our senior neighbors.

Kelley F. Keith, BA, MS
Executive Director

The John Hay Estate at The Fells

The John Hay Estate at The Fells (new name, but still recognized as “The Fells”) is proud to be part of the Town of Newbury, New Hampshire. There is a wealth of history that comprises so much of the area townspeople, businesses, and geographic location. It is a destination point for visitors of all ages.

Mission

Our mission is to welcome people of all ages to the John Hay Estate at The Fells, making each visit an enriching experience with opportunities to explore and learn from our natural lakeside setting, our renowned historic buildings and gardens, and the historic achievements of three generations of Hay family visionaries.

The John Hay Estate at The Fells protects approximately 3,100 feet of undeveloped natural shoreline on Lake Sunapee and maintains the structures, gardens, meadows, and woodlands for relaxation, recreation, and edification. The site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is a recipient of the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance Achievement Award. This award was presented to The Fells for outstanding restoration and stewardship of its historic landscape and historic buildings. The Fells is also a Preservation Project of the Garden Conservancy.

Vision

Our Vision is a restored and preserved John Hay Estate at The Fells on Lake Sunapee that:

- Draws people together to share interests in history, gardens, our natural setting, and the protection of the lake.
- Stimulates further their pursuit of those interests by offering enriching educational programs and events that feature three generations of Hay family visionaries.
- Provides access that lets visitors enjoy their John Hay Estate experience within a safe, tranquil environment.

History

In 1888, John Milton Hay began buying Newbury farms and in 1891, established a summer home in Newbury to escape the pressures of a demanding career. He named his retreat “The Fells” (a Scottish term for “rocky upland pasture”). He served as President Lincoln’s private secretary and gained experience in Europe as a diplomat. He later served as Secretary of State under Presidents William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt and crafted many important foreign policies.

After Hay’s death in 1905, his son Clarence and daughter-in-law Alice, transformed the rustic retreat into an elegant estate and working farm. Their varied landscape included formal gardens, woodlands, and meadows. Hay’s grandson, John, also summered here. His experiences at The Fells inspired him to become a naturalist and nature writer, for which he was nationally known.

In 1997, after managing the estate for two years, volunteers formed a nonprofit known today as The Fells. In 2008, the organization became the owners of 84 acres of the original 1100-acre site.

2020 Highlights

- COVID-19 changed the plans of many in our own community and around the world. Due to the tranquil and serene property consisting of 84 acres, The Fells has been able to continue to offer hiking, walking, and comfort to many families looking for a safe place to escape the problems they were facing. We were proud to be able to open our property to so many visitors. Perhaps they were able to find the peace of mind for which they were searching.

- The Fells opened the main house to a limited number of visitors on July 1st and closed on October 12th. A small group of dedicated volunteers greeted our visitors, gave docent guided tours of the house and gardens, and manned our gift shop. Although there were fewer volunteers this year, the seasons are always made spectacular at the Fells by volunteer hands in the gardens, the plant nursery, the house, and all areas touched by those who share their time so generously. This season there was a need for different protocols to protect visitors, volunteers, and staff. Social distancing, masks, and gloves were required, there were hand sanitizing stations, and UV machines cleaned our restrooms and public areas. Things were different, but all took it in stride and complied.
- The Fells hosted several educational and ecological programs during the summer of 2020 to include our elementary school program and Ecology Camps, Painting in Nature, and Photography in Nature. Our social events included *Concerts with a Picnic*. All events were socially distanced; masks were worn, and the number of participants was drastically reduced. Our partnering with the Town of Newbury, the Newbury Library, The John Hay Poetry Society and LSPA is very important to us and we greatly appreciate the support and looked forward to many other new joint programs in 2021.
- The season could not conclude with The Fells beautiful signature event, “*Christmas at The Fells*” Decorator Show House. However, a Holiday Shopping Boutique was held at the Gatehouse in November. The same protocols requested for the Main House were used to protect and safeguard the visitors and shoppers. Our “*Christmas at The Fells*” Decorator Show House is scheduled for 2021 and the creative designers promised for 2020 have already agreed to do 2021.

We look forward to 2021 and new beginnings. Visitors and new volunteers are always welcome. There is something new to be learned and discovered with every visit. There will be a volunteer participation day at The Fells, join this group of passionate Fells supporters, you will be glad you did!

We are blessed. May 2021 bring happiness, good health, love, and peace of mind.

Susan Warren
Executive Director

Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust

Quality of life is very important to the residents of New Hampshire and the state consistently ranks in the top ten as one of the best places to live in the United States. Contributing to this ranking are our clean water, scenic places, and outdoor recreation. Open spaces also contribute significantly to the economic well-being of the State and our communities.

Mission

The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (Ausbon Sargent) is to protect the rural landscape of the twelve towns of the Mount Kearsarge/Ragged/Lake Sunapee region. This area comprises the towns of Andover, Bradford, Danbury, Goshen, Grantham, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner, and Wilmot. Since our founding in 1987, Ausbon Sargent has completed 158 projects and protected 13,081 acres – including sixteen working farms and over eight miles of lake frontage. All these conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two-thirds of these properties offer public access.

Projects

Although 2020 has been an interesting year, to say the least, Ausbon Sargent has kept busy with the completion of eight projects, five of which are now owned by the land trust. These projects represent just over 1,000 acres in the towns of Andover, Grantham, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sunapee, Warner, and Wilmot.

Ausbon Sargent is working together with the town of Newbury, their Conservation Commission and many neighbors and friends, to conserve about 85 acres of land on Mountain Road called “Between the Mountains Preserve.” At the time this report was written, the property has been purchased by the land trust, but the conservation easement is still being finalized. The property is part of a large area of conserved land that includes Mount Sunapee and Pillsbury State Parks, and abuts land protected by the Forest Society. The protection of unfragmented forestland is critically important to wildlife and the health of the watershed. We hope to complete this project in early 2021.



*“Between the Mountains Preserve” on Mountain Road.
Photo Courtesy Anne Payeur*

Website

Our website, www.ausbonsargent.org, indicates which of the land trust’s protected properties have trails open to the public for hiking, cross-country skiing, and snowshoeing, and includes both trail maps and driving directions. Be sure to look under the heading “Connect With the Land” for these details. For information on all Ausbon Sargent’s protected properties, please visit our website and join our email list. Find us on Instagram and be sure to “Like” us on Facebook!

Activities

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Ausbon Sargent had to cancel all in-person activities, including hikes, workshops, and celebrations. We look forward to being able to gather again to promote our mission and include all interested individuals to experience and learn about our wonderful region. As time moves on, please check our activities calendar on our website to see what we have planned. In the meantime, look for our “DIY” hiking programs, which cover all 12 towns in our region. Event updates are sent periodically, so signing up to be on our email list is the best way to keep abreast of our upcoming events. We hope to see you in 2021!

Volunteers

Even though we were in the midst of a pandemic, Ausbon Sargent was thrilled to work distantly with over 200 volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring, committee support, and clerical work. The Land Trust is required to visit each of our properties once a year to check the boundaries and take note of any changes. Since this is almost entirely done outside, the program continued, and we are thankful for all our monitors who helped with this task.

If you would like to join us in our work to protect these special places, there are many ways to get involved:

- You could become a conservation easement donor.
- Volunteer your time to the organization.
- Encourage the town officials throughout our twelve-town region to conserve our rural character by supporting land conservation.
- Please consider becoming a member of Ausbon Sargent.

It has been a pleasure to work with the Town of Newbury. We look forward to future events, collaborations, and land projects with you!

Deborah L. Stanley
Executive Director

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Lake Sunapee Protective Association

Education

With COVID upon us, Lake Sunapee Protective Agency (LSPA) was not able to visit schools or have as many live programs in person. However, our environmental educators did succeed in having virtual programs and distanced outdoor sessions with students in cooperation with area teachers. We also revamped **LSPA's Resource Page** for ideas, articles, things to do, as well as **LSPA Kid's Ecology Corner** page highlighting Winter Activities, to learn how trees, birds and many mammals cope with the cold. The Flash of the Beacon was and is published monthly, with news, ideas, and interesting short articles. To subscribe and join over 1000 other viewers, simply send your email to lspa@lakesunapee.org.

Water Quality

Another COVID challenge was to determine if and how to open the water quality lab at Colby-Sawyer College (CSC) for seasonal water quality testing and analysis. The lab serves 25 local lakes and ponds. Working with CSC and NH Department of Environmental Services to design and implement proper and safe protocols for lake volunteers, lab staff, and CSC, we were able to implement methods in which this could be done safely. During that time, it was unknown whether we could have our college interns per usual, but with careful protocols, we were delighted that we could fulfill our commitment to them. We could not, however, have our Research Fellows onsite, so we worked remotely with them and their work and report went well.

Another item in 2020 was the issue of stray voltage in the lake. While this is a new issue, and one that no one yet appears to totally understand, Eversource and the town of Sunapee responded to their local problem. LSPA is researching the issue, to have a better understanding of the phenomena. Meanwhile, other NH lakes do not appear to have awareness of this issue. Electricity and water of course do not mix. Anyone having electrical connections on their dock, in a boathouse, etc. should have a licensed electrician do the install and check for frayed wires, etc.

Watershed

The Watershed Plan (WSP) proceeded well, with several grant applications and specific site improvements. The 2019 WSP is a ten-year commitment to improving stormwater conditions outlining specific sites and educational goals. General education and advertising strategies were implemented in 2020 to encourage good environmental behaviors. More are planned for 2021.

Invasives

COVID again posed some challenges, but with proper protocols, we managed all five boat ramps with Lake Hosts, and had two “saves”, milfoil and fanwort segments. We also had our busiest year ever with over 6,000 inspections! LSPA volunteers and staff once again surveyed nearly 70% of the lake’s peripheral area.

Science

- A recent research paper, using LSPA Lake Sunapee data, among other lakes’, indicated that under the winter ice, there is a lot happening! The biological activity is alive and thriving, much more than expected. Stay tuned to what this means overall.
- The survey that many of you took last year showed that, upon learning about the relationship between the land and the lake or pond, the detriment of untreated or polluted stormwater was understood. However, many were hesitant to install a buffer, due to the perception that it might be unattractive. LSPA will work on this, as some “buffer” landscaping can be very enhancing to properties.

In 2020, LSPA's Renovation Project went well and finished in December. During this COVID year, supplies were slowed, but all went reasonably well. LSPA looks forward to reopening, having many programs in the new classrooms, and welcoming more visitors to its improved spaces!

Thank you to our staff, our members, and our wonderful community!

June Fichter
Executive Director

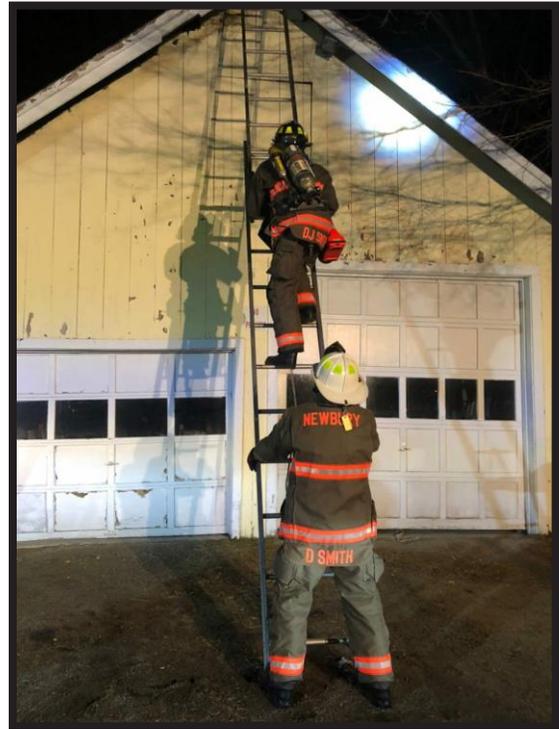


Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition

The Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition (SRKGC) was founded in 1993 as a non-profit all volunteer organization with the mission of promoting hiking and land conservation. A 75-mile hiking trail, nick-named the “emerald necklace”, loops around greater Lake Sunapee connecting four state parks and three state forests while passing through 10 towns in our region.

In Newbury, the SRK Greenway trail comprises three of the 14 total trail sections, covering 11.3 miles. Beginning at the eastern boarder the sections are as follows:

- The Greenway enters Newbury from King Hill Road in Sutton, continues down Haynes Road then up Baker Hill Road before crossing the NH Audubon’s Stoney Brook Wildlife Sanctuary to Chalk Pond.
- The SRK continues uphill on the east side of Bly Hill on Forest Society and Newbury town land, slipping along a corridor of private land to historic Old Province Road, before descending to Newbury Station (aka the harbor) past the Town Offices and the Center Meeting House.
- From Newbury Station, the trail runs up Lakeview Avenue, briefly crossing private land before entering Mount Sunapee State Park on the Newbury Trail. The SRK/Newbury Trail traces the old Durrance Ski Trail, passing the Eagle’s Nest Trail before connecting to the Monadnock-Sunapee Greenway at Lake Solitude. From Jack & June Junction, the Solitude Trail ascends to the summit of Mount Sunapee. Descending 2.1 miles on the Summit Trail the SRK leaves Newbury several tenths of a mile before the Old Province Road trail head in Goshen.



*Dave Smith & DJ Smith at ladder training.
Photo Courtesy Melynda Seaholm*

With over 200 members, SRK Greenway is a community-based organization governed by an active Board of Directors which oversees trail maintenance work, a newsletter, a website and Trail Guidebook and map.

Due to COVID-19 the SRKG Coalition was unable to maintain our guided hiking schedule. The annual meeting with guest speaker, sans potluck dinner, will be held virtually this year in April 2021. Check the website www.srkg.com for more information and updates.

Nathan Richer fills one of two Director seats for the town of Newbury on the SRK Greenway Board, if you are interest in volunteering contact him at (603) 344-0287.

*Nathan Richer
Town Director*

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission

Serving 27 communities in Grafton, Sullivan, and Merrimack Counties since 1963, the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) has been providing professional planning assistance to municipal boards, along with providing inter-municipal planning services, acting as a liaison between local and state/federal agencies, and providing assistance on development, public health, transportation, and environmental issues throughout the region.

Although 2020 presented a new challenge to the world, UVLSRPC still had a successful year. Highlights of our work and accomplishments in 2020 include:

Regional Plans

- Regional Corridor Transportation Plan – We continued work on a corridor-based plan for each of the eight identified regional corridors. The staff has met with municipal staff throughout the region to gather information on transportation concerns and areas of improvement. A final plan is expected to be completed by June 30, 2021, and will include a prioritized action plan with shovel-ready projects.
- Keys to the Valley Housing – We continued working with partners in New Hampshire and Vermont to develop and enhance the Regional Housing Needs Assessment. The report will be out in spring 2021. We encourage you to visit www.keystothevalley.com to participate in Community Engagement and receive frequent updates on regional housing.

Regional Programs

- EPA Brownfields - We continued identifying sites and performing environmental assessments for hazardous material and petroleum within the region. We are always looking for more sites to evaluate.
- USDA – We continued our work on Household Hazardous Waste Collections, solid-waste facility training, and worked with schools on new compost programs.
- NHDOT – We developed funding applications for regionally prioritized transportation improvements for the State Ten Year Plan. Our NHDOT contract funds our traffic counts, and in 2020 we conducted over 120 counts throughout our region. Our NHDOT contract also funds some engineering services for our member communities. With this program, we provided three of our communities with engineering cost estimates for nine transportation projects. Finally, NHDOT funds our Transit Assistance programming. We worked with Advance Transit and Southwestern Community Transportation to discuss improvements and long-term planning of how transit fits into the rural transportation system in our region.
- UV Strong – We participated in weekly meetings to support Upper Valley residents and businesses throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Local

- Circuit Riders - Staff provided planning board support in varying degrees to Charlestown, New London, Newport, Orford, Springfield, and Wilmot and GIS support for Claremont.
- Completed Stream Assessments in Claremont, Grafton, Orange, and Plainfield.
- Completed a Road Surface Management study in Newport.
- Provided Master Plan and Land Use Support for Acworth, Charlestown, Goshen, New London, and Piermont.

The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Foundation (UVLSRPF) was established in 2019. The UVLSRPF non-profit's sole focus is to support the work of UVLSRPC. We have identified three focus areas for the coming years based on regional needs: Public Health, Housing, and Community Engagement.

We expect the Foundation will facilitate other sources of revenue through outreach to alternative funding unavailable to the Commission to leverage the work we do throughout the region and to enhance and implement regional planning efforts not solely dependent on government funding.

Please contact us at (603) 448-1680 or mbutts@uvlsrpc.org to share your thoughts and suggestions about how we can better serve our community. It is a pleasure to serve the municipalities of this region. Thank you for your support over the decades.

*Meghan Butts
Interim Executive Director*



*Just a few of the trunks that participated in Newbury's Trunk or Treat.
Photo Courtesy Sydney Bryk*

University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension Merrimack County

University of New Hampshire (UNH) Cooperative Extension serves residents in each of Merrimack County's 27 towns with diverse programming through 4-H, Nutrition Connections, Food & Agriculture, Community & Economic Development, Natural Resources, and Youth & Family Resiliency. Extension is the public outreach arm of the UNH, bringing information and education into NH's towns, helping to make individuals, businesses, and communities more successful and keeping NH's natural resources healthy and productive.

Our Mission

UNH Cooperative Extension strengthens people and communities in New Hampshire by providing trusted knowledge, practical education, and cooperative solutions.

Our Work for Merrimack County

Merrimack County Extension staff brings the research and knowledge of the university to county residents through hands-on workshops, site visits, conferences, phone consultations, printed materials, online resources, a statewide toll-free info line, and through strategic partnerships.

This year, UNH Cooperative Extension trained and supported 452 volunteers in Merrimack County. These volunteers contributed 21,569 hours of their time extending the reach of our programs as 4-H leaders, master gardeners, wildlife coverts, community tree stewards, water quality monitors, marine docents, and others. In addition, 2,287 volunteers completed COVID-19 Safety trainings, used by 198 organizations in New Hampshire.

Food & Agriculture

We support the county's agricultural industries, including producers of fruits, vegetables, ornamental plants, and livestock, through workshops and trainings, diagnostic services, applied research, and one-on-one consultations. This year, COVID-19 significantly changed our programming plan as producers were faced with a multitude of uncertainties with the start of the 2020 growing season just getting underway. UNH Extension acted quickly to provide a diverse and robust series of online trainings and resources, guiding producers through the many COVID-related questions that applied to their businesses, from managing crowds at u-pick farms, to shifting marketing strategies aimed at safely putting farm products in the hands of our citizens, to accessing funding streams for disrupted business operations. Extension worked diligently to provide online education to producers in NH and beyond. One example of our efforts can be viewed by visiting: <https://extension.unh.edu/resource/new-hampshire-farm-products-map>. Here you will see the results of a multi-team Extension effort to connect consumers with producers during the pandemic. Starting this spring and concluding in November 2020, Extension hosted regular NH Farmer Forums with service providers of diverse backgrounds in order to quickly and efficiently share the weekly developments in the early stages of the COVID outbreak in NH. Many of the efforts developed as a result of COVID will continue into the future as we have learned their value, even in normal times.

John Porter is semi-retired from UNH Cooperative Extension and serves as a resource statewide in the areas of farmstead layout and facility design. In Merrimack County he has collaborated with Jeremy DeLisle in helping people with designing barns and making farmsteads more efficient. A newer clientele has been those who are buying country places and wanting to set up small, part-time farms.

Natural Resources

Managing and protecting New Hampshire's natural resources is critical to our environment, quality of life, and tourism industry, as well as for current and future economic opportunities. Our natural resources team provides research, education, and stewardship throughout the state with a "boots on the ground" approach,

extending state-wide programs in forestry and wildlife, natural resource development, land and water conservation, and marine fisheries. This year, 657 Merrimack County residents received one-on-one education from woodlot visits, telephone calls, and email correspondence.

At least 935 county residents participated in many educational events: emerald ash borer educational workshops, geospatial technology training (GIS), N.H. Maple, N.H. Land Trust Coalition work, Speaking for Wildlife talks, Stewardship Network, Forest Health workshops, and forest management services. This year's educational offerings were augmented by virtual meetings and webinars to comply the COVID-19 restrictions and these virtual events will continue next year. Volunteers from the N.H. Coverts project and the Natural Resource Stewards program contributed nearly 3,100 hours conserving and managing natural resources in Merrimack County.

Community and Economic Development (CED)

The CED team provides programming and technical assistance to communities, businesses, and nonprofit organizations around New Hampshire. The CED team's work focuses on revitalizing main streets, retaining and growing local businesses, supporting entrepreneurs and innovators, improving quality of life, and leveraging tourism and the recreation economy. Central to the CED team's work is engaging individuals from throughout the community in developing a vision, designing an approach, and moving to action.

The CED team had a busy 2020 in Merrimack County. They played a key role revitalizing a portion of the former Beede Electric Building in Penacook and launching an 8,500 sq. ft. makerspace and shared workspace to increase entrepreneurship and innovation in the region. They worked with Northfield to launch the Foothills Foundation, an organization that plans to make the area a hub for mountain biking and recreation through collaboration, promotion, and trail building. They spearheaded a range of events to increase entrepreneurship and spur business growth, including 1 Million Cups Central NH, Twin State Innovation, the Community Changemaker Challenge, and the Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities Conference.

4-H/Youth & Family

4-H is the youth educational program of the University of New Hampshire and Cooperative Extension. 4-H partners caring adults with youth between the ages of 5-18 who then engage in hands on educational opportunities. These members are involved in project areas based around agri-science, healthy living, and civic engagement. Currently Merrimack County has close to 300 adults and youth involved in our county 4-H program and extension supports and recognizes these volunteers and youth in their efforts and accomplishments.

Members in 4-H take their learned project areas and then participate in county and state communication events, as well as fairs, where they demonstrate what they have learned. Members also have opportunities to grow further as they attend regional events where they take on larger leadership roles. 4-H members are also involved in many service learning projects, as we demonstrate, and require youth to give back to their communities. With the support of caring adults and the university, 4-H youth development programs provide opportunities to enable youth to develop life skills they need to become caring and contributing citizens. In 4-H, we aim to strengthen, nurture, and build confident independent young people. In 4-H we grow true leaders, so that one day they can go forward to positively make a difference in the world around them.

Nutrition Connections

Nutrition Connections is a no-cost, hands-on nutrition education program that provides limited-resource families the knowledge and skills they need for better health. Despite the effects of COVID-19 in Merrimack County, 42 adults received nutrition education either in a series or a single session. Nutrition Connections also reached 232 children in local schools and Head Starts and an additional 127 in a local

park and rec program. Two school districts received assistance with their school wellness committees and assistance with updating and implementing their local school wellness policies. Three schools continued implementing changes they learned from the Smarter Lunchroom Movement, a program that provides schools with the knowledge, motivation, and resources needed to build a lunchroom environment that makes healthy food choices the easy choice. Because the senior audience could not be reached during COVID-19, a senior newsletter was created and sent to five senior agencies and senior housing complexes. Nutrition Connections worked with three food pantries by providing resources such as recipes, taste testing, and food demos. All these programs help participants make healthier food choices.

Youth & Family Resiliency

Melissa Lee, field specialist and certified prevention specialist, provides information, programs and training grounded in research to help young people and their families succeed and thrive, such as Youth Mental Health First Aid Training and community coalition development. Melissa is working collaboratively with schools and public health partners to increase prevention and early intervention for mental health and wellness and substance misuse in communities.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the 14 community members from all over Merrimack County who served on our Advisory Council during the past year:

Larry Ballin, New London
Mindy Beltramo, Canterbury
Lorrie Carey, Boscawen
Janine Condi, Penacook
Ayi D’Almeida, Concord
Elaine Forst, Pittsfield

Ken Koerber, Dunbarton
Josh Marshall, Boscawen
Tim Meeh & Jill McCullough, Canterbury
Page Poole, Canterbury
Chuck & Diane Souther, Concord
State Rep. Werner Horn, Franklin

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**Resident Birth Report
01-01-2020 through 12-31-2020**

Child Name	Birth Date	Father/Partner Name	Mother Name
Kearney, Mira Nieve	02/11/2020	Kearney, William	Kearney, Siobhan
Cushman, Holly Fairbanks	02/17/2020	Cushman, Steven	Cushman, Kelby
Hernick, Eli Dean	03/10/2020	Hernick, Christopher	Hernick, Hannah
Schultz, Wesley Kaelin	03/22/2020	Schultz, Kelly	Schultz, Stacey
Stevener, Leah Alyson	04/16/2020	Stevener, Sean	Stevener, Haiging
Kathan, William Oliver	05/02/2020	Kathan, Andrew	Kathan, Stefanie
Robart, Charlie Thomas	07/11/2020	Robart, Nicholas	Robart, Leah
Turner, Levi Sawyer	07/15/2020	Turner Jr, Edgar	Turner, Jessica
Richard, Alexis Lynn	07/20/2020	Richard, Nicolas	Richard, Krystal
Richard, Audrey Noah	07/20/2020	Richard, Nicolas	Richard, Krystal
Roux, Olivia Anne	09/23/2020	Roux, Colin	Roux, Lianne
Laustsen, Mable Eve	10/07/2020	Laustsen, Steven	Calvino, Amy
Russell, Ryder Colby	10/25/2020	Russell, Jonathan	Partridge, Danielle

**Resident Marriage Report
01-01-2020 through 12-31-2020**

Person A Name/Residence	Person B Name/Residence	Date of Marriage
Willard, Michael D Newbury, NH	Ye, Chengying Waltham, MA	05/20/2020
Roudabush Jr, Aaron P Newbury, NH	MacNutt, Victoria J Newbury, NH	05/29/2020
Kasregis, David B Newbury, NH	Cobb, Sara B Warner, NH	06/13/2020
Zanderigo, Matthew J Newbury, NH	Morse, Alicia L Newbury, NH	10/08/2020
Nash, Christopher A Newbury, NH	Santti, Katie M Newbury, NH	11/29/2020

**Resident Death Report
01-01-2020 through 12-31-2020**

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Thibodeau Sr, David Joseph	02/21/2020	Thibodeau, Edward	Mallett, Rita
Keegan, Colin Francis	02/25/2020	Keegan, William	Newschaffer, Cordelia
Theriault Jr, George French	04/27/2020	Theriault, George	Speight, Ray
Digilio, Josephine	05/14/2020	Nocito, Vincent	Guchin, Nancy
Frankauski Jr, John J	05/21/2020	Frankauski Sr, John	Kita, Genevieve
Chambers, Patricia B	05/27/2020	Blake, Henry	Gillingham, Martha
Dunlop, Robert A	07/06/2020	Dunlop, James	Ringman, Signa
Carruth, William E	08/19/2020	Carruth, Elliott	Hawke, Inid
Hayes, Sean C	09/20/2020	Hayes, Harry	O'Keefe, Karen
Thomas, Helga	09/20/2020	Ott, Johan	Streicher, Dora
Wegner, Dieter S	10/07/2020	Wegner, Walter	Fenske, Erika
Scarpa, Guy Rodney	11/10/2020	Scarpa, Michael	Oros, Mary

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To the Board of Selectmen Town of Newbury, Newbury, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Newbury as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards (and, if applicable, *Government Auditing Standards* and the Uniform Guidance), as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our engagement letter to you dated December 31, 2019. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Findings

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by Town of Newbury are described in the Notes to the financial statements. We noted no transactions entered into by the governmental unit during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management’s knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimates affecting the Town of Newbury’s Statement of Net Position financial statements (related footnote) were:

Actuarial Valuation of Post-Employment Benefits under GASB 75.

Proportionate Share of NHRS Medical Subsidy OPEB Liability.

Proportionate Share of NHRS Net Pension Liability.

Management’s estimate of the valuation of OPEBs is based on an actuarial valuation. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the valuation in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole. The estimate of the proportionate share of net pension liability and the proportionate share of the Medical Subsidy OPEB Liability of the NHRS is based on the Town’s current percentage of contributions to the system.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to each opinion unit's financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated as of the report date and updated if applicable.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the governmental unit's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Selectmen and management of the Town of Newbury and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,
Roberge and Co., P.C.
ROBERGE & COMPANY, P.C.
Franklin, New Hampshire
June 16, 2020

TOWN OF NEWBURY
Newbury, New Hampshire

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2019

and

Independent Auditor's Report

TOWN OF NEWBURY

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Newbury
Newbury, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Newbury as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Newbury, as of December 31, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, schedule of changes in total OPEB liability, schedules of proportionate share and contributions of the NHRS net OPEB liability, and schedules of proportionate share and contributions of the net pension liability as listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Newbury's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining nonmajor fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Roberge and Co., P.C.

ROBERGE & COMPANY, P.C.

Franklin, New Hampshire
June 16, 2020

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Town of Newbury
December 31, 2019

The Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator, as "management" of the Town of Newbury (the "Town"), a local municipality located in the County of Merrimack, New Hampshire, submits this section of the Town's annual financial report in order to present our discussion and analysis of the Town's financial performance during the year ended December 31, 2019. Our discussion and analysis is in accordance with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34 (GASB 34). Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements, which follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Town's total combined net position increased by \$25,736 or 0.22% between December 31, 2018 and 2019.
- The Town's total combined net position amounted to \$11,734,006 at December 31, 2019. Net position consisted of \$9,379,089 net investment in capital assets; \$596,492 restricted for nonmajor funds for purposes of each established fund; and an unrestricted net position of \$1,758,425.
- The Town has a \$2,441,581 liability for long-term obligations. This does not mean that the Town has this entire payment requirement for next year; rather, only \$77,555 of these obligations is due to be paid during the year ended December 31, 2020.
- The Town's long-term liabilities, consisting of general obligation bonds and notes, compensated absence obligations, other postemployment obligations, and net pension liability increased by a net (additions less reductions) \$99,413 during the year ended December 31, 2019. The net decrease consisted of \$182,093 in additions to the long-term liabilities and \$82,680 in current year reductions.
- During the year, the Town's expenses were \$25,736 less than the \$4,723,264 in revenues generated for charges for services, operating grants and contributions and general revenues (consisting of property taxes and local, state and federal grants and contributions not restricted to specific purposes).

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Town of Newbury
December 31, 2019

CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS OF THE TOWN AS A WHOLE Net position

Exhibit B-1 shows the composition of the Town's total combined net position, which increased between December 31, 2018 and 2019 by \$25,736 or 0.22% to \$11,734,006.

Exhibit B-1 NET POSITION

	Governmental Activities		
	2018	2019	Change
Assets	(as restated)		
Current and other assets	\$ 6,223,958	\$ 6,817,821	\$ 593,863
Noncurrent assets	<u>11,027,104</u>	<u>10,502,509</u>	<u>(524,595)</u>
Total assets	17,251,062	17,320,330	69,268
Deferred Outflows of Resources			
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>113,017</u>	<u>197,327</u>	<u>84,310</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	113,017	197,327	84,310
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	3,188,311	3,261,700	73,389
Noncurrent liabilities	<u>2,266,259</u>	<u>2,364,026</u>	<u>97,767</u>
Total liabilities	5,454,570	5,625,726	171,156
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>201,239</u>	<u>157,925</u>	<u>(43,314)</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	201,239	157,925	(43,314)
Net Position			
Net investment in capital assets	9,827,775	9,379,089	(448,686)
Restricted	536,677	596,492	59,815
Unrestricted	<u>1,343,818</u>	<u>1,758,425</u>	<u>414,607</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 11,708,270</u>	<u>\$ 11,734,006</u>	<u>\$ 25,736</u>

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**Town of Newbury
December 31, 2019**

A portion of the net position is either invested in capital assets or restricted as to the purposes they can be used for.

- The Town's investment in capital assets (land and land improvements, construction in progress, buildings, furniture and equipment and infrastructure, net of accumulated depreciation), net of related debt, is the largest component of the total combined net position.
- Restricted net position represents capital project, capital reserves and specific fund net asset amounts that are not available for discretionary spending.

Unrestricted net position is \$1,758,425; it is the result of having assets and deferred outflows of resources that are more than liabilities and deferred inflows of resources.

Change in Net position

The Town's total revenues were \$4,723,264 while total expenses were \$4,697,528 resulting in an increase in net position of \$25,736.

Exhibit B-2 shows that a significant portion of the Town's total revenues came from the following general revenue sources; 64.23% from property taxes, 13.27% from local sources and unrestricted fees and, 2.70% from State of New Hampshire source intergovernmental revenues primarily derived from state aid programs. Program revenues directly associated with a specific department accounted for the following percentages of total revenues, charges for services provided 11.60% of total revenues while operating grants and contributions provided 2.76% of total revenues.

Exhibit B-2 SOURCES OF TOWN REVENUES

Governmental Activities

	2018		2019		Change	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
Program Revenues						
Charges for services	579,091	13.26%	547,955	11.60%	(31,136)	-5.38%
Operating grants and contributions	133,696	3.06%	130,579	2.76%	(3,117)	-2.33%
General Revenues						
Property taxes	2,828,722	64.79%	3,033,901	64.23%	205,179	7.25%
Local sources	571,231	13.08%	626,775	13.27%	55,544	9.72%
State of New Hampshire sources	110,679	2.54%	127,330	2.70%	16,651	15.04%
Other sources	142,456	3.26%	256,724	5.44%	114,268	80.21%
	\$ 4,365,875	100.00%	\$ 4,723,264	100.00%	\$ 357,389	8.19%

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**Town of Newbury
December 31, 2019**

Exhibit B-3 shows that 25.02% of the Town's total expenses were for general government, public safety expenses accounted for 18.43% of total expenses, while 19.45% were for maintenance of highways and streets and 9.65% were for sanitation expenses.

Exhibit B-3 TOWN EXPENSES

Governmental Activities

	2018		2019		Change	
Functions / Programs						
General government	\$ 1,130,997	24.08%	\$ 1,175,347	25.02%	\$ 44,350	3.92%
Public safety	815,737	17.37%	865,896	18.43%	50,159	6.15%
Highways and streets	951,256	20.25%	913,819	19.45%	(37,437)	-3.94%
Sanitation	434,158	9.24%	453,298	9.65%	19,140	4.41%
Health	68,752	1.46%	70,317	1.50%	1,565	2.28%
Welfare	9,380	0.20%	11,207	0.24%	1,827	19.48%
Culture and recreation	362,488	7.72%	353,081	7.52%	(9,407)	-2.60%
Conservation	5,218	0.11%	4,535	0.10%	(683)	-13.09%
Debt service	35,107	0.75%	33,050	0.70%	(2,057)	-5.86%
Capital outlay	225,525	4.80%	145,344	3.09%	(80,181)	-35.55%
Payments to other governments	2,631	0.06%	2,458	0.05%	(173)	-6.58%
Other financing uses	(11,301)	-0.24%	47,300	1.01%	58,601	-518.55%
Unallocated						
Depreciation	659,931	14.05%	621,876	13.24%	(38,055)	-5.77%
	\$ 4,689,879	99.84%	\$ 4,697,528	100.00%	\$ 7,649	0.16%

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Governmental Activities

Exhibit B-4 presents the net cost of the Town's largest functions based upon the total expense, less charges for services and operating grants and contributions, of each function. The net cost reflects the amount that was funded by general revenues (principally property taxes and general state aid).

Exhibit B-4 TOTAL AND NET COST OF SERVICES

	2018		2019	
	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services	Total Cost of Services	Net Cost of Services
Functions / Programs				
General government	\$ 1,130,997	\$ 892,013	\$ 1,175,347	\$ 960,246
Public safety	815,737	806,855	865,896	857,471
Highways and streets	951,256	831,019	913,819	791,921
Sanitation	434,158	111,455	453,298	145,429
Health	68,752	68,752	70,317	70,317
Welfare	9,380	9,380	11,207	11,207
Culture and recreation	362,488	340,507	353,081	327,840
Conservation	5,218	5,218	4,535	4,535
Debt Service	35,107	35,107	33,050	33,050
Capital outlay	225,525	225,525	145,344	145,344
Payments to other governments	2,631	2,631	2,458	2,458
Other financing uses/nonoperating expenses	(11,301)	(11,301)	47,300	47,300
Unallocated				
Depreciation	659,931	659,931	621,876	621,876
	\$ 4,689,879	\$ 3,977,092	\$ 4,697,528	\$ 4,018,994

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The total cost of all governmental activities this year was \$4,697,528; the total net cost was \$4,018,994. The primary financing for these activities of the Town was as follows:

Taxes

- The amount that was paid by taxpayers was \$2,887,019 from property taxes, \$64,167 from land use change taxes, \$8,029 from yield taxes, \$232 from excavation taxes, and \$8,327 from other taxes.
- Interest collected on delinquent taxes was \$48,337, while abatements charged against current year taxes were \$10,707.

Local Sources

- Motor vehicle permit fees amounted to \$584,299.
- Other miscellaneous permits and fees amounted to \$42,476.

State Sources

- Meals and rental tax distributions were received in the amount of \$110,527.
- Shared revenue was received in the amount of \$16,803.

Miscellaneous Revenues

- Sale of municipal property in the amount of \$4,010.
- Earnings on investments amounted to \$163,166.
- Other miscellaneous sources were received in the amount of \$53,023.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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ANALYSIS OF BALANCES AND TRANSACTIONS OF THE TOWN'S INDIVIDUAL FUNDS

General Fund

The general fund balance increased \$441,588 during the year from a surplus balance of \$2,595,596 at December 31, 2018 to a \$3,037,184 balance at December 31, 2019. The December 31, 2019 fund balance consisted of \$15,000 of non-spendable prepaid expenses; \$1,899,657 committed for capital reserves and \$11,050 committed by voters at town meeting; \$109,755 assigned for encumbrances and an unassigned fund balance in the amount of \$1,001,722.

Committed expendable maintenance and capital reserve funds (established by voters at an annual Town meeting as trust funds in accordance with statutory requirements) are combined with the general fund in the basic financial statements. The capital reserve fund balances were \$1,899,657 at December 31, 2019. In accordance with statutory requirements they are held by the Trustees of Trust Funds and are only released for the restricted specific purposes of the individual funds.

Nonmajor Governmental Funds

Library Fund

The library fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The library fund is used to account for contributions and donations managed by the Library Trustees.

Blodgett Sewer Fund

The sewer fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The sewer fund balance increased \$21,011 during the year from a surplus balance of \$201,796 at December 31, 2018 to a balance of \$222,807 at December 31, 2019.

Recreation Revolving Fund

The recreation revolving fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The recreation fund was created by town meeting to account for program activities. The fund had a balance of \$4,882 at December 31, 2019.

Conservation Fund

The conservation fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The conservation fund is financed from a portion of the land use change tax collections during the year. The conservation fund had a fund balance of \$186,016 at December 31, 2019.

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Beautification Committee Fund

The beautification fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The beautification fund is financed through local donations. The beautification fund had a fund balance of \$22,260 at December 31, 2019.

Poetry Path Fund

The poetry path fund is classified as a special revenue fund and is aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The poetry path fund is used to account for donations. The fund had a fund balance of \$475 at December 31, 2019.

Common Trust Funds

The common trust funds are classified as permanent funds and are aggregated in the category nonmajor governmental funds in the basic financial statements. The common trust funds balance at December 31, 2019 is comprised of \$131,076 of nonspendable endowments and \$23,545 of restricted fund balance for its intended purpose.

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GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

For the year ended December 31, 2019 the Town did not revise its statutory budgetary line items; rather, the Town's budgetary control was managed on an aggregate total budget-to-actual basis; total estimated revenues and appropriations versus actual revenues and expenditures.

Final Versus Original Budget Comparison

The original and final budget amounts varied by \$98,445 as a result of encumbrances carried forward from the prior year.

Actual Versus Final Budget Comparison

The amounts of actual inflows (resources) and outflows (charges to appropriations) varied from the final budget for the following significant items:

- Actual inflows (resources) were less than the budgetary revenue estimates by \$153,996.
- Actual total outflows (expenditures or charges to appropriations) were less than the budgeted total appropriation by \$503,267. Capital outlays were under expended in the amount of \$359,297.

None of the budgetary variances are expected to have an effect on future cash flows.

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CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At December 31, 2019, the Town had invested \$10,502,509 (\$28,826,903 at cost or estimated cost less accumulated depreciation of \$18,324,394) in a broad range of capital assets, including land and land improvements, infrastructure, buildings, vehicles and furniture and equipment as summarized in Exhibit C-1.

This amount represents a net decrease of 4.76% from the prior year. This year major additions are also summarized in Exhibit C-1.

Exhibit C-1 NET CAPITAL ASSETS AND MAJOR ADDITIONS

	Governmental Activities		
Net Capital Assets	2018	2019	Change
Land and improvements	\$ 6,607,356	\$ 6,614,851	0.11%
Construction in progress	8,229	8,229	0.00%
Infrastructure	14,239,452	14,239,452	0.00%
Buildings	3,650,372	3,697,333	1.29%
Vehicles	2,202,126	2,198,510	-0.16%
Machinery and equipment	1,901,985	1,904,456	0.13%
Technology equipment	164,072	164,072	0.00%
Capital assets, at cost	28,773,592	28,826,903	0.19%
Accumulated depreciation	(17,746,488)	(18,324,394)	-3.26%
Capital assets, net	\$ 11,027,104	\$ 10,502,509	-4.76%
Increase in Capital Assets, Net		\$ (524,595)	
Changes			
Land and improvement additions		\$ 7,495	
Building additions		46,961	
Vehicle purchases		39,175	
Machinery and equipment additions		3,650	
Depreciation		(621,876)	
		\$ (524,595)	

More detailed information about the Town's capital assets is presented in the notes to the basic financial statements.

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Debt

At December 31, 2019, the Town had \$2,364,026 of net long-term obligations (\$2,441,581 in total obligations less the current portion of \$77,555) as summarized in Exhibit C-2.

This amount represents a net increase of 4.31% over the prior year.

Exhibit C-2 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Long-Term Liabilities	Governmental Activities		
	2018	2019	Change
	(as restated)		
General obligation bonds	\$ 1,199,329	\$ 1,123,420	-6.33%
Compensated absences	159,540	159,938	0.25%
OPEB obligations	332,424	366,091	10.13%
Net pension liability	650,875	792,132	21.70%
	2,342,168	2,441,581	4.24%
Less current portion	(75,909)	(77,555)	-2.17%
	\$ 2,266,259	\$ 2,364,026	4.31%
Net Change		\$ 97,767	
Changes			
Principal payment on general obligation debt		\$ (75,909)	
Change in compensated absences		398	
Change in OPEB obligations		33,667	
Change in net pension liability		141,257	
Change in current portion		(1,646)	
		\$ 97,767	

State law (RSA 195:6II) limits the amount of general obligation debt that the Town may incur at any one time to 1.75% of the locally assessed valuation as equalized by the Commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration. At December 31, 2019, the Town was significantly below its legal debt limit of approximately \$13,166,101.

More detailed information about the Town's long-term liabilities is presented in the notes to the basic financial statements.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The Town Administrator, Department Heads and the Selectmen considered many factors when submitting the 2020 budget to the municipal Budget Committee and the town voters.

These considerations included the following:

1. Local revenues are showing increases notably they include motor vehicle registrations, Land Use Change Taxes and building permits.
2. The Select board's/Budget Committee's desire to keep the tax rate level and stable.
3. An appropriation of \$3,750,000 for a new Fire Station. The funding for the new station will come from a 20year Bond.
4. An Appropriation of \$200,000 for design costs for a proposed new addition.
5. An Appropriation of \$180,000 for a New 6wheel Dump Truck equipped with a Plow and Sander.
6. An Appropriation of \$39,500 for a new AWD Dodge Durango Pursuit police vehicle.
7. The town continues to fund its capital reserves/expandable trust funds in the same manner as we have in the past.

CONTACTING THE TOWN'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Town's finances and to show the Town's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Town Administrator.

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Statement of Net Position December 31, 2019

	<u>Primary Government Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,690,325
Investments	2,311,022
Receivables, net	746,448
Due from other governments	55,026
Deposit	15,000
Capital assets:	
Land, improvements, and construction in progress	1,848,843
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>8,653,666</u>
Total assets	<u>17,320,330</u>
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	184,286
Deferred outflows of resources related to other post employment benefits	<u>13,041</u>
Total deferred outflows of resources	<u>197,327</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	72,559
Accrued expenses	875
Due to other governments	3,110,711
Current portion long term debt	77,555
Notes payable	1,045,865
Compensated absences	159,938
OPEB Obligation	366,091
Net pension liability	<u>792,132</u>
Total liabilities	<u>5,625,726</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	108,187
Deferred inflows of resources related to other post employment benefits	<u>49,738</u>
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>157,925</u>
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	9,379,089
Restricted for:	
Nonmajor funds and other purposes	596,492
Unrestricted	<u>1,758,425</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 11,734,006</u>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Statement of Activities Year Ended December 31, 2019

Functions / Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense)
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Revenue and
				Changes in Net Position
				Primary Governmental Activities
Governmental activities:				
General government	\$ 1,175,347	\$ 215,101	\$ -	\$ (960,246)
Public safety	865,896	8,425	-	(857,471)
Highways and streets	913,819	-	121,898	(791,921)
Sanitation	453,298	307,869	-	(145,429)
Health	70,317	-	-	(70,317)
Welfare	11,207	-	-	(11,207)
Culture and recreation	353,081	16,560	8,681	(327,840)
Conservation	4,535	-	-	(4,535)
Debt service	33,050	-	-	(33,050)
Capital outlay	145,344	-	-	(145,344)
Payments to other governments	2,458	-	-	(2,458)
Other financing uses	47,300	-	-	(47,300)
Depreciation (unallocated)	621,876	-	-	(621,876)
Total governmental activities	<u>4,697,528</u>	<u>547,955</u>	<u>130,579</u>	<u>(4,018,994)</u>
General revenues:				
Taxes				\$ 3,033,901
Charges, grants, and contributions not restricted to specific purposes:				
Licenses, permits and fees				626,775
State of NH sources				127,330
Charges for services				36,525
Miscellaneous revenues				220,199
Total general revenues				<u>4,044,730</u>
Change in net position				25,736
Net position - beginning (as restated)				<u>11,708,270</u>
Net position - ending				<u>\$ 11,734,006</u>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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**Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2019**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,663,730	\$ 26,595	\$ 3,690,325
Investments	1,901,008	410,014	2,311,022
Property taxes receivable	532,476	-	532,476
Property held for resale	8,276	-	8,276
Timber taxes receivable	2,972	-	2,972
Tax liens receivable	148,579	-	148,579
Accounts receivable	36,757	17,388	54,145
Due from other governments	55,026	-	55,026
Due from other funds	-	158,777	158,777
Prepays	15,000	-	15,000
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,363,824</u>	<u>\$ 612,774</u>	<u>\$ 6,976,598</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 72,559	\$ -	\$ 72,559
Accrued expenses	875	-	875
Due to other governments	3,110,711	-	3,110,711
Due to other funds	142,495	16,282	158,777
Total liabilities	<u>3,326,640</u>	<u>16,282</u>	<u>3,342,922</u>
Fund balances:			
Nonspendable	15,000	131,076	146,076
Restricted	-	465,416	465,416
Committed	1,910,707	-	1,910,707
Assigned	109,755	-	109,755
Unassigned	1,001,722	-	1,001,722
Total fund balances	<u>3,037,184</u>	<u>596,492</u>	<u>3,633,676</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 6,363,824</u>	<u>\$ 612,774</u>	<u>\$ 6,976,598</u>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF NEWBURY

Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position December 31, 2019

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds \$ 3,633,676

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets used in the governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds.

Cost	\$ 28,826,903	
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(18,324,394)</u>	10,502,509

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:

Bonds payable	(1,123,420)	
Compensated absences	(159,938)	
OPEB obligations	(366,091)	
Net pension liability	<u>(792,132)</u>	(2,441,581)

Deferred inflows and outflows of resources are not current financial sources and uses and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.

Deferred inflows of resources	(157,925)	
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>197,327</u>	<u>39,402</u>

Total Net Position - Governmental Activities \$ 11,734,006

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF NEWBURY

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds Year Ended December 31, 2019

	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 3,001,817	\$ 32,084	\$ 3,033,901
Licenses, permits and fees	626,775	-	626,775
State of NH sources	458,953	-	458,953
Charges for services	80,605	302,831	383,436
Miscellaneous revenues	17,832	39,201	57,033
Investment income	154,594	8,572	163,166
Total revenues	<u>4,340,576</u>	<u>382,688</u>	<u>4,723,264</u>
Expenditures			
General government	1,183,723	-	1,183,723
Public safety	910,961	-	910,961
Highways and streets	923,042	-	923,042
Sanitation	290,567	157,775	448,342
Health	70,317	-	70,317
Welfare	11,207	-	11,207
Culture and recreation	319,931	33,150	353,081
Conservation	4,535	-	4,535
Debt service:			
Principal	-	75,909	75,909
Interest	-	33,050	33,050
Capital outlay	184,519	-	184,519
Payments to other governments	2,458	-	2,458
Total expenditures	<u>3,901,260</u>	<u>299,884</u>	<u>4,201,144</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	439,316	82,804	522,120
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Transfers in	2,272	-	2,272
Transfers out	-	(2,272)	(2,272)
Net change in fund balances	441,588	80,532	522,120
Fund balances - beginning of year	<u>2,595,596</u>	<u>515,960</u>	<u>3,111,556</u>
Fund balances - end of year	<u>\$ 3,037,184</u>	<u>\$ 596,492</u>	<u>\$ 3,633,676</u>

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

TOWN OF NEWBURY

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities Year Ended December 31, 2019

Total Net Change in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds \$ 522,120

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.

Capital outlays	\$ 97,281	
Depreciation expense	<u>(621,876)</u>	(524,595)

Repayment of bond and capital lease principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.

Principal on bonds		75,909
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In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used.

Compensated absences (increase) decrease		(398)
OPEB obligation (increase) decrease		(33,667)
Net pension liability (increase) decrease		(141,257)

The change in deferred inflows and outflows from the *Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer* related to the New Hampshire Retirement System Cost-Sharing Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plan are reported against pension expense in the governmental activities.

Deferred inflows (increase) decrease	43,314	
Deferred outflows increase (decrease)	<u>84,310</u>	<u>127,624</u>

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 25,736

The accompanying notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Notes to Basic Financial Statements December 31, 2019

Investments made by the Town as of December 31, 2019 are summarized below:

	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Rating Agencies</u>
Equities	\$ 92,711	na	
Money market funds	431,410	na	
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	256,743	na	
Fixed income mutual funds	<u>1,549,492</u>	na	
	<u>\$ 2,330,356</u>		

Concentration of Credit Risk

The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits the amount the Town may invest in any one issuer. Investments of 5% or more of the Town's investments are as follows:

		<u>%</u>
Equities	\$ 92,711	4%
Money market funds	431,410	19%
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool	256,743	11%
Fixed income mutual funds	<u>1,549,492</u>	<u>66%</u>
	<u>\$ 2,330,356</u>	<u>100%</u>

Interest Rate Risk

The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Town's deposits may not be returned to it. The Town does not have a policy for custodial credit risk on deposits. As of December 31, 2019, \$255,741 of the Town's bank balance was covered by FDIC insurance, and \$3,467,722 was collateralized by a repurchase agreement with a local bank.

For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Of the Town's \$2,330,356 in various investments, \$0 is held by the investment's counterparty, not in the name of the Town.

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Notes to Basic Financial Statements
December 31, 2019

NOTE 4 - INTERFUND BALANCES AND TRANSFERS

Balances

Individual interfund balances at December 31, 2019 consisted of the following:

	<u>Due From</u>	<u>Due To</u>
Major Funds:		
General fund	\$ -	\$ 142,495
Nonmajor Funds:		
Blodgett sewer special revenue	136,042	-
Recreation revolving	-	16,282
Beautification committee	22,260	-
Poetry Path	475	-
	<u>\$ 158,777</u>	<u>\$ 158,777</u>

The general fund net payable is the result of the use of a pooled cash account maintained by the general fund to account for cash receipts and cash disbursements on behalf of all other funds.

Transfers

Individual interfund transfers for the year ended December 31, 2019 consisted of the following:

	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>
Major Funds:		
General fund	\$ 2,272	\$ -
Nonmajor Funds:		
Common trust funds	-	2,272
	<u>\$ 2,272</u>	<u>\$ 2,272</u>

The Town makes routine transfers during the year between the general fund and other funds based upon statutory or budgetary authorization. Transfers from the common trust funds are for cemetery perpetual care costs paid by the general fund and reimbursed from the trust funds.

TOWN OF NEWBURY

Notes to Basic Financial Statements
December 31, 2019

NOTE 5 - INTERGOVERNMENTAL RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

Intergovernmental Receivables

Intergovernmental receivables at December 31, 2019 were as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>
Local Governments	
Town of New London	\$ 25,464
Town of Sunapee	29,127
Federal / State Government	
Pass-through grants and other	435
	<u>\$ 55,026</u>

Intergovernmental Payables

Intergovernmental payables at December 31, 2019 consisted of the following:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Agency Funds</u>
Local Governments		
Lake Todd Water District	\$ -	\$ 19,334
Kearsarge Regional School District	3,110,711	-
Federal / State Government		
New Hampshire	-	-
	<u>\$ 3,110,711</u>	<u>\$ 19,334</u>

TOWN OF NEWBURY

Notes to Basic Financial Statements December 31, 2019

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the Town for the year ended December 31, 2019 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Disposals	Ending Balance
Governmental Activities (at cost)				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land and improvements	\$ 1,840,614	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,840,614
Construction in progress	8,229	-	-	8,229
	<u>1,848,843</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,848,843</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Land improvements	4,766,742	7,495	-	4,774,237
Infrastructure	14,239,452	-	-	14,239,452
Buildings	3,650,372	46,961	-	3,697,333
Vehicles	2,202,126	39,175	42,791	2,198,510
Machinery and equipment	1,901,985	3,650	1,179	1,904,456
Technology equipment	164,072	-	-	164,072
	<u>26,924,749</u>	<u>97,281</u>	<u>43,970</u>	<u>26,978,060</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Land improvements	1,239,728	163,792	-	1,403,520
Infrastructure	10,916,901	127,754	-	11,044,655
Buildings	2,150,518	119,075	-	2,269,593
Vehicles	1,401,528	143,456	42,791	1,502,193
Machinery and equipment	1,876,085	63,318	1,179	1,938,224
Technology equipment	161,728	4,481	-	166,209
Accumulated depreciation	<u>17,746,488</u>	<u>621,876</u>	<u>43,970</u>	<u>18,324,394</u>
Capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>9,178,261</u>	<u>(524,595)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,653,666</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, Net of accumulated depreciation	<u>\$ 11,027,104</u>	<u>\$ (524,595)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 10,502,509</u>

Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2019 (unallocated) \$ 621,876

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NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The Town can issue general obligation debt instruments to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital equipment, infrastructure and other facilities. General obligation debt instruments are "direct government obligations" and consequently are a pledge of the full faith and credit of the Town. The Town may be obligated under certain leases accounted for as capital leases, if applicable. The leased assets are accounted for as capital assets and capital lease liabilities in the government-wide financial statements. In the governmental fund financial statements, leases are recorded as an expenditure and other financing source in the year executed; annual lease payments are recorded as expenditures when paid. Other long-term obligations include compensated absences and early retirement obligations.

A summary of long-term liabilities outstanding at December 31, 2019 is as follows:

	General Obligation Debt	Compensated Absences	OPEB Obligations	Net Pension Liability	Total
			(as restated)		
Beginning balance	\$ 1,199,329	\$ 159,540	\$ 332,424	\$ 650,875	\$ 2,342,168
Additions	-	398	40,438	141,257	182,093
Reductions	(75,909)	-	(6,771)	-	(82,680)
Ending balance	<u>1,123,420</u>	<u>159,938</u>	<u>366,091</u>	<u>792,132</u>	<u>2,441,581</u>
Current portion	77,555	-	-	-	77,555
Noncurrent portion	<u>1,045,865</u>	<u>159,938</u>	<u>366,091</u>	<u>792,132</u>	<u>2,364,026</u>
	<u>\$ 1,123,420</u>	<u>\$ 159,938</u>	<u>\$ 366,091</u>	<u>\$ 792,132</u>	<u>\$ 2,441,581</u>

Long-term liabilities outstanding at December 31, 2019 consisted of the following:

	Issue Year	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Original Amount of Issue	Balance Outstanding
<u>General Obligation Bonds</u>					
State Revolving Loan Proceeds	2010	0.86%	5/1/2031	\$ 1,315,860	\$ 954,123
Clean Water Revolving Loan	2011	0.952%	1/1/2030	307,807	<u>169,297</u>
					1,123,420
<u>Other Long-Term Obligations</u>					
Compensated absences					159,938
OPEB obligations					366,091
Net pension liability					<u>792,132</u>
					<u>1,318,161</u>
					<u>\$ 2,441,581</u>

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Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation debt are as follows:

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2020	\$ 77,555	\$ 27,564	\$ 105,119
2021	79,246	25,726	104,972
2022	80,982	23,843	104,825
2023	82,766	21,912	104,678
2024	84,599	19,934	104,533
2025 to 2029	452,279	68,186	520,465
2030 to 2032	265,993	13,901	279,894
	<u>\$ 1,123,420</u>	<u>\$ 201,066</u>	<u>\$ 1,324,486</u>

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NOTE 8 - PROPERTY TAXES

Property Tax Calendar

The Town is responsible for assessing, collecting and distributing property taxes in accordance with state legislation. The property tax year is from April 1 - March 31. Unpaid property taxes may be liened (following statutory notification and procedural guidelines) as soon as 30-days after the final bill (or installment) is due. Unpaid taxes are assessed interest at a rate of 8% up to the "lien date," at which time the rate increases to 18%. Two years from the execution of the real estate tax lien the Tax Collector may execute to the lienholder a "deed" of the property subject to the real estate tax lien and not redeemed (paid).

Revenue Recognition

The Town recognizes property tax revenues when they are levied (i.e., after a warrant for collection is committed to the Tax Collector by the Board of Selectmen). This is a GAAP departure (from *GASB Statement #1* generally, and specifically *NCGA Interpretation -3 "Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes"*). Under GAAP, certain disclosures are required of property tax revenues that are not received during the period, or within 60-days thereafter, that are recognized as receivables without a corresponding reserve. The Town believes that this application of GAAP to its property tax revenues would result in misleading financial statements since such GAAP application would reduce fund balance by the amount of uncollected property taxes; concurrent with a GAAP requirement to record an expenditure (and payable) for the amount due to the local education authority (such amount based solely on a share of the uncollected property taxes). This GAAP departure as applied to New Hampshire towns was addressed by the GASB in 1984. The GASB, in responding to an inquiry on this matter, provided justification for the departure from the 60-day rule due to the unique legislation in the State of New Hampshire regarding the Town's responsibility for (and expenditure recognition of) intergovernmental payments to the local education authority (school district). This justification has been reviewed and accepted by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration (which requires GAAP-based regulatory reporting) and has been established as a widely prevalent practice followed by most, New Hampshire towns.

Allocation of Property Tax Assessment

Total Property Tax Commitment	\$ 11,885,815	
		Rate Per
Property Tax Allocation:		<u>\$1,000</u>
Town Portion	\$ 2,966,525	\$ 3.94
Less: War Service Credit	(80,500)	
Local School Portion	5,225,543	6.95
State School Portion	1,516,222	2.03
County Portion	2,229,025	2.96
Village District Assessment	<u>29,000</u>	<u>1.74</u>
Total Allocation	\$ 11,885,815	\$ 17.62

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Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

	Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019	
OPEB Liability Beginning of Year	\$	236,710
Changes for the year:		
Service Cost		15,167
Interest		9,566
Assumption Changes		-
Differences Between Actual and Expected Experience		-
Change in Actuarial Cost Method		-
Benefit payments		(6,771)
OPEB Liability End of Year	\$	254,672

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate

The January 1, 2018 valuation was prepared using a discount rate of 4.10%. If the discount rate were 1% higher than what was used in this valuation, the Total OPEB Liability would decrease to \$229,613. If the discount rate were 1% lower than was used in this valuation, the total OPEB liability would increase to \$281,206.

	Discount Rate		
	1% Decrease	Baseline Rate	1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 281,206	\$ 254,672	\$ 229,613

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rate

The January 1, 2018 valuation was prepared using an initial trend rate of -10.50%. If the trend rate were 1% higher than what was used in this valuation, the Total OPEB Liability would increase to \$291,109. If the trend rate were 1% lower than was used in this valuation, the Total OPEB Liability would decrease to \$214,545.

	Healthcare Cost Trend Rates		
	1% Decrease	Baseline Rate	1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 214,545	\$ 254,672	\$ 291,109

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OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended December 31, 2019, the Town recognized an OPEB expense of \$11,395. At December 31, 2019, the Town reported deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Balance December 31, 2018	\$ 6,501	\$ 64,259
Amortization in current year	(1,502)	(14,840)
Changes in assumptions or other inputs	-	-
Balance December 31, 2019	<u>\$ 4,999</u>	<u>\$ 49,419</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

For the Year Ending June 30,	
2020	\$ (13,338)
2021	(13,338)
2022	(13,338)
2023	(4,406)
Total	<u>\$ (44,420)</u>

B. NEW HAMPSHIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM MEDICAL SUBSIDY OPEB PLAN

Plan description

In addition to the OPEB plan discussed in A, above, the Town participates in the New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS) Medical Subsidy. The NHRS administers a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment medical subsidy healthcare plan. For additional information, please refer to the system's website at www.nhrs.org.

Benefits

Benefit amounts and eligibility requirements are set by state law (RSA 100-A:52, RSA 100-A:52-a, and RSA 100-A:52-b) and members are designated in statute by type. The four membership types are Group I State Employees, Group I Political Subdivision Employees, Group I Teachers, and Group II Police and Firefighters. The Plan provides a medical insurance subsidy to qualified retired members. The medical insurance subsidy is a payment made by NHRS to the former employer or its insurance administrator toward the cost of health insurance for a qualified retiree, his/her qualified spouse, and his/her certified dependent children with a disability who are living in the household and being cared for by the retiree. Group I benefits are based on creditable service, age and retirement date. Group II benefits are based on hire date, age and creditable service. The OPEB plan is closed to new entrants. Participating employers are required by GASB No. 75 to recognize *their proportionate share* of the collective net OPEB liability, collective deferred outflows of resources, collective deferred inflows of resources, and collective OPEB expense of the Plan. The employer allocation is the ratio of each employer's contribution to the OPEB Plan's total employer contributions during the measurement period.

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Contributions

Funding for the Medical Subsidy comes from employer contributions. Employer contribution rates are set by the NHRS pursuant to RSA 100-A:16, and the biennial actuarial valuation.

Actuarial assumptions and other inputs

The Net OPEB liability in the actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases	5.60%
Wage Inflation	3.25%
Investment rate of return	7.25%

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2017 Healthy annuitant and employee generational mortality tables for males and females with credit ability adjustments, adjusted for fully generational mortality improvements using scale MP-2015 base on the last experience study.

Proportionate Share of NHRS Net OPEB Liability

The Town's proportionate share of the NHRS Medical Subsidy Net OPEB Liability as of the measurement date was \$111,419.

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended December 31, 2019, the Town recognized an OPEB expense of \$29,177. At December 31, 2019, the Town reported deferred inflows and outflows of resources related to the Net OPEB Liability from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Total exclusive of Employer Contribution
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 194	\$ (194)
Changes of assumptions	-	-	-
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	-	125	(125)
Changes in proportion and differences between Employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	2,194	-	2,194
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	5,848	-	NA
Total	<u>\$ 8,042</u>	<u>\$ 319</u>	<u>\$ 1,875</u>

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Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB benefits resulting from Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended December 31, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB liabilities will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

For the Year Ending December 31,	Deferred Outflows/(Inflows)
2020	\$ 1,627
2021	488
2022	(50)
2023	(190)
Total	<u>\$ 1,875</u>

Sensitivity of the NHRS Medical Subsidy Net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the Net OPEB Liability, calculated using the discount rate as well as what the Net OPEB Liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

	Discount Rate		
	1% Decrease	Baseline Rate	1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 120,851	\$ 111,419	\$ 103,223

C. CONSOLIDATED TOWN and NHRS OPEB LIABILITIES

The following consolidates the Town's total OPEB liability and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources, and the Town's proportionate share of the NHRS Medical Subsidy Net OPEB Liability and related deferred outflows/inflows of resources as of December 31, 2019.

	OPEB Liability	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	Total OPEB Expense
District OPEB Plan	\$ 254,672	\$ 4,999	\$ 49,419	\$ 11,395
NHRS Medical Subsidy OPEB Plan	111,419	8,042	319	29,177
Total	<u>\$ 366,091</u>	<u>\$ 13,041</u>	<u>\$ 49,738</u>	<u>\$ 40,572</u>

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NOTE 13 - FUND BALANCE COMPONENTS

The town's governmental fund balance components under GASB 54 are comprised of the following:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Nonspendable:			
Prepaid expenditures	\$ 15,000	-	\$ 15,000
Endowment principal - Common Trust Funds	-	131,076	131,076
Restricted:			
Library Fund	-	5,431	5,431
Blodgett Sewer Special Revenue	-	222,807	222,807
Recreation Revolving Fund	-	4,882	4,882
Conservation Fund	-	186,016	186,016
Beautification Committee	-	22,260	22,260
Poetry Path	-	475	475
Common Trust Funds	-	23,545	23,545
Committed:			
Capital reserves	1,899,657	-	1,899,657
Designated by town meeting	11,050	-	11,050
Assigned:			
Encumbrances	109,755	-	109,755
Unassigned:	<u>1,001,722</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,001,722</u>
	<u>\$ 3,037,184</u>	<u>\$ 596,492</u>	<u>\$ 3,633,676</u>

NOTE 14 - RESTATEMENT OF NET POSITION

Correction to the OPEB liability associated with the NHRS Medical Subsidy Plan recorded in accordance with GASB No. 75 resulted in the restatement of the government-wide net position as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Net position as of January 1, 2019	\$ 11,794,491
Change in Deferred outflows from recording of NHRS Medical Subsidy OPEB	9,797
Change in OPEB liability from recording of NHRS Medical Subsidy OPEB	(95,714)
Change in Deferred inflows from recording of NHRS Medical Subsidy OPEB	(304)
Net position as of January 1, 2019 - Restated	<u>\$ 11,708,270</u>

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund Year Ended December 31, 2019

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
Budgetary Fund Balance - Beginning	\$ 135,800	\$ 234,245	\$ 1,022,501	\$ 788,256
Resources (inflows):				
Taxes				
Property taxes	11,885,815	11,885,815	11,886,809	994
Taxes assessed for schools	(6,741,765)	(6,741,765)	(6,741,765)	-
Taxes assessed for county	(2,229,025)	(2,229,025)	(2,229,025)	-
Land use change taxes	25,000	25,000	32,083	7,083
Timber taxes	10,000	10,000	8,029	(1,971)
Payments in lieu of taxes	27,826	27,826	28,497	671
Other taxes	12,000	12,000	8,327	(3,673)
Interest and penalties on delinquent taxes	65,000	65,000	48,337	(16,663)
Excavation tax	500	500	232	(268)
Provision for overlay and abatements	(36,680)	(36,680)	(10,707)	25,973
Taxes assessed for precinct	(29,000)	(29,000)	(29,000)	-
Licenses, permits and fees				
Business licenses and permits	1,000	1,000	665	(335)
Motor vehicle permit fees	600,000	600,000	584,299	(15,701)
Building permits	30,000	30,000	30,543	543
Other licenses, permits and fees	25,000	25,000	11,268	(13,732)
State of NH sources				
Shared revenue block grant	16,802	16,802	16,803	1
Meals and rental tax distribution	110,528	110,528	110,527	(1)
Highway block grant	121,581	121,581	121,399	(182)
State and federal forest land reimbursement	500	500	499	(1)
Other governments	225,000	225,000	209,725	(15,275)
Charges for services				
Income from departments	80,000	80,000	80,605	605
Miscellaneous revenues				
Sale of municipal property	25,000	25,000	4,010	(20,990)
Interest on investments	50,000	50,000	59,692	9,692
Other miscellaneous sources	6,000	6,000	13,822	7,822
Interfund operating transfers in				
Capital reserve transfers recorded	200,000	200,000	79,140	(120,860)
Transfers from common trusts	-	-	2,272	2,272
Actual inflows (excluding fund balance)	<u>4,481,082</u>	<u>4,481,082</u>	<u>4,327,086</u>	<u>(153,996)</u>
Amounts available for appropriation	<u>\$ 4,616,882</u>	<u>\$ 4,715,327</u>	<u>\$ 5,349,587</u>	<u>\$ 634,260</u>

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund Year Ended December 31, 2019

	Original			
	Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance
Charges to appropriations (outflows):				
General government				
Executive	\$ 238,866	\$ 238,866	\$ 240,461	\$ (1,595)
Election and registration	5,236	5,236	4,913	323
Financial administration	665,004	665,004	670,607	(5,603)
Legal expense	23,000	23,000	12,367	10,633
Personnel administration	5,000	5,000	6,315	(1,315)
Planning and zoning	70,925	70,925	70,491	434
General government building	73,114	73,114	89,180	(16,066)
Cemeteries	26,100	26,100	24,617	1,483
Insurance not otherwise allocated	70,840	70,840	37,969	32,871
Other general government	13,300	13,300	26,803	(13,503)
Public safety				
Police	577,758	577,758	566,439	11,319
Fire	251,745	251,745	249,126	2,619
Building inspection	46,132	46,132	43,474	2,658
Emergency management	6,417	6,417	5,514	903
Other public safety	44,615	44,615	46,408	(1,793)
Highways and streets				
Highways and streets	979,929	979,929	916,254	63,675
Street lighting	7,000	7,000	6,788	212
Sanitation				
Solid waste collection	155,309	155,309	137,857	17,452
Solid waste disposal	120,600	120,600	123,603	(3,003)
Solid waste clean-up	26,500	26,500	29,107	(2,607)
Health				
Health agencies and hospitals	70,317	70,317	70,317	-
Welfare				
Administration	23,269	23,269	11,207	12,062
Culture and recreation				
Parks and recreation	116,981	116,981	97,381	19,600
Library	230,191	230,191	215,640	14,551
Other culture and recreation	8,877	8,877	6,910	1,967
Conservation				
Administration	3,586	3,586	3,535	51
Other conservation	-	-	1,000	(1,000)
Debt service				
Interest on tax anticipation notes	100	100	-	100
Capital outlay				
Machinery, vehicles, and equipment	248,680	248,680	74,764	173,916
Improvements other than buildings	196,691	295,136	109,755	185,381
Interfund operating transfers out				
Transfer to Capital reserves	310,800	310,800	310,800	-
Payments to other governments				
Payments to other governments	-	-	2,458	(2,458)
Total charges to appropriations	<u>4,616,882</u>	<u>4,715,327</u>	<u>4,212,060</u>	<u>503,267</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance - Ending	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,137,527</u>	<u>\$ 1,137,527</u>

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**Schedule of Changes in Total OPEB Liability
Year Ended December 31, 2019**

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Total OPEB Liability Beginning of Year	\$ 232,923	\$ 236,710
Changes for the Year:		
Service Cost	16,135	15,167
Interest	7,901	9,566
Assumption Changes	(13,745)	-
Benefit payments	<u>(6,504)</u>	<u>(6,771)</u>
Total OPEB Liability End of Year	<u>\$ 236,710</u>	<u>\$ 254,672</u>
Town's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,279,455	\$ 1,305,044
Total OPEB Liability as a percentage of covered payroll	18.50%	19.51%

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**Schedules of Proportionate Share and Contributions of the NHRS Net OPEB Liability
Year Ended December 31, 2019**

Schedule of Proportionate Share of Net OPEB Liability

New Hampshire Retirement System Medical Subsidy

Fiscal Year	Measurement Date	Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	Covered Payroll	Net OPEB as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (AAL)	Plan Fiduciary Net Position of the Net OPEB Liability
December 31, 2019	January 1, 2019	0.02541417%	\$ 111,419	\$ 302,544	37%	7.75%
December 31, 2018	January 1, 2018	0.02090522%	\$ 95,714	\$ 251,446	38%	7.53%

Schedule of Medical Subsidy Contributions

New Hampshire Retirement System Medical Subsidy

Fiscal Year	Valuation Date	Contractually Required Contribution	Contributions Relative to Contractually Required Contribution	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll
December 31, 2019	January 1, 2019	\$ 11,598	\$ 11,598	\$ -	\$ 302,544	3.83%
December 31, 2018	January 1, 2018	\$ 9,650	\$ 9,247	\$ (403)	\$ 251,446	3.84%

Schedules are required to show information for prior 10 years. Additional years will be reported as they become available.

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information
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NOTE 2 - EXPLANATION OF BUDGETARY TO GAAP DIFFERENCES

Basis and Timing Differences

The basis of accounting or the timing of transactions used or applied by the funds in the basic financial statements (fund financial statements) differs from the basis of accounting or timing of transactions used or applied by the funds for budgetary purposes. The following is an explanation of the differences between budgetary inflows and outflows and GAAP revenues and expenditures.

<u>Budgetary Fund</u>	<u>General Fund</u>
<u>Financial Statement Major Fund</u>	<u>General Fund</u>
Sources / Inflows of Resources:	
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "available for appropriation" from the budgetary comparison schedule	\$ 5,349,587
Differences - Budget to GAAP:	
Budgetary inflows that are not revenues for financial reporting purposes	
Beginning unreserved fund (balance) deficit	(1,022,501)
Budgetary capital reserve transfers	(79,140)
Transfers from other funds	(2,272)
Actual revenues that are not inflows for budgetary purposes	
Earnings (loss) on capital reserve investments	<u>94,902</u>
Total revenues as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - governmental funds	<u>\$ 4,340,576</u>
Uses / Outflows of Resources:	
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total charges to appropriations" from the budgetary comparison schedule	\$ 4,212,060
Differences - Budget to GAAP:	
Budgetary outflows that are not expenditures for financial reporting purposes	
Budgetary capital reserve transfers	(310,800)
Actual expenditures that are not outflows for budgetary purposes	
Loss on Investments	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - governmental funds	<u>\$ 3,901,260</u>

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**Combining Balance Sheet - Nonmajor Governmental Funds
December 31, 2019**

	Library Fund	Blodgett Sewer	Recreation Revolving Fund	Conservation Fund	Beautification Committee	Poetry Path	Common Trust Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,431	\$ -	\$ 21,164	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,595
Investments	-	69,377	-	186,016	-	-	154,621	410,014
Accounts receivable	-	17,388	-	-	-	-	-	17,388
Due from other funds	-	136,042	-	-	22,260	475	-	158,777
Total assets	<u>\$ 5,431</u>	<u>\$ 222,807</u>	<u>\$ 21,164</u>	<u>\$ 186,016</u>	<u>\$ 22,260</u>	<u>\$ 475</u>	<u>\$ 154,621</u>	<u>\$ 612,774</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances								
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Due to other funds	-	-	16,282	-	-	-	-	16,282
Total liabilities	-	-	16,282	-	-	-	-	16,282
Fund balances:								
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-	-	-	131,076	131,076
Restricted	5,431	222,807	4,882	186,016	22,260	475	23,545	465,416
Committed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total fund balances	<u>5,431</u>	<u>222,807</u>	<u>4,882</u>	<u>186,016</u>	<u>22,260</u>	<u>475</u>	<u>154,621</u>	<u>596,492</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 5,431</u>	<u>\$ 222,807</u>	<u>\$ 21,164</u>	<u>\$ 186,016</u>	<u>\$ 22,260</u>	<u>\$ 475</u>	<u>\$ 154,621</u>	<u>\$ 612,774</u>

TOWN OF NEWBURY

**Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes In Fund Balances
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Year Ended December 31, 2019**

	Library Fund	Blodgett Sewer	Recreation Revolving Fund	Conservation Fund	Beautification Committee	Poetry Path	Common Trust Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Revenues								
Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,084	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,084
Charges for services	-	286,271	16,560	-	-	-	-	302,831
Miscellaneous revenues	9,896	1,474	8	3,365	5,220	1,900	25,910	47,773
Total revenues and other financing sources	<u>9,896</u>	<u>287,745</u>	<u>16,568</u>	<u>35,449</u>	<u>5,220</u>	<u>1,900</u>	<u>25,910</u>	<u>382,688</u>
Expenditures								
Sanitation	-	157,775	-	-	-	-	-	157,775
Culture and recreation	6,159	-	19,137	-	3,628	1,875	2,351	33,150
Debt service	-	108,959	-	-	-	-	-	108,959
Interfund operating transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,272	2,272
Total expenditures and other financing sources	<u>6,159</u>	<u>266,734</u>	<u>19,137</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,628</u>	<u>1,875</u>	<u>4,623</u>	<u>302,156</u>
Excess revenue and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	3,737	21,011	(2,569)	35,449	1,592	25	21,287	80,532
Fund balances - beginning of year	<u>1,694</u>	<u>201,796</u>	<u>7,451</u>	<u>150,567</u>	<u>20,668</u>	<u>450</u>	<u>133,334</u>	<u>515,960</u>
Fund balances - end of year	<u>\$ 5,431</u>	<u>\$ 222,807</u>	<u>\$ 4,882</u>	<u>\$ 186,016</u>	<u>\$ 22,260</u>	<u>\$ 475</u>	<u>\$ 154,621</u>	<u>\$ 596,492</u>

TOWN OF NEWBURY, NH
Annual Town Meeting
March 10, 2020

Moderator Christie called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. The ballot boxes were examined and confirmed to be empty.

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

ARTICLE 2: To vote on amendments to the existing zoning ordinance.

ARTICLE 3: To vote on amendments to the existing building regulation.

Moderator Christie declared the polls to be open and voting on Article 1, Article 2 and Article 3 began.

The business portion of the meeting recessed until Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sunapee Lodge at the base of Mount Sunapee.

Business Meeting – Wednesday, March 11, 2020

Moderator Christie called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. after voters picked up their voting material.

Selectman Thorson led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Selectman Thorson thanked the Beautification Committee for hosting another delicious ham and bean dinner, and he thanked the board members, employees and volunteers for all their hard work and dedication.

Moderator Christie announced there were 282 votes cast on March 10, 2020 and read the election results.

Board of Selectmen – 3 Years
Edward Thorson – 204

Moderator – 2 Years
Sarah Christie – 259

Treasurer – 3 Years
Jennifer J. Goin – 257

Trustee of Trust Funds – 3 Years
Daniel H. Wolf – 248

Trustee of Trust Funds – 2 Years
Debra Prussman – 244

Library Trustee – 1 Year
Patricia Sherman – 244

Library Trustee – 3 Years
Jeanne Palleiko – 242

Cemetery Trustee – 2 Years
Judith G. Healey – 251

Cemetery Trustee – 3 Years
Deane B. Geddes – 245

Planning Board – 3 Years
Christopher Hernick – 237
Several Write-ins

Planning Board – 3 Years
Several Write-ins

Zoning Board of Adjustment – 3 Years
David A. Blohm – 237

Zoning Board of Adjustment – 2 Years
Garry Budd – 232

Planning Board Amendment No. 1 to Zoning Amendments
Yes – 222 No – 45

Planning Board Amendment No. 2 to Zoning Amendments
Yes – 223 No – 45

Planning Board Amendment No. 3 to Zoning Amendments
Yes – 226 No – 46

Planning Board Amendment No. 1 to Building Regulations
Yes – 209 No – 51

Kearsarge Regional School Moderator – 1 Year
Newbury: Brackett Scheffy – 423
District: Brackett Scheffy – 1,745
School Board Member – 1 Year
Richard J. Wright – 230

Question 1
Newbury: A = 181 B = 68
District: A = 1,184 B = 561

Question 2
Newbury: Yes = 194 No = 77
District: Yes = 1,381 No = 566

Question 3
Newbury: Yes = 202 No = 70
District: Yes = 1,469 No = 448

Question 4
Newbury: Yes = 218 No = 59
District: Yes = 1,497 No = 424

Moderator Christie reviewed the Moderator rules for Town Meeting and called for a vote to accept the rules.

Selectman Thorson made a motion to accept the town meeting minutes of 2019. Selectman Nowell seconded the motion. All in favor.

Selectman Thorson made a motion to adopt the Moderator's Rules as described. Selectman Smith seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in favor.

Selectman Thorson made a motion to allow non-voters permission to speak on the published warrant articles. Selectman Nowell seconded the motion.

VOTE: Majority in favor.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,750,000 for the design and construction of the original equipping of a new Fire Department Building located beside the Veteran's Memorial and related site work, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$3,750,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33); to authorize the Selectboard to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; to authorize the Selectboard 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; and to authorize the Selectboard to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. The Selectboard recommends this appropriation. (2/3 ballot vote required)

Selectman Nowell made a motion to adopt Article 4. Selectman Smith seconded the motion. Discussion followed.

On behalf of Selectboard, Selectman Smith thanked the Safety Services Building Committee (SSBC) for all their time and efforts put behind Article 4 and the continued support of the Fire Department to the Town of Newbury. After listening to the public's concerns, a new fence was erected around the playground compliments of Vail Resorts. Design features were adjusted to address other concerns.

Ken Holmes, SSBC Member presented a presentation of the latest plan. He thanked all involved in creating this proposed plan. He commented this is the best value and the best plan which alleviates the spoken concerns. Mr. Holmes described the existing conditions as inadequate due to floorspace, headroom, door size, hazardous substances and air quality, truck storage, egress and personnel safety. He pointed out that the call volume is on the increase which exacerbates the aforementioned issues.

Mr. Holmes explained there have been three failed attempts to obtain approval for the site work and construction of a Fire Station Building. After listening to the public at public hearings and assessing other possible sites, the Committee unanimously agreed to recommend to the Selectboard that the building should be in the center of Town on the Bald Sunapee site, the current Safety Services Building should be renovated for the Police Department and other uses, and a design professional should be hired to re-evaluate the Bald

Sunapee Property for a new plan. The Selectboard supported the recommendations of the Committee, so here we are.

Peter Tennant, Architect, presented a power point review of the proposal. He reviewed the site plan of the proposed facility. The playground will have its own parking area and has an existing fence as a barrier between. The fire station is proposed to have drive-through bays, a gear room, and a wash area. The station layout also proposes hot and cold areas to separate short term contamination from long term contaminate-free areas. The cold area will also consist of storage, EMS offices, janitor area, bathrooms, administrative offices, radio room, vestibule, training/EOC, kitchenette and a day room.

Mr. Holmes stated that this proposed plan addresses the needs of the Town. It meets the needs for space, present and future equipment, addresses safe traffic patterns for the trucks and firefighters on foot, has an automatic sprinkler system, pressurized fire hydrant, adequate training space that will also serve as an EOC. The difference between this plan and past plans is that this plan proposes three bays as opposed to five bays; reduction in square and cubic footage, separated parking area for the playground, and a cost reduction of \$400,000. The impact on property taxes would be \$0.31/\$1,000.00 which equals \$76.00 per year on a property valued at \$250,000.00. At this point in time, interest rates are at an all-time low. There was unanimous approval of the proposed plan from the Fire Department.

Nick Bibeau stated that he was on the SSBC and commented that the health and safety of our firefighters are important. Also, he pointed out that although there will be an extensive amount of site work necessary, it is not as much as any other site. This plan will also provide for the Police Department by renovation of the existing Safety Services Building. This plan is a good compromise and will effectively serve the Town for decades to come.

Elaine Eaton questioned the wording of the article and asked how will the voters get informed that the Selectboard is seeking grant aid, and how do the town's people get informed that those funds are getting put toward the reduction of the bond.

Dennis Pavlicek stated that the wording of the article is recommended by the bond counsel. If any grants become available, they can be applied for and then put against the principal of the bond. Currently there are no grants available.

Selectman Smith stated that the Selectboard would let the public know at a Selectboard meeting if there are any grants applied for and/or awarded.

Mr. Pavlicek stated that if a grant is received before the bond is taken out, then the bond would be taken out for less. If a grant is received after the bond is taken out, then those funds would be put in the undesignated fund balance and subsequently used to reduce taxes.

Mark Manzella commented that this year's proposal is approximately \$350,000.00 less than last year partly by removing the contingency of the Police Department. It has been noted in the presentation that the former Fire Department will be revamped into a Police Department, but it has not been noted that there is no money in this budget to make those renovations. The voters have not been told that we will be asked for more money to remodel the existing fire station. Mr. Manzella asked if the Board could make it clear to the voters how much money such renovation will cost.

Mr. Holmes explained that part of the work that the SSBC did last year was to come up with a conceptual plan and development with the designer to renovate the existing Safety Services Building into a Police Station and estimate associated costs. After working with the Police Chief, the ballpark estimated cost was \$750,000.00. This conceptual plan is not being addressed at this point in time, and probably won't be for a

couple of years if not longer before consideration is even given because if the new Fire Station is approved tonight, it will be two to three years before the new fire station is operational. And, that concept could only be considered if approved at an annual Town Meeting. It is not being discussed tonight because it is not being proposed tonight.

Mr. Manzella stated that the question was not how much the renovation would be. The question was: did you notify the taxpayers of what you plan to do with the old Fire Station.

Mr. Holmes stated that on one of the slides in the presentation indicated that the SSBC unanimously recommended that the existing Fire Station could be renovated and used primarily as the Police Station and other Municipal Use Building. The change from last year was that by not designing the Police Station in the new building, that allowed us to reduce the size and site work by getting the building out of the hillside, which helped to reduce the costs.

Leslie Manzella asked if the committee gave consideration to a smaller building resulting in a smaller bond amount.

Dick Wright asked for clarification of the location of the cistern. People need to understand that the cistern is a very important aspect of this plan.

Mr. Tennant pointed out on the slide where the cistern is planned to be on the back of the building. It will fulfill two roles. 1. Sprinkler system for the building. 2. Pressurized wall hydrant to service Newbury Center.

Lynn Wallace stated that she was on the SSBC. She advised that she was one of the two hold-out no votes. After working on the study committee, it became obvious that the only reasonable place for the new Fire Station is the proposed site. Now, with the design, I am a Yes vote.

Paul Hague commented that there are lots technical reasons why it is important to have a new Fire Station. It is very important to support our volunteer fire fighters who volunteer to protect our property and our lives to continue to work in an environment that will cause them harm and health issues in the future. Voters need to vote Yes.

Deb Johnson added that if ever there was a time to borrow money for a new Fire Station, now is the time. Interest rates are at an all-time low.

Jim Shultz commented that this is the fourth annual town meeting he has been here and the fourth that this issue has been on the agenda. Each previous time, this article has received the majority vote, but missed the super majority vote by a slim margin. He commended all people involved in this new design. He commented the old station is obviously inadequate for the work that needs to be done. In the past, objections have been made to the cost and the site. Now those issues have been addressed and we are at an optimum time.

Paulette Lowe commented that she was not on the committee but has attended many of the meetings as an interest taxpayer.

Ms. Lowe made a motion to bring Article 4 to a vote. Motion was seconded. All in favor.

Moderator Christie announced the polls open at 8:20 p.m. The meeting was recessed for 15 minutes. The polls will remain open for one hour. The meeting reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,369,614.00 for general operations.

Selectman Thorson made a motion to adopt Article 5. Selectman Smith seconded the motion. Discussion followed.

Mr. Pavlicek thanked the Budget Committee, Selectboard and Department Heads for working hard on the budget, which includes a 1.6% COLA increase. Other increases in the proposed budget are mostly due to increased costs in health insurance.

Mr. Pavlicek and Department Heads explained the increases and decreases by line.

Mr. Wright commented that he is disappointed in the condition of Fishersfield Park, lack of landscaping maintenance. He believes the Town should be encouraging use of Fishersfield Park for recreation not using the recently leased bus to transport residents out of town.

Mr. Wright made a motion that the Selectboard submit to the next town meeting a written report detailing the miles traveled, the destinations, the groups using the bus and the total numbers of people using the bus. Motion was seconded. Discussion followed.

Moderator Christie advised that this motion needs to be held until Article 13 since it does not effect a change to the budget.

Dan Wolf made a motion to reduce the recommended budget by \$15,000.00. Ten thousand dollars to come from the Recreation Budget and five thousand dollars from the Selectman's fund. Motion was seconded. Discussion followed.

Mr. Wolf explained that the point of this motion is that the Selectboard has leased a van for the coming year to take people on programs out of town. This lease/purchase has not come before the voters, although it has been said this lease was noticed and discussed publicly. Starting a new program like this should come before the Town. There have been no apparent studies to show that such a bus is needed, and no cost analysis to show it is fiscally practical. The Parks and Recreation Department went significantly overbudget last year, and it should not happen again. It is unwise to start a new program to take people out of town when we have not explored all the alternatives that may be less costly and not commit us to a \$15,000.00 lease payment each year for five years.

Mr. Pavlicek explained that \$15,000.00 came out of last year's budget out of those two funds. The lease does have a fiscal funding clause which means if the money is not appropriated in future years, then the town may walk away from the lease.

Selectman Nowell explained that the point of this handicapped accessible van was for an outreach to people in Newbury. There are also many people that cannot attend town activities because they do not have transportation, or they don't feel comfortable driving at night or going out alone. This is to make more of our town available to all. A detailed accounting can be done. The Selectboard would like to see if this bus will be effective. If it is not effective, then the lease will not be renewed for the coming years.

Mr. Wolf commented that if we are going to keep the van, then it will be paid for out of the 2020 budget. Also, the town has not tried a bus. The town could rent a bus for \$50.00/hour. We should look into other options before leasing for \$15,000.00 each year. It needs to be defunded, otherwise we will be locked in to two years of payments.

Henry Thomas commented that he does not understand why the Town is paying for a bus that the Town is not in possession of. He suggested a study be done prior to leasing for a second year.

Mr. Wright suggested a ride share program to help people with transportation rather than spending \$65,000.00.

Selectman Nowell commented that a ride share program is an excellent idea. Several of the existing ride share programs are having difficulty finding drivers because even the drivers are aging out. Ms. Nowell stated that she would be more than happy to provide a detailed accounting of bus activity as requested so the Town will have that information next year prior to making a future decision.

Lynn Wallace, on behalf of Marion DeRoche why the Town's people were not asked to vote on this last year.

Selectman Nowell explained that The Selectboard saw that there was a need for the bus and the funds were available. After discussing the idea at public Selectboard meetings, the Selectboard decided to move ahead.

Dennis McComish pointed out that there will also be fuel costs, insurance and maintenance.

Mr. Wright asked who will be driving this bus.

Selectman Nowell stated a Town employee will be driving this bus.

Gail Bostic, Family Services Director, informed the meeting that whether or not voters want to lease a bus or not lease a bus, there is a need in town for drivers. There is a significant number of elderly and shut-in residents who need rides and errands. Please call Gail at 763-4940 X219 if anyone is willing to volunteer or knows of someone in need.

Moderator Christie announced the polls for Article 4 closed at 9:20 p.m.

Mr. Wolf agreed that there may be a need, however we should determine the need before appropriating the money.

Mr. Wolf made a motion to call the question. Motion was seconded.

VOTE: All in favor. Article 5 was amended.

VOTE: Majority in favor. Article 5 was adopted as amended. Budget for 2020 is \$4,354,614.00.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$296,000.00 to be placed in the following previously established capital reserve funds: (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority vote required).

FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$210,000
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT	\$ 75,000
BRIDGES	\$
RECREATION FACILITIES	\$ 11,000

Selectman Smith made a motion to adopt Article 6. Selectman Nowell seconded the motion. Discussion followed.

Mr. Thorson explained that these are capital reserve funds that set up for capital expenditures for budgeting purposes.

Marty Newell asked why the Fire Equipment amount doubled from last year.

Henry Thomas, Fire Chief, explained that the 30-year budget schedule for the big pumpers got out of sync, so we are now playing catch-up. Over the past ten years, this should have been funded a little bit more to meet current costs. Looking at the cost of a truck plus inflation tells us the cost of the truck. The existing pumper is currently overdue to be replaced by two years. With this increase, there will be enough money in the fund to purchase a new truck next year as scheduled per the CIP.

VOTE: Majority in favor. Article 6 was adopted.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$88,000.00 to be placed in the following existing RSA 31:19-a maintenance expendable trust funds previously established: (recommended by the Selectboard)(Majority vote required)

DOCKS	\$10,000
TOWN OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$15,000
TOWN BUILDINGS	\$35,000
MILFOIL CONTROL	\$ 5,000
FD PERSONAL PROTECTION	\$ 8,000
PAVING	\$15,000

Selectman Nowell made a motion to adopt Article 7. Selectman Thorson seconded the motion. Discussion followed.

Selectman Smith explained that this is also a repeat article each year, which is actually down \$25,000.00 from last year.

Daniel Prince asked how much money is in each of the accounts.

Mr. Wolf advised that page 27 of the Town Report indicates \$1,983,00.00, with a breakdown on the various funds.

VOTE: Majority in favor. Article 7 was adopted.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$270,000.00 to be used for covering expenditures for designing a new addition to the existing library. The expenditures will include geotechnical work, design fees, site permitting, and other associated costs. This article will also fund any emergency repairs that need to be done before construction is approved. (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority vote required)

Selectman Thorson made a motion to adopt Article 8. Selectman Smith seconded the motion. Discussion followed.

Lynne Tuohy made a motion to amend Article 8 to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000.00 to be used for covering expenditures for designing a new addition to the existing library. The expenditures will include geotechnical work, design fees, site permitting, and other associated costs. (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority vote required) Motion was seconded. Discussion followed.

VOTE: Majority in favor. Article 10 was adopted.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$180,000 for the purchase of a new 6-wheel Dump Truck for the Highway Department. The purchase will include Plow, Sander and Wing. The Town furthermore authorizes the withdrawal of up to \$180,000 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The amount to be expended out of the capital reserve will be the difference between the trade/auction amount and the total cost of the vehicle. (Recommended by the Selectboard) (Majority Vote Required)

Selectman Smith made a motion to adopt Article 11. Selectman Thorson seconded the motion. Discussion followed.

Cal Prussman, Highway Administrator explained the 2007 Mack would be traded in, to purchase another Freightliner. Experience has been Freightliner has a better value for the money, it is a reliable vehicle, and we have had good luck with previous purchases. It will take a year to put the truck together, so we will be another winter with the old truck. No further discussion.

VOTE: Majority in favor. Article 11 was adopted.

ARTICLE 12. We, the town of Newbury, hereby call upon our State and Federal elected representatives to enact carbon-pricing legislation to protect New Hampshire from the costs and environmental risks of continued climate inaction. To protect households, we support a Carbon Fee and Dividend approach that charges fossil fuel producers for their carbon pollution and rebates the money collected to all residents on an equal basis. Enacting a Carbon Cash-back program decreases long-term fossil-fuel dependence, aids in economic transition for energy consumers, and keeps local energy dollars in New Hampshire's economy. Carbon Cash-Back has been championed by US economists (Jan 17, 2019 WSJ) as the most effective and fair way to deliver rapid reductions in harmful carbon emissions at the scale required for our safety.

We expect our representatives to lead in this critical moment for health and well-being of our citizens or the protection of New Hampshire's natural resources upon which we all rely.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Newbury's State Legislators, to the Governor of New Hampshire, to Newbury's Congressional Delegation, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by Newbury's Selectboard, within 30 days of this vote.

Selectman Nowell made a motion to adopt Article 12. Selectman Smith seconded the motion. Discussion followed.

Lisa Correa stated that this article is a bipartisan message asking for voters to support legislation for initiatives against climate change. The goal is to encourage the use of renewable energy. It is not a tax if the government does not keep the money. Fees will be rebated to residents of town. Climate change is real. Many other communities, states and countries are participating in this initiative.

Mr. Wright stated that he is a retired biology teacher. He stated that he does not dispute climate change or that human behavior negatives impacts the environment. Chemical fertilizers and toxic chemical should be banned and not taxed. Carbon dioxide is not the problem. Carbon dioxide is a natural element. It is all in the science book. Taxes always result in high administrative costs to implement. We need to wean ourselves to renewable fuel sources.

Mr. Wright made a motion to pass over Article 12. Motion was seconded. No discussion followed.

VOTE: Majority in favor. Article 12 was passed over.

ARTICLE 13. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Peter Fichter, Zoning Board Chair, encouraged anyone interested in serving on the Zoning Board of Adjustment should contact him.

Jim Lord asked how much money can the Selectboard authorize to spend without going to Town Meeting.

Mr. Pavlicek stated there is no limit.

Mr. Wright made a motion that the Selectboard submit in writing a five-year plan for Fishersfield Park including improvements in programs and field usage, develop a maintenance schedule for the entire facility, and a plan for the removal of leaves and brush permanently from the park. Motion was seconded. No discussion followed. All in favor. Motion passed.

David Kinsman asked if there is an unlimited amount of money that the Selectboard can spend, is that an RSA or can there be a limit placed.

Mr. Pavlicek stated that every town meeting stands on its own merit. I cannot carry over year to year per RSA.

Selectman Thorson made a motion to dissolve the meeting. Motion was seconded. All in favor.
Meeting dissolved at 10:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Plunkett
Town Clerk

Newbury, NH



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County **Merrimack**
Labor Market Area **New London, NH LMA**
Tourism Region **Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee**
Planning Commission **Upper Valley Lake Sunapee**
Regional Development **Capital Regional Development Council**

Election Districts

US Congress **District District 2**
Executive Council **District District 2**
State Senate **District District 8**
State **Merrimack County District 5**
Representative

Incorporated: 1778

Origin: Situated at the south end of Lake Sunapee, this town has had many names. The original grant by the Masonian Proprietors in 1753 named it Dantzic, after the Baltic seaport. A separate grant on adjoining land, the first provincial grant in 1754, was called Hereford, in honor of Edward Devereaux, Viscount Hereford. The grant was renewed in 1772 as Fishersfield, after Governor John Wentworth's brother-in-law John Fisher, and included both the Dantzic and Hereford grants. Fishersfield was incorporated in 1778 upon request of residents. The name was changed to Newbury in 1837, as suggested by settlers originally from Newbury, Massachusetts.

Villages and Place Names: Blodgett Landing, Edgemont, Mount Sunapee, Pine Cliff, South Newbury, Box Corner, Chalk Pond

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 331 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Newbury totaled 1,883 over 58 years, from 342 in 1960 to 2,225 in 2018. The largest decennial percent change was an 89 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, following a 49 percent increase the previous decade. The 2018 Census estimate for Newbury was 2,225 residents, which ranked 130th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2018 (US Census Bureau): 62.1 persons per square mile of land area. Newbury contains 35.8 square miles of land area and 2.3 square miles of inland water area.

Municipal Services		Population	<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Type of Government	Selectmen	(1-year Estimates/Decennial)		
Budget: Municipal	\$4,909,801	Total Population	Community	County
Appropriations, 2019		2018	2,225	151,132
Budget: School	\$6,846,217	2010	2,072	146,445
Appropriations, 2018-2019		2000	1,712	136,716
Zoning Ordinance	1958/18	1990	1,351	120,618
Master Plan	2017	1980	961	98,302
Capitol Improvement Plan	Yes	1970	509	80,925
Industrial Plans	Planning Board	Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS)		
Reviewed By		2014-2018		
Boards and Commissions		Population by Gender		
Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Zoning; Library; Cemetery; Trust Funds	Male: 955	Female: 945	
Appointed:	Conservation; Recreation	Population by Age Group		
Public Library	Newbury Public	Under age 5	42	
		Age 5 to 19	234	
		Age 20 to 34	244	
		Age 35 to 54	406	
		Age 55 to 64	417	
		Age 65 and over	557	
		Median Age	55.3 years	
Emergency Services		Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over		
Police Department	Full-time	High school graduate or higher	96.8%	
Fire Department	Part-time	Bachelor's degree or higher	55.6%	
Emergency Medical Service	Part-time			
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds			
New London Hospital, New London	8 miles 25			
		Income, Inflation Adjusted \$ <i>(ACS 2014-2018)</i>		
Utilities		Per capita income	\$55,442	
Electric Supplier	Eversource Energy	Median family income	\$102,250	
Natural Gas Supplier	None	Median household income	\$93,920	
Water Supplier	Chalk Pond; private wells	Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers, 16 years ad over		
Sanitation	Private septic & municipal	Male	\$77,535	
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Limited	Female	\$53,000	
Solid Waste Disposal		Individuals below the poverty level	1.5%	
		Labor Force <i>(NHES - ELM)</i>		

Curbside Trash Pickup	None	Annual Average	2008	2018
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No	Civilian Labor Force	1,208	1,161
Recycling Program	Voluntary	Employed	1,174	1,141
Telephone Company	Consolidated; TDS	Unemployed	34	20
	Telecom	Unemployment Rate	2.8%	1.7%
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes			
Cable Television Access	Yes	Employment & Wages	<i>(NHES - ELM)</i>	
Public Access Television Station	Yes	Annual Average Covered Employment	2008	2018
High Speed Internet Service:		Goods Producing Industries		
Business	Yes	Average Employment	\$31	\$145
Residential	Yes	Average Weekly Wage	\$543	\$1,072
Property Taxes	<i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	Service Providing Industries		
2018 Total Tax Rate (per \$1,000 of value)	\$15.71	Average Employment	\$478	\$2,317
2018 Equalization Ratio	99.4	Average Weekly Wage	\$353	\$907
2018 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1,000 of value)	\$15.56	Total Private Industry		
2018 Percent of Local Assessed Value by Property Type		Average Employment	\$509	\$2,462
Residential Land and Buildings	95.3%	Average Weekly Wage	\$364	\$916
Commercial Land and Buildings	4.0%	Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	0.7%	Average Employment	\$64	\$228
		Average Weekly Wage	\$513	\$786
Housing	<i>(ACS 2014-2018)</i>	Total, Private plus Government		
Total Housing Units	1,675	Average Employment	\$573	\$2,690
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,598	Average Weekly Wage	\$381	\$905
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:				
Two to Four Units in Structure	38	If "n" appears, data does not meet disclosure standards.		
Five or More Units in Structure	23			
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	16			

Education and Child Care

(NH Dept. of Education)

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Kearsarge Regional (Bradford, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sutton, Warner, Wilmot)** SAU 65

Career Technology Center(s): **Concord Regional Technical Center** Region: 11

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools) Elementary Middle/Junior High High School Private/Parochial

Number of Schools

Grade Levels

Total Enrollment

2020 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (Bureau of Child Care Licensing): Total Facilities: 1 Total Capacity: 6

Nearest Community/Technical College: **River Valley**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Colby-Sawyer; Northeast Catholic College**

Largest Businesses	Product/Service	Employees	Established
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Mount Sunapee Resort	Recreation area	150+	1947
Baker Hill Golf Club	Golf Course	20+	2002
Best Western Sunapee Lake Lodge	Motel	25	2000

Employer Information Supplied by Municipality

Transportation	<i>(Distance estimated from city/town hall)</i>	Recreation, Attractions, and Events
Road Access	US Routes	XMunicipal Parks
	State Routes 103, 103A, 103B	YMCA/YWCA
		Boys Club/Girls Club
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-89, Exits 12 - 12A	XGolf Courses
	Distance 8 miles; 10 miles	XSwimming: Indoor Facility
		XSwimming: Outdoor Facility
Railroad	No	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
Public Transportation	No	XTennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
		Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
		Bowling Facilities
Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation		XMuseums
Parlin Field,	Runway 3,450 ft.	Cinemas
Newport	asphalt	Performing Arts Facilities
Lighted? No	Navigational Aids? No	XTourists Attractions
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service		XYouth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
Lebanon Municipal	Distance 34 miles	Youth Sports: Baseball
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport	1	XYouth Sports: Soccer
		Youth Sports: Football
		XYouth Sports: Basketball
		Youth Sports: Hockey
Driving distance to selected cities:		XCampgrounds
Manchester, NH	39 miles	XFishing/Hunting
Portland, ME	131 miles	XBoating/Marinas
Boston, MA	89 miles	XSnowmobile Trails
New York City, NY	267 miles	XBicycle Trails
Montreal, Quebec	228 miles	XCross Country Skiing
Commuting to Work	<i>(ACS 2014-2018)</i>	XBeach or Waterfront Recreational Area
Workers 16 years and over		XOvernight or Day Camps
Drove alone, car/truck/van	83.3%	
Carpooled, car/truck/van	7.0%	Nearest Ski Area(s): Mount Sunapee
Public transportation	0.0%	
Walked	1.2%	Other: Fells Historic Site; Stoney Brook Sanctuary;
Other Means	8.6%	NH Craftsman Fair; Newbury Old Home Day
Worked at home	7.2%	
Mean Travel Time to Work	34.7 minutes	
Percent of Working Residents:	<i>(ACS 2014-2018)</i>	
Working in community of residence	20.9%	
Commuting to another NH community	71.1%	
Commuting out-of-state	8.0%	

Newbury Service Directory

ALL EMERGENCIES: DIAL 911

After calling for Emergency help, please turn on all outside lights (both during the day and at night) to aid in locating your residence. If possible, have someone outdoors to meet the responding units.

FIRE DEPARTMENT (non-emergency)763-4403
POLICE STATION (non-emergency)763-4104
POLICE DISPATCH.....763-2221

Selectboard's Office

763-4940 ext. 202

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Selectboard meets every two weeks
on a rotating schedule of
Monday nights at 6:00 p.m.
at the Town Office.
See posted meeting schedules for dates.

Website: www.newburynh.org
E-mail: townadmin@newburynh.org

Town Clerk & Tax Collector's Office

763-5326

Monday: 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday through Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
(Closed from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

Code Enforcement Officer

763-4940 ext. 203

Appointments Recommended

Monday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Library

763-5803

Sunday: 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday: 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Transfer Station
763-2289

Monday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Land Use and Assessing Coordinator
763-4940 ext. 201

Call for Zoning and Planning Board information.

Planning Board meets at 7:00 p.m.
on the third Tuesday of the month at the
Town Office.
Zoning Board meets on an “as needed” basis
on the second Monday of the month at the
Town Office.

Forest Fire Warden: Dave Smith938-5925

Town Highway Department938-5494



Our Highway department plowing the first snow of the season on October 17, 2020.
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