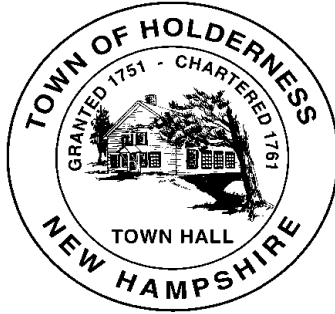


Town of Holderness New Hampshire

**Annual Report for Year Ending
December 31, 2017**



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New Hampshire

Year Ending December 31, 2017

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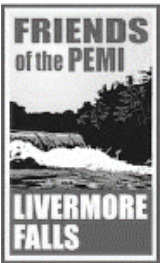
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DEDICATION

There is never a shortage of folks to whom we can dedicate our Town report. We have been blessed with an abundance of dedicated, selfless and forward-thinking people who make great contributions to our community over long periods of time. Individual accomplishment is more achievable as it is easier to maintain the singular drive and dedication that underlies great community service.

Somewhat more challenging can be bringing together a larger group of people not only from a single town, but from surrounding communities as well as State Agencies and local organizations to make great contributions over long periods of time. Over the past five years, the Friends of the Pemi - Livermore Falls Chapter has accomplished just that.



In recognition of their efforts in making Livermore Falls a New Hampshire State Park, the Town of Holderness would like to dedicate the 2017 Town Report to the Friends of the Pemi – Livermore Falls Chapter. Their hard work, dedication and cooperation serve as the ultimate example of how to bring communities, State agencies and local business organizations together to do great things.

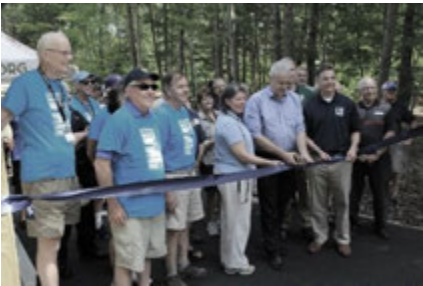
This 41.8-acre site was originally purchased by the State in 1992 to secure permanent protection of Livermore Falls. Over the years it had become a challenge to keep the area clean and safe. In 2012 Holderness Police Chief Jake Patridge approached then Executive Councilor Ray Burton to gather stakeholders to address this issue. The Friends of the Pemi - Livermore Chapter was formed. Included were more than ninety stakeholders from the communities of Holderness, Campton and Plymouth.



DEDICATION (continued)

In 2013, the first clean up event, organized by the Plymouth Rotary, expanded the scope of the group's efforts. The clean-up days remain annual events to this day. Since that time, the group has made steady progress towards improving the site. In 2014 there were a number of improvements made to the area including signage, picnic tables, grills, and bike racks. Volunteer supervisors helped to encourage use of the Holderness beach.

During 2015, a full-time attendant was provided by the State and a cultural resource study was completed. The final design for a new 70 car parking lot was approved. Funding for the parking lot came from the State's capital funds. An additional \$150,000 in State funds were earmarked for improvements to the Campton side of the river.



In 2016, the State increased staffing to include three attendants and completed the parking lot. This and other improvements were celebrated in a formal ribbon cutting ceremony for the State's newest park. In 2017 work continued for improvements to the Campton side of the river including a new parking lot, safe access from the

parking lot down to a view location just above the falls and interpretive signage about the important history of this location in the commercial and residential development of our communities.

The Friends of the Pemi – Livermore Falls Chapter was honored in November with a Spirit of New Hampshire Volunteer Service Award. Another well-deserved award for a group that continues to dedicate more than 1000 hours/year in volunteer work



for the betterment of not only our community, but the entire region. The "Friends" remain the gold-standard in community cooperation.

MEETING SCHEDULES

Board of Selectmen – Meetings are held every other Monday at 4:30 P.M. downstairs in the Town Hall. The board reviews/discusses correspondence and signs necessary documents, accounts payable and payroll, and then moves upstairs at 5:00 P.M.

Budget Committee – Meets in August and again in late October through February. Dates and times may vary, please look for meeting notices during this time.

Conservation Commission – Meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 4:00 P.M. in the downstairs conference room at the Town Hall. (*This commission typically does not meet for the months of July and August.*)

Energy Committee – Meets at 3:30 P.M. on a quarterly basis throughout the year.

Holderness Central School Board - Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:15 P.M. in the Holderness Central School Library, unless otherwise posted.

Library Trustees – Meets once monthly; days of the month and time vary. Look for postings at Town Hall, the Post Office or the Library.

Planning Board – Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M. upstairs in the Town Hall. Applications submitted to this board are due 28 days before the meeting date.

Recreation Board – Meets once a month on a Monday night at 5:30 P.M. The Monday night may vary, please look for posted agenda.

Zoning Board – Meets every 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:15 P.M. upstairs in the Town Hall, as needed. Applications submitted to this Board are due 28 days before the meeting date.

** Meeting dates and times are subject to change; please visit our website at www.holderness-nh.gov for updated notices.*

TOWN OFFICERS

ASSESSORS' AGENT

Corcoran Consulting Associates
Wil Corcoran

ADMIN. ASSISTANT

Amy Sharpe

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Kenneth Evans, Chr.	2019
Joseph Casey, School Board	2020
Robert Maloney	2018
Kelly Schwaner	2018
Norman W. Peoples	2018
Todd Elgin	2019
John Laverack, SL	2018
Jill White, SL Alt.	2017

COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Eleanor Mardin

HEALTH OFFICER

Michael Capone

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Larry Spencer, Chr.	2018
Anne Packard	2020
Jacquelyn Jewell	2020
Janet Cocchiaro	2018
Jennifer Evans	2019
Benoni Amsden	2018
Brian Gagnon, Alt.	2019
Shelagh Connelly, S.L.	2019

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

Kevin Coburn, Hwy Agent
Dennis Hughes
Lewis Thompson
Dean Melanson

EMERGENCY MAN. SERVICES

Walter Johnson, Director
Earl Hansen, Deputy Director

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Michael Capone
Bill Johnstone
Eleanor Mardin
Larry Spencer
Tom Stepp
Sam Brickley, S.L.

FIRE CHIEF / WARDEN

Eleanor Mardin

FIRE WARDS

**Earl Hansen	2019
**David Dupuis	2020
**Randall Eastman	2018

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BOARD

**Joseph Casey, Chr.	2020
**Bonni Acton, Vice Chr.	2018
**Kristina Casey	2020
**Carolyn Mello	2018
**Lisetta Silvestri	2019

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL CLERK

**Sara Weinberg	2019
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HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL TREASURER

**Kathleen Whitemore	2020
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HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL MODERATOR

**Martha Richards	2018
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LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

Robert Snelling
Todd Elgin

LIBRARIAN

Jacqueline Heath

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

**Thomas "Ted" Vansant, Chr.	2018
**Carol Snelling	2020
**Betsy Whitmore	2019
**Kathleen Wieliczko	2019
**Victor Currier	2018
**Albert Saul	2018
Samuel Brickley, SL	2019

MODERATOR

**Daniel Rossner	2019
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OVERSEER OF WELFARE

Krystal Alpers
Louis Pare-Deputy

TOWN OFFICERS

FINANCE OFFICER

Amy Sharpe

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Malcolm "Tink" Taylor

Jill White

PLANNING BOARD

Robert Snelling, Chr. 2018

Carl Lehner, V.Ch. 2019

Ronald Huntoon 2019

Donna Bunnell 2020

Angi Francesco 2020

Louis Pare 2019

John W. Laverack, Ex-Off.

Samuel Brickley, Ex-Off. Alt

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief: Jeremiah Patridge

Lieutenant: Barry D. Tanner (retired)

Sergeant: Erik F. DiFilippe

Sergeant: Michael Grier

Patrol Officer: Michael Barney

Patrol Officer: Andrew Strickland

Patrol Officer: Scott Strickland

Admin Assistant: Alice O'Connor

RECREATION DEPT.

Wendy Werner, Director

RECREATION BOARD

Thomas Stepp, Chr. 2018

George Sutcliffe 2020

Janis Messier 2020

Daniel Litchfield 2019

Jennifer Evans 2017

Amanda Bussolari 2020

Meika Carter(resigned) 2017

John Laverack Jr., S.L. 2018

SELECT BOARD

**Jill White, Chr. 2020

**John W. Laverack, V.Chr. 2018

**Shelagh Connelly, Chr. 2019

**Peter Francesco 2020

**Samuel D. Brickley 2019

SUPERVISORS of CHECKLIST

**Alicia Abbott 2018

**Edith Jaconsky-Hamersma 2022

**Frances K. Hanson 2020

TAX COLLECTOR

Ellen King

Sara Hixon, Deputy

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Michael Capone

TOWN ATTORNEY

Mitchell Municipal Group, P.A.

TOWN AUDITORS

Melanson Heath

TOWN CLERK

**Ellen King 2020

Sara Hixon, Deputy

TOWN TREASURER

Todd Elgin

TRUSTEES of TRUST FUNDS

**Maurice Lafreniere 2020

**Bonnie Hunt 2018

**Brinton Woodward 2019

ZONING BOARD of ADJUSTMENT

Robert Maloney, Chr. 2019

Wendell Broom, V. Chr. 2020

Judith Ruhm 2019

Kristen Fuller 2020

William Zurhellen 2019

Gary Karp (resigned)

Gary Johonnett (resigned)

* "until another person shall be
chosen and qualified."

** Elected Officials

S.L.. Selectmen Liaison

FUND BALANCE POLICY

PREFACE

The Town of Holderness (“Town”) through its Board of Selectmen establishes and will maintain reservation of Fund Balance, as defined herein, in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”) Statement No. 54, Fund Balance reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. This policy shall only apply to the Town’s governmental funds. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 54, Fund Balance shall be composed of non-spendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned amounts.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a key element of the financial stability of the Town by setting guidelines for fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is an important measure of economic stability. It is essential that the Town maintain adequate levels of unassigned fund balance to mitigate financial risks that can occur from unforeseen revenue fluctuations, unanticipated expenditures, emergencies, and similar circumstances. The fund balance also provides cash flow liquidity for the Town’s general operations.

DEFINITIONS

1. **Non-Spendable Fund Balance** – includes amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as inventory or prepaid expenses) or are required to be maintained intact (such as principal of an endowment fund).
2. **Restricted Fund Balance** – includes amounts that can only be spent for the specific purpose stipulated by external resource providers (such as grantors) or enabling legislation (Town Meeting vote). Restrictions may be changed or lifted only with the consent of the resource providers or enabling legislation.
3. **Committed Fund Balance** – includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Town’s highest level of decision making authority. Commitments may be changed or lifted only by taking the same formal action that imposed the constraint originally. The action must be approved or rescinded, as applicable, prior to the last day of the fiscal year for which the commitment is made. The amount subject to the constraint may be determined in a subsequent period.

FUND BALANCE POLICY (continued)

1. **Assigned Fund Balance** – includes amounts the Town intends to use for a specific purpose. For all governmental funds other than the General Fund, any remaining positive amounts are to be classified as “assigned”. Items that fall under this classification for the General Fund would be encumbrances properly approved by contract, purchase order, or other such action as required.
2. **Unassigned Fund Balance** – includes amounts that are not obligated or specifically designated and is available for any purpose. The residual classification of any General Fund balance is to be reported here. Any deficit balance of another fund is also classified as unassigned.

SPENDING PRIORITIZATIONS

When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available, restricted fund balance is considered to have been spent first.

When expenditures are incurred for the purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications can be used, committed amounts should be reduced first, followed by assigned amounts and the unassigned amounts.

MINIMUM LEVEL OF UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE

The Town will strive to maintain an unassigned fund balance in its General Fund equal to 6-10% of the total appropriations of the community (which includes Town, School and County). The Board of Selectmen will review this information each year in order to determine the amount, if any, of unassigned fund balance to use to balance the budget and to reduce the property tax rate.

ANNUAL REVIEW

Compliance with the provisions of this policy should be reviewed as part of the annual budget adoption process.

Date of Adoption: February 11, 2013

Holderness Board of Selectmen:

Peter Webster, Chairman
Shelagh Connelly, Member
Samuel Brickley, Member

John Laverack, Vice Chairman
Jill White, Member

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

At the outset, let me just state that one could never say enough about the dedication and professionalism your Town employees bring to their jobs. It continues to be my distinct pleasure to witness it every day. Full time, part time, seasonal or per-call, they all work very hard for you and each other. Please take the time to read through the department updates contained in this report to get their reflections on the year.

We all appreciate the support we receive from our community. Sure, the cookies, chocolates and other treats throughout the year are nice, but we also appreciate the many positive comments and the encouragement we receive from residents and visitors alike. We work for you and with you to make our community the great place that it is. Thank you so very much!

2017 has been another busy year for us in all departments. At the Town Office we continue to work on improving access to online information. Our new online tax map program and the accompanying property card information has proven helpful in affording 24/7 access to this important information. We have also been working on other updates to the Town website in an effort to keep folks better informed. It is difficult to find the balance between providing too little or too much information. We appreciate input, so let us know if there are additional features or information you would like to see on the website and we will do our best to comply with your requests.

We have begun implementation of our integrated tax collection/assessing system. This new system will allow us to more efficiently manage both functions within the office. We appreciate your support for the purchase of the software at last year's Town Meeting.

We are looking for opportunities to partner with our neighbors to help offset operating expenses. In November, with the assistance of the Lakes Region Planning Commission, we partnered with a number of other communities to enter into a one-year aggregate electricity agreement. This agreement allows us to offset the cost of the most recent increase from our electricity provider, which will help to maintain our electric expenses at last year's rate. We hope to be able to continue to explore other possible areas of cooperation with our neighbors with an eye toward lowering operating expenses or mitigating increases.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT (continued)

A personal goal in 2018 is to maintain the same high level of courteous, informed and timely service provided by the team here at the Town Office. Amy, Ellen, Nancy, Sara and Wendy set a high bar for customer service. They serve the community with a positive attitude and great energy.

Our goal remains to provide the best possible service to residents, taxpayers and visitors alike. We encourage you to reach out if you have a question, concern or are looking for information with regard to an area of particular interest to you. We enjoy the opportunity to engage in conversation with folks who stop by the office. If you are not able to stop in, you can reach me or any of our other office team by phone at 968-2145. My office email is administrator@holderness-nh.gov.

Best wishes for a safe, prosperous and happy 2018 and thank you for the opportunity to be of service to such a caring community!

Respectfully submitted,

Michael R. Capone
Holderness Town Administrator



*L-R: Nancy Decoteau, Wendy Werner, Sara Hixon,
Amy Sharpe, Ellen King, and Michael Capone.*

SELECTBOARD REPORT



*Back Row L-R: Sam Brickley, Woodie Laverack
and Peter Francesco*

Front Row L-R: Jill White and Shelagh Connelly

The elected five-member Board that serves Holderness meets every other week at the Town Office. Our meeting schedule can be found on the Town Website www.holderness-nh.gov. Board members also serve on a number of Town Boards and Committees. We appreciate the opportunity to serve our Town and we are always open to your input on issues regarding our community.

The Board works closely with our Town Administrator, Michael Capone. If you have a matter you would like to bring to

the Board and are not able to reach a Board member directly, please contact Michael by email at administrator@holderness-nh.gov or by phone at 968-2145. He will be happy to either address your issue directly, or place you on a meeting agenda to speak with the Board.

2017 was another busy year in our Town. In addition to our regular business, the Board oversaw a number of new initiatives. Chief among them were the solicitation of proposals for audit and insurance services. The Town was also a participant in a regional energy aggregation agreement that will maintain our electrical rates at the prior year rate in spite of an increase to the rate by the supplier.

We continue to work with our contract assessing firm to maintain fair and equitable property values. We have a revaluation agreement in place for 2018 that will keep us in compliance with State assessing regulations.

SELECTBOARD REPORT (continued)

Once again, the Town met with business owners in the spring and exchanged dialogue on a myriad of topics. This is an annual outreach initiative in keeping with our goal to maintain Holderness as a business-friendly community. We encourage all businesses in our community to participate and provide input on how we can best achieve our stated objectives.

We have been working in conjunction with the Squam Lakes Association to address parking concerns along Route 113 at the Rattlesnake Trailhead. We appreciate the efforts of all of our partners in this endeavor and support the efforts of the newly formed “Friends of Rattlesnake” to assist in providing a safe and enjoyable experience for residents and visitors to this popular area.

We applaud the continued efforts of the Friends of Livermore Falls - Pemi Chapter as they continue their work at Livermore Falls State Park. Work is underway to expand the improvements to the Campton side of the falls.

Two annual events which bookend our summer season are the Memorial Day celebration held at the Veterans Honor Roll Monument on the library grounds and the summer celebration held on the Friday of Labor Day weekend. This year, despite less than ideal weather in each instance, both events were well attended and served to reflect the spirit and unique character of our Town.

While the Select Board does oversee the overall operations of the Town, it is our employees, board and committee members, and the many volunteers, who put in the effort day in and day out to make Holderness such a special place. We truly appreciate their dedication and commitment and thank them all for their service.

The Board remains committed to keeping Holderness a wonderful place to live, work and play. We welcome your input and participation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill White-Chair
Sam Brickley

Woodie Laverack-Vice Chair
Shelagh Connelly

Peter Francesco

COMPLIANCE OFFICER'S REPORT

At the 2017 Town Meeting the Zoning Amendments regarding Accessory Dwelling Units were passed. Please feel free to contact the Town Hall and we will be glad to assist residents that wish to add an ADU. The Zoning Ordinance contains the following criteria for ADU's;

400.24: Accessory Dwelling Unit (or ADU): Permitted by Special Exception in the General Residential, Rural Residential and Commercial District.

400.24.1: Maximum size of ADU 800 square feet.

400.24.2: At least one parking space must be provided for ADU.

400.24.3: Only one (1) ADU allowed per dwelling.

400.24.4: Adequate provisions for sewage disposal and water supply must be shown in accordance with state law to be in compliance with RSA 485-A:38.

400.24.5: Per RSA 674:72 an interior door must be provided between the principal dwelling unit and the ADU.

400.24.6: The ADU must have an independent means of ingress and egress, or shall have ingress and egress through a common space such as a shared hallway to an exterior door.

Below is a list of permits issued during 2017.

Type of Permit	# Issued	Type of Permit	# Issued
Additions	13	Multi-family	1
Barns	3	Renovations	24
Decks	4	Septic Designs	20
Demolitions	5	Sheds	18
Garages	7	Signs	1
Houses	7	Solar Panels	1
Manufactured Homes	1	Wells	0
Total Permits: 105			

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Mardin, Compliance Officer

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

As always, a major undertaking of the Commission is to monitor properties either owned by the town or in which the town participates in the easement. There are five public access properties: Riverside Park on South River Street, the Pilote Forest on Beede Road, the Town Forest, diagonally from the Pilote Forest on Beede Road, wetlands on Smith Road and wetlands on the east side of White Oak Pond. The completed biological inventory of the Smith/Sargent Road wetland suggested better public access to that property, so we will be working in the coming year to develop parking and trails on that property. There are also three non-public access easements that the Commission monitors. The other major duty of the Commission is to comment on projects involving wetlands or matters pertaining to the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act.



As part of the outcome of timber cuts on the Town Forest and Pilote Forest, was the development of additional trails. These trails have now been cut and we will be working on enhancing the sign boards for both properties and also trail signage.

Photo Courtesy of Sue Francesco.

The Liberty Elms, one at the Central School and two at the Town Gazebo, are still doing well.

We continue to work closely with other local groups. This past year we worked with the Plymouth Conservation Commission and the NE Mountain Bike Association (local chapter) on trails and access to the area behind the Irving and Citgo stations. We are calling this project “The Ox-Bow Initiative”.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT (continued)

We are working to restrict motorized access during the non-snow season, as that access has resulted in much environmental destruction. The Pemi-Riverside Park acts as one of the access points to the area. The signboard there has been updated to show the trails in the area and to mention usage rules. The local NEMBA group has also taken over trash pick-up and trail maintenance.



*Beach Area in part of the
“The Ox-Bow Initiative” project.*

The working group would like to see a conservation easement for the whole area.

The Commission continues to work with the “Friends of the Pemi” group. This past year the Friends group won a state-wide award for their efforts to enhance the usage and access to the areas on both sides of the Livermore Falls. The state archeologist has now done two summers worth of investigation of the area on the Holderness side of the river and will be back for a third summer. There were some fascinating outcomes from this past summer’s study.

The Land Use Person, Nancy Decoteau, has been very helpful in organizing the paperwork and meetings of the Commission and we thank her for those efforts. We are always looking for new members, so please consider volunteering to work on or with the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Spencer, Chairman
Janet Cocchiaro
Anne Packard

Ben Amsden
Jenny Evans
Shelagh Connelly (S.L.).

Brian Gagnon
Jacque Jewell

ENERGY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Town Energy Committee meets roughly once each quarter. The meetings typically analyze the previous quarter's energy consumption by the different departments and of the town owned facilities. The data is in an Excel spreadsheet and it is our goal to find better software to both analyze usage and to develop graphs to be used in public presentations.

Also, discussed at our meetings are potential energy efficiency projects. We continued our conversations with Sandra Jones of the Plymouth Area Renewable Energy Initiative on a project she is organizing called NH Solar Shares.

Although we could not supply her a place in town for the installation, she has been successful in getting grants to initiate a project adjacent to the Common Man Inn in Plymouth.

The committee plans to keep working on energy sustainability for town owned facilities and would like to see the installation of a photo-voltaic system on the Firehouse-Police Station complex.

We proposed a possible system, but at this point in time, it seems like the pay-back is too long to support the project. On our long-term agenda is the question of street lights; should we move over to LED or stay with what we have? We will continue to look at this question as hardware, installation costs, and usage costs change.

Special thanks are due to Bill Johnstone and Ted Vansant for their expertise on various aspects of energy efficiency. Many thanks also to Michael Capone, Town Administrator, for calling, organizing and taking the minutes of our meetings. He is exploring the possibility of switching out the fluorescent bulbs with LED bulbs in the town hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Spencer, Chair
Eleanor Mardin
Ted Vansant

William Johnstone
Tom Stepp
Michael Capone, Town Administrator

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT



The Fire Department had another busy year with 385 calls in 2017. October was our busiest month with 50 calls. This year we purchased a new Can Am, side by side, ATV to replace our snow machine and UTV. Most of the money came from a donation that the department received from a mutual aid fire in Moultonborough. The ATV is now equipped with tracks so we can access the snowmobile and hiking trails in winter and we will switch over to tires for use when there is no snow.

CHIEF

Eleanor Mardin

DEPUTY CHIEF

Randy Eastman

Scott Fields

CAPTAINS

Jeremy Bonan

William Currier

Jim Chapin

LIEUTENANT

Jon Abear

HONORARY

Richard Mardin

SAFETY

Earl Hansen

ENGINEER

Richard Currier

FIREFIGHTER/EMT

Amelia Currier

Todd Randlett

Kevin Rogers

Tyler Driscoll

PARAMEDIC

Brad Morse

FIREFIGHTERS

Doug Barber

Dave Dupuis

Walter Johnson

Gary Mack

Ron Saulnier

Trevor Solomon

Jim Wieliczko

Jimmy Wieliczko



Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Mardin, Fire Chief

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT (continued)

2017 FIRE CALLS

169	Medical	10	Rescue
17	Motor Vehicle Crashes	2	Vehicle Fires
46	Mutual Aid	0	Structure Fires
2	Chimney Fires	5	Outside Fires
77	Alarm Activations	3	Smoke Investigations
21	Power Lines	7	Fuel Spills
2	HAZ MAT	9	Service Calls
15	Good Intent Calls		

385 TOTAL CALLS



FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT

In 2017 we did not have any large outside fires in town, but we responded on a third alarm to Woodstock for a fire at Lost River Gorge. Several members from HFD spent 4 days putting in fire line in some of the steepest rockiest terrain that proved to be quite challenging.

This year HFD sent 2 firefighters with New Hampshire State crews to fight fires in Canada, Montana and the White Mt. National Forest. During Christmas 2 firefighters went to California to help on the Thomas Fire as well. The experience they receive is a huge help when we have wildland fires within our local community.

REMEMBER ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Mardin
Forest Fire Warden



HOLDERNESS FREE LIBRARY – DIRECTOR’S REPORT



The new and exciting addition was ready for the library to occupy at the end of January 2017. Comments such as amazing, wonderful, cheerful, splendid, and great work could be heard as people saw the building for the first time. Families have spent more time in the library to enjoy all that the new

children’s room has to offer. Sounds of delight can frequently be heard as patrons of all ages enjoy the books, puzzles, and other activities. A very loud thank you goes out to the many that have made this possible. From our Trustees, Staff, and Friends; to the many generous donors, the library stands as a solid commitment to the community of Holderness.

With the additional spacing, we were able to offer more services and programming opportunities. Both adult and children’s programs saw an increase in attendance of nearly 10%. Library visits climbed 11% over 2016. These numbers are a testimony to the positive impact the expanded building has had on the library services.

Some of the programs offered were Book Groups, Casual Bridge, Storytellers, Speakers, Holiday activities, and Storytime. An abridged stage performance of Pinocchio was our kick-off program for this year’s Summer Reading Program, “Build a Better World.” More children participated this past year in the reading program. Some weeks there were over 50 people at our summer activities. The Squam Lake Marketplace donated the ice cream to our final program making an exciting end to a successful year. The Story Walk was again set up along the Channel Walk in conjunction with the Holderness Recreation Department, Squam Lakes Natural Science Center, the Holderness Free Library. Our Little Free Library was at the town beach, where it was enjoyed by many.

HOLDERNESS FREE LIBRARY – DIRECTOR'S REPORT (continued)

Our library offers books, magazines, newspapers, DVDs, and passes. As the library is a member of the NH downloadable book, eBooks are available to our patrons as well. Come into the library and let us know how we can be of service to you.

This year did bring a change to our library staff when Director Jackie Heath left to become a Director elsewhere. We thank Jackie for all her hard work and wish her the best in her new position. We were recently joined by Grace Ainsworth as a library assistant. She is already a great asset.

The Holderness Free Library is thankful to the Holderness taxpayers that provide the funds for our support. Please come and visit the Holderness Free Library. Enjoy the great facility!

Our Mission Statement:

"To Create A Vibrant Place Where People Can Connect"

For more information, call the library at 968-7066 or visit us on the web at www.holdernesslibrary.org.

STATISTICS FOR 2017

12,213 Items in collection
2,158 Registered borrowers
1,227 Items discarded
1,153 Number of items added –
11,131 Items borrowed –
9,208 Library Users/Visitors –
83 Adult Programs: 1,122 Attendees
76 Children's Programs: 1,186 Attendees

LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday	9:00 - 5:00
Tuesday	9:00 - 4:00
Wednesday	9:00 - 7:00
Thursday	closed
Friday	9:00 - 4:00
Saturday	9:00 - 1:00



Left to Right: Grace Ainsworth, Deborah Thouin, and Jeanne Perkins

LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT



We are delighted to report that construction of the addition and renovation of the library was completed in May, 2017.

The project has provided handicap access to the Library with a ramp from the parking area and a lift to the upper floor; a new drilled well with sufficient flow; two new handicap accessible restrooms, one of which has exterior access for the public; a bright new children's room; a large meeting room with hearing loop technology that accommodates up to 50 people, a new outside deck, improved landscaping, and a staff work area with adequate storage for materials and supplies.

Our expenses to date have been just over one million dollars, including the architect expenses and some early fund raising expenses. We were able to finance the construction costs through donations and \$195,000 appropriated by the Town of Holderness. The project has received widespread town support. Approximately two hundred individuals, businesses and foundations have made donations, and, of those, 75% were for less than \$500. We are now able to meet the changing needs of our community.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT (continued)

We could not have done this project without the help of the Friends of the Holderness Library. They provide ongoing sponsorship of programs and are responsible for the maintenance of our beautiful garden. The Annual Santa Sale returned to the library after ten years of being “on the road”. With our new meeting space we were able to host the event at home. It was a tremendous success thanks to the wonderful people who donate items to sell and the volunteers who turn out to have fun with the shoppers. The money raised is used to sponsor special programs and items for the library.

As we head into 2018, our goal is to assess community interests and develop a robust calendar of events for all ages. We will be doing this with the help of a new Library Director. Jackie Heath has taken a position at a library closer to her home in Gilmanton. We wish her well and thank her for her four years of service and leadership through the construction project. Deborah Thouin has stepped up as the Interim Director.

If you have not yet had an opportunity to see the new library, please stop by and talk with our wonderful staff and ask for a tour. We are very proud of the work that has been done. The Trustees meet the first Monday of every month and residents are encouraged to attend. Thank you again for your strong support of the Holderness library.

The Trustees thank the townspeople of Holderness for the ongoing support of the Library, and encourage everyone to take advantage of all the Library has to offer.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ted Vansant – Chair
Carol Snelling – Secretary

Kathy Wieliczko
Betsy Whitmore

Vic Currier
Bert Saul - Alternate

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 15 and March 16, 2017**

The annual Town Meeting of the Town of Holderness was postponed March 14 and 15, 2017, due to inclement weather. The Meeting was then held on March 15 and 16, 2017, and the following business was transacted.

At 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2017, at the Holderness Town Hall, Moderator Daniel Rossner declared the polls opened.

At 7:00 p.m., Moderator Rossner declared the polls closed and the ballots were counted.

At 7:07 p.m., on Thursday, March 16, 2016 at Holderness Central School, the Meeting resumed following the Holderness Central School District Meeting. Moderator Daniel Rossner asked the veterans at the meeting to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting also observed a moment of silence for those residents who passed way in 2016. Moderator Rossner asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the Warrant in its entirety. Moved by Peg Winton and seconded by Malcolm “Tink” Taylor. The Moderator announced the results of Article 1, the ballot votes of Town Officers. He also announced the results of the zoning ordinance amendments and declared all of which passed.

Article 1: To choose all Town Officers by official ballot:

Selectman for 3 Years: (Vote for Two)

Peter Francesco 130

Jill Mudgett White 122

Write-in

Wesley Peoples 1

Stanley Graton 1

Town Clerk for 3 Years: (Vote for One)

Ellen King 140

Moderator for 2 Years: (Vote for One)

Daniel Rossner 135

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 15 and March 16, 2017 (continued)

Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 Years: (Vote for One)

Write in

Maurice Lafreniere	35
Ross Deachman	1
Will Abbott	1
Todd Elgin	1
Bruce Whitmore	2
Daniel Rossner	1
Bonnie Hunt	1
Ron Adams	1
Sue Smith	1
Sam Laverack	1
Larry Spencer	1
Tom Stepp	1
Jill White	1
Nick Deruvo	1
Earl Hansen	1

Library Trustee for 3 Years: (Vote for One)

Carol Snelling	127
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Fire Ward for 3 Years: (Vote for One)

David F. Dupuis	131
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Write-in

Willis Holland	1
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Article 2: 2017 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Changes:
(Recommended by the Planning Board)

1. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Holderness Zoning Ordinance as follows: **Update the Definition of “Motel-Lodging” to read “Motel-Lodging-Bed & Breakfast”?**

YES **123** NO **16**

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 15 and March 16, 2017 (continued)

2. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Holderness Zoning Ordinance as follows: **Add Definition: Duplex – A structure used for residential purposes consisting of two dwelling units with a common wall?**

YES 130 NO 10

3. “Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board as required by a change in NH State Statutes for the Holderness Zoning Ordinance as follows:

ADD Definition: Accessory Dwelling Unit (or "ADU") - A residential living unit that is within or attached to a single-family dwelling that provides independent living facilities for one or more persons, including provisions for sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation on the same parcel of land as the principal dwelling unit it accompanies.

ADD ADU’s as Special Exceptions in zones GR, RR, & CD

ADD Section: Accessory Dwelling Unit Provisions

- **Maximum size of ADU 800 square feet**
- **At least one parking space must be provided for ADU**
- **Only one (1) ADU allowed per dwelling**
- **Adequate provisions for sewage disposal and water supply must be shown in accordance with state law to be in compliance with RSA 485-A:38**
- **Per RSA 674:72 an interior door must be provided between the principal dwelling unit and the ADU.**
- **The ADU must have an independent means of ingress and egress, or shall have ingress and egress through a common space such as a shared hallway to an exterior door.”**

Yes 125 No 14

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 15 and March 16, 2017 (continued)

Holderness Central School District
Election Results

School Board Member for 3 Years: *(Vote for One)*
Joseph E. Casey 134

School Board Member for 2 Years: *(Vote for One)*
Kristina Casey 125

School District Treasurer for 3 Years: *(Vote for One)*
Kathleen S. Whittemore 131

Article 3: To see if the own will vote to accept the reports of all Town Officers and Committees.

Moved by Earl Hansen and seconded by Martha Richards. No discussion. A show of hands vote was taken and the Article **Passed**.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee's recommended sum of Two Million Three Hundred Seventy Nine Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Six Dollars (\$2,379,696) for general municipal operations. Said sum does not include special or individual articles elsewhere within this warrant.

Moved by Peg Winton and seconded by Fran Taylor. No discussion. A show of hands vote was taken and the Article **Passed**.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 15 and March 16, 2017 (continued)

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred and Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$403,500) to be placed in the following Capital Reserve Funds:

White Oak Pond Dam	\$ 2,500
Fire/Rescue Vehicles	\$ 40,000
Road Reconstruction	\$150,000
Library Building	\$ 5,000
Municipal Buildings	\$ 30,000
Revaluation	\$ 35,000
Fire Equipment	\$ 5,000
Public Works Vehicles	\$ 46,000
Conservation	\$ 5,000
Police Cruiser	\$ 6,000
Transfer Station Equipment	\$ 2,000
Employee Health Ins.	\$ 5,000
Town Office IT Fund	\$ 30,000
Library IT Fund	\$ 10,000
Master Plan CRF	\$ 5,000
Employee Post Benefit Expendable Trust	\$ 15,000
New Cable TV Service Expansion CRF	\$ 12,000
TOTAL:	\$403,500

Moved by Earl Hansen and seconded by Malcolm “Tink” Taylor.

No discussion.

A show of hands vote was taken and the Article **Passed**.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 15 and March 16, 2017 (continued)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Six Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$506,260) for the following Capital projects and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the Select Board to withdraw the sums indicated from Fund Balance, Revolving Funds and Capital Reserve Funds as noted:

Road Reconstruction: \$150,000
(from the Road Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund)

Fire Department Command Vehicle: \$35,000:
(from the Fire Department Fire/Rescue Vehicles Capital Reserve)

Fire Department Washer Extractor: \$7,260:
(from Fire Equipment Capital Reserve)

Revaluation (cycle inspections): \$25,000
(from Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund)

Tax Collection Software, Assessing Software and two new Computer Workstations for the Town Clerk/Tax Collectors Office: \$35,000
(from Town Office IT Capital Reserve Fund)

6 Wheel Dump Truck with Sander Body and Plow the Highway Department: \$175,000 *(\$156,000 from Public Works Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund and \$19,000 from Fund Balance as of December 31, 2016)*

SUV for Police Department: \$49,000
(\$30,000 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund and \$19,000 from the Police Department Revolving Fund)

New Cable TV Service Expansion (East Holderness Road): \$25,000
(\$13,000 from Cable TV Service Expansion Capital Reserve Fund and \$12,000 Fund Balance as of December 31, 2016)

Abatement Legal Defense: \$5,000
(from Abatement Legal Defense Capital Reserve Fund)

Moved by Earl Hansen and seconded by Martha Richards.

Nancy Ruhm asked what is a washer extractor?

Fire Chief Eleanor Mardin stated it is a washing machine that extracts carcinogens from the firefighters' gear.

A show of hands vote was taken and the Article **Passed**.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 15 and March 16, 2017 (continued)

Moderator Rossner recognized the dedication of the 2016 Annual Report to Earl Hansen and Skip Van Sickle. The voters recognized Earl and Skip with a standing ovation. The Moderator recognized Chief Eleanor Mardin. Ms. Mardin recognized Earl Hansen who had received a plaque at the Fire Station for his 40 plus years of service to the Holderness Fire Department. Ms. Mardin recognized Skip Van Sickle and presented him with a plaque to commemorate his 35 years of service to the Holderness Fire Department. The voters recognized Skip with a standing ovation.

Moderator Rossner recognized Selectman Jill White. Ms. White thanked the town employees for their service to the community and noted they helped to make the town a special place. She recognized and thanked Scott Davis, Transfer Station Supervisor for his fifteen years of service, Amy Sharpe, Finance Director/Assessing Coordinator, and Lewis Thompson, Highway Department Foreman for their ten years of service to the town. The voters recognized Scott Davis, Amy Sharpe and Lewis Thompson with a round of applause. She expressed appreciation and thanks to all those who have served in the community.

Moderator Rossner recognized Library Trustee Ted Vansant. Mr. Vansant invited the community on Saturday, March 18th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., to an open house at the Holderness Free Library. Mr. Vansant expressed thanks to all those who participated in the renovation project for the Library.

Article 7: To transact any other business that can legally come before the meeting.

Earl Hansen moved to adjourn the meeting, and seconded by Malcolm “Tink” Taylor. Moderator Rossner declared the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen King
Holderness Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 15 and March 16, 2017 (continued)

Resolution to Legalize, Ratify and Confirm

After a properly noticed public hearing on this date in accordance with the provisions of HB 329 which was passed into law on April 21st, 2017 we do hereby legalize, ratify and confirm the 2017 Town Meeting and all actions taken by the legislative body by vote of the people on March 15th, and March 16th, 2017.

The resolution was adopted by the Holderness Select Board on May 15th, 2017.


Jill White, Chair


Woodie Laverack, Vice Chair

Sam Brickley, Select Board


Peter Francesco, Select Board


Shelagh Connelly, Select Board

Full copy of May 15, 2017 Meeting Minutes available at Town Office.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT



Front Row: Angi Francesco
and Donna Bunnell, Secretary

Back Row: Ron Huntoon
and Bob Snelling, Chairman

Absent from Photo:

Carl Lehner, Vice Chairman

Louis E. Pare

John W. Laverack, Ex-Officio

Planning Board duties are specified by New Hampshire state statutes and include review of subdivision and site plan applications; review and update of the Master Plan; and review of the Zoning Ordinance for amendments as needed.

The members continue to work on procedures for consistent review of applications; balancing assistance to the applicant with conformity to the Town's Zoning Ordinance requirements.

In 2017 the Planning Board issued 10 Notice of Decisions for the following applications: 1 Boundary Line Adjustment, 2 Site Plans, 6 Subdivisions and 1 Steep Slopes.

The Planning Board has initiated the process of updating the entire Master Plan which was last done in 2007. In 2016 the Planning Board added the "Historic and Cultural Resources" chapter to the Master Plan. A Sub-Committee is currently working on reviewing the Natural Resources chapter. A chapter by chapter review of the entire document is planned.

Planning Board meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Tuesday of every month beginning at 6:30PM at the Holderness Town Hall unless otherwise posted.

Application forms, the Holderness Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Regulations, Site Plan Regulations as well as the minutes, agendas, and meeting dates for the Planning Board can be found on the Town website; www.holderness-nh.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Snelling, Chairman
Carl Lehner, Vice Chairman
Ron Huntoon, Member
John W. Laverack, Ex-Officio

Angi Francesco, Member
Donna Bunnell, Secretary
Louis E. Pare, Member
Samuel Brickley, Alternate Ex-Officio

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

2017 was another challenging year with respect to maintaining staffing levels. The year started with a vacant full-time position, which was, filled in March, with the hiring of Scott Strickland. Officer Strickland joined the Department following his retirement from the United States Air Force. He brought twenty years of Military Police experience with him. This experience however, did not relieve him of the requirement to complete the NH Police Academy, which he began on May 1st and graduated sixteen weeks later on August 18th. I am thrilled to have Scott on our team. He brings a wealth of knowledge, experience and training to the department, grew up in Plymouth, NH and is very familiar with our community

In February, Jordan Daigneault was hired as a part-time officer. Officer Daigneault was a full-time officer with the Plymouth Police Department. Officer Daigneault worked several shifts for us while Officer Strickland was attending the academy. Officer Daigneault resigned as a part-time officer in December after being hired by the Manchester Police Department. We wish Officer Daigneault the best as he starts his new adventure in Manchester and thank him for his service.

In March, Amanda Hutchins was, hired as a part-time officer. Officer Hutchins is a full-time certified police officer and has been employed for many years, full-time, by the Plymouth State University Police Department.

In September, Lt. Barry Tanner retired as a full-time police officer with over twenty-three years in law enforcement; the last twelve years as a Holderness Police Lieutenant. Lt. Tanner was a fantastic investigator and administrator. We wish Lt. Tanner well in his retirement and thank him for his service to the town.

With the retirement of Lt. Tanner, Officer Michael Grier has been promoted to Sergeant with the additional responsibilities of firearms instruction, training and evidence.

In November, Andy Strickland was hired as our newest full-time police officer. Andy is Scott's younger brother, and is a full-time certified police officer with six years of police experience with the Campton Police Department. Prior to starting his career in law enforcement in Campton, Andy was also, in the United States Air Force for four years. We are very excited to have Andy on our team.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT (continued)

In December, Mark Nash was hired to fill a part-time vacancy. Officer Nash worked in Holderness for ten years before moving on to the New Hampshire State Police. Mark retired in December and we were fortunate enough to get him back.

Officer David Bourne resigned as a part-time officer at the end of December. Officer Bourne worked several shifts while we were shorthanded. We thank Officer Bourne for helping us out during our transition period and we wish him the best moving forward and thank him for his service.

The Town of Holderness is extremely fortunate to have such dedicated professionals. It was my goal to hire experienced, seasoned officers to fill these vacancies. It is a challenge to find people that want to be police officers. Many of the surrounding police departments have vacancies and are having trouble filling them. I am pleased to report that the Department is fully staffed and I hope to keep this group of officers for several years.

In 2018, we will continue working with the Squam Lakes Association to address the parking and pedestrian safety issues on Route 113 in the area of the Rattlesnake trailhead. These challenging issues are found near many trailheads and State properties throughout the State. We have had tremendous success at Livermore Falls and hope to use this model to help solve some of the issues at Rattlesnake. I would like to thank E. B. James of the SLA for a strong partnership between the Town and SLA. I would encourage you to get involved by joining the “Friends of Rattlesnake”. Your input and involvement are important to the project’s success.

A huge thank you goes out to my staff; Sgt. Erik DiFilippe, Sgt. Michael Grier, SRO Michael Barney, Officer Scott Strickland, Officer Andy Strickland, Officer Amanda Hutchins, Officer Mark Nash, Attorney Robert Libby and Administrative Assistant Alice O’Connor for the wonderful work they do each and every day.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT (continued)

Each of us here at the Holderness Police Department strives to provide citizens and visitors of Holderness with the highest quality of service as we explore new and more innovative ways to keep our community safe.

Respectfully submitted,
Jake Patridge, Chief of Police

2017 POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

911 HANG-UP	19	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	72
ABANDONING A VEHICLE	0	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT (Fatality)	1
ALARM (Business & Residential & Fire)	146	MOTOR VEHICLE CITATIONS	48
ALCOHOL OFFENSES	42	MOTOR VEHICLE COMPLAINT	60
ANIMAL INVOLVED INCIDENTS	75	MOTOR VEHICLE WARNINGS	552
ARRESTS (Total)	56	MOTOR VEHICLE / DWI	6
ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENTS	231	NOISE COMPLAINT	13
ATTEMPT TO COMMIT BURGLARY	0	OFFICER FOLLOW-UP	161
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE	5	OPEN/UNSECURE DOOR	10
BENCH WARRANT	3	PAPER SERVICE / RELAY	41
BURGLARY	3	PARKING COMPLAINT / INFO	29
CITIZEN REQUEST ASSIST. / MVLO	125	PARKING TICKETS	88
CIVIL MATTER	15	PISTOL PERMITS	17
CIVIL STANDBY	30	POLICE INFORMATION	29
CONDUCT AFTER AN ACCIDENT	3	PROACTIVE NOISE WARNING	30
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	29	RECKLESS/NEGLIGENT OPERATION	1
CRIMINAL RECORDS	40	REGISTRATION OF SEX OFFENDER	13
CRIMINAL THREATENING	4	RESISTING ARREST OR DETENTION	2
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	4	RUNAWAY JUVENILE	2
DIRECTED PATROL (Including Radar)	499	SEXUAL ASSAULT	1
DISORDERLY ACTIONS / CONDUCT	17	SIMPLE ASSAULT	6
DISTURBANCE (Including Domestic)	36	SITE CHECKS	654
DRUG RELATED INCIDENT	12	SUBPOENA SERVICE	3
FINGERPRINTS - JOB APPLICATIONS	46	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	119
FOOT PATROL	78	THEFT (All Thefts)	24
FRAUD / FORGERY	15	UNRULY JUVENILE	6
HARASSMENT	10	UNTIMELY/ UNATTENDED DEATH	4
ISSUING BAD CHECKS	0	VACANT HOUSE CHECK	1265
LITTERING	1	LOST / FOUND PROPERTY	38
MISSING / WANTED PERSONS	5		

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

Time sure passes quickly, as a new year has come and another has passed. I look back at the projects that have been completed in 2017. We were able to place a 1" overlay on 4,460 ft. section of Mt. Prospect Road and also placed a 1 inch overlay of pavement on Meadowview and Locust Drives. We rebuilt the intersection of N. Ashland Road and paved Stonehouse Road to the cul-de-sac.

I look forward to 2018 and the projects that it will bring. We have plans of more pavement preservation with the Road Reconstruction funds and with the General Operating Budget we will continue to grade and add gravel to our gravel roads, culvert repairs and maintenance, keep the ditches clean and then there is always brush to cut.

The Equipment continues to be in great shape. We replaced the 2009 International 6 wheeler with a 2018 Kenworth 6 wheeler and plow and wing. A special thanks to Lewie for spec'ing out the Kenworth, great job!!

I'd like to thank everyone within the Highway Department for their hard work and dedication that they continue to do day in and day out. Thank you, Lewie Thompson, Dennis Hughes and Dean Melanson. Thank you, Skip Thompson for the great work on the town properties. I'd also like to say thanks to all the other departments, Select board, committees and folks in town for their continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin M. Coburn, Holderness Road Agent



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Programming and Beach Report

Holderness Recreation Department is comprised of one part-time director, seasonal staff and independent contractors, all of whom help to bring you a variety of recreational opportunities. The Department has a volunteer Board that meets monthly providing budget oversight and program review. The Department is service oriented and strives to provide a wide range of programming for year-round and seasonal residents of the Town. The Department also manages the Livermore Beach property. This year we were sad to accept the resignation of Meika Carter who had served on the board since 2015. With this vacancy, we were able to welcome Amanda Bussolari as our newest member.

PROGRAMMING REPORT

Holderness Recreation offers approximately 20 programs each season. The past year included: Yoga, Swimming Lessons, Adult Basketball and Volleyball, Tennis Lessons, Irish Step Dance, Discount Ski Tickets, Breath NH Fun Passes, Early Bird Exercise, Safe Sitter® Training, Archery, Basket Making, Guided Meditation and so much more.



In the spring we added a Mom & Me Paint Class, which has become very popular! New to our lineup this fall was the addition of Adult Drop-in Badminton. This program is growing in popularity and is currently being played on Friday nights from 7:30 – 9:30pm.

Since this time last year we have offered two more OHRV safety courses with NH Fish & Game which had 41 youth and parents participating.

SummerEscape remains the largest program that we offer. The program is housed in the Holderness Central School and consists of beach days, field trips and onsite camp-like activities including; arts and crafts, sports and special events. Amanda Bussolari and Catherine Flynn took over leadership this summer. They and our amazing staff brought the program to another level of creativity, energy and fun for the participants. The program was at capacity with a waitlist for much of the summer. Strong relationships were formed between staff and participants and many on both sides were sad to see the summer end.

We had several newcomers to the program that were moving to Holderness and they were able to make new friends prior to starting the school year.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Programming and Beach Report (continued)

This year we added a mini camp sampler for children and parents to see what a day is like at SummerEscape, a trip to Remick Farm, Santa's Village and weekly Yoga. The program also participated in a Wildlife Encounter at Ashland Recreation, and hosted a special event with the Granite State Disc Dogs for both departments.

This past summer the program ran for 7 weeks. Staff provided programming daily for 30-40 participants ranging in age from 5 – 12 years old.

BEACH REPORT

Livermore Beach, otherwise known as the Holderness Town Beach is located at 31 Dirt Rd. The Holderness Town Beach property was donated by Mrs. Edwin S. Webster and Mr. Frank G. Webster to the Squam Lake Conservation Society in 1963. While SLCS is the owner, the Holderness Select Board and Recreation Board oversee the utilization and maintenance of the property.

The beach is staffed with a Beach Attendant from the middle of June through Labor Day. The Attendant is on site from 10am to 5pm 7 days a week weather permitting. The role of the Beach Attendant is to check beach passes, reinforce rules and regulations, monitor use of the facility and interact with the beach patrons. Our beach attendants are not lifeguards and because of this we do ask that you keep a close eye on your guests while you are at the beach.

Use of the beach: The Beach is for residents and taxpayers use, but subject to the Town Beach Rules which are given out when Beach Passes are purchased at the Town Hall. Passes are \$15 and may be purchased at the Town Clerk's office Monday – Friday between 8:30 and 4pm. Upon purchase of your seasonal beach pass, you will receive a copy of the rules and regulations for the beach. The rules apply and are enforced year round not just when the attendant is present. If you have a concern about activity or behavior at the beach, please speak with the attendant on duty or contact the recreation office. We are very lucky to have this resource available to the Town. There were 229 beach passes sold in 2017 and 230 in 2016.

Opening, in-season and closing tasks: In the spring it is time to clean up all of the winter debris including leaves, branches and muck that washed up on the beach. Additional opening tasks include: putting in the swim area lines, cleaning out the shed and changing room and mowing the lawn. For the most part these tasks are handled by volunteer efforts from the Recreation Board.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Programming and Beach Report (continued)

In the recent years we have been very fortunate to have the assistance of a boat from Camp Deerwood to help put in the swim lines. Seasonal maintenance is performed by the Beach Attendants, Recreation Director and a local mowing company. In the fall we focus on taking in the swim lines, organizing the shed and leaf blowing. Again, help from Camp Deerwood using a pontoon boat has made the fall process much easier. We contract with a local contractor for the final task in closing the Beach, which is the removal and storage of the swim raft.

Amenities at the beach include: A storage shed, changing shed, portable toilets, raft, picnic tables, protected swimming area, land line phone for emergencies, 2 parking areas and the serenity of the beach.

Safety:

Although we have a beach attendant on the property for most of the season, we ask that you please report any activity that you think is inappropriate at this facility. Our police department does a wonderful job checking on it daily during the open season, but another set of eyes is always appreciated.

SPECIAL THANKS:

Much of our success is due to the work and support we have received from many volunteers and Town employees. Thank you to the Selectmen, Town Administrator, Town Hall Staff, Police, Fire and Public Works Departments and the Holderness Central School for all of their continued support furthering recreation in Holderness.

Thank you to the Pemigewasset Fish and Game Club for their continued support of our Archery program. They let us use their indoor and outdoor facilities, and since 2001 we have had over 236 participants come through the program.

Thank you to Squam Lakes Association for offering 1 free camping weekend on Bowman Island for the seventh year.

We would like to thank Camp Deerwood for its continued support of training our summer staff in CPR and First Aid.

Thank you to the Holderness School for letting us use their tennis courts this past summer.

Lastly, thank you to Fifi Kämpf for letting us use Curry Place again for StoryWalk™ and to the Squam Lake Natural Science Center and Library for co-sponsoring this event.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Programming and Beach Report (continued)

OUR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:

The Recreation Department has a scholarship fund to help families and participants who are experiencing financial hardship. Scholarship monies help families participate in our many programs that they may otherwise not be able to take part in. This year we were able to help six families participate in programs including the SummerEscape and Archery programs for a total of \$1,095.

We would like to thank the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction for granting us \$1,000 in scholarship money this year. We would also like to thank the Captain Douglas DiCenzo Summer Camp Fund for assisting many families in our community and surrounding communities who needed help this year.

You can donate online, in person or through the mail. You can also choose to specifically sponsor someone for a specific program if you like. Donations come in many shapes and sizes and we are thankful for all of them. Thanks to everyone who made contributions this year and please keep it in mind for next year.

YOUR INPUT AND PARTICIPATION:

We are always interested to hear from you about the type of activities and programs that you would like to have available in Holderness and at the beach facility. As always, please feel free to contact Wendy in the office or any of the Recreation Board members to share your thoughts. You are also always welcome to come to one of our Board meetings, which are held once a month on Monday's at 5:30pm, downstairs at Town Hall. The Recreation office can be reached at 603-968-3700 or recreation@holderness-nh.gov.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy Werner (Recreation Director)

George 'Biff' Sutcliffe (Secretary)

Amanda Bussolari

Jenny Evans

Tom Stepp (Chairperson)

Janis Messier

Dan Litchfield

Woody Laverack (Selectman Liaison)

*Receiving a scholarship
grant from the Greater
Lakes Region Children's
Auction*



SummerEscape Theater



*SummerEscape at
Santa's Village*

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Year Ending June 30, 2017

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year of this Report 2017	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
			2016		
Property Taxes	#3110		\$ 2,278,541.69		
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		\$ 1.20		
Sewer Charges	#3189				
Sewer Maintenance Assessment	#3189				
Property Tax Credit Balance**			\$ (7,387.66)		
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**					
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR				For DRA Use Only	
Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 4,853,385.00	\$ 4,813,201.00		
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185	\$ 4,361.85	\$ 3,973.81		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	\$ 147.18			
Sewer Charges	#3189	\$ 169.79	\$ 507.00		
Property Tax Credit Balance**		\$ (13,582.33)			
Elderly & Disabled Tax Deferral	#3189		\$ 22,615.78		
OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS					
Property Taxes	#3110	\$ 5,154.00	\$ 5,386.53		
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187				
Interest - Late Tax	#3190		\$ 21,518.29		
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190				
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 4,849,635.49	\$ 7,138,357.64	\$ -	\$ -

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT (continued)

Year Ending June 30, 2017

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for Year of This Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2016		
Property Taxes	\$ 3,691,119.25	\$ 6,997,563.51		
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	\$ 4,361.85	\$ 3,973.81		
Interest (include lien conversion)		\$ 21,518.29		
Penalties				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	\$ 147.18	\$ 1.20		
Sewer Charges	\$ 169.79	\$ 507.00		
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		\$ 108,227.93		
Elderly & Disabled Tax Deferral				
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				
ABATEMENTS MADE				
Property Taxes	\$ 3,192.00	\$ 1,179.37		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Overpayments:	\$ 5,154.00	\$ 5,386.53		
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED				
Uncollected Taxes				
Property Taxes	\$ 1,159,073.75			
Land Use Change				
Elderly & Disabled Tax Deferral				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Sewer Tax				
Property Tax Credit Balance	\$ (13,582.33)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance				
TOTAL CREDITS	\$ 4,849,635.49	\$ 7,138,357.64	\$ -	\$ -

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT (continued)

Year Ending June 30, 2017

DEBITS:

	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES			
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beg. Of Year	\$ 91,114.50	\$ 77,076.17	\$ 39,912.44	\$ 219.95	\$ 7.74
	\$ 24,355.56				
	\$ 1,321.60				
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year					
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year					
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$ 47.64	\$ 3,916.44	\$ 12,612.07	\$ 145.60	\$ 9.02
TOTAL DEBITS	\$ 116,839.30	\$ 80,992.61	\$ 52,524.51	\$ 365.55	\$ 16.76

CREDITS:

REMITTED TO TREASURER		Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES			
		2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Redemptions		\$ 26,175.80	\$ 27,197.77	\$ 35,149.91	\$ 219.95	\$ 7.74
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	\$ 47.64	\$ 3,916.44	\$ 12,612.07	\$ 145.60	\$ 9.02
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens						
Liens Deeded to Municipality						
Unredeemed Liens		\$ 88,097.58	\$ 46,874.19			
		\$ 1,196.68	\$ 3,004.21			
Balance - End of Year	#1110	\$ 1,321.60		\$ 4,762.53		
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 116,839.30	\$ 80,992.61	\$ 52,524.51	\$ 365.55	\$ 16.76

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen King
Holderness Tax Collector

2017 TAX RATE CALCULATION

Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$3,289,456	
Net Revenue (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$1,437,450)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		(\$31,000)
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		(\$60,081)
War Service Credits	\$44,000	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$22,449	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$1,827,374	
Town Portion of Tax Rate	\$2.65	

County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$1,335,478	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$1,335,478	
County Portion of Tax Rate	\$1.93	

Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$3,893,650	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$2,709,245	
Net Education Grant		
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$1,551,061)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$5,051,834	
Local Education Portion of Tax Rate	\$7.31	
State Education Tax	\$1,551,061	
State Education Tax Not Retained		
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$1,551,061	
State Education Portion of Tax Rate	\$2.29	

Valuation: Municipal (MS-1)

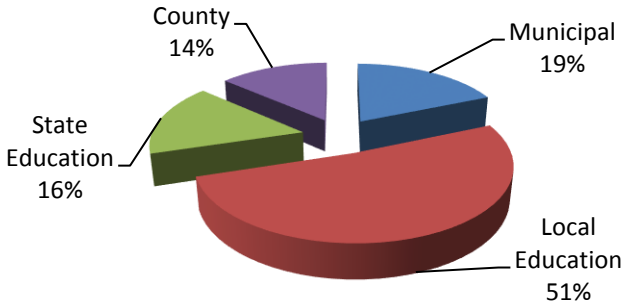
Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$690,805,320	\$688,031,297
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$677,760,660	\$674,724,737

2017 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II

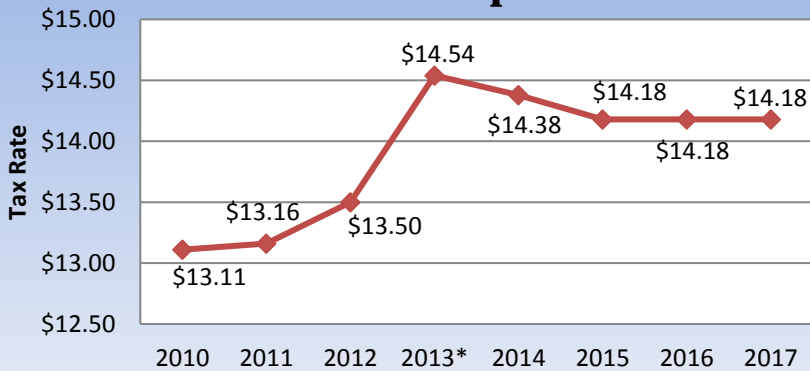
Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$9,721,747
1/2% Amount	\$48,609
Acceptable High	\$9,770,356
Acceptable Low	\$9,673,138
Total Tax Rate	\$14.18

TAX RATE INFORMATION - 2017

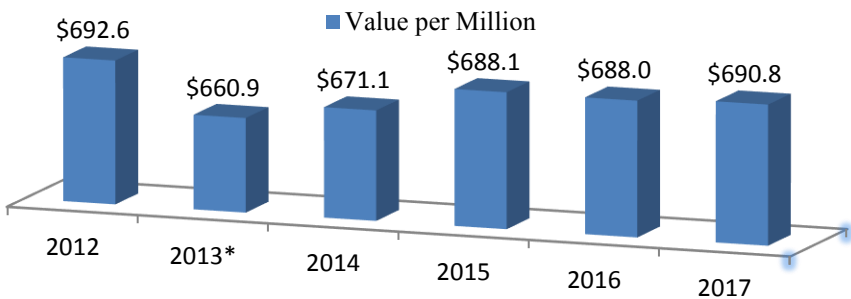
2017 Tax Rate Breakdown



Tax Rate Comparison



Town Valuation Comparison



* Revaluation Year

TOWN CLERK REPORT

REMITTED TO THE TREASURER July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

Motor Vehicle Registration/Title Fee:	\$ 495,925.79
Municipal Agent Fee:	\$ 10,014.00
Dog Licenses:	\$ 3,017.00
Vital Records Fee:	\$ 2,260.00
Transfer Station Receipts:	\$ 37,467.00
Transfer Station Stickers:	\$ 1,871.00
Beach Permits:	\$ 3,510.00
Miscellaneous:	\$ 477.92
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Total Town Deposit:	\$ 554,542.71
State of NH-MV Fee: (Transferred to State)	\$ 163,790.16

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen King
Holderness Town Clerk

SCHEDULE OF ESTIMATED DEBT PAYMENT

Purpose	Original Amount	FY 17/18	FY18/19
Transfer Station	\$350,000	\$61,099	\$0
2013 Fire Pumper Truck	\$88,000	\$0	\$0
Total Town	\$438,000	\$61,099	\$0*
Holderness Central School	\$2,371,079	\$241,732	\$0
Total School	\$2,371,079	\$241,732	\$0*

***Presently, neither the Town nor the Holderness Central School
has any debt service.**

SCHEDULE OF EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

MASTER VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT PLAN Revised 12/29/17											
	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT											
1994 Gallion Grader											
2009 Cat Backhoe			80,000								
2018 Kenworth	175,000										190,000
2014 International Dump Truck											
2017 F350 Ford Pickup						60,000					
2012 Ford F-550								75,000			
Chipper		72,000									
POLICE DEPARTMENT											
Unit #3 2014 Sedan			47,000					45,000			
Unit #1 2007 Sedan	49,000										
Unit #2 2013 F150						49,000					
Unit # 2010 Sedan at Prep School											
Unit #4 2013 Sedan		47,000					45,000				
FIRE DEPARTMENT											
2009 Ford F-350 Rescue										85,000	
2013 Pierce Saber Pumper											
1993 Ford F-350 12 F3-Replace with 2012 Multi-Purpose Vehicle below											
1997 Mack Pumper 12E4 -Expected Years of Service: 25							500,000				
2006 Kenworth Tanker 12W5 -Expected Years of Service: 25											
2012 Ford F350 Pickup											40,000
2012 Ford F-550 Multi-Purpose Vehicle			37,000								
2017 Ford Interceptor	35,000										
MUNICIPAL PROPERTY/BLDGs.											
PSB Roof Replacement											
PSB Sally Port											
Town Hall Generator											
Truck Exhaust Vent System											
Accounting/Assessing Software	35,000	12,700	8,700			3,900	3,900	4,000	8,700	4,000	4,000
Cable Expansion East Holderness Rd	12,500	12,500									
	306,500	181,200	135,700	0	3,900	112,900	739,000	128,700	0	89,000	234,000

SCHEDULE OF TOWN EQUIPMENT

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1931 Ford	
1954 Willys Jeep	
2009 Ford Rescue	12R1
2014 Pierce Fire Truck	12E3
1993 Ford Forest Fire Truck	12F3
1997 Mack Fire Truck	12E4
2006 Kenworth Fire Truck	12E5
2006 Premier Pontoon Boat	12B1
2012 F350 Utility Pickup	12U1
2017 Ford Interceptor	12Car1
13' Boston Whaler Boat	12B2

Mobile Equipment

2011 Royal Swiftwater Rescue Trailer
2017 Can-Am ATV
2017 Utility ATV Trailer

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

2018 Kenworth – 6 Wheel Dump Truck (sander in body & plow)
2014 International – 6 Wheel Dump Truck (sander in body & plow)
2011 Ford F350 – 1 Ton Pickup Truck (slide in sander & plow)
2012 Ford F550 - 1 Ton Dump Truck (slide in sander & plow)
2017 Ford F350 – 1 Ton Pickup Truck (slide in sander & plow)
2009 Caterpillar Backhoe
1994 Galion Grader

Equipment

1990 Bandit 200 XP Brush Chipper
1988 York Rake
1988 Road Broom

POLICE DEPARTMENT

2010 Ford Crown Victoria – Unit #3
2014 Ford Taurus Victoria – Unit #5
2013 Ford Taurus – Unit #4
2013 Ford F150 – Unit #2
2011 Message Board/Radar Trailer
2017 Ford Interceptor Utility – Unit #1

TRANSFER STATION

1997 Caterpillar Backhoe

SCHEDULE OF TOWN & SCHOOL PROPERTY

TAX MAP/ LOT #	DESCRIPTION LOCATION	LAND VALUE	BUILDING VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
No Map #	White Oak Pond Dam		32,100	32,100
101-008	Fire/Police Station	130,040	715,900	845,940
101-012-1	Route 113	46,500	7,000	53,500
101-019	Library	365,320	423,900	789,220
102-006	Village Common & Gazebo	610,400	3,200	613,600
222-015	Public Works Garage	191,450	239,100	430,550
223-011	Pilote Conservation Lot	493,850		493,850
224-001	Smith Road Lot	63,880		63,880
225-016	Pemi River Park Lot	36,300		36,300
228-079	HCS* Vacant Lot	133,260		133,260
229-025	Holderness Central School	254,130	3,397,700	3,651,830
231-003	Route 113	42,200		42,200
239-001	Town Hall	34,500	340,600	375,100
239-042	Corner Lot-Routes 3 & 175	47,300		47,300
245-065	Transfer Station/Pease	87,500	88,400	175,900
245-067	White Oak Pond	179,400		179,400
252-016-1	East Holderness Road	97,220		

TOWN MAINTAINED CEMETERIES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Map/Lot</u>	<u>Description/Location</u>
East Holderness	252-009	Corner Rt. 3 & E. Holderness Rd
Eastman	251	E. Holderness Rd, West of Vontel
Cox	255-003	East Holderness Road
Merrill	255-011	Hawkins Pond Road
Piper	246-021	Coxboro Road
Squam Bridge	101-010	Corner Rt. 3 & Rt. 113
True	206	Rt. 113 and Pinehurst Rd
Shaw	228	Hardhack Road
Ladd	205	Rt. 113
Sanborn	222-022	Old Highway South
Prescott	231	Old Highway South
Carr	220-007	Old Highway South

TRANSFER STATION REPORT

We were very busy at the Transfer Station this year. There are quite a few new people in town this year. We welcome them to our great little community.

Our great little community tossed out a lot of trash this year. We saw an increase of 18 ton over 2016 (712 total). We were able to ship it all out in the same number of containers as last year (52). That's one can a week of trash. The recycling was up as well, 8 tons over 2016 (314 total). It took 50 containers to ship the recycling. We did slip a little on recycling but we can do better next year. Please recycle all that "junk" mail, cardboard and plastic egg cartons and those cereal boxes but not the bag inside.

We still have the yellow box for clothes outside the gate. We just earned \$155 for the year from them. Please donate your clothes and shoes in the yellow box instead of tossing them in the trash.

Also remember to use the Household Hazardous waste day in July to clean out all your old chemicals in the basement or garage. This will keep it out of our great Squam Lake's and it's free! It's the last Saturday in July from 8 to 12 noon down at the Meredith Transfer Station. They won't take latex paint. Ask us about it, we can take it.

Tom Gammons left us this spring for warmer places. We wish him good luck in his future. Maybe he knew what kind of winter we were going to get? We now have Hanz Currier as our part time attendant. We also have Carrie Furmanick as a second part-timer to help ensure



we have two people here most of the time. Both are a great addition to our team. Remember, we want to answer your questions before you toss it into the wrong container. Just ask us. Thanks for another great year!

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Davis
Manager/ Attendant

**TOWN OF HOLDERNESS
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 13 AND MARCH 14, 2018**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Holderness, in the County of Grafton and the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the polls shall be opened and the polls shall not close earlier than seven o'clock in the evening to act upon Articles 1, 2 and 3 herein; the fourth and subsequent Articles to be acted upon commencing at seven o'clock in the evening (or immediately following the annual school district meeting whichever comes later) of the following day, Wednesday, the fourteenth day of March, 2018 in the auditorium of the Holderness Central School.

Article 1: To choose all Town Officers by official ballot:

Article 2: By Petition – To see if the Town will vote to allow the operation of Keno games within the Town.

Article 3: 2018 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Changes: To see how the Town will vote by official ballot on the proposed amendments, as recommended by the Planning Board, to the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amendment 1:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Holderness Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Update the Definition of Expansion for Structures to read:

“For structures, any increase in height, width, length, or usable living space, above or below ground. This includes, but is not limited to, porches, decks, roof overhangs, patios, dormers and basements/cellars “?

Amendment 2:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Holderness Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Update the Definition of Living Space to read:

“This includes any area measured in square feet, or any space measured in cubic feet, that is enclosed space used for indoor living or storage. This includes dormers and lofts, and any open space regardless of ceiling height. This does not include crawl spaces and screened-in porches (porches not enclosed with windows)”?

Amendment 3:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Holderness Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Update Section 700.2 which deals with Nonconforming Structures to read:

700.2: Structures: Any structure existing at the time of the original passage of this Ordinance, March 1985, or which has been legally constructed since, but is now non-conforming to the requirements of this Ordinance shall have the right to continue indefinitely.

700.2.1: Nonconforming buildings or structures may be repaired, improved, or expanded, provided:

700.2.1.1: No alteration shall increase the nonconformity according to the requirements of this Ordinance, including use regulations, and all dimensional and area requirements.

700.2.1.2: Specifically, for an existing setback nonconformity, any reconstruction must be completed within the existing footprint and no expansion of any kind shall occur within that part of the structure that is in the setback.

700.2.1.3: For the purpose of snow load management adding a pitched roof or increasing the slope of an existing roof will not be considered an expansion provided it does not increase any living or storage space.

700.2.1.4: A nonconforming structure which has been destroyed or partially destroyed, or has been purposely demolished, may be reconstructed as long as the pre-existing nonconformity is not increased. Provisions of Section 700.2.1.1, 700.2.1.2 and 700.2.1.3 apply. Reconstruction must be completed within two years of the destruction or demolition date. If the reconstruction is not completed (fully enclosed) within two years of the destruction or demolition date any new structure must be built conforming to the standards in this ordinance.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of all Town Officers and Committees.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee’s recommended sum of Two Million Three Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty-Five Dollars (\$2,354,455) for general municipal operations. Said sum does not include special or individual articles elsewhere within this warrant.

Recommended by the Select Board; (5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (6 years, 0 nays)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred and Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$403,500) to be placed in the following Capital Reserve Funds:

WHITE OAK POND DAM	\$ 2,500
FIRE/RESCUE VEHICLES	\$ 40,000
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	\$150,000
LIBRARY BUILDING	\$ 5,000
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS	\$ 30,000
REVALUATION	\$ 35,000
FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$ 5,000
PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES	\$ 46,000
CONSERVATION	\$ 5,000
POLICE CRUISER	\$ 26,000
TRANSFER STATION EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,000
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INS	\$ 5,000
TOWN OFFICE IT FUND	\$ 10,000
LIBRARY IT FUND	\$ 10,000
MASTER PLAN CRF	\$ 5,000
EMPLOYEE POST BENEFIT EXPENDABLE TRUST	\$ 15,000
NEW CABLE TV SERVICE EXPANSION CRF	<u>\$ 12,000</u>
TOTAL	\$403,500

Recommended by the Select Board; (5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (6 years, 0 nays)

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Nineteen Thousand One Hundred and Forty-Five Dollars (\$319,145) for the following Capital projects and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the Select Board to withdraw the sums indicated from Capital Reserve Funds and Revolving Funds as noted:

Road Reconstruction: \$150,000
(from the Road Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund)

Fire Department Forestry Vehicle: \$36,445:
(from the Fire Department Fire/Rescue Vehicles Capital Reserve)

Revaluation (5-year State Mandated Revaluation): \$73,000
(from Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund)

Two new Computer Workstations for the Town Office. One Computer Workstation and one server for the Police Department: \$12,700
(from Town Information Technology Capital Reserve Fund)

Police Interceptor Sedan for Police Department: \$47,000
(\$30,000 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund and \$17,000 from the Police Department Revolving Fund)

Recommended by the Select Board; (5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (6 years, 0 nays)

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Four Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars (\$34,157) to purchase a Ford F-550, One Ton Truck with Sander Body and Plow to come from the Public Works Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund. (SB38 Funds received in 2017 will complete the \$72,000 purchase.)

Recommended by the Select Board; (5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (6 years, 0 nays)

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to construct a shade structure (pergola) for the deck on the Library and to authorize an amount not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to come from the Library Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. The balance of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to come from private donations to the Library Trustees. There will be no money raised through general taxation.

Recommended by the Select Board; (5 years, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (6 years, 0 nays)

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars (\$13,632) to be placed in the Conservation Commission Capital Reserve Fund to be offset from the unassigned fund balance with no amount to be raised by general taxation. The funding amount reflects the proceeds received by the Town for recent forestry work done on the Pilote property.

Recommended by the Select Board; (5 yeas, 0 nays) and Budget Committee; (6 yeas, 0 nays)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to designate the property, now called the Town Forest, the Sydney Howe Forest in honor of the now deceased resident of Holderness who was one of the foremost environmentalists of the United States. This property will continue to be managed as a town forest.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to ratify the Holderness Fire Department existing form of organization per RSA 154:1-III to the following:

- A Fire Chief appointed by the Governing body.
- Firefighters and EMS personnel elected by the Fire Department members at large.
- Firewards elected by the local legislative body pursuant to RSA 669:17.

Article 13: To transact any other business that can legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands this 20th day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eighteen.

HOLDERNESS	Jill White, Chair
SELECT BOARD	John Laverack, Vice Chair
	Samuel Brickley
	Shelagh Connelly
	Peter Francesco

2018-2019 HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET

Source of Revenue	Actual Revenue FY 16-17	Estimated Revenue FY 17-18	Estimated Revenue FY 18-19
Taxes - Non Property			
3120-001 Land Use Tax	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
3185-001 Yield Taxes	8,335.66	13,910.00	9,635.00
3186-000 Payment in Lieu of Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00
3189-002 Excav Tax Warrant	147.18	100.00	0.00
3190-001 Penalties & Interest	46,513.84	45,600.00	45,600.00
Total Taxes - Non Property	54,996.68	64,610.00	60,235.00
Business Licences and Permits			
3210-001 Bus. License/Cable Fee	12,434.37	12,500.00	12,000.00
3210-004 UCC Filings & Cert.	825.00	510.00	400.00
3220-000 Motor Vehicle Fees	505,667.79	434,449.00	445,500.00
3230-000 Building Permit Fees	9,436.44	12,462.00	11,044.00
Total - Business Licences and Permits	528,363.60	459,921.00	468,944.00
Other Licences, Permits, Fees			
3290-001 Dog License	3,017.00	3,050.00	3,050.00
3290-004 Copy Fees	195.55	775.00	200.00
3290-005 Vital Records	2,245.00	1,806.00	1,925.00
3290-006 Boat Tax	7,026.92	6,327.00	6,525.00
3290-009 Other	351.00	400.00	400.00
Total - Other Licences, Permits, Fees	12,835.47	12,358.00	12,100.00
State and Federal			
3319-000 Fed Grants & Reimb	10.63	0.00	0.00
3351-000 Shared Rev Block Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00
3353-000 Highway Block Grants	71,178.52	73,055.00	73,055.00
3359-001 Rooms & Meals	108,745.07	108,559.00	108,559.00
3359-002 Other Grants	0.00	11.00	0.00
Total - State & Federal Grants	179,934.22	181,625.00	181,614.00

2018-2019 HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET

Source of Revenue	Actual Revenue FY 16-17	Estimated Revenue FY17-18	Estimated Revenue FY18-19
Income from Departments			
3401-001 Police - General	5,027.42	9,000.00	8,000.00
3401-002 Police - HSRO	75,999.99	76,000.00	84,600.00
3401-003 Recreation Dept	29,585.20	26,352.00	26,620.00
3401-004 Beach	3,510.00	3,500.00	3,424.00
3401-006 Transfer Station Tipping Fees	40,183.95	38,461.00	39,839.00
3401-007 Planning	3,020.00	3,263.00	2,237.00
3401-008 Zoning	779.00	3,835.00	1,950.00
3401-009 Fire	478.34	988.00	689.00
3401-010 Library	540.98	1,235.00	698.00
3401-012 Transfer Station Permits	1,825.00	2,113.00	1,807.00
3401-013 TCTC E-Reg Fees	0.00	108.00	0.00
3403-000 Sewer User Charges	676.79	3,800.00	3,800.00
3403-001 Sewer Maintenance Warrant	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total - Income from Departments	161,626.67	168,655.00	173,664.00
Other Income			
3501-000 Sale of Municipal Prop	11,641.55	0.00	0.00
3502-001 Checking & Savings	13,302.90	134.00	15,277.00
3502-002 Investment Interest	5,145.82	17,672.00	2,500.00
3502-003 Misc Interest	57.72	0.00	0.00
3506-003 Retiree Health Ins Reimb.	6,342.96	6,703.00	0.00
3506-004 Other Ins Reimb.	0.00	0.00	0.00
3506-005 Ins - Employee Share	0.00	0.00	0.00
3506-006 SS Reimb.	642.17	0.00	0.00
3506-007 NHRS Reimb.	2,116.17	0.00	0.00
3508-000 Donations & Gifts	35.00	0.00	0.00
3508-001 Library Addition	674,729.07	0.00	0.00
3509-000 Miscellaneous Income	62,759.86	5,512.00	300.00
3509-001 Life Safety-PSU	45,000.00	45,000.00	47,500.00
3509-100 Long Term Note	0.00	0.00	0.00
3915 Transfer from Capital Reserve	298,865.77	456,260.00	351,302.00
Transfers Fund Balance-Revolving Funds	0.00	19,000.00	42,632.00
Donations and Gifts	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
Total - Other Income	1,120,638.99	550,281.00	469,511.00
Total Estimated Revenue	2,058,395.63	1,437,450.00	1,366,068.00

2018-2019 HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET

Purpose of Appropriation (RSA 32:3)	FY16-17 Actual	FY17-18 Budget	FY18-19 Board of Selectmen	FY 18-19 Budget Committee
General Government				
4130 Executive	129,120.61	137,447.23	138,782.60	138,782.60
4140 Election, Registration, Vitals	81,793.79	81,925.26	86,896.73	86,896.73
4150 Financial Administration	70,057.67	71,198.28	72,887.25	72,887.25
4152 Revaluation of Property	40,801.90	46,000.00	45,400.00	45,400.00
4153 Legal	10,351.04	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
4155 Personnel Benefits	366,399.45	392,366.30	398,981.27	398,981.27
4191 Planning	9,339.88	12,158.00	13,603.03	13,603.03
4192 Zoning	4,489.77	9,455.00	10,530.03	10,530.03
4194 General Government Buildings	23,128.17	16,887.23	16,882.68	16,882.68
4195 Cemeteries	2,588.12	4,721.07	4,270.00	4,270.00
4196 Insurance	33,538.00	36,104.00	32,772.00	32,772.00
Public Safety				
4210 Police	464,221.65	470,566.60	470,126.82	470,126.82
4215 Ambulance	47,945.65	49,383.62	49,877.46	49,877.46
4220 Fire	168,056.36	169,082.72	169,063.76	169,063.76
4290 Emergency Management	500.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
4411 Compliance/Health	4,407.40	9,745.00	9,907.88	9,907.88
Highways and Streets				
4312 Highways and Streets	288,392.25	315,755.40	322,174.07	322,174.07
4316 Street Lighting	5,486.63	5,600.00	5,700.00	5,700.00
Sanitation				
4324 Sanitation	172,214.92	193,213.23	194,971.49	194,971.49
4326 Sewer	776.79	3,800.00	3,800.00	3,800.00
Health and Welfare				
Animal Control	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Public Service	30,062.50	31,475.00	32,364.15	32,364.15
Welfare	5,691.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Culture and Recreation				
Parks and Recreation	63,036.39	63,745.00	67,715.00	67,715.00
Beach	7,488.76	9,055.00	8,855.00	8,855.00
Library	128,529.05	137,648.16	147,021.08	147,021.08
Patriotic Purposes	294.80	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Conservation				
Conservation	4,026.13	5,465.00	6,072.70	6,072.70
Debt Service				
Debt Service	90,888.58	61,098.34	0.00	0.00
Total Operating Budget	2,255,127.26	2,379,695.44	2,354,455.00	2,354,455.00

2018-2019 HOLDERNESS TOWN BUDGET

Purpose of Appropriation (RSA 32:3)	FY16-17 Actual	FY17-18 Budget	FY18-19 Board of Selectmen	FY 18-19 Budget Committee
Capital Outlay				
4901-711 Road Reconstruction	124,746.71	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00
4901-712 Public Works Vehicle	54,218.00	175,000.00	34,157.00	34,157.00
4901-715 Fire/Rescue Vehicles	0.00	35,000.00	36,445.00	36,445.00
4901-727 Public Safety Bldg. Imp	41,765.24	0.00	0.00	0.00
4901-722 Library Add-Town Shade Structure	195,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
4901-723 Library Addition-Donation	676,302.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
4901-734 Revaluation	22,372.51	25,000.00	73,000.00	73,000.00
4901-741 Fire Equipment	0.00	7,260.00	0.00	0.00
4901-745 Computer/Tax Assessing Software	10,806.00	35,000.00	12,700.00	12,700.00
4901-781 Health Ins	2,833.76	0.00	0.00	0.00
4901-783 Abatement Defense Fund	7,574.30	5,000.00	0.00	0.00
4901-792 Cable TV Service Expansion CRF	12,500.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00
4901-793 Police Cruiser	0.00	49,000.00	47,000.00	47,000.00
4901-797 Transfer Station Equipment	8,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Capital Outlay	1,156,918.59	506,260.00	378,302.00	378,302.00
To Capital Reserve Funds				
4915-603 White Oak Pond Dam	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
4915-901 Fire/Rescue Vehicles	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00
4915-902 Road Reconstruction	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00
4915-904 Library	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
4915-905 Municipal Buildings	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
4915-906 Revaluation	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
4915-907 Fire Equipment	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
4915-909 Public Works Vehicles	46,000.00	46,000.00	46,000.00	46,000.00
4915-910 Conservation	5,000.00	5,000.00	18,632.00	18,632.00
4915-910 Police Cruiser	26,000.00	6,000.00	26,000.00	26,000.00
4915-911 Transfer Station Equip	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
4915-912 Employee Health Ins	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
4915-914 Town Information Tech	10,000.00	30,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
4915-915 Library Info Tech	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
4915-917 Master Plan CRF	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
4915-918 Emp. Post Benefit Exp. Trust	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
4915-919 Cable TV Service Expansion	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,000.00
Total to Capital Reserves	403,500.00	403,500.00	417,132.00	417,132.00
Total Budgeted Expenses	3,815,545.85	3,289,455.44	3,149,889.00	3,149,889.00
Estimated Gross Revenues	2,058,395.63	1,437,450.00	1,366,068.00	1,366,068.00
Net Property Tax Appropriation*	1,757,150.22	1,852,005.44	1,783,821.00	1,783,821.00

* Does not include war service credits or overlay

NOTES

TREASURER'S REPORT

JULY 1, 2016 – JUNE 30, 2017

After twelve years as your Town Treasurer, I continue to be impressed by the financial soundness of our town as well as the competence, friendliness and integrity of our municipal employees.

We continue to invest all of our General Fund monies in local, community banks. 100 percent of these funds earn competitive interest rates and are insured by the FDIC or collateralized by US Government securities. Our principal bank is Meredith Village Savings Bank. We also have a CD with Woodville Guaranty Bank this past summer.

Our town has solid financial safeguards in place to minimize the potential for fraud. Our financial records are externally audited each year. All municipal checks require three official signatures (Treasurer and two Selectmen). Every bill is reviewed by the Town Administrator, Michael Capone, the Board of Selectmen and myself before it is paid.

The following is a financial summary for fiscal year 2016-2017 prepared using cash-basis accounting.

Respectfully submitted,

Todd Elgin
Town Treasurer



Photo Courtesy of S. Francesco

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

OPERATING ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance 07/01/16		3,904,669.98
Auditor Adjustments		
Receipts		
Taxes	10,801,478.09	
All Other	2,326,132.37	
Total Receipts	<u>13,127,610.46</u>	13,127,610.46
Expenditures		
School Payments	(6,658,346.00)	
County Payment	(1,335,478.00)	
Town Employee Wages	(1,026,115.30)	
Town Capital & Operating Expenses	(2,969,853.38)	
Total Expenditures	<u>(11,989,792.68)</u>	(11,989,792.68)
Ending Balance 06/30/17		5,042,487.76
Bank Proof		
MVSB: 06/30/17 Checking & Investment		5,064,966.06
Deposits in transit		18,824.00
Checks in transit		(41,302.30)
Ending Balance		<u>5,042,487.76</u>

CONSERVATION ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance 07/01/16	1,139.11	
Receipts	0.37	
Expenditures	0.00	
Ending Balance 06/30/17	<u>1,139.48</u>	
Bank Proof		
Meredith Village Savings Bank 06/30/16	1,139.11	
Deposits in transit	0.00	
Checks in transit	0.00	
Ending Balance 06/30/17	<u>1,139.11</u>	

WOODSVILLE SAVINGS BANK CD

Principal (\$250,000)	
Balance 09/21/2016	250,000.00
Ending Balance as of 6/30/17	251,518.92
Matured 9/23/2019	

TRUST FUNDS & CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS REPORT

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017

Fund	Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Interest Earned	Ending Balance
TOWN OF HOLDERNESS					
Cemetery Funds	14,088.00			96.00	14,184.00
Police Cruiser	31,518.00	26,000.00		298.00	57,816.00
Fire Truck	98,118.00	40,000.00		796.00	138,914.00
White Oak Pond	3,141.00	2,500.00		29.00	5,670.00
Conservation Commission	86,863.00	5,000.00		607.00	92,470.00
Road Construction	147,349.00	150,000.00	(124,747.00)	1,434.00	174,036.00
Transfer Station	1,006.00			7.00	1,013.00
Sewer Construction	11,272.00			77.00	11,349.00
Grant Applications	11,676.00			79.00	11,755.00
Forest Fire Expendable Trust	17,700.00			120.00	17,820.00
Emergency Mgt Expenses	15,990.00			109.00	16,099.00
Library Improvement Fund	37,124.00	5,000.00		269.00	42,393.00
Municipal Buildings Fund	60,664.00	30,000.00	(56,348.00)	487.00	34,803.00
Town Revaluation Fund	30,236.00	35,000.00	(22,373.00)	309.00	43,172.00
Fire Equipment Fund	3,765.00	5,000.00		42.00	8,807.00
Village Sidewalks Fund	1,167.00			8.00	1,175.00
Public Works Cap Reserve	118,460.00	46,000.00	(54,218.00)	932.00	111,174.00
Master Plan	14,682.00	5,000.00		116.00	19,798.00
Recreation Path Maintenance	23,426.00			159.00	23,585.00
Employee Health Ins. Account	37,641.00	5,000.00	(1,500.00)	272.00	41,413.00
Transfer Station Equipment	44,275.00	2,000.00	(8,800.00)	304.00	37,779.00
Abatement Legal Defense	29,107.00		(7,574.00)	195.00	21,728.00
Veterans Honor Roll Maintenance	2,797.00			19.00	2,816.00
Rand Garden Fund	877.00				877.00
Employee Post Emp. Benefit	2,612.00	15,000.00		66.00	17,678.00
Cable TV Extension Cap Reserve	3,459.00	20,541.00	(12,500.00)	103.00	11,603.00
Town Technology Fund	11,674.00	10,000.00	(10,806.00)	107.00	10,975.00
Library Technology Fund	15,862.00	10,000.00		140.00	26,002.00
TOTALS	876,549.00	412,041.00	(275,560.00)	7,180.00	996,904.00
HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL					
Special Education Fund	52,601.00			358.00	52,959.00
Technology	95,650.00	22,500.00	(50,000.00)	439.00	68,589.00
Land Purchase Fund	0.00				0.00
Building Renovations	153,764.00	100,000.00	(153,500.00)	554.00	100,818.00
TOTALS	302,015.00	122,500.00	(203,500.00)	1,351.00	222,366.00

TRUST FUNDS & CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS REPORT

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017

Fund	Beginning Balance	Contributions	Withdrawals	Interest Earned	Ending Balance
PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST					
SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$ 1,699.00			12.00	\$ 1,711.00
BUILDING FUND	\$ 1,620.00			11.00	\$ 1,631.00
TOTALS	\$ 3,319.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23.00	\$ 3,342.00
PEMI-BAKER SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS					
SPANISH CLUB	\$ 1,285.00		(200.00)	8.00	\$ 1,093.00
FRONCEK SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 2,516.00			17.00	\$ 2,533.00
ZOULIAS SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 31,653.00	5,625.00	(3,650.00)	228.00	\$ 33,856.00
LAWSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 5,392.00	500.00	(500.00)	39.00	\$ 5,431.00
PERSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 25,053.00			45.00	\$ 25,098.00
PAQUETTE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 2,947.00			(180.00)	\$ 2,767.00
ASH SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 3,416.00			23.00	\$ 3,439.00
DAWSON SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 6,652.00		(500.00)	44.00	\$ 6,196.00
MINICKIELLO SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 986.00			7.00	\$ 993.00
YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 7,041.00			48.00	\$ 7,089.00
BLAKE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 9,055.00			62.00	\$ 9,117.00
VOLPE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 5,466.00	6,515.00	(3,200.00)	49.00	\$ 8,830.00
LW PACKARD EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSH	\$ 12,480.00		(1,200.00)	84.00	\$ 11,364.00
AVERY SCHOLARSHIP PU	\$ 1,202.00	200.00		9.00	\$ 1,411.00
W. CARLETON ADAMS PR	\$ 25,382.00		(1,000.00)	172.00	\$ 24,554.00
FRENCH CLUB	\$ -				\$ -
BURKE SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 5,889.00		(1,000.00)	35.00	\$ 4,924.00
TOTALS	\$ 146,415.00	\$ 12,840.00	\$ (11,250.00)	\$ 690.00	\$ 148,695.00
TOTAL TOWN FUNDS					\$ 996,904.00
TOTAL HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL FUNDS					\$ 222,366.00
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL FUNDS					\$ 3,342.00
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER SCHOLARSHIPS					\$ 148,695.00
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS					\$ 1,371,307.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Trustees of the Trust Funds
Bonnie Hunt, Chair
Maurice Lafreniere
Peter Woodward

VITAL STATISTICS 2017

VITAL STATISTICS 2017 - BIRTHS

July 16	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> Landon James Hamel <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Scott Hamel	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> Laconia, NH <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> Michelle Paquin
August 6	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> Hoyt Cooper Reed <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Randy Reed	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> Concord, NH <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> Amanda Reed
August 15	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> Annabel Shirley Jastrebsky <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Brian Jastrebsky	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> Concord, NH <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> Rachel Jastrebsky
September 16	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> Eliana Grace Arsenault <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Joseph Arsenault	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> Plymouth, NH <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> Jodie Arsenault
December 6	<u>NAME OF CHILD:</u> Evie June Conkey <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Jeremiah Conkey	<u>PLACE OF BIRTH:</u> Lebanon, NH <u>MOTHER'S NAME:</u> Jessica Conkey

VITAL STATISTICS 2017 - DEATHS

January 17	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Robert Howe <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> David Howe Sr.	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Concord, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Amelia Mitchell
March 22	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Caryl Doucette <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Harold Maher	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Plymouth, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Laura Rathe

VITAL STATISTICS 2017

VITAL STATISTICS 2017 – DEATHS (continued)

March 31	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Bruce Smith <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Harold Smith	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Lebanon, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Pearl Cass
April 21	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Ernest Currier <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Bertram Currier, Sr.	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Holderness NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Patricia Nelson
May 6	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Alden Vansickle, Jr. <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Alden Vansickle, Sr.	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Holderness, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Jane Condit
June 19	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Carolyn Calley <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Harman Baker	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Plymouth, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Georgia Tibbetts
July 6	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> David Plant <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> George Plant	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Holderness, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Edith Ladd
July 9	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Howard Niles <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Lawton Niles	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Meredith, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Dorothy Hackett
July 15	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Robert Gyurkovics <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> John Gyurkovics	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Manchester, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Marion Ferris
July 18	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> James Gaudet <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Victor Gaudet	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Plymouth, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Margaret Cormier

VITAL STATISTICS 2017

VITAL STATISTICS 2017 – DEATHS (continued)

August 5	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Linda Marrer <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Kenneth Marrer	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Lebanon, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Mary Stafford
August 12	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Melvin Murray <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Henry Murray	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Holderness, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Ruth Robinson
August 19	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Priscilla Bartholomew <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Carlton Crowley	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Holderness, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Mary Luttrell
September 1	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Gerard Pelletier <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Edward Pelletier	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Holderness, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Anna Rivard
December 2	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Linda St Cyr <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Lyle Thompson	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Plymouth, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Doris Perkins
December 7	<u>NAME OF DECEASED:</u> Marlene Rolph <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> Raymond Lalonde	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Holderness, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Lillian Ratte
December 14	<u>NAMED OF DECEASED:</u> James Paul, Jr. <u>FATHER'S NAME:</u> James Paul, Sr.	<u>PLACE OF DEATH:</u> Plymouth, NH <u>MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:</u> Sheila Fields

VITAL STATISTICS 2017

VITAL STATISTICS 2017 - MARRIAGES

June 24	<u>NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE:</u> Elias R. Chamberlain Katelyn K. Albiston	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> Holderness, NH Holderness, NH
July 22	<u>NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE:</u> Zachary M. Stevens Caeleigh M. Warburton	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> Holderness, NH Holderness, NH
August 12	<u>NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE:</u> Jesse D. Anser Norma I. Ross	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> Holderness, NH Holderness, NH
September 16	<u>NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE:</u> Jared P. McLaughlin Kristin M. Melendy	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> Holderness, NH Holderness, NH
September 23	<u>NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE:</u> John R. Brule Kristin D. Crotts	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> Holderness, NH Holderness, NH
October 1	<u>NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM & BRIDE:</u> Joshua D. Pushee Deanna J. Beveridge	<u>RESIDENCE AT TIME OF MARRIAGE:</u> Campton, NH Holderness, NH

WELFARE DIRECTORS REPORT

The Welfare Department continues to work with the clients in need. The lack of full time sustainable employment, lack of self-employed employment, gasoline and oil prices fluctuating, many individuals are forced with making challenging decisions. They must decide whether to feed their families, heat their homes or pay their rent or mortgage payments. Throughout the year, I have worked with many respectful individuals in our community and have helped them through this hard time. Clients come to this office with many different situations and I have worked with each client to ensure they receive the help needed. Many individuals are referred to outside agencies and I am very grateful for all the support and assistance they have provided for my clients.

Eligibility for assistance is determined by having each individual complete an extensive application in order to provide an overview of the specific situation the client is in. Assistance is provided for an individual's basic necessities in accordance with State law and Town Guidelines. The applicants that are found eligible are assisted with expenses such as food, heat, electricity, rent, prescription drugs and other basic living and working needs. All applicants must have exhausted all other economic resources to be granted town assistance. It is and always will be the goal of the Welfare Department to help its residents gain control over their lives, and to help them transition through very challenging times.

Heat and rental assistance is always the greatest expense each year as this is most individual's largest monthly expense. Many clients pay for expenses that are the most manageable for their budget such as food, electric, and gasoline which leaves the other expenses hard to manage on a fixed or no income. Even with the help from other agencies, community members are continually struggling to make ends meet.

I again would like to thank the outside agencies for all the support and assistance they have provided to the community members in need. I have also enjoyed working closely with the members of the community to ensure they become successful individuals and receive the assistance needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Krystal Alpers
Welfare Director

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT



*ZBA Members:
J. Ruhm, C. Fuller
B. Maloney, W. Broom
Absent: W. Zurhellen*

Zoning Boards have the authority to act on four types of applications:

- *Appeal of Administrative Decisions* by town officials regarding the interpretation or enforcement of the zoning ordinance;
- *Special Exceptions* for permitted land use as allowed by the zoning ordinance observing specific criteria;
- *Variances* to grant relief from specific provisions of the ordinance related to dimensional requirements and land use;
- *Equitable Waivers* related to a dimensional layout issue.

In 2017, the Zoning Board heard six applications. All of the applications were requests for variances. The variances requested were granted for three of the applications, one application was denied, one application was withdrawn and it was determined that a variance was not necessary in one application.

Three members of the ZBA stepped off the Board in 2017:

- Susan Webster served from 2008 to 2017 and was Chairman for nine years,
- Gary Jonhonnott served from 2013 to 2016 and
- Gary Karp served from 2011 to 2017.

Each of these three individuals made a valuable contribution to the ZBA and will be missed. The Board is in need of alternate members and encourages residents interested to attend a few meetings to become familiar with the process.

The Zoning Board is scheduled to meet at 6:15 P. M. on the second Tuesday of the month unless otherwise posted.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Maloney, Chairperson
Jude Ruhm, Member
William Zurhellen, Member

Wendell Broom, Vice Chairman
Kristen Fuller, Member

OFFICERS OF THE HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD

Bonni Acton	2018
Carolyn Mello	2018
Kristina Casey	2019
Lisetta Silvestri	2019
Joseph Casey	2020

TERM EXPIRES

CLERK

Sara Weinberg

TREASURER

Kathleen Whittemore

MODERATOR

Martha Richards

AUDITOR

Grzelak and Associates

SUPERINTENDENT

Mark J. Halloran

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Ethel F. Gaides

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Kyla A. Welch

2018 HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL ELECTION WARRANT

School: Holderness Local School
New Hampshire
Election Warrant
2018

To the inhabitants of the town of Holderness Local School in the County of Grafton in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in school district affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Holderness Town Hall in said District on the thirteenth day of March, 2018 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following subjects:

- 1. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
- 2. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
- 3. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing three years.

Given under our hands,	
We certify and attest that on or before _____, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at Town Hall and Post Office, and delivered the original to the keeper of records.	
Printed Name	Position
Joseph Casey	Board Chairperson
Bonni Acton	Board Member
Kristina Casey	Board Member
Carolyn Mello	Board Member
Lisetta Silvestri	Board Member

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the town of Holderness Local School in the County of Grafton in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in school district affairs are hereby notified and warned of the Annual Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Holderness Central School

Article 01: Reports of agents, auditors, committees or officer

To see what action the School District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers.

Article 02: Technology Upgrades

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for Technology Upgrades and to authorize the withdrawal of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) from the Technology Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The school board and the budget committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).

Article 03: Exterior Seal Coating

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$42,250) for Seal Coating the Exterior of the Building and authorize the withdrawal of Forty-two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$42,250) from the Building Capital Reserve Fund. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 04: Technology Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand dollars (\$40,000) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for the purpose of technology upgrades. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Article 05: Building Renovation Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand dollars (\$80,000) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for building renovations. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL WARRANT (continued)

Article 06: Fund Balance to Building Capital Reserve

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the School Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised from taxation. The School Board Recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 07: Operating Budget

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee's recommended amount of four million fifty-eight thousand four hundred fifty-two dollars (\$4,058,452) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Given under our hands,

We certify and attest that on or before February 27, 2018, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the Town Office and delivered the original to the District Official.

Printed Name	Position
Dr. Joseph Casey	School Board Chairman
Bonni Acton	School Board Member
Kristina Casey	School Board Member
Carolyn Mello	School Board Member
Lisetta Silvestri	School Board Member

MS-27 HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET 2017-18

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
Instruction								
1100-1199	Regular Programs	07	\$1,586,325	\$1,758,435	\$1,791,120	\$0	\$1,791,120	\$0
1200-1299	Special Programs	07	\$560,286	\$534,890	\$585,723	\$0	\$585,723	\$0
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1400-1499	Other Programs	07	\$52,754	\$67,392	\$67,370	\$0	\$67,370	\$0
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs	07	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Education Programs	07	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1700-1799	Community/Junior College Education Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Service Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Instruction Subtotal					\$2,444,213	\$0	\$2,444,213	\$0
Support Services								
2000-2199	Student Support Services	07	\$272,539	\$294,023	\$273,456	\$0	\$273,456	\$0
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	07	\$138,204	\$151,504	\$154,035	\$0	\$154,035	\$0
Support Services Subtotal					\$427,491	\$0	\$427,491	\$0
General Administration								
0000-0000	Collective Bargaining		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310 (840)	School Board Contingency		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2310-2319	Other School Board	07	\$13,383	\$24,034	\$21,535	\$0	\$21,535	\$0
General Administration Subtotal					\$24,034	\$0	\$21,535	\$0
Executive Administration								
2320 (310)	SAU Management Services	07	\$236,761	\$221,499	\$220,859	\$0	\$220,859	\$0
2320-2399	All Other Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2400-2499	School Administration Service	07	\$226,688	\$223,438	\$224,831	\$0	\$224,831	\$0
2500-2599	Business	07	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0
2600-2699	Plant Operations and Maintenance	07	\$306,741	\$374,968	\$365,104	\$0	\$365,104	\$0
2700-2799	Student Transportation	07	\$193,976	\$224,493	\$238,816	\$0	\$238,816	\$0
2800-2999	Support Service, Central and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Executive Administration Subtotal					\$1,044,898	\$0	\$1,050,110	\$0

MS-27 HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET 2017-18

Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensluing FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Ensluing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensluing FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensluing FY (Not Recommended)
Non-Instructional Services								
3100	Food Service Operations	07	\$72,081	\$90,000	\$90,100	\$0	\$90,100	\$0
3200	Enterprise Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Non-Instructional Services Subtotal		\$72,081	\$90,000	\$90,100	\$0	\$90,100	\$0
Facilities Acquisition and Construction								
4100	Site Acquisition		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4200	Site Improvement		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4300	Architectural/Engineering		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4400	Educational Specification Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4500	Building Acquisition/Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4600	Building Improvement Services	07	\$263,294	\$85,001	\$1	\$0	\$1	\$0
4900	Other Facilities Acquisition and Construction		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Facilities Acquisition and Construction Subtotal		\$263,294	\$85,001	\$1	\$0	\$1	\$0
Other Outlays								
5110	Debt Service - Principal		\$237,108	\$237,108	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5120	Debt Service - Interest		\$13,768	\$4,624	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Other Outlays Subtotal		\$250,876	\$241,732	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fund Transfers								
5220-5221	To Food Service	07	\$27,910	\$41,029	\$25,001	\$0	\$25,001	\$0
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	07	\$68,764	\$1	\$1	\$0	\$1	\$0
5230-5239	To Capital Projects		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5254	To Agency Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Allocation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9990	Supplemental Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9992	Deficit Appropriation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Fund Transfers Subtotal		\$97,674	\$41,030	\$25,002	\$0	\$25,002	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations			\$4,271,582	\$4,332,939	\$4,058,452	\$0	\$4,058,452	\$0

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Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5252	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	To Non-Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1100-1199	Regular Programs	02	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
	Purpose: Technology Upgrades							
4600	Building Improvement Services	03	\$0	\$0	\$42,250	\$0	\$42,250	\$0
	Purpose: Exterior Seal Coating							
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	04	\$15,000	\$45,000	\$40,000	\$0	\$40,000	\$0
	Purpose: Technology Capital Reserve Fund							
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	05	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$80,000	\$0	\$80,000	\$0
	Purpose: Building Renovation Capital Reserve Fund							
5251	To Capital Reserve Fund	06	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$0
	Purpose: Fund Balance to Building Capital Reserve							
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$65,000	\$95,000	\$207,250	\$0	\$207,250	\$0

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		Revenues			
Account	Source	Article	Revised Revenues Current Year	School Board's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues
Local Sources					
1300-1349	Tuition	07	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000
1400-1449	Transportation Fees		\$0	\$0	\$0
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments	07	\$50	\$50	\$50
1600-1699	Food Service Sales	07	\$40,000	\$38,000	\$38,000
1700-1799	Student Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1800-1899	Community Service Activities		\$0	\$0	\$0
1900-1999	Other Local Sources	07	\$24,518	\$22,295	\$22,295
Local Sources Subtotal			\$76,568	\$72,345	\$72,345
State Sources					
3210	School Building Aid		\$75,159	\$0	\$0
3215	Kindergarten Building Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3220	Kindergarten Aid	07	\$0	\$12,375	\$12,375
3230	Catastrophic Aid	07	\$6,868	\$10,000	\$10,000
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		\$0	\$0	\$0
3250	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3260	Child Nutrition	07	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$1,100
3270	Driver Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
3290-3299	Other State Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$83,127	\$23,475	\$23,475
Federal Sources					
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants	07	\$45,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
4540	Vocational Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4550	Adult Education		\$0	\$0	\$0
4560	Child Nutrition	07	\$24,000	\$26,000	\$26,000
4570	Disabilities Programs		\$0	\$0	\$0
4580	Medicaid Distribution	07	\$13,500	\$13,500	\$13,500
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (non-4810)	07	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000
4810	Federal Forest Reserve		\$324	\$0	\$0
Federal Sources Subtotal			\$82,824	\$84,500	\$84,500
Other Financing Sources					
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5140	Reimbursement Anticipation Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
5221	Transfer from Food Service Special Revenue Fund	07	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds	02, 03	\$145,000	\$67,250	\$67,250
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources		\$0	\$0	\$0
9997	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	06	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$170,000	\$112,250	\$112,250
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$412,519	\$292,570	\$292,570

MS-27 HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL BUDGET 2017-18

Budget Summary

Item	Current Year	School Board Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Budget Committee Ensuing FY (Recommended)
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$4,332,939	\$4,058,452	\$4,058,452
Special Warrant Articles	\$95,000	\$207,250	\$207,250
Individual Warrant Articles	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Appropriations	\$4,427,939	\$4,265,702	\$4,265,702
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$412,519	\$292,570	\$292,570
Less Amount of State Education Tax/Grant		\$0	\$0
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$4,015,420	\$3,973,132	\$3,973,132

Supplemental Schedule

1. Total Recommended by Budget Committee	\$4,265,702
Less Exclusions:	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
4. Capital outlays funded from Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
5. Mandatory Assessments	\$0
6. Total Exclusions (<i>Sum of Lines 2 through 5 above</i>)	\$0
7. Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (<i>Line 1 less Line 6</i>)	\$4,265,702
8. 10% of Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (<i>Line 7 x 10%</i>)	\$426,570
Collective Bargaining Cost Items:	
9. Recommended Cost Items (Prior to Meeting)	\$0
10. Voted Cost Items (Voted at Meeting)	\$0
11. Amount voted over recommended amount (Difference of Lines 9 and 10)	\$0
12. Bond Override (RSA 32:18-a), Amount Voted	\$0
Maximum Allowable Appropriations Voted at Meeting: (<i>Line 1 + Line 8 + Line 11 + Line 12</i>)	\$4,692,272

HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET

FY 2016-2017

	General	Food Service	All Other	Capital Projects	Trust/ Agency
Current Assets					
Cash	497,669.48	2,220.90	(9,704.03)	0.00	0.00
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	222,365.42
Interfund Receivables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergov Receivables	2,434.08	4,682.50	11,422.25	0.00	0.00
Other Receivables	625.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prepaid Expenses	6444.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Assets	507,172.56	6,903.40	1,718.22	0.00	222,365.42
Current Liabilities					
Interfund Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergovernment Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Payables	52,108.22	4,161.75	1,713.91	0.00	0.00
Accrued Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payroll Deductions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deferred Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Liabilities	52,108.22	4,161.75	1,713.91	0.00	0.00
Fund Equity					
Res for Amounts Voted	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unassigned Fund Bal Retained	105,044.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Res for Special Purposes	0.00	2,741.65	4.31	0.00	222,365.42
Res for Encumbrances	228,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unreserved Fund Balance	91,770.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Fund Equity	455,064.34	2,741.65	4.31	0.00	222,365.42
Total Liability & Fund Equity	507,172.56	6,903.40	1,718.22	0.00	222,365.42

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

All of us at SAU 48 are thankful for the support that communities give our students throughout the school year. We are fortunate to have citizens that invest and value their local community schools. SAU 48 has a strong administrative team and faculty that are focused on personalization, mental health, academic success, and strength based education for the 2017-18 school year. Our success is assessed by academic achievement and programs and services that we offer outside the core content areas. We strive to ensure that our students have careers and post-secondary opportunities that match their strengths and interests.

Our schools continue to streamline curriculum and review system wide strengths and areas in need of improvement through collaborative meetings with teachers SAU wide. Professional conversations assist in improvement of our students as they transition to the high school. All students are instructed by their teachers utilizing the college and career readiness standards and universal competencies that have been developed by teachers from each district. The K-8 curriculum documents can be found on our website for you to view at www.sau48.org. Students will be taking a new statewide assessment in English/ Language Arts and Math in grades 3-8 and the SAT in grade 11. Our focus is to increase instruction and minimize formal assessment as much as possible. Students have many opportunities in all of our schools such as the arts, world language, wellness, physical education, enrichment, intervention, and many well established cocurricular and athletic programs.

True technology integration cannot occur without the energy and expertise of well-prepared K-12 students. Thanks to several district grants, we were able to have acclaimed technology educator Dr. Dennis Harper work with 24 students in grades 4-7 who were recommended by their teachers to become Student Technology Leaders (STLs) for their school community. Gen YES is a multi-faceted concept that connects teachers with students who are willing to share their technical knowledge. Generation YES believes all students should: a) Have opportunities for personalized learning; b) Help drive how technology is used in schools; c) Be prepared for the 21st century workforce; and d) Engage with their community and serve their school. SAU #48 Gen YES Student Technology Leaders will be supporting classrooms this year as several K-12 schools are embracing virtual reality (VR). The STLs are actively engaged in VR and supporting classroom teachers on its use.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (continued)

VR is entering classrooms and taking pupils on field trips to the most inaccessible corners of the planet. It has never been easier to put oneself into a virtual world that amplifies and improves the learning experience. Google Expeditions, a VR teaching tool, enables students to think more critically, ask better questions, and boost engagement. You can swim with sharks, visit outer space, walk through a museum, and more without leaving the classroom. The possibilities are endless.

Several of our schools took advantage of the NH Robotics Education Development Program grants to offer our students a unique opportunity to develop the real-world skills they will need to have a successful career in the 21st Century. Schools are creating robotics teams and will have the chance to compete with other teams across the state. The grants are designed to help schools secure all the technical resources they will need to start a team, from robot kits and tools to tournament registration fees and stipends for team coaches. We are excited for our teams!

We thank our communities for supporting the vote to update our Career and Technical Education programs at Plymouth Regional High School. The renovation project is about to begin and we are looking forward to our students benefiting from new classroom/ lab spaces as well as improved technology and equipment that will enhance skills and job opportunities.

As we move forward we hope that interested citizens will consider serving on one of the nine school boards in SAU 48. Many long serving board members will not be running for reelection in the next few years. It is our hope that you will consider serving your community and its young people in this critical policy and leadership role.

Thank you again for your support and commitment to your community public schools.

Mark Halloran

Superintendent of Schools

Ethel Gaides

Assistant Superintendent

Kyla Welch

Assistant Superintendent

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL NURSE

Holderness Central School is a community within a community, which means that caring for your children in school can only be successful when parents, nurse, and community work together. I strive to build strong relationships with the students, parents, and community partners (i.e. health care providers, dentists, and other services) in order to improve overall health and ensure continued growth and success. Addressing health concerns of all the students and staff is my main priority. I work closely with staff and parents to coordinate care, especially for those children with learning and/or physical disabilities. Health services at HCS have been provided throughout the year to a student body of approximately 156 students and 34 staff members. Students visit the nurse's office for injuries, illnesses, and medication administration throughout the day; with an average of 30-50 visits daily.

At Holderness Central School, preventing the spread of the flu and other illnesses is always a priority. The peak of flu season is fast approaching, so the importance of proper hand washing as the most basic step in preventing the spread of the flu is discussed often with all students. A state run flu clinic was offered to all students at HCS on October 11th. One third (33%) of the student body received the vaccination at the school this year. Additionally, the HCS staff had the opportunity to receive the flu vaccine at school through Speare Memorial Hospital; 53% of the staff was vaccinated.

Again this year, through a coordinated effort, staff members were offered CPR and first aid training. Staff members were able to complete a written course online through the American Heart Association and perform their skills test at school with John Brule, SAU #48 head athletic trainer.

John Brule, SAU #48 head athletic trainer also ensures that all of HCS student athletes receive IMPACT testing (Immediate Post Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing). This test shows a cognitive baseline and helps to determine the severity of a head injury and when the student can return to play.

Speare Memorial Hospital (SMH) continues to sponsor the dental health clinic at the school. Ruth Doane provided dental screenings, cleanings, sealants, and fluoride varnish to students at HCS in the fall and she will be back again in the spring.

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT (continued)

School clinician Wilma Hyde, APRN performed sport physicals last May for 4th and 7th graders and will return this year. Wilma is a part of Plymouth Pediatrics and is always available if needed.

SAU #48 school nurses, employed by Speare Memorial Hospital, meet monthly to discuss policies and share information. Relevant health topics and concerns are discussed.

This year the Wellness Committee continues to meet once a month. Current agenda topics include healthier snack options, a possible nature trail and outdoor classroom, and a spring 5k run/walk. These activities encourage health and wellness in the outdoors.

In the fall we had a very successful "Walk to School Day" on October 5th with approximately half of the student body participating. We look forward to making this an annual event at HCS.

"Try Day Friday," continues to be held on the third Friday of the month. Students will have the opportunity to try healthy new foods set up by the Wellness Committee in the cafeteria.

Please contact me if you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's health. I will always be available as a resource to students, parents, and teachers.

Respectfully submitted

Heather Mason

Heather Mason, RN

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Holderness Central School offers an educational experience driven by strong academics and an integrated Unified Arts program. The faculty and staff at Holderness Central School continues to be flexible in meeting the enrollment demands of the school. This year we welcomed Ms. Elizabeth Jones as a new first grade teacher.

The middle school is comprised of grades 6-8, and offers students a personalized educational experience that transitions from the elementary grades. This transition is supported by an intermediate team-model of two fifth grade classes. These students are taught by a team of two teachers who each specialize in a specific content area. Our primary grades (K-4) remain in a traditional self-contained single teacher classroom setting. We work diligently preparing students to meet the rigorous College and Career Readiness Standards, while still supporting our Response to Intervention (RTI) math program in the elementary grades. This program provides additional support necessary for students to improve in early mathematics

The students in grades 6-8 are provided a challenging academic program designed to meet their needs as we prepare them for a successful transition to high school. A team model is the approach used to meet both the academic and social needs of our middle school students. Holderness Central School is focused on more teaching time in the content areas while embracing the enrichment program. The enrichment program offers students in seventh and eighth grade an option to choose a class of their interest. The enrichment offerings include classes in music, history, art exploration and science. The program remains a popular learning experience for students as it allows them to examine a particular area of interest in more depth. Our sixth grade students are provided additional reading instruction, as part of the schools overall reading program, in addition to their language arts class.

The elementary grades continue their focus on developing early literacy skills through a rigorous reading and writing program. In addition, developing mathematical concepts are emphasized and taught using the Math In Focus curriculum. All of these content areas are driven by rigorous instructional programs focused on conceptual development and skill building.

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (continued)

The College and Career Readiness Standards recommend many new literacy skills to be taught at the lower grades, and there is an emphasis on writing across the curriculum. Our elementary teachers use an integrated approach to teaching both science and social studies that is often interwoven within the language arts curriculum. This integrated format provides both an improved and consistent model of instruction to ensure students are exposed to all curriculum standards.

In addition to the expertise and hard work of our core teachers, the Unified Arts Program at HCS remains a vital piece of the overall educational experience. New this year is the integrated approach to the highly popular Artist In Residence program, which has been redesigned to include students in all grades. This highly regarded and anticipated learning experience will focus around the natural wonders of New Hampshire and will have a culminating event open to our community in the spring showcasing the A.I.R experience.

In closing, communication continues to remain a focal point of my leadership at Holderness Central School. I would like to express my appreciation to the parents and the Holderness Community for their continued support. I remain committed to the community of Holderness and the students, parents and staff at Holderness Central School creating a learning environment where all children can excel.

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Van Bennekum, Principal



HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2017

The annual School District meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Moderator Martha Richards. The Moderator reviewed the ground rules for the District Meeting. Moderator Richards thanked those present for their attendance at the annual School District meeting, noting that the annual meeting had been delayed by one day due to inclement weather. Moderator Richards read the School District voting results. The two School Board Members for three years are Dr. Joseph Casey and Kristina Casey. Malcolm “Tink” Taylor made a motion to wave reading the warrant articles in their entirety, seconded by Earl Hansen.

Article 1: To see what action the School District will take relative to the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers.

Moved by Earl Hansen, seconded by Francis Taylor. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

Article 2: To see if the School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Holderness School Board and the Holderness Support Staff Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2017-2018	\$10,292
2018-2019	\$11,778
2019-2020	\$13,365
2020-2021	\$14,041

And further to raise and appropriate ten thousand two hundred ninety-two dollars (\$10,292) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional cost attributed to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Francis Taylor, seconded by Nancy Rhum.
A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2017

Article 3: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) for technology upgrades and to authorize the withdrawal for up to sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) from the technology capital reserve fund previously established. The School Board and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Earl Hansen, seconded by Alden “Skip” Vansickle. Martha Richards asked what technology purchases are planned. Board Member Dr. Joseph Casey explained that this article is part of the five-year I.T. plan that includes upgrades to the computer lab and other technology resources of the school. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) for paving improvements and the resurfacing of the exterior basketball court and authorize the withdrawal of up to eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) from the building capital reserve fund. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Earl Hansen, seconded by Nancy Rhum. Bill Webb asked if this article is recommended by the budget committee. Board Member Dr. Joseph Casey responded that this article is recommended by the budget committee. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

Article 5: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for the purpose of technology upgrades. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Earl Hansen, seconded by Susan Francesco. Kay Hanson asked if articles 3 and 5 are repetitive. Board Member Dr. Joseph Casey explained that article 3 authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Technology Capital Reserve Fund and article 5 authorizes the deposit of funds into the Technology Capital Reserve Fund for future technology needs of the school. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2017

Article 6: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to be placed in the previously established capital reserve fund for building renovations. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Alden “Skip” Vansickle, seconded by Dan Rossner. Martha Richards asked what is included in the planned building renovations. Board Member Dr. Joseph Casey explained that the building renovations are part of a long-range plan that includes replacement of the H-Vac system, septic system and weatherizing the exterior of the building as well as maintenance of the grounds and equipment. Dr. Casey stated that placing funds in capital reserve provides a source of funding for ongoing capital improvements without having to borrow money and pay interest. Another benefit of using capital reserve funds for ongoing projects is the consistency in the tax rate. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

Article 7: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the school building capital reserve fund previously established. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised by taxation. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Malcolm “Tink” Taylor, seconded by Dan Rossner. Board Member Dr. Joseph Casey explained that the previous bond for building upgrades and renovations will be paid off in August, 2017. The School Board intends to utilize funds from capital reserve for future building needs with the intent to cover costs without variation in the tax rate or operating budget. This article would allow any available surplus funds at the end of the fiscal year to be placed in capital reserve. Board Member Dr. Joseph Casey stated that the Budget Committee recommends this article. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

HOLDERNESS CENTRAL SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2017

Article 8: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be added to the technology capital reserve fund previously established. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised by taxation. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Malcolm “Tink” Taylor, seconded by Earl Hansen. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

Article 9: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee’s recommended amount of four million one hundred seventy-seven thousand six hundred forty-seven dollars (\$4,177,647) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The School Board recommends this appropriation and the Budget Committee supports this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

Moved by Nancy Rhum, seconded by Francis Taylor. Board Member Dr. Joseph Casey stated that the cost of the school including all warrant articles and the operating budget reflects a .16 cent decrease per thousand compared to last year. A voice vote was taken and the article passed unanimously.

With no further business to come before the meeting, a motion was accepted to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Weinberg
School District Clerk, Holderness

**HOLDERNESS SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION ACTUAL EXPENDITURE REPORT**

	<u>Fiscal Year 2015/2016</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2016/2017</u>
Expenditures	\$814,298	\$825,707
Revenues	\$105,796	\$118,258
Net Expenditures	<u><u>\$708,502</u></u>	<u><u>\$707,449</u></u>
\$ Increase/Decrease		-\$1,053
% Increase/Decrease		-0.15%

AUDITOR'S REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Holderness, New Hampshire

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Holderness, NH, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, 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

The Town's 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.

Auditors' 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

AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

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 Holderness, New Hampshire, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund 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 Management's Discussion and Analysis, and the Pension schedules appearing on pages 39 to 40 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 evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Melanson Heath

January 22, 2018

AUDITOR'S REPORT - Balance Sheet

TOWN OF HOLDERNESS, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>General</u>	Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 5,052,412	\$ 14,184	\$ 5,066,596
Investments	251,731	-	251,731
Restricted cash	982,881	-	982,881
Receivables:			
Property taxes	1,304,331	-	1,304,331
Due from other funds	-	77,401	77,401
Other assets	<u>3,740</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,740</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ <u>7,595,095</u>	\$ <u>91,585</u>	\$ <u>7,686,680</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 13,531	\$ -	\$ 13,531
Accrued liabilities	22,681	-	22,681
Due to other funds	77,401	-	77,401
Other liabilities	<u>24,351</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,351</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	137,964	-	137,964
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Unavailable revenues	5,016,284	-	5,016,284
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	3,740	4,750	8,490
Restricted	-	86,835	86,835
Committed	982,881	-	982,881
Assigned	13,200	-	13,200
Unassigned	<u>1,441,026</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,441,026</u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>2,440,847</u>	<u>91,585</u>	<u>2,532,432</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ <u>7,595,095</u>	\$ <u>91,585</u>	\$ <u>7,686,680</u>

CADY REPORT

Communities for Alcohol- and Drug-Free Youth would like to thank the town of Holderness for your support over the past year—together we are building possibilities, potential, and promise for our youth!

Addiction is one of the most complex issues facing NH today—the consequences of this epidemic are severe with overdose deaths stealing the lives of so many of our young people. The most responsible and humane strategy is to stop these tragic situations from occurring in the first place.

Former Director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, Michael Botticelli, powerfully stated, “Addiction doesn’t start with prescription drug abuse or heroin use. It starts with alcohol, tobacco and marijuana. If we want to end the epidemic our country is experiencing, then we must put resources on the ground for prevention of substance use.” Use of addictive substances during adolescence is a health and safety issue that poses serious risks of harm including interference with brain development. Substance misuse also significantly increases the chances of addiction with those beginning use before age 15 nearly 7 times more likely to develop a substance use disorder. We must keep in mind that substance abuse is not inevitable—addiction is a progressive disease that’s preventable. CADY works to build protective factors for our children and youth and together with our community partners we are accomplishing that important goal.

As I write this year’s annual report, I am excited to share information about the progress we have made over the past year. We have built youth resiliency by providing asset-building, high-impact prevention programming through school-based initiatives; youth leadership opportunities and employment through the Launch Youth Entrepreneurship Program; and providing our most vulnerable youth a second chance to overcome challenges, to learn, grow and to turn their lives around through our region’s juvenile court diversion program, Restorative Justice. Many of the high-risk youth referred to Restorative Justice are already struggling with substance use disorders—this vital intervention is preventing entry to the addiction pipeline and saving lives.

Your support allowed CADY to introduce a new protective factor this year with the implementation of the Lion’s Quest prevention curriculum at Plymouth Elementary School. We know the earlier we provide education the greater the likelihood of preventing the problem of substance use before it starts.

CADY REPORT (continued)

We also continue to promote use of the permanent Rx Medication Drop Box at the Plymouth Police Department where Pemi-Baker area residents can prevent prescription drug abuse by safely disposing of unwanted or expired prescriptions. By using the drop box you will prevent the diversion of potentially harmful and lethal drugs to kids. We are proud to collaborate with the Plymouth Police Department, Spere Memorial Hospital, and the Central NH Public Health Network on this important prevention initiative so let's: TAKE IT TO THE BOX!

Our community outreach includes an ongoing media campaign designed to raise awareness on substance misuse and solutions with CADY Corner submissions to the Record Enterprise, school newsletters, and the PennySaver, as well as social networking sites Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. We also host a video library and other outstanding resources for parents and community on our website: cadyinc.org.

Beyond our primary prevention mission, our work with the Substance Use Disorders Continuum of Care statewide system included sponsoring Naloxone Kit Distribution events; ongoing promotion of the NH Statewide Addiction Crisis Line (1-844-711-HELP); providing resources to families of children struggling with addiction so they can access services that just may save their children's lives; and hosting of community trainings as well as key educational opportunities at our Annual Regional Prevention Summit in May.

While we are grateful for our many successes, we have a long way to go. Together we can protect our children and erase the sad headlines of addiction and tragic overdose deaths by stopping the problem before it starts. Thank you Holderness for your ongoing support of prevention, encouragement, and active participation!

Sincerely,

Deb Naro, Executive Director

EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR REPORT



JOSEPH D. KENNEY
EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR
DISTRICT ONE

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2018 will begin my 5th year of service to you and the State of New Hampshire in Council District 1. I am grateful, committed and honored to serve you.

I continue to work with the Governor, Executive Council and Legislature on the important issues impacting the State. The heroin, fentanyl and opioid crisis continues to hit the state hard and the Executive Council continues to support funding for prevention, treatment and recovery programs. The expansion of Friendship House in Bethlehem, the only residential drug-treatment facility in the North Country, will be dedicated in 2018. This will increase the number of beds from 18 to 32 for a 28-day stay for treatment.

Economic development will continue to be a top priority for my office in District 1 and I will work with community and business leaders to assist in the creation of jobs and economic opportunity. I am committed to the redevelopment of the Balsams project in Dixville Notch and I am working with the new Lakeshore Redevelopment Planning Commission in the development of the old State property in Laconia.

Presently, there are over a thousand volunteers who served on 163 boards and commissions in state government. In 2017, 7 new commissioners were nominated and confirmed. Of the 348 nominations and confirmations to boards and commissions, 68 of them were from District 1. The Council confirmed 5 Circuit Court Judges (2 from District 1), 1 part-time Circuit Court Judge and 1 Supreme Court Associate Judge. In 2017 there were \$1.34 billion in expenditures, \$5.7 billion in working capital and the Council passed 1776 contracts.

I join with the NH Congressional Delegation - Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Annie Kuster and Congresswoman Carol Shea-Porter in working with other New England states and our northern Canadian friends to seek economic opportunities and relationships.

EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR (continued)

The Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan, working with the Department of Transportation and the Regional Planning Commissions, was completed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor in June. The plan focuses on preservation, maintenance and safety of existing pavement and bridge infrastructure throughout the state. Over \$16 million in federal funds was provided to NH for the Congestion, Mitigation, and Air Quality (CMAQ) program of which 16 grant applications were accepted and funded. Contact William Watson at NH DOT for any additional details at 271-3344.

The 2018 sessions of the NH House and Senate will address legislation that deals with the heroin, fentanyl and opioid crisis, sustainment of Medicaid expansion, business and workforce development, voting and drinking water safety. Again, I will be watchful of the legislation that impacts my district. Stay close to your local state senator and house members.

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of boards and commissions. If you are interested, please send your resume to Governor Chris Sununu, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 attention Meagan Rose Director of Appointments/Liaison or at (603) 271-8787. A complete list is available at the NH Secretary of State website at www.sos.nh.goviredbook/index.htm.

My office has available informational items: NH Constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I periodically send, via email, a list of my schedule for the week. Send me your email address to be added to the list if you would like at Joseph.Kenney@nh.gov. Contact my office any time I can be of assistance to you.

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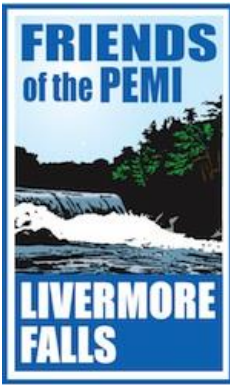
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FRIENDS OF THE PEMI - LIVERMORE FALLS CHAPTER



We have been reporting for the last four years about our Communities' continuing efforts in improving Livermore Falls State Forest. If you visited during 2017 you noted the significant progress we have made in working with the towns of Campton, Plymouth and Holderness, Plymouth Rotary, State of New Hampshire, PSU, local schools, interested organizations and individual volunteers. Our goal is to make Livermore Falls the best location for education, environmental and recreation opportunities in New Hampshire. We are well on the way to achieving the vision

begun by Executive Councilor Ray Burton, continued by Executive Councilor Joe Kenney and defined by community visioning sessions.

With outstanding collaboration between all parties and the State's Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, this year was successful on so many levels. Staffing on the east side of the river was maintained at prior year levels. The parking lot operation was smooth and generated revenue for park maintenance. The new pit toilets were well received. The Heritage Bureau conducted a second archaeological research program which is generating important information about the historical significance of the "Hollow" at Livermore Falls.

Our Friends group continued greeting to welcome and educate visitors. Total hours committed by volunteers approached 1,000 for the fourth year in a row. Calendar 2017 saw the Friends focused on the west side of Livermore Falls in Campton. Working with the Department of Historical Resources we developed plans for a new parking lot, safe access from the parking lot down to a view location just above the falls and interpretive signage about the important history of this location in the commercial and residential development of our communities. We are also addressing the various safety concerns presented by the historical mill structure. These improvements should be finished in 2018. The Friends were also successful in applying for and receiving a grant from Keep America Beautiful to improve the new trail down to the river.

FRIENDS OF THE PEMI - LIVERMORE FALLS CHAPTER (continued)

Finally, Friends of the Pemi – Livermore Falls Chapter was honored in November with a Spirit of New Hampshire Volunteer Service Award. In its nomination proposal, staff from the State said, “They (Friends Group) provide a voice from the community to the State as it relates to the management of Livermore Falls State Forest, meeting with the State regularly to give guidance and input on decisions. They are an organized voice of the local community to the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources in helping to implement change and improvements to a popular local resource....They are one of the strongest and most valuable Volunteer relationships our Department has in the entire State.”

There is still much left to do. We invite you to help us achieve our vision.

Please contact us at:

- [Livermore Falls.org](http://LivermoreFalls.org)
- NHstateparks.org/visit/state-parks/Livermore-falls-recreation-area.aspx
- Ken Evans at evanmead139@gmail.com



Friends of the Pemi & NH State officials visiting Livermore Falls.

LAKES REGION MENTAL HEALTH CENTER REPORT (Formerly known as Genesis Behavioral Health)

Thank you for investing in Lakes Region Mental Health!

The appropriation we received from the Town of Holderness' 2017 budget helped Lakes Region Mental Health Center (LRMHC) provide 24/7 Emergency Services to any resident of Holderness experiencing a mental health crisis, regardless of their ability to pay.

During Fiscal Year 2017 (July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017), 27 residents of Holderness received services from LRMHC, and 7 of these individuals utilized Emergency Services. LRMHC provided \$4,157 in charitable care to Holderness residents.

	Patients Served- Agency	Charitable Care	Patients Served- ES
Children 0 to 17 years	8	\$842	1
Adults 18 to 61 years	15	\$3192	4
Elder 62 + years	4	\$123	2

According to recent community needs assessments, access to mental health care and substance misuse treatment continues to be a priority community need for Belknap and southern Grafton Counties. Reduced access to treatment leads to increased demand on many of the systems in our community, including emergency rooms, law enforcement, first responders, courts, corrections, schools and municipalities. The economic cost of untreated mental illness is more than \$100 billion each year in the United States, causing unnecessary disability, unemployment, substance abuse, homelessness, inappropriate incarceration, suicide and wasted lives (National Alliance on Mental Illness, 2011).

A partnership with the municipalities we serve is critical to the sustainability of the Emergency Services program. The repercussions of reduced funding and limited access to mental health care are devastating for our communities. Mental health treatment helps people foster fulfilling relationships, maintain stable employment and lead productive lives. LRMHC improved the health of 3,883 individuals living with – and recovering from – mental illness last year and provided almost a million dollars in charity care. On behalf of them, thank you for your contribution.

Margaret M. Pritchard, Executive Director

THE BRIDGE HOUSE



The Bridge House (BH) Shelter & Veterans Advocacy respectfully requests that the Town of Holderness consider continuation of its generous funding of the BH, in the amount of \$2000 for FY18.

During 2017 BH served 107 souls: 26 were veterans, 23 families encompassed 16 children and the balance were single individuals. The Bridge House Prevention Program diverted homelessness for 79 people by providing regular advocacy and nominal financial support – this number included 30 families with 37 children. The Bridge House responds to all seeking shelter and support but is able to offer special services to Veterans/Veteran families. No matter how full, the BH welcomes anyone identifying themselves as having been in the military.

This year the government denied funding New Hampshire's emergency shelters. All new contract were rejected. Prior contracts were then extended for one year. Cutbacks, anticipated for a number of years, led to the 2014 opening of Bridge House Ladders – a mostly clothing thrift shop on Plymouth's Main Street. In August 2017 "Flip' n Furniture" opened on Tenney Mountain Highway. Projections indicate these two entities will provide sufficient funds to make the Bridge House independent from ALL government money in two to three years or less. Currently federal/state/county funds provide two-fifths of the operational budget – donations, grants, fundraisers, participant "rent", sporadic welfare reimbursement and inclusion on town warrants comprise the remainder.

Last year, the contributions from 14 Grafton County municipalities totaled \$32,825. The BH goal is inclusion on all 37 Grafton County municipal budgets with contributions of \$2,000 or more.

Besides meals and shelter, BH provides the following services to veterans:

- Connecting to Vets Inc., Vets Count, and VA social worker/benefit specialists
- Medical, Mental Health, Limited Dental services, 12-step programs
- Hospice Care in a recently converted sunlit room
- Veterans' dogs/cats are welcome -BH is the only shelter to provide this service.

Thank you in advance for helping us solve veterans' homelessness.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Bentwood RN / Executive Director, Bridge House Shelter & Veterans Advocacy

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our communities' older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln; and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink Resource Center and RSVP's Volunteer Center. Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, community dining programs, transportation, outreach and counseling, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2016-17, 75 older residents of Holderness were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Plymouth Regional Senior Center; 22 were assisted by ServiceLink:

- Older adults from Holderness enjoyed 690 balanced meals at the Plymouth Center.
- Holderness residents received 2,233 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes.
- Holderness residents participated in activities at the Plymouth Regional Senior Center on 783 occasions.
- Holderness residents received assistance with problems, crises or issues of long-term care through 36 visits with a trained worker and 55 contacts with ServiceLink.
- Holderness's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 617 hours of volunteer service.

The cost of Council services to Holderness residents in 2016-17 was \$29,803.09.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical. *Holderness' population over age 60 increased by 89.2% over the past 20 years, according to U.S. Census data from 1990 to 2010.*

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Holderness's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Respectfully submitted,
Roberta Berner, Executive Director

HOLDERNESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT



The Holderness Historical Society thanks the town and our members for financial support. This year we provided programs with over 150 people attending. Several hundred people toured the museum, which we continue to maintain, upgrade and provide special exhibits.

PROGRAMS

This year we partnered with the Holderness Library to present three programs sponsored by the New Hampshire Humanities Council.

- Abraham & Mary Lincoln: The Long and the Short of It – Steve & Sharon Wood
- Pleasures of the Parlor – Marya Danihel
- Old Time Rules Will Prevail: The Fiddle Contest in New Hampshire and New England – Adam Boyce

MUSEUM BUILDING

- Dealt with the many problems of historic buildings. This summer the roof was replaced.
- Maintained and updated a research/library area to allow people to research families, cemeteries, camps, historical events, and places.

HISTORICAL PROJECTS

- Produced biannual Newsletters with articles of local history.
- Provided help with genealogy research on Holderness residents.
- Sold books and old maps of Squam Lake and Holderness.
- Presented two special exhibits – *School Days*, which featured pictures of Holderness schools of yesterday, class pictures and artifacts from the era of one room school houses and *Helen Nicolay Art Exhibit*, which featured her Holderness oil and watercolor paintings, books and other artifacts.
- Expanded our collection with the donations of artifacts.

HOLDERNESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT (continued)

COMMUNITY

- Hosted the White Oak Pond Watershed Association. Our large meeting room and kitchen are available free of charge to Holderness community groups.
- Hosted a fundraiser that benefited the Holderness Historical Society and the Holderness Library at Tannenruh the former home of Helen Nicolay and her father John Nicolay who was President Lincoln's secretary through the generosity of the present owners of Tannenruh, the Drews, and Patty Sue Salvador who owns the Nicolay paintings.
- Provided a space for the Book Club to meet, while the Library was under construction.
- Worked with Flowers of the Bridge and Summer Celebration.
- Have kept our website updated – www.holdernesshistoricalsociety.org

FUTURE

- We will continue to be a seasonal organization with public programs and meetings May through October,
- School tours will continue to be available in May, June, September and October.
- We will continue the cataloging of our books and pamphlets and plan to expand materials in our research/library area to make researching families, cemeteries, camps and other historical events and places simpler.
- Next summer there will again be a special exhibit in the museum of our map collection.

Officers:

Linda Foerderer, President
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***The Holderness Historical Society needs more volunteers
to help preserve the history of our town.***

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT



The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is an organization created by Lakes Region communities as enabled by NHRSA 36 for the broad purpose of responding to and shaping the pressures of change in a meaningful way. With a service area covering over 1,200 square

miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton, and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. As our economy and world change, so does the work we engage in. The Commission offers direct and support services to help our communities meet tomorrow's challenges. Our services include group and cooperative purchasing, technical assistance, geographic information systems, transportation planning, land use, environmental planning, hazards planning, and economic development. LRPC is primarily funded through local, state, and federal resources. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our overall goal is to provide support, knowledge, and guidance to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Some of the services provided on behalf of the Town of Holderness and the region in the past fiscal year are noted below:

EXAMPLES OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Worked on Electricity Aggregation to save \$1,400 in electricity costs next year;
- The regional HHW collection saves the town several thousand dollars per year
- Serving on SLA Steering Committee: update Squam Watershed Management Plan;
- Updating Vulnerability and Risk Rating tables for potential hazards and disasters;
- Preparing digital scans of tax maps, land use, and other large format documents;
- Arranging special traffic counts for towns;

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

- 1,839 individuals from 25 communities participated in HHW collection.
- Over 43 tons of Hazardous Substances was collected.

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT (continued)

EDUCATION

- Provided access to LRPC resources through updated website www.lakesrnc.org
- Provided environmental consulting services for regional projects.
- Coordinated Source Water Protection Workshop and reviewed Groundwater Protection model ordinance requirements.
- Coordinated/hosted Solid Waste Roundtable meetings.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Served as NH Business Finance Authority Board member.
- Coordinated with area economic development groups including Grafton county Economic Development Council
- Participated in search committee and interview for NHBFA Executive Director

TRANSPORTATION

- Worked with Lakes Region Tour Scenic Byway Advisory Committee to spur economic growth.
- Provided GIS services and technical land use assistance to our communities
- Conducted annual traffic counts at approximately 200 locations
- Assisted communities with Road Safety Management systems analysis
- Conducted Culvert Inventories in pilot communities
- Continued work on the Regional Transportation resources webpage
- Printed materials and delivered extra outreach brochures and holders to Regional Coordination Council Transit members for distribution to sites
- Conducted regional assessment of bike-ability including gaps in bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure throughout the region

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MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE REPORT

The annual Memorial Day Service took place on Monday, May 29, 2017 at 11 AM. The Service took place in front of the Holderness Honor Roll Monument on the Library grounds. Select Board member Jill White welcomed the community and reminded all of the service and ultimate sacrifice of those who served our country protecting our freedoms.

The Dupuis-Cross Post 15 American Legion honored veterans in a solemn and respectful ceremony which included the Ladies Auxiliary recitation of “Flanders Fields”. The Commander led the event and the Chaplain offered a prayer for all veterans before the Sergeant-at-Arms placed the memorial wreath at the Monument. The three volley gun to salute the dead reminded us of the seriousness of their sacrifice. The final bugle rendition of taps performed by Tim Hazelton was truly moving.

The Holderness Central School band and chorus performed the Star Spangled Banner. The Holderness Central School Band played Midnight Sky, and closed the ceremony with the Fanfare Heroica.

We were especially fortunate this year to have Scott King offer a historic perspective on the sacrifices made by local community members in service to their country.

The event was respectful and ceremonious, and many people from our community took part in honoring our service members. We ended with children placing red and white carnations on all the veteran’s graves in the Bridge Cemetery.

Following the Memorial Day remembrance, the Holderness Library held their annual Book & Bake Sale which was, as usual, a nice social event.

The Holderness Central School 4th grade class was once again responsible for planting the red, white and blue flowers around the Monument continuing this annual tradition to help the students appreciate Memorial Day and contribute to the event through this service.

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation’s service.

SQUAM LAKES CONSERVATION SOCIETY REPORT

The Squam Lakes Conservation Society (SLCS) is a land trust dedicated to the protection of Squam's natural resources. We achieve the permanent protection of land by seeking, holding, and monitoring conservation easements and through land ownership. Our activities are accomplished in cooperation with the Holderness Conservation Commission, other conservation organizations, government agencies, businesses, residents, landowners, and members.

SLCS is one of New Hampshire's oldest land trusts. Founded in 1960, our first parcel was a gift of land by Frank Webster to create the Holderness Town Beach to benefit Holderness residents. SLCS currently has a stake in the protection of 40 Holderness properties covering over 4,400 acres.

In 2017 we finalized the Whitten Woods conservation area by recording conservation easements on the entire 495-acre Whitten tract in addition to the abutting 80-acre Pedersen tract and the 75-acre Richards-Coolidge tract, creating a contiguous block of over 900 acres in nearby Ashland. On the other side of Town, just over the line in Sandwich, SLCS purchased a key 90-acre parcel with almost a mile of road frontage on Route 113 known as the Eastman Brook Preserve.

We were pleased to hold our 2017 Annual Meeting in Holderness on Shepard Hill, courtesy of Dorothy Smith and her family. Rev. Sid Lovett offered some reflections on the intellectual capital of Shepard Hill and the progression of conservation over the decades. We are grateful to our landowners, members, and the Holderness community for prioritizing the conservation of our natural resources. Squam continues to shine as one of New Hampshire's most protected and loved watersheds.

As "Squam's Land Trust," we rely on volunteers to steward and monitor our protected properties. We will gladly provide training. Please contact us with any questions about volunteering or conserving your land. For more information find us on our website at foreversquam.org, or call Alicia Abbott, Zak Brohinsky, Pete Helm, Doug Hill or Roger Larochelle at 968-7900.

SQUAM LAKES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT

2017 was a very busy and very effective year for the Squam Lakes Association's conservation work throughout the watershed. We expanded our capacity across all our mission work; milfoil, trails, water quality, campsites, education, and outreach

We continued our management of milfoil in the lake, monitoring the access points with volunteer Conservation Interns serving as lake hosts, and diving on the remaining milfoil as we continue to contain large infestations down river, and remove remnant populations in the lakes. We took over the fiscal responsibility for maintaining the breathing air compressor located at the fire department in gratitude for this department's assistance with our work and recognizing that we are the most frequent user of this equipment. Our milfoil program protects the habitat of the lake, recreational experiences, and property values.

We actively managed the 50 plus mile trail system with over 500 hours of staff and volunteer time spent improving and maintaining the trails. We continue to work with the town of Holderness and the Police Department on controlling the issues at Rattlesnake. This year we increased the staff presence at the Rattlesnake trailhead from 40 days in 2016 to 62 days in 2017, supplied bathrooms for hikers, and worked in unison with the police department on the heaviest use days. We gave the Holderness PD a share from the trailhead donation box to offset some of their costs and deeply appreciate the working relationship we have with the department.

We ran a growing summer camp and sailing program, serving 269 kids. We donated campsites to the watershed towns for residents to enjoy. We worked with Holderness Central School, the Holderness School, Plymouth State University, and several other institutions in the area providing fieldtrips and outdoor classrooms on the lake. We are very excited about the capacity growth of the organization in 2017 continuing and expanding into 2018.

Overall we had 175 volunteers complete 1,110 hours of effort to protect the health of the lake and watershed and to maintain the wonderful experiences those who live and visit here love.

SQUAM LAKES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

We completed a strategic planning process, and are in the ultimate phase of a watershed plan. Using these strategic road maps, we have increased our staff at several levels. We hired a Director of Development to help drive our growing conservation efforts- including a partnership with the Loon Preservation Committee to get a sense of the scope and scale of legacy toxics in the lake and address them where possible. We also started a new AmeriCorps program, the Lakes Region Conservation Corps. Based on the seasonal Squam Conservation Internship, this program started in November and will continue year round, providing field staff to address the mission throughout all four seasons. In addition, this program is providing 2018 summer field staff to the Squam Lakes Conservation Society and the Lakes Region Conservation Trust.

The Squam Lakes Association is dedicated to conserving for public benefit the natural beauty, peaceful character and resources of the watershed. In collaboration with local and state partners the SLA promotes the protection, careful use and shared enjoyment of the lakes, mountains, forests, open spaces and wildlife of the Squam Lakes region.

If you are interested in our programs, would like to volunteer, or have any questions, please contact SLA at 968-7336 or visit SLA's website www.squamlakes.org.



Photo provided by S. Francesco.

STATE FOREST RANGER & FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT

In 2017 we were fortunate enough to have favorable weather conditions in the spring and summer which limited the amount of wildland fire activity throughout the state. September and October saw fire conditions change and the state was faced with some difficult fires. The Dilly Cliff fire in North Woodstock was one of the most challenging fires we have seen in New Hampshire. Steep terrain and extreme fire behavior made this fire difficult to fight. It lasted for over 3 weeks and the final hotspots in inaccessible terrain were extinguished by heavy rains. 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. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire detection efforts were supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high.

Several of the fires during the 2017 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org.

As we prepare for the 2018 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 or DES at 603-271-3503 or www.des.nh.gov 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.nhdf.org.

STATE FOREST RANGER & FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT
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2017 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS
(All fires reported as of December 2017)

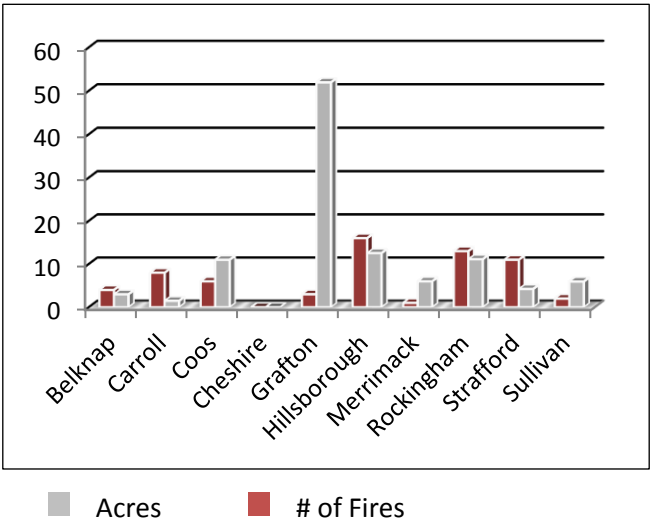
HISTORICAL DATA		
YEAR	NUMBER of FIRES	ACRES BURNED
2017	64	107
2016	351	1090
2015	124	635
2014	112	72
2013	182	144
2012	318	206

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	0	Children	1	Equipment	4
Campfires	11	Smoking	4	Debris Burning	7
Railroad	0	Lightning	0	Misc. *	37

*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.

COUNTY STATISTICS



REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDFIRES!

SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER REPORT

- The Science Center began using new Lake Cruise Headquarters located on the Squam channel across from the exit driveway. The new headquarters provides an easy departure point closer to the main campus and includes education and interpretation about the lakes. Online ticketing was offered for the first time for Lake Cruises, making it easier for passengers to reserve seats.
- More than 61,000 visitors toured the live animal exhibit trail during the May 1 through November 1 season.
- New Hampshire Day (May 6, May 13 rain date) attracted over 1,000 people to the Holderness area. It was generously sponsored by Dead River Company and New Hampshire Electric Co-op Foundation.
- Pollinator Party was a new event, sponsored by Belknap Landscape Company.
- The Summer Splash Gala raised money to support Lake Education programs. Attendees enjoyed dinner, dancing and live music by the Sweetbloods. Sponsored by Meredith Village Savings Bank, Grappone Automotive, Mill Falls at the Inn, Wells Fargo Advisors, Matthew J. Lessard, and Squam Boat Livery.
- TripAdvisor awarded SLNSC a 2017 Certificate of Excellence for the 4th consecutive year. The honor celebrates excellence in hospitality and is given only to establishments that consistently achieve great traveler reviews on TripAdvisor.
- *Parenting NH* magazine readers voted Squam Lakes Natural Science Center as the annual Family Favorite Environmental and Educational Center.
- Former Board Member Bruce Whitmore was recognized for his contributions and was honored with the Horizon Award at the Annual Meeting in August.
- A grant from the Oleonda Jameson Trust was used to purchase two new mobility scooters, which are available for free for patrons who need assistance to tour the live animal exhibit trail.
- The Helen Clay Frick Foundation of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania awarded a grant to fund improvements to the bobcat shift area, which are the nighttime quarters for the animals. Frick Trustees Natalie Della Rosa and Ned Dane helped to acquire the funding.
- Executive Director Iain MacLeod presented a paper about Project OspreyTrack at a symposium entitled “Innovations in Raptor Education” at the annual conference of the Raptor Research Foundation in Salt Lake City.

*The Science Center wishes to thank the Holderness community
for continued support for over 50 years.*

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION REPORT

The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension's mission is to provide New Hampshire citizens with research-based education and information, to enhance their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources, and improve the economy. Extension service work was impactful again in 2017. A few highlights are:

- Jim Frohn enhanced land stewardship by conducting 48 woodlot visits, covering more than 7,000 acres.
- Geoffrey Sewake launched the First Impressions Program. The secret shopper model format engages the public, develops volunteers, creates action plans, and encourages collaboration.
- Janene Robie coordinated over 35 Master Gardeners who hosted “ask the expert” tables at educational events, and taught sessions on invasive plants, beekeeping, and more.
- Donna Lee established 7 new 4-H clubs this year with substantial member representation from Rumney, Lyme, Warren, Bath, and Haverhill.
- Lisa Ford reached over 400 youth with a six-week educational series about food groups, food safety, and physical activity. Youth enjoyed taste tests and cooking.
- Heather Bryant collaborated with colleagues in ME, NH, and VT on a multi-year high tunnel tomato nutrient and pest management study funded by the USDA.
- Michal Lunak continued his research project, funded by Tillotson Charitable Foundation. The project examines feasibility of raising dairy beef using shelled corn as a feed instead of forages.
- Jessica Sprague, Food Safety Field Specialist, left to pursue another opportunity. A search is underway for a new Field Specialist.

Respectfully submitted:
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Be sure to look for us on Facebook & Twitter and on-line at www.extension.unh.edu

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