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*2004 Annual Report*



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ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE TOWN OFFICERS  
OF THE TOWN OF

CANTERBURY  
New Hampshire



*Comprising those of the Selectmen,  
Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector,  
Health Officers, Road Agent, Library Trustees,  
Trustees of the Trust Funds, Planning Board,  
Board of Adjustment, Conservation Commission,  
Historical Society, Police and Fire Departments.*



# DEDICATION



*This 2004 Annual Report of the  
Town of Canterbury, New Hampshire is dedicated to:*



## **THE BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE**


This committee was established at Town Meeting in March of 2001, to review Town building needs and make recommendations to the Selectmen regarding repairs, renovations or replacement of Town Buildings. During the past four years this Committee has worked tirelessly to develop a plan to meet the present and future building needs of our Town. We can see the results of thousands of hours of their work at the new Municipal Complex and the renovated Town Hall and in the spring at the new Library. Their hard work and dedication to this enormous task represents all that is good in our Town. We thank you for all you have done.

### *Committee Members:*

Kent Ruesswick, *Chair*  
Ken Jordan, *Vice Chair*  
Ted West  
Charlie Cook  
Gordon Jackson  
Beth Blair  
Kevin Bragg

Bob Fife  
Jeremy Slayton  
Cathy Menard  
Gary Spaulding (Alternate)  
Virginia LaPlante (HDC Rep)  
Michael Capone

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# TOWN OFFICES GENERAL INFORMATION



**Selectmen's Office**

**Assessing Office**

**Welfare Administrator**

783-9955

Monday – Wednesday – Friday

9:00–1:00

**Town Clerk/Tax Collector**

783-0153

Monday 9–3

Tuesday 11–6

Thursday 4–8

**Selectmen Meetings**

1st & 3rd Monday of the month

**Planning Board**

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month

**Zoning Board of Adjustment**

As needed

**Conservation Commission**

2nd Monday of the month

**Recycling Committee**

1st Thursday of the month

**Economic Development Committee**

As Needed

**Historic District Commission**

As needed

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# TOWN OFFICERS — ELECTED



## **Selectmen (3 years)**

Michael R. Capone, *Chairman* (2006)  
Frank Tupper (2005)  
James Bassett (2007)

## **Town Clerk/Tax Collector (3 years)**

Cheryl A. Gordon (2007)

## **Treasurer (1 year)**

Mary K. Witschonke (2005)

## **Moderator (2 years)**

Wayne Mann (2006)

## **School Board (3 years)**

Victoria Chase – *Canterbury* (2006)  
Graham Chynoweth – *Canterbury* (2005)  
Diane Jacobsen – *Canterbury* (2007)  
Kathleen Morin – *Belmont* (2007)  
Preston Tuthill – *Belmont* (2005)  
Thomas Goulette – *Belmont* (2006)  
Bill Hart – *Belmont* (2005)

## **Planning Board (3 years)**

Jim Snyder – <i>Chair</i> (2005)	<i>Alternates:</i>
Nat Witschonke (2005)	Jennifer Hopkins (2006)
Don Burgess (2006)	Chris Bowler (2007)
Bill Egan (2006)	Henry Turco (2006)
Ken Stern (2007)	<i>Selectmen's Rep:</i> Jim Bassett
Olly Fifield (2007)	
Nancy Lilly – <i>Secretary</i>	

## **Cemetery Committee (3 years)**

Virginia Dudley (2007)  
Regina Lamprey (2005)  
Hugh Fifield (2006)

### **Supervisors of the Checklist (6 years)**

Mary Ann Winograd (2010)

Marcia Scarponi (2006) – *resigned*

Brenda Murray (2008)

Mary Kerwin (2005)

### **Library Trustees**

Claudia Leidinger, *Chair* (2005)      John Bouton (2007)

Chuck Sanborn (2007)                      Hank Turco (2005)

Marcia Scarponi (2007)                      Judy Nelson (2007)

Anne Nute (2007)

### **Trustee of the Trust Funds (3 years)**

Greg Heath, *Chair* (2005)

Nancy Lilly (2006)

John Evans (2007)

### **State Representatives**

Claire D. Clarke

Roy D. Maxfield

James W. Danforth

Joy K. Tilton

Priscilla P. Lockwood

Frank A. Tupper

### **State Senator**

Robert B. Flanders

# TOWN OFFICERS — APPOINTED



## **Clerk of the Board**

Janice L. Stout

## **Assessing Clerk**

Benjamin Bynum

Carol Landry – *Resigned*

## **Deputy Town Clerk**

Patricia A. Capone

## **Road Agent**

Philip K. Stone, Jr.

## **Police Department**

Gwen Duerell, *Chief*

Zack Brock, *Full-time Officer*

Diana Scott, *Full-time Officer (resigned)*

Lawrence Phillips, *Part-time Officer*

Todd Sheehan, *Part-time Officer*

Danielle Morse, *Part-time Officer (resigned)*

Janet Emerson, *Secretary*

## **Fire Department**

Dale Caswell, *Chief*

Scott Ruesswick, *Dep. Chief*

Don Maurer, *Captain*

Bob Drew, *Captain*

Lenny Edmunds

James Kotusky

Jeremy Slayton

Kristina Cole

Shawn Brechtel

Greg Taylor

Cullin Wible

Don Janelle, *Deputy Chief*

Matt Cole, *Captain*

Mike Phillips

Tod Rix

Geoff Hubble

Brian Lockwood

Dave Nelson

Gemini Meeh

Ben Bynum

Lisa Nickerson

## **Fire Warden/Civil Defense Director**

Dale Caswell

**Health Officer**

Beverly J. Entwisle, *Public Health*

**Deputy Health Officer**

Vacant

**Zoning Board of Adjustment (3 years)**

Joseph Halla, <i>Chair</i> (2006)	F. Webster Stout (2006)
Barbie Tilton (2006)	Jim Wieck (2007)
Kenneth Sorlin (2007)	Lisa Carlson (2005)
	<i>Alternate &amp; Secretary</i>

**Conservation Commission**

Tom Roy, <i>Chair 3 yrs.</i> (2007)	Bob Fife, <i>3 yrs.</i> (2007)
Kelly Short, <i>2 yrs.</i> (2006)	Howard Moffett, <i>2 yrs.</i> (2006)
Matt Bowser, <i>1 yr.</i> (2006)	Kathie Fife, <i>1 yr.</i> (2005)

*Alternates:*

Teresa Wyman, *1 yr.* (2005)  
 Jennifer Taylor, *2 yrs.* (2006)  
 Faith Berry, *3 yrs.* (2007)

**Library**

Susan LeClair, <i>Director</i>	
Elaine DiStefano, <i>Assistant</i>	Debra Folsom, <i>Assistant</i>

**Building Inspector**

Jim Snyder

**Recreation Committee (3 years)**

Kenneth Robichaud, <i>Chair</i> (2005)	Heidi Hutchinson (2006)
Brian Collins (2005)	James Kotusky (2005)
Barbara Cook (2005)	Amy O'Brien (2006)

**Historic District Commission**

Steve Booth, <i>Chair</i> (2007)	Virginia LaPlante (2005)
Mark Hopkins (2005) <i>Alternate</i>	Ted West (2005) <i>Alternate</i>
Kevin Bragg (2007) <i>Alternate</i>	Frank A. Tupper, <i>Selectmen's Representative</i>

### **Economic Development Committee**

Earl Hall, *Chair* (2006)                      Jeffrey Leidinger (2007)  
Dwight Keeler (2007)                      William Rice (2006)  
Peter Hofman (2006)                      Chance Anderson (2006)  
Michael Capone, *Selectmen's Representative*

### **Recycling Committee**

Jill McCullough, *1 yr.* (2005)                      Lea Smith, *1 yr.* (2005)  
Sarah Tirrell-Wysocki, *1 yr.* (2005)                      Stephen Rasche, *2 yrs.* (2006)  
Robert Steenson, *2 yrs.* (2006)                      Benton Beltramo, *2 yrs.* (2006)  
Tim Chrysostom, *3 yrs.* (2007)                      Ray Cushman, *3 yrs.* (2007)  
Melanie Stephens, *3 yrs.* (2007)                      Norman Bowles  
Jim Sullivan                      Frank Tupper, *Selectmen's Rep.*

### **Building Needs Committee**

Kent Ruesswick, *Chairman*                      Ken Jordan, *Asst. Chairman*  
Gordon Jackson                      Beth Blair  
Ted West                      Bob Fife  
Charlie Cook                      Jeremy Slayton  
Cathy Menard                      Kevin Bragg, *HDC Rep*  
Virginia LaPlante, *HDC Rep*                      Gary Spaulding, *Alternate*

# WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING State of New Hampshire



**The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

*To the inhabitants of the Town of Canterbury in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.*

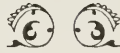
*You are hereby notified to meet at the Canterbury Elementary School in said Canterbury on Tuesday, the Eighth Day of March, 2005, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects.*

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To see how the town will vote on the following zoning amendments proposed by the Planning Board to be voted upon by official ballot:

**Question 1.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? *This amendment replaces the current definition of WETLANDS in Article 3 and brings the ordinance into conformance with the state's definition.*

**Question 2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? *This amendment replaces the current Section 8.1 VARIANCES of Article 8 (BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT) and brings the ordinance into conformance with the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Boccia v. City of Portsmouth.*

# SECOND SESSION



*The second session will be held at the Canterbury Elementary School on Friday, the Eleventh of March, at seven o'clock in the evening to act on the following subjects:*

3. To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty five thousand dollars (\$65,000) from the unreserved fund balance to complete the renovation of the Town Library and meeting space, purchase and install a water treatment system for the municipal complex, purchase required signage for those buildings and to raise and repave the parking area in and around the new library and renovated Town Hall. *(Recommended by Selectmen)*
5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of thirteen thousand sixty one dollars (\$13,061) from Library Capital Reserve Fund to purchase additional furniture and fixtures for the new library. *(Recommended by Selectmen)*
6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$9,500) from the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund to purchase a storage trailer, forklift for recyclables and for building repairs at the facility. *(Recommended by Selectmen)*
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty six thousand one hundred and forty three dollars (\$26,143) to purchase a new police cruiser. *(Recommended by 1 Selectmen, Not Recommended by 2 Selectmen)*
8. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for improvements to the Canterbury Industrial Park and to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the unreserved fund balance as an initial funding amount. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this Capital Reserve Fund. *(Recommended by Selectmen)*
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty nine thousand dollars (\$39,000) to digitize the Towns' tax maps. *(Recommended by Selectmen)*
10. To see if the Town will vote to modify the provisions of RSA 72:28II for an optional veteran's credit in the amount of five hundred dollars

(\$500). Qualification for the credit shall be determined by RSA 72:28 IV. The veteran shall have resided in New Hampshire for at least one year preceding April 1st in the year in which the credit is claimed. The optional veteran's credit shall be subtracted each year from the property tax on the veteran's residential property. This credit shall replace the veteran's credit in its entirety and shall not be in addition thereto. (*Recommended by Selectmen*)

11. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue "The Old Still Road," a Class VI Road located off of Intervale Road. *Petitioned Warrant Article.*
12. Since its beginning in 1935, Social Security has been the landmark program that has kept millions of families from poverty.

WHEREAS, Social Security is a social insurance compact between the generations providing a life-time, inflation-adjusted, social safety net for OLDER ADULTS, spouses, children of deceased workers, and PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES;

WHEREAS, according to the board of Trustees of the Social Security Trust Funds, Social Security is not in a crisis, and will be able to pay full benefits until 2042 (or 2052 according to the Congressional Budget Office), and 73% (or 80%) of benefits thereafter, if no changes are made;

WHEREAS, funding for private accounts will require the government to borrow trillions of dollars, decrease the number of years the program can remain solvent, subject individuals to the risks of the stock market, and possibly result in substantial benefits cuts for current and future retirees, as well as an enormous debt burden for future generations;

Therefore, be it resolved,

That Congress ensures that guaranteed benefits continue to be available for present and future generations who have paid for, worked for, and earned them;

We, the citizens of Canterbury, NH urge our Representatives and Senators to oppose any effort to introduce private accounts into Social Security

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

Given under our hands and seal, this 2nd day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and five.

*Michael R. Capone, Chairman*  
*Frank A. Tupper*  
*James P. Bassett*



# 2005 BUDGET — TOWN OF CANTERBURY



	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>EXECUTIVE</b>				
Selectmen Salaries	6,100.00	4,000.00	6,100.00	0.00
Health Insurance	36,600.00	39,960.62	43,617.01	7,017.01
Postage	750.00	783.35	750.00	0.00
Clerical Wages	37,000.00	31,171.32	35,000.00	-2,000.00
Office Equipment Repairs	250.00	105.00	250.00	0.00
Selectmen Seminars	150.00	25.00	100.00	-50.00
Telephone/Internet	2,000.00	1,920.53	2,000.00	0.00
Printing	200.00	122.38	200.00	0.00
Office Equipment	1,500.00	2,088.02	2,000.00	500.00
Office Supplies	2,750.00	2,610.27	2,750.00	0.00
Software Support	1,275.00	1,275.00	1,600.00	325.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>88,575.00</b>	<b>84,061.49</b>	<b>94,367.01</b>	<b>5,792.01</b>
<b>TOWN REPORT</b>				
Print/Mail Town Report	<b>5,500.00</b>	<b>4,964.02</b>	<b>5,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>ELECTION, REG &amp; VITALS</b>				
Town Clerk Seminars	750.00	456.40	780.00	30.00
Dog Tags	1,500.00	2,136.85	1,500.00	0.00

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b><i>Election, Reg &amp; Vitals (cont.)</i></b>				
Election Wages	1,200.00	928.00	500.00	-700.00
Election Advertising	150.00	112.32	100.00	-50.00
Election Supplies	1,600.00	1,975.55	200.00	-1,400.00
Voting Machine	2,700.00	2,104.15	200.00	-2,500.00
Town Clerk Fees - Regs	4,200.00	5,403.00	5,000.00	800.00
Town Clerk Fees - Stickers	3,000.00	3,815.00	3,500.00	500.00
Town Clerk Fees	0.00	1,637.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Vital Statistic Fees	150.00	104.00	150.00	0.00
Deputy Town Clerk Salary	12,500.00	13,051.78	12,875.00	375.00
Marriage License Fees	400.00	532.00	400.00	0.00
Town Clerk Equip Repairs	250.00	1,424.00	500.00	250.00
Town Clerk Office Supplies	750.00	946.51	800.00	50.00
Software Support	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29,150.00</b>	<b>34,626.56</b>	<b>29,505.00</b>	<b>355.00</b>
<b>FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION</b>				
Tax Collector Salary	17,655.00	18,188.68	18,185.00	530.00
Registrar of Deeds	1,000.00	1,015.91	1,000.00	0.00
Tax Collector Fees	2,000.00	1,452.00	2,000.00	0.00
Outside Auditing	4,950.00	4,950.00	4,950.00	0.00
Tax Map Maintenance	300.00	677.00	700.00	400.00
Tax Collector Seminars	1,000.00	50.00	1,000.00	0.00
Treasurer Salary	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
Treasurer Seminar	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>Financial Administration (cont.)</b>				
Software Support	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,600.00	100.00
Tax Collector Office Supp	2,750.00	209.50	1,750.00	-1,000.00
Tax Collector Postage	2,500.00	2,567.93	2,500.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36,755.00</b>	<b>33,611.02</b>	<b>36,785.00</b>	<b>30.00</b>
<b>CEMETERIES</b>				
Cemetery Wages	8,000.00	11,286.00	13,500.00	5,500.00
Sub-Contractor	350.00	632.00	350.00	0.00
Equipment Repairs	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Gasoline & Oil	300.00	0.00	300.00	0.00
Parts & Supplies	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,350.00</b>	<b>11,918.00</b>	<b>14,850.00</b>	<b>5,500.00</b>
<b>GEN. GOVERNMENT BLDG</b>				
Municipal Bldg Electricity	0.00	2,206.77	3,000.00	3,000.00
Municipal Bldg Maintenance	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Municipal Building Alarms	0.00	0.00	660.00	660.00
Center Electricity	260.00	273.15	260.00	0.00
Police Dept Electricity	600.00	482.67	0.00	-600.00
Historical Society Maint	100.00	0.00	500.00	400.00
Historical Society Electricity	300.00	207.48	300.00	0.00
Town Bldgs Heat/Oil/Propane	8,500.00	16,273.09	14,000.00	5,500.00
Town Hall Maintenance	200.00	556.66	200.00	0.00

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>Gen. Government Bldg. (cont.)</b>				
Town Hall Electricity	360.00	498.83	400.00	40.00
Hwy/FD Maintenance	800.00	1,237.54	0.00	-800.00
Town Building Emer Fund	3,000.00	2,312.82	3,000.00	0.00
Hwy/FD Electricity	2,200.00	2,378.62	0.00	-2,200.00
Sam Lake Maintenance	500.00	1,113.19	500.00	0.00
Sam Lake Electricity	1,200.00	1,268.21	1,200.00	0.00
Police Department Maint	500.00	446.00	0.00	-500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,520.00</b>	<b>29,255.03</b>	<b>25,020.00</b>	<b>6,500.00</b>
<b>BLDG NEEDS COMM</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>REVAL OF PROPERTY</b>				
Property Update/Pickups	5,000.00	6,663.00	8,000.00	3,000.00
<b>LEGAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>7,000.00</b>	<b>4,842.45</b>	<b>6,000.00</b>	<b>-1,000.00</b>
<b>ZONING BOARD</b>				
Secretary Wages	1,400.00	1,767.00	1,600.00	200.00
Seminar	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00
Postage	400.00	552.78	500.00	100.00
Advertising	600.00	1,329.16	1,000.00	400.00
Supplies	50.00	249.37	200.00	150.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>3,898.31</b>	<b>3,350.00</b>	<b>850.00</b>

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>PLANNING BOARD</b>				
Postage	650.00	936.06	1,000.00	350.00
Secretary Wages	3,100.00	3,867.77	4,000.00	900.00
Seminars	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Professional Fees	1,000.00	735.00	1,000.00	0.00
Advertising	300.00	260.24	150.00	-150.00
Printing	650.00	423.50	400.00	-250.00
Supplies	350.00	258.63	300.00	-50.00
Equipment	50.00	0.00	0.00	-50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,200.00</b>	<b>6,481.20</b>	<b>6,950.00</b>	<b>750.00</b>
<b>REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS</b>				
Tax Collector Dues	20.00	20.00	20.00	0.00
Town Clerk Dues	20.00	20.00	20.00	0.00
NH Municipal Association	1,375.00	1,375.00	1,446.92	71.92
Central NH Planning	1,934.00	1,967.00	2,233.00	299.00
NH Resource Recover	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Assoc of Assessing Dues	20.00	20.00	20.00	0.00
Reg/Conc Solid Waste	20.00	0.00	20.00	0.00
Upper Merrimack River	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
Federal DOT Drug Testing	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00
NH Health Officer Assoc.	25.00	0.00	25.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,814.00</b>	<b>3,502.00</b>	<b>4,184.92</b>	<b>370.92</b>

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>				
Wages	113,500.00	97,505.08	115,500.00	2,000.00
Sub-Contractor	50,000.00	52,215.43	50,000.00	0.00
Sem/Dues/Subscriptions	300.00	198.00	400.00	100.00
Prosecutor	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Cruiser Maintenance	2,000.00	2,393.40	3,000.00	1,000.00
Health Insurance	18,000.00	26,830.73	25,874.91	7,874.91
Telephone	3,000.00	4,561.16	4,000.00	1,000.00
Radios & Repairs	800.00	6,310.34	1,000.00	200.00
Dispatch	7,050.00	6,747.00	8,000.00	950.00
Gas/Oil	4,000.00	2,811.82	4,000.00	0.00
Office Supplies	1,500.00	2,109.08	2,300.00	800.00
Uniforms	1,500.00	2,105.87	2,200.00	700.00
Supplies/New Equipment	1,200.00	1,093.70	2,200.00	1,000.00
Software Support	1,200.00	1,050.00	1,500.00	300.00
Retirement	13,600.00	5,805.57	13,600.00	0.00
Training	800.00	395.00	1,000.00	200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>218,950.00</b>	<b>212,632.18</b>	<b>235,074.91</b>	<b>16,124.91</b>
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>				
Reimbursement	7,800.00	7,800.00	7,800.00	0.00
Forest Fire Costs	800.00	255.42	800.00	0.00
Vehicle Maintenance	12,000.00	6,564.51	12,000.00	0.00
Training & Prevention	2,000.00	1,627.24	2,000.00	0.00
Dispatch	13,566.00	13,566.00	18,829.00	5,263.00

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>Fire Department (cont.)</b>				
Communications	6,000.00	6,217.60	4,000.00	-2,000.00
Dry Hydrants	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	-1,000.00
Gasoline & Oil	1,100.00	824.96	800.00	-300.00
Fire & Rescue Equipment	10,000.00	19,635.54	12,000.00	2,000.00
Office Equipment	800.00	1,456.23	800.00	0.00
Medical Training	1,300.00	685.00	1,300.00	0.00
Medical Equipment	3,000.00	3,291.02	3,000.00	0.00
Equipment Maintenance	1,000.00	3,828.33	2,000.00	1,000.00
Forest Fire Equipment	3,000.00	1,485.43	2,000.00	-1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>63,366.00</b>	<b>67,237.28</b>	<b>67,329.00</b>	<b>3,963.00</b>
<b>CIVIL DEFENSE</b>				
	<b>1.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>BUILDING INSPECTION</b>				
Gasoline	150.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
Seminars	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
Supplies/Telephone	500.00	493.38	500.00	0.00
Salary	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,300.00	300.00
Code Enforcement	4,000.00	480.00	4,000.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,750.00</b>	<b>4,223.38</b>	<b>8,050.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>
<b>HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION</b>				
Wages	146,700.00	146,652.04	167,000.00	20,300.00

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	(+/-)	Encumbered
<b>Highway Administration (cont.)</b>					
Sub-Cont/Equip Rental	12,000.00	8,273.69	12,000.00	0.00	
Equipment Repairs	20,000.00	13,706.72	20,000.00	0.00	
Health Insurance	43,800.00	49,678.37	36,903.69	-6,896.31	
Retirement	13,000.00	10,104.31	13,000.00	0.00	
Telephone	800.00	963.04	1,000.00	200.00	
Supplies	4,000.00	11,059.60	7,500.00	3,500.00	
Gasoline & Diesel	13,000.00	10,929.16	13,000.00	0.00	
Tires	3,000.00	7,123.95	3,000.00	0.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>256,300.00</b>	<b>258,490.88</b>	<b>273,403.69</b>	<b>17,103.69</b>	
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>					
Salt	10,000.00	6,011.44	10,000.00	0.00	
Road Tar	50,000.00	50,881.22	60,000.00	10,000.00	
Road Improvements	50,000.00	53,046.14	50,000.00	0.00	
Sand & Gravel	30,000.00	35,625.70	30,000.00	0.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>140,000.00</b>	<b>145,564.50</b>	<b>150,000.00</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	
<b>CULVERTS &amp; BRIDGES</b>					
Culverts & Bridges Maint	1,500.00	3,243.45	1,000.00	-500.00	
<b>STREET LIGHTING</b>					
	1,100.00	1,044.51	1,100.00	0.00	



	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>SOLID WASTE</b>				
Central NH Waste	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
Health Insurance	10,542.00	4,472.68	11,029.28	487.28
Wages	40,638.00	35,474.33	40,638.00	0.00
Recycling Services	15,000.00	18,583.29	15,000.00	0.00
Truck Repair	250.00	105.55	500.00	250.00
Truck/Baler Repair	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Telephone	400.00	382.35	400.00	0.00
Supplies	100.00	737.15	400.00	300.00
Electricity	1,600.00	1,205.98	2,000.00	400.00
Gas/Oil	200.00	36.00	2,600.00	2,400.00
Building Repair/Maint	5,500.00	2,074.42	0.00	-5,500.00
Seminars	300.00	100.00	300.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>74,531.00</b>	<b>63,171.75</b>	<b>73,368.28</b>	<b>-1,162.72</b>
<b>SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL</b>				
Co-op Fee Ash Disposal	<b>29,600.00</b>	<b>36,358.54</b>	<b>32,517.00</b>	<b>2,917.00</b>
<b>HEALTH</b>				
Animal Control	<b>500.00</b>	<b>340.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>HEALTH AGENCIES</b>				
Hospital	700.00	700.00	700.00	0.00
Penacook Rescue	21,000.00	20,824.00	20,824.00	-176.00

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<i>Health Agencies (cont.)</i>				
Belmont Rescue	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26,700.00</b>	<b>26,524.00</b>	<b>26,524.00</b>	<b>-176.00</b>
<b>WELFARE</b>				
Welfare Administrator	1,000.00	231.75	500.00	-500.00
Direct Assistance	8,000.00	12,463.05	12,000.00	4,000.00
Aid/Disabled VNA	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Comm Action Program	1,789.00	1,789.00	1,789.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,789.00</b>	<b>15,483.80</b>	<b>15,289.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>
<b>LIBRARY</b>				
Wages	32,230.00	32,047.98	38,338.00	6,108.00
Insurance	10,542.00	11,417.32	12,004.00	1,462.00
Maintenance Repairs	1,159.00	1,219.63	1,859.00	700.00
Books/Mags/Tapes	6,883.00	6,714.35	7,183.00	300.00
Programs	650.00	788.07	650.00	0.00
Dues/Meetings/Education	80.00	74.00	80.00	0.00
Telephone	450.00	504.24	450.00	0.00
Electricity	1,000.00	958.33	2,500.00	1,500.00
Postage	100.00	141.75	200.00	100.00
Technology/Equip/Supplies	2,000.00	1,970.95	2,000.00	0.00
Tech Support	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>55,094.00</b>	<b>55,836.62</b>	<b>65,864.00</b>	<b>10,770.00</b>

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>HISTORIC DISTRICT COMM</b>				
Secretary Wages	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00
Postage	50.00	39.45	50.00	0.00
Printing	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>400.00</b>	<b>39.45</b>	<b>400.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>				
Website/Legal/Signs	250.00	30.00	250.00	0.00
<b>PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>				
Repairs	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
Equipment	500.00	171.97	400.00	-100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>171.97</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>PATRIOTIC PURPOSES</b>				
Memorial Day	100.00	98.55	100.00	0.00
Fourth of July	4,000.00	3,621.20	4,000.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,100.00</b>	<b>3,719.75</b>	<b>4,100.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>				
Dues	400.00	300.00	400.00	0.00
Postage	25.00	37.50	50.00	25.00
Printing & Advertising	125.00	0.00	125.00	0.00

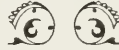
	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<i>Conservation Commission (cont.)</i>				
Supplies/Signs/GIS Supplies	475.00	101.08	150.00	-325.00
Prof. Services/Speakers	500.00	1,100.00	1,000.00	500.00
Training/Conferences	180.00	132.00	100.00	-80.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,705.00</b>	<b>1,670.58</b>	<b>1,825.00</b>	<b>120.00</b>
<b>HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b>				
Preservation Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Misc. Supplies	150.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,150.00</b>	<b>1,150.00</b>	<b>1,150.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>HEALTH OFFICER</b>				
Gasoline & Oil	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00
Seminars	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</b>				
Workers Comp. Insurance	0.00	12,731.42	12,611.33	12,611.33
Disability Insurance	0.00	2,799.63	3,100.00	3,100.00
FICA	30,000.00	29,952.70	32,000.00	2,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30,000.00</b>	<b>45,483.75</b>	<b>47,711.33</b>	<b>17,711.33</b>

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>INSURANCE</b>				
Property Liability	32,000.00	19,365.49	20,000.00	-12,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,170,750.00</b>	<b>1,185,604.96</b>	<b>1,261,569.14</b>	<b>90,819.14</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICES</b>				
Principal Municipal Bldg	120,735.00	120,735.00	115,000.00	-5,735.00
Interest Municipal Bldg	114,399.75	117,549.75	98,900.00	-15,499.75
Interest / Fees	8,200.00	0.00	8,200.00	0.00
Tax Anticipation Note	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00
Bond Anticipation Note	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Principal for Bond	55,000.00	55,000.00	50,000.00	-5,000.00
Interest for Bond	6,300.00	3,150.00	2,325.00	-3,975.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>307,634.75</b>	<b>296,434.75</b>	<b>287,425.00</b>	<b>-20,209.75</b>
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>				
Highway Truck	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Highway Grader	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Highway Equipment	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Fire Apparatus	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Rescue Equipment	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
Conservation Commission	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Land Fill Closure	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00

	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>Opening Transfers Out (cont.)</b>				
Revaluation	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
Canterbury/Boscawen Bridge	0.00	0.00	5,300.00	5,300.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>70,000.00</b>	<b>70,000.00</b>	<b>95,300.00</b>	<b>25,300.00</b>
<b>OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL</b>	<b>1,548,384.75</b>	<b>1,552,039.71</b>	<b>1,644,294.14</b>	<b>95,909.39</b>
<b>WARRANT ARTICLES</b>				
05-03 - Library Renovations			65,000.00	
05-04 - Library Capital Reserve			13,061.00	
05-05 - Transfer Station			9,500.00	
05-06 - Police Cruiser			26,143.00	
05-07 - Industrial Park			10,000.00	
05-08 - Tax Maps			39,000.00	
01-09 - Plastics Baler	3,000.00	3,000.30	0.00	
04-08 - Bridge	5,300.00	5,300.00	0.00	
02-04 - Road	21,864.13	20,646.56		(2002) 1,217.57
04-03 - Gold Star Property	860,000.00	0.00		(2004) 860,000.00
04-05 - Highway Truck	80,161.00	43,121.00		(2004) 37,040.00
04-06 - Town Clerk Software	3,000.00	3,000.00		
04-07 - Photocopier	3,375.00	3,375.00		
03-03 - Municipal Complex	2,450,330.09	1,766,281.51		(2003) 684,048.58
02-05 - Building Review	76,258.55	67,384.29		(2002) 8,874.26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,503,288.77</b>	<b>1,912,108.66</b>	<b>162,704.00</b>	

<i>Gen. Government Bldg. (cont.)</i>	2004 Appropriated	2004 Spent	2005 Appropriated	Encumbered (+/-)
<b>TOTAL WITH</b>				
<b>WARRANT ARTICLES</b>	<b>5,051,673.52</b>	<b>3,464,148.37</b>	<b>1,806,998.14</b>	
Merrimack County Tax		479,315.00		
Shaker Regional Tax		2,818,052.00		
Refunds		0.00		
Tax Collector - Sales		0.00		
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>6,761,515.37</b>		

# REVENUE TO OFFSET 2005 BUDGET



	<b>Estimated 2004</b>	<b>Actual 2004</b>	<b>Estimated 2005</b>
<b>TAXES</b>			
Yield Tax	30,000	19,377.63	30,000
Int. & Penalties on Taxes	30,000	31,070.68	35,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	6,500	8658	4,258
Excav. Tax \$0.02 per CY	100	0	100
Excavation Activity Tax	0	0	0
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES – STATE</b>			
Shared Revenues	9,953	15910	9,953
Meals & Rooms Tax	61,086	70286	70,286
Highway Block Grant	73,907	74818.15	74,818
Reimb. State Forest Land	384	333.20	333
<b>LICENSES &amp; PERMITS</b>			
Motor Veh. Permit Fees	315,000	401023	375,000
Building Permit Fees	7,500	7595	6,000
Other Lic. Permits & Fees	5,000	4676.54	6,000
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>			
Income from Departments	50,000	99773.38	75,000
<b>MISC. REVENUES</b>			
Interest on Deposits	7,600	34626.05	25,000
Recycling	6,000	9016.94	5,500
Total	619,430	777,164.57	717,248
Appropriations Recommended			1,644,294.14
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended			162,704.00
Total Appropriations Recommended			1,806,998.14
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits			717,248
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be raised:			<u><u>1,089,750.14</u></u>



# MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING FIRST SESSION — MARCH 9, 2004



Wayne Mann, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. A motion was made by Cheryl Gordon to dispense with the reading of the warrant. Michael Capone seconded the motion.

Necessary town officers for the year ensuing were chosen by ballot.

The meeting was recessed at 7:00 p.m. Ballots were counted and the results were as follows:

**Board of Selectmen: 1 position, 3 years**

James P. Bassett 310

**Town Clerk/Tax Collector: 1 position, 3 years**

Cheryl A. Gordon 352

**Planning Board: 2 positions, 3 years**

Oliver Fifield 218

Brian Kilrain 166

Ken Stern 189

John Scarponi 67

**Moderator: 1 position, 2 years**

Wayne Mann 331

**Treasurer: 1 position, 1 year**

Mary F. Witschonke 331

**Library Trustee: 5 positions, 3 years**

John S. Bouton 311

Judith P. Nelson 314

Anne Nute 298

E. Charles Sanborn 304

Marcia Scarponi 303

**Cemetery Committee: 1 position, 3 years**

Virginia Dudley 227

Joseph Pinard 65

**Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 position, 3 years**

John Evans 3

**Treasurer: 1 position, 1 year**

Mary F. Witschonke 331

**Supervisor of Checklist: 1 position, 6 years**

Mary Ann Winograd 333

## Proposed Zoning Changes

**Amendment #1:** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment to Article 3 COMMERCIAL KENNEL – Any establishment where boarding of dogs is done as a business, or where more than two (2) litters of pups are whelped during a calendar year. *(The purpose of this addition to Article 3 is to define what shall constitute a Commercial Kennel)*

**YES 314**

**NO 47**

FARM, AGRICULTURE, FARMING – As defined at RSA 21:34-a and as it may be amended from time to time. *(The intent of this change is to ensure that our definition of Farm, Agriculture and Farming is consistent with state statutes as defined by RSA 21:34-a, and as it may be amended from time to time.)*

**YES 337**

**NO 23**

**Amendment #2:** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment to Article 11 NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS by deleting the current article and replacing it with the following: *(The Planning Board is charged by statute with taking the long view of community planning. In essence, the board must be conscious of what constitutes prudent planning, and ensure that the intent of that planning remains logical, legal, current and intentional. In 1971, Canterbury developed a Master Plan [Plan for Tomorrow], and in 1978 the town passed one of New Hampshire's first growth control ordinances. That foresight has provided for stable and predictable growth to date.*

A critical dimension of that stability has been Article 11, and inclusion of a limit on overall growth. Building permits are presently limited to 4% of the number of year-round dwellings. The courts take issue with limits, and suggest that towns must manage growth in the context of the regional growth rate.

Article 11 as amended allows for periodic re-examination to ensure our rate of growth remains appropriate in the context of our resources, and continues to meet the purposes stated in the Master Plan.)

**YES 299**

**NO 64**

## ARTICLE 11

### NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS

#### 11.0 AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE

This Article is enacted pursuant to the authority granted by NH RSA 674:22. It is intended to regulate and control the timing of development in accordance with the objectives of the Master Plan and the Capital Improvements Program. These two documents assess and balance community development needs of the Town of Canterbury and consider regional development

needs. This Article is intended to enable Canterbury to bear its fair share of regional growth, while at the same time minimizing the disruptive impact of “boom and bust” building cycles.

### **11.1 BUILDING PERMITS**

The number of residential building permits for the construction of new or additional dwelling units which may be issued during any one building year shall be limited to 3% of the number of year-round single family dwellings existing at the commencement of the building year. The building year shall begin on the day after the annual Town Meeting and run to the date of the next annual Town Meeting.

For the purposes of this Article, a permit to replace an existing residence with a new one shall not be counted towards the limit so long as the existing residence meets one of the following criteria:

11.1.A The structure was built with a residential building permit and received a Certificate of Occupancy, or

11.1.B If built before permits were issued, has been occupied as a dwelling unit continuously for the previous 5 years.

### **11.2 MULTI-FAMILY DWELLING PERMITS**

Only one of these permits each year may be used for a multi-family dwelling and will allow the applicant to build a number of units up to a maximum of 1% of the year-round single family dwelling units existing at the commencement of the building year, subject to the limitation that the total number of units of multi-family dwellings shall not exceed 6% of the number of year-round single family dwellings existing at the commencement of the building year. If the 1% limit is not used up by the first applicant in any given year then a second applicant shall be eligible for a permit for the remaining multi-family units.

### **11.3 PERMIT ELIGIBILITY**

No more than one single-family permit per record holder shall be issued during the building year unless the total number of permits to be issued shall not have been issued by September 1 of the current building year, in which case a second single-family permit (but in no event more than two) may be issued. An applicant who has been granted a permit for a multi-family dwelling shall not be entitled to a second permit in the building year.

*Exception:* The Planning Board after consultation with the Conservation Commission may during site plan review order that a record holder be eligible for accelerated permit availability if conservation goals are met as a result.

### **11.4 MISCELLENEOUS PROVISIONS**

Permits shall be issued by the building inspector in the order that the applications are received by him. Once the number of building permits has been exhausted, the building inspector shall maintain a waiting list in the event that another permit becomes available during that building year, or to apply to the

next building year. At no time may a record holder be on a waiting list in more than one place, and the waiting list maintained by the building inspector shall not extend beyond the next building year.

“Record holder” shall mean the owner(s) of land in Canterbury on record at the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds at the time of application. Land owned in joint tenancy or as tenants in common shall not entitle the owners to more than the number of permits which would be available if the land were owned by one individual. No person, corporation, partnership or other entity shall directly or indirectly be a record holder of more than one lot for the purposes of obtaining building permits.

For the purposes of this Article, a new two-family dwelling shall be considered a multi-family dwelling and conversion of a single family dwelling to a two-family dwelling shall require a permit as an additional dwelling unit.

### **11.5 ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS**

If on the date of the Town Meeting in any year there is a surplus of unissued building permits for new dwelling units, the surplus shall be made available in the following year, after all of the permits available in the annual limitation of the following year are issued. Provided, however, that in no event shall the surplus available in the following year exceed 25% of the total number of residential building permits that had been eligible for issuance in that year. If the surplus of unissued building permits is not issued in the year immediately after they are surplus, they shall expire.

Any permits issued but not utilized shall not be added back into the annual limitation.

### **11.6 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**

The Selectmen are hereby authorized to establish administrative procedures necessary to implement this Article. All such procedures shall be posted.

### **11.7 CONFLICTS**

In matters governed by the Article, this Article shall supersede conflicting local ordinances and regulations.

### **11.8 SEVERABILITY**

Should any part of this Article be held invalid or unconstitutional by a court, such holding shall not affect, impair or invalidate any other part of this Article, and, to such end, all sections and provisions of this Article are declared to be severable.

### **11.9 EFFECTIVE DATES**

This Article becomes effective upon adoption and shall remain in effect until March 31, 2008. However, no less frequently than every two years, the Planning Board shall review growth rates in the region and shall make a recommendation as to whether the percentage growth rate should be increased or decreased in order to achieve the purposes stated in Section 11.0.

# MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING SECOND SESSION — MARCH 12, 2004 (Business Portion)



Wayne Mann, Moderator, opened the recessed Town Meeting at 7:00 pm on Friday, March 12, 2004. The salute of the flag was lead by members of the Canterbury Volunteer Fire Department — Chief Dale Caswell, Jeremy Slayton, and Christina Cole.

The Moderator pointed out the fire exits and introduced the dais. The front cover of the town report was discussed and the New Road signpost was identified as being at the corner of Shaker and Asby Roads. The Town Report dedication to Robert and Virginia Dudley was read.

A review of the ground rules was presented.

For Article 3 the polls were open for one (1) hour.

## **ARTICLE 3**

Are you in favor of raising and appropriating the sum of up to eight hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$860,000) for the purchase of three parcels of land on the Merrimack River known as the Gold Star Sod Farm and Nursery, together 525 acres more or less, Map 4 lot 31-1, Map 5 Lot 18 (including any buildings and structures thereon); and to further authorize the issuance of eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue, negotiate and regulate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore to authorize the withdrawal of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) from the Conservation Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. *Two-thirds ballot vote required. (Recommended by the Selectmen)*

*Al Edelstein moved the adoption of this article, Jennifer Hopkins seconded.*

Kelly Short and Jennifer Hopkins gave a presentation on the Sod Farm land including information on costs and benefits.

*Move to vote made by Jim Snyder, Second by Hank Turco.*

**2/3 Ballot vote required, need 307 to pass.**

**Article 3 was voted on by secret written ballot and passed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote 409 to 51.** There was no motion to reconsider this vote.

The vote on Article 4 was taken later in the meeting after vote total was available on Article 3.

## ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty thousand one hundred six one dollars (\$80,161) for the purchase of a dump truck and authorize the withdrawal of fifteen thousand seven hundred and twenty eight dollars (\$15,728) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve and fifteen thousand four hundred and one dollars (\$15,401) from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve previously established. The balance of forty nine thousand thirty-two (\$49,032) is to come from general taxation. *(Recommended by the Selectmen)*

*Charlie Cook moved the adoption of this article, Ken Jordan seconded.*

*Phil Stone made a motion to amend the article balance to \$43,532 from \$49,032 as there is a \$5,500 trade in value.*

*Motion seconded by Cheryl Gordon.*

*Motion carries.*

***Article 5 was voted on and passed.***

## ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) to purchase Town Clerk and Voter Census Software. *(Recommended by the Selectmen)*

*Betsy Black moved the adoption of this article, Cheryl Gordon seconded.*

*Michael Capone made a motion to amend the article from \$6,500 to \$3,000 as Rep. Priscilla Lockwood said Federal grant money would be available to pay for half of package.*

*Seconded by Charlie Cook.*

*Motion carries.*

***Article 6 was voted on and passed.***

## ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand three hundred seventy five dollars (\$3,375) to purchase a photocopier for the Town Offices. *(Recommended by the Selectmen)*

*Charlie Cook moved the adoption of this article, Briggs Lockwood seconded.*

***Article 7 was voted on and passed.***

## ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of removing or renovating the Canterbury/Boscawen Bridge and to appropriate the sum of five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300) as an initial funding amount. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this Capital Reserve Fund. *(Recommended by the Selectmen)*

*Leonard Mordarski moved the adoption of this article, Betsy Black seconded.*

***Article 8 was voted on and passed.***

## **ARTICLE 9**

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) from the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund to renovate the transfer station building and purchase a baler, conveyor and storage trailer to bale and store plastics and aluminum. *(Recommended by the Selectmen)*

*Ken Jordan moved the adoption of this article, Leonard Mordarski seconded. Article 9 was voted on and passed.*

## **ARTICLE 10**

Shall the Town vote to modify an Exemption for the Disabled under the provisions of RSA 7:37-b as follows: the exemption from assessed value, for qualified taxpayers shall be thirty-five thousand (\$35,000). To qualify, the person must be eligible under Title II or Title XVI of the Federal Social Security Act, must occupy the property as is principle place of abode, must own the property individually or jointly, or if owned by a spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years, in the calendar year preceding April 1 a net income from all sources, or not more than thirteen thousand four hundred dollars (\$13,400) or, if married, a combined net income of not more than twenty thousand four hundred (\$20,400) excluding the value of actual residence and up to 2 acres of the minimum single family residential lot size specified in the local zoning ordinance.

*Cheryl Gordon moved the adoption of this article, Albert Edelstein seconded. Article 10 was voted on and passed.*

## **ARTICLE 4**

To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

*Leonard Mordarski moved the adoption of this article, Cheryl Gordon seconded.*

*Briggs Lockwood made a motion to amend the Fire Department Rescue Equipment budget line from \$16,000 to \$10,000. The \$6,000 was for a one-time special equipment purchase in 2003. Move to amend budget to change special equipment line to \$10,000.*

*Second Mary Ellen Fifield.*

Leslie Keeler asked for the Fire Chief's comment.

Dale Caswell said he met with the Selectmen and they discussed it and agreed that the amount remain in the budget this year. He also said it was a one shot deal and they took their one shot and bought hose and equipment. He continued saying that calls increase and prices go up and he wanted to hold a flat budget this year except for the costs that are out of their control such as dispatch.

A hand vote was taken on amendment to change rescue equipment line from \$16,000 to \$10,000. **The vote was 75 For, 61 Against. Amendment carries.**

*Michael Capone made a motion to amend Debt Services Interest/Fees line to reflect a Bond Bank Fee of \$6,000 and Bond Council Charge of \$2,200 for Sod Farm land purchase bond.*

*Dwight Keeler moved the adoption of this article as amended, Charlie Cook seconded.*

**Budget approved as amended \$1,528,384.75.**

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. *Kelly Short moved the adoption of this article, Oliver Fifield seconded.*

Kelly Short thanked the Town for supporting the \$800,000 bond to purchase the Sod Farm. She also wanted to recognize the people involved in the effort; Galen Beale, Frank Tupper, John Bouton, Lisa Carlson, Tom Roy, Laurie Rauseo, Jim MacCartney, Terry Lochhead, Ken Stern, Howard Moffett, Brian Kilrain, David Emerson, Jennifer Taylor and Drew Hoffman.

Ollie Fifield spoke of a barn survey for Canterbury. Historical society will have survey in next newsletter and is asking that people please respond.

Wayne Mann spoke regarding the 250 signs around Town that say Keep Farming in our Future, and asked that people tape over “vote yes” and stencil in “buy local.”

*Charlie Cook made a motion to close the meeting. Leonard Mordarski seconded the motion.* The meeting was dissolved at 10:20 pm.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Patricia A. Capone for  
Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk*

*A true copy attest:  
Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk*



# LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS



## STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

### TOWN BUILDINGS IMPROVEMENT BOND

<i>Rate of Interest</i>	3%–6%
<i>Amount of Original Issue</i>	\$2,500,000
<i>Date of Original Issue</i>	7/17/2003
<i>Principal payment date</i>	August 15
<i>Interest payment date</i>	February 15 & August 15
<i>Payable at</i>	State Street Bank & Trust CT

### MATURITIES

FYE	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	FYE	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST
2004	\$120,735	6.00%	2014	\$115,000	3.00%
2005	\$115,000	4.00%	2015	\$115,000	5.00%
2006	\$115,000	4.00%	2016	\$115,000	5.00%
2007	\$115,000	4.00%	2017	\$115,000	5.00%
2008	\$115,000	4.00%	2018	\$115,000	4.75%
2009	\$115,000	5.00%	2019	\$115,000	4.75%
2010	\$115,000	5.00%	2020	\$115,000	4.75%
2011	\$115,000	5.00%	2021	\$115,000	4.75%
2012	\$115,000	5.00%	2022	\$115,000	4.00%
2013	\$115,000	5.00%	2023	\$115,000	4.00%

### GRADER/BUILDING/INDUSTRIAL PARK

<i>Rate of Interest</i>	3.27%
<i>Amount of Original Issue</i>	\$255,000
<i>Date of Original Issue</i>	2/18/02
<i>Principal payment date</i>	August 15
<i>Interest payment date</i>	February 15
<i>Payable at</i>	Citizen's Bank

FISCAL ENDING YEAR	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST
December 31, 2004	\$55,000	\$3,150.00
December 31, 2005	\$50,000	\$2,325.00
December 31, 2006	\$45,000	\$1,575.00
December 31, 2007	\$45,000	\$ 787.50

# SUMMARY OF TAXABLE PROPERTY



Land	26,769,068
Residential Buildings	88,008,925
Commercial/Industrial	3,004,145
Public Utilities	860,760
<b>Total Gross Valuation</b>	<b>118,642,898</b>

Less Elderly Exemptions	145,000
Solar Exemptions	105,650
Blind Exemptions	15,000
Physically Handicapped Exemptions	105,050

Net Valuations on which the tax rate for Municipal, County & Local Education tax is computed	118,279,930
Less Public Utilities	860,760
Net Valuation on which the State Education Tax is computed:	117,419,170

Loss due to Veteran's Exemption	14,000
Loss due to Total Disability	105,050

Town Tax Rate	5.20
County Rate	4.04
School Tax Rate	18.73
State Education Tax	5.13
	33.10

Current Use Land	499,875
No. of acres granted for Current Use Exemption:	18,880.49

# SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY



Town Hall, land and buildings	209,000
Library land and buildings	235,200
Police Department Building	32,500
Highway Garage/Fire Department	310,000
Historical Building	109,000
Sam Lake House, Land & Buildings	148,600
Transfer Station, Land and Improvements	85,500
Salt Shed Building	25,000
Brick & Wood Bandstand	12,800

MAP	LOT	SUB	#	STREET	VALUE	ACRES
1	4	1		Intervale Road	3500	12
1	11	0		Northfield Town Line	100	0.14
1	12	0	NS	Intervale Road	300	0.27
2	1	0	24	Canterbury Shore Drive	4700	0.25
2	22	0	37	Canterbury Shore Drive	4700	0.25
2	37	0	39	Blue Boar Lane	7800	0.25
2	111	0	54	Canterbury Shore Drive	7000	0.25
2	133	0	23	Friar Tuck Road	4700	0.25
2	137	0	15	Friar Tuck Road	4700	0.25
2	139	0	11	Friar Tuck Road	4700	0.25
2	141	0	7	Friar Tuck Road	4700	0.25
2	150	0	44	Robin Shore Drive	4700	0.25
2	152	0	48	Robin Shore Drive	4700	0.25
2	204	0	84	Canterbury Shore Drive	4700	0.25
2	231	0	85	Canterbury Shore Drive	4700	0.25
2	252	0	28	Nottingham Road	4700	0.25
2	266	2	12	Nottingham Road	12800	0.5
2	286	0	37	Old Gilmanton Road	4700	0.25
2	288	0	41	Old Gilmanton Road	4900	0.28
2	289	0	43	Old Gilmanton Road	4700	0.25
2	305	0	641	Shaker Road	5800	0.25
2	333	2		Flowage/Dam Rights	0	0
2	334	0		Island New Pond	4400	0.29
2	335	0		Island Lyford Pond	3200	0.41
4	8	0		Off Intervale Road	42100	51
4	15	0		Intervale Road	66000	6.35
4	21	2		Canterbury Depot Road	48000	44

MAP	LOT	SUB	#	STREET	VALUE	ACRES
4	21	3		Canterbury Depot Road	24100	5.03
4	21	4		Canterbury Depot Road	29600	5.07
4	21	5		Canterbury Depot Road	49400	5.1
4	21	6		Canterbury Depot Road	65000	5.1
7	46	0		Borough Road	23700	28
8	16	4		North West Road	4100	11.74
8	20	0		Big Meadow	10300	10
8	38	2	WS	Kimball Pond Road	32400	19.05
8	41	0	WS	Kimball Pond Road	28200	22.2
8	65	4	1	Baptist Road	10200	0.84
8	66	0		Center Road	25000	4.65
8	66	1		Center Bandstand	4300	0.44
8	75	6	26	Baptist Road	25500	4.98
9	35	1		Old Schoolhouse Road	300	0.25
10	5	0		Briarbush Road	50800	19.5
11	14	0		Abbott Road	39800	33
11	24	0	83	Baptist Road	22700	6.3
11	27	1		Baptist Road	1900	3.5
11	31	0		Baptist Road	21800	20
11	32	0		Baptist Road	13700	20
11	33	0		Baptist Road	41100	75
11	35	0		Baptist Road	23800	22
11	36	0		Baptist Road	4600	10
12	16	0		Whitney Hill Road	19900	18
12	20	0		Spender Meadow	11100	8.6
12	27	0		Spender Meadow	13600	13.4
12	28	0		Spender Meadow	28900	7.54
13	7	0		Misery Road	8000	17
14	11	1		Baptist Hill Road	21000	1.5
14	17	0		Shaker Road	1100	0.15
15	7	0		Baptist Hill Road	25700	6.2
15	13	0		Baptist Road	31500	9.8
16	15	0		Whitney Hill Road	6000	15
17	4	1		Harmony Lane	1300	6.25
17	4	2		Harmony Lane	2600	3
17	4	5		Mountain Road	5850	5.4
17	4	7		Mountain Road	2200	2.3
17	4	8		Mountain Road	2400	2.5
17	4	10		Mountain Road	6100	5.25
17	4	11		Mountain Road	4300	4
17	4	12	REAR	Mountain Road	4300	4
17	4	14		Summit Road	29600	43

MAP	LOT	SUB	#	STREET	VALUE	ACRES
17	4	24		Snowshoe Hill Road	4100	7
18	2	0	ES	Route 106	800	0.69
20	4	21		Open Space	3900	14.08
20	4	22		Open Space	2700	3.26
20	4	23		Open Space	2800	4.24
20	4	24		Open Space	600	0.52
20	4	25		Open Space	200	0.62
20	4	26		Open Space	700	0.63
20	4	27		Open Space	2100	0.94
20	4	28		Open Space	1600	0.46
21	8	1	10	Old Boyce Road	5500	0.17
21	17	0		Shoestring Road	382400	68.74

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER — 2004



Tax Collector.....	3,933,858
Town Clerk .....	401,023
Municipal Agent.....	15,481
State of New Hampshire.....	161,514
Income from Departments .....	116,385
Interest on Investments .....	34,626
Sale of Municipal Property .....	75,150
Health Insurance Reimbursements.....	23,991
	4,762,028
Selectmen's Orders Paid .....	3,415,436
Capital Reserve.....	75,300
School Tax .....	2,818,052
County Tax .....	479,315
<b>TOTAL EXPEDITURES .....</b>	<b>6,788,103</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND BALANCE ON HAND.....</b>	<b>844,770</b>
<b>NH PUBLIC INVESTMENT POOL</b>	
General Fund .....	48,734
Conservation Commission Fund* .....	157,172
Patriotic Purposes .....	443
Bond .....	13,326
<b>TOTAL NHPDID FUNDS.....</b>	<b>219,675</b>
<b>BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>	
Bond Proceeds — Building.....	1,275,845

\*Conservation Commission balance does not include Current Use Transfer from the General Fund of \$91,800.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK — 2004



Auto Permits & Postage .....	\$401,023.00
Boat Permit .....	20.84
Checklists .....	75.00
Dog Licenses .....	3,885.00
Dredge & Fill Applications .....	30.00
Filing Fees .....	3.00
Marriage Licenses .....	585.00
Vitals Certified Copies .....	141.00
Miscellaneous .....	919.66
Postage.....	858.00
Titles .....	1,096.00
Municipal Agent Fees .....	7,492.50
UCC Filing Fees.....	375.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$416,504.00</b>

*Cheryl A. Gordon  
Town Clerk*

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT



Cheryl A. Gordon, Tax Collector for the Town of Canterbury, NH  
 For the Year Ending December 31, 2004

	LEVY OF 2004	LEVY OF 2003	LEVY OF 2002	LEVY OF 2001+
<b>Uncollected Taxes — Beginning</b>				
Property Tax	XXXXXX	\$237,775.01	\$0.00	\$491.54
Resident Taxes	XXXXXX	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Land Use Change	XXXXXX	\$58,750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	XXXXXX	\$4,181.77	\$0.00	\$0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/yd	XXXXXX	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Utility Taxes	XXXXXX	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Taxes Committed This Fiscal Year</b>				
Property Tax	\$3,898,503.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Resident Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Land Use Change	\$15,760.00	\$5,020.00	\$0.00	
Timber Yield Taxes	\$19,377.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/yd	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Utility Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Betterment Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
<b>Overpayments</b>				
Remaining From Prior Year	\$13,476.44			
New This Fiscal Year	\$19,315.14			
Interest - Late Tax	\$4,141.92	\$16,382.83	\$0.00	\$98.33
Resident Tax Penalty	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$3,970,575.08</b>	<b>\$322,109.61</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$589.87</b>



**Prior Levies**

<b>CREDITS REMITTED TO TREASURER</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001+</b>
Property Taxes	\$3,602,848.31	\$155,867.24		\$491.54
Resident Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Land Use Change	\$13,560.00	\$39,724.95	\$0.00	\$0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$17,486.80	\$4,154.69	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest & Penalties	\$4,141.92	\$16,382.83	\$0.00	\$98.33
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/yd	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Utility Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Converted to Liens (Principal Only)	\$0.00	\$97,882.88	\$0.00	\$0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Discounts Allowed	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned	\$3,875.94			
<b>ABATEMENTS MADE</b>				
Property Taxes	\$779.98	\$1,551.97	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Land Use Change	\$0.00	\$5,120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$1,569.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$0.02/yd	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Utility Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>CURRENT LEVY DEEDED</b>	<b>\$815.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

UNCOLLECTED TAXES — END OF YEAR #1080	Prior Levies		
	2004	2003	2002
Property Taxes	\$294,060.69	\$0.00	\$0.00
Resident Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Land Use Change	\$2,200.00	\$1,435.05	\$0.00
Timber Yield Taxes	\$321.15	\$0.00	\$0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/ yd	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Utility Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Betterment Taxes	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Remaining Overpayments - Prior Yrs.	\$8,091.00		
Remaining Overpayments - This Year.	\$14,282.14		
This Years' Overpayments Returned	\$5,033.00		
Prior Years' Overpayments Returned	\$1,509.50		
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$3,970,575.08</b>	<b>\$322,119.61</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

UNREDEEMED & EXECUTED LIENS	Prior Levies		
	2004	2003	2002
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of FY	\$0.00	\$24,186.79	\$15,462.24
Liens Executed During FY	\$0.00	\$107,090.56	\$0.00
Unredeemed Elderly Liens Beg. of FY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Elderly Liens Executed During FY	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Interest & Costs	\$0.00	\$2,844.24	\$2,737.37
<b>TOTAL LIEN DEBTS</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$109,934.80</b>	<b>\$26,924.16</b>
			<b>\$4,865.99</b>
			<b>\$20,328.23</b>

<b>CREDITS REMITTED TO TREASURER</b>		<b>Prior Levies</b>			
		<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001+</b>
Redemptions		\$0.00	\$27,642.39	\$12,195.87	\$11,801.55
Interest & Costs Collected	#3190	\$0.00	\$2,844.24	\$2,737.37	\$4,865.99
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$0.00	\$76.02	\$0.00	\$0.00
Liens Decided to Municipality		\$0.00	\$910.08	\$321.58	\$866.03
Unredeemed Liens End of FY	#1110	\$0.00	\$78,462.07	\$11,699.34	\$2,794.66
Unredeemed Elderly Liens End of FY		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL LIEN CREDITS</b>		\$0.00	\$109,934.80	\$26,954.16	\$20,328.23

**Report of the Trust Funds, Summary of Principal, Income and Investments for the Town of Canterbury on December 31, 2004**

Name and Purpose of Trust	How Invested * Account #	Principal		Income		Total Principal & Income			
		Balance at Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gains (Losses)	Withdrawals		Balance at End of Year	Income Expense	
<b>Nonexpendable Trusts:</b>									
Benjamin Whidden - Cong Church	0564-0006	200.00				200.00	1.85	14.44	214.44
Lucia Elkins - Library Books	0564-0007	4,000.00				4,000.00	42.37	300.68	4,300.68
Lucia Elkins - Library Repairs	0564-0008	1,000.00				1,000.00	10.56	75.10	1,075.10
Frank Drew - Library Unrestricted	0564-0009	3,000.00				3,000.00	31.73	225.29	3,225.29
Arthur & Mary Mudge - Library	0564-0010	424.00				424.00	4.71	32.32	456.32
Perpetual Care - Cemetery Lots	0564-0017	28,225.00	1,200.00		150.00	29,275.00	333.86	2,504.05	32,265.87
Cemetery Improvements	0564-0016	8,875.00	400.00		50.00	9,225.00	122.18	3,408.02	12,633.02
Lucia Elkins - S&W Poor	0564-0011	6,987.00				6,987.00	69.68	76.96	7,063.96
John Kezar - School District	0564-0012	3,702.10				3,702.10	38.79	277.82	3,979.92
Thompson Memorial	0564-0015	500.00				500.00	17.16	1,272.88	1,772.88
Benevolent Fund - Glasses/Dental	0564-0013	700.00				700.00	28.00	2,193.67	2,893.67
Canterbury Youth Fund	0564-0014	751.00				751.00	28.50	2,185.35	2,936.35
		58,364.10	1,600.00	-	200.00	59,764.10	729.39	2,504.05	72,817.48
<b>Expendable Trusts:</b>									
<b>Capital Reserve Funds</b>									
Highway Equipment	0564-0003	15,000.00	4,000.00			19,000.00	178.32	1,008.16	20,008.16
Highway Trucks	0564-0004	15,000.00	4,000.00			19,000.00	175.10	675.14	19,675.14
Revaluation	0564-0021	30,000.00	30,000.00		47,517.00	12,483.00	163.66	1,986.19	14,469.19
Transfer Station	0564-0022	20,000.00			4,465.63	15,534.37	370.70	21,254.59	36,788.96
Road Grader	0564-0005	10,000.00	4,000.00			14,000.00	121.36	181.32	14,181.32
Library	0564-0002&23	145,000.00			20,000.00	125,000.00	1,449.61	270.09	138,061.74
Rescue Equipment	0564-0018	20,000.00	4,000.00			24,000.00	225.72	856.06	24,856.06
Fire Equipment	0564-0019	20,000.00	4,000.00			24,000.00	225.72	856.06	24,856.06
Conservation	0564-0020	60,000.00				60,000.00	608.97	2,204.89	62,204.89
Landfill Closure	0564-0024	20,000.00	40,000.00		11,955.38	48,044.62	589.40	648.47	48,693.09
Bridge Renovation / Removal	0564-0025	5,300.00				5,300.00	5.64	5.64	5,305.64
		355,000.00	95,300.00	-	83,938.01	366,361.99	4,114.20	270.09	409,100.25
<b>Totals</b>		413,364.10	96,900.00	-	84,138.01	426,126.09	4,843.59	2,774.14	481,917.73

\* How Invested: All funds are invested with the NH Public Deposit Investment Pool of MBLA Municipal Investors Service Corp.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY BOARD OF SELECTMEN



2004 was another busy year for our Town. Our population went over the 2000 mark and new housing construction continued at a rapid pace. The demand for services continues to increase along with the rise in population. All of us in the Selectmen's office are continuing to work at providing quality service to the Town while planning for new ways to proactively address future growth concerns.

We have completed the entry of property tax card information into our computerized tax assessing program. Plans are underway to install a remote terminal for folks to look up information on their own at the office. Work continues on streamlining our budgeting and accounts payable systems to keep our cash flow efficient and maximize the return on our cash and investment balances. We are also exploring the possibility of having a Town website that would contain meeting information and minutes as well as information that would be useful to us all.

In November we convened a meeting with representatives of the Planning Board and Conservation Commission to look at ways to coordinate long term development and conservation efforts. The objective is to proactively examine how to accommodate growth and development in Town while maintaining the rural character and sustaining our commitment to conservation of our natural and scenic resources. It is our hope that over the coming year this program will be expanded to bring to bear other resources to help get us to our goal.

A number of projects we reported on last year are continuing forward. The Town wide revaluation ordered by the Department of Revenue was started in 2004 and will be completed in 2006. The monitoring at the Town landfill is ongoing and Aries Engineering is preparing a closure plan to submit to the Department of Environmental Services this year. The Regional Solid Waste Cooperative has continued to evaluate the ash/trash landfill site by exit 17, and has submitted Hydrogeological and Fluvial studies to the Department of Environmental Services for review.

This year we once again held a meeting of all Town boards and committees to discuss areas of common interest. This has become an annual event that we will continue in an effort to keep everyone working together toward a common goal and get the most out of our Boards and Committees.

A huge thank you to Jan Stout for all of her hard work this year! We would also like to thank Carol Landry for all of her hard work during her years in

the Assessing office and wish her success with her new business venture here in Town.

The Board appreciates the efforts of all you who work on Boards and Committees or volunteer their time in other ways. It is what truly makes Canterbury the unique and wonderful Town that it is! For those of you new to Town, please take the time to get involved. We can always use the help and it is a great way to get to know folks and give something back to your Town.

Now for the bad news. Frank Tupper has decided not to run for another term and will no longer be serving on our Board. There is not enough room in this report to list all of the things he has done for Canterbury, but we can say it has been a pleasure and an honor to serve on the Board with him. He will be missed.

The good news is he was elected to serve our district as a State Representative, so he will be continuing to represent us and our neighboring towns at the State House in Concord. We know he will distinguish himself there as well. Good Luck Frank!

Our best wishes to all in 2005.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Michael R. Capone, Chairman  
Frank A. Tupper  
James P. Bassett*

# CANTERBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT



The Canterbury Historical Society's year was successful having provided many programs to the community. In March we had a dance featuring "The Musical Chairs" led by Peter Yarensky and Theresa Wyman. April, Arnold Milton enlightened us with "New Hampshire Covered Bridges. In May, "Parenting in the 1950's with the Lillys, Lockwoods and Russwicks sharing their stories of raising kids and raising "cain" Canterbury style. The Historical Society had its 2nd annual Olde Home Day at the Fair. Catherine Dickson was our greeter and we had many people, present and past residents sign the guest book. We hope a tradition is started. August gave us a beautiful, sunny, Sunday afternoon outside the Parish House to listen and enjoy the Fiddlin' Potluck Picnic. There were plenty of fiddlers and all had a good time. In September Essie Hull and Steve Allman gave us plenty of information on organic gardening and farming. October brought Rebecca Rule with an "Evening of New Hampshire Humor." There also were a lot of stories with good Canterbury humor from the audience. Many laughs were had by all. Hiliary Nelson spoke at our Annual Meeting in November on Mrs. Monmouth and the Worsted Church. It was excellent as we learned about her life and eccentricities. Many thanks to all who provided refreshments after the meetings, and a special thanks for coming and sharing your company with us.

During this coming summer, we will be making our move to the new library. We will have meeting space and an archival room. This will be a vast improvement over the basement of the Sam Lake House and the closet in the Houser Museum. The Town deserves a BIG THANK YOU.

Many thanks to the out going Trustees – Chuck Sanborn, Barbara Cook, Steve Andriks and Sandy Scripture, and welcome to our current Trustees – Bob Scarponi, our new President; Sandy Scripture, Vice President (2 year Trustee); Pam Jackson, recording secretary; Doneta Fischer, corresponding secretary; Gordon Jackson, Treasurer. We welcome new trustees – Jane Balshaw, Kim Reep, and Flo Woods. The Trustees would like to especially thank Ginger Laplante, curator, who has spent many hours organizing the museums collections. A thank you goes to volunteers and friends who give their time and energy to help make the Canterbury Historical Society a vital organization in preserving the town's past and present history.

*Pam Jackson,  
Past President*

# ELKINS LIBRARY 2004 REPORT



Once again our library has experienced a year that saw a significant increase in the numbers of books, audiotapes, videotapes, DVDs, and magazines that were loaned to patrons. Interlibrary loans also increased which reflects well on our collection. The library sponsored 44 programs in 2004, which were well attended both by adults and children. Hours are being added to the library's schedule in anticipation of the move to the new library sometime in the late spring.

While sad to leave our lovely old building, the trustees and librarians are anxiously awaiting the move to the larger facility. Carpet, tile, and colors have been chosen. A gas fireplace will warm patrons on winter days. Shelving and furniture are being ordered and paid for by the Elkins Library building fund, which has been established through numerous contributions and fundraising efforts.

The computers at the Library have been busy with research and Internet activity. Patrons appreciate the fast access afforded by our ATT Broadband connection. The new library will have more computers. Patrons will also be able to access the Internet from their own laptops via our wireless connection.

Our Friends group has continued their fundraising efforts with craft projects and a great "Whatever" sale at the Elementary School in the spring. The Friends' enthusiasm and continued support are greatly appreciated as we prepare to move to the new facility.

Our July reading program, "Check Out A Hero" had the largest number of children yet attending the weekly story hour and activity. A generous grant from the State Library helped to fund this very successful program. Weekly story hours have been well attended.

Once again our library has benefited from the unselfish donation of that most precious commodity, time. From our librarians, trustees, Friends, volunteers, and fair workers, we have received many, many hours. Thanks to Hank Turco and Judy Nelson for their service on the Board of Trustees of the library. Thanks as well to the Building Needs Committee and all their time spent helping us to achieve our goal of a new library for Canterbury.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Claudia Leidinger  
Chairperson of the Trustees*



# LIBRARIAN'S REPORT



<b>Total Circulation of Materials:</b>	<b>17,294</b>
Adult Fiction	4,195
Adult Non-Fiction	948
Youth Fiction	4,655
Youth Non-Fiction	696
Audio Cassettes	1,127
Video Cassettes	2,997
Magazines	385
CD's	440
DVD's	1,002
Inter-Library Loans	849

## **Materials Purchased**

Adult Fiction	133
Adult Non-Fiction	39
Youth Fiction	139
Youth Non-Fiction	64
Audio Cassettes	25
Video Cassettes	18
DVD's	25
Donations (Books, Audio's & Videos)	173

This year has been another productive year busy with library activities including 44 programs for adults and children such as story hour, summer reading, book discussion group and other special events with a total of 628 children and 657 adults in attendance. The inter-library loan service continues to be a growing demand. Elkins patrons borrowed 548 books from libraries through the State and loaned out 301. The new DVD and books on CD collection is developing steadily and very well received.

We wish to express our gratitude to the many volunteers who have presented programs, assisted with the book sale, and donated materials and professional services over the past year. Special thanks are extended to the devoted Friends of the Library steering committee for great ideas and many hours or service.

*Susan Le Clair, Director*  
*Elaine DiStefano, Assistant*  
*Debra Folsom, Assistant*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT



The Canterbury Police Department had a productive and exciting 2004. We moved into the new municipal building in December, we solved several significant criminal cases and continued our commitment to community policing. None of the above would have been possible without the support of the community, beginning with our most momentous event...the new police department.

In December of 2004, the police department packed all of our belongings, leaving behind a collection of numerous memories, and made the journey into our new abode. A beautiful building that will provide us with all the tools needed to professionally and safely perform all of our law enforcement functions. On behalf of the police department, I wish to thank the town for your support and caring. I would like to send a special note to all the building committee members who donated many difficult and long hours to make this municipal building a reality. I imagine there were days when you had wondered why you had forged into such a daunting project that, at times, produced more frustration than joy. For all those long hours you gave us and for all your inexhaustible hard work, we thank you! We have been given a great police department where we can continue to work at keeping the town safe.

In order to keep the town safe we must do our best to prevent, stop and investigate crimes. The year 2004 kept us busy. I always tell people, when they ask if anything goes on in a little town like Canterbury, that we are the same pie...only a smaller slice. We do have it all. In 2004 we covered many domestic situations, burglaries, vandalisms, untimely deaths, accidents, bad checks, and sexual assaults, just to name a few. The Canterbury Country Store was broken into and vandalism done to the center of town. Four juveniles were charged and held accountable. Sometimes, unfortunately, not even solving a crime will take away the sting of being a victim. That is why it is very important to not only to perform our law enforcement duties, but to be an understanding component of the community.

Community policing is the cornerstone to being a successful police department. Our commitment to the town is unwavering and we are dedicated to being approachable and effective. It is an honor, for us, to be able to read books to our children in the elementary school, to pass out candy at the Halloween festivities or to be a part of the greatest fair in New Hampshire. You

have made our annual Valentine's Day blood drive a great success. We are very lucky to be in a town where, as a police department, we can say we care...and mean it. I know it that it is called 'community policing,' but I just think of it as being part of a really big family. Thank you for that.

As always, please call us if you ever have concerns or need assistance. (783-0433)

We look forward to serving you in 2005.

*Chief Gwen E. Deurell*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT



By far the biggest event of the year was our move to the new municipal complex. This spacious and well-designed space meets all of our current needs and will continue to meet them in the foreseeable future. Dedicated office space, large apparatus bays, and other shared facilities such as bathrooms with showers, bunkrooms, and an emergency operations center provide facilities that did not exist in the old buildings. We cannot adequately express our appreciation to the building committee and to you, the taxpayers.

We are an all-volunteer organization of 20 members responding to calls from their homes or from their workplace. We operate six vehicles from the firehouse side of the complex: two rescue/pumpers; a utility pumper; two forestry rigs and a rescue truck. We fight house fires and car fires, brush, field, and forest fires, and address a full range of medical and rescue emergencies. With our 8 EMT's and 2 paramedics we provide a full range of rescue and medical services. Our patient transport needs and additional rescue help is provided primarily by Penacock Rescue, assisted by the Tilton-Northfield, Belmont, and Loudon Rescues.

We particularly enjoy our community outreach activities which include fire truck rides and the parade on the 4th of July; fire prevention and safety talks at the elementary school; medical aid assistance at the fair; visits from the boy scouts and 4-H kids to the firehouse; safety talks at Shaker Village; a combined activity with the library; CPR courses for the community; and assistance with non-fire issues as well as fire related concerns.

We responded to 258 calls in 2004, a 7.2% increase over last year. Fewer medical/rescue calls this year compared to last year occurred, but a majority of those rescue calls still took place on the Interstate. Due to a wetter than normal summer brush fires were not the concern they usually are, but illegal brush pile burning kept our forestry crews busy. Mutual aid responses were more numerous this year as surrounding towns experienced increasing numbers of structure fires.

Through Homeland Security and other grants we were able to secure an automatic defibrillator for the golf course; a multi-gas meter and an SCBA; and digital mobile radios for all six trucks. We acquired an additional "jaws of life" set and air bags (used) from Penacock Rescue to enhance our extrication capabilities.

Our organization is made stronger by the continued support of neighbors like you, the neighbors we help in their time of need. Thank you.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Chief Dale K. Caswell*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY PLANNING BOARD



Following last year's election we said goodbye to Brian Kilrain and welcomed Oliver Fifield to the Planning Board. The Town also voted for a change in the number of residential building permits available. This last year saw an increase in the number of public hearings to come before the Board:

Six Site Plan Review hearings ranging from a private bridge over the Soucook River into Loudon to a pet resort on Boyce Road.

Eleven Subdivision or Lot Line Adjustment hearings including two major (more than 3 lots) subdivisions resulting in the creation of 22 new lots.

There were two instances of hearings to reopen subdivisions from years past for the purpose of removing conditions placed at that time. Both of those requests were denied.

As time allowed we worked on updating and revising the Zoning Ordinance, Site Plan Review Regulations and Subdivision Regulations in an effort to keep up with changing state law and changes in planning procedure.

We are once again fortunate to be thanking Nancy Lilly for another year (her tenth!) of service to the Town as Planning Board secretary.

As always there are challenges on the horizon. The board will be looking for new alternates to serve in the coming years. It's a great way to be involved in shaping the future of your town.

*Respectfully submitted*  
*Jim Snyder,*  
*Chairman*

**TOWN OF CANTERBURY  
PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS: 2005-2011**

DEPARTMENT # Project	Estimated Project Cost (gross dollars)	Priority Rating	Estimated Dispositions	Reserve funds as of 2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Beyond this CIP Post 2011	TOTAL
<b>Town Municipal Complex</b>													
1 Highway / Police / Fire Department / Library / Town Hall / Elkins Building	\$2,700,000	Essential			\$214,000	\$210,000	\$205,000	\$200,000	\$196,000	\$190,000	\$184,000	\$1,785,375	\$3,164,375
<b>DEPARTMENT: RECYCLING</b>													
2 Electric Generator	\$5,000	Deferrable										\$5,000	\$5,000
<b>DEPARTMENT: CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>													
3 Land Acquisition-Highrate Field	\$280,000	Deferrable	\$50,000	\$60,000								\$80,000	\$200,000
<b>DEPARTMENT: HIGHWAY</b>													
<b>DEPARTMENT: FIRE/RESCUE</b>													
4 Rescue Truck	\$180,000	Enhancement		\$24,000					\$55,000				\$180,000
5 Pump Truck	\$300,000	Enhancement		\$24,000								\$276,000	\$300,000
<b>DEPARTMENT: POLICE</b>													
6 Replacement of 2001 cruiser	\$32,000	Essential			\$32,000								\$32,000
<b>DEPARTMENT: PLANNING BOARD</b>													
7 Divulce Tax Maps	\$6,400	Enhancement										\$6,400	\$6,400
<b>PREVIOUS PROJECTS/DEBT PAYMENTS</b>													
8 Grader / Ind Park / Building Improvements					\$55,000	\$48,000	\$48,000						\$152,000
<b>RESERVE FUNDS (for projects not otherwise listed above)*</b>													
Fire Apparatus	\$4,000				\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$28,000
Rescue Apparatus	\$4,000				\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$28,000
Reevaluation	\$30,000				\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$210,000
Conservation Land	\$20,000				\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$140,000
Highway Equipment	\$4,000				\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$28,000
Highway Truck	\$4,000				\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$28,000
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$3,423,400</b>			<b>\$108,000</b>	<b>\$355,000</b>	<b>\$357,000</b>	<b>\$319,000</b>	<b>\$288,000</b>	<b>\$317,000</b>	<b>\$311,000</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>	<b>\$2,206,775</b>	<b>\$4,521,775</b>
Approximate Portion of Tax Rate for capital project spending					\$3.35	\$3.57	\$3.18	\$2.88	\$3.17	\$3.11	\$2.50	\$2.50	

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**NOTES:**

- Figures shown in *italics* represent amount placed in reserve.
- Figures shown in **bold** represent bond payments including interest.
- Loans were calculated assuming 4.5% interest, equal annual principal payments.

*NOTE: The Canterbury Planning Board has prepared this CIP as an advisory document for use by the Town Budget Committee, Board of Selectmen, and residents. The preparation of this CIP does not commit the Town of Canterbury to fund any of the projects within, nor to schedule any projects in a certain order, nor does it preclude other projects from being funded by the Town.*

\* These are capital reserve funds already established by the town for future projects not yet specifically identified. Figure 1 shows suggested allocations for future years based on previous years' amounts.

Class	DESCRIPTION
Essential	- Cannot be delayed; needed immediately for health and safety; or - Needed to maintain basic level and quality of community services; or - Projects involving the regular replacement of equipment with a typical useful life of 10 years or less.
Enhancement	- Desirable within 6 years to improve quality or level of service
Deferrable	- Can be placed on hold until after 6-year period, but supports community development goals; or, - Project which needs more research, planning, or coordination
Inconsistent	- Contrary to land use planning or community development goals; or, - Does not meet definition of capital improvement

# ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

## 2004 REVIEW



<b>Case #</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Appeal</b>	<b>Decision</b>
<b>2004-1</b>	Steward & Terri Twible Deeded Right of Way	Special Exception	<i>Denied</i>
<b>2004-2</b>	Gary Bullock Home Occupation	Special Exception	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-3</b>	Francis & Claire Babineau Single Family Home	Variance	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-4</b>	Diane Blais Business Accessory Bldg	Special Exception	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-5</b>	Gary Bullock	Variance	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-6</b>	Hillybilly Home Dev. Delay of Bldg. Permit	Appeal Admin. Decision	<i>Denied</i>
<b>2004-7</b>	Dean E. Tilton Relocation of Garage	Variance	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-8</b>	Anthony Perez Delay of Bldg. Permit	Appeal Admin. Decision	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-9</b>	Roland Martin Cottage Industry	Variance	<i>Denied</i>
<b>2004-10</b>	Christopher Evans Home Occupation	Special Exception	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-11</b>	Hillbill Home Dev. Single Family Home	Variance	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-12</b>	Brian Titilah Building Addition	Variance	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-13</b>	Ellie Bezanson-Gowlis Class VI Road Waiver	Appeal Admin. Decision	<i>Denied</i>
<b>2004-14</b>	Steven & Elizabeth Puckett Building Addition	Variance Rehearing	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-15</b>	Howard R. Fogle Single Family Home	Variance	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-16</b>	Chip Finney Bus. Bldg. Construction	Special Exception	<i>Granted</i>
<b>2004-17</b>	Peter Pflanz Front Setback — Stairs	Variance	<i>Denied</i>

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Carlson*

# CANTERBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2004 REPORT



This past year, 2004, was productive for the Canterbury Conservation Commission (Commission). Our Commission Geographics Information System (GIS) committee continued to develop our computer-aided system to catalog and evaluate Canterbury's important natural resources such as animal and plant habitats, recreation areas, conservation land, agricultural areas, and vistas- those unique views that remind us of why we live in Canterbury. The Commission hopes to expand our GIS evaluation of Canterbury's natural resources, will seek information and opinions from Canterbury's residents in doing so, and will share our conservation evaluations and recommendations as we develop them.

Another important action by the Commission was Gold Star land purchase and protection support with a \$150,000 investment from our land acquisition fund to supplement Canterbury's purchase contribution of up to \$800,000. We are excited about the recreational, conservation, and agricultural promise of the stunning 650 acres along the Merrimack River.

In the coming year, 2005, the Commission hopes to identify and if possible protect or acquire critical Canterbury conservation lands. Our efforts will be assisted by our GIS system, which we hope will help the Commission to focus our protection efforts on those natural areas that will give Canterbury residents the most return for the effort.

The Commission's work is challenging and satisfying, and we are continually alert for help and support for our work from Canterbury's residents. I invite anyone interested in assisting our conservation efforts to contact any Commission member to discuss your interest or comments.

*Tom Roy*  
*Chair,*  
*Canterbury Conservation Commission*



# 2004 REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE



2004 has been a very good year for the CED and the Town. In September, A & B Distributors took occupancy of their new facility at the Town industrial land located at Exit 18. One of the existing lots was subdivided into two 2.5 acre lots and A& B Distributors purchased one of the newly created lots for their distribution facility. Mr. Edward Dooley relocated his company to the Canterbury site due to the ease of access, proximity to labor markets, and ease of site development. The CED worked closely with the Planning Board and Selectmen to help expedite the approval process, allowing the site to be developed during a five month period. The development of the new facility and positive community approach to development have aided Premiere Property's owner, Scott Walker, in marketing the property to other potential users. As of the end of the year several other potential users are considering the site, even as development in other areas of the state has slowed. The Committee remains optimistic, that with the development of the first lot and the ongoing representation by Premiere Properties, additional lots will be developed in the coming year.

The Committee would like to acknowledge the contributions of several individuals who have assisted in the successful development of the Town property, including: Phil Stone and the road crew, Jim Snyder and the Planning Board, Lepene Engineering, Scott Walker, and Bill and Kathy Rice. Clearly, without their assistance, the successful development of the Town land would not have been possible. While development of additional lots is essential for the community, we have achieved the elusive goal of developing the first one.

With the engagement of a full-time broker for the property, completion of the initial subdivision, road layout, and extension of utilities, establishment of protective covenants to ensure development is consistent with the objectives of the community, and development of the first lot, the Committee has accomplished its charge. The Planning Board and Selectmen are the appropriate bodies to provide ongoing stewardship of the land. While the members of the Committee stand ready to assist the community and the Selectmen address questions regarding future development of the park, the need to continue as a standing committee of the Town has been addressed. The members of the Committee join me in extending our sincere appreciation to the resi-

dents of Canterbury for providing us with the opportunity to assist in the economic development of our resources. We hope and believe that the community will benefit for years to come from the deliberate and careful approach we have taken in the development of the Town's industrial land.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Earl Hall, Chairman*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY RECYCLING COMMITTEE



The growth of the Town plus the expansion of the recycling program combined to make this past year the busiest ever at the Recycling Center. The Committee would like to thank Norman, Jim and Warren for all of their hard work and great customer service!

Altogether the Recycling Center processed and disposed of 843 tons of trash, 336 tons of recyclables, 7 tons of tires, 1040 gallons of motor oil, 510 propane cylinders, 41 refrigerators and 15 air conditioners in 2004.

In addition to the obvious environmental benefit of removing tons of recyclables from the waste stream, the economic benefit to the town continues to grow as can be seen in the following chart:

<b>MATERIAL</b>	<b>TONS</b>	<b>AVG. \$ PER TON</b>	<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>GAT SAVINGS</b>	<b>TOTAL \$ BENEFIT</b>
Aluminum cans	3.6	\$939.46	\$3,338	\$132	\$3,470
Steel cans	8.6	(\$7.12)	(\$61)	\$319	\$258
Paper	164.1	\$8.71	\$1,429	\$6,096	\$7,525
Glass	73.0	(\$10.00)	(\$730)	\$2,710	\$1,981
Plastic	7.5	\$0.00	\$0	\$279	\$279
#1 Steel	1.9	\$94.75	\$178	\$70	\$248
Scrap steel	70.9	\$46.29	\$3,280	\$2,633	\$5,913
Textiles	6.8	\$0	\$0	\$251	\$251
<b>Total</b>	<b>336.2</b>		<b>\$7,434</b>	<b>\$12,490</b>	<b>\$19,924</b>

The most significant enhancement to our program in 2004 was the installation of the baler and the purchase of the storage trailer for the bales. This has greatly increased the efficiency of the plastic and aluminum recycling operations.

In 1987 Canterbury first began to recycle and in that first year recycled approximately half a ton of aluminum, 20 tons of glass and 10 tons of paper for total revenue of \$240. As you can see from the chart we've come a long way: 3.6 tons of aluminum; 73 tons of glass; 164 tons of paper; plus all the additional items for a total revenue impact of \$19,924. We thank you for your on-going support for our environment and our Town's bottom line.

We still have long way to go, however. Despite all the progress and the fact that recycling is mandatory in Canterbury, the Recycling Center staff estimates that only 40–50% of the people in town actually recycle. In the coming year the Recycling Committee will focus hard on increasing that percentage, increasing the revenue derived from recycling and further decreasing the toxins in our waste stream.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Canterbury Recycling Committee:*

Bob Steenson — *Co-Chair*  
Lea Smith — *Recording Secretary*  
Benton Beltramo  
Melanie Stephens  
Tim Chrysostom  
Frank Tupper — *Selectmen's Rep*

Stephen Rasche — *Co-Chair*  
Norman Bowles  
Jill McCullough  
Jim Sullivan  
Sarah Tirrell-Wysocki

# CANTERBURY BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE



## REPORT TO THE SELECTMEN

It was a year of implementation for the plan that was approved at the 2003 Town Meeting. Construction of the new Municipal Complex, to house the Fire, Police and Highway Departments was begun on the Robinson lot on Baptist Rd., which had been purchased and prepared in 2003. Weekly meetings continued with the architect, construction manager, the CBNC and department heads to review progress and discuss changes. A dramatic increase in steel prices and other building material costs gave a great deal of concern in the beginning stages. Through a combination of cooperation, Yankee ingenuity, diligent search to accomplish some goals by alternative methods, and the assistance of volunteer contributions of time and money the departments were all in their new head quarters before Christmas, ahead of time and on budget.

Work was also started on a new Town Hall addition, 2 bathrooms, a kitchen and a side porch with handicapped accessible ramp were built into an ell that looks like it was always there, and the exterior was repainted. This construction was also completed by year's end. There is still work to be done, which was not in the construction budget, and will need to be completed through a combination of volunteer help and some additional funds. This included refinishing the hardwood floor, repainting the interior, planning for a new roof, insulating and possibly new windows. The Committee will be reviewing these needs and developing a plan for their completion.

By late summer attention was directed to beginning the new library construction. Meetings were held with the Library Trustees, and plans were finalized for construction bids to go out. As soon as the Fire, Police and Highway Depts. vacated work began on reconstruction of those buildings. Work will continue on interior portions throughout the winter, with exterior work to begin in the spring of 2005. Completion is expected for mid-summer 2005.

As with any construction, when major work is completed there are things still left for the "owner" to implement. Principal among these is the finish landscaping that we will want to start in the warmer months. It is hoped that town costs can be kept to a minimum through a combination of private donations of money and materials and the volunteer spirit that is so prevalent in our community. Contributions are being sought to purchase a flagpole and to rebuild the stone wall in front of the Complex. In the spring you will see the results of the efforts of volunteers who planted hundreds of bulbs and wild-flower seeds there. By the time of the 2005 Canterbury Fair we hope to have

an attractive and updated town center to present to the general public. Canterbury residents should be very proud. You have supported the first major capital improvement program in our town in over 50 years, creating fine public facilities that should serve well for decades to come, and accomplished it without dramatically changing the face or character of our beloved Town Center.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Kent Ruesswick, Chairman  
Canterbury Building Needs Committee*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY BUILDING INSPECTOR



As a result of the town meeting vote in 2004 the number of permits available for new single family dwellings went down to 25 for the building permit year which runs from Town Meeting to Town Meeting. All 25 were issued and two applications are on the waiting list to be issued the day following Town Meeting as required by the Zoning Ordinance.

During the calendar year 2004 73 permits were issued. 25 were new residential, 4 were commercial, which included the Town construction projects. The remainder included accessory buildings, additions and remodeling projects.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Snyder  
Building Inspector*

# UPPER MERRIMACK RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT — 2004



Graciously hosted by Saint Paul's School, Bug Nights continues its popularity in the region, entering its ninth year in 2004 with over 50 individuals volunteering their collection and identification services. This year, the New Hampshire Sunday News published a full-page color feature on the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program (UMMP) volunteers and their river quality monitoring efforts. The UMMP's partnership work was featured in a front-page article in the summer edition of *The Volunteer Monitor*. Written by Steve Landry, Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC) representative, the article provided an overview on the UMMP's outreach and fundraising efforts. The edition included a sidebar on sample collection. The article has been reprinted in the River Management Society's Newsletter.

The Program's adopt-a-River Sponsors include Aquarian Analytical Laboratories, Inc., Aries Engineering, Inc.; Checkmate Expert Payroll Services, Concord; Elektrisola, Boscawen; Franklin Savings Bank; Franklin Wastewater Treatment Facility; Public Service Company of NH Corporate Offices and Merrimack Station; and Watts Regulator/Webster Valve. Many thanks to the Conservation Commissions and Towns and Cities of Boscawen, Bow, Canterbury, Concord, Franklin, and Northfield for their ongoing support and graciously hosting Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee meetings. The Franklin Waste Water Treatment Facility provided E. coli sample processing for the UMMP with the assistance of over a dozen collection volunteers. The data are the first volunteer monitoring programs to be entered into the state Environmental Quality Monitoring system. The UMRLAC is grateful for its sponsors', partners', and municipalities' support of the Upper Merrimack Monitoring Program (UMMP) and other projects in the watershed.

In collaboration with the NH Rivers Council, the UMRLAC facilitated a stakeholder group that reviewed the Public Service of NH re-licensing application and drafted comments for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Several meetings were held and groups from Nashua to Franklin participated including representatives from US Fish and Wildlife Service, Trout Unlimited, Appalachian Mountain club, and the NH Fish and Game Department. UMRLAC filed for intervenor status in the Merrimack Hydro relicensing application process and submitted comments to the Federal



Energy Regulatory Agency (FERC). With the NH Rivers Council, the UMR-LAC co-convened a group of organizations and concerned citizens and informed them of the FERC process as well as provided information on how they could form and file their own comments.

Representative Michele Tremblay continued to serve through the late summer on the state Senate Bill 87 Legislative Study Commission representing the Connecticut, Pemigewasset, and upper Merrimack Rivers and worked with Commission members to draft a compromise for use in the next legislative session. Other report findings included a list of research priorities and recommendations for a buffers project.

The NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) trained members of the UMR-LAC as "Weed Watchers." As Weed Watchers, the UMR-LACers are trained to recognize and safely remove, where possible, non-native invasive species. UMR-LACers will patrol the watershed, determine removal strategies, and collect samples of suspicious plants for confirmed identification by the DES. The UMR-LAC is working through a sub-committee to develop a pilot project for invasive species barriers.

Jim Presher from the Concord Regional Solid Waste/Recovery Resource Cooperative presented an update on the proposed ash and trash landfill proposed on the lower Canterbury Intervale. The UMR-LAC investigated complaints including sand and salt dumping in the Contoocook River.

The UMR-LAC continued to review project plans and proposals and provide comment including several for residential subdivisions, the Route 4 bridge project at Exit 17 off I-93, the Gage Street sewer project in Boscawen, Lowe's in Concord, an upgraded railway crossing on Hall Street in Concord, a freight transfer terminal in Concord, an expansion of an all terrain vehicle dealership in Concord, stormwater system upgrades near Industrial Drive in Franklin, sign replacement from Hooksett to Concord, the state Council on Resources Development state disposal of lands in Boscawen, and athletic field construction at the NH Technical Institute. The UMR-LAC provided letters of support to the Highway View Farm Trust and Canterbury land conservation grant projects.

The UMR-LAC exhibited its interactive display at the state Watershed Conference. Several UMR-LAC members attended workshops. Steve Landry and Michele Tremblay co-presented a case study on watershed plan implementation. Michele Tremblay moderated and presented at a legislative training session. The UMR-LAC hosted a Merrimack River paddle in July. Michele Tremblay participated in the National River Rally in May. Several UMR-LAC members participated in the River Connection's meetings and forums. The US Environmental Protection Agency presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the UMR-LAC for its participation in the national Adopt-a-Watershed program. Win Robinson, UMR-LAC representative, was honored with the Spirit of NH Award in November.

Plans for 2005-2006 include revising its management plan. Through the Central NH Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC), grant funding was requested from the NH Department of Environmental Services to support the revision. The project has been scoped and an inventory of resources is in process with the assistance of the CNHRPC. The UMLAC is commissioning a ten-year data analysis and report of the UMMP and a retrospective of the program to guide planning efforts for the next decade. To help fund the report, the UMLAC has printed T-shirts and tote bags sporting a graphic of its popular Insect Inquirer on the back and a colored dragonfly and river image on the front. Please contact Michele Tremblay (information at the end of this report) or your UMLAC municipal representative if you would like to make a bold fashion statement with a shirt or bag.

Elected UMLAC officers for 2004-2005 are Michele L. Tremblay, Chair; Stephen C. Landry, Vice-chair; Gary Lynn, Secretary; and Krista Crowell, Treasurer.

Please visit UMLAC's website at [www.merrimackriver.org](http://www.merrimackriver.org) for further information on the river, committee membership, activities, maps, water quality data, and photographs of brave and selfless volunteers in action. UMLAC meetings are held on a rotating basis in its six represented communities on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend. For meeting schedules, locations, and other information contact Michele Tremblay at 603.796.2615 or [mtrembla@tds.net](mailto:mtrembla@tds.net) or your municipal representatives listed below.

**Boscawen**

Stephen C. Landry  
Michele Tremblay

**Bow**

Krista Crowell  
Gary Lynn  
Susan Paschell  
Robert Wyatt

**Canterbury**

Drew Hoffman  
Nancy Roy

**Concord**

Alan Bartlett  
Rick Chormann  
Edwin Robinson  
Stephen Robinson

**Franklin**

Marilee A. Horn  
Richard Laflamme

**Northfield**

Pamela Hunt

# CONCORD REGIONAL SOLID WASTE RESOURCE RECOVERY COOPERATIVE 2004 ANNUAL REPORT



## 2005 BUDGET

1.	Wheelabrator Concord Company Service Fee	\$2,654,805
2.	Rebates and Reconciliation	69,325
3.	Bypass disposal Cost Reserve	224,000
4.	Franklin Residue Landfill	
	a. Operation and Maintenance	\$ 942,586
	b. Expansion Sinking Fund	2,000,000
	c. Closure Fund	94,000
	d. Long Term Maintenance Fund	26,000
	Total	\$3,062,586
		\$3,062,586
5.	Cooperative Expenses, Consultants & Studies	437,732
	<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$6,448,448</b>
6.	Less: Interest, surplus, recycled tons and over GAT	-1,125,000
	Net to be raised by Co-op Communities =	<b>\$5,323,448</b>

**2005 GAT of 137,743 and Net Budget of \$5,323,448 =  
Tipping Fee of \$38.65 per ton**

We are happy to report to all member communities that 2004 marked our fifteenth complete year of successful operations. Some items of interest follow:

The 2005 budget reflects a tipping fee of \$38.65 per ton. This represents an increase of \$1.50/ton.

A total of 146,451 tons of Co-op waste was delivered to the Wheelabrator facility this year. This represents a decrease of 20 tons from 2003. This was only the second time in fifteen years that the delivered tonnage actually decreased from the previous year.

A total of 63,475 tons of ash were delivered to the Franklin ash monofill for disposal. The ash landfill continues to operate very well. Phase III Stage V is being filled at this time. Phase IV construction is planned for 2005. Phase VI will provide disposal capacity through 2009.

Negotiations with Wheelabrator concerning the extension of the Service Contract are in progress. Preliminary planning continues for permitting a new landfill in Canterbury.

# HISTORY OF THE CANTERBURY TOWN HALL (MEETING HOUSE)



The following sketch of this historic building is from the pen of Miss Mary E. Clough, being an able address delivered by her at the dedication of the present town hall, in 1884:

“Assembled as we are to-night for the first time in our new and commodious hall, it seems fitting to say our good-bye and pay respect to the old. Our present building is to all appearance a new one, and yet we need look back only a few months to be reminded that it has a history...Five hundred dollars were appropriated for the present repairs; we will learn ... what its previous costs have been. No building in town ... has known such vicissitudes, none has served such various uses. The younger portion of this audience may not know that it was originally a church, and that the same frame has withstood the wind and weather for nearly one hundred and thirty years. Still its timbers are sound and strong.

... “As early as 1743 we find that an appropriation was made for the building of a fort and meeting-house in Canterbury, but no further action had been taken until 1750. At a meeting of the proprietors of the town...it was agreed that a vote passed September 21, 1743, about building a meeting-house for the public worship of God in Canterbury... be confirmed and the dimensions fixed. ‘Voted that said meeting house to be raised, the outside finished, the windows made and glazed and a lower floor laid at or before the last day of September, in the year 1751. The house shall be forty-five feet in length by thirty-five in breadth.’

...“The work seemed to go on slowly. This is not surprising when we consider the difficulty of the undertaking. There was land to till to furnish subsistence, houses to be built to shelter themselves and their families, hostile Indians to watch and to fight, the timbers and boards to hew and finish without the aid of modern tools and machinery. ...

“An ingenious plan was resorted to for the inside finishing. The pew-ground... of which there were eighteen lots, was sold at public vendue. Each purchaser, must, within two years, build his pew in a handsome and workman-like manner; failing to do this he forfeited his pew-ground...

“The house was ready for occupancy in the autumn of 1756...the committee to receive the meeting-house, having first viewed and found it finished according to the vote of the proprietors... The house as thus finished seems

to have served the dual purpose of church and town-house, without change, up to the year 1785, at which time the matter of repairing or building new was brought up.

...“The second and third articles in the town-meeting warrant of February 1, 1785 are to see if the inhabitants will take any measure for repairing the meeting-house, ... and if not, see if they will take it down and build a new one. At the meeting called by this warrant it was voted to raise money for repairing; also to move it across the road ...Also voted ‘to shingle and clapboard the fire-side of the meeting-house, and clapboard the west end and repair the east end and lay the gallery floor and put rails on the breast of the galleries and put pillars under the gallery girths.’

“The work does not appear to have been effected at this time, for again on February 26th, 1789, a special town-meeting was called for the same purpose. At said meeting it was voted ‘that this meeting-house be removed to the north side of the road, ...’ At an adjourned meeting it was voted that Benjamin Blanchard should clapboard and shingle the fireside of the meeting-house for thirty-four dollars’ worth of neat stock, and at the same time a committee was appointed ‘to see that this meeting-house, on the outside, be done workman-like.’

“In June of the same year money that came from the sale of the pew-ground...was voted for the making of two porches, one at each end. Again, the 22nd day of the same month, eighteen pounds was voted for repairs. This seems to have ended the struggle, and the old house was not disturbed again by the sound of axe and hammer for over thirty years. ... To it devout worshipers made their weekly pilgrimages, and in it the stormy town meetings were annually held. ...

“There came a time, about the year 1823, when the building was thought to be a place unfit for a place of religious worship...The frame has settled so much that on one side an open space of six inches was left between the roof and walls, where the winter winds and storms could sweep in at will; ... there was no way of warming the building; the windows were old and loose, and many cracks and seams in the sides and about the doors admitted more fresh air than was necessary...

“In the year 1823 the voters of the town were called upon to decide whether it should again be fitted up for a meeting-house and town-house, or whether a modern church should be built. ...This much was speedily settled, — that it was not expedient to repair the old meetinghouse for a place of religious worship, and it was decided to build a new. But what to do with this building in order to fit it out for town purposes called out project after project, and special meeting upon special meeting. The more conservative ones said , spare it; the radicals, tear it down. The matter was pending for several years before anything was accomplished. At the March meeting of 1825...an article in the warrant proposed ‘to see if the town will vote to build a town-

house...’ The same year it was voted that ‘the town-house be located within thirty rods of the old meeting-house, [and] that the old meeting house be cut down to one story, moved and finished for a town-house...’ And so it would seem that the matter was pretty nearly adjusted. But not so; a petition of thirty ... voters called for a special meeting the 18th of the following April to reconsider the vote of March 25th, also to see if the town will vote to locate a new town-house on the hill west of John Sutton’s; to see if they will sell the old west meeting-house (this building)...; to see how much money the town will vote. ... Another article in the warrant calls for a house in the easterly part of the town, — this to serve as church and town house. And so the war of words went on. ... When the voters disagree, the majority usually decides. But not so, said these men. At the meeting of April 18th it was voted that ‘the town clerk go...to the selectmen of Warner, requesting them to come to this town as a committee to locate the town-house, and their decision shall be final.’ We do not learn that the town clerk ever attended to this duty or that the Warner men ever came. ...

“The varied history of our old building for the last sixty years, save that relating to town-meetings, no scribe has written, though much of it is fresh in the memories of older inhabitants. It was often used as a church, for its creed embraced all faiths. When the new church was closed against preachers of other denominations other than its own... the town house swung wide its doors to welcome them. ... It drew many hearers from the new church and often the larger congregation assembled there.

“While the present school-house was in course of building, it accommodated our school.

“To teacher or preacher, to school or to meeting, has our venerable building never been known to shut its door. It has been sort of an omnivorous creature, taking in whatever could or could not find a place elsewhere.

“But the annual town-fair was, for the first four or five years, a real gala-day for the old house. Here were displayed the best products of farm and garden, of dairy and kitchen...

“History repeats itself ...; so in our town-house story, there came another year, 1833, when some thought that the house needed repairing again, and the following year began a war, which, in the to-be-written history of Canterbury, may be known as the third town-house war. The active brains of active men set to work devising the best plan for getting a substantial house. These timbers were examined and found firm and sound, — good for another half century — so, as twice before, the old frame was spared. Now for the repairs. One party would have the outside made rain-proof and the inside remain intact; a second thought it better to renew both outside and inside, letting the building stand on the same foundation; some would raise it a few feet, others would move it forward ...; the party that prevailed ... would raise it

enough to admit of horse-sheds underneath, and put the whole building in good condition.

“The work is done, and all now seem inclined to adopt the spirit of the proverb, ‘All’s well that ends well,’ and so amiable and sensible a way have our people of submitting to the inevitable that the current of good-will now seems to flow on as smoothly as if nothing had ever disturbed its course. ... We are glad that we can look out to night upon familiar faces, to assure ourselves that we are still residents of our good old town. The hewn oaken braces remain, suggesting strength and at the same time serving as a bond to connect the past with the present... .

*\*Copies of the complete and unabridged dedication speech are available from Kent Ruesswick, Old Tilton Road.*

# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY NH



*For the year ending December 31, 2004*

DATE	CHILD'S NAME	BIRTHPLACE	NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
2/9/04	Christopher Braxton Drew	Concord	Andrew Drew	Janet Drew
2/13/04	Patrick Joseph Garcia	Concord	Michael Garcia	Nancy Garcia
3/8/04	Kyle Scott Rondeau	Lebanon	Scott Rondeau	Jenny Rondeau
3/20/04	Bodhi McLeod Smith	Canterbury	Shane Smith	Lea Smith
3/30/04	Liam Kaiden Waldron	Concord	Charles Waldron	Laura Waldron
3/31/04	Anthony Albert Pelillo	Concord	Peter Pelillo	Andrea Pelillo
3/31/04	Nicolas Richard Pelillo	Concord	Peter Pelillo	Andrea Pelillo
4/8/04	Charles Arthur Gelatt	Manchester	Anthony Gelatt	Adriane Gelatt
4/8/04	Jonathan Michael Phillips	Concord	Michael Phillips	Carolyn Phillips
4/14/04	Ashton Daniel Napolitano	Concord	Michael Napolitano	Kristie Napolitano
4/20/04	Isabella Michelle Lewis	Concord	Brandyn Lewis	Michelle Lewis
5/21/04	Ethan Davis Gray	Concord	Kevin Gray	Tareah Gray
6/2/04	Madeline Kathleen Johnson	Concord	Garrett Johnson	Elizabeth Johnson
6/25/04	William Joseph Maxfield	Concord	Frank Maxfield	Kerri Maxfield
7/2/04	Hannah Rose Scott	Concord	Alexander Scott	Denise Scott
7/15/04	Asa Liam Ledoux	Concord	Darren Ledoux	Jeannie Ledoux
7/22/04	Kayla Claire Buxton	Concord	Scott Buxton	Kara Buxton
7/27/04	Mia Lou Westbrook	Concord	Tony Westbrook	Kimberly Westbrook
8/14/04	Collin Paul O'Brien	Concord	John O'Brien	Laura O'Brien
10/26/04	Kinsey Ciel Bellerose	Manchester	Michael Bellerose	Kym Bellerose
10/29/04	Amber Rose Shine	Concord	William Shine	Tammy Shine
11/30/04	Tyler Neal Gage	Concord	Brian Gage	Maryann Gage
12/7/04	William Walker Riley	Concord	Robert Riley	Tabitha Riley

*I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

*Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk*



# DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY NH



*For the year ending December 31, 2004*

DATE	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME OF DECEASED	NAME OF FATHER	NAME OF MOTHER
2/3/04	Canterbury	Charles Fox	Arthur Fox	Sarah Schofield
2/9/04	Concord	Quentin Walsh	Francis Walsh	Nancy Rodman
6/19/04	Canterbury	Raymond Olivier	Romeo Olivier	Arthemise Halle
7/17/04	Boscawen	Udola Pearl	Nathaniel Pease	Blanche Perron
7/26/04	Concord	Quentin Hutchins	Charles Hutchins	Arlene Fifield
8/31/04	Canterbury	Raoul Greenwood	Ernest Greenwood	Aurore Boucher
12/2/04	Concord	Alfred Murray	Irving Murray	Audrey Seward

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*Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk*

# MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY NH



*For the year ending December 31, 2004*

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	RESIDENCE
1/7/04	Stanton R. Noyes	Canterbury	Terry L. Didonato	Northfield
2/21/04	Garrett R. Johnson	Canterbury	Elizabeth M. Mahan	Canterbury
3/15/04	Jay J. Berry	Canterbury	Ann J. Weger	Canterbury
4/3/04	Brendan S. Donovan	Canterbury	Astrid H. Donahue	Epsom
4/10/04	Derek A. Wescott	Canterbury	Sedora J. Bailey	Canterbury
5/3/04	Justin S. Barnes	New London	Rebecca G. Chase	Canterbury
5/22/04	Cory R. Luneau	Canterbury	Audra L. Gatanti	Canterbury
5/28/04	Michael A. Janis	Canterbury	Shelley A. Corriveau	Canterbury
7/2/04	Erik M. Lewis	Canterbury	Mara L. Eddy	Canterbury
7/26/04	Erik K. Robb	Canterbury	Ann M. Kent	Canterbury
8/7/04	Jesse A. Colby	Canterbury	Bryn P. Hardy	Sanbornton
8/19/04	Scott M. Ennis	Canterbury	Kristie A. Orecchio	Canterbury
9/12/04	Peter R. Sheedy	Canterbury	Keisha L. Venson	Canterbury
9/18/04	Todd A. MacDonald	Canterbury	Carrie E. Weymouth	Canterbury
9/25/04	David H. Robinson	Canterbury	Michelle L. Newton	Canterbury
10/2/04	Barrett J. Moulton	Canterbury	Raechel E. Burke	Canterbury
10/9/04	Jeffrey M. Burnham	Canterbury	Jenny M. Sanborn	Canterbury
10/16/04	Donald A. Hudak	Canterbury	Leesa M. Knudson	Canterbury
10/22/04	Christian L. Hough	Canterbury	Phyllis M. Richardson	Pittsfield

*I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

*Cheryl A. Gordon, Town Clerk*



## **Third Annual “Formal” Dance at Da Dump**

*The Third annual Dance at Da Dump was held at the Transfer Station on September 25, 2004. The Barn Cats – Tim Gurshin, Dick Ray and John Jordan – played and there were over 100 people in attendance. The sponsors this year were Acorn Creative Group, Aries Engineering Group, Bentwood Contracting, Northeast Technical Services and Sanborn Head and Associates. The Recycling Committee recognized Graham Chynoweth for his work establishing the committee. Pictured from left to right King Andy Julian (2004), Queen Ginger LaPlante (2005), King Norman Bowles (2003), King Frank Tupper (2005), Queen Patti Capone (2003) and Queen Donna Peck Julian (2004).*

# NOTES



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