



CANTERBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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*The Legacy of
John J. Railey Comes Full Circle*

Part One

The story of John J. Railey began in Kilbrittain, County of Cork, Ireland, 11 September 1843. His parents and their five children emigrated to Boston in 1847 with no means of support except their own daily labor. Soon after their arrival his mother died, leaving the children much on their own while their father worked. When John was but 9 years old he was arrested on a Sunday morning for playing marbles on Boston Common and sent to Deer Island Reform School until he was bound over to Robert Eastman of East Concord, NH to serve as an apprentice. He ran away and was brought to Zion Hill in Canterbury to two women, Polly and Jane Haines, who were sisters-in-law. They adopted him and their house became his home until their death.

He entered the service at Concord, from Canterbury, as a private in G Co., 2nd Regiment, Berdan's United States Sharpshooters on August 25, 1862. These were the First and Second Regiments of United States Sharpshooters, very much celebrated and publicized units in their time. However, there was one major requirement Railey had to meet: *"No man would be enlisted who could not put ten bullets in succession within five inches from the center at a distance of six hundred feet from a rest or three hundred feet off hand."* Interestingly, Berdan's Sharpshooters wore distinctive green uniforms, the only Union soldiers to do so, all others wore blue.

Having qualified he went on to fight in the 1862 Battles of Boonsboro Gap (Sept. 14); Antietam (Sept. 16–17); Fredericksburg (Dec. 12–15); and in 1863 in the Battles of Mud March (Jan. 20–24); Chancellorsville (May 1–5); and Gettysburg (July 1–3) where he was wounded on July 4 and hospitalized at Saterlee Hospital in Philadelphia. In 1864 he fought in the Battles of the Wilderness (May 5–7); Spotsylvania Court House (May 8–12); Po River (May 10); North Anna River (May 23–26); Cold Harbor (June 1–12); and the Siege of Petersburg (June 16).

Upon medical discharge on December 4, 1864, he returned to Zion Hill and the Haines sisters-in-law whom he cared for until their deaths. In appreciation, they left him their property. Mr. Railey was a much respected citizen of Canterbury and of Leominster, MA, where he moved in 1873. He served in several elected positions in both towns as well as on the Canterbury Town Fair Committee held in October 1872.

Souvenir ribbon honoring John J. Railey at the 37th Reunion (also known as the Encampment) of NH Civil War Soldiers held at the Weirs, Laconia, August 26–29, 1913.



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CLERK, TAX COLLECTOR, LIBRARY TRUSTEES, TRUSTEES OF THE
TRUST FUNDS, PLANNING BOARD, BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT,
CONSERVATION COMMISSION, CEMETERY TRUSTEES,
ENERGY COMMITTEE, HISTORICAL SOCIETY, POLICE, FIRE,
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, BUILDING INSPECTOR,
AND HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS.

DEDICATION



Any visitor to Elkins library is greeted with a friendly hello and an amazing library experience. It might be attending a book club discussion, story hour, craft event, or an evening presentation with a visiting speaker. All these activities have come into our library under the leadership of Sue LeClair, our Elkins library director.

Sue started working at the library in 1986 and became its director in 1991. In her more than 30 years she has brought our library into the 21st century. She was instrumental in the campaign to build a new library when it was clear the town had outgrown the original Elkins library. Sue worked closely with the architect to make sure the library's needs were met in the new building.

Since the new space was built, Sue has filled it with activities and services. She has complied with all the NH library rules. The library has a well-thought out and updated set of policies. Sue expertly oversees her staff and interacts with the public gracefully. Since moving to Canterbury in 1977, Sue has also participated in many town activities from the July 4th committee, to scouting, and school volunteering. The town of Canterbury is very fortunate to have Sue as a loyal and long-time employee.



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TOWN OFFICES GENERAL INFORMATION



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Selectmen's Office & Welfare Administrator
jstout@canterbury-nh.org

Assessing Office
mirving@canterbury-nh.org

783-9955

Monday 9-1 — Wednesday 9-1 — Thursday 10-2

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

783-0153

Monday 9-3 — Tuesday 3-7 — Thursday 12-7

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer

buildinginspector@canterbury-nh.org

783-9033

Selectmen's Meetings

1st & 3rd Monday of the month

Planning Board Meetings

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month

Zoning Board of Adjustment

As needed

Conservation Commission

2nd Monday of the month

Solid Waste Committee

4th Thursday of the month

Historic District Commission

As needed

TOWN OFFICERS — ELECTED



SELECTMEN (3 years)

Arthur Hudson, Jr., *Chairman* (2022)
Cheryl Gordon (2021)
George Glines (2020)

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR (3 years)

Samuel Papps (2022)

TREASURER (3 years)

Albert Edelstein (2022)

MODERATOR (2 years)

Edward R. LeClair (2022)

PLANNING BOARD (3 years)

Jim Snyder, *Chair* (2020) Art Rose, *Vice Chair* (2020)
Kent Ruesswick (2022) Tyson Miller (2021)
Joshua Gordon (2022) Hillary Nelson (2021)

Alternates:

Lucy Nichols (2020) Scott Doherty (2022)
Brendan O'Donnell (2022) *Secretary:* Lori Gabriella
Selectmen's Rep: Cheryl Gordon

CEMETERY TRUSTEES (3 years)

Hugh Fifield (2021)
John Goegel (2020)
Samuel Papps (2022)

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST (6 years)

Brenda Murray (2020) Denise Sojka (2024)
Mary Ann Winograd (2022)

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Claudia Leidinger, *Chair* (2021) Ray Craigie, 3 years (2022)
Rick Zeller, 3 years (2022) Florence Woods, 2 years (2020)
Linda Riendeau, 2 years (2021) Deborah Snow, 2 years (2020)
Sarah Melasecca, 2 years (2021)

TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS (3 years)

Greg Heath, *Chair* (2020)
Laurie Lockwood (2021)
Tiffany Brown (2022)

TOWN OFFICERS — APPOINTED



TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Kenneth Folsom

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Janice L. Stout

ACCOUNTING CLERK

Mary Hauptman

ASSESSOR

Mandy Irving

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Jamie Huard

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Donald O'Connor, *Road Agent* David Heath
Evan Hauptman Thomas J. Bibeau

TRANSFER STATION

Mark Marr, *Manager* David Bowles
Andres Romero

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Michael Labrecque *Lt.* Michael Crockwell, *P/T Officer*
Thomas Bibeau, *F/T Officer* Aaron Smith, *F/T Officer*
Justin Crotty, *F/T Officer* Kristofer Dupuis, *P/T Officer*
Deborah Nielsen, *Admin. Asst.*

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Guy Newbery, *Chief* Nick Baker, *Captain, Paramedic*
Craig Simpson, *Captain* David Nelson, *Lieutenant, EMT*
Mathew Murphy, *Lieutenant AEMT* Matt Nelson, *F.F.*
Zachary Powell, *EMT* Geoff Hubble, *EMT*
Evan Hauptman, *F.F.* Shawn Emond, *F.F., EMT*
Chad Gamache, *F.F. EMT* Tyler Dymont, *F.F.*
Bradley Reep, *AEMT* Katelyn Downs, *F.F. AEMT*
Colin Evans, *F.F. EMT* Briell Grant, *EMT*
Kyle Gregg, *F.F.* Benjamin Davis, *F.F.*
Cameron Powell, *F.F.* Dale Caswell, *F.F.*
Scott Doherty, *F.F. Paramedic* Chris Acres, *EMT*
Michael Slattery, *F.F.*

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FIRE WARDEN/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Guy Newbery

HEALTH OFFICER (PUBLIC HEALTH)

Nadine Dahl

DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER

Vacant

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (3 years)

Joseph Halla, <i>Chair</i> (2021)	F. Webster Stout (2021)
Barbie Tilton (2021)	Gary Spaulding (2020) <i>resigned</i>
Jim Wieck (2022)	Christopher Evans (2020)
Calvin Todd, <i>Alternate</i>	Lisa Carlson, <i>Secretary & Alternate</i>

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Tom Osmer, <i>Chair</i> (2020)	Ken Stern, <i>Vice Chair</i> (2022)
Linda Fife (2022)	Bob Fife (2020)
Charlie Krautmann (2020)	Steve Seron (2021)
Kelly Short (2020)	
<i>Alternates:</i>	
Teresa Wyman (2022)	Faith Berry (2021)
Chris Blair (2022)	Bob Steenson (2022)

LIBRARY

Susan LeClair, <i>Director</i>	Rachel Baker, <i>Children's Librarian</i>
Mary Ann Winograd, <i>Circulation Services</i>	
Rose Howe, <i>Circulation Services</i>	
Mary Ellen MacCoy, <i>Circulation Services</i>	

BUILDING INSPECTOR/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Scott LaCroix

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Mark Hopkins, <i>Chair</i> (2020)	Ted West (2021)
Virginia LaPlante (2022)	Anne Emerson (2020)
Jeffrey Leidinger (2022)	Kevin Bragg (2022)
Lois Scribner, <i>Secretary</i>	

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Bob Scarponi, <i>President</i>	Sandy Scripture, <i>Vice-president</i>
Mary Ann Winograd, <i>Treasurer</i>	Pam Jackson, <i>Recording Secretary</i>
Jan Cote, <i>Corresponding Secretary</i>	Sam Papps, <i>Curator (ex-officio)</i>
Mary Jane Bergman	Brian Titilah
Charles Sanborn	Harry Kinter
Brenda Murray	Frederick Brewster
Anne Emerson	

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CANTERBURY CEMETERY HISTORIAN

Mark Stevens

CANTERBURY CEMETERY SEXTON

Kent Ruesswick

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Robert Steenson, *Chairman, 3 years (2022)*

Chris Blair, *2 years (2020) resigned* Emily Burr, *3 years (2022)*

John Dyer, *2 years (2020) resigned* Steven Rasche, *3 years (2022)*

Mark Marr, *Transfer Station Manager* Cheryl Gordon, *Selectmen's Rep.*

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Robert Steenson Tyson Miller

Kelly Short John Carr

Robert Scarponi Art Rose

Chris Blair Briggs Lockwood

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Fred Portnoy Ruth Heath

John Hebert Sandy Hodsdon

David Day Claudia Leidingner

Beth McGuinn Jeff Beltramo

Arthur Hudson, Jr., *Selectmen's Representative*

OFFICIAL TOWN PERAMBULATOR

Mark Stevens

2019 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 are hereby notified and warned of the Annual Town Meeting which will be held as follows:

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020
Time: 7:00 a.m.
Place: Canterbury Town Hall

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board.
This amendment would replace the existing Article 2.1 with the following:

Article 2.1 OBNOXIOUS USES

A. Obnoxious Uses Prohibited: Pursuant to NH RSA chapters 674 and 676, land shall not be used in any manner that constitutes an obnoxious use. Obnoxious use means a use that is noxious, offensive, detrimental to the public or to the owners or occupants of property affected by such use, or prejudicial to the general welfare of the community. Examples of uses that may be obnoxious include, but are not limited to, uses that result in excessive or offensive noise, odors, light, pollution, or vehicular traffic.

B. Determination of Obnoxious Use: The determination of whether or not a use is obnoxious shall be made using the “reasonable person standard.” Under the reasonable person standard, a use is obnoxious if that use unreasonably disturbs, injures, or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace, or safety of the community; or if that use causes public inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm to reasonable persons of ordinary sensitivity.

In determining whether a use is obnoxious, the Select Board, or its authorized representative, shall conduct an investigation and take evidence. Evidence that a use is obnoxious may take the form of: (1) written or oral testimony of individuals affected by the use; (2) direct evidence gathered using appropriate tools, such as, but not limited to, cameras, decibel or light meters, recording devices, traffic counters, or particulate matter sensors; or (3) other appropriate evidence.

Examples of evidence that may be relevant to whether a use is obnoxious includes, but is not limited to, evidence regarding: (1) whether the use negatively impacts surrounding property values; (2) whether the use creates health risks or otherwise poses a danger to the health of others; (3) whether the use received necessary state and local approvals, including Zoning Board of Adjustment Approval or site plan review; (4) whether the use has changed in character or intensity over time; (5) whether any changes in the character or intensity of the use impact whether that use violates the Town's land use regulations

The investigation may include, but is not limited to, any of the following steps:

1. Holding a public hearing for the purpose of taking evidence regarding the impact of the use on the public at large and on impacted individuals.
2. Interviewing or taking statements from the property owner.
3. Interviewing or taking statements from surrounding property owners, residents, or other potentially impacted members of the public.
4. Conducting a site visit of the property.
5. Consulting with the Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment.
6. Hiring a third party to investigate or to provide an opinion regarding the use or its impacts.

C. Enforcement: If the Select Board determines that a use is obnoxious, the Select Board may: (1) issue a cease and desist order pursuant to RSA 676:17-a; (2) pursue any remedy available under Articles 9 or 10 of the Town Zoning Ordinance; or (3) pursue any other remedy available to the Town at law or in equity.

D. Complaints: Individuals who believe they have been or might be affected by an obnoxious use may request that the Select Board investigate the use to determine whether there has been a violation of this Ordinance. The Select Board may also initiate an investigation without a request from a member of the public.

ARTICLE 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendment to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment re-adopts the existing Article 11.9, changing the date from March 2020, to March 31, 2025. This amendment changes the sunset date of the growth management plan building permit cap.

Change Zoning Ordinance Article 11.9 as follows:

11.9 EFFECTIVE DATES

This Article becomes effective upon adoption and shall remain in effect until March 31, 2025. 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.

ARTICLE 4. Are you in favor of adding the following Article 2.11 *LODGING, SHORT TERM*, and associated definition and Table of Uses to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Board of Selectmen? This proposed Article is approved by the Planning Board.

Article 3 Definitions: Add:

LODGING, SHORT TERM

A dwelling where transient lodging is provided for compensation for stays of between one and 30 consecutive nights, and available for lodging at daily rates, and where the dwelling would normally be considered a residential dwelling not associated with regulated commercial activities such as a hotel, motel or bed-and-breakfast.

Article 2 GENERAL PROVISIONS; Add:

2.11 *LODGING, SHORT TERM*

The use is regulated to preserve the traditional character of residential neighborhoods that can be negatively impacted by this type of use and to help preserve the quality and quantity of the housing stock for year-round residential use. Allowable as either primary or accessory use. Permitted in all zones except Industrial, providing the following conditions are met:

1. A Short-Term Lodging application will require a Special Exception approval from the Canterbury Zoning Board of Adjustment to determine suitability for this use, using the following criteria:
 - a. The owner of a proposed Short-Term Lodging dwelling shall apply for the Special Exception and pay the review and abutter notification fees.
 - b. As part of the application approval process the dwelling must pass a joint inspection by the Fire Department and the Building Code Enforcement Department which shall be limited to the following:
 - i. Combination Smoke & CO detectors must be installed in areas defined by the Town's adopted codes and must be functioning.

- ii. Windows and doors functioning as the primary and secondary means of egress shall conform to the current adopted Life Safety Code requirements for One- and Two-Family Dwellings.
 - iii. No basement space shall be used as sleeping areas unless there are properly sized egress windows and/or doors conforming to the Town's adopted codes.
 - iv. A functional fire extinguisher shall be visibly installed in any kitchen area.
 - v. To determine maximum occupancy of the dwelling, floor space square footage shall be confirmed to conform to the Town's adopted codes.
 - vi. To determine maximum number of vehicles allowed per rental, driveway capacity shall be confirmed. On-street parking shall not be allowed.
 - vii. Safety concerns reported by lodgers or abutters may require another inspection.
2. The Zoning Board of Adjustment may set other requirements or conditions as part of the approval process.
3. The owner of a Short-Term Lodging dwelling will be responsible for:
 - a. Ensuring that all parking of vehicles is on site;
 - b. Ensuring that occupancy limits are not exceeded;
 - c. Any other site-specific conditions imposed as part of the approval.
4. Short-Term Lodging applications shall be reviewed and approved or denied within 30 days of receipt of a complete application. Notice of the approval or denial will be mailed to the applicant and abutters as defined in RSA 672:3.
5. Approval for Short-Term Lodging use will be in effect for five years from date of approval and must be renewed by the Code Enforcement Officer after an inspection to ensure that all conditions for approval are still in effect.
6. Violation of this ordinance will subject the property owner to fines and penalties outlined in Article 10.0 of the Canterbury Zoning Ordinances consistent with NH RSA 676:17.

SECOND SESSION

The second session will be held at the Canterbury Elementary School on Friday the Thirteenth of March 2020 at seven o'clock to act on the following subjects:

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Eight Hundred Seventy One Thousand Four Hundred Sixty One Dollars (\$2,871,461) to defray town charges for the ensuing year. *Recommended by the Selectmen.*

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$18,890) payable over a term of 5 years for leasing police body worn cameras, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Six Dollars (\$5,486) by taxation for the 2020 payment. Two thirds ballot vote. *Recommended by the Selectmen.*

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new Highway Truck, wing and plow and to withdraw Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund and Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve. *Recommended by the Selectmen.*

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to install a new 22KW Generac standby generator at the Sam Lake House. *Recommended by the Selectmen.*

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Two Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Eight Dollars (\$42,598) to pay principal (\$35,000) and interest (\$7,598) on the Gold Star Bond, said amount to be removed from the Town's Unassigned Fund Balance. *Recommended by the Selectmen.*

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty Nine Thousand Dollars (\$169,000) to be deposited into the Capital Reserves.

4915.3 —	Highway Equipment	10,000
4915.4 —	Highway Truck	30,000
4915.5 —	Highway Grader	30,000
4915.18 —	Rescue Truck	12,000
4915.19 —	Fire Equipment (Truck)	50,000
4915.24 —	Landfill Closure	1,000
4915.27 —	Town Bldg. Maintenance	6,000
4915.29 —	Firefighting Equipment	20,000
4915.30 —	Highway Loader	10,000

Recommended by the Selectmen.

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ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Eighty Four Dollars (\$14,084) to purchase a UTV on the Emergency Services Lease Program from Kawasaki, said funds to be withdrawn from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve. *Recommended by the Selectmen.*

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Four Thousand Dollars (\$34,000) for the purpose of purchasing one Zoll Heart monitor. The existing monitors will no longer be serviced after February 2021. *Recommended by the Selectmen.*

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Four Thousand Dollars (\$54,000) for the purpose of purchasing a replacement air refilling compressor for the SCBA's. Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to come from an assistance to firefighters grant, and Four thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to come from the Firefighting Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. No amount shall be expended unless the grant funds are secured. *Recommended by the Selectmen.*

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for a Backhoe for the Highway Department and to appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) 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.*

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) for the purpose of reconfiguring Rescue 1. Said funds will be withdrawn from the Rescue Truck Capital Reserve. *Recommended by the Selectmen.*

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to adopt a noise nuisance ordinance pursuant to RSA 31:39 to promote an environment free from excessive noise which unnecessarily jeopardizes the health and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Canterbury.

The purpose of this article is to establish standards for the control of noise and noise disturbances in the Town of Canterbury by prohibiting specific activities during designated times and by setting maximum permissible sound levels within the confines of the Town.

It shall be unlawful for any person to make, continue, or cause to be made or continued any excessive, unnecessarily loud noise or any noise which annoys, disturbs, injures, or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others within the Town of Canterbury.

I. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

PERSON — any person, vehicle owner, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.

CONSTRUCTION — Any site preparation, excavation, grading, assembly, erections, substantial repair or alteration of any building, structures or land, public or private, together with any associated scientific or engineering surveys shall constitute construction. The term “construction” shall include the operation or the causing to be operated of any equipment used in the construction, repair, alteration or demolition work on buildings, structures, streets, alleys or appurtenances thereto. Said equipment includes, but is not limited to, a pile driver, shovel, hammer, derrick hoist, tractor or roller.

EMERGENCY WORK — Shall mean any work performed to protect, maintain, or restore safe and/or healthful conditions in the community, along with work performed by private or public utilities when restoring utility service.

II. PROHIBITED ACTS

A. Unnecessary noise from motor vehicles.

1. A person operating or in control of a parked or moving motor vehicle shall not operate or permit the operation of an electronically amplified sound system in or on the motor vehicle so as to produce sound that is clearly audible in a public right-of way or public space more than 50 feet from the motor vehicle except as otherwise authorized.
2. A person shall not operate a motor vehicle so as to make any loud, unusual, or unnecessary noise occasioned by any one or more of the following actions by the operator.
 - a. Misuse of power, exceeding tire traction limits in acceleration, sometimes known as laying down rubber or peeling rubber, or excessive acceleration where there is no emergency.
 - b. Misuse of braking power exceeding tire traction limits in deceleration where there is no emergency.
 - c. Rapid acceleration by means of quick up shifting of transmission gears with either a clutch or manual transmission or automatic transmission.
 - d. Rapid deceleration by means of quick downshifting of transmission gears with either a clutch or manual transmission or an automatic transmission.
 - e. Racing of engines by manipulation of the accelerator, gas pedal, carburetor, or gear selection, whether the vehicle is in motion or standing still.

- B. Between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday and between 10:00 p.m. on Saturday and 8:00 a.m. on Sunday it shall be unlawful to:
 - 1. Operate or use construction vehicles to include but not be limited to bulldozers, graders, dump trucks, backhoes, earth moving equipment, front end loaders and log skidders.
 - 2. Operate or use tools or construction equipment to include but not be limited to cement mixers, hammers, staple or nail guns, power tools: i.e., saws, drills, grinders, sanders; chain saws, lawn mowers, electric hedge trimmers, lawn edger's, and jack hammers.
 - 3. Operate, play, or use any radio, television, phonograph, drum, musical instrument, sound amplifier, or similar device at such a volume that it is clearly audible at the property line of the property on which the device is being operated.
 - 4. Fireworks or cannons.

III. EXEMPTIONS

The following uses and activities shall be exempt from noise level regulations:

- A. Noise of Safety signals, warning devices, and emergency pressure relief valves.
- B. Noises resulting from any authorized vehicle, when responding to an emergency call or acting in time of emergency.
- C. Noises resulting from emergency maintenance work as performed by the town, by the state, or by public utility companies, to include snow removal operations.
- D. Municipal maintenance work where the abutters to the work site have been given prior notice of the project.
- E. Any other noise resulting from activities of a temporary duration permitted by law and for which a license or permit therefore has been granted by the town. This includes, the preparing, loading and unloading of construction vehicles at their base of operation.
- F. Snow blowers and other types of private or commercial snow removal operations.
- G. Parades and public gatherings for which the town has issued a permit.
- H. Bells, chimes or carillons.
- I. Any other noises resulting in activity that is for agricultural purposes.

J. The un-amplified human voice as outlines under the New Hampshire RSA 644:2

IV. PENALTIES

Any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a violation and subject to a penalty in the amount of \$100.00 if an individual, \$500.00 for any other person for each violation.

No person will be summonsed for a violation of Article III (B) or Article III (B) (2) until he or she has been warned once by the police department.

Recommended by the Selectmen

ARTICLE 17: We the undersigned registered voters of Canterbury, New Hampshire, hereby petition the Board of Selectmen to include as a Warrant Article at the 2020 Annual Town meeting the following article:

New Hampshire Resolution to Take Action on Climate Pollution

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

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

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

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will urge the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the 2020 census, will do so in a manner that ensures fair and effective representation of New Hampshire voters. That in order to fulfill this obligation the New Hampshire General Court shall appoint an independent redistricting commission that draws the new

district maps in a way that does not rely on partisan data such as election results or party registration or favor particular political parties or candidates.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Town of Canterbury's state legislators and to the Governor of New Hampshire informing them of the instruction from their constituents within 30 days of the vote. Petitioned Warrant Article

ARTICLE 19: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 3rd day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand twenty.

Arthur E. Hudson Jr.

Cheryl A. Gordon

George R. Glines

2020 BUDGET – TOWN OF CANTERBURY



	2019 Budget	Actual Expenses 12/31/2019	2020 Proposed	+ /(-) 2019 Budget	Percent Change	Revenue Offset	Encumbered
EXPENSE BUDGET							
4130 — EXECUTIVE							
4130.1 Selectmen Salaries	9,000	9,000	9,000	—			
4130.3 Town Administrator Salary	46,000	45,999	47,840	1,840			
4130.4 Office Equipment Repairs	100	—	100	—			
4130.5 Selectmen Seminars	500	372	500	—			
4130.6 Telephone	3,500	3,479	3,500	—			
4130.7 Printing	200	67	200	—			
4130.8 Office Equipment	1,500	895	1,500	—			
4130.10 Office Supplies	3,500	2,119	3,000	(500)			
4130.11 Health Insurance	45,981	45,978	48,726	2,745		17,203	
4130.12 Postage	1,000	972	1,800	800			
4130.21 Admin Wages	29,350	22,570	29,350	—			
4130.22 Assessing Wages	51,650	51,171	53,217	1,567			
4130.25 Misc. Other Expense	200	1,787	1,000	800			
4130.54 Administrative Training	500	—	500	—			
4130.55 Advertising	1000	323	1000	—			
4130.56 Printing Town Report	4,500	4,153	4,500	—			
Total 4130 EXECUTIVE	198,481	188,885	205,733	7,252	3.7%	17,203	
4135 — INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY							
<i>Executive</i>							
4135-1 Network Server & Installation	1,100	1,725	13,500	12,400			
4135-2 Computers/Hardware	1,000	850	250	(750)			
4135-e Software/Licensing	9,400	7,810	10,114	714			
4135-4 Offsite Data Backup	4,000	3,358	4,000	—			
4135-5 IT/Network Support	8,372	11,673	10,000	1,628			
Sub-Total Executive	23,872	25,416	37,864	13,992	59%		

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<i>Town Clerk/Tax Collector</i>							
4135-6 Computers/Hardware	500	850	2,500	2,000			
4135-7 Software/Licensing	6,000	6,219	6,000	—			
4135-8 Computer Repair	1	—	1	—			
Sub-Total Town Clerk/Tax Collector	6,501	7,069	8,501	2,000	31%		
<i>Police</i>							
4135-9 Computers/Hardware	1,200	2,494	1,200	—			
4135-10 Software/Licensing	1,945	2,197	2,300	355			
4135-11 Computer Repair	1,000	716	1,000	—			
Sub-Total Police Department	4,145	5,407	4,500	355	9%		
<i>Fire</i>							
4135-12 Computers/Hardware	800	838	800	—			
4135-13 Software/Licensing	1,947	1,919	2,100	153			
4135-14 Computer Repair	500	523	500	—			
Sub-Total Fire Department	3,247	3,280	3,400	153	5%		
<i>Highway</i>							
4135-15 Computers	250	327	350	100			
4135-16 Software/Licensing	1	—	1	—			
4135-17 Computer Repair	500	—	750	250			
4135-21 Computer Repair/Trans. Station	250	—	250	—			
Sub-Total Highway Department	1,001	327	1,351	350	35%		
<i>Conservation Commission</i>							
4135-18 Computers	1	—	1	—			
4135-19 Software/Licensing	1	—	1	—			
4135-20 Computer Repair	1	—	1	—			
Sub-Total Conservation Commission	3	—	3	—			
TOTAL 4135 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	38,769	41,498	55,619	16,850	43%		

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4140 — ELECTION, REG & VITAL STATS							
4140.1 Town Clerk Salary	12,845	11,469	13,230	385			
4140.2 Marriage License Fees	550	430	550	—			
4140.3 Deputy Town Clerk Wages	21,815	24,457	22,251	436			
4140.7 Town Clerk Office Supplies	1,200	1,732	1,200	—			
4140.8 Town Clerk Office Equipment	500	492	500	—			
4140.10 Town Clerk Seminars	1,000	928	1,100	100			
4140.11 Dog Tags	200	129	200	—			
4140.12 Election Wages	1,000	810	2,300	1,300			
4140.14 Election Advertising	200	276	350	150			
4140.15 Election Misc. Supplies	250	1,258	800	550			
4140.16 Voting Machine	500	250	4,000	3,500			
4140.19 Vital Statistic Fees	800	791	800	—			
4140.31 Deputy Town Clerk Health Ins	11,180	3,728	—	(11,180)			
4140.32 Leave coverage/Town Meeting Minutes	1,000	883	1,000	—			
4140.37 Record Scanning	—	7,450	500	500			
TOTAL 4140 ELECTION, REG & VITAL STATS	53,040	55,080	48,781	(4,259)	-8%		
4150 — FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION							
4150.1 Tax Collector Salary	24,155	21,231	24,880	725			
4150.03 Bookkeeper wages	22,000	19,510	22,880	880			
4150.4 Outside Auditing	16,250	15,450	16,250	—			
4150.6 Tax Map Maintenance	500	—	500	—			
4150.7 Tax Collector Seminars	1,000	940	1,100	100			
4150.10 Registrar of Deeds	700	406	700	—			
4150.11 Tax Collector Health Insurance	—	33	—	—			
4150.91 Tax Collector-Liens	500	437	700	200			
4150.93 Treasurer-Salary	4,580	4,580	4,672	92			
4150.95 Tax Collector Office Supplies	800	1,224	900	100			
4150.96 Tax Collector Postage	3,200	3,844	3,200	—			

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4150.98 Treasurer Mileage Reim.	1,000	1,056	1,000	—			
Total 4150 FINANCIAL ADMIN.	74,685	68,710	76,782	2,097	3%		
4153 — LEGAL EXPENSES							
4153.3 General Municipal	17,000	8,626	17,000	—			
Total 4153 LEGAL EXPENSES	17,000	8,626	17,000	—	0%		
4155 — PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION							
4199.0081 Medicare	13,900	13,744	15,200	1,300			
4199.0082 Social Security	48,600	45,859	49,000	400			
4199.0083 Unemployment	—	2,860	5,000	5,000			
Total 4155 PERSONNEL ADMIN.	62,500	62,463	69,200	6,700	11%		
4191 — PLANNING/ZONING BOARD							
4191.1 PB Postage	900	310	900	—			
4191.2 PB Secretary Wages	5,000	4,285	5,000	—			
4191.5 PB Professional Services/Legal	8,000	135	8,000	—			7,800
4191.6 PB Advertising	600	668	600	—			
4191.7 PB Printing	250	—	250	—			
4191.8 PB Supplies	300	—	300	—			
4191.9 PB New Equipment	1,000	401	500	(500)			
4191.10 PB Seminars	500	—	500	—			
SUB-TOTAL PLANNING BOARD	16,550	5,799	16,050	(500)		935	7,800
4191.11 ZBA Secretary Wages	1,500	1,453	1,500	—			
4191.13 ZBA Postage	250	463	250	—			
4191.14 ZBA Advertising	750	858	750	—			
4191.15 ZBA Supplies	100	—	100	—			
4191.16 ZBA — Seminar	50	—	50	—			
SUB-TOTAL ZONING BOARD	2,650	2,774	2,650	—		2,050	
Total 4191 PLANNING/ZONING BOARD	19,200	8,573	18,700	(500)	-3%	2,985	7,800
4194 — GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS							
4194-1 Center Electricity	500	602	600	100			

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4194.2 Town Hall Maintenance	10,000	8,649	600	(9,400)			
4194.3 Town Hall Electricity	1,000	891	1,000	—			
4194.5 Town Building Emergency Fund	1	2,000	1	—			
4194.7 Sam Lake Maintenance	1,000	1,221	1,000	—			
4194.8 Sam Lake Electricity	3,000	2,165	2,500	(500)			
4194.11 Elkins/Houser Bldg Maint.	3,000	569	1,000	(2,000)			
4194.12 Historical Society Electricity	1,000	1,858	1,500	500			
4194.13 Town Bldgs Heat/Oil/Propane	25,000	26,146	25,000	—			
4194.14 Municipal Building Electricity	8,000	7,277	8,000	—			
4194.16 Municipal Bldg Security System	500	644	600	100			
4194.17 Municipal Bldg Maintenance	6,000	8,389	6,000	—			
4194.18 Sam Lake Security System	900	798	900	—			
4194.19 Janitorial Services	13,000	11,985	13,000	—			
4194.20 Meeting House Maintenance	1,000	35	500	(500)			
4194.21 Transfer Station Security System	500	240	500	—			
4194.40 Elkins/Houser Security System	1,000	360	1,000	—			
4194.62 Town Hall Security	380	180	380	—			
4194.63 Center Maintenance	500	—	900	400			
4194.64 Sam Lake Office Fit-up	—	16,689	—	—		12,352	
Total 4194 GENERAL GOVT. BUILDINGS	76,281	90,697	64,981	(11,300)	-15%	12,352	
4195 — CEMETERIES							
4195.1 Cemetery Wages	4,500	4,560	5,000	500			
4195.2 Sub-Contractor	1	—	1	—			
4195.3 Equipment Repairs	500	—	500	—			
4195.4 Gas & Oil	1	—	1	—			
4195.5 Parts & Supplies	1	—	1	—			
4195.6 Cemetery Maintenance	—	53	600	600			
4195.7 Tree Removal	1,500	—	1,500	—			1,500
4195.8 Record Keeping & Software upgrades	1,000	479	1,000	—			950
4195.60 Headstone repairs	2,000	1,915	2,000	—			
Total 4195 CEMETERIES	9,503	7,007	10,603	1,100	12%	2,975	2,450

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4196 — INSURANCE							
4196.2 Worker's Compensation	17,295	17,295	30,885	13,590			
4196.3 Liability	30,577	30,577	32,700	2,123			
Total 4196 INSURANCE	47,872	47,872	63,585	15,713	33%		
4197 — ADVERTISING & REGIONAL DEV.							
4197.1 NH Municipal Association	2,185	2,185	2,196	11			
4197.2 Central NH Planning	2,732	2,732	2,875	143			
4197.4 Assoc. of Assessing Dues	40	45	50	10			
4197.5 Reg/Conc Solid Waste	1	—	1	—			
4197.6 Upper Merrimack River	1	—	1	—			
4197.9 Federal DOT Drug Testing	1,000	982	1,000	—			
4197.10 Town Clerk Dues	40	20	40	—			
4197.11 Tax Collector Dues	20	40	40	20			
4197.12 NH Local Welfare Admin Assoc	30	30	30	—			
Total 4197 ADV. & REG. DEV.	6,049	6,034	6,233	184	3.0%		
4240 — BUILDING INSPECTION							
4240.1 Building Inspector Wages	7,000	9,481	8,000	1,000			
4120.2 Supplies	80	902	500	420			
4120.3 Seminars	100	—	100	—			
4120.4 Gasoline	1,000	1,033	1,000	—			
4240.5 Subcontractor	—	—	—	—			
4120.10 Code Enforcement Wages	2,000	263	1,000	(1,000)			
Total 4240 BUILDING INSPECTION	10,180	11,678	10,600	420	4%	19,545	
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	613,560	597,123	647,817	34,257	6%	55,060	10,250
4210 — POLICE							
4210.0c Part-Time Police Chief Salary	60,000	59,492	61,800	1,800			
4210.1 Wages	170,665	162,378	181,297	10,632			
4210.1b Overtime	20,000	14,226	14,000	(6,000)		1,874	
4210.1c Administration	23,800	21,426	24,505	705			

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4210.10 Sub-Contractor	40,000	30,138	40,000	—		40,431	
4210.2 Cruiser Maintenance		35		—			
4210.2f Ford Taurus	2,000	2,037	2,000	—			
4210.2e F-150	2,000	1,309	2,000	—			
4210.g Tires	2,000	1,138	2,000	—			
4210.h Insurance Deductible	2,000	—	2,000	—			
4210.2i Interceptor SUV 1	2,000	1,163	1,500	(500)			
4210.2j Interceptor SUV 3	2,000	950	1,500	(500)			
4210.3 Health Insurance	41,907	41,498	45,500	3,593		5,641	
4210.5 Radios & Repairs	3,300	3,074	3,300	—			
4210.6 Dispatch	16,000	15,563	17,903	1,903			
4210.7 Gas/Oil	10,000	7,779	10,000	—			
4210.8 Office Supplies	3,000	3,250	4,000	1,000			
4210.9 Uniforms	5,000	3,614	5,000	—			
4210.11 Seminars/Dues/Subscriptions	800	780	800	—			
4210.12 Prosecutor	6,500	1,568	6,500	—			
4210.13 Telephone	5,000	4,171	5,000	—			
4210.14 Training	3,000	1,823	3,000	—			
4210.16 Retirement	45,000	45,676	45,500	500			
4210.17 Disability Insurance	2,100	2,062	2,600	500			
4210.18 Cruiser Lease	31,564	30,640	31,564	—			
4210.9i Supplies/New Equipment	6,000	6,072	6,500	500			
Total 4210	505,637	461,861	519,769	14,132	2.8%	47,946	
4215 — EMER. MGMT./CIVIL DEF.	1	—	1	—			
4220 — FIRE							
4220.16 Part-Time Fire Chief	35,000	34,551	50,000	15,000			
4220.00 Full Time EMT	52,200	52,147	53,500	1,300			
4220.0T EMT Overtime	2,000	1,280	2,000	—			
4220.01 EMT Health Insurance	22,336	22,334	23,953	1,616		2,109	
4220.1 Reimbursement	19,125	19,174	19,510	385			
4220.02 EMT Retirement	6,000	6,469	6,500	500			

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4220.04 Disability	550	796	860	310			
4220.2 Forest Fire Costs	1,500	—	1,500	—			
4220.3 Vehicle Maintenance	1,000	565	1,100	100			
4220.3i Fire Engine #2	1,650	728	1,750	100			
4220.3b Fire Engine #3	4,650	8,174	5,500	850			
4220.2c Rescue Truck	2,500	3,167	2,500	—			
4220.3f Utility	1,000	84	1,000	—			
4220.3g Tanker	2,000	626	2,000	—			
4220.3h Command Vehicle	1,000	622	1,000	—			
4220.3j Forestry-2019 Ford	—	—	1,000	1,000			
4220.4 Training & Prevention	4,000	3,948	4,200	200			
4220.5 Dispatch	23,155	23,155	23,200	45			
4220.6 Communications	8,850	9,653	8,950	100			
4220.8 Gasoline & Oil	4,000	3,201	4,000	—			
4220.9 Fire & Rescue Equipment	8,800	7,741	8,800	—			
4220.10 Dry Hydrants	2,800	258	2,800	—			
4220.11 Office Supplies	1,400	733	1,400	—			
4220.13 Weekend Reimbursement	10,000	9,800	10,250	250			
4220.14 Turn Out Gear	8,400	8,796	8,400	—			
4220.12 Uniforms	2,650	3,016	2,800	150			
4220.91 Office Equipment	450	114	450	—			
4220.92 Medical Training	4,575	2,988	4,715	140			
4220.93 Medical Supplies & Equipment	4,600	4,054	4,750	150			
4220.94 Equipment Maintenance	2,500	2,200	2,550	50			
4220.95 Forest Fire Equipment	500	259	500	—			
4420.15 Wellness Fitness	500	75	550	50			
Total 4220 FIRE	239,691	230,707	261,987	22,296	9%	2,109	
4415.2 Penacook Rescue	124,000	124,000	130,200	6,200			
4415.3 Belmont Rescue	5,000	5,000	5,000	—			
TOTAL 4155 RESCUE	129,000	129,000	135,200	6,200	5%		
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY Police + Fire + Rescue	874,329	821,569	916,957	42,628	5%	50,056	

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4311-1 — HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION							
4311.1a Road Agent Salary	52,500	51,179	54,105	1,605			
4311.1 Wages	121,495	138,662	140,000	18,505			
4311.1b Overtime	24,000	21,403	25,000	1,000			
4311.2 Sub-Contractor	1		1				
4311.3 Equipment Repairs	3,500	1,617	3,500				
4311.T1 Truck 1/2011 International	5,000	10,955	10,000	5,000			
4311.T2 Truck 2/2005 Sterling	3,000	2,752	3,000				
4311.T3 Truck 3/2014 International	5,000	3,465	5,000				
4311.T4 Truck 4/2008 F-350	2,000	2,159	2,000				
4311.T6 Truck 6/Water Truck	1,000	915	1,000				
4311.T5 Truck 5/2018 Freightliner	3,000	3,327	3,000				
4311.G Volvo Grader	15,000	5,707	15,000				
4311.3h Backhoe	3,000	3,340	4,000	1,000			
4311.BC Bob Cat	500	936	750	250			
4311.L Loader	4,500	761	4,500				
4311.GG Green Grader	6,000	2,910	500	(5,500)			
4311.4 Health Insurance	44,296	42,935	38,479	(5,817)		5,402	
4311.5 Retirement	23,000	27,098	28,850	5,850			
4311.6 Telephone	2,500	1,891	2,500				
4311.7 Supplies	16,000	12,724	16,000				
4311.8 Gasoline & Diesel	30,900	30,330	33,000	2,100			
4311.9 Tires	4,000	3,880	4,000				
4311.11 Equipment	1,500	1,714	1,500				
4311.12 Disability Insurance	3,000	3,301	3,250	250			
4311.13 Mowing Town Lands	4,500	4,581	5,000	500			
4311.14 Training	800	640	800				
Total 4311-1 HIGHWAY ADMIN.	379,992	379,181	404,735	24,743	7%	5,402	
4312.1 Salt	29,000	17,460	29,000				
4312.2 Winter Sand	28,000	17,073	29,000	1,000			
4312.3 Road Tar	180,000	157,803	180,000				22,197

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4312.4 Road Improvements	19,500	4,804	19,500	—			
4312.4T Tree Removal	1,500	—	3,000	1,500			
4312.4G Summer Gravel	12,000	18,163	16,000	4,000			
4312.5 Subcontractor	12,000	11,796	12,000	—			
4312.6 Uniforms	1,500	299	1,500	—			
4312.30 Road Side Mowing	16,000	15,263	16,000	—			
4312.31 Signage	1,000	818	1,500	500			
Total 4312-1 HIGHWAYS & STREETS	300,500	243,479	307,500	7,000	2%		22,197
4313 — CULVERTS & BRIDGES							
4313.1 Culvert/Bridge Maintenance	5,000	5,761	5,000	—			
Total 4313 CULVERTS & BRIDGES	5,000	5,761	5,000	—	0%		
4316 STREET LIGHTING	2,500	2,751	2,500	—			
TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	687,992	631,172	719,735	31,743	5%	5,402	22,197
4321-1 — SOLID WASTE COLLECTION							
4321.1 Wages	40,500	40,295	42,000	1,500			
4321.3 Overtime	250	—	500	250			
4321.2 Recycling Services	23,000	32,367	23,000	—			
4321.4 Telephone	1,500	1,313	1,500	—			
4321.5 Supplies	1,500	932	1,500	—			
4321.6 Electricity	2,400	2,323	2,400	—			
4321.7 Gas & Oil	1,600	1,491	2,000	400			
4323.8 Central NH Waste	1	—	1	—			
4323.9 Building Maintenance	6,500	8,550	2,500	(4,000)			
4323.10 Seminars	400	211	400	—			
4323.11 Health Insurance	2,500	2,500	2,500	—			
4323.12 Truck Repairs (Other)	1	—	1	—			
4323.P Packer Truck	2,500	968	2,500	—			
4323.15 Universal Waste	3,500	5,603	5,500	2,000			
4323.19 Ground Water Testing	12,000	3,351	12,000	—			
4323.16 Equipment Repair	1,000	—	1,000	—			

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4323.17 PAYT Bag Purchases	6,000	6,052	6,500	500		83,041	
4321.18 Hazardous Clean-up	1	—	1	—			
4321.20 Hazardous Waste Day	1	—	1	—			
4321.19 Storm Water Drainage	3,000	—	3,000	—			
Total 4321-1 SOLID WASTE COLLECTION	108,154	105,956	108,804	650	1%	83,041	
4324 — SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL							
4324.1 Co-op Tipping Fee	39,000	36,970	40,000	1,000			
Total 4324 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	39,000	36,970	40,000	1,000	3%		
TOTAL SOLID WASTE EXPENSE	147,154	142,926	148,804	1,650	1%	83,041	
4351 ENERGY COMMITTEE							
4351.1 Clean Energy NH Membership	—	—	250	250			
4351.2 Training	—	—	200	200			
4351.3 Programs	—	—	250	250			
Total 4351 ENERGY COMMITTEE	—	—	700	700			
HEALTH							
4411.2 Health Officer	100	—	100	—			
4414.1 Animal Control	200	—	200	—			
TOTAL HEALTH AGENCIES	300	—	300	—	0%		
WELFARE							
4441.1 Welfare Administrator	1	—	1	—			
4441.2 Aid/Disabled VNA	1	—	1	—			
4441.3 Community Action Program	2,600	2,600	2,600	—			
Total 4441 WELFARE ADMIN.	2,602	2,600	2,602	—	0%		
4442.1 Direct Assistance	5,000	7,766	7,000	2,000			
TOTAL WELFARE ASSISTANCE	7,602	10,366	9,602	2,000	26%		
4550 — LIBRARY							
4550.1 Wages	108,000	103,963	113,500	5,500			
4550.2 Maintenance	15,500	14,155	8,000	(7,500)			
4550.3 Books/Mag/Tapes/Prog	8,000	7,975	8,000	—			

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EXPENSE BUDGET	2019 Budget	Actual Expenses 12/31/2019	2020 Proposed	+ /(-) 2019 Budget	Percent Change	Revenue Offset	Encum- bered
4550.4 Dues/Mtgs/Educ	400	680	—	(400)			
4550.5 Telephone	900	992	900	—			
4550.7 Electricity	4,000	2,436	3,000	(1,000)			
4550.8 Postage	150	165	200	50			
4550.9 Equipment Supplies	5,000	4,885	5,000	—		4,588	
4550.10 Health Insurance	33,000	33,144	35,625	2,625			
4550.21 Cleaning	4,000	3,927	4,000	—			
Sub Total Library	178,950	172,321	178,225	(725)	-0.4%	4,588	
From Library Trusts							
4550.31 Program/Passes	2,500	2,415	2,500	—			
4550.32 Books/Mags/Tapes	5,000	5,072	5,000	—			
4550.33 Other Expenses	350	355	350	—			
4550.34 Contracts	2,000	1,672	2,000	—			
4550.35 Technology Labor	2,000	2,398	2,200	200			
4550.36 Capital Improvements	6,000	5,347	30,000	24,000			
4550.38 Continuing Education	300	115	800	500			
Sub Total Library Trusts	18,150	17,374	42,850	24,700		42,850	
TOTAL 4550 LIBRARY	197,100	189,695	221,075	23,975	12%	47,438	
4583 — PATRIOTIC PURPOSES							
4583.1 Memorial Day	250	220	250	—			
4583.2 Fourth of July	5,200	5,125	5,800	600			
TOTAL 4583 PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	5,450	5,345	6,050	600	11%		
4589 — HISTORICAL SOCIETY							
4589.1 Preservation Expense	1,000	1,000	1,000	—			
4589.2 Misc. Supplies	150	150	150	—			
TOTAL 4589 HISTORICAL SOCIETY	1,150	1,150	1,150	—	0%		
4651 — HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION							
4651.1 Secretary Wages	100	204	200	100			
4651.2 Postage	50	144	100	50			
4651.3 Printing	50	—	50	—			
TOTAL 4651 HISTORIC DISTRICT COM.	200	348	350	150	75%	140	
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION	203,900	196,538	228,625	24,725	12%	47,578	

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EXPENSE BUDGET	2019 Budget	Actual Expenses 12/31/2019	2020 Proposed	+ /(-) 2019 Budget	Percent Change	Revenue Offset	Encum- bered
PARKS & RECREATION							
4520.1 Repairs	1	—	1	—			
4520.2 Equipment	600	375	1,600	1,000			
TOTAL PARKS & REC	601	375	1,601	1,000	166%		
4611 — CONSERVATION							
4611.1 Dues	500	575	500	—			
4611.2 Postage	50	—	50	—			
4611.3 Printing & Advertising	150	91	100	(50)			
4611.4 Supplies	50	—	50	—			
4611.5 Professional Services	1,500	1,983	1,500	—			
4611.6 Training	150	65	150	—			
4611.7 Easement Monitoring	1,965	1,965	2,020	55			
4611.8 Land Management	3,500	1,550	4,200	700			2,500
4611.10 Rocky Pond Treatment	1,000	1,000	1,000	—			
4611.11 Cushman Elm	275	295	—	(275)			
4611.12 Administrative Support	1,000	—	—	(1,000)			
TOTAL 4611 CONSERVATION	10,140	7,524	9,570	(570)	-6%		2,500
LONG TERM DEBTS							
4711.2 2003 Bond Principal (municipal bldg)	115,000	115,000	115,000	—			
4711.8 2018 Sam Lake House	56,424	52,684	52,058	(4,366)			
TOTAL PRINCIPAL	171,424	167,684	167,058	(4,366)	-2.5%		
4721.7 2003 Municipal Building	21,643	21,643	16,180	(5,463)			
4721.18 Sam Lake Interest	3,353	3,886	4,511	1,158			
4721.80 Tax Anticipation Note	1	—	1	—			
TOTAL INTEREST	24,997	25,528	20,692	(4,304)	-17.2%		
SUB-TOTAL ALL DEPT EXPENSE	2,741,998	2,600,804	2,871,461	129,463	4.7%	241,137	34,947

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	2019 Budget	Actual Expenses 12/31/2019	2020 Proposed	+ /(-) 2019 Budget	Percent Change	Revenue Offset	Encum- bered
EXPENSE BUDGET							
WARRANT ARTICLES							
WA-2019-5 Goldstar	44,042	44,042					
WA-2019-6 Capital Reserves	157,000	157,000					
WA-2019-8 SCBA	111,240	—					111,240
WA-2019-79 Utility Forest Fire Vehicle	40,000	40,000					
WA-2019-10 Fire Dept SCBA Repl. Cylinders	18,000	—					
WA-2019-12 Highway Dept Loader Cap Res	10,000	10,000					
WA-2019-17 Shaker Village Mill Pond Dam	25,000	25,000					
WA-2020 6/Police Body Cameras			5,486				
WA-2020 7/Highway Truck			100,000				
WA-2020 8/Sam Lake House Generator			10,000			10,000	
WA-2020 9/Gold Star Bond			42,598				
WA-2020 10/Capital Reserves			169,000				
WA-2020 11/UTV — Fire Department			14,084				
WA-2020 12/Zoll Heart Monitor			34,000				
WA-2020 13/SCBA Compressor			54,000			50,000	
WA-2020 14/Backhoe Capital Reserve			10,000				
WA-2020 15/Rescue Truck Repairs			8,000				
TOTAL OF WARRANT ARTICLES	405,282	276,042	447,168	41,886		60,000	111,240
GRAND TOTAL W/WARRANT ARTS.	3,147,280	2,876,846	3,318,629	171,349	5.4%	301,137	146,187

REVENUE TO OFFSET 2019 BUDGET



	<i>Proposed 2019 Revenue</i>	<i>Actual as of 12/31/2019</i>	<i>Proposed 2020 Revenue</i>
TAXES			
Yield Tax	15,000	23,830	20,000
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	35,000	62,908	50,000
Payment in lieu of Taxes	9,000	9,500	9,500
Excavation Tax (.20 per CY)	—	162	—
Overlay	—	—	—
Sub-Total	59,000	96,401	79,500
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE			
Shared Revenue	—	—	—
Meals & Rooms Tax	122,000	121,535	121,000
Highway Block Grant	95,000	98,480	68,000
Municipal Aid	—	21,898	21,898
Reim. State & Federal Forest Land	150	692	150
Other State Revenues	—	1,076	—
Voter Checklist Town Portion	—	250	—
Sub-Total	217,150	243,932	211,048
LICENSES & PERMITS			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	495,000	541,202	525,000
Municipal Agent Fees	24,000	21,534	20,000
Other License & Permit Fees	3,000	3,046	3,000
Sub-Total	522,000	565,782	548,000
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Bag Sales	40,000	53,520	50,000
Recycling Income	16,000	6,590	5,000
Transfer Station Fees	16,000	15,301	15,000
Bestway Chargeback	16,000	12,123	12,000
Enterprise Fund Sub-Total	88,000	87,534	82,000
Building Permit Fees	7,500	20,345	12,000
Planning Board fees	2,000	935	1,000
ZBA fees	500	2050	1,000
Police Subcontractors	60,000	40,431	40,000
Pistol Permits	—	310	200
Police Department revenue	500	905	500
Copier income	200	32	100
Miscellaneous income	200	156	200
Fire Department inspections	200	—	100
Historical District Commission	100	140	100
Forest Fire Reimb	—	—	—
Town Building Rental	—	150	—

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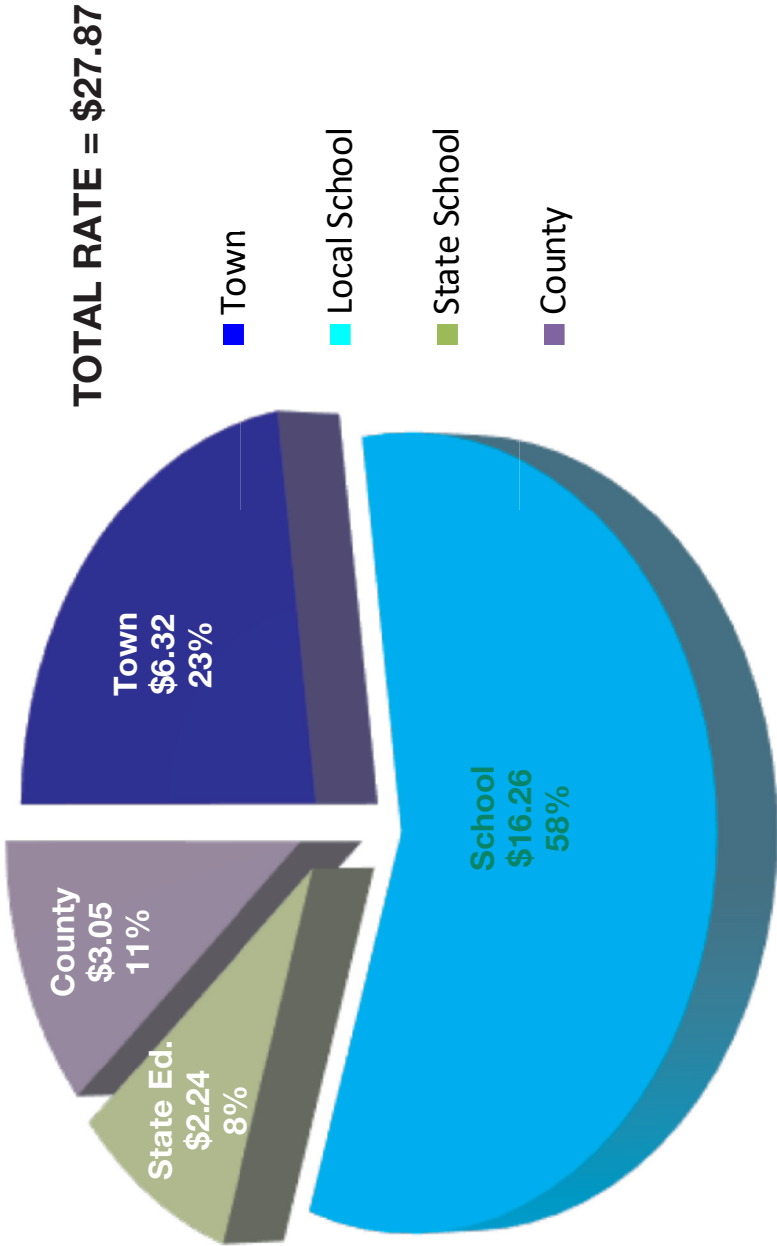
	<i>Proposed 2019 Revenue</i>	<i>Actual as of 12/31/2019</i>	<i>Proposed 2020 Revenue</i>
Police Grant Patrols	5,000	1,874	—
Cemetery Plots	1,000	2,975	2,500
Cemetery Corner Stones	—	0	—
Sub-Total w/o Ent Fund	77,200	70,303	57,700
Sub-Total with Ent Fund	165,200	157,837	139,700
MISC REVENUES			
From Surplus	—		—
Interest on deposits	1,600	12,154	12,000
Proceeds of Long-Term Bond	—	—	—
Sale of Municipal Property	—	10,000	51,000
Health Insurance Reimbursement	39,759	36,409	34,950
NSF Fee	250	200	200
Library Offset — Trust funds	15,000	17,374	42,850
Insurance Claim Money	—	—	—
Miscellaneous Revenue	200	10,173	1,000
Concord Regional Solid Waste	—	—	—
Sam Lake Trust	10,000	12,352	12,000
Sub-Total	66,809	98,661	154,000
Transfers from Capital Reserves	76,582	48,755	118,084
Transfers from Unres. Fund Bal	44,042	—	42,598
Sub-Total transfers	120,624	48,755	160,682
Sub-Total	187,433	147,416	314,682
Grand Total	1,150,783	1,211,530	1,292,930
Appropriations Recommended			2,871,461
Individual Warrant Articles			447,168
Total Appropriations			3,318,629
Less: Amount of Proposed Revenues & Credits			1,292,930
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be raised			2,025,699

2019 UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE



Unassigned Fund Balance	\$ 1,108,474
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	\$ -200,000
Less Amount Voted — Gold Star	\$ 44,042
Plus Unspent Funds 2019 Budget	\$ 146,263
Total Retained	\$ 1,010,695

2019 TAX RATE BREAKDOWN



2019 Tax Rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Value. Total Assessed Valuation = \$247,615,750

2019 TOWN EXPENSES

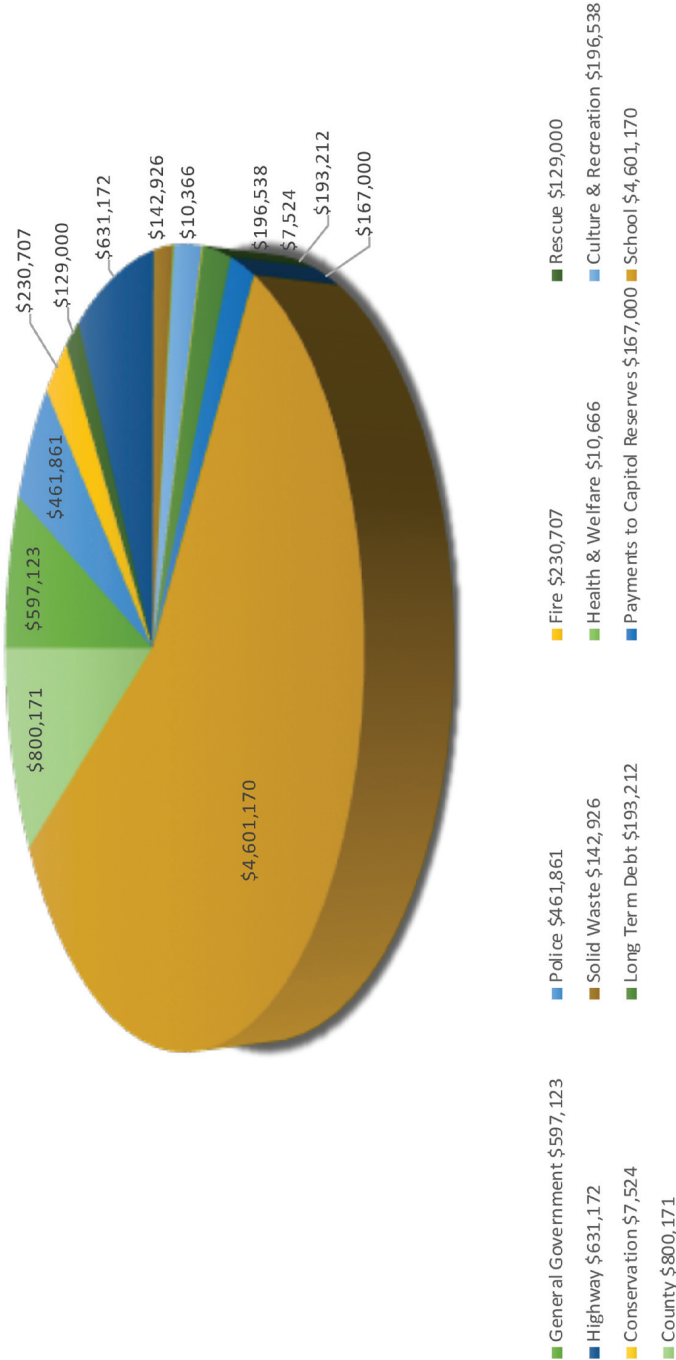


Chart represents monies paid by the selectmen in 2019 for the operating budget, school, and county appropriations. The amounts shown do not include warrant articles.

LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS



TOWN BUILDINGS IMPROVEMENT BOND

Rate of Interest	3%–6%
Amount of Original Issue	2,500,000
Date of Original Issue	7/7/03
Principal payment date	August 15
Interest payment date	February 15 & August 15
Payable at	State Street Bank & Trust CT

Maturities

<i>FYE</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>FYE</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
2004	\$120,735	114,399.75	2014	\$115,000	51,750.00
2005	\$115,000	98,900.00	2015	\$115,000	41,380.00
2006	\$115,000	94,300.00	2016	\$115,000	37,630.00
2007	\$115,000	89,700.00	2017	\$115,000	33,880.00
2008	\$115,000	85,100.00	2018	\$115,000	27,196.00
2009	\$115,000	80,500.00	2019	\$115,000	21,642.50
2010	\$115,000	74,750.00	2020	\$115,000	16,180.00
2011	\$115,000	69,000.00	2021	\$115,000	10,361.50
2012	\$115,000	63,250.00	2022	\$115,000	7,200.00
2013	\$115,000	57,500.00	2023	\$115,000	3,580.00

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GOLDSTAR

Rate of Interest	4%–5%
Amount of Original Issue	\$800,000
Date of Original Issue	7/21/05
Principal payment date	August 15
Interest payment date	February 15 & August 15
Payable at:	State Street Bank & Trust CT

<i>FYE</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>FYE</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
2006	39,900	38,165.08	2016	40,000	14,297.76
2007	40,000	34,183.76	2017	40,000	12,297.76
2008	40,000	32,183.76	2018	40,000	10,681.76
2009	40,000	30,183.76	2019	35,000	9,041.76
2010	40,000	28,183.76	2020	35,000	7,598.00
2011	40,000	25,799.76	2021	35,000	6,228.00
2012	40,000	23,799.76	2022	35,000	6,142.50
2013	40,000	21,799.76	2023	35,000	3,235.50
2014	40,000	19,799.76	2024	35,000	1,704.26
2015	40,000	16,297.76	2025	35,000	874.00

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SAM LAKE HOUSE LOAN

Rate of Interest	3.04%
Amount of Original Issue	\$213,410
Date of Original Issue	1/30/2018
Principal payment date	February 20 & August 15
Interest payment date	February 15 & August 15
Payable at:	State Street Bank & Trust CT

<i>FYE</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>FYE</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
2019	52,657.98	3,911.54	2021	53,664.91	2,904.61
2020	52,058.19	4,511.33	2022	55,029.13	1,540.37

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Report of the Trust Funds, Summary of Principal, Income and Investments for the Town of Canterbury on December 31, 2019

Name and Purpose of Trust	How Invested * Account #	Principal		Income		Balance at End of Year	Total Principal & Income
		Balance at Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Capital Gains (Losses)	Withdrawals		
Nonexpendable Trusts:							
Benjamin Whidden - Cong Church	105640006	200.00				200.00	262.82
Lucia Elkins - Library Books	105640007	4,000.00				4,000.00	4,251.19
Lucia Elkins - Elkins Mem Bldg Repairs	105640034	1,000.00				1,000.00	1,326.23
Frank Drew - Library Unrestricted	105640009	3,000.00				3,000.00	3,981.81
Arthur & Mary Madge - Library	105640010	424.00				424.00	560.17
Lucia Elkins - Sick & Worthy Poor	105640011	6,987.00				6,987.00	7,593.75
John Kazar - School District	105640012	3,702.10				3,702.10	4,914.64
Benevolent Fund - Glasses & Dental	105640013	700.00				700.00	3,572.26
Canterbury Youth Fund	105640014	751.00				751.00	3,096.37
Thompson Memorial - 4H Scholarship	105640015	750.00				750.00	1,586.34
Perpetual Care - Cemetery Lots	105640017	37,675.00				37,675.00	48,546.31
Subtotal		59,189.10	-	-	-	59,189.10	79,691.88
Expendable Trusts:							
Capital Reserve Funds							
Highway Equipment	105640003	58,000.00	10,000.00			68,000.00	73,427.44
Highway Trucks	105640004	114,000.00	30,000.00			144,000.00	155,186.64
Highway Grader	105640005	195,000.00	30,000.00			225,000.00	238,349.03
Rescue Equipment	105640018	73,000.00			(73,000.00)	-	-
Fire Equipment	105640019	165,000.00			(165,000.00)	-	0.00
Firefighting Equipment (2)	105640029	57,355.50	20,000.00		(45,562.00)	31,793.50	34,505.00
Conservation	105640020	36,000.00				36,000.00	38,918.56
Transfer Station	105640022	-				-	6,139.57
Landfill Closure	105640024	110,723.00	1,000.00			111,723.00	130,466.42
Police Cruisers	105640030	-				-	0.00
Building Maintenance	105640027	15,326.62	6,000.00		(2,000.00)	19,326.62	20,419.42
Sam Lake House	105640028	(3,275.00)	3,275.00			-	2,120.63
Highway Dept Loader	105640031	10,000.00				10,000.00	10,105.49
Fire Truck	105640032	222,786.30				222,786.30	224,697.33
Rescue Truck	105640033	91,465.22	91,465.22			182,930.44	92,366.23
Subtotal		821,130.12	424,526.52	-	(285,562.00)	960,094.64	1,026,701.76
Total		880,319.22	424,526.52	-	(285,562.00)	1,019,283.74	1,106,393.63

* How Invested: All funds are invested with the NH Public Deposit Investment Pool of PFM Asset Management LLC.

LAND USE CHANGE TAX FUND



At the 1988 Canterbury Town Meeting the townspeople voted to “deposit all revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A (the land use change tax) in the conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5 as authorized by RSA 79-A:25 II.”

Balance on Hand as of 01/01/2019	<u>\$ 191,410.55</u>
Deposits	\$ 1,278.00
Withdrawals	\$ —
Interest	\$ 481.25
Balance on Hand as of 12/31/2019	<u>\$ 193,169.80</u>

SAM LAKE TRUST FUND



The Town of Canterbury is a beneficiary of the Sam Lake Trust and in this capacity is entitled to funds according to the terms of the trust.

Under the terms of the trust:

*“...the **income** only is to be used by the Town of Canterbury, NH...for the betterment, improvements or other purposes that might be brought about on (testator’s) home place, but not for other purposes.”*

Balance of Principal on Hand as of 01/01/2019	<u>\$ 243,314.12</u>
Net Gains/Losses	\$ 4,341.64
Principal Distribution	(\$ 12,351.00)
Administration Fees	(\$ 1,084.00)
Balance of Principal on Hand as of 12/31/2019	<u>\$ 234,220.76</u>
Balance of Interest on Hand as of 01/01/2019	<u>\$ 3,278.78</u>
Dividends & Interest	\$ 6,490.52
Canterbury Center Sunday School	(\$ 25.00)
Trust Compensation	(\$ 5,656.34)
Transfer to Principal	(\$ 1,500.00)
Balance of Principal on Hand as of 12/31/2019	<u>\$ 2,587.96</u>

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER – 2019



Beginning Balance 01/01/2019	\$	2,985,752.31
Tax Collector.....	\$	7,568,207.73
Town Clerk	\$	755,494.06
State of New Hampshire	\$	246,551.39
Income from Departments	\$	114,128.58
Transfer from Sam Lake Trust	\$	12,351.60
Library Offset.....	\$	17,373.56
Interest on Investments	\$	12,154.23
Enterprise Fund	\$	87,533.85
Transfers from Capital Reserve.....	\$	48,754.56
Payroll Account Deposits	\$	1,070,927.63
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	9,933,477.19
	\$	12,919,229.50
Selectmen's Orders Paid.....	\$	2,827,550.22
Payroll Disbursements	\$	1,072,059.69
ACH Transfers to State.....	\$	188,424.43
Capital Reserve	\$	167,000.00
School Tax	\$	4,601,170.00
County Tax	\$	800,171.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	9,656,375.34
Ending Balance 12/31/19	\$	3,262,854.16
Conservation Commission Fund.....	\$	193,169.80

RECONCILIATION – TAX COLLECTOR TO TREASURER



Property Tax Remitted to Treasurer	\$7,233,791.28
Interest & Penalties Remitted to Treasurer	19,837.73
Converted to Liens Principle Only	94,357.32
Redemptions	173,309.25
Interest & Costs Collected	41,967.47
Prior Year Payment Adjustment	(55.32)
Check Payments Reversed	5,000.00
TOTAL REMITTED TO TREASURER	\$7,568,207.73

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
TOWN CLERK – 2019**



MOTOR VEHICLE FEES COLLECTED	ACCT. #	AMOUNT
	3220.8	\$ 189,158.63
	3220	\$ 541,202.48
SUB TOTAL		\$ 730,361.11

TOWN CLERK FEES COLLECTED	ACCT.#	AMOUNT
Agent Fee	3240	\$ 21,219.45
Vital Statistics	3290.4	\$ 1,385.00
Marriage License	3290.3	\$ 70.00
SUB TOTAL		\$ 22,674.45

DOG LICENSE FEES COLLECTED	ACCT. #	AMOUNT
Dog Overpopulation Fee	3290.1	\$ 2,433.50
Dog Complaint	3401.11	\$ 25.00
SUB TOTAL		\$ 2,458.50

TOTAL FEES COLLECTED		\$755,494.06
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I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*Sam Papps
Town Clerk*

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT



Summary of Tax Warrants

For the Year Ending December 31, 2019

UNCOLLECTED TAXES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	Levy For Year 2019	Prior Levies	
		2018	2017
DEBITS		2018	2017
Property Taxes	3110	\$ 307,968.58	
Land Use Change Tax	3120	\$ 828.00	
Yield Taxes	3185	\$ 201.12	
Property Tax Credit Balance		(\$ 550.00)	
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR			
Property Taxes	3110	\$ 7,234,231.42	
Land Use Change Tax	3120	\$ 9,650.00	
Yield Taxes	3185	\$ 27,762.25	
Excavation Tax	3187	\$ 162.34	
OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS			
Property Taxes	3110	\$ 10,480.77	
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$ 4,019.93	\$ 15,817.80
Total Debits		\$ 7,285,756.71	\$ 324,815.50

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	Levy For Year		Prior Levies	
	2019	2018	2017	2016 +
REMITTED TO TREASURER				
Property Taxes	\$ 6,992,964.31	\$ 211,521.97		
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 450.00	\$ 828.00		
Yield Taxes	\$ 27,762.25	\$ 102.41		
Interest (Including Lien Conversion)	\$ 4,019.93	\$ 14,465.05		
Penalties		\$ 1,352.75		
Excavation Tax				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)	\$ 162.34			
		\$ 94,357.32		
ABATEMENTS MADE				
Property Taxes	\$ 1,995.42	\$ 4.00		
	\$ 1,092.00	\$ 2,184.00		
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED				
UNCOLLECTED TAXES — END OF YEAR				
Property Taxes	\$ 248,685.46			
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 9,200.00			
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$ 575.00)			
Total Debits	\$ 7,285,756.71	\$ 324,815.50		

	Levy For Year		Prior Levies	
	2019	2018	2017	2016 +
LIEN SUMMARY				
SUMMARY OF DEBITS				
Unredeemed Liens Balance — Beginning of Year			\$ 80,574.48	\$ 96,285.97
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$ 103,198.88			
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	\$ 2,861.34		\$ 13,178.75	\$ 25,927.38
Total Debits	\$ 106,060.22		\$ 93,753.23	\$122,213.35
CREDITS				
SUMMARY OF CREDITS				
Redemptions		\$ 56,390.09	\$ 51,525.75	\$ 65,393.41
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	3190	\$ 2,861.34	\$ 13,178.75	\$ 25,927.38
Liens Deeded to Municipality			\$ 2,317.84	\$ 22,479.17
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	1110	\$ 46,808.79	\$ 26,730.89	\$ 8,413.39
Total Credits		\$ 106,060.22	\$ 93,753.23	\$122,213.35

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 Sam Papps, Tax Collector

TOWN OF CANTERBURY 2019 SUMMARY OF TAXABLE PROPERTY



Current Use Land Assessed Value.....	\$ 1,519,695
Conservation Restriction Assessment.....	\$ 5,542
Land (Improved and Unimproved)	\$ 85,059,000
Residential Buildings	\$ 155,183,138
Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D.....	\$ 64,422
Commercial/Industrial.....	\$ 15,611,200
Public Utilities.....	\$ 6,640,100
Total Gross Valuation	\$ <u>264,083,097</u>
Less Elderly Exemptions	\$ 820,400
Blind Exemptions	\$ 15,000
Physically Handicapped Exemptions.....	\$ 540,000
Improvements to Assist Person W/Disabilities	\$ 102,374
Total Gross Exemptions.....	\$ <u>1,477,774</u>
Net Valuation on which tax rate for Municipal, County & Local Education Tax is computed	\$ 262,605,323
Less Public Utilities	\$ 6,940,100
Net Valuation on which State Education Tax Computed	\$ 255,965,223
Veteran's Tax Credit.....	\$ 50,500
Total Disability Veteran's Tax Credit	\$ 14,000
All Veteran's Tax Credits.....	\$ 6,500
2019 Tax Rate	
Town Tax Rate	\$ 6.32
County Tax Rate.....	\$ 3.05
School Tax Rate.....	\$ 16.26
State Education Tax Rate	\$ 2.24
TAX RATE PER \$1,000	\$ <u>27.87</u>
2019 Equalization Ratio	81.3%

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY



	Acres	Assessed Value
Town Hall & Land.....	5	\$ 239,600
Elkins Library		\$ 399,000
Meeting House Building		\$ 100,700
Historical Society Schoolhouse		\$ 107,100
Sam Lake House		\$ 348,600
Municipal Building and Land	4.98	\$ 1,056,900
Transfer Station Building and Land	6.3	\$ 102,100
Gazebo and Land.....	0.31	\$ 38,700
Elkins Historical Building and Land	0.84	\$ 172,800
	17.43	\$ 2,565,500

Map	Lot	#	Road Name	Descriptive/ Canterbury Conservation Commission	Acres	Assessed Value
101	002		Shaker Road	Sherwood Forest	0.69	\$ 56,900
101	006	47	Old Gilmanton Road	Sherwood Forest	0.24	\$ 13,300
101	009	41	Old Gilmanton Road	Sherwood Forest	0.27	\$ 13,500
101	010	37	Old Gilmanton Road	Sherwood Forest	0.26	\$ 13,500
101	012		Old Gilmanton Road	Sherwood Forest	0.02	\$ 1,300
101	019	12	Nottingham Road	Sherwood Forest	0.54	\$ 13,800
101	036	99	Canterbury Shore Drive	Sherwood Forest	0.71	\$ 13,800
101	058	26	Blue Boar Lane	Sherwood Forest	0.24	\$ 13,300
101	062	39	Blue Boar Lane	Sherwood Forest	31.00	\$ 26,100
101	073		Shaker Road	Lyford Cemetery	0.08	
101	076	641	Shaker Road	Sherwood Forest	0.23	\$ 13,000
102	003	10	Sherwood Forest Drive	Sherwood Forest	0.23	\$ 13,000
102	016	2	Flowage/Dam Rights	Sherwood Forest	0.00	
102	037	84	Canterbury Shore Drive	Sherwood Forest	0.39	\$ 32,100
102	043	Island	New Pond	Sherwood Forest	0.25	\$ 20,000
102	052	85	Canterbury Shore Drive	Sherwood Forest	0.25	\$ 12,200
102	071	65	Canterbury Shore Drive	Sherwood Forest	0.28	\$ 13,500
102	094	10	Friar Tuck Road	Sherwood Forest	0.24	\$ 13,300
102	107	15	Friar Tuck Road	Sherwood Forest	0.23	\$ 13,000
102	109	11	Friar Tuck Road	Sherwood Forest	0.23	\$ 13,000
102	111	7	Friar Tuck Road	Sherwood Forest	0.25	\$ 13,500
102	149	0	Robin Shore Drive	Sherwood Forest	0.04	\$ 13,800
102	150	Island	Lyford Pond	Sherwood Forest	0.40	\$ 20,200
107	024		Kimball Pond Road	Kinter Lot/CCC	3.11 *	\$ 25,700
107	025		Kimball Pond Road	Hildreth Field/CCC	15.09 *	\$ 81,700
107	026		Kimball Pond Road	Hildreth Field/CCC	30.00 *	\$ 96,500
107	029		Center Road	Center Cemetery	2.40	\$ 800
203	005		Snowshoe Hill Road	Gilmanton Town Line	5.00	\$ 10,000
203	008		Snowshoe Hill Road	Wetlands/CCC	7.00	\$ 11,300
203	009		Snowshoe Hill Road	Wetlands/CCC	9.00	\$ 12,800
203	016		Mountain Road	Wooded/CCC	2.30	\$ 8,300
203	017		Mountain Road	Wooded / CCC	2.50	\$ 8,700
203	018		Mountain Road	Wooded/CCC	4.30	\$ 11,900
203	019		Mountain Road	Wooded / CCC	5.25	\$ 13,700
203	020		Mountain Road	Topography/CCC	4.00	\$ 11,400
203	022		Mountain Road	R-0-W RD Thru Center of Lot/CCC	45.00	\$ 48,000
203	023		Mountain Road	Wooded/ CCC	5.40	\$ 13,900
203	024		Mountain Road	Wooded/CCC	3.00	\$ 9,600
203	029		Harmony Lane	Gilmanton Town Line/CCC	6.26	\$ 82,600
205	005		Misery Road	Northfield Town Line/CCC	20.00	\$ 74,200

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Map	Lot	#	Road Name	Descriptive/ Canterbury Conservation Commission	Acres	Assessed Value
208	009		Baptist Hill Road	Irregular shaped lot	1.60	\$ 31,200
208	018		Baptist Hill Road	Mathews Cemetery	0.04	
209	004		Shaker Road	Corner Lot	0.43	\$ 24,600
210	009		Mountain Road	CCC	3.70	\$ 7,400
211	006	ES	Route 106	Backland/NHMS & Soucook River	0.63	\$ 1,900
216	003		Ayers Road	Backland	0.04	\$ 100
218	003		Off Oak Hill Road	Backland	2.90	\$ 5,800
218	004		Intervale Road	Backland/Northfield Townline	8.00	\$ 13,800
218	005	Off	Oak Hill Road	Backland/Northfield Townline	0.21	\$ 400
219	009	NS	Intervale Road	Backland/Northfield Townline	0.24	\$ 500
221	002		Borough Road	N/F Peck	0.43	\$ 900
221	014		Borough Road	Smith Morrill Cemetery	0.05	
222	003		Borough Road	Backland/Access/CCC	22.00	\$ 30,400
223	013		Briar Bush Road	Wooded/CCC	20.00	\$ 87,000
227	006		Asby Road	Brown Cemetery	0.04	
229	004		Baptist Hill Road	Shell Meetinghouse Cemetery	0.52	
232	008		Borough Road	Osgoodite Family Cemetery	0.11	
233	012		Rum Brook Road	Bordered by I-93	5.80	\$ 34,800
234	014		Off Intervale Road	Backland/CCC	81.00	\$ 110,000
236	003		Intervale Road	Merrimack River Frontage	5.10	\$ 83,200
237	019		Big Meadow	Backland/Wetland/CCC	11.00	\$ 18,000
238	003		Northwest Road	Backland/Wetland/CCC	7.40	\$ 12,900
238	004		Northwest Road	Backland/Wetland/CCC	11.70*	\$ 19,000
240	007		Abbott Road	Hannah Moore Lot/CCC	25.00	\$ 33,500
241	023		Baptist Hill Road	Maple Grove Cemetery	6.20	
241	031		Baptist Road	Peverly Meadow/CCC	10.30	\$ 18,800
241	033		Baptist Road	Old Rangeway	5.20	\$ 17,100
243	006		Shaker Road	N/F Berry, Viola Estate	3.70	\$ 7,400
245	003	OFF	Welch Road	Backland/Access/CCC	12.70	\$ 39,400
245	004	R-O-W	Welch Road	Backland/Access/CCC	15.00	\$ 40,800
245	005		Baptist Road	Backland/Access/Pond/CCC	20.00	\$ 28,400
245	007		Baptist Road	Backland/Access/Pond/CCC	23.00	\$ 31,300
245	008		Baptist Road	Backland/Wetland/CCC	10.70	\$ 13,200
245	009		Baptist Road	Backland/Wetland/CCC	20.50*	\$ 29,100
245	010	SE	Baptist Road	Spender Meadow/Crane Neck Pond/CCC	16.00	\$ 18,200
245	011		Baptist Road	Backland/CCC	66.00	\$ 49,500
246	013		Baptist Road	Wetlands/ R-OW/Access/CCC	3.90	\$ 35,800
247	032		Southwest Road	Unknown ROW	0.27	\$ 10,200
250	005		Island	Island on Merrimack River	0.61	\$ 56,100
252	033	WS	Kimball Pond Road	Pond/CCC	19.06*	\$ 86,000
253	039		Pickard Road	Kimball II West Cemetery	0.08	
253	042	WS	Kimball Pond Road	Pond/CCC	22.20*	\$ 89,300
254	001		Spender Meadow	Spender Meadow/CCC	12.50	\$ 20,000
254	003		Spender Meadow	Spender Meadow/CCC	10.80	\$ 17,700
255	014		Whitney Hill Road	Whitney & Lovejoy Rds Triangle/CCC	12.80	\$ 48,900
256	003		Whitney Hill Road	N/F Samual Lovering Heirs	22.00	\$ 86,000
257	008	W OF	Whitney Hill Road	Backland/wetlands	19.00	\$ 14,400
258	027		Old Schoolhouse Road	Side of Class VI Road	0.20	\$ 38,800
261	003		West Road	Canterbury/Boscawen Bridge/CCC	5.40	\$ 83,800
262	003		Along Merrimack	N/F Elbridge Carter Heirs	16.50	\$ 24,800
263	017		Abby Drive	Open Space	0.52	\$ 22,100
263	021		Cambridge Drive	Open Space	3.00	\$ 34,000
263	026		Layton Drive	Open Space/CCC	0.44	\$ 25,100
263	031		Layton Drive	Open Space/CCC	14.40	\$ 50,900

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Map	Lot	#	Road Name	Descriptive/ Canterbury Conservation Commission	Acres	Assessed Value
263	035		Cambridge Drive	Open Space/CCC	0.97	\$ 29,900
263	040		Cambridge Drive	Pond/Open Space	3.80	\$ 35,600
263	043		Abby Drive	Open Space/CCC	0.63	\$ 28,200
263	044		Cambridge Drive	Open Space	0.66	\$ 22,600
264	011		New Road	Concord Frontage/CCC	28.00	\$ 64,600
267	051		Oxbow Pond Road	Riverland Conservation/CCC	68.73*	\$ 195,400
					Acres	717.43
					Parcel Values	\$2,806,000
					Town Building Values	\$2,565,500
					Town Owned Building and Parcels	\$5,371,500

*Conservation Easement

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT



This year we completed work on the agreement with Penacook Civil Defense Rescue Service to provide our town with emergency medical services. Chief Newbery was instrumental in our arriving with the agreement that was approved by all the parties. The Penacook Rescue budget request for the year 2020 reflects an increase of 5% over last year. This increase is a result of labor costs for the EMTs and Paramedics required to provide 24/7 coverage. Although the budget amount is a significant increase from the 2017 budget request the cost for service is within industry guidelines for the services provided to our community. We continue to rely on Belmont Rescue and Loudon Rescue to provide coverage for parts of Shaker Road and we are also part of Capitol Area mutual aid which provides back-up emergency medical services. Additionally, our fire department provides full time, first responder weekday services. We now feel that we have a stable emergency service coverage for our community.

The increase in popularity of the short-term rental market this past year has resulted in our decision to adopt an ordinance to regulate their operation. Because of the workload of the Planning Board it was decided to have the BOS originate and propose the ordinance. Ken Folsom, our town administrator, created the document with input from the Planning Board for presentation to the BOS for approval. A public hearing was held on December 10, 2019 and following input from the public and the Planning Board we voted to include the proposal as presented for placement on the warrant for consideration at the town meeting in March. The Planning Board voted to endorse placing the proposal on the warrant for Town approval.

The 2019 tax rate was \$27.87 per \$1000 assessment. This was an increase of \$1.30 or 4.8%. The Town portion was \$6.32 per \$1000. An increase of \$.03 or .47%. The equalization ratio (the assessed value versus the present market value) is 81.5%. We are working with our Town Assessor, Mandy Irving, in scheduling a town property reappraisal for next year.

This past year we filled three staffing vacancies. Jamie Huard was hired to fill the position of Deputy Town Clerk. She is a resident of Canterbury. Jamie comes to us from SNHU. Thomas (TJ) Bibeau was hired to replace Richard Niolet in the Highway Department. TJ has been working part time during the summers performing the “duties as assigned” tasks. Joel French was hired to replace Scott Lacroix as the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer.

In December Guy Newbery submitted his resignation as our Fire Chief and accepted an interim appointment as Fire Chief for the City of Concord. Guy has served as our Fire Chief for two years and during that time has been outstanding in performing his duties. He has been responsible for obtaining the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) grant this year, working with Penacook Civil Defense Rescue Squad in arriving at an Emergency Medical Services agreement in addition to his other duties as Fire Chief. He has chosen to remain a member of our depart-

ment. We thank him for his service to our community and wish him continued success in Concord.

We again thank Pam & Gordon Jackson and Beth & Chris Blair for decorating the center and Kris McLaughlin for coordinating the Christmas Tree lighting ceremony and to UNITIL and Brian Magoon for helping with the lights.

*Respectfully submitted,
Arthur E. Hudson Jr.
Cheryl A. Gordon
George R. Glines*

TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT



This past year we welcomed Sam Papps as Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Jamie Huard as Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector. TJ Bibeau was hired as a full-time Highway Dept. employee and Kris Dupuis was hired by the PD as a Part-Time Officer. Joel French has been hired as the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer. Fire Chief Newbery resigned in December to take the Interim Fire Chief's position in Concord.

There were no major projects this year, but money was spent on painting the Town Hall, the Houser Museum and the exterior of the Municipal Building. The State of NH Department of Corrections supervised inmates in the painting of the Municipal Building and the Houser Museum at a significant cost savings to the town. Wiring and lights were replaced at the Transfer Station and work was done by the Highway Dept. to make space for trailers for the separation of cardboard and paper. A shed for sand for driveways was also built by the Highway Dept. using lumber milled by Hugh Fifield from trees that were cut for the trailer project.

A new Firewall and off-site backup were installed at the Town Office. The Fire Dept., Highway Dept. and Police Dept. also have installed back systems for their computers.

The staff at the Town Office worked with Department Heads to update the Capital Improvement Plan for town vehicles. The updated plan was presented to the Budget Committee to assist with planning for future major purchases.

Construction on the dam at Shaker Village was started this fall. Work will continue through the winter to repair the dam.

Town employees were certified in First Responder CPR this year. Several employees received training and attended seminars throughout the year that were relevant in their job areas.

The Joint Loss Management Committee completed the annual walkthrough of town buildings. Most past deficiencies have been corrected.

Once again, I want to point out that we are very fortunate to have a dedicated and professional group of employees and all the members of the various boards and committees that volunteer their time.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Ken Folsom
Town Administrator*

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT



I would like to thank the residents for their patience driving through the various work zones this year. Also, a thank you to Hugh Fifield for making use of the “dump trees” as we attempt to build a shed for resident sand.

You may have noticed a new face to the plow crew as TJ Bibeau has joined us full time.

2019 has passed in a hurry as chip sealing was done to Carter Hill and Borough Roads, paving work on Morrill, Randall, Old Tilton and the Sam Lake House. Tree work and a loading dock at the dump, and a very long mud season.

We look forward to 2020 with work on Intervale and Baptist Hill Roads on our radar.

I hope to see you on the roads.

*Respectfully,
Donald “John” O’Connor
Road Agent*

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT



During the calendar year 2019 a record number of permits were issued: 87 in total, which included, 7 new residential homes, 1 standalone ADU, 1 commercial garage, 48 solar permits, 2 demolitions, 16 accessory building/garages, and 12 additions/renovations. Numerous gas, plumbing, and electrical permits were issued and inspected for safety and code compliance.

As of January 2020 the selectmen have hired Joel French to serve as the Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer.

PLANNING BOARD



The 2019 Town elections resulted in Joshua Gordon and Kent Ruesswick being re-elected to the Board for three-year terms. Scott Doherty and Brendan O'Donnell joined the Board as Alternates.

There were 3 public hearings held resulting in 3 lot line adjustments and 9 pre-application conceptual consultations. The Board spent a large amount of time working on a revised Table of Use project and finalized two proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for 2020 Warrant Articles.

Short term rentals like Air B&B have been a planning issue in many parts of the state. As of this writing the Board of Selectmen are preparing a Zoning Ordinance amendment to address their regulation in Canterbury. A public hearing will be held by the Planning Board.

The Board continued to actively monitor the New Hampshire Motor Speedway's applications for various uses and activities on the property.

We are always looking for additional Alternate Members to join us in helping to shape the future of Canterbury. Any interested residents are welcome to attend any meeting to observe and discuss their interest with us.

Respectfully submitted
Jim Snyder, Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT



Case #	Applicant	Appeal	Decision
2019-1	Barrera, Jennica	Area Variance	Denied
2019-2	Booth, David Rush, Melora	Variance	Withdrawn
2019-3	Mourning Dove Holdings, LLC	Extension Request	Granted
2019-4	Plue, Rebecca	Special Exception	Granted
2019-5	Harper, Paula	Special Exception	Granted
2019-6	Shober, Nathaniel Weger, Aurora	Special Exception	Granted

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Carlson, Secretary

FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT



The Canterbury Fire Rescue department had an active and successful year in 2019. The final tally for 2019 included responding to 328 emergencies and logging 3,090 hours of training. Of our 328 calls, 64% were EMS in nature, 22% were fire related incidents and 14% were motor vehicle accidents. Our members worked tirelessly to improve themselves through in-house training and taking fire and EMS courses to better serve our community. Two members completed a Firefighter 1 course, one member completed a Firefighter 2 course, two current EMTs are weeks away from becoming licensed Advanced EMTs and one member completed a Fire Officer 1 course. We are lucky to have dedicated men and women among our ranks of volunteers. In June CFD hosted a very productive Mutual Aid drill, focusing on brush fire equipment and response. We continue to have a great working relationship with our neighboring departments.

We happily welcomed new members Chris Acres, Bradley Reep, and Michael Slattery this year, all of whom came to us with fire or EMS certifications and have made an immediate impact. In December we said a bittersweet thank you and good luck to Chief Guy Newbery, as he resigned as Chief to take a new role as Interim Fire Chief of the Concord, NH Fire Department. Guy will remain a volunteer member of Canterbury Fire and Rescue. Prior to his resignation, Chief Newbery promoted Captain Nicholas Baker and Firefighter Scott Doherty both to the rank of Deputy Chief. Both Deputy Baker and Deputy Doherty are fulfilling the role of Interim Chief until a permanent Fire Chief is hired.

The department was finally successful in obtaining the elusive Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) to replace our dated Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). A committee of CFD personnel reviewed two manufacturers of SCBA and put forth a recommendation of the MSA G1 product. We took delivery of these air packs on January 13th, 2020 and after training, will place these in service. 2019 also saw the fulfillment of the EMS in the Warm Zone grant, culminating in an online training module, a 4-hour practical course and the acquisition of PPE and medical supplies. The 4-hour practical course was held at Canterbury Elementary School and was completed in conjunction with Canterbury Police Department and Penacook Rescue Squad. Our new PPE and medical supplies will also us to respond appropriately to an active shooter event should one arise.

Canterbury Fire and Rescue would like to thank our town administrator, selectmen and the entire community for your continued support this past year. We look forward to another successful year and continuing to serve whenever called upon.

*Respectfully,
Deputy Chief Nicholas Baker*

POLICE DEPARTMENT



I would like to thank all of you for your continued support of the Canterbury Police Department. In 2019, we were able to have the front of the police department repainted as well as some landscaping done. This project was done by utilizing a program through the New Hampshire Department of Corrections with little cost to the taxpayers. The police department also has a new program called “Are You Ok.” This service is designed to check the safety and welfare of elderly or disabled individuals within our community who live alone or have special needs. Please call the police department and speak with Administrative Assistant Deb Nielsen for more information on the program. The police department has a pharmaceutical drop box for any unwanted or unused medication in the police lobby. The Canterbury Police Department continues to strive for excellence in the service we provide to all of you.

The lease/purchase program for the cruisers comes to an end this year. We make our final payment soon after the town budget meeting and the vehicles will be owned by the town. I feel this program has worked well and will be asking next year to continue with this program.

If you ever need us to respond to an emergency or you need to report something, call 9-1-1 or the 24-hour Merrimack County Dispatch Center at 603-228-1010. If you need to speak to an officer or myself, please call the station at 603-783-0433.

Here are some statistics that your police department responded to during 2016, 2017, and 2018:

	2017	2018	2019
Accident	34	46	44
Arrests	79	83	123
Calls for Service	1,701	2,512	3,201
Citations	1,342	1,623	1,454
Field Interviews	97	229	50
Incidents	172	235	278

Everyone here at the Canterbury Police Department is proud to serve you and the community. Open communications with everyone is the key to our success. At any time if you need to speak to me about a problem or anything else please don't hesitate to call.

Respectfully,
Michael P. Labrecque
Chief of Police
mlabrecque@canterbury-nh.org
603-783-0433

ENERGY COMMITTEE



The Energy Committee had a busy year, beginning with a Solar 101 Workshop attended by 44 residents. The strong interest in solar led the committee to hold a Solarize Canterbury campaign from May to end of August. After an RFP process in March, we chose our partner designer/installer 603 Solar, who offered residents lower costs for solar installations. The committee handled all the marketing, including a Kick Off event (attended by 100 people), signs and banners, newsletter articles, information at the Farmer's Market and Canterbury Fair. The Committee also organized two Solar Home tours of Canterbury homes where solar had already been installed. By the end of August, an astonishing 41 households had signed contracts for installations. Solarize Canterbury doubled the solar production in town.

In the fall we returned to examining the energy usage and carbon emissions of our town buildings. We now have access to electric, propane and oil use records for town buildings. We are in the process of examining this data and deciding which buildings might need an energy audit. We also have some recommendations for energy efficiency improvements at the Municipal Building, based on a 2012 audit. We continued to meet with town departments to inquire how we might help them conserve energy.

Canterbury Town Energy Committee

Ruth Heath

Sandra Hodsdon

Fred Portnoy

Beth McGuinn

Jeff Beltramo

Alternates:

Claudia Leidinger

David Day

ELKINS LIBRARY TRUSTEES



With just over 15,000 patron visits Elkins Library was a very busy place in 2019.

Patrons might have been participating in “A Universe of Stories,” our summer reading program, which had 6 weeks of games, food and experiments with 280 eager readers. Perhaps they came to one of many adult programs including: rug braiding, knitting group, a genealogy workshop, book discussion groups, or Death Café. They might have visited during one of our 5 Humanities programs that we cosponsored with the Historical Society. The funding for these programs is provided with grants from NH Humanities. Topics ranged from the Vietnam War to George Washington’s runaway slave. Maybe grandparents and parents both wanted a chance to climb into police and fire vehicles during Big Truck Day. Or, folks just came in for delicious food at our Bavarian Christmas party and then stayed to dance to great fiddle music. Whatever the reason we had lots of company.

Our building was updated this year with LED lighting which has resulted in significant energy savings. New signage appeared over the front entry. An upgraded Server guarantees fast and reliable communication. In our 2018 report we mentioned we needed a new rug. The old rug was worn, torn and coming loose in high traffic areas. After much consideration the Trustees decided to take the entire cost of the new carpeting from our trusts funds for the coming 2020 year and not ask the town for that sizable expense. The hard work and financial support of our Friends Group provided funding for programming and children’s’ room purchases.

Our staff’s experience and enthusiasm allows the library to work smoothly and efficiently. Their positive attitudes greet everyone who enters the building. They truly are the heart and soul of our library.

Claudia Leidinger

Chairperson Elkins Library Board of Trustees

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT



January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019

Total Circulation of Materials:	18,813
Adult Fiction	3,492
Adult Non-Fiction	841
Youth Fiction	3,807
Young Adult Fiction	644
Youth Non-Fiction.....	765
Magazines	184
CD's.....	716
DVD's	3,282
Inter-Library Loans borrowed	1,135
Downloadable Audio Books	3,947

Materials Purchased

Adult Fiction	256
Adult Non-Fiction	65
Juvenile	167
Young Adult	77
Youth Non-Fiction.....	45
Books on CD	54
DVD's	115
Donations (Books, CDs & DVDs)	62

Elkins Library offers a wide variety of reading materials, listening books and music on CD, Downloadable Books, periodicals and DVDs. WIFI, five public computer stations and four Chromebooks are available for public use. The Mary Hutchins meeting room may be reserved for non-profit groups. Patron visits totaled 15,044 in 2019. The library provided 199 programs such as Story Hour, Rock N' Read, Lego Club, Maker Space, Summer Reading, 1000 Books Before Kindergarten, Book Discussions, Teen Advisory, Young Readers, Zen Coloring, Knitters, Rug Braiding, Humanities programs and other special events, such as children's performers, conservation and cultural programs; all of which resulted in 2,182 children, 186 teens and 728 adults in attendance. Additionally, the Children's Librarian made 32 Outreach visits to the classrooms at the Canterbury Elementary School and the Dewey School.

We wish to express our gratitude to the Friends of Elkins Public Library who have assisted with activities, provided family passes, materials and funds for programs.

Susan LeClair, Director

Rachel Baker, Youth Services

Rose Howe, Circulation Services

Mary Ann Winograd, Circulation Services

Mary Ellen MacCoy, Circulation Services

2019 PERAMBULATION REPORT



RSA 51:2 requires that, *“The lines between the towns in this state shall be perambulated, and the marks and bounds renewed, once in every 7 years forever, by the selectmen of the towns, or by such persons as they shall in writing appoint for that purpose...”* As the appointed town line perambulator for Canterbury, I concentrated my efforts in 2019 on perambulating the town line between Canterbury and Concord.

This common line is about 4.09 miles long with 12 bounds called for in the old perambulation documents. The description of these bounds varies from blazed trees, to stone posts, to carvings in ledge outcrops, to granite bounds. Most of these bounds were set in 1877 with the newer ones set or re-set in 1905. Although a perambulation is required every seven years, the last records I found of an official perambulation was in the 1912-1919 time period. The names of the perambulators in these old records are Herman Colby, Lowell Mason, George A. Pickard and Edwin F. Kimball. In an ironic twist of history and fate, I am now the owner of what was once Edwin F. Kimball’s farm and I’m now retracing his 100-year old footsteps perambulating this line.

The town line between Concord and Canterbury is crossed by many roads including several old roads which have been discontinued or that no longer exist. On the west side of Canterbury, when Interstate 93 and Exit 17 were constructed, local roads in the area were severed, relocated, or merged into other area roads. On the east side of Canterbury, roads that were no longer being used were discontinued and forgotten. These discontinued roads are no longer maintained and are not drivable but are still referenced in the perambulation documents which pre-date the discontinuance of the roads. Finding and accessing these discontinued roads provided me with a point of entry to start searching for the remote town bounds.

On several occasions I contacted the appointed representative for the City of Concord and although he was helpful in providing information, historic documents, old photographs and records from Concord City files, we never were able to coordinate a date to walk the line and mutually witness the town line bounds.

Working independently of Concord, I spent several days searching for and recovering the old bounds with some success. The 1877 bounds in the area of the Exit 17 on/off ramps and the new bridge approach over the Merrimack River were destroyed during road construction. Replacement bounds may have been set by NHDOT in alternate locations but are not called for in the perambulation documents. I recovered a total of 10 bounds, including original and replacement bounds. In recovering these bounds, I was fortunate to be able to tap into the local knowledge and gain assistance from Ben Bynum, Larry Phillips, Dave Wescott, Denise Constant, John Jordan, George Boisvert, and Web Stout, all of whom I’d like to thank.

Low precision navigator grade GPS coordinates were recorded on all recovered bounds, and all were marked with “2019,” photographed, and freshly flagged or painted to make easier for future users to find. This is not an official perambulation

as an on-site presence by a representative from Concord is required. Hopefully I'll be able to accomplish that in 2020.

*Respectfully submitted,
Mark C. Stevens*

Photographs from the 2019 Perambulation



Bound is flush with the ground on the banks of the Merrimack River. Engraved with a "C" and a drill hole. (Bottom center of photo). Railroad bridge onto Hannah Dustin Island in background upper center of photo.

In the woods at the 90° Concord corner. Accessed via the discontinued Flag Hole Road.



HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Our mission "To preserve Canterbury's history and sense of community"

With inevitable change we were sad to bid farewell to Trustee and founding member of the Society Priscilla Lockwood in the fall. We are pleased to welcome new Trustees Brenda Murray and Fred Brewster.

We continued to move positively ahead over the year in further strengthening our partnership with Shaker Village as demonstrated by the election of two of our Trustees as Corporators to the Shaker Board and secondly, through enhanced communication between the Society and the members of the Village's board of directors. Former director Susan Bennett and interim director Maggie Stier have been leaders in recognizing the value of building a closer relationship between the Village and the town. We have been pleased to be a part of that effort and will work to strengthen it.

"Welcome to Canterbury" is a directory we published late in the year intended to assist and acquaint new residents with a variety of information about the "who, what, where and how" of the town answering questions like how to register a car and information needed to do so, registering to vote, dump hours, child care, business services and much more. Mary Jane Bergman led this effort and the Society will publish it free as a public service.

The John J. Railey Clock was officially welcomed to the new Sam Lake House in a brief ceremony on August 7th and presented at the formal opening of the building. The Railey story is told in this town report.

Our featured exhibit at the Elkins Memorial building was entitled "Historic Houses of Canterbury" launched under the direction of trustee Harry Kinter and served as a study of some of Canterbury's oldest homes. Around 100 homes have been identified for study, several in various stages of completion with the information becoming part of our Archive collection.

We were fortunate this year to present 3 programs made possible with the support of and funding by the "New Hampshire Humanities To Go" program in cooperation with Elkins Library.

Our award winning "One Room Schoolhouse Program" marked its 12th year of continued success with the cooperation and support of the staff of the Canterbury Elementary school, the Belmont Elementary school, much appreciated community and volunteer support, as well as the invaluable guidance of Enrichment Teacher, Karen Gingrich.

We are working with purpose to achieve the spirit of our mission statement, not only in terms of preserving Canterbury's history, but perhaps more importantly, in the context of our history, preserving our sense of community. Much of what we do celebrates, reveals and informs us about how our town came to be as it is. Community spirit exemplified by hard work, a willingness to volunteer, become involved and inviting others to do so, welcoming all, promoting a sense of fun and not taking ourselves too seriously are qualities contributing to the idea of a sense of community. We invite you to help us achieve our mission...you are welcome!

*Respectfully submitted,
Robert Scarponi, President*

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT



Like many of the committees, employees, and volunteers in our small town, the Conservation Commission has a variety of roles and responsibilities. As stewards responsible for helping the Selectmen manage the town's natural resources, the Conservation Commission dedicates considerable time every year to property management. Property management starts with a plan, and this year we wrote a property management plan for the Sawyers Ferry Conservation Area. During the thoughtful process, we considered the many special features of the property as well as potential benefits to the town. We visited the property, consulted a biologist, a forester, the residents of Canterbury, and the Board of Selectmen, before passing a final draft of the plan. On other properties with management plans already in place, we continued our regular mowing, invasive species control, trail maintenance, and other work as needed. As is typical, in 2019 various property management activities were completed by contracted professionals, by our very helpful Highway Department, and by commission members and town residents donating their time and equipment. The Conservation Commission also assumes the responsibility for monitoring the easements that convey a conservation interest to the town. Best practices call for regular monitoring of those properties, and the Conservation Commission makes sure each easement interest is verified regularly. Easement monitoring for 2019 was completed with no violations or issues being reported. In our role as advocate for the town's natural resources, the Conservation Commission is sometimes asked by other town boards and committees, as well as different conservation groups, for input. On several occasions during 2019 we collaborated with the Board of Selectmen, and the Planning Board, and met with representatives from the 5 Rivers Land Trust and the Society for the Protection of NH Forests to discuss various topics or projects that might be of importance to Canterbury. In addition to being available to meet with other groups, we try to keep current a set of relevant maps that can be used to inform the viewer of various conservation and natural resource realities that occur across Canterbury's landscape. This year we made the minor updates to our Conservation Lands map that reflected the changes that had occurred over the past couple of years. In our oversight role, the Conservation Commission is tasked, by state law, with the review of certain types of wetland permits. This past year we reviewed and signed off on the permits that came to our attention, and those projects were able to move forward with a local perspective included in the permitting process.

The Conservation Commission meets in the Meeting House, at 7:00, on the second Monday of the month.

*On behalf of the Canterbury Conservation Commission
Thomas Osmer, Chair*

CEMETERY TRUSTEES



2019 was a good year for your Cemetery Trustees. We were able to keep up with the routine maintenance, continued to make forward progress with on-going projects, and had some success getting a couple of new projects underway. There were 12 burials at the Maple Grove Cemetery and 7 new plots were sold to individuals planning ahead.

Routine maintenance at the three biggest cemeteries was successfully accomplished this year primarily due to the efforts of the one part-time cemetery employee, Mr. TJ Bibeau, who did a great job staying on top of all the mowing and landscaping this year. The volunteer team of Gordon Jackson, Dale Caswell, and Sandy Morris are also to be thanked for their continued efforts at the Center Cemetery improving the appearance of our most visible cemetery.

Our other volunteer cemetery keepers also did a fine job with the routine maintenance of the smaller outlying cemeteries. A few of our regular keepers opted not to return to this volunteer duty in 2019, but we were able to fill those vacancies with new volunteers, or by assigning the cemetery to another willing keeper. We wish to extend our gratitude to all the volunteer keepers who spent time mowing, raking, brush cutting, weed whacking, and doing whatever else needed to be done to keep the smaller graveyards looking well kept. This year we'd especially like to recognize the efforts of Kent Hatfield. Kent was our very first Cemetery Keeper and his volunteer efforts led us to create and launch the Keepers program. Kent has been taking care of the Jeremiah Clough cemetery on Center Road since 2012 but decided that it was now time for him to turn this over to someone else. We'd like to thank him for his years of service.

One big project that got started this year involved the cleaning, mapping, photographing, and cataloging of our cemeteries. While we already have an online data base of information compiled from years' worth of records, we had found that it was not always complete as some of the headstones could not be read entirely. A careful cleaning of the headstones was needed so that the engraved information could be better revealed, photographed, and entered in the database. Lucas Gendron, a local high school student agreed to spearhead the project as part of his Eagle Scout badge requirements. Approximately 12 other volunteers also signed up to assist and the team has made considerable progress cleaning the headstones in the Center Cemetery.

With the benefit of newly cleaned and more legible headstones we discovered a handful of veterans that had not previously been identified as such. The project of identifying all military veterans buried in our cemeteries for the purpose of installing a flag beside their headstone has been completed, but we continue to address errors and add new discoveries as we become aware of them. We'd like to acknowledge the American Legion in Penacook for the donation and placement of the American flags on the identified veterans' graves this past Memorial Day.

Another successful project that will need to be continued next year was the work begun by Charles Beede of Beede Cemetery Lettering from Laconia. Beede

was hired to work at the Center Cemetery repairing broken headstones and re-erecting fallen ones or straightening leaning ones. He accomplished as much as he could within the budget allocated and we are pleased with what he was able to accomplish. We have included \$2,000 into the next budget so that this work can continue next season.

The Trustees, Sexton, and Cemetery Historian hosted a tour of the Center Cemetery on May 17th for the elementary school children who were learning about the Civil War as part of the One Room Schoolhouse Program. Students were shown the monuments dedicated to and the grave sites of Civil War Veterans and were given some insight into the lives of these Civil War Veterans. We also continue to respond to requests from historical and genealogical researchers looking for burial information of an ancestor or a submitted name. An inquiry this year requesting a photo of the grave of William Forrest led our Cemetery Historian, Mark Stevens, to the discovery of a little-known story of an early Canterbury settler. Mark's research into William Forrest's story follows below if space allows.

Trustees inspecting the cemeteries this year noted some large decaying, dying, or encroaching trees at the Center, Maple Grove, Hancock, Kimball, and Shell Meetinghouse Cemeteries that will need to be taken care of in the near future. We have obtained estimates from Magoon Tree Service and anticipate tackling as many of these trees projects as we can next year with the budgeted money available. Additionally, the Trustees are in discussion with David Court, the Northfield blacksmith, to repair and reinstall the black iron gates on the west end of the Center Cemetery. The gates are currently stored in the Milo Morrill mausoleum under lock and key, but hopefully will be swinging come spring.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Hugh Fifield, Chairman
Sam Papps, Trustee
John Goegel, Trustee
Kent Ruesswick, Sexton
Mark Stevens, Historian*

William Forrest

William Forrest was born in Boston about 1756 and moved to Canterbury with his mother and stepfather when he was about 14 years old. William already had relatives in Canterbury, an Aunt Margaret who had married William Moore one of the first Canterbury settlers, and also an uncle named John who was a soldier at the Canterbury fort and a veteran of the Indian wars. Soldier John had a son also named William who had been born at the Canterbury fort. The two cousins were about the same age and both would later serve in the Revolutionary War leaving some confusing military records as to which "William Forrest from Canterbury" was present at any given battle.

When 14-year-old William arrived in Canterbury he was sent to live with his Aunt Margaret, Mrs. William Moore. William Moore and his brother Archelaus Moore occupied a family homestead farm and owned a negro slave named Samp-

son Battis. Sampson was later given his freedom in exchange for his military service in the Revolutionary War. Young William Forrest was apprenticed to Deacon Asa Foster in the tannery trade, but when he reached legal age at the beginning of the Revolutionary War he volunteered promptly, apparently eager to leave the hide tanning business.

William enlisted in Capt. Jeremiah Clough's New Hampshire regiment under the command of General John Stark. In the winter of 1775, General George Washington sent the force north to capture Quebec in a brash and ambitious plan. They were ordered to ascend Maine's Kennebec River and then portage their boats overland through the northern Maine wilderness, during the month of December. Upon reaching the St Lawrence River they would then sail to Quebec and attack the city. The force was led by Colonel Benedict Arnold and consisted of 1,100 men including two named William Forrest from Canterbury. Problems plagued the expedition as soon as it left the last colonial outposts in Maine. The portages up the Kennebec River were grueling and the boats frequently leaked ruining gunpowder and spoiling food supplies. More than a third of the men turned back before reaching the height of land between the Kennebec and Chaudière rivers. The areas on either side of the height of land were swampy tangles of lakes and streams, and the trek was made more difficult by winter weather and inaccurate maps. Many of the troops lacked experience handling boats which led to the loss of more boats and supplies.

By the time that Arnold's men reached the Saint Lawrence River, his force was reduced to 600 sick and starving men. Any element of surprise was lost as spies had given the city plenty of advance warning of the slowly approaching army. An attempt to attack the city and an ineffectual siege both failed. Most of the attacking force was killed, captured, or wounded. One of the few who survived and escaped was William Forrest of Canterbury.

After his return from Quebec he took part in the battles of Bennington, Stillwater, and an expedition to Rhode Island. Forrest served throughout the entire war as a private but received a commission after the war and was promoted to Lieutenant in the NH Militia. When he returned home to Canterbury, he married Dorothy Worthen in 1782 and took her to reside in the Canterbury Borough when it was still an unbroken forest. There was no road to their home only a trail of spotted trees. William Forrest built a log cabin and later a house near the shore of the pond which today bears his name. Twelve children of William and Dorothy were raised at this home on Forrest Pond.

The children of William Forrest remembered that their father used to sit beside the fire and tell stories of the most frightful obstacles of ice-cold streams to be forded and impenetrable swamps to pass through while many of the men were barefoot. Their clothing became so ragged and worn out that it provided little protection against the intense cold. Or stories describing how their food was gone long before they reached the Canadian settlements and the men had eaten their last ox and dog and subsisted entirely on roots for days and had been without any food for forty-eight hours when they finally reached Quebec. It is said that the children never tired of hearing his stories.

William Forrest died of fever, at the age of 61, and is buried in the little graveyard on what was once his family farm near Forrest Pond. Map makers sometimes erroneously assume that the pond is so-named because it is surrounded by forest and they will inadvertently leave out an “r” in the spelling of the pond’s name, but Forrest Pond should correctly be spelled with a double “r” as it is named after William Forrest, the Revolutionary War soldier who survived an ill-fated winter march to Quebec under the command of Benedict Arnold the soon-to-be American traitor.

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE



The Canterbury Solid Waste Committee is made up of members interested in assisting the Facility staff in developing the most efficient operation while maximizing the environmental impact of our recycling efforts and minimizing the cost for residents. Planning efforts have included developing contingency plans in case of closure at the Wheelabrator Waste-to-energy facility and consideration of modifications at the Transfer Station. These modifications will improve efficiencies, increase recycling options, ensure safety for employees and patrons, and improve the existing facilities. Our hope is that over the coming months we can develop a plan for some low-cost improvements to the existing facility that will meet all our stated goals.

This year we changed a few things to help the town with disposal fees. As many people know the market for recyclables has gone down dramatically. The first thing we accomplished was to have a loading dock built to handle the new trailers for Paper and Cardboard. This has worked out very well for the town and has saved about \$7,700.00 since July 2019.

The big expense we were able to avoid was the transportation charges every 10 days plus the cost of disposal and rental of the box when paper and cardboard were mixed. With the new system there are none of these charges.

This is not to say it is free, we still have to pay while the market is down, hopefully that will turn around soon. If not, we at least have a system in place that will be cheaper to use than before.

A door and window were added to the side of the building.

We are grateful for the building upgrade — the electrical wiring and all new lights at the transfer station. At the same time the wiring was being done, the Transfer Station Manager installed a ceiling and made walls in the baler room to try and get it ready for the heater that was installed. Now that the heater is up and running David and Andres will be able to keep a little bit warmer.

As we progress into the next year, we will also be continuing to streamline the way things are done. The Manager has found a new vendor who will take our scrap metal and our precious metals to market. When he does this, he will set up two

containers for this process; the first is for just steel and the second for the more valuable scrap metals (brass, copper, aluminum, etc.)

At the entrance to the Transfer Station the Highway Department built a sand shed for the residents to use. They used the trees cut to make space at the Station for the new loading dock. (How cool is that!)

We would like to thank all the Canterbury residents for the way they have handled the changes The Transfer Station staff are here to help you so please feel free to ask them.

Hopes/Plans for next year

The current Transfer Station building is located on top of the inactive but unclosed landfill and we could be asked to clear the site due to State permit requirements at any time. This would make significant changes to the existing facilities or replacement of the building at the existing location not a good investment and is not being recommended at this time. Changes to traffic patterns, including locations of recyclable drop-off, and equipment purchase to allow an increase in recycling, meet the cited goals without requiring significant modifications to the facility. The committee is developing a plan and will estimate costs for proposal at the 2021 Town Meeting to address traffic congestion, increase recycling categories, and improve practices that allow a better return for collected recyclables. The proposed projects under consideration include:

1. Modifying traffic patterns to allow bypass of stopped vehicles, designating parking places, and prioritizing building space where the most value can be achieved.
2. Moving the construction and demolition debris away from the heavily travelled areas of the facility but in an area that can still be overseen by staff.
3. Moving the Swap Shop to allow additional parking outside the Recycling Building to reduce vehicle traffic through the Recycling Building.
4. Extending the roof line on the Recycling Building at the southwest lean-to area and closing the facility to the weather to allow installation of more up-to-date and efficient balers, capable of baling additional plastics to increase recycling rates and collected recyclable materials.
5. Upgrading the power supply at the facility to allow operation of the new equipment.

Next year's proposal will be a significant updating of our solid waste disposal facilities.

More and more towns are cutting or eliminating their recycling programs. Our understanding is that people in Canterbury want to keep recycling

In the future of this ever-changing market for solid waste, flexibility is essential. We on the Solid Waste Committee are working to make our system as resilient as we can to any changes.

*Respectfully submitted,
Solid Waste Committee*

MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING



FIRST SESSION — March 12, 2019

Kent Ruesswick, Assistant Moderator call the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

Necessary Town officers for the year ensuing were chosen by ballot. The meeting was recessed at 7:00 p.m.

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Board of Selectmen:

1 position, 3 years

Hudson, Arthur.....268

Town Clerk/Tax Collector:

3 years

Papps, Samuel.....203

Library Trustee:

3 years

Craigie, Ray300

Zeller, Rick.....313

Library Trustee:

2 years

Melasecca, Sarah.....288

Riendeau, Linda310

Treasurer:

3 years

Edelstein, Albert.....319

Trustee of Trust Funds:

3 years

Brown, Tiffany300

Cemetery Trustee:

3 years

Papps, Samuel.....316

Moderator:

2 years

LeClair, Ted314

Planning Board:

3 years

Gordon, Joshua291

Ruesswick, Kent.....282

Article 2.

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the combined office of Town Clerk/Tax Collector under the provisions of RSA 41:45-a.

Yes 55 No 308

Article 3.

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This Amendment would resolve possible conflicts between and overly district and an underlying base district.

Yes 247 No 97

Article 4.

Are you in favor of the adoption of an amendment to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This Amendment would

replace the old definition of Accessory Apartment and add a new article to the Zoning Ordinance, Article 18: Accessory Dwelling Units.

Yes 296 No 18

SECOND SESSION – MARCH 15, 2019

The second session was held at the Canterbury Elementary School on Friday, the fifteenth day of March, 2019, at seven o'clock in the evening to act on the following subjects:

Moderator Kent Ruesswick opened the meeting at 7:05. This is the 277th Canterbury Town Meeting. All veterans were asked to stand and then everyone stood and joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. He informed the audience that Ted LeClair had a tragedy befall his family and is now in Texas, so he will be Moderator in his absence. He explained his role for the evening and talked about the importance of Town Meeting. The Board of Selectmen was introduced. Moderator Ruesswick thanked all the folks who show up to vote and all who make that happen. He's impressed with all the work that goes into this entire process. The audience applauded all those who contributed.

Moderator Ruesswick read aloud the results of the election held on March 12th. A copy of the results is attached to these Minutes.

Corrections to 2018 Town Report. Selectman Art Hudson read the list of corrections to the 2018 Town Report. See list of corrections attached to these Minutes.

Article 5.

*To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Million Seven Hundred Eighty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars (2,785,539) to defray town charges for the ensuing year. **Recommended by the Selectmen***

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 5

Motion by Meg Miller, second by Kevin Bragg

Discussion: Selectmen Hudson read items that were part of the increase to the 2019 proposed budget.

Bob Steenson made a motion to amend budget to the correct amount of \$2,741,497 with a second by Briggs Lockwood.

Discussion on amendment: None. **Vote on amendment:** Passed.

Discussion on motion: Selectman Hudson had one other addition to the budget which was increasing the salary of the treasurer to \$4,200, which would be in addition to the \$2,741,497.

Bob Scarponi made a motion to amend the budget to raise the amount \$120 to bring treasurers salary to \$4,200. Mike Capone second. New number will be \$2,741,617.

Lori Lockwood pointed out that nobody in the audience has the sheet of corrections being discussed and felt it would be helpful for all to be able to review what is being asked.

Selectman Hudson said the 2 numbers that are really important is the operating budget total which is \$2,741,617 and if you follow that down to the subtotal with all warrant articles, it is \$3,121,899. Those are the 2 numbers for the operating budget, and the total budget including warrant articles.

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(A member of the fire department left to make copies of the correction list for the audience.)

David Balshaw said there's an obligation to provide us in writing what the changes are. This is an awful lot to ask to approve the figures without seeing them and asked that they print out enough for everyone to look at.

Norma Love asked for an explanation of salary lines for different departments. Selectman Hudson said that could be part of the budget discussion.

Jim Miller spoke to this particular amendment to the amendment. We can't realistically vote on this increase without understanding what the policies are for annual increases and merit increases for all the different staff. There are a variety of increases and we're not sure how these are arrived at. Are there written procedures? If there aren't, that's not a good thing. If there are he'd like to hear them.

Moderator Ruesswick stated we are still working on a motion and this might be a discussion for a Selectmen's meeting.

Ellen Scarponi said the motion is on the sum of money. She'd offer if she took Selectman Hudson's numbers correctly, there were truly about 4 or 5 items that changed. She suggested he go thru those items slowly and more comprehensively until we get it in print, and she'd feel more comfortable voting. Moderator Ruesswick asked if the room was comfortable. All agreed.

Selectman Hudson read the changes and the corrections again.

He continued reading directly from the "Corrections to 2018 Town Report" attached to these Minutes.

Moderator Ruesswick asked that we vote on the amendment of \$120.

Sue Kennedy asked why it is such a small increase compared to other officer increases. She would like to make a proposal that since Selectmen are getting \$1,500, that the treasurer also gets an increase of \$1,500. Moderator Ruesswick asked if she's speaking against the amendment, and she said yes.

Greg Heath spoke against it simply because he thinks we should vote this down and put it in the context of other issues relative to wages.

Moderator Ruesswick asked for a vote on Mr. Scarponi's motion to raise the treasurers pay \$120. **In favor: Too close to call from show of cards. Moderator Ruesswick asked for actual count from supervisors. In favor = 76; against = 76.**

Bob Scarponi said his intent in adjusting the \$120 was simply to make the appropriation to reflect what the Board was intending. He wasn't suggesting treasurer's salary be increased \$120. He was just trying to get to a bottom-line number that would include all of the changes suggested and apologized if his motion caused any confusion. He could withdraw the motion if it was acceptable. The Moderator accepted his offer and audience agreed. Motion to amend withdrawn.

Bob Steenson spoke to the first budget motion. He thinks the amounts as described are reasonably clear. He said we could proceed discussing this budget while we wait for paper copies for people to review, or table it and move on to additional warrant articles and return to the budget. *Motion by Bob Steenson, second by Rick Crockford.*

Further Discussion on Article 5 continued from above:

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Susan Kennedy asked if there will be a chance later to address treasurer's salary. Moderator Ruesswick said if she wanted to make a motion she could, but he didn't want to litigate how much people are paid.

Susan made motion that treasurers' salary be increased in line with other increases in salaries for \$500, second by David Balshaw.

Selectman Hudson said the treasurer's position is a salaried position and if you're recommending \$500 that's more than a 10% increase, and that raises were more around 2—4%.

Dick LeClair pointed out that if you look at wage lines individually, they're all over the map for increases/decreases. Some budgets weren't spent, some were over spent. It's difficult to see who's being increased and for what amount. Some are at 6%, some are at 15%. In terms of increase it's difficult as an observation.

Bob Scarponi said it seems we're having a discussion about how much to give a salary increase at Town Meeting. There must be rules or guidelines that the town administrator and selectmen have put in place to determine how much people receive based on performance. He wonders if there is a system or plan they have adopted that they use when looking at salary reviews.

Selectman Hudson said the treasurer is an elected position and he's not sure we can review that salary. Administrator Folsom explained we do annual evaluations on appointed town employees and department heads. Department heads do evaluations on employees. They look at what cost of living is and use that as a base rate. This year the cost of living is 2.4 or 2.5%.

Dave Balshaw looked back on raises over a 4-year period, back to 2015 and said it's all over the map, which is why we look for an explanation on how you came to these numbers. For example, town assessor wage increased 72% in the last four years. Town administrator 29%, Fire Chief 11%, full-time EMT 11%, police budget 25%. He's looking for parity. Executive salaries are going up at higher clip than our service providers.

Bob Steenson spoke to say you have to look at the range of positions. The assessor used to be a contracted position for tens of thousands of dollars more, now she's on board as a full-time assessor. Police Chief is now a part-time position. This isn't the time and place to go through each one. Looking at numbers purely on percentage doesn't make sense. You need to look at the history of the positions. Bob gave this Board and Administrator credit for coming up with the new procedure. The aggregate numbers are given to the Budget Committee. The Board establishes compensation based on negotiations with that particular individual and we look at other towns or cities. If we had to hire some of these elected positions on the open market, we'd be paying more.

Ben Bynum clarified that the legislative body establishes compensation for elected officials, versus employees where the Select Board does theirs.

Kevin Bragg said in the past the Selectmen have gone through the budget and explained the budget increases and decreases, he thinks we have a motion on the floor, and we should stick to it and then the Selectmen can go through the lines.

Al Edelstein spoke as treasurer and said you can see the 2019 proposed budget was originally \$4,000. When this came out, he was quite deflated since there was no discussion with him prior to this happening. You can call it a review, compen-

sation or a discussion, but he has never heard that there was an issue with him as treasurer. He was upset about a zero percent increase. He asked for more, he got \$120. That's his reality.

Mike Capone Moved the question, Tyson second. Motion was made to raise the salary by \$500. In favor: Passed.

Moderator Ruesswick asked if there were questions on the individual items.

Judy Nelson looked at the salary on page 15, item 40.1. The Town Clerk salary was budgeted at \$13,939 in 2018 but the actual cost was \$15,700. Was it extra hours moving back and forth between Sam Lake House? Why so much extra. Why is it proposed for \$12,845 for 2019 which is \$1,000 less? Administrator Folsom said that Tax Collector and Town Clerk actuals are higher because when Ben Bynum left, he had accrued vacation time and they had to pay that out per Town policy. Ben had 14 years in that office and his total combined salary was over \$40k. The Selectmen knew the new person wouldn't have the same certifications and training, so they're paying that wage accordingly. The Selectmen proposed a combined salary of \$37,000. It was a \$3,000 decrease. July asked if because this is an elected official if the salary would be negotiated. Administrator Folsom said they had to put something in the Town Report and that's what they chose. As Ben pointed out that the salary is done by the legislative body. If people felt they wanted a lower salary they could state that.

Emily Preston asked why the health insurance for that position was eliminated. Administrator Folsom said several years ago the town use to provide health insurance to part-time employees. About 4-5 years ago the Selectmen and Budget Committee felt it was no longer feasible for part-time employees. If existing part-time employees were covered at that time, they were grandfathered.

Jim Miller talked about the salary for the Deputy Town Clerk and health insurance being lower in 2019 than 2018 which would imply that the person was given a cut in pay. Selectman Hudson said that salary was for an hourly employee, the income would fluctuate and they may have worked more hours in one year than the other. Administrator Folsom said the actual wage increase for that employee was 2.5%. Jim was curious as to the Deputy Town Clerk's role as interim Tax Collector, was that person paid more money in that month? Yes.

Dick LeClair questioned why the biggest individual increase was the Penacook Rescue. Selectman Hudson said Penacook Rescue has had difficulty this past year. We've been meeting with Boscawen and Salisbury to look at alternatives. Administrator Folsom did a lot of work looking into what the rates are and historically we've had a good deal, the increase of \$78,000 is a huge increase but if you look at the cost of service, it still seems to be in the ball park. They're a volunteer organization and have been in business close to 40 years. As most know, volunteers have decreased, and they couldn't find enough to staff ambulance. They had to hire per diem people to continue to provide services to Canterbury, Boscawen and Salisbury and realized they weren't covering their operating costs. We had to increase the stipend. We also looked at other towns who have private services charge and what the costs are per resident and we're in line with that. Administrator Folsom talked about those findings.

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Norma Love asked for explanation of Selectmen raises. Selectman Hudson explained the last time Selectmen had a raise was 5 years ago and he thought it was time. Lori Lockwood said it was 4 years. They looked at surrounding towns as well. Some are a little less than \$3,000 and some are a little more. Art said they wouldn't get the raise until 2020. In 2015 it was raised to \$2,500 and before then in 1994 it was \$1,600 to \$2,000. Lori Lockwood commended previous Select Boards for the way they went thru the budget explaining increases and decreases each time there was a significant change. At the end of last year's meeting she asked that we continue to do that and it was met with general approval. If we were following those procedures as we had in the past we wouldn't be asking.

Dave Balshaw asked about the budget for the Sam Lake House project since we agreed on \$400,000. Selectman Hudson said the final cost was \$486,029 and funds available were \$483,000. There were changes during construction. Bob Steenson pointed out that \$400,000 wasn't the appropriated amount, it was a warrant article for \$400,000 to borrow \$400,000 for construction. The Town has funds available from the Sam Lake Trust to make up the difference, in addition to funds accrued over years and the capital reserve. Dave said we have a loan of \$213,000 and \$24,000 from the trust and \$212,000 in the Sam Lake reserve account. Those 3 line items are about \$450,000. Selectman Hudson said we contracted with the Canterbury Store and Church to allow them to connect to septic. We got \$16,350 from the store and \$3,652 from the church. There was also \$1,124 in attorney's fees, a \$10k grant from Unutil and another \$2,200 grant. Dave's been looking at \$400,000 in Town Reports for years. They were expecting a \$400,000 expenditure. Selectman Hudson said they signed contracts for \$399,880 and the latest tally, with side contracts, put it over \$47,863.

Mark Hopkins volunteered to explain some of the overruns that includes things that had nothing to do with the building specifically. It was \$7,500 for new water lines for the center, leach field hookups, a lot of other things that don't directly relate to building the building.

Mark reviewed building costs and some of the history of the bids. The building itself cost \$420,000 to put up, or \$148/sq. ft., which is on the low end of any construction costs today. The previous bids rejected were \$160/sq. ft. to over \$200/sq. ft. He stepped in with his contract. The Sam Lake Committee spent a lot of hours and time addressing needs for the present and future and generated the designs in house with the benefit of an in-house architect. He talked about what they didn't spend money on. They didn't hire an outside architect at a savings of about 10%, or \$40,000. He worked with the Town as the primary contractor and didn't charge profit or overhead. Some of that was also made up with efforts from Administrator Folsom, Selectmen Hudson, Mary and others. In a real-world contract that would have been about 15%, or a \$60,000 charge. There were a few things over and above which were underground electrical service, added basement weather proofing, surface drains, upgraded specs for vinyl plank flooring to get 30 years out of floor instead of 15, Marvin windows, upgraded interior woodwork, granite steps, heat pump mini splits instead of propane furnace which was offset by a grant from Unutil. They upgraded to a slate and copper roof which some people think is over the top. He talked his contractor into giving the Town a deal. It's a 100-year roof.

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We won't have to worry about the roof for many, many years. None of us will be here. He added an 8-foot ceiling, it fits the space better and the decision was made as a designer. There were some donations from Mark Padula who donated loam that will be spread by volunteers after mud season. Mark cut his rate from \$60 to \$45 hours which are carpenter wages and didn't bill for 130 hours. He left about \$24,700 on the table. Between the first set of bids and the contracted amount, lumber prices rose about 10% to 12%. The audience applauded Mark's efforts.

Harry Kinter moved the question on Article 5, second by Tyson Miller. Moderator Ruesswick read Article 5.

RESULT: ARTICLE 5 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED to include \$500 raise for treasurer.

Article 6:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Four Thousand forty two Dollars (\$44,042) to pay principal (\$35,000) and interest (\$9,042) on the Gold Star bond, said amount to be removed from the Town's Unreserved Fund Balance. Recommended by the Selectmen.

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 6

Mike Capone motion, second by Joe Halla

Discussion: Selectmen Hudson said this is the infamous double listing relative to the Gold Start Bond. It's an annual warrant article. Lori Lockwood asked how many years. Bond is done in 2025.

RESULT: ARTICLE 6 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Article 7:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$157,000) to be deposited into the Capital Reserves.

Recommended by the Selectmen

4915.3 – Highway Equipment	10,000
4915.4 – Highway Truck	30,000
4915.5 – Highway Grader	30,000
4915.18 – Rescue Equipment	10,000
4915.19 – Fire Equipment (Truck)	50,000
4915.24 – Landfill Closure	1,000
4915.27 – Town Bldg. Maintenance	6,000
4915.29 – Firefighting Equipment	20,000

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 6

Jim Snyder motion, second by Mike Capone.

Discussion: Selectman Hudson explained this is to fund capital reserve accounts. The amount is \$157,000.

Al Edelstein requested a description of what is meant by town building maintenance. Selectman Hudson said if you look around some of the buildings in Town need work. It's a maintenance account for anything that goes wrong in the year for any building.

Bob Steenson said for the benefit of meeting, the capital reserve fund was set up 6 years ago or more to fund unexpected things and you can see the balance on page 34. These are capital reserves that aren't targeted for a specific reason. If we

lost air conditioning, storm damage etc. it's a contingency fund. This places funds in various capital reserve funds. It used to be up in the Budget and the Department of Revenue had a change in philosophy and wanted it done this way. The Selectmen had several meetings with the Budget Committee on this and the Budget Committee supports recommendations.

Judy Nelson asked if the funds are fixed in each category or whether they can they be moved around at Selectmen's will. Administrator Folsom said they go to the particular category and cannot be moved around.

Polly Camire asked whether the amounts represent the normal amount of what we would do every year? Administrator Folsom said it was the same amounts as last year. They're listed in town report under capital reserve funds every year. There was a call on the question. Moderator Ruesswick asked if all were in favor of the call. Unanimous. Moderator Ruesswick read the amounts to be added to capital reserve.

RESULT: ARTICLE 7 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Article 8:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint the Tax Collector. The salary to be determined by the Board of Selectmen, based upon qualifications, and with all statutory fees being paid to the Town Treasurer, all under the provisions of RSA 41:33, contingent on the vote of the official ballot at the first session of this town meeting held on March 12, 2019. Recommended by the Selectmen

This Article was voted down at Tuesday's election and will not be discussed.

RESULT: ARTICLE 8 WAS NOT VOTED ON.

Article 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Forty Dollars (\$111,240) for the purpose of purchasing SCBA's. One Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars (\$105,678) to come from an assistance to firefighters grant, and Five Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Two Dollars (\$5,562) to come from the Firefighting Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. No amount shall be expended unless the grant funds are secured. Recommended by the Selectmen

Recommended by the Selectmen

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 9

Motion by Jan Stout, second by Jim Snyder

Discussion: Administrator Folsom said this is the same warrant article as the last 5 years, hopefully we'll get it this time.

Ron Turcotte questioned the fire department for more detail as to how badly we need these. Chief Newbery spoke relative to the equipment need. We've been getting by using a neighboring department's used equipment when they upgraded. Those are due to expire this year after a 15-year life span, for which these are on about 20. This year Chief worked with a grant writer and was able to lower the required amount. If we don't get the grant this year, we invest in the used ones.

RESULT: ARTICLE 9 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Article 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to purchase a 2018 Ford 350 to replace the 1983 GMC Utility/Forestry Vehicle. Said amount to come from the Fire Fighting Capital Reserve Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 10

Motion by Bob Steenson, second by Mike Capone

Discussion: None.

RESULT: ARTICLE 10 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Article 11:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000) for replacement cylinders for the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus. Said amount to come from the Fire Fighting Capital Reserve Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen.

If the Town receives the grant for new SCBA's (Article 7), this Warrant Article will be removed. There was no discussion on the on the change of referenced warrant article. The correct warrant article number Article 9.

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 11

Motion by Bob Steenson, second by Mike Capone

Discussion: None.

RESULT: ARTICLE 11 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Article 12:

To see if the Town will vote to close the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund created in 2015. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Municipalities General Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen.

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 12

Motion by Al Edelstein, second by Jim Snyder

Discussion: Sue Kennedy asked what the reason is for this Article. Selectman Hudson said last year we voted to lease the police cruisers on a 3-year lease, so it came out of the warrant article and put it in the operating budget. Right now there's \$1,167 in a fund that we transferred to the general fund.

RESULT: ARTICLE 12 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Article 13:

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provision of RSA 35:1 for a Loader for the Highway Department and to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) 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

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 13

Motion by Mike Capone, second by Sue Kennedy

Discussion: Selectman George Glines explained our existing loader is 30 years old with a long list of things wrong with it. A new loader today is \$165,000 or \$167,000. Polly Camire asked if we have to have a reserve fund for every major vehicle or big piece of equipment? Art said capital reserve funds are set up for a

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specific item. When you purchase a vehicle or equipment you close a capital reserve fund and put any balance into the general funds.

Hugh Fifield moved the question and said we bought that loader over 30 years ago. Vote to move the question: passed.

RESULT: ARTICLE 13 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Article 14:

To see if the Town will vote to change the name of the Elkins Library Repairs Capital Reserve Fund to Elkins Memorial Building Repairs. Recommended by Selectmen with 2/3 vote required

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 14

Motion by Mike Capone, second by Jan Stout

Discussion: Administrator Folsom said looking at 14, 15, and 16 of the Town Report together, they don't match what is in the budget. If you look at page 34, bottom section expendable trusts. We're trying to clarify the lines. The fund for the library was established back when the library had the old name. In order to have that fund for the current building you have to change the name for the Elkins Library that is now across the street. Lori Lockwood said they checked with the wording of the actual trust and found it has to go with the building itself, not the library. In checking with NH Public Depositor's Investment Program, they said you can't change the wording without town vote.

RESULT: ARTICLE 14 WAS VOTED ON AND: Moderator declared a 2/3 majority and the article PASSED

Article 15:

To see if the Town will vote to change the name of the Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund to Rescue Truck Capital Reserve Fund. Recommended by Selectmen with 2/3 vote required

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 15

Motion by Linda Moore, second by Flo Woods

Discussion: None.

RESULT: ARTICLE 15 WAS VOTED ON AND: Moderator declared a 2/3 majority and the article PASSED

Article 16:

To see if the Town will vote to change the name of the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund to Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund. Recommended by the Selectmen with 2/3 vote required

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 16

Motion by Jim Snyder, second by PJ Entwhistle

Discussion: None.

RESULT: ARTICLE 16 WAS VOTED ON AND: Moderator declared a 2/3 majority and the article PASSED

Article 17:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for the replacement of the dam at Turning Mill Pond at Canterbury Shaker Village. By Petition, Not Recommended by the Selectmen

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 17

Motion by Kevin Bragg, second by Teresa Wyman

Discussion: Susan Bennett from Shaker Village spoke to explain the challenges Shaker Village is facing with the dam, which has been declared inefficient by the State of New Hampshire. We either have to replace it or breach it. The cost will be about \$200,000 and they've raised \$123,000 to date. Susan gave a history of Turning Mill Pond and its importance to the Town. Public funds can be spent for public project as importance as important as this.

Selectmen Hudson supports the petition article as submitted.

Discussion:

Norma Love asked if residents have access to the pond without fee? Yes. Geoff Hubble has been on the fire department for over 20 years. They've done a number of fire trainings up there and feels the village is an incredible resource. The buildings were built 150 years ago and are all wood. If you have a fire up there, one building will spread to another. Without that pond, we won't have the resources to fight that fire.

Ron Routhier lives next to the Village. Ron wanted to know which selectmen didn't support it and why. Selectman Glines spoke to say he doesn't think it's wise for the town to spend tax dollars on private property.

Howard Moffett served on the Village Board in the 1990's and Canterbury is very closely related with Shaker Village, supports this Article and hopes everyone does.

PJ Entwistle was on the Board at the Village previously as well. They're only asking for \$25,000 to fight fires in ¼ of the town and wants the support.

John Camire asked how much Shaker Village pay in taxes in town. Selectmen Hudson said each year they make a \$2,000 donation to the Town.

Greg Heath pointed out that they are a charity and are not private. They are owned by the State essentially, and the State monitors all private organizations. They are really a public trust.

Bob Steenson moved the question. Motion (inaudible for name) Jim Miller seconded.

RESULT: ARTICLE 17 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Article 18:

*To see if the Town will vote to authorize secure storage in the Same Lake House garage/barn, of items necessary for conducting volunteer-led community activities, such as the Canterbury Fair, Town Halloween Celebration, etc. Such items, including tables, pop-up shelter tents, decorations, signage, etc., are currently stored in the basement of the Town Hall and must be carried up a narrow staircase in order to be transported or used. Storage in the Same Lake garage/barn would provide ease and safe access. **By Petition***

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 18

Motion by Jim Miller, second by Ruth Smith

Discussion: Jim Miller spoke to point out the continued relationship between community organizations and the Town. They've been using the basement of a town building forever and this proposal is a much safer and easier to access option. Jim spoke to the insurance aspect stating that the church that governs the fair is

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covered for storing its items off premise no matter the building it's in. Selectmen Hudson said the garage is a town building and we plan to use it for town storage, and they are speaking against this warrant article.

Bob Steenson would also like to speak against. Establishing a precedent to take town buildings or space and support private church organizations is not a good idea. Many other organizations could follow and it's specifically against NH statutes to spend tax payer dollars for the private benefit of an individual. He's certain it's against our constitution to spend it on a church function. Although we all love the Canterbury Fair, it's not actually a town function and he thinks the town governing body should maintain control over town buildings.

Bob Drew said the Canterbury Fair is most certainly a town function. It's overseen by the church but 85% to 90% who work on it are not church members. Profit goes back to the town in many ways. Part of the proceeds are given to the church for the parish hall that makes its building available to people at no charge. They give a check to the school nurse to use at her discretion to buy boots, hats, and cover field trips for kids who can't afford it. At least half of the proceeds goes to the Canterbury Fund that is a resource for anyone in town who is having financial difficulty. This year we gave 6 college kids \$1,000 as a gift from the fair. The resources generated by the fair go back into the whole town. As a town, we can choose to use our buildings any way we want. For 12 years he's been hauling those tables up and down stairs. If the town chose to use the garage at the Sam Lake House for the fair, they can back right up to the garage and store at ground level.

David Day asked whether there any cost associated with it. Is this just asking permission, what is the long-term implication regarding a long term lease? Selectmen Hudson said the Town has primary first option to store things at the Sam Lake garage or in town buildings.

Bob Drew said the church really wants to work with the town and this is a town vote. They received a contract saying they can use the building for a 30-day period and then the town can ask to take it back. He wants the town to say they can store the items at the town garage until the fair is gone and no longer exists. It's a town building, not the selectmen's building.

Norma Love asked how much space they want, the whole garage? Yes.

Hillary Nelson spoke to say she's concerned about the fair taking up all of the space. There's a lot of need for space that the town has, could we agree now on how much space would be taken up and, if the town needs it, can negotiate so there's room for everybody?

Lisa Carlson spoke to say are we not a community, can't we learn to get along? Church/town? It's just space and its safety and community. They want to move upstairs. Can we just agree to move the fair and Halloween out of the basement into the Sam Lake House garage and get on with it? We have a beautiful municipal building with storage. Just take a vote and get along.

Ron Turcotte moved question, second by Bob Reed: Question moved.

RESULT: ARTICLE 18 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Article 19:

Until recent years recycling made sense both environmentally and economically. With the current depressed commodity prices there are instances (mixed paper and some plastics for example) where it is cheaper to send the materials to the incinerator than it is to recycle them.

What should you do in those instances? Many towns have opted to forgo recycling those materials and instead send them to incinerators or landfills. This makes economic sense but there are environmental costs associated with that choice. Less paper recycling means more virgin paper production. Virgin paper manufacturing is one of the most environmentally harmful industries on earth. Furthermore, burning trash to make energy creates more carbon dioxide per kilowatt hour than do coal fire power plants.

Some people are comfortable making that tradeoff. Others are not. The Solid Waste Committee is divided on this issue.

Canterbury has a long history of environmental stewardship. First, there was the mandatory recycling ordinance. Then there was implementation pay-as-you-throw. There has been numerous land conservation efforts. The Town has voted down several attempts to remove some of the land use transfer taxes from the conservation fund. There was recent town wide survey which indicated a strong desire to continue and even increase the town's recycling. All of which indicates that our history and culture would give priority to environmental stewardship over simple financial cost benefit analysis.

*Therefore, we request Canterbury continue to recycle all available materials even when there may be a negative financial impact. **By Petition***

Moderator Ruesswick read Article 19

Motion by Ron Routhier, second by Judy Nelson

Discussion:

Steve Rasche explained that a year and a half ago they sent out a survey about recycling, if this issue had been out there then, we would have put this on the survey, and we would have known what the town wanted. This same idea flows over to plastic recycling. It's a broad general question. It's worded to get a feel for how the town feels in general about this issue. He's hoping we vote in favor of this article.

Norma Love has mixed feelings because she supports recycling, but the question is so broad. It's hard to know who will make the decision about what is recyclable and what the costs are. Is there some analysis?

Emily Burr is a member of Solid Waste Committee and has been part of the discussions. One concern they had is are there are ways they could recycle that might cost something up front, but in long run would cost less for the Town. There is nothing set aside for a transfer station as far as a reserve fund and it will need some financial assistance down the road. She'd like a yes vote on this article.

Administrator Folsom said they did increase the maintenance for the transfer station by \$6,000 for the interior electrical (interior wiring and lights) and a propane heater for the office. The solid waste committee came with a proposal and the Selectmen are taking steps. One of the things needed to increase recycling capa-

bilities would be the upgraded electrical system to help bail recycling. It's a costly project.

Howard Moffett: The last paragraph of the article is asking to continue recycling but it's also a request to continue doing what we're doing for one more year until recycling committee and selectmen comes back to us with a proposal. Let's give everyone another year to figure this out.

Steven Lundahl was previously chair of the recycling committee and spoke about the challenges of recycling and thinks we need to look at this over the coming year and maybe decide to spend "x" amount of dollars to get rid of certain things. He would like to keep the commitment to recycling as much as we can, acknowledging there will be costs involved.

Chris Blair is on the recycling Solid Waste Committee and gave background and context. The Committee looked at ways to recycle corrugated cardboard and mixed paper better. They realized what they've been doing the last several years has been inefficient. The market for corrugated cardboard is different and they'll be asking for it to be separated from mixed paper. He talked about hazardous waste pickup, private pickup services and the hours of the transfer station and the benefits of that. He feels this article, as written, says we recycle anything at any cost, for any duration and he can't support the article as written.

Ron Routhier, if we vote yes what does that mean, if we vote no what does that mean. He has no idea what we're voting on in this Article.

Moderator Ruesswick agreed and said it seemed like the language in the last paragraph is what we'll be voting on.

Bob Steenson spoke to say it seems the warrant is advisory in nature. Steven's point is well taken. In the spirit of agreeing with Steven's objective and noting Chris' concerns about doing things that make sense, I believe the Board would consider this as advisory if we pass it.

John Camire moved the question, second by Evan Hauptman. Question was moved.

RESULT: ARTICLE 19 WAS VOTED ON AND: PASSED

Moderator Ruesswick asked if there were any other items before closing this meeting.

Selectmen Hudson asked residents to show a great debt of gratitude to Mark Hopkins for his work at the Sam Lake House. The room stood up gave Mark a lengthy round of applause.

Sam Papps spoke about cemetery trustees and asked that any volunteers come speak with them.

Kevin Bragg called out our former Deputy Town Clerk Lisa Carlson and thanked her for all her hard work. She's done a great job of moving things forward. The room stood and gave Lisa a lengthy round of applause.

Arnie Alpert spoke to Article 17 that we adopted 17 a year ago. He thanked Selectmen for doing what we asked them to do. He gave an update of activities since then.

Moderator Ruesswick had one other housekeeping chore. He asked that anyone elected on Tuesday please come up to be sworn in.

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Motion to adjourn made by Tyson Miller, second by Kevin Bragg seconded. Approved.

Meeting ended at 9:55 p.m.

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

Given under our hands and seal, this 15th day of March, in the year of our Lord, two thousand nineteen.

*Respectfully submitted,
Lori Gabriella for
Samuel J. P. Papps. Town Clerk*

*A true copy attest:
Samuel J.P. Papps, Town Clerk*

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWN OF CANTERBURY
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019**



Date	Place	Person A	Residence	Person B	Residence
March 23, 2019	Canterbury, NH	Allard, Edwin A	Canterbury, NH	Norton, Diane M	Canterbury, NH
June 15, 2019	Canterbury, NH	Whitmore, Jennifer L	Canterbury, NH	Albini III, Robert P	Canterbury, NH
September 7, 2019	Loudon, NH	Chamberland Jr, Joseph E	Canterbury, NH	Rachdorf, Robbyn R	Canterbury, NH
October 20, 2019	Plymouth, NH	Beaulieu, Joel B	Canterbury, NH	Wirtz, Brittany M	Canterbury, NH
November 1, 2019	Chichester, NH	Juranty, James E	Canterbury, NH	Rayno, Brittany M	Canterbury, NH

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE RETURN IS CORRECT,
ACCORDING TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

SAMUEL PAPPS, TOWN CLERK

**BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF CANTERBURY
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019**



Date	Place	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
January 16, 2019	Manchester, NH	Webster, Brooklyn Tucker	Webster, Dean	Webster, Shannon
March 12, 2019	Concord, NH	Glines, Lillian Sue	Glines, Eric	Glines, Fiina
April 5, 2019	Canterbury, NH	Shober, Cora Devereaux	Shober, Nathaniel	Weger, Aurora
April 18, 2019	Concord, NH	Roll, Peoni Elizabeth	Roll, Chase	Roll, Lindsey
May 29, 2019	Concord, NH	Duquette, Paityn Eleanor	Duquette, Christopher	Duquette, Amanda
October 3, 2019	Canterbury, NH	Holombo, Blakely Paige	Holombo, Trevor	Holombo, Megan
October 3, 2019	Concord, NH	O'Brien, Brayden Francis	O'Brien, Sean	O'Brien, Leanne
November 22, 2019	Concord, NH	Crosby, Moses Erwyn		Crosby, Monika
December 11, 2019	Concord, NH	Carr, Emersyn Jean	Come Jr, Keith	Carr, Jennie
December 20, 2019	Concord, NH	Minaya, Miguel Jesus	Minaya Beato, Wady	German, Estafani

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SAMUEL PAPPS, TOWN CLERK

**DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF CANTERBURY
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019**



Date	Place	Name	Name of Father	Name of Mother (Maiden)
January 11, 2019	Canterbury, NH	Trombley, Barbara	Griffin, John	Fullen, Catherine
January 14, 2019	Concord, NH	O'Brien, Lorraine	Reiser, Francis	Reifer, Gladys
February 20, 2019	Concord, NH	Briggs, Frederick	Briggs, Harold	Lenz, Margaret
March 15, 2019	Concord, NH	Eno, Phillip	Eno, Domenic	Unknown, Marie
March 17, 2019	Manchester, NH	Sullivan, John	Sullivan, Unknown	Unknown, Unknown
April 29, 2019	Concord, NH	Ruesswick, Scott	Ruesswick, Douglas	Wunderly, Caroline
May 25, 2019	Lebanon, NH	Murdock, Dana	Murdock, Arthur	Larson, Jane
July 20, 2019	Concord, NH	Paradis, Arthur	Paradis, Arthur	Pepin, Claire
August 1, 2019	Manchester, NH	Redden, John	Redden, Dennis	Kennedy, Marion
August 5, 2019	Concord, NH	Donahue, Geraldine	Stone, Milton	Nugent, Claire
October 8, 2019	Canterbury, NH	Burt, Margaret	Burt, Herman	Kendall, Ruth
October 27, 2019	Canterbury, NH	Cryans, Nancy	Tudor, Andrew	Taber, Charlotte
October 28, 2019	Boscawen, NH	Geno, Claudette	Thibeadeau, Rosario	Perry, Bernadette
November 10, 2019	Concord, NH	Clock, David	Clock, Herman	Kebby, Edith
November 11, 2019	Concord, NH	Lockwood, Priscilla	Parmenter, Draper	Boyden, Lucy
November 16, 2019	Concord, NH	Cram, Leonard	Cram, Hebert	Fields, Bernice
December 23, 2019	Canterbury, NH	Conway, Alice	Foray, Unknown	Unknown

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SAMUEL PAPPAS, TOWN CLERK

BURIALS AT MAPLE GROVE CEMETERY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019

Archer, Helen	Fife, Clarence
Archer, John	Hutchinson, Roy
Bois, Barbara	Peverly, Leonora
Bowley, Harold	Russel, Alice
Decato, Sarah	Russwick, Douglas
Donahue, Geraldine	Stickney, Danielle

Canterbury Monument Dedicated to Her Civil War Soldiers

Canterbury had four soldiers serve in Berdan's Sharpshooters as shown on the monument tablet, which is located by the Center Cemetery. They were:

- **Bernice Wilkins**, enlisted August 25, 1862, wounded May 3, 1863, killed at Wilderness, VA May 7, 1864.
- **Joseph G. Clifford**, enlisted August 8, 1862, captured December 16, 1862, Fredericksburg, VA, died of disease January 27, 1863.
- **Joseph Foster**, enlisted September 28, 1861, wounded at Second Bull Run, VA, discharged December 12, 1864.
- **John J. Railey**, enlisted August 22, 1862, wounded at Gettysburg July 4, 1863, discharged due to disability December 4, 1864.



Part Two

The John J. Railey Case Clock Comes Home

As often happens with the Historical Society, we are contacted by folks who are doing family research, which was the case on May 22nd, 2018. In this instance, it was the great-grandchildren of John J. Railey: Jim Otis and Kathy Hollis. Bob Scarponi met with them, providing information he was able to find in *Lyford's History of Canterbury 1727-1912*, the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds, the Center Cemetery, and from local historian Mark Stevens. It turned out that they were in possession of a case clock that had belonged to Mr. Railey in Canterbury and they wanted to donate it to the Historical Society in Railey's name. The clock has been attributed to Concord, NH clockmakers Abel and Levi Hutchins circa 1787. The donors, who live in Maine, wanted the clock to be put in full working order and engaged Phil D'Avanza of Goffstown, a well known clock expert, to move it to his shop, restore and install it in Canterbury. The clock is housed in the conference room at the Sam Lake House where it was officially placed on August 7th, 2019.

