

2022

TOWN OF THORNTON

ANNUAL REPORT



Sobolewski Meadow on Sullivan Drive

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FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

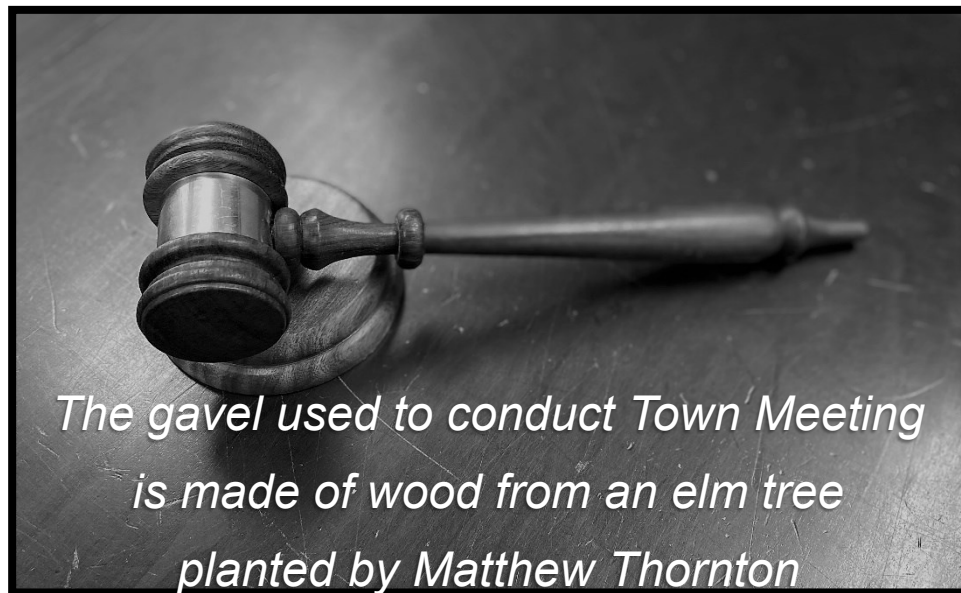
Thornton, New Hampshire

The township was granted to Matthew Thornton and others in seventy-three shares on July 6, 1763, to contain 23,000 acres. It was named in honor of Mr. Thornton, who later became a member of the Continental Congress and a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

No settlements were attempted under this grant and a new charter was issued October 21, 1768, including additional territory; enough to make 40,071 acres in the whole, which was to be divided into ninety shares.

The grantees were mostly men of Londonderry and vicinity, and the town was not incorporated until November 20, 1781. By 1880 Thornton had a population of 774. In 1885 the town had ten school districts and ten common schools. There were 184 children attending school.

(From the Gazetteer of Grafton County, NH)



*The gavel used to conduct Town Meeting
is made of wood from an elm tree
planted by Matthew Thornton*

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2022

TOWN OF THORNTON
16 MERRILL ACCESS ROAD
NEW HAMPSHIRE, 03285

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2022 DEDICATION

DONALD HOWE



Donald Howe is of one the nicest people you will ever meet. Born in July, 1956 in Littleton Hospital, Donald has lived his entire life in Campton.

A very hard worker and dedicated employee, Donald has been at the Thornton Transfer Station for 28 years, by far one of its longest term employees. He has seen many people come and go at the Transfer Station and tells us he is now working for his seventh boss there. Catch him around town and he'll regale you with great stories of the history of the Transfer Station and the people of the area.

When he started work at the transfer station in 1995, trash was thrown into a dug pit and buried. This meant often he needed to climb into the pit and move the trash around as needed...a tough job indeed.

A few years later the system was upgraded and trash was thrown into bins which were then trucked to Littleton to be buried. The current system was put in place where trash is thrown into a large compressor bin and then trucked out.

Donald is also famous for finding lost papers and checks that were thrown into the trash by mistake. We will miss him at the transfer station. Best wishes Donny on your retirement.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Thornton Board of Selectmen*

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

Selectmen's Office

Desiree Mahurin, Town Administrator

Desiree Mahurin, Administrative Assistant

Mary Conn, Finance Assistant/Assessing Assistant

Kerrin Randall, Board Secretary

Tax Collector/Municipal Agent

Desiree L. Mahurin, Tax Collector/Municipal Agent

Pamela White, Deputy Tax Collector/Deputy Municipal Agent

Alisa Schofield, Municipal Clerk

Town Clerk

Anita Ross, Town Clerk

Planning Department

Kathy Menici, Planning Director

Kerrin Randall, Planning Board/ZBA Assistant

Zoning Enforcement

Shawn Magoon, Zoning Compliance Officer

Police Department

Chief Daniel Gilman

Sergeant Jeannine Wood

Officer Joel Barton

Officer Mark Smoker

Vicki Day-Moore, Administrative Assistant

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

Library

Vivica Duffield, Library Director

MaryBeth King, Library Assistant

Christine St. Laurent, Library Aide

Highway Department

John Kubik, Road Agent

Bruce Rodgers, Assistant Road Agent

Timothy Collins

Transfer/Recycling Center

Jamin Levasseur, Manager

Zack Simon, Assistant Manager

Ray Sidney

Donald Howe

Chris Nardone

Campton-Thornton Fire Rescue Roster

Chief Daniel Defosses

Deputy Chief Ian Halm

Julie O'Neill Administrative Assistant

Captain Scott Cathy

Lieutenant Daniel Custance

Members

Aaron MacAulay
Andrew Buckley
Anthony Patti
Alex Dria
Amanda Matt
Andrew Pettit
Brian Engelsen
Chris Camejo
Daniel Gregson

Haley Vincent
Ian McKinnon
Jamie Tuttle
Joseph Nericcio
Josh Fitz
Kevin Mitchell
Mark Roland
Marshall Miller

Michael Swarbrick
Mike Magee
Olivia Franklin
Paul Piscitelli
Paul Spring
Peter Hicks
Stefan Clugston
Walter Durack

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Board of Selectmen

Brad R. Benton	2023	Chair
Marianne Peabody	2024	Vice-Chair
Roy Sabourn	2023	
Peter Laufenberg	2024	
Joseph Monti	2025	

Welfare Officer

Marianne Peabody	2023
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Town Clerk

Anita Ross	2023
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Planning Board

Nancy Decoteau	2023	Chair
Steven Babin	2024	Vice Chair
Peter Laufenberg	Selectman Ex-Officio	
Frank Freeman	2024	
Jack Gaites	2024	Alternate
Donna O'Donnell	2025	
David Rivers	2025	
Cynthia Schofield	2025	

Conservation Commission

Myrtle Lewis	2025	Chair
Katri Kiskila Gurney	2023	
Gerald Sobolewski	2023	
Maryellen Sakura	2024	
Michael Boisvert	2025	
Al Lewis	2025	

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Joseph Monti	2024	Chair
Gerald Sobolewski	2025	Vice-Chair
Joan Marshall	2023	
Maureen Patti	2023	
Alan Rawson	2025	

Capital Improvements Plan Committee

Alfred Lewis	Chair
Cynthia Schofield	
Joseph Monti	

Supervisors of the Checklist

Mary Pelchat	2024
Clarissa Uttley	2026
Cindy McAuley	2028

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Moderator

John Piantedosi	2024
Kenneth Wolff	Asst. Moderator

Health Officer

Marianne Peabody

Cemetery Trustees

Geraldine Benton	2023
Michael Benton	2024
Wendy Johnston	2025

Treasurer

Susan Dumont	2024
Rebecca Farnsworth	Deputy

Trustees of Trust Fund

Richard Baker	2023	Chair
Ralph Bradley	2024	
Anthony Torino	2025	

Emergency Management

Dan Gilman	Director
Jeannine Wood	Deputy Director
Kerrin Randall	Secretary

Ballot Clerks

Donna Bates	2024
Tamara Chandler	2024
Sandra Picard	2024
Patricia Powers	2024
Carolyn Piantedosi	2024
David Rardin	2024
Paula Roberge	2024
Jacqueline Wolff	2024

Library Trustees

Jacqueline Belanger	2023	Alternate
Martha Humphrey	2023	
Anita Ross	2024	
Diane Gravel	2025	

2022 TOWN MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

The polls were opened at Thornton Central School, located at 1886 NH Route 175, Thornton NH, at 8:00 am by Moderator John Piantedosi. The polls remained open until 7:00 pm.

The total number of registered voters on the checklist: 1884

New voters on election day: 19

Total number of registered voters: 1903

Ballots cast: 440 (23% of registered voters)

To the inhabitants of the Town of Thornton in the County of Grafton in said state qualified to vote in the town affairs and to act upon the following subjects:

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

OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

<u>Select Board Member</u> <i>Three-Year Term, One position</i> John "Jack" F. Gaites 185 Joseph Monti 231	<u>Library Trustee</u> <i>Three-Year Term, One position</i> Diane Gravel 351	<u>Moderator</u> <i>Two-Year Term, One position</i> John Piantedosi 350
<u>Town Clerk</u> <i>One-Year Term, One Position</i> Ericka Benton 184 Anita C. Ross 223	<u>Overseer of Public Welfare</u> <i>One-Year Term, One Position</i> Marianne Peabody 354	<u>Trustee of the Trust Funds</u> <i>Three-Year Term, One position</i> Anthony Torino 340
<u>Cemetery Trustee</u> <i>Three-Year Term, One position</i> Wendy Johnston 221 Peter A. Laufenberg 173	<u>Planning Board Member</u> <i>Three-Year Term, Two positions</i> Donna O'Donnell 299 David Rivers 233	

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Article 2: Zoning Amendments

Zoning Amendment #1

Are you in favor of the adoption of an amendment to the existing Town of Thornton Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Town of Thornton Planning Board, which changes *Article VI: Dimensional Requirements, Paragraph 4. Dwellings per Lot* to read:

Unless otherwise allowed by this Ordinance, no more than one building used and intended for human habitation shall be erected, placed, or converted to use as such on a single parcel in any Zoning District.

Recommended by the Planning Board

YES 216

NO 135

Article passed.

Saturday, March 12, 2022

Thornton Town Meeting convened at Thornton Central School on Saturday, March 12, 2022, at 10:00am to act on the remaining articles of this warrant.

Voters Present: 76

The Town Meeting was opened at 10:00am by Moderator John Piantedosi. He led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for the people of Ukraine. This was followed by introductions of the head table: Supervisors of the Checklist, Clarissa Uttley, Cynthia McAuley and Mary Pelchat; Assistant Moderator Ken Wolff; Interim Town Clerk Pamela White; Town Administrator Debra Shepard; Selectwoman Marianne Peabody; Selectman and Chair Roy Sabourn; Selectman and Co-Chair Joseph Monti; and Selectman Peter Laufenberg.

MOTION: To permit non-residents and unregistered voters to speak at the meeting for the purpose of information and clarification of the articles at appropriate times.

Moved: William DeLeo

Seconded: Anita Ross

Discussion: Steven Babin stated he would like non-registered voters to identify themselves as such when speaking at the meeting.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

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MOTION: To waive the reading of the warrant in its entirety.

Moved: Peter Laufenberg

Seconded: Anita Ross

Discussion: None

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the existing Municipal Department Paving Projects Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Motion: William DeLeo

Second: Anita Ross

Discussion: John Palmieri noted that on page 101 of the budget, it appeared there was a savings of over \$200,000 and that the Town should be commended for doing this. He questioned where this savings went and wondered if it could be applied to the warrant articles.

Selectman Sabourn stated the money goes to an undesignated fund balance and the money that is not expended can be applied toward the next tax rate. Selectman Sabourn noted that \$350,000 from last year's undesignated fund balance was used to buy down the tax rate.

Mr. Palmieri stated he would like to see the savings used now to reduce the amount of money needed for each warrant article to reduce what has to be spent now. Selectman Laufenberg clarified that the Selectboard has historically chosen to take the surplus to lower the tax rate in the fall, but the articles could be funded with money out of the undesignated fund balance. Mr. Palmieri wondered if that was something that could be done today. Selectman Laufenberg stated each article would need to be amended. Mr. Palmieri presented the motion to use the savings on each line item until the \$220,000 was depleted; further discussion followed with an attempt to get clarification on what amendment/motion is to be presented. Maureen Patti stated her concern is that the warrant articles had already gone to DRA and this could be an improper subject matter modification that the DRA might not accept at this point.

Selectman Monti stated \$350,000 was applied to offset the tax rate in 2021 which took in the surplus that the Town had. He noted by taking the surplus now and using it toward the articles would make it more difficult to reduce the tax rate in the fall. Selectman Sabourn mentioned this would also likely upset the CIP in place.

Town Administrator Shepard clarified that the Selectboard does apply the excess funds in the fall to offset taxes; they do not choose to do it through the capital reserve items. Mr. Palmieri then withdrew his motion.

Motion on Article 3 carried by unanimous vote.

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Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the existing Bridge Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Moved: William DeLeo

Seconded: Anita Ross

Discussion: None

Motion on Article 4 carried by unanimous vote.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) to be added to the existing Assessing Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Moved: William DeLeo

Seconded: Jack Gaites

Discussion: Maryann Medaglia wondered what the average annual cost for Avitar's assessing services is. Town Administrator Shepard stated the town has a five-year contract with Avitar. Selectman Sabourn believes the cost for their services was around \$100,000 for the five-year contract.

Motion on Article 5 carried by unanimous vote.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to be added to the existing Highway Vehicle, Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Moved: Richard Baker

Seconded: Ralph Bradley

Discussion: None

Motion on Article 6 carried by unanimous vote.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the existing Police Cruiser and Cruiser Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Moved: Anita Ross

Seconded: Timothy White

Discussion: Robert Hatcher wondered if voice voting was appropriate instead of raising the Registered Voter cards so that only registered voters were voting. Moderator Piantedosi affirmed that raising the registered voter cards would be easier.

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Bruce Andrew wanted to know why the town needed four cruisers.

Selectman Sabourn stated this warrant article is for a replacement cruiser for one that will be retired. The officer on call brings a cruiser home. If a cruiser is out of service, a fleet of two would not be sufficient. The number of cruisers we have now seems to work for the size of our police department when it is fully staffed with six officers.

Motion on Article 7 carried by unanimous vote.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **fifty-one thousand dollars (\$51,000)** to be added to the existing Mill Brook Road Construction and Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Motion: Michael Pomerantz

Seconded: William DeLeo

Discussion: Terry Penny stated she lives on Mill Brook Road and that speeding on the road is a problem; she wondered what part of the road will be reconstructed. Selectman Monti stated the fund is specifically for Upper Mill Brook Road and would be addressing drainage issues. Ms. Penny stated speed is more of an issue and the road could use a speed sign. She stated the road has been made worse with paving and re-paving; she is not opposed to fixing the drainage but is opposed to more paving.

Stanley Bujalski wanted to clarify that the Forest Service proposed logging that might affect some damage to Mill Brook Road has nothing to do with this warrant article. Selectman Sabourn stated the Forest Service has backed off from using Mill Brook Road, but the logging operation has nothing to do with this article.

Motion on Article 8 carried by unanimous vote.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **one hundred fifteen thousand dollars (\$115,000)** to be added to the existing Fire Truck/Rescue Vehicle/Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

Motion: Richard Baker

Seconded: Anita Ross

Discussion: Steven Babin wondered if this article was due to the joint relationship between the towns or is it specific to a piece of equipment. Selectman Sabourn stated it was to fund the replacement of a fire truck in the future as the cost of one starts at \$550,000. Selectman Monti stated that a look at the CIP will show the timeline for such purchases.

Robert Hatcher wondered if Campton was appropriating an identical amount. Selectman Sabourn noted Campton's amount is higher, but he was unsure what their appropriation amount was. It was noted that the amounts are set proportionally among the towns and the agreement is available at Town Hall.

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Steve Babin stated that the Selectboard altered the decision on a specific piece of equipment made by the fire chief. Selectman Monti noted that the process goes to all three towns and all three towns must agree on what gets purchased for the fire department; what the fire chief recommended in the end is what was supported.

Fire Chief Dan Defossess stated they looked at their fleet, what they have for vehicles, and what is actually used versus the level of declining staff. The determination was five fire trucks is not necessary; buying a large rescue truck was a better use of the funds available. Maintaining this fund allows the department to keep ahead of things. There was a lot of discussion but at the end of the day everyone is on board with where the fleet is headed.

Bill DeLeo wondered if they were buying an additional piece of equipment above what they already have in their fleet. Chief Defossess stated they currently have four fire engines; they will be replacing one of the four.

Motion on Article 9 carried by unanimous vote.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote that the Thornton Central School (District 531, SAU 48) shall make all instructional materials, including, but not limited to, textbooks, printed matter and/or materials in electronic form used in classrooms available to the general public in a "School Text Reference Section" within the Thornton NH Public Library. A list of current texts and materials will be displayed in the reference area. The town is instructed to spend up to \$200 to publicize the availability of these materials. This was submitted by a petition of at least twenty-five registered voters. (Majority vote required).

Motion: Anita Ross

Seconded: Robert Hatcher

Discussion: Bill DeLeo wondered if this article was enforceable by the Town. Selectman Sabourn noted that this was submitted by petition. Town Council recommended it be placed on the warrant as it had the necessary signatures. The Town cannot tell library trustees what to do. This talks about school information, not town information, and should have probably been on the school warrant. Town Council did advise that this article is not enforceable.

David Rivers stated this might be an exercise in futility, but the intent was transparency.

Vivica Duffield stated she is the library director and noted enforcing this warrant article would be time-consuming for teachers. She stated the core curriculum can be accessed through the web. She further noted that the library does not have space for this and the cost would be far more than \$200.

Selectman Laufenberg asked whether residents can request this information. Kyla Welch, a resident of Thornton and the Superintendent of Schools, stated all this material is available upon request. They have never received any such request. Ms. Welch stated this is a school board issue and not enforceable by the Town.

Diane Gravel, a library trustee, stated the library does not have space for storing such materials, but anyone can call the school and are welcome to come in to see the curriculum.

Katherine Hadaway, a library trustee and parent, stated that requests for electronic materials creates a huge problem regarding licensed material. She noted that going against copyright laws can result in \$150,000 fines.

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Myrtle Lewis stated she thinks teachers should be applauded. This action would take them away from students because of the time involved to pull this information together. She encouraged people who signed the petition to become more involved at the school level and perhaps consider serving on the school board.

Liz Gibbs stated she is a parent of children who attend the school. She noted that anytime she has had questions about curriculum, everything has been readily available.

Terry Penny stated she thinks there is a problem nationally with CRT; transparency in the school library is a good idea and feels better knowing the information is available to everyone.

A.J. Coppola, a resident of Thornton and a teacher in Campton, spoke to the issue of CRT (Critical Race Theory). He stated emphatically that it is not being taught in our schools.

Motion: Ralph Bradley motioned to move the question

Seconded: Steve Babin

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion on Article 10 did not pass by unanimous vote.

Motion: Katherine Hadaway motioned to not reconsider any of the articles already discussed.

Seconded: William DeLeo

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three million, five hundred forty-four thousand, two hundred forty-seven dollars (\$3,544,247) to support town operations for the 2022 year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles. (Majority vote required).

Motion: William DeLeo

Seconded: Katherine Hadaway

Discussion: Robert Hatcher stated we should give the administration a round of applause for keeping our town expenses in order.

Motion on Article 11 carried by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS: Moderator Piantedosi asked the residents if there was any new town business to mention.

Robert Hatcher felt there was a gross lack of information provided by the Town regarding town warrant articles. He asked the Board to make available to residents a description of the warrant articles and why we need or do not need it.

Myrtle Lewis stated she would like to have seen a posting of information about the candidates running for office. Steve Babin said the town cannot promote candidates; posting such information is illegal in the state of New Hampshire.

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2022 TOWN MEETING MINUTES

Steve Babin asked the residents to vote that the Selectboard send monthly or bi-monthly direct mailings via USPS of any upcoming meetings as well as minutes from those meetings. He stated money could be appropriated from their administrative budget. TA Shepard stated this would be difficult for several reasons; the number of meetings held weekly, staff having time to complete these mailings, and the significant impact to the budget for postage. She went on to say that information is posted on the town website, bulletin boards at Town Hall (inside and out), and the transfer station. Public hearing notices are posted in the newspaper, on the town website, and at various town locations. She noted everything is transparent; staff is happy to assist and will provide copies of information when requested. She encouraged residents to stop in at Town Hall or call for information. TA Shepard said residents do bear some responsibility to stay informed and they can find information on the town website.

Bruce Andrew stated he was at the budget hearing; no one was there. If people want to know what is going at the Town Meeting, they need to attend the budget hearing. He stated the Selectboard had hand-outs and answered all questions presented to them; the information is available to everyone. Mr. Andrew noted that people need to attend meetings and the Town does a very good job.

Barbara Patterson stated her family has been here for generations, but she doesn't know many of the people in attendance. She states most people are here because they love the area and hoped to not end the meeting with such negativity. She stated although she did not vote for every member currently on the Board, she does trust every one of them; the town has a good board.

Motion to Adjourn: Ralph Bradley

Seconded: Richard Baker

Motion to adjourn carried by unanimous vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15am.

Given under my hand and seal this 21st day of March, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela D. White". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid.

Pamela D. White

Interim Town Clerk

Town of Thornton



2022 SUMMER PROGRAM REPORT

As in 2021, we restructured and expanded the program to provide services to better meet the needs of our participants and their parents/guardians. This allowed us to provide programming for 65 unduplicated Thornton youth entering grades K-8. We again divided the program into two groups; summer day camp at TCS provided programming for students entering grades K-4, while our Youth Leadership Through Adventure (YLTA) program provided programming for students in grades 5-8. Again this year, all Adapt summer program staff were lifeguard certified in addition to their other qualifications and certifications.

For our 2022 program, drop-off and pick-up were at Thornton Central School. From there, our 5-8 grade campers headed to our Basecamp in Campton where they had access to all of our WYLD and YLTA equipment: kayaks, canoes, mountain bikes, rock climbing and paddle boards. New for 2023 we will also be offering fly fishing and archery.

The program ran Monday through Friday with our original drop-off time of 8:30am and a pick-up time of 3:30. This allowed staff proper time to plan and organize both before and after camp.

As in 2021, the most positive outcome from our 2022 season was connecting our participants back to nature. Our field trips were all outdoors based and local, which limited our participants' time spent in the vans. We explored even more swimming holes than in 2021 and provided our participants with opportunities to grow by exploring mindfulness activities, arts and crafts, and many more outdoor adventure activities.

Our YLTA program was designed for students in grades 5-8. The Youth Leadership Through Adventure Program ran daily. This program also ran for six weeks. Although each morning the participants checked in at Thornton Central School, they were more "on the go" each day adventuring on different activities. YLTA challenged students in their leadership and growth as individuals. Activities ranged from mountain biking, swimming, rock climbing to canoeing, and hiking. All activities designed to help develop participants' skills in nature awareness, teambuilding, leadership and communication, while showing students they can have a great connection to the outdoors.

In addition to the revisions to our program to better serve the Thornton community, Adapt is fortunate to own our basecamp facility in Campton, which houses all of our equipment and gives participants and staff a place to go during the colder months of the year. As always, we look forward to our 2023 season and our ability to provide services for the Thornton Community.

Be on the lookout for newsletters and updates on all of our programs at our website www.adaptnh.org

Respectfully submitted,

Sean O'Brien

2022 BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Our Mission Statement :

A community-based group dedicated to the visual enhancement of the Town of Thornton.

The past few years have been challenging for this committee.

We are hoping to once again maintain the trashcan flowers at the transfer station during the summer months.

Looking forward, we would like to offer our assistance to any department or committee with ideas to beautify our town.

This year we will provide a holiday wreath for the Town Hall.

Our committee always welcomes new members of the community.



2022 CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Report was requested but not submitted.

Cemetery Trustees

Geraldine Benton	2023
Michael Benton	2024
Wendy Johnston	2025

2022 BOARD OF SELECTMEN

2022 was considered a transition year for Thornton. We are proud to introduce new faces running our departments and serving our community.

In June, Town Administrator, Debra Shepard, resigned and Administrative Assistant, Desiree L. Mahurin stepped in to take over the care of the everyday business for the town as well as continuing to fulfill her responsibilities as the Tax Collector/Municipal Agent until a new Town Administrator was appointed. After an extensive search to fill the position, Desiree was officially appointed by the Board of Selectmen as Town Administrator in November.

After posting the Tax Collector/Municipal Agent position, the Board of Selectmen hired within and appointed Alisa (St. Amour) Schofield as our new Tax Collector/Municipal Agent in January of 2023. We have now advertised for a new part-time municipal clerk to fill her previous position, which will leave the office fully staffed.

The Board of Selectmen are pleased they were able to hire from within our current staff and fill two important positions with two very experienced people. This has resulted in easy transitions for the administrative functions of the Town Office. We need to extend appreciation to the entire office staff for stepping up and filling the gaps during the hiring and transition processes.

Other departments experiencing transitions include the Police Department. Chief Gilman promoted Jeannine Wood to Sergeant and a committee was formed to hire additional new officers. The process proved to be very successful, as the Department is now well staffed.

We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone at the Transfer Station for stepping up during our search for a new Transfer Station Manager. Assistant Transfer Manager, Zach Simon, stepped in as the manager, Ray Sidney and Donny Howe stepped up doing whatever needed to be done and Zoning Compliance Officer, Shawn Magoon, also got certified to help during the staff shortage. After a lengthy search, Jamin Levasseur was hired in October as the new Manager. Jamin has proven to be a great choice to fill this position. Donald Howe retired as of December 31, 2022 after 28 years of service to the Town and a new attendant has been hired to fill that gap. Thank you for your service to the Town, Donny.

We are working toward the goal of having credit card payment options at the transfer station. We had run into some difficulties with internet connections, hardware inadequacies and lack of internal control procedures that have delayed our progress slightly, but we are back on track to get this service up and running for the 2023 year.

The Board of Selectmen wish to acknowledge our Broadband Committee for working so diligently to help get high speed broadband internet service to our entire community.

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2022 BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Thornton is at the top of the list to be connected with this service as part of a statewide broadband initiative. This project will provide internet services to areas of town presently not able to have this service.

The little town of Thornton is getting bigger. We are still experiencing an influx of Zoning Compliance Applications which keeps our Zoning Compliance Officer, Shawn Magoon, and our support staff very busy processing and reviewing the construction projects being done in town.

In concluding my report, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Board members, Committee members, volunteers and employees that so diligently offer their time, expertise, and professionalism to make Thornton a better place to live, work and play.

It has been my pleasure to serve as Chairperson this year for our Board of Selectmen. It has been an honor and joy to work with such a great group of dedicated people.

Brad R. Benton, Chairperson

Thornton Board of Selectmen

2022 CADY ANNUAL REPORT

Communities for Alcohol- and Drug-Free Youth would like to thank the town of Thornton for your support over the past year. Together we are preventing substance misuse and building possibilities, potential, and promise for our children.

Addiction is one of the most complex issues facing NH today—the consequences of this epidemic are severe with overdose deaths continuing to steal the lives of too many of our young people. The most responsible and humane strategy is to stop these tragic situations from occurring in the first place by preventing the use of all addictive substances, including alcohol and high-potency marijuana, in adolescence.

Consequently, CADY believes local problems need local solutions; as such, it is our collective responsibility to address these problems head on to ensure that we are supporting the healthy social and emotional development of children in our region. The scary truth is we are seeing surges in childhood anxiety and clinical depression statewide and locally. Additionally, youth substance misuse in our local region has increased significantly, putting our children at an even greater risk of harm. The most recent Pemi-Baker Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) indicated our children are at higher rates than statewide averages in suicidal ideation, sadness, and feelings of hopelessness.

To counter this worrisome trend, CADY introduced several new trauma-informed services and programs in 2022 and will be rolling out additional new programming in 2023. We have also opened a new office in Bristol to provide compassionate connections for even more children and youth. These prevention and intervention services will foster resiliency and transform lives. Program details can be found on our website at cadyinc.org.

Research shows that for youth to thrive, even amidst challenging life circumstances, what they need most is to be encircled by caring adults. This is the essence of CADY's vital work. We work hard. We are persistent. And we will never give up. There is so much to be done. Collaboration is essential as our community is faced with complex problems that are just too big for a single organization, or level of government to solve alone. The scarcity of treatment services for children makes prevention a crucial first step to addressing their growing needs.

Thankfully, our collective action has the power to transform lives by preventing youth substance misuse through education, skill building, increasing early intervention services and social-emotional supports, and offering opportunities for mentoring and resiliency building. We thank our community partners for working tirelessly with CADY to build healthy environments that foster hope, growth, and resiliency. We cannot do this critical work without you. Thank you, Thornton, we are truly honored and grateful for your support.

Sincerely,

Deb Naro, Executive Director

2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Thornton's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) is a tool used for planning capital expenditures. The CIP's "Total Capital Requirements" spreadsheet is a 10-year schedule of anticipated capital expenditures (tangible assets or projects that cost at least \$10,000.00 and have a useful life of at least five years). The "Reserve Calculation" spreadsheet represents the capital reserve balances that are level funded each year in the amount of \$300,000.00. While the total expenditures for each year on the "Requirements" spreadsheet are variable, level funding the "Reserve" funds each year controls a portion of the tax rate and contributes to savings in the form of finance costs.

The CIP insures sound fiscal and capital planning by classifying projects according to their urgency and need for realization. This process requires the involvement and cooperation of all municipal departments. The committee begins the CIP process by asking department managers to submit their capital requests. Each department meets with the Town's Select Board to review their proposals. The CIP committee then receives the capital requests, which are evaluated and prioritized.

Over a period of several months, the "Total Capital Requirements" spreadsheet is created and revised as needed. We also meet with the Select Board to update them on our progress, and to discuss any issues encountered in developing the plan. The Capital Reserve balances are updated at year end and the "Reserve Calculation" spreadsheet is finalized. After holding a public hearing, the committee presents the plan to the Select Board for final approval of the plan.

There are vacancies on the CIP Committee and interested citizens should contact the Town office for information about joining. We meet monthly, May-December.

I would like to thank the Committee members for their hard work and dedication this year, and for their patience to see this process through to the end. Thanks also goes out to the various boards, department staff and volunteers who work tirelessly on behalf of Thornton residents.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred Lewis, Chairperson
Cindy Schofield, Secretary
Joe Monti

2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Inflation Rate = 2.50%

Revised: Jan 24, 2023

Final Approved

Total Capital Requirements

2023 - 2032

Highway	Mill Brook	Roads	Paving	Bridges	Fire	Police	Transfer	Building	Mapping	Assessing	Total
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Calendar Year 2023

Engine # 2					351,000						
Roadside Mower	20,000										
Excavator	53,845										
Grader	32,305										
Ford 550 #3	86,150										
Upper Mill Brook Upgrade	110,000										
TOTAL	192,300	110,000			351,000						653,300

Calendar Year 2024

Assessing										120,000	
Ambulance #2					136,595						
Police Cruiser #3						71,750					
TOTAL					136,595	71,750					328,345

Calendar Year 2025

Fire Dpt Utility Truck					20,365						
Engine #3					368,770						
Dump Truck Body	45,255										
TS Paving			39,600								
Police Cruiser #1						73,540					
TOTAL	45,255		39,600		389,135	73,540					547,530

Calendar Year 2026

Ford 550 #1	92,775										
Police Cruiser #2						75,380			23,360		
Skid Steer											
TOTAL	92,775					75,380			23,360		191,515

Calendar Year 2027

Engine #4					387,440						
Mack 6 Wheeler	71,320										
Police Cruiser #4 (unmarked)						87,410					
TOTAL	71,320				387,440	87,410					546,170

2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

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Total Capital Requirements

2023 - 2032

	Highway	Mill Brook	Roads	Paving	Bridges	Fire	Police	Transfer	Building	Mapping	Assessing	Total
Calendar Year 2028												
F550 #2	97,470											
Front End Loader	60,920											
TOTAL	158,390											158,390
Calendar Year 2029												
Assessing											135,000	
Engine #1 (tanker)						271,370						
Backhoe								42,460				
TOTAL						271,370		42,460			135,000	448,830
Calendar Year 2030												
Ford 550 #4	98,660											
Police Cruiser #3							83,205					
TOTAL	98,660						83,205					181,865
Calendar Year 2031												
F-150 Command Pickup						48,405						
Ambulance						185,080						
Police Cruiser #1							85,285					
Trash Hopper / Ram								76,805				
TOTAL						233,485	85,285	76,805				395,575
Calendar Year 2032												
Ford F-550 #2	78,635											
Police Cruiser #2							87,420					
TOTAL	78,635						87,420					166,055
10 YEAR TOTAL	737,335	110,000	0	39,600	0	1,769,025	563,990	142,625	0	0	255,000	3,617,575

2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Reserve Calculation

	Highway	Mill Brook	Roads	Paving	Bridges	Fire	Police	Transfer	Building	Mapping	Assessing	Total		Bond	LTP	Reserve	Total
Beginning Reserve	\$177,112	\$110,834	\$49,550	\$69,477	\$181,027	\$483,336	\$84,966	\$14,489	\$24,631	\$1	\$90,040	\$1,285,463					
2023																	
Requirements	\$192,300	\$110,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$351,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$653,300					
Reserve Funding	\$75,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$170,000	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$300,000		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$59,812	\$834	\$49,550	\$69,477	\$181,027	\$302,336	\$104,966	\$24,489	\$24,631	\$1	\$115,040	\$932,163		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
2024																	
Requirements	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$136,595	\$71,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$120,000	\$328,345					
Reserve Funding	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$140,000	\$90,000	\$20,000	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$300,000					
Ending Reserve Balance	\$84,812	\$834	\$49,550	\$69,477	\$181,027	\$305,741	\$123,216	\$44,489	\$24,631	\$1	\$20,040	\$903,818		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
2025																	
Requirements	\$45,255	\$0	\$0	\$39,600	\$0	\$389,135	\$73,540	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$547,530					
Reserve Funding	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$175,000	\$70,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$300,000		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$69,557	\$834	\$49,550	\$29,877	\$181,027	\$91,606	\$119,676	\$44,489	\$24,631	\$1	\$45,040	\$656,288		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
2026																	
Requirements	\$92,775	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,380	\$23,360	\$23,360	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$191,515					
Reserve Funding	\$70,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$145,000	\$45,000	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$300,000		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$46,782	\$834	\$49,550	\$29,877	\$181,027	\$236,606	\$89,296	\$36,129	\$24,631	\$1	\$70,040	\$764,773		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
2027																	
Requirements	\$71,320	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$387,440	\$87,410	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$546,170					
Reserve Funding	\$70,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$160,000	\$45,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$300,000		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$45,462	\$834	\$49,550	\$29,877	\$181,027	\$9,166	\$46,886	\$36,129	\$24,631	\$1	\$95,040	\$518,603		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
2028																	
Requirements	\$158,390	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$158,390					
Reserve Funding	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$110,000	\$30,000	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$300,000		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$7,072	\$834	\$49,550	\$29,877	\$181,027	\$119,166	\$76,886	\$51,129	\$24,631	\$1	\$120,040	\$660,213		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
2029																	
Requirements	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$271,370	\$0	\$42,460	\$0	\$0	\$135,000	\$448,830					
Reserve Funding	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$155,000	\$80,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$300,000		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$47,072	\$834	\$49,550	\$29,877	\$181,027	\$2,796	\$156,886	\$8,669	\$24,631	\$1	\$10,040	\$511,383		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
2030																	
Requirements	\$98,660	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$83,205	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$181,865					
Reserve Funding	\$60,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$200,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$300,000		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$8,412	\$834	\$49,550	\$29,877	\$181,027	\$12,796	\$273,681	\$18,669	\$24,631	\$1	\$30,040	\$629,518		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
2031																	
Requirements	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$233,485	\$85,285	\$76,805	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$395,575					
Reserve Funding	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$225,000	\$0	\$60,000	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$300,000		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$8,412	\$834	\$49,550	\$29,877	\$181,027	\$4,311	\$188,396	\$1,864	\$24,631	\$1	\$45,040	\$533,943		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
2032																	
Requirements	\$78,635	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$87,420	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$166,055					
Reserve Funding	\$90,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$35,000	\$300,000		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$19,777	\$834	\$49,550	\$29,877	\$181,027	\$104,311	\$150,976	\$26,864	\$24,631	\$1	\$80,040	\$667,888		\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000
Total																	
Requirements	\$737,335	\$110,000	\$0	\$39,600	\$0	\$1,769,025	\$563,990	\$142,625	\$0	\$0	\$255,000	\$3,617,575		\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
Reserve Funding	\$580,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,390,000	\$630,000	\$155,000	\$0	\$0	\$245,000	\$3,000,000		\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
Ending Reserve Balance	\$19,777	\$834	\$49,550	\$29,877	\$181,027	\$104,311	\$150,976	\$26,864	\$24,631	\$1	\$80,040	\$667,888		\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000

2022 CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Thornton Conservation Commission (TCC) members are Myrtle Lewis, Al Lewis, Jerry Sobolewski, Katri Gurney, Maryellen Sakura, and Mike Boisvert.

The TCC met monthly in-person in 2022. The Commission meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 3:00 PM at Town Hall. The meeting agendas and minutes are posted on the Town website. The public is encouraged to participate.

The TCC has been working on the Robin's Nest Pemi River Access Project. We have been working with the DOT (property owner) about an agreement to develop the property with improved parking, a boat launch, porta potties and an information kiosk. TCC has developed a conceptual plan for the site. This project has a long way to go, pending State and Town approvals and acquiring funding.

In 2022, the TCC conducted construction project reviews for a DOT culvert repair, Owl's Nest ongoing construction, the Pemi River Campground expansion, and a Quarry operating permit renewal. These evaluations included onsite walks, permit applications and drawing reviews. We have also met with Town residents that are looking to make changes to their property. We encourage residents to come to our meetings to learn about the requirements for wetland permits, etc.

The TCC participated in the Neighborhood Night Out event on August 2. The TCC provided pamphlets and interactive materials to discuss living safely with bears and to never feed the bears and not to leave food out when bears might be present.

The TCC is influencing regional planning and regulatory requirements by sending letters to the NH legislature regarding pending legislation or other issues (landfill expansions, etc.) and public issues that impact our natural environment.

The TCC has been working on the Natural Resources Inventory, a comprehensive document that includes natural resources (waters, soils, wildlife, habitats) as well as cultural and historical resources. This document will be released with the Thornton Master Plan update.

The TCC has decided to discontinue the quarterly photo contest, due to limited interest. We appreciate Terry Roper of Roper Real Estate in Waterville Valley for sponsoring the contest prizes.

Three members of the TCC received training at the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions (NHACC) on November 5.

The TCC 2022 expenditures were \$676: for the NHACC annual fee, outreach supplies and training conference fees.

The Thornton Conservation Commission will continue to be a resource for the Town and its residents and will improve outreach and education about natural resources and wildlife within the community. TCC members are also members of the Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee (PRLAC) and the Pemi Baker Land Trust (PBLT).

Respectfully Submitted,
Myrtle Lewis, Chair

2022 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency Management Director-Police Chief Dan Gilman, Deputy Emergency Management Director Sergeant Jeannine Wood. Emergency Management Secretary Kerrin Randall.

2022 was a relatively easy year for Emergency Management. Covid-19 Meetings slowed down and restrictions went away.

The Town finalized our Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) this year. I want to thank everyone on the Committee for their hard work and dedication throughout the year while working on the EOP.

To date, no significant weather incidents have occurred within the Town of Thornton in 2022 that required the activation of the EOP.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel J. Gilman

Chief of Police/Emergency Management Director

2022 EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT

The year 2022 was a busy one for the Events Committee. The second year of the community concert series brought new performances and great community attendance. Light Up Thornton brought festive cheer and friendly competition to neighborhoods around town. The committee continued to support Trunk or Treat with the staffing of a Witches' tent, and National Night Out with a fresh squeezed lemonade stand. The committee also hosted a sugar on snow event at the library.

Free concerts were held at the Sugar Shack Campground music venue four Sundays in July and August. Community members were encouraged to bring their own picnic to enjoy while listening to great regional talent.



Thank you to all the performers for honoring our town with their great talents (Chris White, Jim McLaughlin, Bryan Conway, Bob King, Dane Anderson, Pete Downing III, Morris Manning, and Ericka Cushing Music).

Thank you to all our sponsors (Monti's Maple Farm, Hammond Wheeler Reality, The Sunset Grill, Benton's Sugar Shack, Dead River, Chelsey's, Demer's Chimney, Covered Bridge Farm Table, Tartaglia's Pizza, Hannaford, New Hampshire Electric Coop, JuJu's Froyo, Shamrock Motel, Bank of NH, and Mad River Coffee). Special thanks to all our volunteers and to the Benton's Sugar Shack family for allowing use of their great facilities for the shows!

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2022 EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Events Committee assisted the Police and Fire Departments in organizing the Trunk or Treat event, held on Halloween Oct 31st. Community volunteers decorated campsites and vehicles, and kids could walk between each asking for a trick or a treat. Thanks to all those that donated candy or showed off their spooky skills. We even had a haunted trail put together by our wonderful volunteers.

National Night Out was a joint community event sponsored by the Campton, Thornton, and Waterville Valley Police and Fire Departments. This event is held nationally in many communities. We feel very fortunate to have such a successful one in ours. Look for this event again next August.

The annual Light Up Thornton will be entering its fourth year in 2022. In December, community members are encouraged to decorate their homes for the holidays and enter the town wide contest. To kick off this event, the committee organized a parade and bus tour of the lights, a concert by Fiddlehead Field Kids Orchestra, holiday craft table, and even a visit from Santa.

The Events Committee is always looking for volunteers and members. This year we are also looking for a new chair to lead this enthusiastic committee! **Please join us and help us continue to provide these fun events to the town.**

Please follow us on Facebook (Thornton NH Events) for the latest news on upcoming events. Meetings are open to the public and times are posted at the Town Office or on the Town website. We encourage anyone interested to reach out thorntonnhevents@gmail.com.

A big thank you goes out to our volunteers; we could not hold these events without you!

Enthusiastically Submitted,

Thornton Events Committee

Judy Rolfe, Debbie Duffy, Leslie Rosewarne, Katie Doble, Vivica Duffield,

Katie Gryczkowski, Heather Baldwin



2022 FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Dear Residents,

The members of Campton-Thornton Fire Rescue had yet another record-breaking year, ending with 1,061 incidents handled in 2022. We saw a 5.5% increase in calls, from the 1005 in 2021. This included a 3.1% decrease in Medical Emergencies and an increase in fire and carbon monoxide alarm activations from 67 in 2021 to 94 in 2022. Statistically, Saturday was the busiest day of the week with 194 calls, while the busiest hour of the day was a tie between 4 pm and 6pm, both at 73 calls. Just over 24% of our calls occurred while another incident was being handled and 18% of our calls occurred during the overnight between 9 pm and 6 am. We average 7 members for working fires, which is high, compared to many area departments. We assessed over 450 patients, resulting in 327 transports.

Full-time department member, Daniel Gregson moved on to a new position with the Plymouth Fire Department in November and we wish him well on his new endeavor. As is the case with most businesses these days, we are having a hard time filling full-time vacancies. In fact, we went the entirety of 2022 with at least one vacancy. This is an issue not only in our state, but all over the country.

Additionally, we issued 44 new street addresses, approximately half than what we issued in 2021. We issued over 500 burn permits at the station, while another 250 were purchased through the state's online permit system.

We were awarded nearly \$250,000 in grants to replace our UTV, purchase and install a "powerload" stretcher loading system in our second ambulance, purchase 2 Lucas CPR machines along with the replacement of some outdated portable radios. Additionally, we were awarded funds from NH Forests and Lands to purchase a "skid unit" for the UTV, which will carry a small pump, some water and has a spot that gives us the ability to transport a patient with the UTV.

In May, several of our members were recognized by Concord Hospital for a cardiac arrest resuscitation that occurred in Thornton. The patient was transported by our staff directly to Concord, where the patient received further treatment. This was the culmination of years of training and dedication by our members to prepare for this type of incident. The patient is said to be doing well and has made a full recovery.

I would be remiss if I did not point out that 2023 marks our 75th anniversary. The department has sure come a long way over the years. I want to throw a thank you out to all the former members who paved the way and set the bar high for our current members.

As always, I would also like to thank the current members for their continued hard work and our residents for their continued support. I also want to recognize the families of our members, who provide support and encouragement for our members to respond to calls, as well as attend many hours of trainings each year. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Stay safe and most importantly, stay well.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel Defosses

Fire Chief

Campton-Thornton Fire Rescue



CAMPTON-THORNTON FIRE RESCUE CALLS 2022

By Community	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Campton	52	47	41	39	52	51	59	47	39	41	41	56	565
Ellsworth	4	0	3	0	1	4	5	4	1	5	4	2	33
Thornton	23	51	23	24	24	30	32	24	27	27	27	38	350
Ashland	1									1			2
Bow								1					1
Epsom											1	1	2
Holderness					2			3				1	6
Lincoln		3				2	1	1	1				8
Pittsfield							1						1
Plymouth	7	5	5	5	7	4		4		8	6	1	52
Rumney							1		2				3
Sanbornton												1	1
Speare Memorial Hospital				1				1	3	1		1	7
Waterville Valley		1		2	1	1	3		3	1		3	15
Wentworth					1		1						2
Woodstock		3			1	1	3		2	1	1	1	13
Total	87	110	72	71	89	93	106	85	78	85	80	105	1061
Year to date total-													

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Year Total
2022	87	110	72	71	89	93	106	85	78	85	80	105	1061
		197	269	340	429	522	628	713	791	876	956	1061	
2021	72	108	83	75	78	71	94	109	63	91	80	81	1005
		180	263	338	416	487	581	690	753	844	924	1005	
2020	43	86	63	58	49	72	99	110	85	88	79	57	889
		129	192	250	299	371	470	580	665	753	832	889	
2019	76	62	57	67	75	67	78	78	49	83	66	64	822
		138	195	262	337	404	482	560	609	692	758	822	
2018	94	54	43	77	53	58	72	104	57	78	69	77	853
		148	191	268	321	379	451	555	612	690	759	836	
2017	63	57	50	49	51	54	84	59	69	125	68	72	801
		120	170	219	270	324	408	467	536	661	729	801	
2016	56	46	48	53	47	47	73	70	53	54	48	69	664
		102	150	203	250	297	370	440	493	547	595	664	



CAMPTON-THORNTON FIRE RESCUE CALLS 2022

Call Type	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Animal Rescue	1	2	1								1		5
Building Fire		1	2	3	4	1		2		1	3		17
1st Alarm Building		1						1	1				3
2nd Alarm Building	1											1	2
3rd Alarm Building							1		1				2
Chimney Fire		1	1									1	3
CO Detector W/ Illness												1	1
CO Detector W/O Illness		2	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	15
Cover Ambulance					1								1
Cover Engine		2		1	1	1	1					2	8
DHART Landing Zone									1	1			2
Electrical Problem										1			1
Emergency Transfer	1				1	1		1	3		1	1	9
Fire Alarm	1	2	2	4	4	15	12	10	2	12	6	8	78
Fuel Spill				2			1						3
Gas Leak Inside		4	1		3	1	1		1		1	1	13
Gas Leak Outside	2	1		1	2					2			8
Hazardous Condition							1	2			1	1	5
Medical	49	51	42	38	50	57	67	53	48	50	39	43	587
Miscellaneous Fire		1						1				2	4
Motor Vehicle Fire	1				1	1	1		1	1	1		7
MVA	11	5	7	1	5	7	8	3	4	2	4	8	65
MVA Snowmobile/ OHRV		1											1
Odor Investigation		1						1		1	1		4
Outside Fire		1	1	3	5	1	2	3	2	3	8	1	30
1st Alarm Outside Fire				1							1		2
EMS Service Call	11	3	4	2	2	3	1	3	4	2	4	4	43
FD Service Call	5	5	6	1	6	3	4	3	3	3	1	2	42
Search			1										1
Smoke In the Building	3	4	1	1	2						3	2	16
Smoke Investigation				1					2	2		1	6
Tree/ Wires Down	1	20	2	11	1	1	5	1	1	3	4	25	75
Transformer Fire		2											2
Total	87	110	72	71	89	93	106	85	78	85	80	105	1061



CAMPTON-THORNTON FIRE RESCUE CALLS 2022

EMS Stats

Non-Transports	123
ALS Transports	158
BLS Transports	169
Transport by Mutual Aid	
Ambulance	8

Total Patients Evaluated by CTFD	458
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Transports- Ambulance 1	203
Transports- Ambulance 2	124

Total Patients Transported by CTFD	327
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Members of the CTFD were recognized for a Cardiac Arrest save in Thornton by Concord Hospital EMS Coordinator, Craig Clough.

Pictured from left to right: Stefan Clugston, Olivia Franklin, Alex Dria, Craig Clough, Chris Camejo, Walter Durack, Paul Piscitelli

CAMPTON-THORNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

2022 BUDGET WORKSHEET

Acct	Campton-Thornton Fire Rescue	2022 Budget	2022 Expended	Proposed 2023 Budget
4220-000	Fire Chief FT	70,771		76,433
	Lieutenant FT	56,825		61,375
	Lieutenant FT	50,000		56,925
	FF/AEMT FT	50,000		54,000
	Lieutenant FT	54,050		64,825
	FF/AEMT FT	50,000		54,000
	FF/AEMT FT	50,000		54,000
	Administrative Assistant	45,614		49,254
	Holiday (4 FT FFs)	11,938		13,253
	Sub Total	439,198	375,220	484,065
4220-001	Call Company	35,000	46,200	38,500
4220-002	Employee Retention and Hiring	-	-	5,000
4220-003	Overtime Full Time	54,050	48,134	33,364
4220-004	Special Detail	3,825	6,524	3,825
4220-006	Per Diem	86,400	115,943	102,265
4220-009	Longevity	1,900	1,900	1,900
4220-010	Tax Expense	22,767	20,965	25,045
4220-011	Unemployment Expense	500	-	500
4220-012	Retirement Expense	154,472	115,968	155,434
4220-013	Health, L&D Insurance	86,781	64,809	92,696
4220-015	Merit Pay	4,000	3,000	4,000
4220-030	Postage	600	386	600
4220-032	Office Supplies	7,400	4,631	7,000
4220-035	Computer Services	11,100	8,848	8,000
4220-036	Grants	1,500	1,500	1,500
4220-040	Insurance/ Deductible	43,500	53,390	68,000
4220-050	Telephone/ Internet	6,500	6,880	6,500
4220-052	Electric	8,000	10,514	13,000
4220-053	Heating	6,000	8,502	9,000
4220-060	Health & Safety	5,000	5,432	5,000
4220-061	Training	10,000	6,715	6,000
4220-070	Vehicle Fuel	12,000	22,608	21,000
4220-071	Vehicle Maintenance	30,000	59,912	39,000
4220-080	F.D. Equipment	12,000	8,478	12,000
4220-081	EMS/ Rescue Supplies	12,000	16,341	12,000
4220-082	Fire Gear	9,000	15,190	12,000
4220-083	Uniforms	5,000	5,181	5,000
4220-085	Equipment Maintenance	10,000	17,738	10,000
4220-086	Miscellaneous Building Maintenance	6,000	7,694	6,000
			1,084,493	
		1,084,493	1,058,603	1,188,194
	Expenses through 12/31/2022			
		Remaining = \$	25,890	
		2022		2023
	By Town			
	Campton (52.6%)	570,443		624,990
	Ellsworth (1.8%)	19,521		21,387
	Thornton (45.6%)	494,529		541,816
		1,084,493		1,188,194

2022 FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER REPORT

This year was another year where we observed wet weather in early spring followed by rapid drying and drought conditions which extended through the summer for much of the state. Drying conditions in early May led to large fire growth on numerous fires which required multiple days to extinguish and firefighter response from local, state, and federal agencies. Wildfire activity continued through the summer months where dry conditions led to more multi-day fires. Fires burned deep into the ground, requiring firefighters to establish water supplies and to spend days digging out all the hot spots.

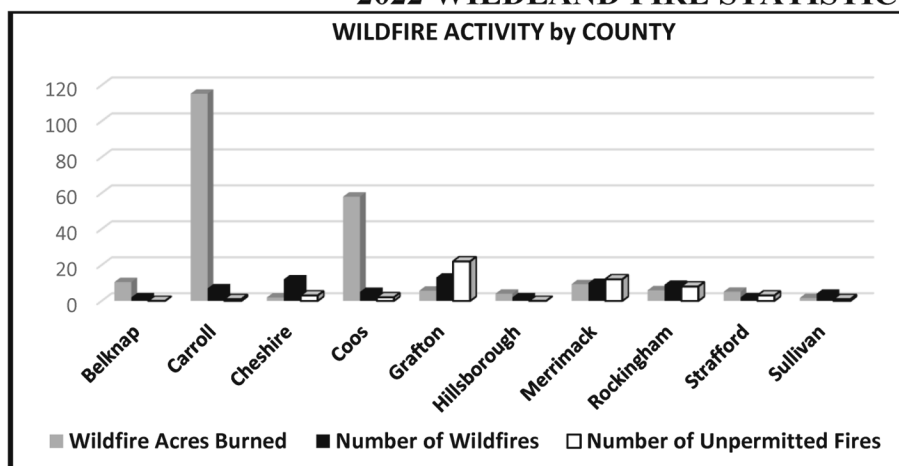
This fall we had multiple fires started by the careless disposal of woodstove ashes. Before dumping your woodstove ashes, you should place them in a covered metal container until they are out cold. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Every year New Hampshire sees fires which threaten or destroy structures, a constant reminder that wildfires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildfire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

The long-lasting drought effects in Rockingham County are showing some minor signs of improvement but a good portion of Rockingham County remains in moderate drought and much of the state is still in the abnormally dry category. While the drought conditions have improved, we expect some areas of the state may still be experiencing abnormally dry or drought conditions this spring. For this reason, we ask everyone to remember Smokey's message about personal responsibility and follow his ABC's: **Always Be Careful with fire.** If you start a fire, put it out when you are done. **"Remember, Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!"**

As we prepare for the 2023 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services. You are encouraged to contact the local fire department for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information, please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nh.gov/nhdf/. For up-to-date information, follow us on Twitter and Instagram: **@NHForestRangers**



2022 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS



(All fires reported as of December 01, 2022)

Year	Number of Wildfires	Wildfire Acres Burned	Number of Unpermitted Fires*
2022	66	217	52
2021	66	86	96
2020	113	89	165
2019	15	23.5	92
2018	53	46	91

*Unpermitted fires which escape control are considered Wildfires.

CAUSES of FIRES REPORTED

Railroad operations & maintenance	Firearm & explosives use	Undetermined	Recreation & ceremony	Debris & open burning	Natural	Other causes	Power generation, transmission, distribution	Smoking	Arson	Misuse of fire by a minor	Equipment & vehicle use
1	3	21	4	60	7	5	7	1	2	1	3

2022 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT



Mud Season

As spring weather arrived in early March, we got about a week of warm sunny days and temps not dipping below the freezing mark. This warmup resulted in the rapid onset of “mud season”. On March 17th many dirt roads around town thawed out and deteriorated quickly requiring stone to be placed to remain passable. Although this was the most intense mud season with respect to the severity of mud in at least a decade, it was only around for a short time. By that weekend the department spread out many truck loads which stabilized the roads. With a few warm rainstorms and warm days, the frost was soon driven down enough that roads quickly began to dry out.

As we finished up with some springtime duties such as grading and sweeping, we cleaned out and reshaped some ditch lines throughout town that needed to be improved.

While summer was approaching, the highway department prepared for the 2022 paving season by ditching, trimming trees and replacing rusting metal culverts. This work was done prior to the paving of the upper portion of Snowood Drive, Sandwich Notch Rd, Tree Line Rd, Cold Springs Rd, Upper Mad River Rd. and Burbank Hill from Route 49 to Sugar Run.



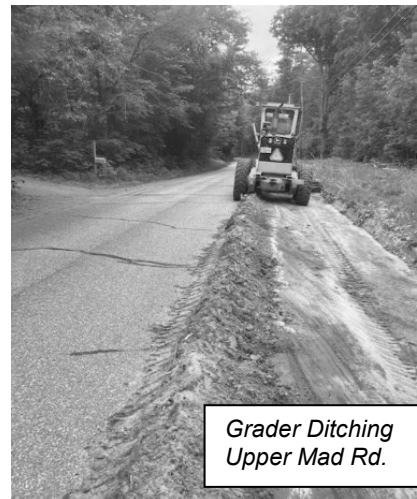
Tree Line Culvert Change

As I look back on the nice weather this past summer and fall, I am reminded that we were fortunate to not have had any extended periods of extreme heat or any damaging rainstorms. Having a season without any damaging roadway washouts from rain allowed us to focus on keeping up with roadside mowing around town as well as a few other culvert changes and roadway projects.

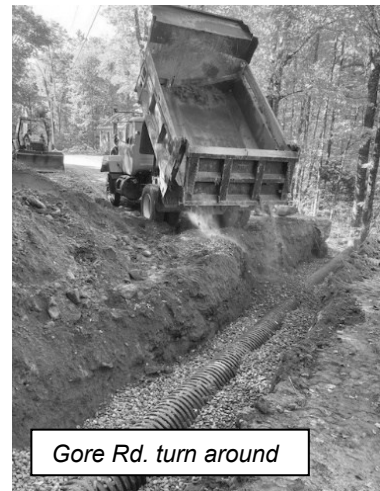
As this year ends, I am thankful for the team I get to work with that makes up this department as well as all the others involved. Together we work to complete the necessary projects that maintain and improve our community.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Kubik, Road Agent



*Grader Ditching
Upper Mad Rd.*



Gore Rd. turn around

2022 THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Our year began with a delivery of new wooden bookshelves in January on a cold sunny day. Santa was here in December 2021 reading the “Polar Express” to the children in the children’s section, when we realized that we needed more room for speakers and events. These bookshelves have wheels, allowing us to move them for added space. Since we are a rural library without a meeting room, flexibility is important.



But we are not so small, as our patron numbers are growing every month with 1134 active public patrons along with 192 students and staff from the school that use the library. We continued to service the students at school with books via the library cart until April, due to pandemic constraints.

Now the students visit the library four days a week, and we invite them to visit after school and during the vacation weeks for makerspace programming. We also service patrons who wish to digitally “take out books” with the downloadable eBooks, and we offer audio books, videos, and digital magazines as well. We support Boy Scout troop # 58 with their local programs and look forward to using their outdoor classroom for events.

Thornton Public Library hosted the “Sugar on Snow” event, partnering with the Events Committee on March 19th with a scavenger hunt for the kids on the backyard trail and maple sugar boiled for tasting, donated by local maple sugar houses.

Our Summer Reading Program theme, “Oceans of Possibilities,” provided us the opportunity to book the Living Shores Aquarium from Glen along with the Squam Lakes Science Center from Holderness for animal exhibits and programs. The children were also entertained by two local artists, Suzan Gannett, for an artistic beading activity, and Jim Gleich for his juggling show.

The Scholastic book fair returned to the library in the beginning of October, earning over \$900 in free books for the school. We wish to thank our volunteers Celeste Moreau, Jackie Belanger, Marty Humphrey, and Patti Lindblom for their assistance with the fair.

For the adults, we hosted nutritionist, Katy Magoon-Fredette from Hannaford in June for healthy ideas in “Better Barbecuing” and bird expert, Kelly Dwyer in October for ideas for backyard bird feeders.

On July 31, 2022, Thornton Public Library was awarded one of CLIF’s Rural Library grants for 2022-2023. This year our library will receive \$ 2,000 worth of new children’s books for the library and \$500 worth of new books for the Thornton Elementary School. There will be two storytelling presentations for the school and a local preschool, one which we had on November 16th with the storyteller Simon Brooks from New London.

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2022 THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The event in the spring of 2023 will allow the students in grades K-6 to each pick out two new books. A program grant of \$250 is also included in this grant. We are honored to be chosen for this rural library grant, as we are committed to encouraging literacy and interactive programs for families in our community.

As the new director, I have encountered several challenges navigating my responsibilities, but mostly it has been a joy to welcome the children and adults and work with my assistant MaryBeth King at our community library. Don't hesitate to call us with any requests or questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vivica Duffield

2022 THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BUDGET

<u>Income</u>	2022 Approved	12/2022 Actual	2023 Proposed
Town & School Appropriation-Wages	77,619.00	66,761.60	82,345.00
Town & School Appropriation-Operations/ Maintenance	19,010.00	19,010.00	19,420.00
Trust Funds Interest	67.00	131.21	90.00
Donations	40.00	240.00	40.00
Copier/Fax	90.00	172.00	90.00
Lost/Damaged Materials/Refunds	20.00	0.00	20.00
Grants	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Income	96,846.00	86,314.81	102,005.00
 <u>Expenses</u>			
Salaries	57,846.00	49,940.28	61,323.00
Health Insurance	10,576.00	8,804.40	11,204.00
NH Retirement System	4,921.00	4,353.21	5,118.00
FICA/Medicare	4,493.00	3,663.71	4,700.00
Administrative/Professional dev.	1,150.00	210.83	1,200.00
Professional Dues/Membership	0.00	249.00	250.00
Advertisements	150.00	80.00	150.00
Books/Materials for Adults	3,000.00	2,474.99	2,500.00
Books/Materials for Children	3,000.00	2,458.01	2,500.00
Museum Passes		730.00	750.00
Summer Programs	750.00	539.10	550.00
Community Programs/Promotion	750.00	200.00	750.00
Computer; supplies & expenses	250.00	568.86	600.00
Furniture	100.00	0.00	100.00
Legal Fees	500.00	0.00	500.00
Postage	50.00	14.79	50.00
Supplies	700.00	1,898.59	1,800.00
Telephone/Internet	1,650.00	1,349.60	1,650.00
Thank you & Bereavement	100.00	0.00	100.00
Background Check	110.00	0.00	110.00
Safety Supplies	250.00	27.99	150.00
Equipment and Repairs	1,000.00	256.66	250.00
Fuel	1,800.00	1,483.24	2,000.00
Grounds/Garden Supplies	800.00	385.00	400.00
Interior Maintenance	500.00	29.99	500.00
Plowing	<u>2,400.00</u>	<u>2,600.00</u>	<u>2,800.00</u>
Total Expenses	96,846.00	79,718.25	102,005.00

2022 PEMI BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

In 2022, Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District continued its cooperative efforts to promote waste reduction, increase recycling, and provide residents with a means of properly disposing of their household hazardous waste (HHW).

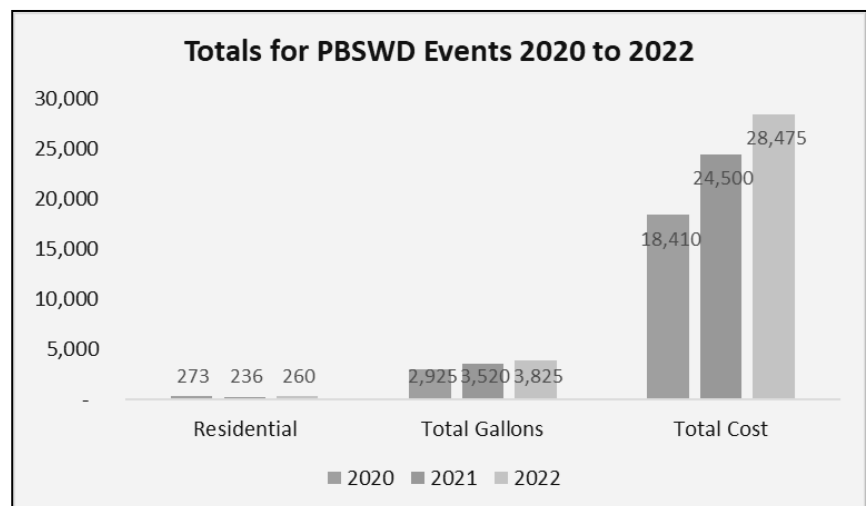
The District held two (2) one-day HHW collections, one in Littleton on Sunday, August 7th, and the other in Plymouth on Saturday, September 26th. A total of 260 vehicles participated, representing every community in the District. 3,825 gallons of material was collected, which was an 8% increase from 2021. Total expenses for 2022 HHW programming, which includes advertising, setup & disposal, totaled \$28,475, an 11% increase from 2021. The District received a \$5,000 donation from Casella Waste Management and NH Department of Environmental Services granted \$4,958. Net expenditures for the program were \$22,445. The district also coordinated two (2) fluorescent light bulb collections in the spring and fall, where all member towns were able to dispose of their bulbs and ballast. This year, fluorescent light bulb collections resulted in over 43,850 linear feet of fluorescent tubes being properly disposed of and 1,062 PCB containing light ballasts. Other materials collected were 49 fire/smoke detectors and an additional 1,300 specialty bulbs. The total cost for this effort was \$6,410, covered by district dues.

The District voted in favor of extending its waste disposal contract with North Country Environmental Services in Bethlehem, NH. This extension will provide an additional 4 years of waste disposal services through April 30, 2027. The agreement will also see an increase of Casella Waste Management's HHW support to \$10,000 to help with rising disposal costs.

As always, citizens interested in participating in the development of the District's programs are welcome to attend the District's meetings. Information regarding the place and time of the meetings is available at all municipal offices and recycling centers. If at any time an individual community needs assistance in regard to their solid waste/recycling program, please contact the District by email.

Respectively Submitted,

Jim Mayhew
Acting Chairman



2022 PEMI RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee (PRLAC) is a member organization of appointed local representatives that oversees the Pemigewasset River corridor (one quarter mile on either side of the river) that traverses the municipalities of Ashland, Bridgewater, Bristol, Campton, Franconia, Franklin, Hill, Holderness, New Hampton, Plymouth, Sanbornton, and Thornton. The members of PRLAC act on behalf of the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) to review and comment on state and local permits for activities impacting the corridor, and they communicate with municipalities and citizens regarding corridor management. The DES does not have adequate staff to visit most permit application sites in a timely fashion, and they have asked PRLAC as well as other Local Advisory Committees to perform this task for them. Our site visits collect data, make observations, and usually take photos of the sites of the proposed projects that will impact the Pemi corridor, and then we report our findings to DES, the developer, and the property owner. Although we ourselves don't have the authority to approve or deny an application, our observations influence the action that is taken by DES.

During 2022 PRLAC's membership remained in good shape, and we thank your town for providing knowledgeable and engaged representatives! We gained some new members this year, and were excited when we gained members from Woodstock and Lincoln. These towns are just outside the PRLAC Corridor, but still have essential information and input to aid PRLAC in our mission. We are grateful for their participation. Just a reminder that Select Boards of each of the PRLAC towns may appoint up to 3 members to the committee. The Pemi is a Class B River, meaning that it has high aesthetic value and is acceptable for swimming and other recreational activities, fish habitat, and for use as a public water supply after treatment. Our mission is to do those things necessary to maintain the Pemi's Class B water quality status. Historically, the Pemi has had a wide variety of surface water problems, and PRLAC has had much experience in identifying potential water quality issues before they become a crisis and make suggestions for prevention and remediation. One role of PRLAC is to investigate permit applications that were submitted to DES. Our permit investigations included such reviews as the removal and replacement of underground gas and diesel storage tanks in Plymouth and Franklin, the expansion of a campground in Thornton, culvert repairs in many locations, bridge maintenance, and development in Thornton. We also were able to identify a few shoreline violations. One major concern we are still working on is the clear-cut mowing along the river banks by the various utility companies. We are concerned that they are not leaving enough flora to keep the river banks stable, thus causing erosion. We are continuing to explore what options we have to control that process. Although not specific to a permit application, members did some research to the possibility of PFAS chemicals being manufactured and used in areas along the river corridor.

Many of the permit applications we received had to do with water withdrawals, primarily in Thornton. Right now the Pemigewasset River has 63 registered users and PRLAC has seen a large increase of withdrawal application this year. Our objective is to balance sensible environmental and economic goals while respecting the rights and desires of riparian property owners of the region as a whole. We wish to ensure that there is enough water to support aquatic life, fish consumption, drinking water supply after adequate treatment, swimming, boating, and wildlife.

One way we are looking to protect this goal is to have the Pemigewasset River be a part of the DES Instream Flow Program. The Instream Flow Program ensures that rivers continue to flow

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2022 PEMI RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

in spite of the uses and stresses that people put on them. The Instream Flow Program operates within the New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program statute, Section 9-c (RSA 483:9-c) and in accordance with Administrative Rule Env-Wq 1900. Members attended a public hearing in November which will help determine if the Pemigewasset River will be chosen to be the next river to adopt this program. Here is the link for further information on this program: <https://www.des.nh.gov/water/rivers-and-lakes/instream-flow>

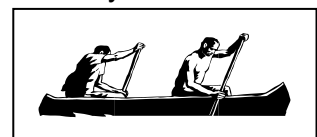
Another key role of PRLAC is its participation with the DES Volunteer River Assessment Program (VRAP), where PRLAC members tested water quality at 9 stations along the Pemigewasset and three tributaries that feed into the Pemi. Last year was the 21st year of regular water testing at these 9 stations, and we recognize what a benefit it is to have been able to rely on our volunteers to perform a 20-year longitudinal study of the Pemi River water quality parameters! Testing takes place from Bristol to Thornton and runs from April into September. VRAP tests are conducted for Dissolved Oxygen, pH, Turbidity, Specific Conductance, temperature, and chloride; all key elements in assessing overall river health. Additionally, after taking the previous year off due to COVID precautions, DES's lab was once again able to test for E coli, total phosphorus, and nitrogen at popular recreation sites on the river. Information on DES's rivers and lakes testing program along with the results of our annual testing are posted on the DES website: www.des.nh.gov/water/rivers-and-lakes/river-and-lake-monitoring.

Under state law, one purpose of the Local Advisory Committee is to develop a corridor management plan which communities may adopt as an adjunct to their master plan, and report to NH DES and communities on the status of compliance to laws and regulations. Our management plan can be found here: <http://lakesrpc.org/PRLAC/files/PemiCorrMgmtPlan2013.final.pdf>. It is used to inform the public and serve as a resource for anyone, both citizen and someone interested in going forward with a project in the Pemi River corridor. During 2022 PRLAC was awarded a \$15,000 grant from NHDES for the updating of the management plan. This includes not only updating the data presented, but also identifying new concerns and eliminating those issues that are now resolved. This will be an ongoing process throughout 2022 and PRLAC welcomes all towns to submit their comment and concerns! Your participation in the process is most welcome.

PRLAC continues to benefit from the financial support we receive from the majority of the Pemi Corridor towns that we work most closely with. For that, we are very thankful! Your contribution goes directly towards protection of this key corridor resource. All corridor communities receive our monthly meeting agendas and minutes. PRLAC meets at 6:30 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month from January through November. We have returned to in-person meetings, and will continue to do so if the safety of our members is assured. Details of the monthly meeting are posted through your Town, and all are encouraged to attend, and you can find out more information from reviewing the meeting minutes. The minutes of our meetings are available at our link: www.lakesrpc.org/prlac/prlacmeetings.asp

PRLAC continues to be a dedicated group of volunteers with a focus on keeping the Pemigewasset River healthy and cared for so that all of us can utilize its beauty and its natural resources.

Regards,
Judy Faran, Chair



2022 PLANNING BOARD

In general, the role of the Planning Board is to provide for orderly growth and development regarding land uses matters within the town. The primary responsibilities of the Planning Board authorized by NH State Statute include the following:

Master Plan / NH RSA 674:2	Site Plan Review / NH RSA 674:43 & 44
Excavation / NH RSA 155-E	Subdivision / NH RSA 674:35 & 36
Scenic Roads / N RSA 231: 157 & 158	Zoning / NH RSA 674:16

The 2022 Planning Board agenda included the following:

1 Excavation Permit Application	7 Site Plan Review Applications
1 Scenic Road Application	7 Subdivision Applications
3 Boundary Line Adjustment Applications	3 Voluntary Merger Applications

As stated above, one of the responsibilities of the Planning Board is to review and update the Master Plan on a regular basis. The Master Plan Committee members include: Chairperson, Donna O'Donnell; Vice Chairperson, Andrew White; Secretary, Cindy Schofield; Candy Andrews and Al Lewis. They have done a great job in getting this process started and will continue throughout 2023.

The Planning Board is supported by two part-time town employees: Planner, Kathy Menici and Board Secretary, Kerrin Randall. Their work is vital to the success of the Planning Board and all that they do is greatly appreciated by the Board.

The Planning Board meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:00PM. The Planning Board members are grateful for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Thornton.

Planning Board Members:

Nancy Decoteau, Chair	Steve Babin, Vice Chair	Frank Freeman, Member
Donna O'Donnell, Member	David Rivers, Member	Peter Laufenberg, Ex-officio
Cynthia Schofield, Member	Jack Gaites, Alternate	

2022 POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dear Residents,

First and foremost, I would like to thank all of you for your continued support. Without you, a lot of our accomplishments would not be possible.

2022 served to be an interesting year for the police department. We had several personnel changes throughout the course of the year. Officers Meier and Abel resigned from the department, and we hired three new officers to fill the four vacancies within the department: Corporal Thomas Lynn, Officer Joel Barton, and Officer Mark Smoker.

Corporal Lynn came to us from Minot North Dakota where he spent three years as a patrol officer with the city of Minot. Corporal Lynn was originally from New Hampshire, graduating from Dover, NH High School before leaving for the Airforce.

Officer Barton is originally from Connecticut but resides locally and came to us with a background in psychology. He also worked in the real estate industry for several years. Officer Smoker came to us from Rumney, NH. Officer Smoker worked in the building trades before joining the department. Both Officers Smoker and Barton attended the 189th Police Academy and graduated in October. Welcome to the team gentlemen.

Corporal Wood was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2022. Sergeant Wood continues to be a valued member of the department and community and has taken on several new roles with her promotion. Sergeant Wood has also been instrumental in the planning and organizing of community policing events within the town.

Speed violations were the biggest complaints we received from residents in 2022. Unfortunately, due to staffing shortages and increased call volume during the summer, we could not conduct traffic enforcement as often as we would have liked. Now that officers have graduated from the academy, completed their field training, and are on their own, traffic enforcement and visibility are up, and speed complaints are down.

This year's National Night Out event was one of the best turnouts we've seen since starting the event four years ago. It was truly heartwarming to see so many families come out from several different communities and enjoy the event and spend time talking and laughing with members of the public safety community. Team PD also took the tug-of-war title in 2022, snapping a three-year drought against Team Fire. We look forward to having you all back next year!

Now on to Halloween. I know that for some, not closing Mad River Road was a topic of heated discussion. I know change is hard for some, but unfortunately, we have to learn to adapt. The challenges that present themselves logistically with planning and

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2022 POLICE DEPARTMENT

staffing two events and being able to respond to calls for service are very difficult. It has also been even more difficult to find residents who are willing to volunteer their time to help out with community events. Even though we did not close the road this year, the department held a candy drive at the Campton Dollar General as well as the Plymouth Wal-Mart, plus we delivered candy to residents on Mad River Road who requested help. I am also happy to say that the Trunk or Treat event had the biggest turnout of trunks and trick-or-treaters that we have seen in several years. The weather was perfect, and judging by the number of screams heard from the haunted trail, families had a great time. I also received positive feedback from many residents who still chose to trick-or-treat along Mad River Road, which was what I hoped to hear.

I would also like to thank Judy Rolfe who, up until recently, was the head of the Thornton Events Committee. Judy and her small team of volunteers worked tirelessly to make sure the Trunk or Treat event was organized and well-planned. Without her and her team of dedicated volunteers, these events would not be successful. I cannot stress it enough: it takes a village to make these events happen. If any of you would like to be more involved within our community and want to continue seeing events such as these continue to thrive, please consider joining the Thornton Events Committee.

In closing, I just want to say how proud I am to be your Chief of Police. I am incredibly proud of our team of dedicated officers who work tirelessly to make sure we live in a safe community. Moving here almost eleven years ago continues to be one of the best decisions I've ever made. The support this town shows for its police department and public safety, in general, is amazing.

Again, thank you all for your continued support and I look forward to what 2023 has to offer.

All the best,
Chief Daniel J. Gilman



2022 TAX COLLECTOR/MUNICIPAL AGENT

Our partnership with the Town Clerk and the town clerk functions still proves to be very efficient. We work as a team to offer professional services to the community regarding tax collection, motor vehicle transactions, dog licensing and vital record documents to name a few.

If you have any questions regarding your property tax bills, payments towards your bill, delinquent balances, the lien and deeding processes or motor vehicle processes, please feel free to contact the office Mondays through Fridays.

I encourage you to visit our website at www.TownofThornton.org. Go to the Tax Collector Department and the Motor Vehicle Registration Department pages to find information regarding taxes and motor vehicle processes, forms, etc. You can also find useful information regarding on-line payment options, basic assessing information and tax bill copies on the Tax Kiosk website, which is linked through our website under On-Line Payments. Be sure to also look for our Facebook page to find other Town information and notices.

TAX COLLECTOR 2022 COLLECTION SUMMARY:

We continue to have a high collection rate of the current property tax bills:

Total 2022 property tax bills	\$9,375,999
Total 2022 collected property tax bills	\$8,800,124 Collection rate = 94%

On-line tax payments continue to show growth since its inception in 2013. This year's numbers are as follows: # of payments processed \$ of payments processed

2022	818	\$1,584,512
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MUNICIPAL AGENT 2022 SUMMARY:

Town Motor vehicle registration fees collected:	\$678,318.90
Number of motor vehicle registrations processed:	4,221
State Motor vehicle registration fees collected:	\$219,136.18
Misc. Revenue	\$1,176.05

As always, it has been my pleasure to serve the Town of Thornton since 2011. This will be my last report as the Tax Collector as I will be serving in the role as your Town Administrator for the future. I hope to continue my tenure of service to the Town of Thornton and her people for years to come.

Sincerely,
Desiree L. Mahurin,
Certified Tax Collector/Municipal Agent

2022 TAX COLLECTOR REPORT



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

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Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning Jan 1, 2022 and ending Dec 31, 2022

This form is due **March 1st (Calendar Year)** or **September 1st (Fiscal Year)**

Instructions

Cover Page

- Specify the period begin and period end dates above
- Select the entity name from the pull down menu (County will automatically populate)
- Enter the year of the report
- Enter the preparer's information

For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division

Phone: (603) 230-5090

Fax: (603) 230-5947

<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

ENTITY'S INFORMATION

Municipality: THORNTON

County: GRAFTON

Report Year: 2022

PREPARER'S INFORMATION

First Name

DESIREE L.

Last Name

MAHURIN

Street No.

16

Street Name

MERRILL ACCESS ROAD

Phone Number

(603) 726-4232

Email (optional)

taxcollector@thorntonnh.org

2022 TAX COLLECTOR REPORT



New Hampshire
Department of
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MS-61

Debits						
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)			
			Year: 2021	Year: 2020	Year: 2019	
Property Taxes	3110		\$691,332.46			
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120		\$6,800.00			
Yield Taxes	3185					
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189					
Property Tax Credit Balance		(\$22,713.10)				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance						

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2021	Prior Levies
Property Taxes	3110	\$9,375,999.00		
Resident Taxes	3180			
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$18,800.00		
Yield Taxes	3185	\$13,600.84	\$468.77	
Excavation Tax	3187	\$1,121.66		
Other Taxes	3189			

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	3110	\$8,809.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$5,145.01	\$19,052.44		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				
Total Debits		\$9,400,762.41	\$717,653.67	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Credits

Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$8,836,647.89	\$536,273.72		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$18,800.00	\$6,800.00		
Yield Taxes	\$13,600.84			
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$4,795.01	\$15,230.94		
Penalties	\$350.00	\$3,821.50		
Excavation Tax	\$1,051.62			
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$155,058.74		
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$166.00			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes		\$468.77		
Excavation Tax	\$70.04			
Other Taxes				
Current Levy Deeded	\$1,302.00			

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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$553,936.14			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$29,957.13)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance				
Total Credits	\$9,400,762.41	\$717,653.67	\$0.00	\$0.00

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$523,979.01
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$99,899.85

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Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2021	Year: 2020	Year: 2019
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year			\$76,402.89	\$48,415.04
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year		\$164,280.31		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)		\$3,814.15	\$8,356.94	\$12,281.42
Total Debits	\$0.00	\$168,094.46	\$84,759.83	\$60,696.46

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Redemptions		\$91,399.90	\$43,007.98	\$45,499.12
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190		\$3,814.15	\$8,356.94	\$12,281.42
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$1,183.89		
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$2,805.63	\$2,727.71	\$2,574.16
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110		\$68,890.89	\$30,667.20	\$341.76
Total Credits	\$0.00	\$168,094.46	\$84,759.83	\$60,696.46

For DRA Use Only

Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$523,979.01
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 -All Years)	\$99,899.85

2022 TAX COLLECTOR REPORT



New Hampshire
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THORNTON (449)

1. CERTIFY THIS FORM

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's First Name

DESIREE L.

Preparer's Last Name

MAHURIN

Date

12/31/2022

2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM

Please save and e-mail the completed PDF form to your Municipal Bureau Advisor.

3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM

This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://proptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Desiree L. Mahurin
Preparer's Signature and Title

2022 TOWN CLERK REPORT

2022 Town Clerk Revenue Report

Dog License Fees	\$ 3,527.00
Dog Fines – PD Ordinance	\$ 200.00
Vital Record Fees	\$ 912.00
UCC Filing Fees	\$ 615.00
Photocopies	\$ 73.00

State Fees Collected by Town Clerk

Dog License Fees	\$ 1,265.50
Vital Record Fees	\$ 1,963.00
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED:	\$ 8,555.50

Total number of Dog Licenses issued: 604

2023 Elections

Town Election	Tuesday, March 14, 2023	8:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Town Meeting	Saturday, March 18, 2023	10:00 AM

******ALL ELECTIONS AND TOWN MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THORNTON CENTRAL SCHOOL, 1886 NH ROUTE 175, THORNTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE******

The Town Clerk's hours of operation can be found online at www.thorntonnh.org. You can also follow us on Facebook.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita C. Ross
Town Clerk



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION
RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT
01/01/2022 - 12/31/2022

-- THORNTON--

Child's Name

MEHLHORN, CHARLES BRUCE
WERREN, HAYDEN MATTHEW
ABRAMS, EMELYN GRACE
LUCKERN, BENJAMIN JAYCE
RUDY, FRAYA ROSE
ABEAR, LEXI MARIE
BAKER, HENDRIX LOREN
GERRISH, EMMETT PARKER

Birth Date

04/09/2022
04/26/2022
06/27/2022
07/19/2022
08/10/2022
09/10/2022
09/20/2022
12/06/2022

Birth Place

CONCORD, NH
HANOVER, NH
PLYMOUTH, NH
LITTLETON, NH
PLYMOUTH, NH
PLYMOUTH, NH
PLYMOUTH, NH
LITTLETON, NH

Father's/Parent's Name

MEHLHORN, FORREST PAUL
WERREN, MATTHEW REECE
ABRAMS, ZACHARY EDWARD
LUCKERN, KEVIN THOMAS

ABEAR, MATTHEW JOSEPH
BAKER, JACOB DANIEL
GERRISH, SCOTT EDWARD

Mother's/Parent's Name

RAFUSE, GILLIAN FAITH
JUNIPER, KATIE LYNN
ABRAMS, JENNIFER LYNN
LUCKERN, CRYSTAL ROSE
DECATO, LINDSAY ROSE
ABEAR, MOSELLE POPE
BAKER, DENALI GUS
GERRISH, CHRISTINE MARIE

Total number of records 8



**DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION**

RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2022 - 12/31/2022

--THORNTON, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union	Military
HOLBROOK, PHYLLIS ELIZABETH	03/16/2022	PLYMOUTH	BENTON, SCOTT	MERRILL, EVELYN	N
LEWIS, FRANCES WALTER	04/01/2022	THORNTON	WALTER, RICHARD	PEASE, CONSTANCE	N
MAXWELL, PAUL WILLIAM	04/17/2022	FRANCONIA	MAXWELL, ARTHUR	NOT STATED, ELEONA	Y
DEMBIEC, DWAYNE GORDON	05/05/2022	THORNTON	DEMBIEC, WILLIAM	GORDON, SARA	N
ABJORNSON, PATRICIA ANN	05/21/2022	LEBANON	HARGREAVES, WILLIAM	HOYLE, LILLIAN	N
HUTCHINS, JEFFREY PAUL	06/23/2022	PLYMOUTH	HUTCHINS, RUSSEL	PENNINGTON, MARY	Y
DUNSTAN, JAMES NEWTON	06/30/2022	THORNTON	DUNSTAN, WARREN	BUDD, FRANCES	N
HARRIS, WAYLAND KENDALL	07/12/2022	THORNTON	HARRIS, VERON	NICHOLS, DOROTHY	Y
GOOCH, ROLAND ELMORE	07/15/2022	MEREDITH	GOOCH, RALPH	DOLE, OLIVE	Y
LANZA, GIOVANNI	09/20/2022	THORNTON	LANZA, UGO	PULCINI, DORINA	N
QUINN JR, JOHN THOMAS	09/22/2022	MANCHESTER	QUINN SR, JOHN	WALSH, ANNA	Y
FLANAGAN, MARTHA A	09/23/2022	CONCORD	BALDWIN, VICTOR	HUNT, FRANCES	N
GRAY SR, JOHN ANTHONY	10/06/2022	CONCORD	GRAY, PAUL	MARISSEAU, MADELINE	Y
MAROBELLA, JOSEPH DAVID	10/08/2022	PLYMOUTH	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	MAROBELLA, LORRAINE	N
ANDERSON-PELTIER, GERALDINE ELAINE	10/25/2022	THORNTON	ANDERSON, ERIC	LITTLEFIELD, OLIVE	N
FREDETTE, WILLIAM	11/01/2022	CONCORD	FREDETTE, WILLIAM	GATTENBY, SYLVIA	Y
LEVASSEUR, VINCENT RENE	11/05/2022	PORTSMOUTH	LEVASSEUR, RENE	MERRILL, MARY	N
GUNTER, FRED L	11/10/2022	THORNTON	GUNTER, FRED	MCCULLOUGH, JENNIE	Y



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2022 - 12/31/2022

--THORNTON, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/Parent's Name	Mother's/Parent's Name Prior to First Marriage/Civil Union	Military
GOOCH, PHYLLIS D	11/11/2022	CONCORD	DREGHORN, WILLIAM	MACDONALD, EDITH	N
PURCELL, PAUL EDWARD	12/17/2022	THORNTON	PURCELL, RAYMOND	NEARY, FRANCES	N

Total number of records 20



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2022 - 12/31/2022

-- THORNTON --

Person A's Name and Residence	Person B's Name and Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
UTTLEY, CLARISSA M THORNTON, NH	PALMER, ANDREW THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	NEW CASTLE	04/16/2022
D'ALESSIO, MARY E SHORT HILLS, NJ	ROGERS, MATTHEW D THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	BRETTON WOODS	05/21/2022
ZIMMER, MELISSA S THORNTON, NH	MOZEIKA, EHTAN E THORNTON, NH	LINCOLN	ELLSWORTH	06/18/2022
COMEAU, SYDNIE D THORNTON, NH	LEWIS, BRYAN T THORNTON, NH	NEW HAMPTON	MEREDITH	06/18/2022
HILTZ, LAUREN A THORNTON, NH	KIRKPATRICK, FRASER R THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	THORNTON	07/15/2022
CAMPBELL, WAYNE S THORNTON, NH	COTE, KASSANDRA M THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	THORNTON	08/11/2022
LYLYK, PAUL L THORNTON, NH	ANDREOTTA, BRIDGETTE M THORNTON, NH	TILTON	PITTSBURG	09/24/2022
CLEMENT, BRITTANY A THORNTON, NH	LABRECK JR, GERALD P THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	CAMPTON	10/25/2022
HARTKE, ALDEN H THORNTON, NH	BERRY, ANN MARIE THORNTON, NH	THORNTON	LINCOLN	12/13/2022

Total number of records 9

TOWN OWNED PROPERTY SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 31, 2022

Parcel ID		Location	Acres	Assessed Value	Description
205	23	THORNTON GORE RD	0.330	3,700	
213	9	FADDEN RD	1.100	23,200	
213	51	FISCHER MOUNTAIN RD	4.300	29,300	Tax deeded parcel 9/20/2021
215	18	BEN MERRILL PINE	0.500	26,200	Unknown owner
218	1	16 MERRILL ACCESS RD	1.200	313,200	Municipal Building
218	2	12 MERRILL ACCESS RD	1.050	146,500	Fire House
218	3	3225 US RTE 3	13.030	251,300	Highway Garage
219	47	COVERED BRIDGE RD	2.400	44,700	
219	53	MILL BROOK RD	1.800	44,100	
220	68	COVERED BRIDGE RD	1.800	27,700	Tax deeded parcel 7/16/2018
225	34	MILL BROOK RD	0.160	14,500	Corner ROW
225	41	20 ROBIN HILL RD (Building only)	0.000	32,800	Tax deeded parcel 7/16/2018
225	74	CEMET NH RT 175	7.000	49,100	Pine Grove Cemetery
225	75	2129 NH RT 175	1.370	109,400	Old Town House
225	77	NH RT 175	2.000	97,500	Crawford Field
228	70	1886 NH RT 175	4.000	2,610,100	Thornton Central School
228	86	1845 NH RT 175	0.500	159,100	Tax deeded parcel 9/20/2021
229	3	COVERED BRIDGE RD	9.000	9,000	Unknown owner
231	38	JUDGES RD	0.690	100	Unknown owner
235	143	CEMET UPPER MAD RIVER RD	4.000	46,300	Mad River Cemetery
240	112	1629 NH RT 175	7.070	127,900	Transfer Station
240	112 WLL	1 NH RT 175	13.180	109,800	Transfer Station
240	112 WLL	2 NH RT 175	4.500	44,400	Transfer Station
241	38	MAD RIVER RD	0.140	100	Unknown owner
242	22	NH RT 49	1.000	28,500	Unknown owner
242	124	SNOWOOD DR	1.000	14,200	Unknown owner
242	142	CHECKERBERRY RIDGE	1.000	10,500	Tax deeded parcel 9/30/2013
242	169	SNOWOOD DR	1.500	16,300	Tax deeded parcel 8/1/2012
246	46	ADAMS FARM RD	3.670	31,300	Unknown owner
Total Assessed Value				4,420,800	

2022 TRANSFER STATION AND RECYCLING

Over the past year, management and staff of the Campton-Thornton Transfer Station have made several improvements to the facility with the goal of increasing safety, including a taller surround on the hopper and safety barriers at the C&D can and brush pile.

In an effort to keep costs down, and as a reminder, recycling is mandatory in our community. Not recycling adds weight to the MSW container (household trash) which adds unnecessary cost to our community.

The staff at the Transfer Station has been enforcing the requirement of stickers. Sticker enforcement is necessary to confirm that only property owners of Campton, Thornton, and Ellsworth are utilizing the facility. All residents and/or property owners may acquire a sticker at their appropriate Town Hall or at the Transfer Station by providing their vehicle registration and proof of residency/ownership. Stickers are vehicle specific and cannot be transferred between vehicles. We ask for your continued understanding in this matter.

We would like to recognize Donald Howe for his 28 years of service at the Transfer Station and hope he enjoys his well deserved retirement.

Going into 2023, we look forward to continuing to serve our communities and thank you for your continued support!

Transfer Station Staff:

Zack Simon

Ray Sidney

Donald Howe

Chris Nardone

Respectfully submitted,
Jamin Levasseur
Transfer Station Manager

TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

Cash on hand January 1, 2022

Checking	\$5,449.45
Money Market	<u>\$2,312,175.72</u>

\$2,317,625.17

Receipts:

Selectmen	\$1,593,141.73
Tax Collector	\$9,660,152.54
Town Clerk	\$688,138.45
NHPDIP General Fund	\$4,050,000.00
Northway Bank Interest	<u>\$906.88</u>

\$15,992,339.60

Payments:

Transfer to NHPDIP Gen Fund	-\$5,700,000.00
Selectmen	<u>-\$11,333,881.72</u>

-\$17,033,881.72

Balance on December 31, 2022

Checking	\$4,924.82
Money Market	<u>\$1,271,158.23</u>

\$1,276,083.05

\$1,276,083.05

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Dumont Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

NHPDIP GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

Cash on hand January 1, 2022	\$1,801,149.83
Receipts:	
Selectmen	\$5,700,000.00
Interest	\$34,440.25
Withdrawals:	
Selectmen	<u>-\$4,050,000.00</u>
Balance on December 31, 2022	\$3,485,590.08

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Dumont Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

LANDFILL/CLOSURE BOND

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

Cash on hand January 1, 2022	\$877.80
Receipts:	
Interest	\$14.62
Withdrawals:	
Selectmen	<u>\$0.00</u>
Balance on December 31, 2022	\$892.42

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Dumont Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

CONSERVATION FUND

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

Balance on December 1, 2022	\$6,077.12
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Receipts:

Deposits	\$8,775.00
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Interest	\$2.84
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Withdrawals:	\$0.00
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Balance on December 31, 2022	\$14,854.96
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Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Dumont Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

D. JOHNSTON/DIRT DESIGNS EXCAVATION RECLAMATION YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

Balance on January 1, 2022	\$5,048.50
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Receipts:

Interest	\$1.01
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Withdrawals:	\$0.00
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Balance on December 31, 2022	\$5,049.51
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Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Dumont Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

LCJ HOLDINGS, LLC. ESCROW

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

Balance on January 1, 2022	\$7,678.02
Receipts:	
Deposits	\$12,282.74
Interest	\$0.19
Withdrawals:	
Checks	<u>-\$9,960.76</u>
Balance on December 31, 2022	\$10,000.19

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Dumont Treasurer

2021 REPORT OF THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON ON DECEMBER 31, 2022

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	*** PRINCIPAL ***			*** INCOME ***			Net Balance 12/31/2022		
		Balance 1/1/2022	New Funds Created	Withdrawals	Balance 12/31/2022	Balance 1/1/2022	Income During Year		Expended During Year	
<u>Private Purpose Trust Funds</u>										
06/08/2001	Thornton School District – Building	850.76	0.00	0.00	850.76	265.96	2.94	0.00	268.90	1,119.66
<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>										
01/02/1991	Highway Vehicle, Equipment & Major Maintenance (name changed 3/2001)	173,252.26	40,000.00	47,291.98	165,960.28	8,997.78	2,153.67	0.00	11,151.45	177,111.73
01/02/1991	Fire/Rescue Vehicle, Equipment & Major Maintenance (name changed 3/2001)	360,851.61	115,000.00	0.00	475,851.61	1,715.27	5,769.03	0.00	7,484.30	483,335.91
07/05/2001	Transfer Station Major Equipment	29,280.61	0.00	16,353.07	12,927.54	1,494.81	66.46	0.00	1,561.27	14,488.81
12/31/2000	Municipal Buildings	19,055.61	0.00	0.00	19,055.61	5,510.67	64.34	0.00	5,575.01	24,630.62
07/27/2005	Police Cruiser & Cruiser Equipment	34,028.71	50,000.00	0.00	84,028.71	840.11	97.49	0.00	937.60	84,966.31
08/03/2006	Bridge Repairs & Maintenance	161,391.44	10,000.00	0.00	171,391.44	7,413.42	2,221.99	0.00	9,635.41	181,026.85
08/21/2007	Paving	58,675.03	10,000.00	0.00	68,675.03	645.38	156.62	0.00	802.00	69,477.03
08/21/2007	Assessing	64,561.00	24,000.00	0.00	88,561.00	1,384.11	94.70	0.00	1,478.81	90,039.81
08/22/2008	Mill Brook Road Construction & Improvement	59,000.00	51,000.00	0.00	110,000.00	671.86	162.59	0.00	834.45	110,834.45
08/05/2009	Emergency Road Paving, Construction & Repairs (name changed 3/16/2019)	47,965.47	0.00	0.00	47,965.47	1,455.27	129.47	0.00	1,584.74	49,550.21
09/10/2015	Property Tax Map	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.43	0.00	0.00	1.43	1.43
TOTAL		1,008,912.50	300,000.00	63,645.05	1,245,267.45	30,396.07	10,919.30	0.00	41,315.37	1,286,582.82

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON ON DECEMBER 31, 2022

Name of Trust Fund	*** PRINCIPAL ***				*** INCOME ***			
	Balance 1/1/2022	New Funds	Cash Gains	Withdrawals	Balance 12/31/2022	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Net Balance 12/31/2022
<u>PERMANENT FUNDS</u>								
Perpetual Care funds in Fidelity stock and capital gains in bank (&)	35,063.75	-3,680.04 {stock decr.}	1,060.88	0.00	32,444.59	0.00	239.68	32,444.59
W. Lee Trust for general care MRC Fidelity stock and capital gains in bank (&)	18,430.96	-1,934.38 {stock decr.}	557.64	0.00	17,054.22	0.00	126.00	17,054.22
W. Lee Trust for Thornton Library Fidelity stock and capital gains in bank (&)	18,430.96	-1,934.38 {stock decr.}	557.64	0.00	17,054.22	0.00	126.00	17,054.22
Perpetual care funds bank deposits	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	550.12	19.79	7,550.12
Town Cemetery Maintenance, Trust Lot Sales, Income for general care	45,825.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	47,025.00	0.00	112.82	47,025.00
I. Ham Memorial Trust for library books	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	2.61	1,000.00
C. Ham Memorial Trust for library books	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	2.61	1,000.00
Hubbard Brook Foundation (%)	3,225.24	1,800.00	0.00	1,700.00	3,325.24	17.40	0.00	3,350.88
Jeannie Robbins Memorial Trust, income to reduce taxes	146,673.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	146,673.76	0.00	1,808.60	146,673.76
TOTAL	276,649.67	-4,548.80	2,176.16	1,700.00	272,577.03	567.52	2,438.11	273,152.79

2022 REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS

The investment policy of the Trustees of Trust Funds has a primary purpose to keep secure the invested principals and a secondary, though important, purpose to try to maximize income. In 2022, despite low rates of return on some investments, other investments did very well and the trustees were able to keep total income from all funds as high as possible, actually up about 75% overall, by moving funds from one account to another, and/or by changing investment strategies.

There are some changes to report in these two pages for the town report. The first is that the Hubbard Brook Foundation (% above) monies have moved from the Capital Reserve Funds page to the Trust Funds page. These funds have been erroneously reported on the wrong page since 2015; the error was spotted by NH DRA.

The second change is that it appears that the three pieces of the Fidelity stock and capital gains (& above) had a large increase in value this year but that is not so, there was actually a decrease in value of the stock portfolio. However, our auditors discovered that for several years (unknown how many) the full value of the stock portfolio has not been accurately reported; it has been under-reported. This error has been fixed above and makes it look like there was an increase in value when in fact there was a decrease in the stock portion of the investment.

For the three Fidelity accounts above, the beginning balance for 1/1/2022 does not match the 12/31/2021 ending balance in order to show the correct actual funds for 2022. We are now reporting the correct full value of the stock portfolio. Through research, it was found that no funds were missing as none were added to nor taken out of the stock portfolio, the funds were just previously under-reported. The local bank portion of this investment has always been correctly reported.

The Trustees of Trust Funds meet quarterly at the town office building; meeting agendas are posted 1 week ahead of meeting dates. Meetings are open to the public.

Richard Baker, Ralph Bradley, Tony Torino, Trustees



2022 UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

The mission of **UNH Cooperative Extension** is to strengthen people and communities in New Hampshire by providing trusted knowledge, practical education and cooperative solutions, working in collaboration with county, state and federal government. Some examples of how Extension has been working towards this mission in Grafton County are summarized below in a few highlights of the past year.

Through the Nutrition Connections program, guidance on building raised garden beds, seeds, and nutrition lessons were provided to residents at a housing location who built raised beds for its tenants. In addition, recipe cards, and vegetables grown by Master Gardeners were provided so participants could apply lessons they learned in class. Master Gardeners were also involved in several community gardens that resulted in donations to food pantries.

Food and Agriculture staff conducted the second year of its cucumber variety trial in the high tunnel at the county complex. The trial looks to find marketable varieties while also monitoring yields and pest and disease resistance. Over 800 pounds of cucumbers from the trial were donated.

The Jumpstart to Farm Food Safety program continues to assist farmers in Maine and New Hampshire. This joint initiative aids fruit and vegetable farmers with farm food safety planning and offers them the chance to work individually with an Extension educator, trained in produce safety.

As part of a Building Community Resilience grant, Community and Economic Development staff worked with Mascoma and Greater Haverhill communities, providing technical support and training to build partnerships, identify needs, and develop a more resilient future.

Members of our Natural Resources team secured a Wildfire Risk Reduction grant for a fire management plan and prescribed fire projects at the Grafton County property. This will include education and training for local fire departments, forest rangers, DOC residents, natural resource professionals, and the public.

4-H youth from several counties took part in the Bunny Basics workshop in March, learning about the care of rabbits and how to exhibit them at a show. Many participants went on to demonstrate their knowledge at the Pint-size Pet Showcase at the North Haverhill Fair.

Please visit our website, extension.unh.edu for more information on programs and upcoming events.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Lee, UNH Extension

Grafton County Office Administrator

2022 ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) meets every fourth Thursday of the month, should an application be submitted by the deadlines previously determined by the Board. Applications need to be received by noon on the first Tuesday of the month; application and meeting dates are posted on the Town website and at Town Hall.

This year was an extremely busy year for our ZBA members. We received applications and held public hearings for Special Exceptions, Variances, Equitable Waivers, and Re-hearings. We updated our Rules of Procedure to increase transparency, clarity, and support remote participation by ZBA members and the public. Starting in 2023, the ZBA will post all information related to meetings and public hearings on the ZBA website, prior to the meeting/hearing. This information will remain on the ZBA website for 30 days following a Notice of Decision. The ZBA agendas, procedures, applications, minutes, meeting/public hearing information, and Notices of Decision are located on the Town's website, and available at our Town Hall.

The Thornton ZBA is well served by a committed group of volunteers. The current members are:

- Joseph Monti - Chair
- Gerald Sobolewski - Vice Chair
- Joan Marshall
- Alan Rawson
- Maureen Patti

The ZBA would like to express our gratitude and thanks to Kenneth Miller, who served the ZBA for four years, and has recently moved to another Town. His support to the Thornton's ZBA will be missed.

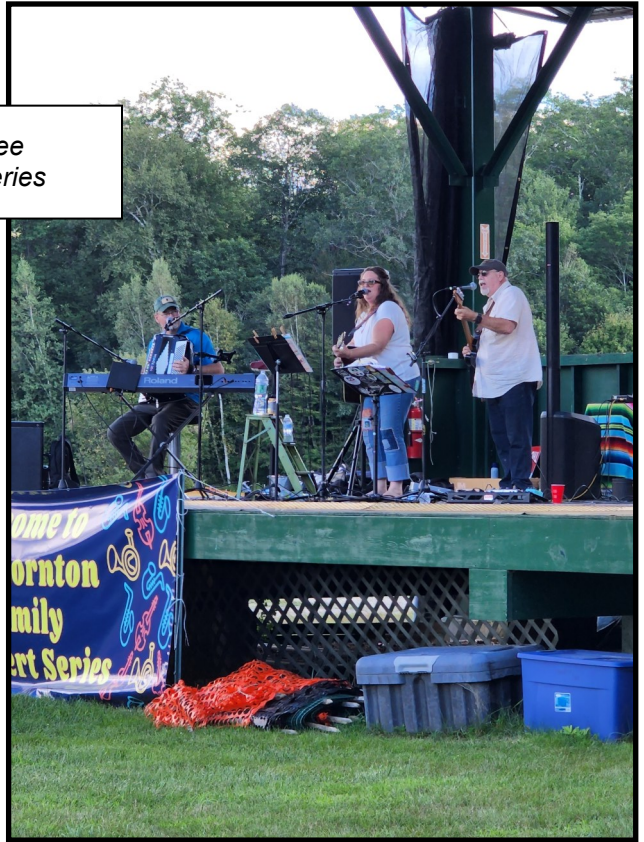
Currently we have a full voting Board, however, we are currently seeking residents who are interested in serving as Alternate Members. If you are interested, please submit a letter of interest to the Selectboard for consideration, or the ZBA Chairperson. Town government is carried out by the people that volunteer their time, and if you have ever been interested in participating, we are happy to have you on the Thornton ZBA.

It gives me great pleasure to extend a special THANKS to our ZBA members for volunteering countless hours this year and plowing new ground once again; your professionalism, dedication, and commitment to following our State Laws and Town zoning ordinances is exemplary. Lastly, on behalf of the entire ZBA, a big THANK YOU to our Board Assistant, Kerrin Randall; your dedication, knowledge, and commitment to assist our Board and the public is second to none. Many thanks to you.

Respectfully submitted by,

Joseph M. Monti, Chairman

*Events Committee
Family Concert Series*



*Members of the Fiddlehead
Field Kids Orchestra*

Light Up Thornton





Moose Photos by Jerry Sobolewski



Bear Cubs Photo by Dave Truchon



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2023 THORNTON TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Thornton in the County of Grafton in said state, qualified to vote in the town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Thornton Central School in said Thornton on Tuesday, the 14th of March 2023 at 8:00 AM to act upon the following subjects:

The polls not to close earlier than 7:00 PM. Absentee ballots to be cast at 1:00 PM.

Article 1: To choose all necessary officers for the terms stated:

The following elected positions are available for the **March 14, 2023**, Town Elections.

Select Board Member	Three Year Term	Two Positions
Town Clerk	Three Year Term	One Position
Cemetery Trustee	Three Year Term	One Position
Library Trustee	Three Year Term	One Position
Overseer of Public Welfare	One Year Term	One Position
Planning Board Member	Three Year Term	Two Positions
Trustee of the Trust Funds	Three Year Term	One Position

Article 2: Zoning Amendments

Zoning Amendment #1

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendments to the existing Town of Thornton Zoning Ordinance Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance, as proposed by the Town of Thornton Planning Board, as follows:

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Add a new Section 1. Authority which alters the sequential numbering of subsequent Articles and adds the following language:

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to RSA 674:21. The Town of Thornton Planning Board is vested with the authority to administer this ordinance, and may grant conditional use permits, or waiver provisions of this ordinance to allow the site of wireless telecommunications facilities.

Amend newly numbered Section 4. Applicability, Paragraph A to read:

In addition to compliance with this Ordinance, all applications are subject to Site Plan Review by the Thornton Planning Board in accordance with the Thornton Site Plan Review Regulations and are subject to approval by the Thornton Board of Selectmen.

Amend newly numbered Section 4. Applicability, to delete Paragraph B.

~~B. All requests for a variance must to before the Zoning Board of Adjustment.~~

Amend the first sentence of the newly numbered Section 6. Use Regulations, introductory paragraph to read:

All wireless telecommunications facilities shall, in all cases, require a zoning compliance certificate issued by the Board of Selectmen and may be permitted as follows:

Amend the newly numbered Section 6. Use Regulations, Paragraph A. Existing Tower Structures: as follows:

Change reference from building permit to zoning compliance certificate.

Change reference from Section 6 to Section 8.

Amend newly numbered Section 6. Use Regulations, Paragraph C. to change the reference from Section 6.C. to Section 8.C.

Amend newly numbered Section 6. Use Regulations, Paragraph D. to read as follows:

D. Ground-Mounted Facility: A wireless telecommunications facility involving construction of a ground mount shall require Site Plan Review and require a conditional use permit pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance.

Amend newly numbered Section 9. Monitoring and Maintenance, Paragraph B. to change reference from building permit to zoning compliance certificate.

Amend newly numbered Section 11. Application Procedure., Paragraph A. to read:

A. An applicant for a telecommunications tower must apply for a conditional use permit pursuant to the terms of this ordinance and for site plan review. If approved, the Planning Board will make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen to issue a zoning compliance certificate.

Amend the first sentence of the newly numbered Section 11. Application Procedure., Paragraph C. to read:

C. If the applicant is proposing to build a tower or other ground-mounted structure, the applicant shall submit written evidence demonstrating why no existing structure can accommodate the applicant's proposed facility.

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Amend newly numbered Section 12. Waivers, Paragraph A. to read:

- A. Where the Planning Board finds that extraordinary hardships, practical difficulties, or unnecessary and unreasonable expense would result from strict compliance with the terms of this Ordinance, or the purpose of these regulations may be served to a greater extent by an alternative proposal, it may approve waivers to the regulations. The Planning Board shall not approve any waiver(s) unless a majority of those present, and voting shall find that all of the following apply:

Amend newly numbered Section 12. Waivers, Paragraphs B., and C.:

Replace all references to Zoning Board of Adjustment with Planning Board.

Amend newly numbered Section 15. Savings Clause to read:

If any provision of this Ordinance is found to be unenforceable or unlawful by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such finding shall not be construed to invalidate the remainder of the Ordinance.

Recommended by the Planning Board

Zoning Amendment #2

Are you in favor of the adoption of amendments to the existing Town of Thornton Zoning Ordinance Floodplain Development Ordinance, as proposed by the Town of Thornton Planning Board, as follows:

Amend Section II: Establishment, second paragraph to read:

The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for Grafton County, NH" dated February 20, 2008, as amended, together with associated flood insurance rate maps dated February 20, 2008, or as amended, which are declared to be a part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference.

Amend Section VI: Certification, Paragraph 1. to read:

1. The as-built elevation (in relation to Mean Sea Level) of the lowest floor (including basement) and include whether or not such structures contain a basement.

Amend Section VI: Certification, Paragraph 1.a. to read:

- a. If the structure has been flood-proofed, the as-built elevation (in relation to Mean Sea Level) to which the structure was flood-proofed.

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Amend Section IX. Special Flood Hazard Areas to delete all references to 100-year flood elevation and replace it with Base Flood Elevation.

Amend Section IX. Special Flood Hazard Areas, Paragraph 6.c., third sentence, to read:

A minimum of two flood openings having a total net area of not less than one square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding shall be provided.

Amend Section X: Variances and Appeals, Paragraph 2 to change the reference from RSA 674:33, I(b) to **RSA 674:33, I.**

Amend Section XI: Definitions to add the following definitions:

“Base Flood Elevation” (BFE) means the elevation of surface water resulting from the base flood.

“Flood Opening” means an opening in a foundation of enclosure walls that allows automatic entry and exit of floodwaters. See FEMA “Technical Bulletin 1, Openings in Foundation Walls and Walls of Enclosures.”

Amend Section XI. Definitions to delete the definition of “Functionally Dependent Use”.

Amend Section XI. Definitions to delete the existing definition of “Substantial Improvement” and insert the following:

“Substantial Improvement” means any reconstruction rehabilitation, addition, or other improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the “start of construction” of the improvement. This term includes structures which have incurred “substantial damage,” regardless of the actual repair work performed. The term does not, however, include either:

- a. Any project for improvement of a structure to correct existing violations of state or local health, sanitary, or safety code specifications which have been identified by the local code enforcement official and which are the minimum necessary to assure safe living conditions; or
- b. Any alteration of a “historic structure,” provided that the alteration will not preclude the structure’s continued designation as a “historic structure.”

Amend Section XI. Definitions to delete the incomplete sentence “Additional Sections Required”, which follows the definition of “Water Surface Elevation.”

Recommended by the Planning Board.

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The following articles will be taken up during the business meeting beginning at 10:00 AM on Saturday the 18th day of March 2023 at the Thornton Central School.

Article 3: Shall the Town in accordance with RSA 72:28, II, readopt the OPTIONAL VETERANS' TAX CREDIT for an annual tax credit on residential property of \$500? The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (5-0). (Majority vote required)

Article 4: Shall the Town in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, readopt the ALL VETERANS' TAX CREDIT for an annual tax credit on residential property which shall be equal the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit of \$500 voted by the Town under RSA 72:28? The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (5-0). (Majority vote required)

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the existing Municipal Department Paving Projects Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of future paving at the Transfer Station. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (5-0). (Majority vote required).

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the existing Assessing Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (5-0). (Majority vote required).

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) to be added to the existing Highway Vehicle, Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (5-0). (Majority vote required).

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the existing Police Cruiser and Cruiser Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (5-0). (Majority vote required).

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$170,000) to be added to the existing Fire Truck/Rescue Vehicle/Equipment and Major Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (5-0). (Majority vote required).

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) for the purchase of approximately 1.18 +/- acres land in front of the Town's municipal buildings abutting Merrill Access Road and US Route 3. This article includes associated administrative, land surveying and utility easement preparation costs. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (5-0). (Majority vote required)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three million nine hundred twenty-three thousand thirty-nine dollars (\$3,923,039) to support town operations for the 2023 year. Said sum does not include special or individual articles. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article (5-0). (Majority vote required)

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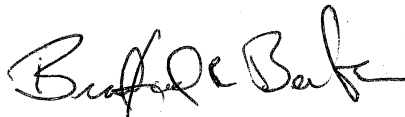
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Article 12: To see if the Town of Thornton NH will vote to accept Fraser Road and Holly Lane as town roads from the start of Fraser Road off of US Route 3, up and throughout the Fraser Road and Holly Lane Development back out and onto Route 3. This acceptance is to be final and effective only upon a vote of the Board of Selectmen, that the road has been constructed to current town standards, that the condition is acceptable to the Selectmen and the Road Agent, that there are no title deficiencies with the road ownership and that the town is given a satisfactory deed for such road. Any and all costs associated with the legal review by town counsel shall be reimbursed to the Town of Thornton prior to acceptance. **(Submitted by petition)**

Article 13: All warrant articles submitted to the townspeople must contain a statement as to the impact of the article on the property tax rate of the town. The statement must explicitly state the dollar amount of the article and the increase in the property tax rate in terms of absolute dollars and a percent increase from the year before. (For example, "This will increase the town budget by \$50,000 and add \$1.86 to last year's property tax rate of \$18.65 which is equal to a 10% increase in your property tax bill.") This will be effective for all Town of Thornton warrant articles. The Board of Selectmen do not recommend this article (5-0). (Majority vote required)

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

Given under our hands and seal this 8th day of February 2023.



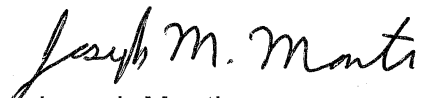
Brad Benton, Chairman



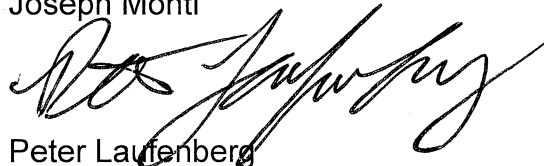
Marianne Peabody, Vice Chairwoman



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Thornton Board of Selectmen

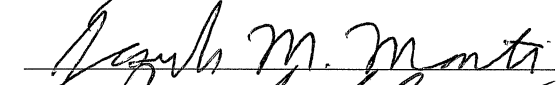
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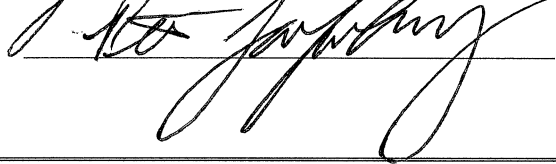
We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting an attested copy of the above Warrant at the place of meeting and at the office of the Town Clerk at Town Hall on the 10th day of February 2023



 Selectmen of Thornton, NH







2023 PROPOSED BUDGET REPORT

	2022 Approved Budget	2022 Actual Expended	2023 Proposed Budget	Notes
EXECUTIVE				
01-01-41301-40130-00 Wages -Selectmen	22,812.00	22,812.00	24,181.00	6% COLA
01-01-41301-40220-00 FICA/med	1,746.00	1,745.16	1,850.00	7.65%
01-01-41301-40580-00 Expenses - Selectmen	1,000.00	219.37	1,000.00	
01-01-41302-40110-00 Wages (E/T)-Town Administrator	80,428.00	71,830.42	91,832.00	6% COLA based on 35-40 hrs week
01-01-41302-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life/ Insurance	18,144.00	9,072.03	10,944.00	
01-01-41302-40220-00 FICA/med	7,606.00	6,104.15	7,025.00	7.65%
01-01-41302-40230-00 Retirement	11,310.00	10,099.36	12,669.00	
01-01-41304-40130-00 Wages Elected Officials-TTF	3,180.00	3,121.00	3,180.00	Trust Fund Trustees
01-01-41309-40110-00 Wages FT-Administrative Assistant	57,093.00	44,819.91	62,650.00	40 hrs wk @30.12
01-01-41309-40111-00 Wages FT-Finance/Assessing	49,104.00	52,874.16	52,034.00	6% COLA
01-01-41309-40112-00 Wages PT Office Asst.	10,374.00	6,777.58	11,014.00	6% COLA (ave 10 hrs week)
01-01-41309-40113-00 Wages PT- Municipal Support Staff	0.00	0.00	1.00	
01-01-41309-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life Insurance-Exec	15,115.00	15,598.34	35,000.00	based on family plan for new hire+ Finance/Assessing
01-01-41309-40220-00 FICA/Med/Exec	8,918.00	8,161.09	9,859.00	7.65%
01-01-41309-40230-00 Retirement Exec	14,931.00	13,735.79	15,821.00	
01-01-41505-40130-00 Wages Treasurer & Deputy Treasurer	6,203.00	5,953.00	7,078.00	6% COLA
01-01-41505-40220-00 Fica/med Treasurer	475.00	451.60	542.00	
TOTAL EXECUTIVE	308,439.00	273,374.96	346,680.00	0.00
MUNICIPAL AGENT				
01-01-41400-40112-00 Wages PT Municipal Clerk (TC 80%)	15,309.00	17,314.41	19,179.00	6% COLA + steps (ave 18 hrs week)
01-01-41400-40113-00 Wages PT Municipal Clerk (DTX 50%)	7,390.00	9,954.52	10,076.00	6% COLA (ave 18 hrs week 50% split w/Tax Coll)
01-01-41400-40220-00 FICA/MED	1,737.00	2,086.12	2,238.00	7.65%
01-01-41400-40394-00 Professional Service	500.00	52.00	500.00	per diem services or technical support+NHCTCA dues
01-01-41400-40570-00 Training/Mileage	450.00	75.00	450.00	MV spring workshop, MV fall conf. mileage
01-01-41400-40610-00 General Supplies	2,150.00	1,129.83	3,050.00	redbook, toners, Ereg checks, MV printer, new computer
01-01-41400-40625-00 postage	650.00	669.20	650.00	DMV & E-Reg
01-01-41400-40690-00 MV Refunds- Municipal Agent	200.00	0.00	200.00	
TOTAL MUNICIPAL AGENT	28,386.00	31,281.08	36,343.00	0.00
TOWN CLERK				
01-01-41401-40130-00 Wages Elected Official TC	4,222.00	8,299.47	4,368.00	6% COLA (ave. 4 hrs week)
01-01-41401-40220-00 FICA/MedTC	324.00	634.93	334.00	7.65%
01-01-41401-40394-00 Professional Services- Town Clerk	1,200.00	1,131.00	1,250.00	BMSI:NHCTC DUES
01-01-41401-40570-00 Training-Mileage Town Clerk	500.00	252.48	500.00	WORKSHOPS
01-01-41401-40610-00 General Supplies-Town Clerk	500.00	466.29	500.00	DOG TAGS AND PAPER; TONER
01-01-41401-40625-00 Postage - Town Clerk	100.00	200.00	100.00	POSTAGE MACHINE RESERVE
TOTAL TOWN CLERK	6,846.00	10,984.17	7,052.00	0.00
ELECTIONS				
01-01-41403-40130-00 Stipends (Moderator, Supers, BC)	5,400.00	6,083.00	2,000.00	MODERATOR, SUPERVISORS, BALLOT CLERKS (HOURLY WAGE: \$15) 1 election

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	2022		2023		Notes
	Approved Budget	Actual Expended	Proposed Budget		
01-01-41403-40394-00 Election- Advertising	600.00	1,010.00	600.00		
01-01-41403-40580-00 Election Operating Expenses	5,000.00	5,112.64	3,800.00		INCLUDES ABSENTEE BALLOT POSTAGE & new laptop
01-01-41403-40690-00 Election Training and Mileage	150.00	151.77	150.00		
ELECTIONS	11,150.00	12,357.41	6,550.00	0.00	
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION					
01-01-41501-40340-00 Office Exp - Bank Service Chg	400.00	379.10	400.00		
01-01-41501-40341-00 Office Exp - Telephone	3,000.00	3,240.19	3,000.00		
01-01-41501-40390-00 Other Professional Fees	35,148.00	37,832.92	35,000.00		Avitar, LR Computer, copier, ads, Brisbane, GCRD, website,
01-01-41501-40550-00 Printing - Town Reports	2,200.00	1,990.06	2,200.00		
01-01-41501-40560-00 Dues/Subscriptions	3,500.00	3,004.90	3,500.00		NHMA, NHAAO, newspaper, NHGFOA
01-01-41501-40610-00 General Supplies	3,000.00	3,186.87	3,200.00		paper, checks, supplies, etc
01-01-41501-40625-00 Postage	900.00	800.00	900.00		
01-01-41501-40661-00 Equipment & Furniture Purchase or Rental	1,500.00	2,077.65	2,000.00		Pitney Bowes machine
01-01-41501-40690-00 Training & Mileage	1,000.00	378.72	1,000.00		
01-01-41502-40301-00 Auditing	15,900.00	16,000.00	16,000.00		Plodzik & Carpenter
TOTAL FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	66,548.00	68,890.41	67,200.00	0.00	
TAX COLLECTOR					
01-01-41504-40113-00 Wages Deputy Tax Collector/M. Clerk PT	7,390.00	10,324.84	10,076.00		6% COLA (18 hrs wk split w/MA 50%)
01-01-41504-40220-00 FICA/Med TX	565.00	789.77	771.00		
01-01-41504-40394-00 Professional Services-TX	6,000.00	5,987.19	6,500.00		Title research, GCRD, Avitar Bank fees, misc legal
01-01-41504-40570-00 Training-Mileage TX	600.00	197.81	600.00		workshops, conference TX & Deputy training
01-01-41504-40610-00 General Supplies - TX	1,250.00	878.80	1,250.00		toners, binders, tax bills, folders, cert mail forms, archival binders
01-01-41504-40625-00 Postage-TX	5,000.00	4,859.90	5,000.00		includes certified mailing fees
01-01-41504-40690-00 Other Miscellaneous - TX	1.00	0.00	1.00		
TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR	20,806.00	23,038.31	24,198.00	0.00	
PROPERTY VALUES					
01-01-41521-40312-00 Assessing - Cyclical value updates	1.00	0.00	1.00		
01-01-41521-40313-00 Assessing - Annual property update contract	29,460.00	29,460.00	29,460.00		per contract
01-01-41521-40390-00 Assessing - Website display subscription	2,492.00	2,492.00	2,500.00		
TOTAL REVALUATIONS OF PROPERTY	31,953.00	31,952.00	31,961.00	0.00	
LEGAL EXPENSE					
01-01-41531-40320-00 Legal	25,000.00	15,267.51	20,000.00		
01-01-41531-40321-00 Legal Settlements	1.00	0.00	1.00		
TOTAL LEGAL EXPENSE	25,001.00	15,267.51	20,001.00	0.00	
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION					

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	2022 Approved Budget 4,500.00	2022 Actual Expended 3,748.51	2023 Proposed Budget 4,500.00	Notes
01-01-41552-40580-00 Emp longevity; bereavement flowers, holiday party, etc.				
TOTAL PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	4,500.00	3,748.51	4,500.00	0.00
TOWN GRANTS				
01-01-41559-40820-00 Town Grants All Departments	4,000.00	6,500.00	4,000.00	Professional to find & write grants
TOTAL TOWN GRANTS	4,000.00	6,500.00	4,000.00	0.00
PLANNING & ZONING				
01-01-41911-40113-00 Wages -PT PLBD Asst.	8,300.00	11,263.41	10,500.00	6% COLA
01-01-41911-40220-00 FICA/Med PLBD	635.00	861.64	803.00	7.65%
01-01-41911-40320-00 Legal- PLBD	6,000.00	10,607.72	8,500.00	
01-01-41911-40394-00 Professional Services- PLBD Director	28,500.00	27,910.00	33,600.00	Planning Director 5.2% total increase w/addtl hours
01-01-41911-40560-00 Dues/Subscriptions	300.00	0.00	100.00	
01-01-41911-40570-00 Training- PLBD	250.00	70.00	250.00	
01-01-41911-40580-00 Operating Expenses - PLBD	4,500.00	7,491.68	6,500.00	includes advertising
01-01-41911-40610-00 General Supplies - PLBD	200.00	306.92	200.00	
01-01-41911-40661-00 Equipment Purchase or Rental	100.00	0.00	2,800.00	4 tablets (iPads)
01-01-41911-40810-00 Master Plan Expenses-PLBD	5,000.00	1,526.90	2,500.00	
01-01-41913-40113-00 Wages PT ZBA Asst.	2,600.00	3,001.34	2,700.00	6% COLA W/Additional hours (\$400) for Ipad setup & file transfer protocol and website posting
01-01-41913-40220-00 FICA/Med ZBA	199.00	229.59	207.00	7.65%
01-01-41913-40320-00 Legal - ZBA	4,000.00	2,172.50	3,500.00	
01-01-41913-40580-00 Operating Expenses -ZBA	800.00	1,967.50	1,900.00	\$600 increase for MS Office apps for iPads
01-01-41913-40610-00 General Supplies - ZBA	150.00	65.50	4,650.00	\$4500 for 6 iPads for ZBA + software
01-01-41913-40690-00 Mileage-Training ZBA	400.00	210.00	400.00	
TOTAL PLANNING & ZONING	61,934.00	67,684.70	79,110.00	0.00
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS				
01-01-41941-40360-00 Custodial Services-GGB	7,700.00	7,696.00	7,956.00	
01-01-41941-40410-00 Electricity - GGB	8,500.00	11,221.14	12,000.00	
01-01-41941-40411-00 Propane- GGB	5,000.00	5,491.55	5,500.00	
01-01-41941-40430-00 Utility, Repairs & Maintenance - GGB	14,900.00	15,215.61	22,026.00	increased fees; internet, furnace/hvac, assessing file cabinets(2)\$5,000
01-01-41941-40610-00 General Supplies-GGB	1,400.00	1,052.59	1,400.00	
01-01-41941-40810-00 Old Town Hall -GGB	1.00	0.00	1.00	
01-01-41941-40811-00 Beautification Committee	300.00	40.00	300.00	Level funded
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	37,801.00	40,716.89	49,183.00	0.00
CEMETERIES				
01-01-41951-40130-00 Public Liaison Stipend	1,500.00	1,500.00	750.00	
01-01-41951-40360-00 Custodial Services-Cemeteries	6,000.00	4,626.00	6,000.00	
01-01-41951-40430-00 Repairs&Maint Monuments - Cem	1,200.00	216.00	1,000.00	
01-01-41951-40610-00 General Supplies&Software Cem	600.00	465.00	600.00	

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01-01-41951-40630-00 Road Repair - Cemeteries	10,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	Liquid monies w/ToT T Funds	
01-01-41951-40660-00 Equipment & Machines-Cemeteries	17,500.00	12,610.00	17,500.00		
01-01-41951-40662-00 Cemeteries - Tree Work	1.00	0.00	1.00		
TOTAL CEMETERIES	36,801.00	19,417.00	30,851.00	0.00	
INSURANCE					
01-01-41960-40250-00 Insurance - Unemployment Comp	2,772.00	0.00	2,467.00		
01-01-41960-40260-00 Insurance - WC	18,570.00	11,922.33	18,384.00		
01-01-41960-40480-00 Insurance - Other PLT & Deductible	29,124.00	27,149.35	30,435.00		
TOTAL INSURANCE	50,466.00	39,071.68	51,286.00	0.00	
ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOC					
TOTAL ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOC	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
01-01-41990-40391-00 Map & Update	1,800.00	2,085.00	2,100.00		
01-01-41990-40831-00 Emergency Fund	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00		
01-01-41990-40832-00 Perambulation	1.00	0.00	1.00		
TOTAL OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	6,801.00	2,085.00	7,101.00	0.00	
POLICE					
01-02-42100-40110-00 Wages Police Chief	74,485.00	80,586.27	91,832.00	6% COLA	
01-02-42100-40111-00 FT Admin Asst. - Wages -PD	51,605.00	52,423.55	54,704.00	6% COLA	
01-02-42100-40112-00 PT Position- Wages PD	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00		
01-02-42100-40113-00 Wages FT PD Officers	239,935.00	183,895.29	223,988.00	6% COLA + steps for 4 officers	
01-02-42100-40114-00 On Call Pay	14,560.00	11,331.25	14,560.00	Level funded	
01-02-42100-40140-00 OT- Wages PD	28,500.00	25,555.30	35,000.00		
01-02-42100-40190-00 Police Detail Exp -Private	5,000.00	3,025.00	7,000.00	reimbursed	
01-02-42100-40191-00 Police Forest Detail - State Grant	1,500.00	700.00	1,500.00		
01-02-42100-40192-00 Police Traffic/DUI Detail Grants	2,200.00	353.07	2,200.00		
01-02-42100-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life Insurance-PD	95,500.00	63,331.30	62,190.00		
01-02-42100-40220-00 FICA/Med/PD	9,449.00	8,328.15	10,100.00	7.65% Admin wages; Offc exempt from SS; includes On call & details	
01-02-42100-40230-00 Retirement PD	132,165.00	109,753.15	135,870.00		
01-02-42100-40320-00 Legal-PD	24,182.00	21,539.08	26,967.00	Annual increase per contract	
01-02-42100-40341-00 Telephone/Cell PD	6,800.00	5,904.76	7,000.00	office phone, cell phones & hot spots	
01-02-42100-40392-00 Communications- PD	39,153.00	38,699.86	46,332.00	Dispatch	
01-02-42100-40393-00 Uniforms - PD	6,700.00	6,914.94	6,700.00	Level Funded	
01-02-42100-40394-00 Outside Services - PD	23,680.00	23,921.44	25,000.00	Computers, etc	
01-02-42100-40550-00 Printing-PD	400.00	424.18	570.00	See notes on printout	
01-02-42100-40560-00 Dues/Subscriptions PD	1,100.00	1,039.00	3,340.00	NE Chief Assoc, IACP, Rotary, State Pol info., BVD memberships	
01-02-42100-40570-00 Training-Mileage PD	6,500.00	26,334.39	10,828.00	Level Funded	
01-02-42100-40610-00 General Equip & Dept. Supplies PD	5,000.00	7,121.86	6,000.00	new office chairs (6)\$2000	

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	Approved Budget	Actual Expended	Proposed Budget	
01-02-42100-40635-00 Fuel-PD	10,000.00	11,729.17	20,000.00	5100 gal.
01-02-42100-40660-00 Vehicle Expenses - PD	7,000.00	6,921.93	9,425.00	Increase due to purchase of new tires for fleet
01-02-42100-40680-00 Chiefs Expenses	2,700.00	2,700.70	4,500.00	Increase due to specialized training
01-02-42100-40690-00 Investigative PD	500.00	313.72	500.00	Level Funded
01-02-42100-40813-00 Police Department Events	500.00	456.01	500.00	Level Funded
TOTAL POLICE	791,614.00	693,303.37	809,106.00	0.00
FIRE				
01-02-42200-40397-00 Memberships-Lakes Region Mutual	30,826.00	30,825.65	32,167.00	5.09% increase for 2023
01-02-42200-40610-00 General Operating Cost- FD	494,529.00	494,528.80	541,816.00	wages=8% from Campton;
01-02-42200-40680-00 Forest Fire Expense -Departmental	500.00	0.00	500.00	
01-02-42200-40681-00 Fire Hydrants	0.00	600.00	600.00	
TOTAL FIRE	525,855.00	525,954.45	575,083.00	0.00
BUILDING & CODE ENFORCEMENT				
01-02-42400-40112-00 Wages PT Zoning Enforcement	26,707.00	24,412.53	28,298.00	6% COLA
01-02-42400-40220-00 Fica/med Zoning Enforcement	2,043.00	1,867.55	2,165.00	
01-02-42400-40320-00 Legal-Zoning	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	
01-02-42400-40341-00 Cell Phone	1,035.00	772.17	840.00	
01-02-42400-40560-00 Dues&Subscriptions	100.00	0.00	200.00	
01-02-42400-40610-00 General Supplies Zoning	100.00	153.04	200.00	
01-02-42400-40625-00 Postage- Zoning Enf.	100.00	100.00	200.00	
01-02-42400-40690-00 Training & Mileage Zoning	3,000.00	2,725.39	3,000.00	
01-02-42400-40830-00 Building	1.00	0.00	1.00	
TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTORS	35,586.00	30,030.68	37,404.00	0.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT				
01-02-42900-40112-00 Emergency Man. Stipends	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00	Level Funded
01-02-42900-40390-00 Outside Professional Services	479.00	0.00	100.00	
01-02-42900-40610-00 Training & Supplies-EMD	500.00	0.00	100.00	
TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	4,179.00	3,200.00	3,400.00	0.00
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT				
01-03-43120-40110-00 Wages Road Agent (F/T)-Hwy	60,611.00	57,450.59	67,454.00	6% COLA + steps
01-03-43120-40111-00 Wages FT Hwy Employees	136,303.00	120,367.71	148,802.00	6% COLA included potential of 1 addtl FT
01-03-43120-40140-00 OT Wages-Hwy	7,000.00	7,614.68	7,000.00	
01-03-43120-40180-00 PT Seasonal Wages-Hwy	8,000.00	5,261.13	23,800.00	plowing est. average 20 hours per week x 16 weeks= \$11,200 per employee
01-03-43120-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life Insurance-Hwy	88,605.00	78,267.50	110,591.00	calculated potential of 1 addtl FT w/family package
01-03-43120-40220-00 FICA/Med Hwy	16,212.00	13,598.60	18,900.00	7.65%
01-03-43120-40230-00 Retirement Hwy	28,671.00	26,064.95	30,798.00	
01-03-43120-40341-00 Telephone/Cell Hwy	3,300.00	2,869.29	3,120.00	2 cells @.125 per month and 1 land line @ 135 per month
01-03-43120-40390-00 Professional Services-Hwy	1,800.00	3,269.06	2,840.00	internet \$80 per month, drug testing \$85 per test x 8 tests, \$300 per ad x 4(ie:sand/paving)

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01-03-43120-40393-00 Uniforms	6,100.00	5,913.71	6,970.00		Cintas (pants) \$110 per week, T's and sweatshirts 550, boots \$175 per employee mowing & landscaping
01-03-43120-40395-00 Subcontractor - Summer Hwy	4,000.00	2,320.00	4,000.00		
01-03-43120-40396-00 Subcontractor - Winter Hwy	1.00	0.00	1.00		
01-03-43120-40410-00 Electricity Hwy	2,000.00	2,409.66	3,000.00		10500 KW per year x \$.25 per kwh, \$31.02 per month membership
01-03-43120-40411-00 Heat & Oil Hwy	7,000.00	11,444.46	9,100.00		average 2500 gallons per year @\$3.61 per gallon
01-03-43120-40430-00 Repairs & Maintenance Bld- Hwy	2,000.00	300.51	2,000.00		emergency door repair
01-03-43120-40560-00 Dues & Subscriptions Hwy	250.00	125.00	275.00		winnipesaukee drug \$135, Mutual Aid, \$125
01-03-43120-40570-00 Training & Mileage Hwy	100.00	0.00	100.00		keep line open if something comes up
01-03-43120-40581-00 Paving-Hwy	210,000.00	201,886.49	271,337.00		Upper High Brook, Rocky Way, Sunrise Hill, Upper Sugar Run, Lower Sugar Run @ \$95 per to, \$69,000 from House Bill
01-03-43120-40610-00 General /Tool Supplies - Hwy	3,400.00	4,288.98	3,400.00		Paper products, new computer, etc.
01-03-43120-40630-00 Road Repair -Hwy	35,000.00	48,632.37	40,000.00		culverts, gravel & stone, etc.
01-03-43120-40635-00 Vehicle Fuel- Hwy	18,000.00	16,365.96	33,750.00		estimated 7500 gallons @ 4.50
01-03-43120-40650-00 Sweeping Hwy	1,500.00	854.94	2,000.00		2 sets of brushes @ \$1000 per set
01-03-43120-40660-00 Vehicle & Equip Repairs Hwy	35,000.00	48,749.57	40,000.00		
01-03-43120-40661-00 Vehicle & Equip. Purchase/Rental	1,500.00	808.00	1.00		
01-03-43120-40680-00 Salt & Sand Departmental Hwy	46,250.00	28,819.88	51,810.00		2500 yards sand x \$10.50, 300 tons salt x \$85.20
01-03-43120-40690-00 911 Posts/Signs	2,000.00	1,050.50	1,500.00		
TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	724,603.00	688,733.54	882,549.00	0.00	
PEMI-BAKER					
01-04-43220-40397-00 Pemi Baker Solid Waste Memberships	3,300.00	3,299.69	3,000.00		
TOTAL PEMI-BAKER	3,300.00	3,299.69	3,000.00	0.00	
TRANSFER STATION					
01-04-43210-40110-00 F/T Manager Wages - TS	54,746.00	14,417.21	64,022.00		6% COLA plus steps
01-04-43210-40111-00 FT Attendants Wages - TS	105,477.00	122,973.13	133,661.00		
01-04-43210-40112-00 PT Wages- TS	11,831.00	31,177.21	31,366.00		16 hrs week
01-04-43210-40140-00 OT Wages - TS	1,250.00	1,215.65	1,250.00		
01-04-43210-40210-00 Health/Dental/Life Insurance-TS	58,384.00	30,510.90	32,473.00		
01-04-43210-40220-00 FICA/Med TS	13,258.00	11,472.22	17,618.00		
01-04-43210-40230-00 Retirement TS	18,267.00	19,317.66	27,270.00		
01-04-43210-40341-00 Telephone/Cell TS	1,600.00	1,847.19	2,300.00		
01-04-43210-40390-00 Other Professional Services	4,000.00	6,852.07	4,000.00		
01-04-43210-40393-00 Uniforms - TS	4,000.00	1,472.58	1,000.00		
01-04-43210-40410-00 Building & Utility - TS	3,000.00	2,580.40	4,200.00		
01-04-43210-40411-00 Heat & Oil TS	2,000.00	729.81	1,000.00		
01-04-43210-40430-00 Building Maintenance & Repairs TS	3,000.00	9,086.64	6,000.00		
01-04-43210-40550-00 Printing-TS	2,200.00	1,579.51	2,200.00		
01-04-43210-40570-00 Training & Mileage TS	1,000.00	411.86	1,200.00		
01-04-43210-40610-00 General Supplies TS	500.00	1,193.31	1,500.00		new laptop \$900

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01-04-43210-40635-00 Vehicle Fuel TS	3,000.00	2,036.09	3,000.00		
01-04-43210-40660-00 Vehicle & Equipment Expense - TS	11,500.00	12,043.89	11,500.00		
TOTAL TRANSFER STATION	299,013.00	270,917.33	345,560.00	0.00	
SOLID WASTE					
01-04-43240-40320-00 Legal - TS	1.00	0.00	1.00		
01-04-43240-40590-00 Solid Waste - Disposal -TS	170,000.00	177,477.95	183,000.00		
01-04-43240-40591-00 Solid Waste - Bulky Debris- TS	100,000.00	104,544.65	120,000.00		
SOLID WASTE	270,001.00	282,022.60	303,001.00	0.00	
MONITORING / CLOSURE					
01-04-43250-40590-00 Monitoring/ Closure -TS	2,400.00	1,485.00	3,200.00		
TOTAL MONITORING / CLOSURE	2,400.00	1,485.00	3,200.00	0.00	
SEPTAGE DISPOSAL					
01-04-43260-40590-00 Solid Waste - Closure / Disposal	100.00	0.00	100.00		
TOTAL SEPTAGE DISPOSAL	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	
HEALTH DEPARTMENTS					
01-06-44110-40110-00 Permanent Positions Health Officer	998.00	998.00	1,057.00	6% COLA	
01-06-44110-40220-00 Fica/med Health	77.00	76.37	81.00		
01-06-44110-40580-00 Operating Expenses-Health	100.00	160.00	100.00		
01-06-44110-40660-00 Local Health Expenses	100.00	0.00	100.00		
TOTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS	1,275.00	1,234.37	1,338.00	0.00	
HEALTH AGENCIES & HOSPITALS					
01-06-44150-40350-00 Pemi-Baker Home Health	12,925.00	12,925.00	13,647.00		
01-06-44150-40351-00 Speare Memorial Hospital	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00		
01-06-44150-40353-00 Ammonoosuc Community Health	550.00	550.00	550.00		
01-06-44150-40354-00 Mid-State Health Center	610.00	610.00	500.00		
01-06-44190-40813-00 Lakes Region Mental Health Center	4,000.00	4,000.00	5,250.00		
01-06-44190-40814-00 ADAPT	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00		
01-06-44190-40815-00 American Red Cross	1,118.00	1,118.00	1,118.00		
TOTAL HEALTH AGENCIES & HOSPITALS	50,703.00	50,703.00	52,565.00	0.00	
AGENCY REQUESTS					
01-11-44160-40812-00 CADY	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		
01-11-44160-40813-00 Voices Against Violence Donations	3,300.00	3,300.00	3,300.00		
01-11-44160-40814-00 Tri County Community Action	5,075.00	5,075.00	5,416.00		
01-11-44160-40815-00 Grafton County Senior Citizens	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00		
01-11-44160-40816-00 CASA of NH	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		
01-11-44160-40818-00 PRLAC	300.00	300.00	300.00		
01-11-44160-40819-00 Bridge House Shelter & Veterans Advocacy	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00		
01-11-44160-40820-00 Transport Central	300.00	300.00	300.00	requested \$1,500 voted \$300	

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TOTAL AGENCY REQUESTS	15,475.00	15,475.00	16,316.00	0.00	
WELFARE					
01-07-44420-40112-00 PT Deputy Welfare	1.00	0.00	1.00		
01-07-44420-40130-00 Welfare -Wages Elected Official	5,903.00	5,903.00	6,257.00	6% COLA	
01-07-44420-40220-00 Fica/Med Welfare	452.00	451.55	479.00		
01-07-44420-40580-00 Operating Expenses-Welfare	684.00	514.33	684.00		
01-07-44420-40812-00 Direct Assistance Expenses	10,000.00	3,969.88	10,000.00		
TOTAL WELFARE	17,040.00	10,838.76	17,421.00	0.00	
PARKS & RECREATION					
01-01-45200-40811-00 Events Committee	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	concert series, light up thornion, trunk or treat, national night out, sugar on snow & luge tubing	
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	
LIBRARY					
01-08-45500-40110-00 FT Positions Wages -Library	35,000.00	35,713.30	37,100.00	6% COLA	
01-08-45500-40112-00 PT Library Wages	22,846.00	21,825.91	24,223.00	6% COLA	
01-08-45500-40210-00 Library Health	10,576.00	9,700.57	11,204.00		
01-08-45500-40220-00 FICA/Med Library	4,493.00	4,214.82	4,700.00		
01-08-45500-40230-00 Retirement Library	4,921.00	5,011.06	5,118.00		
01-08-45500-40430-00 Library Maintenance & Repairs	6,750.00	6,750.00	5,950.00		
01-08-45500-40610-00 General Operating Expenses - Library	12,260.00	12,260.00	13,710.00		
TOTAL LIBRARY	96,846.00	95,475.66	102,005.00	0.00	
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES					
01-08-45830-40825-00 Patriotic Purposes	600.00	680.50	750.00		
TOTAL PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	600.00	680.50	750.00	0.00	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION					
01-09-46110-40610-00 General Operating Expenses - CC	725.00	676.40	725.00		
TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	725.00	676.40	725.00	0.00	
INTEREST TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES					
01-12-47230-40981-00 Interest Tax Anticipation Notes	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00		
TOTAL INTEREST TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY - OTHER					
01-13-49090-40730-00 Cap Outlay Other	0.00	0.00	14,000.00	Merrill Access land estimate: \$9100+survey+easement	
CAPITAL OUTLAY - OTHER	0.00	0.00	14,000.00	0.00	
CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS					
01-14-49150-41000-00 Cap Reserve-Highway Equipment	40,000.00	40,000.00	75,000.00		
01-14-49150-41001-00 Cap Reserve-Police Cruiser & Equip	50,000.00	50,000.00	20,000.00		
01-14-49150-41003-00 Cap Reserve- Bridge Repairs & Maint	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00		

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	2022		2023		Notes
	Approved Budget	Actual Expended	Proposed Budget	Proposed Budget	
01-14-49150-41006-00 Cap Reserve-Paving	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	
01-14-49150-41007-00 Cap Reserve - Assessing	24,000.00	24,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	
01-14-49150-41008-00 Cap Reserve- Fire Trk/Res	115,000.00	115,000.00	170,000.00	170,000.00	
01-14-49150-41010-00 Cap Reserve-Mill Brook Rd Const/Improv	51,000.00	51,000.00	0.00	0.00	
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNTS	300,000.00	300,000.00	300,000.00	0.00	
TOTAL BUDGETS	3,844,247.00	3,622,899.98	4,237,039.00	0.00	

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For the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023

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Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
General Government						
4130-4139	Executive	11	\$273,375	\$308,439	\$346,680	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	11	\$54,623	\$46,382	\$49,945	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	11	\$91,929	\$87,354	\$91,398	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property	11	\$31,952	\$31,953	\$31,961	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	11	\$15,268	\$25,001	\$20,001	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	11	\$10,249	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	11	\$67,685	\$61,934	\$79,110	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	11	\$40,717	\$37,801	\$49,183	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	11	\$19,417	\$36,801	\$30,851	\$0
4196	Insurance	11	\$39,072	\$50,466	\$51,286	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government	11	\$2,085	\$6,801	\$7,101	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$646,372	\$701,432	\$766,016	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	11	\$693,303	\$791,614	\$809,106	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	11	\$525,954	\$525,855	\$575,083	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	11	\$30,031	\$35,586	\$37,404	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	11	\$3,200	\$4,179	\$3,400	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$1,252,488	\$1,357,234	\$1,424,993	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	11	\$688,734	\$724,603	\$882,549	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$688,734	\$724,603	\$882,549	\$0
Sanitation						
4321	Administration	11	\$270,917	\$299,013	\$345,560	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	11	\$282,023	\$270,001	\$303,001	\$0

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4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	11	\$1,485	\$2,400	\$3,200	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal	11	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation	11	\$3,299	\$3,300	\$3,000	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$557,724	\$574,814	\$654,861	\$0

Water Distribution and Treatment

4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Electric

4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Health

4411	Administration	11	\$1,234	\$1,275	\$1,338	\$0
4414	Pest Control		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	11	\$66,178	\$66,178	\$68,881	\$0
Health Subtotal			\$67,412	\$67,453	\$70,219	\$0

Welfare

4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	11	\$10,839	\$17,040	\$17,421	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Welfare Subtotal			\$10,839	\$17,040	\$17,421	\$0

Culture and Recreation

4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	11	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
4550-4559	Library	11	\$95,476	\$96,846	\$102,005	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	11	\$681	\$600	\$750	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Culture and Recreation Subtotal			\$98,657	\$99,946	\$105,255	\$0

Conservation and Development

4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	11	\$676	\$725	\$725	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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4651-4659	Economic Development	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal		\$676	\$725	\$725	\$0

Debt Service

4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	11	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
4790-4799	Other Debt Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal		\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0

Capital Outlay

4901	Land	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Operating Transfers Out

4912	To Special Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Total Operating Budget Appropriations

\$3,923,039

\$0

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Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	05 <i>Purpose: Municipal Paving CRF</i>	\$10,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	06 <i>Purpose: Assessing CRF</i>	\$25,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	07 <i>Purpose: Highway Vehicle, Equip, CRF</i>	\$75,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	08 <i>Purpose: Police Cruiser and Equip. CRF</i>	\$20,000	\$0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	09 <i>Purpose: Fire Truck/Rescue Vehicle/Equip CRF</i>	\$170,000	\$0
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$300,000	\$0

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Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4901	Land	10	\$14,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: Purchase of State owned property</i>				
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$14,000	\$0

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Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	11	\$18,800	\$25,000	\$100,000
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	11	\$13,601	\$7,000	\$10,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	11	\$45,106	\$45,106	\$45,106
3187	Excavation Tax	11	\$1,052	\$1,000	\$1,000
3189	Other Taxes	11	\$0	\$0	\$500
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	11	\$0	\$0	\$50,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Taxes Subtotal			\$78,559	\$78,106	\$206,606
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	11	\$615	\$500	\$500
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	11	\$678,407	\$650,000	\$650,000
3230	Building Permits	11	\$53,018	\$30,000	\$40,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	11	\$16,853	\$15,000	\$15,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal			\$748,893	\$695,500	\$705,500
State Sources					
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	11	\$240,222	\$240,222	\$240,222
3353	Highway Block Grant	11	\$193,962	\$104,882	\$104,882
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	11	\$2,685	\$9,617	\$5,000
3379	From Other Governments	11	\$200,206	\$220,000	\$356,000
State Sources Subtotal			\$637,075	\$574,721	\$706,104
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	11	\$317,511	\$230,000	\$272,500
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$317,511	\$230,000	\$272,500
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	11	\$151,644	\$140,000	\$17,000
3502	Interest on Investments	11	\$29,824	\$1,500	\$1,500
3503-3509	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$181,468	\$141,500	\$18,500

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Interfund Operating Transfers In

3912	From Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)	\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal		\$0	\$10,000	\$0

Other Financing Sources

3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes	\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	\$0	\$0	\$0
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0

Total Estimated Revenues and Credits		\$1,963,506	\$1,729,827	\$1,909,210
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Item	Period ending 12/31/2023
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$3,923,039
Special Warrant Articles	\$300,000
Individual Warrant Articles	\$14,000
Total Appropriations	\$4,237,039
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$1,909,210
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$2,327,829

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	<u>2021</u>	<u>Unaudited 2022 YTD</u>	<u>2023 MS636 Estimates</u>
Account #/Name			
01-00-00000-34017-00 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	
01-31-00000-31210-00 Land Use Tax (CU)	27,650.00	18,800.00	100,000.00
01-31-00000-31851-00 Yield Tax	1,494.58	13,600.84	10,000.00
01-31-00000-31860-00 PILT-Payment in Lieu of Tax	44,030.00	45,106.00	45,106.00
01-31-00000-31899-00 Excavation Tax (Gravel)	832.28	1,051.62	1,000.00
01-31-00000-31901-00 Int & Cost - P/T Current	21,109.87	23,126.02	25,000.00
01-31-00000-31903-00 Int & Cost - P/T Liens	25,025.15	24,812.32	25,000.00
01-31-00000-31904-00 Elderly Deferral Int & Penalty	2,854.08	0.00	
01-31-00000-31930-00 Int & Penalties - Land Use Chg	0.00	0.00	
01-31-00000-31990-00 Interest - Yield Tax	0.03	29.08	
01-31-00000-31991-00 Int & Cost Excavation Tax	0.00	0.00	
01-32-00000-32104-00 UCC Filings	420.00	615.00	500.00
01-32-00000-32203-00 MV Registrations	612,996.65	678,406.90	650,000.00
01-32-00000-32301-00 Building Permit Fees	14,825.00	53,017.60	40,000.00
01-32-00000-32901-00 Dog License Fees -Town	2,974.00	3,527.00	5,000.00
01-32-00000-32902-00 Dog Fines-PD Ordinance	0.00	200.00	
01-32-00000-32905-00 Vital Statistics -Town	653.00	912.00	
01-32-00000-32907-00 Planning Board - Fees	9,386.48	10,486.22	10,000.00
01-32-00000-32908-00 Zoning Board - Fees	1,083.14	1,727.14	
01-33-00000-33520-00 State - Meals & Rooms Tax (Dec.)	0.00	240,221.50	240,222.00
01-33-00000-33530-00 NH Highway Block Grant	102,943.03	193,961.75	104,882.00
01-33-00000-33590-00 Other State & Grants & Reimb.	3,165.69	2,684.59	5,000.00
01-33-00000-33793-00 Recycle/Landfill - Town Reimb.	222,495.75	200,205.90	356,000.00
01-33-00000-33794-00 State Bridge Aid Funds	0.00	0.00	
01-34-00000-34010-00 Police Department Donations	31,073.37	250.00	
01-34-00000-34011-00 Recycle/Landfill - Disposal Chgs	76,423.00	76,400.35	80,000.00
01-34-00000-34012-00 Recycling Income	55,546.29	58,538.07	60,000.00
01-34-00000-34013-00 Ambulance Service Income	79,900.19	74,169.17	80,000.00
01-34-00000-34014-00 Police Fines & Fees	8,510.13	6,123.17	5,000.00
01-34-00000-34015-00 Copy Machine Income	185.76	129.00	
01-34-00000-34016-00 Highway Revenue	0.00	7,051.56	
01-34-00000-34017-00 Miscellaneous	165,875.27	94,849.61	47,500.00
01-35-00000-35012-00 SALE OF TAX DEEDED PROPERTY	22,626.01	151,644.36	17,000.00
01-35-00000-35020-00 Interest - Money Market	679.54	787.94	1,500.00
01-35-00000-35021-00 Interest - NHPDIP	304.64	29,035.74	
01-39-00000-39150-00 Transfers from Capital Reserve Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00
			500.00
Total Revenues	1,535,062.93	2,011,470.45	1,909,210.00

THORNTON UNAUDITED BALANCE SHEET

JANUARY 1, 2022-DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Unaudited</u> <u>2022</u>	<u>Previous Year</u> <u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/2021</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Assets			
10101- Cash - PNB - Checking	4,924.82	5,449.45	(524.63)
10102- Cash - PNB - Money Market	1,271,039.29	2,312,175.72	(1,041,136.43)
10103- Petty Cash	350.00	350.00	0.00
10105- Northway - Conservation Fund	14,854.70	6,077.12	8,777.58
10203- D Johnston/Dirt Designs Excavation rec pit	5,049.43	5,048.50	0.93
10206- LCJ Holdings - PLBD Escrow Account	10,000.19	7,678.02	2,322.17
10301- NHPDIP - Cash - Closure Bond	889.22	877.80	11.42
10302- NHPDIP - Gen Fund Excess	3,480,174.15	1,801,149.83	1,679,024.32
10801- Prop.Taxes Rec - Current	527,353.14	732,882.70	(205,529.56)
10810- WE Prop Tax Rec - Current	26,583.00	36,159.46	(9,576.46)
10840- Land Use Taxes Receivable	0.00	6,800.00	(6,800.00)
10890- Allowance for Uncollectable	(65,000.00)	(65,000.00)	0.00
11101- Tax Liens Receivable	99,899.85	127,924.67	(28,024.82)
11102- Welfare Liens Receivable	43.67	696.63	(652.96)
11103- Elderly Deferral Liens Receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00
11501- Accounts Receivable	0.41	0.41	0.00
12601- Acct Rec - Intergovernmental	59,946.90	71,817.22	(11,870.32)
13103- Due from Capital Projects Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
13107- Due from Expend. Trust Funds	26,593.00	26,593.00	0.00
13108- Due from Non - expend Trust Fund	(0.23)	(0.23)	0.00
16701- Deeded Property	173,053.96	162,173.24	10,880.72
Total Assets	5,635,755.50	5,238,853.54	396,901.96

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JANUARY 1, 2022-DECEMBER 31, 2022

	<u>Unaudited</u> <u>2022</u>	<u>Previous Year</u> <u>Balance</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Liabilities and Net Asserts			
20202- Acct Payable	3,891,095.48	4,059,647.38	(168,551.90)
20221- Bank Error Adj Acct- Wash acct	0.00	0.00	0.00
20248- Healthtrust Wellness In/Out	1,767.96	1,742.96	25.00
20251- Federal W/H Tax Payable	0.54	0.54	0.00
20252- NH Retirement Payable	829.27	829.25	0.02
20253- Employee Health Ins. Payable	38,989.56	37,896.74	1,092.82
20254- FICA W/H Payable	(0.54)	(0.54)	0.00
20255- Medicare FICA W/H Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00
20256- EMPLOYEE DIRECT DEPOSITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
20257- Employee AFLAC - Pre Tax	9,491.30	8,910.15	581.15
20258- Employee Dental Ins. Payable	1,598.44	1,372.96	225.48
20259- AFLAC Post Tax	(7,882.90)	(7,980.10)	97.20
20260- Wage Garnish-State NH	(1.08)	(1.08)	0.00
20261- Accrued Payroll	25,580.44	0.00	25,580.44
20502- Grant Contract in/out funding	0.40	0.40	0.00
20702- State fees- Dogs	587.00	648.00	(61.00)
20705- State Fees- Vital Records	(21.00)	111.00	(132.00)
20706- Applicant Registry Recording Fees	0.00	214.01	(214.01)
20751- Acct Payable - PBRSD	(960,492.00)	(1,070,955.00)	110,463.00
20752- Acct Payable - Thornton School	(2,082,602.00)	(6,454,296.00)	4,371,694.00
20753- Acct Payable - WE Vill Prec	(26,583.00)	239,292.51	(265,875.51)
20754- Due to County	(722,438.00)	(722,212.00)	(226.00)
20756- ARPA FUNDS	265,492.95	132,746.47	132,746.48
20757- Events Committee Funds	2,483.88	180.36	2,303.52
20758- Bridge Aid SB401 one-time 2022 (non-lapsing)	114,933.04	0.00	114,933.04
21200- PLBD Escrow Accounts	15,065.22	12,743.24	2,321.98
21201- PLBD GCRD LCHIP fees	1.00	(25.00)	26.00
22201- Deferred Revenues	79,467.84	75,516.80	3,951.04
22202- Due to Hubbard Brk Scholarship	0.00	0.00	0.00
22203- Deferred Revenues - SB38	0.43	0.43	0.00
22204- Due To - Conservation Fund	1,500.00	7,276.18	(5,776.18)
22505- Escrow Planning Board Fees	43.80	42.68	1.12
24901- Reserve for Special Purpose	0.16	0.16	0.00
24902- Reserve for Welfare Liens	43,981.59	43,981.59	0.00
24909- Reserve for Tax Deeded Prop	41,665.58	41,665.58	0.00
Total Liabilities	734,555.36	(3,590,650.33)	4,325,205.69
25301- Unassigned Fund Balance	(1,214,228.00)	(903,359.50)	(310,868.50)
27900- Undesignated Fund Balance	(592,498.64)	(592,498.64)	0.00
Change in Net Assets	(4,563,584.22)	(152,345.07)	(4,411,239.15)
Total Net Asserts	(6,370,310.86)	(1,648,203.21)	(4,722,107.65)
Total Liabilities and Net Asserts	(5,635,755.50)	(5,238,853.54)	(396,901.96)

2022 SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Due to School Districts 1/1/22	\$2,974,964.00
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Less:

Payments: 1/1/22-6/30/22

Thornton Central School	\$ 1,945,632.00
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Pemi-Baker Regional School District	\$ 1,029,332.00
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Total Payments 1/1-6/30	\$ 2,974,964.00
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Subtotal of balance due	\$ -
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Plus:

07/1/22 School Appropriations

Thornton Central School	\$ 4,432,602.00
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Pemi-Baker Regional School District	\$ 2,002,997.00
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Total 2022/2023 School Year Appropriations	\$6,435,599.00
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Less:

Payments: 7/1/22-12/31/22

Thornton Central School	\$ 2,350,000.00
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Pemi-Baker Regional School District	\$ 1,042,505.00
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Total Payments	\$ 3,392,505.00
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Balance Due School Districts 12/31/22	\$3,043,094.00
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2022 TOWN OF THORNTON

EMPLOYEE EARNINGS

Name	Earnings
Abear, Matthew J	23,763.42
Abel, Brandan J	21,506.75
Barton, Joel J	39,666.22
Behen, James M	210.00
Benton, Brad R.	4,562.40
Collins, Timothy J	45,206.71
Conn, Mary A	56,748.19
Converse, Daniel W	5,360.94
Day Moore, Vicki E	53,053.28
Duffield, Viveca A	34,999.90
Dumont, Susan	5,903.00
Gilman, Daniel	93,544.38
Howe, Donald	38,468.32
King, MaryBeth	21,307.44
Kubik, John S	59,321.76
Laufenberg, Peter	4,562.40
Levasseur, Jamin R	13,354.07
Lynn, Thomas E	37,135.19
Magoon, Arthur Shawn	38,635.58
Mahurin, Desiree L	68,159.29
McIver, Deven S	4,389.13
Meier, Joshua	8,217.75
Monti, Joseph	4,562.40
Peabody, Marianne	11,463.40
Randall, Kerrin L	20,827.86
Rodgers, Bruce A	56,577.30
Ross, Anita C.	5,837.03
Sabourn, Roy A	5,062.40
Shepard, Debra J	55,710.53
Sidney Jr., Raymond E	34,128.30
Simon, Zachary	47,346.75
Smoker, Mark D	36,636.79
St. Amour, Alisa	16,978.61
St. Laurent, Christine	113.61
White, Pamela D	22,236.22
Wood, Jeannine	80,642.46
TOTAL EARNINGS	1,076,199.78

2022 SUMMARY OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT BORROWED</u>	<u>PAID</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
1/1/22 Balance Carried Forward			\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
12/31/22 Remaining balance			\$0.00

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

2022 TAX RATE CALCULATION



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue
Administration

2022
\$20.01

Tax Rate Breakdown Thornton

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$1,915,410	\$453,904,643	\$4.23
County	\$722,438	\$453,904,643	\$1.59
Local Education	\$5,866,560	\$453,904,643	\$12.92
State Education	\$566,910	\$444,995,943	\$1.27
Total	\$9,071,318		\$20.01

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Waterville Estates	\$390,209	\$30,225,292	\$12.91
Total	\$390,209		\$12.91

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$9,071,318
War Service Credits	(\$98,000)
Village District Tax Effort	\$390,209
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$9,363,527

Sam Greene

Sam Greene
Director of Municipal and Property Division
New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

11/8/2022

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

2022 TAX RATE CALCULATION

Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$3,844,247	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$1,780,327)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		\$0
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		(\$250,000)
War Service Credits	\$98,000	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$3,490	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$1,915,410	

County Apportionment		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$722,438	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$722,438	

Education		
Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$5,089,548	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$2,336,058	
Net Education Grant		(\$992,136)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$566,910)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$5,866,560	
State Education Tax	\$566,910	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$566,910	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)		
Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$453,904,643	\$440,374,654
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$444,995,943	\$431,122,754
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$0	\$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$453,904,643	\$440,374,654
Village (MS-1V)		
Description	Current Year	
Waterville Estates	\$30,225,292	

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION

2022 TAX RATE CALCULATION

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	\$0
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$11,000,155
Final Overlay	\$3,490

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the determination of the adequacy of your municipality's unrestricted fund balance, as currently defined in GASB Statement 54. Retention amounts, as part of the municipality's stabilization fund policy [1], should be assessed dependent upon your governments own long-term forecasts and special circumstances. Please note that current best practices published by GFOA recommend, at a minimum, that "...general purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months of regular general fund operating revenues or regular general fund operating expenditures." [2],[3]

[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)*, pg. 17.

[2] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2009), *Best Practice: Determining the Appropriate Level of Unrestricted Fund Balance in the General Fund*.

[3] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2011), *Best Practice: Replenishing General Fund Balance*.

2022 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Thornton

Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (11.04%)	\$1,214,228
17% Retained <i>(Maximum Recommended)</i>	\$1,870,026
10% Retained	\$1,100,016
8% Retained	\$880,012
5% Retained <i>(Minimum Recommended)</i>	\$550,008

COMPARATIVE VIEW OF TAX RATES FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS

Unit of Government	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Municipal	4.23	4.34	4.33	3.77	4.48	4.15	3.91	3.57	3.87	3.80
School-Local Funding	12.92	13.02	12.39	11.49	12.04	11.48	11.66	11.37	10.79	10.59
School- State Ed Funding	1.27	1.77	1.78	1.76	2.18	2.11	2.17	2.60	2.36	2.45
County	1.59	1.64	1.61	1.66	1.78	1.8	1.65	1.56	1.77	1.50
Combined Town Rate	20.01	20.77	20.11	18.68	20.48	19.54	19.39	19.10	18.79	18.34
Waterville Estates										
Village District	12.91	14.57	15.20	13.51	15.70	15.79	15.54	15.64	17.12	14.79
Median Equalization Ratio	83.70%	96.2%	101.60%	91.30%	100.90%	106.30%	104.40%	96.50%		



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Thornton
Thornton, New Hampshire

Report on the Financial Statements

Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Thornton as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Summary of Opinions

<u>Opinion Unit</u>	<u>Type of Opinion</u>
Governmental Activities	Adverse
General Fund	Unmodified
Aggregate Remaining Fund Information	Unmodified

Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter described in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities" paragraph, the accompanying financial statements do not present fairly the financial position of the governmental activities of the Town of Thornton, as of December 31, 2021, and the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Unmodified Opinions

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major fund and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Thornton as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position, and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town of Thornton and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

As discussed in Note 1-O to the financial statements, management has not recorded the long-term costs of retirement health care costs and obligations for other postemployment benefits for the Town's single employer plan in the governmental activities. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that those costs be recorded, which would increase the liabilities, decrease the net position, and increase the expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the liabilities, net position, and expenses on the governmental activities is not readily determinable.

Town of Thornton
Independent Auditor's Report

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Thornton's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Thornton's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Thornton's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information – Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the following be presented to supplement the basic financial statements:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis,
- Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability,
- Schedule of Town Contributions – Pensions,
- Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability,
- Schedule of Town Contributions – Other Postemployment Benefits,
- Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Town of Thornton
Independent Auditor's Report

Supplementary Information – Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Thornton's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

January 19, 2023
Concord, New Hampshire

Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

**TOWN OF THORNTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021**

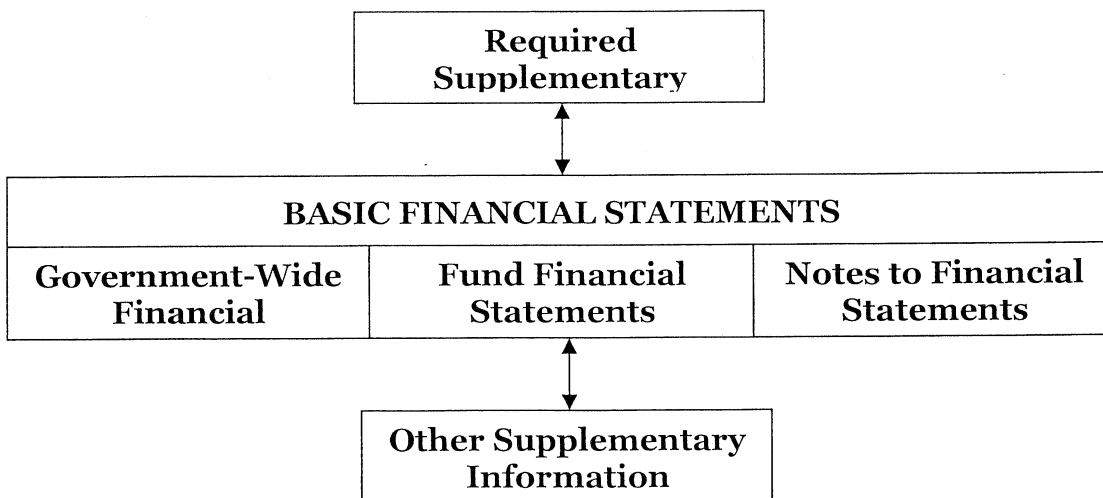
The following is a discussion and analysis of the activities of the Town of Thornton, New Hampshire (the “Town”) for the year ending December 31, 2021. Readers are encouraged to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Town’s financial statements.

Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data, and the completeness and fairness of this presentation (including all disclosures) rests with the Board of Selectmen. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the data contained herein is accurate in all material respects. This data is reported in a manner designed to fairly present the Town’s financial position, and the results of operations of the various funds of the Town. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an accurate understanding of the Town’s financial activities have been included.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town’s basic financial statements. The Town’s basic financial statements include five components:

1. Government-wide financial statements
2. Fund financial statements
3. Notes to the basic financial statements
4. Required supplementary information (Management’s Discussion and Analysis, Schedule of the Town’s Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of Town Contributions, Pensions, the Schedule of the Town’s Proportionate Share of Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability and the Schedule of Town Contributions – Other Postemployment Benefits)
5. Other supplementary information



Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town’s finances, in a manner similar to most private-sector companies.

The **Statement of Net Position** presents information on all of the Town’s assets, deferred outflow of resources, liabilities and deferred inflow of resources with the difference between the four reported as net

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position. Over time, increases and decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

The **Statement of Activities** presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will not result in cash flows until future periods (such as uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave). The governmental activities of the Town include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, health, welfare, culture and recreation and conservation.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds: Most of the basic services provided by the Town are financed through governmental funds. Unlike the government-wide financial statements, the governmental fund financial statements report using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted into cash. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Town's programs.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between the governmental activities statement of net position and statement of activities.

Fiduciary Funds: These are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside of the Town government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of these funds are not available to support the Town's own programs. The Town's fiduciary funds include capital reserve funds held for the Thornton School District and a private purpose trust fund held for the Hubbard Brook Foundation.

Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and the fund financial statements.

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Budgetary Comparison Information

The basic financial statements include required budgetary comparison information in Exhibit D. This exhibit includes a budgetary comparison schedule for the Town's major governmental fund and includes a reconciliation between the reported activity of the revenues, expenditures and operating transfers for budgetary purposes and the activity as presented in the governmental fund financial statements (Exhibit C-3). The Town's major governmental fund for 2021 is the General Fund.

The following exhibit summarizes the major features of the Town's financial statements.

	Government-Wide	Fund Statements	
		Governmental	Fiduciary
SCOPE	Entire Town government (except fiduciary funds)	All activities of the Town that are not proprietary or fiduciary	Instances in which the Town is the trustee or agent for someone else's resources.
REQUIRED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	Statement of Net Position	Balance Sheet	Statement of Fiduciary Net Position
	Statement of Activities	Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances	Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
ACCOUNTING BASIS	Accrual	Modified Accrual	Accrual
MEASUREMENT FOCUS	Economic Resources	Current Financial Resources	Economic Resources
TYPE OF INFORMATION ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term.	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter, no capital assets included.	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term.
TYPE OF INFORMATION REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND EXPENDITURES	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid.	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year, expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year or soon thereafter.	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Statement of Net Position

The Town's net position totaled \$4,134,938 at the end of 2021, an increase of \$146,641 or 4% when compared to the end of the previous year. This change is primarily due to increases in asset accounts consisting of cash in the amount of \$2,755,033, investments by \$713,845 and tax deeded property, subject to resale, in the amount of \$120,507. The increases in assets were partially offset by a decrease in net investment in capital assets in the amount of (\$141,501). Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions and other postemployment benefits decreased by (\$60,261). Additionally, there were increases in liability accounts from intergovernmental payable in the amount of \$3,214,194, unavailable revenue – donations by \$132,926 and deferred inflows of resources - amounts related to pension by \$396,276. These increases in liabilities were offset by partially decreases from accounts payable in the amount of (\$57,217) and net pension liability by (\$437,012).

	Governmental Activities - 2020 (Restated)	Governmental Activities - 2021	Change
Current assets	\$ 2,825,177	\$ 6,427,817	\$ 3,602,640
Restricted assets	5,047	12,727	7,680
Capital assets	<u>2,892,478</u>	<u>2,750,977</u>	<u>(141,501)</u>
Total assets	<u>5,722,702</u>	<u>9,191,521</u>	<u>3,468,819</u>
Deferred outflow of resources			
	<u>541,151</u>	<u>480,890</u>	<u>(60,261)</u>
Current liabilities	177,693	3,328,272	3,150,579
Long-term liabilities	<u>2,060,442</u>	<u>1,635,376</u>	<u>(425,066)</u>
Total liabilities	<u>2,238,135</u>	<u>4,963,648</u>	<u>2,725,513</u>
Deferred inflow of resources	<u>37,421</u>	<u>573,825</u>	<u>536,404</u>
Net position:			
Net investment in			
capital assets	2,892,478	2,750,977	(141,501)
Restricted	279,747	281,501	1,754
Unrestricted	<u>816,072</u>	<u>1,102,460</u>	<u>286,388</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 3,988,297</u>	<u>\$ 4,134,938</u>	<u>\$ 146,641</u>

A large portion of the Town's net position reflects its investment in capital assets such as land, buildings, and equipment, less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future

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spending. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of any related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

Statement of Activities

During the current year the Town's net position increased by \$146,641. Total expenses of \$3,450,120 were exceeded by revenues of 3,596,761.

Property and other taxes generated \$1,961,387 in revenues for the Town. Motor vehicle, permit fees, licenses and other fees generated \$687,542 in revenues. Other general revenues consisted of grants and contributions and miscellaneous revenues. Program revenue consisted of operating grants and contributions and charges for services which had \$302,690 and \$237,994 in revenue, respectively.

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Changes in net position for the year ending December 31, 2021 are as follows:

	Governmental Activities - 2020 (Restated)	Governmental Activities - 2021	Change
<i>Revenues:</i>			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 156,567	\$ 237,994	\$ 81,427
Operating grants and contributions	505,225	302,690	(202,535)
Capital grants and contributions	-	-	-
General revenues:			
Property and other taxes	1,907,866	1,961,387	53,521
Licenses and permits	650,307	687,542	37,235
Grants and contributions	173,293	192,141	18,848
Unrestricted investment earnings	20,140	-	(20,140)
Miscellaneous	144,415	215,007	70,592
Total revenues	<u>3,557,813</u>	<u>3,596,761</u>	<u>38,948</u>
<i>Expenditures:</i>			
General government	749,772	689,377	(60,395)
Public safety	1,292,944	1,294,096	1,152
Highways and streets	580,916	772,949	192,033
Sanitation	540,046	527,332	(12,714)
Health and welfare	73,747	74,170	423
Culture and recreation	88,314	91,439	3,125
Conservation	335	757	422
Total expenditures	<u>3,326,074</u>	<u>3,450,120</u>	<u>124,046</u>
Increase in net position	231,739	146,641	(85,098)
Net position, beginning of year	<u>3,756,558</u>	<u>3,988,297</u>	<u>231,739</u>
Net position, end of year	<u>\$ 3,988,297</u>	<u>\$ 4,134,938</u>	<u>\$ 146,641</u>

The Town's expenses cover a range of services. The largest expenses were for public safety (37.51%), general government (19.98%), highway and streets (22.40%), and sanitation (15.28%), which accounted for 95.18% of total expenditures.

**TOWN OF THORNTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021**

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWN'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the Town's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements. In particular, the unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of each year.

General Fund

The General Fund is the operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, the General Fund had an unassigned fund balance of \$1,423,918 while total General Fund equity was \$2,622,200. The total fund equity includes nonspendable, restricted, committed and unassigned fund balances at year-end. The General Fund unassigned fund balance increased by \$6,821 from December 31, 2020.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Actual revenues on the budgetary basis were over the budgeted amount by \$249,491. This is primarily due to increased revenues from the following budgeted sources: \$37,444 from property and other taxes, \$35,042 from licenses, permits, and fees, \$77,994 from charges for services and \$100,820 from miscellaneous. The revenue increase was partially offset by decreased revenue from intergovernmental sources in the amount of (\$1,809).

The Town under expended its budget by \$221,876. This is primarily due to savings realized in general government of \$28,784, public safety of \$106,095, highway and streets of \$31,042, sanitation of \$33,943, welfare – direct assistance of \$9,049, culture and recreation of \$8,405, interest on tax anticipation notes of \$1,000, and capital outlay of \$3,389.

OTHER FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

None of the 2020 appropriations were remaining or encumbered to offset 2021 expenditures and none of the 2021 appropriations were remaining or encumbered to offset 2022 expenditures.

CAPITAL ASSET AND LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Capital Assets

The Town considers a capital asset to be an asset whose cost exceeds \$10,000 and has an estimated minimum useful life in excess of one year. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the course of the assets estimated useful life.

The Town's gross investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2021 amounts to \$4,531,996 with \$1,781,019 in accumulated depreciation. The net book value of capital assets for governmental activities is \$2,750,977 as of December 31, 2021. This investment in capital assets includes vehicles and equipment, building and building improvements and land and land improvements. See Note 8 of the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements for a summary of all capital assets.

**TOWN OF THORNTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Long-Term Obligations

During 2021, the Town made long-term obligation additions in the amount of \$11,946 and payments totaling \$437,012. See Note 12 of the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements for a summary of all outstanding long-term obligations. GASB #34 requires that these liabilities be reflected as a reduction in net position.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

The Town is not planning any new building projects at this time.

The Town is not considering any major changes in staffing levels at this time.

The Town is continuing to actively pursue the use of capital reserve accounts to save monies incrementally that will be used toward the payment of future purchases. Several new capital reserves were requested and approved in 2021.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all of Thornton citizens, taxpayers, and creditors. This financial report seeks to demonstrate the Town's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to: Town of Thornton, Selectmen's Office, 16 Merrill Access Road, Thornton, NH 03285.

NOTES:

2022 SCHOOL REPORTS



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OFFICERS OF THE THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board

Mark Fischler	2024	Chair
Tara Di Salvo	2023	Co-Chair
Joanne Marcotte	2023	Member
Matt Hesser	2025	Member
Matt McDermott	2025	Member

Clerk/Treasurer

Lynne Campbell

Moderator

Peter Laufenberg

Auditor

Roberge and Company

Superintendent

Kyla A. Welch

Assistant Superintendent

Pamela A. Martin

Assistant Superintendent

Dana L. Andrews

Principal

Jonathan Bownes

MINUTES OF ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

THORNTON CENTRAL SCHOOL MARCH 4, 2022

At 5:50 PM Moderator Peter Laufenberg welcomed those present and directed everyone to the Supervisors of the Checklist to register and receive their voter materials.

Peter Laufenberg called the meeting to order at 6:25 PM with the introduction of the board members Greg Campbell, Joanne Marcotte, Tara DiSalvo, and Mark Fischler. Principal Jon Bownes, Superintendent Kyla Welch, and Assistant Superintendent Pam Martin were then introduced.

He then asked residents to allow non-residents to speak at the meeting should the need arise. After a brief discussion, a motion was made and seconded to allow non-residents to speak at the meeting. The motion passed with a voice vote to allow non-residents to speak.

A motion was made and seconded to dispense the reading of the Warrant in its entirety. There was no discussion, the motion was passed by voice vote.

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

A motion was made and seconded to open Article 1 for discussion.

There was no discussion and Article 1 passed by voice vote.

Article 2: To see if the School District will vote to establish a contingency fund in accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 198:4-b, such contingency fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year and, further, to see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for such contingency fund. (The School Board recommends the appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

A motion was made and seconded to open Article 2 for discussion.

There was no discussion and Article 2 passed by voice vote.

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Article 3: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two-Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$275,000) for the purpose of developing specifications and cost estimates relative to a renovation and/or addition to the current school building. Shall this article be approved it is the School Board's intention to have a project ready for placement on the Warrant for the March 2023 Annual District Meeting.

This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the intended purpose is completed or by June 30, 2024, whichever is sooner. The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.)

A motion was made and seconded to open Article 3 for discussion. There was a lengthy discussion along with a petition for a secret ballot vote on Article 3. Article 3 passed with a secret ballot vote of 119 Yes and 38 No.

Article 4: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of five million three hundred six thousand eight hundred and forty dollars (\$5,306,840) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

A motion was made and seconded to open Article 4 for discussion. There was no discussion and Article 4 passed by voice vote.

Other Business:

Mark Fischler recognized and thanked Greg Campbell and Diana Daigle for their years of service to the community by serving on the Board.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne M. Campbell

Clerk, Thornton School District

2022 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

This annual report provides an opportunity to share with you a brief overview of the accomplishments and happenings of our school community.

It has been refreshing to return to a normal school year after the challenges of the past three years. Our students, staff, and administration are fully engaged in academics, professional learning, athletics, and co-curricular offerings across all of SAU 48.

In the areas of curriculum, instruction and assessment, we have been focusing on a variety of initiatives designed to better support and enhance the learning experiences for students. At Plymouth Regional High School, work has continued around curriculum refinement, instructional support, and additional course offerings.

In the area of English/Language Arts, we are working with Keys to Literacy to create an SAU 48 Literacy Action Plan and to provide literacy professional development for our teachers. This three year commitment will help our teachers infuse best literacy practice throughout our K-12 classrooms.

For science, we are building on the work done last year around revising and improving our K-12 curriculum and ensuring that our units are aligned with Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). In mathematics, our elementary schools are implementing Into Math programming while also maintaining a focus on professional development and student support.

School safety and security remain a top priority across SAU 48. Each school has a safety committee that includes administration, teachers, and local emergency services personnel. These committees meet regularly to review emergency operation plans and conduct site specific safety drills.

Beginning in July 2022, the Department of Homeland Security provided an in-person evaluation for all schools in SAU 48. The safety recommendations provided will help our safety committees and school administrators ensure that our facilities and practices are as effective as possible. SAU 48 received a total of 21 Security Action for Education (SAFE) Grants from the NH Department of Education totaling \$615,170.

SAU 48 continues to utilize the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding to help schools prevent, prepare, and respond to Covid-19 and future infectious diseases. These funds will be used for a variety of projects including but not limited to; HVAC upgrades, window & door replacement, bathroom renovations, new technology, additional staffing, professional development, and cleaning supplies.

All of us remain incredibly grateful for the support and generosity afforded to our schools by the families, staff, and community members of SAU 48. We understand and appreciate the sacrifices homeowners make to support our schools. We hope we have met your expectations and we are proud to serve the communities in SAU 48.

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2022 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Feel free to reach out to us with any questions or feedback anytime.

SAU 48 welcomed four new principals this Fall:

- Laura-Beth Ulwick, Assistant Principal - Campton Elementary School
- Janet Eccleston, Assistant Principal - Plymouth Regional High School
- Tami Keyes, Principal - Wentworth Elementary School
- Lindsay Costello, Principal - Waterville Valley Elementary School

Kyla A. Welch

Superintendent of Schools

Pamela Martin

Assistant Superintendent

Dana Andrews

Assistant Superintendent

2022 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It is, again, with pleasure and pride that I can report Thornton Central School's fine reputation continues. Past and present Thornton Central School students continue to do well academically and in co-curricular activities when compared to their peers.

Graduation in June of 2022 was held in the gym and students were able to experience field trips and class trips once again.

We finished the school year in June of 2022 with 194 students and started the 22/23 school year with 187.

TCS continues to partner with ADAPT to have an after-school program in our building between 2:45 pm and 5:00 pm. This continues to allow families the ability to keep students here throughout the work day. The program enriches academics and recreational activities during the time after school and is paid for by the families that use the program.

In June of 2022 we said goodbye to Mike Sullivan and Deidra Rideout, long term TCS teachers. We wish them well as they look to further their careers in other educational institutions.

Mr. Trevor Wassel and Ms. Jennifer Dow have joined our professional faculty. Mr. Wassel has become our PE teacher. Trevor graduated from Plymouth State University and taught at the Indian River School in Mascoma, NH before joining us in Thornton. Jen graduated from Southern New Hampshire and taught in Lebanon, NH before she joined us in August.

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2022 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This year in particular, Thornton Central School prospers because of the hard work and efforts parents and community members put into it.

We continually have a large group of volunteers who give their time to help make our school a better place. To all those who have helped with coaching, fundraising, winter activities, classroom parties, PTO, Destination Imagination and chaperoning – Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,
Jonathan Bownes
Principal

THORNTON CENTRAL SCHOOL NURSE REPORT SCHOOL YEAR 2022

The Thornton Central School Health Office mission is to include evidence based care to preserve and improve the health needs of all students. I work closely with students, parent/guardians, other health care professionals, school district administrators, teachers, all school personnel.

At the date of this writing, 12/07/2022 we have 182 students enrolled. Between the dates of August 2021 and today I have seen a total of 4,188 visits for everything from illness, health screenings, medication administration and treatments.

The New Hampshire Health and Human Services report of immunizations and valid exemptions of all students enrolled in grades K-8 at TCS was completed and turned in to the state on 10/26/2022.

Speare Memorial Hospital continues to sponsor the Dental Health Clinic. Coordinated by Ruth Doan RH. Ruth holds clinics twice a year providing cleanings, sealants, temporary fillings, topical fluoride application and screening for any dental issues. This continues to be a useful and successful clinic.

On October 21, 2022 NH Public Health Network and the NH Immunization Program held the yearly flu clinic for both the students and the staff. This program is coordinated by Mid State Health Center's Angel Ecstrom. We appreciate all of their hard work and dedication at making the clinics a success. We had a total of 41 combined that were vaccinated at this clinic.

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THORNTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

NURSE REPORT

SCHOOL YEAR 2022

Athletic trainer John Brule ATC from PRHS administered the yearly 'Immediate Post Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing' (AKA ImPACT) for grades 5-8, on September 8, 2022. This is a baseline tool used when a student suffers a concussion, ImPACT is used to determine severity and when the head injury is resolving and the student is eligible to return to play.

We will hold a Sports Clearance on April 6, 2022 for any student, grade 4 – 8, who has not had a physical by their PCP in the year before beginning TCS sports in grade 5. Plymouth Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine's Laurel Galvin APRN provides the clinic. We encourage 8th graders to participate if they are not going to have a physical before beginning at PRHS.

While not mandated by the State of New Hampshire I screen height, weight, vision and hearing for several grades if they have not been done by their PCP. I also do hearing and vision screenings at the request of Special Education or a classroom teacher. Health updates from parents and your children's PCP are continuously reviewed and are entered into your child's EMR/SNAP.

We continue to encourage our staff to obtain/update CPR, First Aid, AED and EpiPen certification/training/renewal. This is followed by John Brule from PRHS.

At TCS we meet regularly for Safety, Wellness and Faculty meetings.

The SAU school nurses meet monthly during the school year at Speare Memorial Hospital with our director Haley Hays, RN. As an employee of SMH I appreciate the continued support that I receive. It is helpful to collaborate for continuity of care for the students, staff and community.

We are all working hard to keep everyone healthy and safe. I thank you all for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Nurse Judi

Judi Macord, RN

Thornton Central School Nurse

THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION WARRANT



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

2023
WARRANT

THORNTON LOCAL SCHOOL

The inhabitants of the School District of Thornton Local School in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in School District affairs are hereby notified that the Annual School District Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Thursday, March 9, 2023
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Thornton Central School

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before _____, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at Northway Bank and Town Offices and that an original was delivered to keeper of the records.

Name	Position	Signature
Mark Fischler	School Board Chairperson	
Tara Di Salvo	School Board Member	
Matt Hesser	School Board Member	
Joanne Marcotte	School Board Member	
Matt McDermott	School Board Member	

Article 01 Reports of agents, auditors, committees or officer

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 02 School Building Renovation

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Million Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$14,228,799) for the purposes of Completing Renovations to the School, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$14,228,799 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; to authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project; and to authorize the School Board to take any action or to pass any other vote relative thereto; and to further raise and appropriate \$355,720 to come from taxation for the first year's interest on the bond. The School Board will incorporate any and all eligible grants so as to reduce the amount of the bond. The School Board Recommends this article. (3/5 ballot vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION WARRANT



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

2023
WARRANT

Article 03 Library Renovation

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars (\$1,491,256) for the purposes of Completing Renovations to the Library and other modifications, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,491,256 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33); to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell, and deliver such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; to authorize the School Board to apply for, obtain and accept federal, state, or other aid, if any, which may be available for said project; and to authorize the School Board to take any action or to pass any other vote relative thereto; and further to raise and appropriate \$37,281 to come from taxation for the first year's interest on the bond. The School Board will incorporate any and all eligible grants so as to reduce the amount of the bond. The School Board Recommends this article. (3/5 ballot vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 04 Support Staff Collective Bargaining

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

Fiscal Year	Estimated Increase
2023-2024	\$35,401
2024-2025	\$37,543
2025-2026	\$40,588

and further to raise and appropriate Thirty Five Thousand Four Hundred One Dollars (\$35,401) for the current fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels. The School Board Recommends this article. (Majority vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 05 Contingency Fund

To see if the School District will vote to establish a contingency fund in accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 198:4-b, such contingency fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year and, further, to see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for such contingency fund. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.) (Majority vote required.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION WARRANT



New Hampshire
Department of
Revenue Administration

2023
WARRANT

Article 06 Require Estimated Tax Impact – *By Petition*

All warrant articles submitted to the townspeople must contain a statement as to the impact of the article on the property tax rate of the town. The statement must explicitly state the dollar amount of the article and the increase in the property tax rate in terms of absolute dollars and a percent increase from the year before. For example, "This will increase the town budget by \$50,000 and add \$1.86 to last year's property tax rate of \$18.65 which is equal to a 10% increase in your property tax bill)." This will be in effect for warrant articles related to Thornton Central School.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Article 07 Operating Budget

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Five Million Seven Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Two dollars (\$5,728,362) for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

☐ Yes ☐ No

THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

2023-2024 REVENUE DATA

<u>Account</u>		<u>2022-2023 Tax Basis</u>	<u>2023-2024 Estimate</u>
	General Fund Revenues		
770	Unreserved Fund Balance	310,270	75,000
	Revenue From State Sources		
3110	Adequate Education Grant	659,076	479,451
3210	School Building Aid	0	0
	Revenue From Federal Sources		
4810	National Forest Reserve	7,840	7,500
4100	eRate	0	0
4580	Medicaid	30,000	35,000
	Local Revenue Other Than Taxes		
1510	Earnings on Investments	50	50
	Technology Device Revenue	0	0
	Total General Fund Revenues	<u>1,007,236</u>	<u>597,001</u>
	Federal Fund Revenues		
	Title I	30,000	35,000
	Title IIA	1	1
	IDEA Reimbursement	30,000	30,000
4590	Other State/Federal Grants	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	Total Federal Fund Revenues	<u>60,002</u>	<u>65,002</u>
	Food Service Revenues		
4560	Hot Lunch	82,000	98,000
	Total School Revenue & Credits	1,149,238	760,003
	District Appropriation	<u>5,581,840</u>	<u>5,728,362</u>
1111	District Assessment	<u>\$4,432,602</u>	<u>\$4,968,359</u>
	Change in District Assessment (Dollar Amount)		535,757
	Change in District Assessment (Percentage)		12.09%
	Dollar Change in Net Assessed Valuation Per \$1000		\$1.18
	Net Assessed Valuation	2022	\$453,904,643

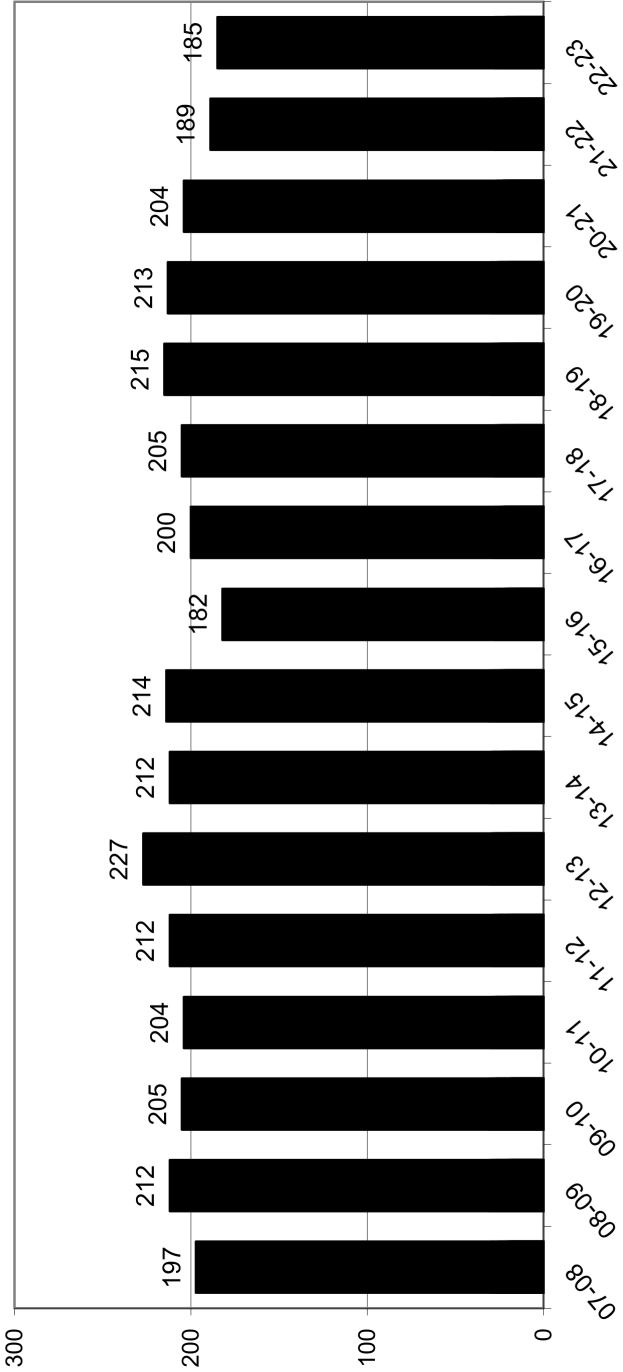
2022 THORNTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

EMPLOYEE WAGES

Christina Anderson	Grade 4 Teacher	\$81,908.00
Sarah Askew	Grade 4 Teacher	\$62,188.00
Samantha Blizzard	Kindergarten Teacher	\$52,360.00
Jonathan Bownes	Principal	\$103,925.00
Julie Chase	Middle School Science Teacher	\$64,993.00
Robert Chase	Middle School Math Teacher	\$71,363.00
Michael Cowles	Middle School Social Studies Teacher	\$76,061.00
Benjamin Cronin	Grade 5-6 Teacher	\$60,671.00
Jennifer Dow	Grade 5-6 Teacher	\$53,587.00
Kristen Ferro	Grade 1 Teacher	\$62,188.00
Michael Ferro	Grade 5-6 Teacher	\$56,090.00
Amy Gagnon	Grade 2 Teacher	\$74,942.00
Shannon Harrington	Middle School Language Arts Teacher	\$55,256.00
Ellen Lonergan	Special Education Teacher	\$81,908.00
Danielle Morse	School Counselor	\$80,703.00
Tanya O'Brien	Grade 3 Teacher	\$74,203.00
Caitlin Rackett	Grade 5-6 Teacher	\$61,264.00
Ashley Rose	Music Teacher	\$67,924.00
Susan Secor	Kindergarten Teacher	\$79,910.00
Kathryn Shaw	Grade 2 Teacher	\$76,061.00
Stephanie Shirley	Art Teacher	\$63,406.00
Stephen Switzer	Technology Integrator	\$77,960.00
Trevor Wassel	Physical Education Teacher	\$48,153.00
Kenton Wheeler	Special Education Teacher	\$81,908.00
Eileen Woolfenden	Reading Teacher	\$81,908.00
Emily Baird	Paraprofessional	\$22,105.65
Laurel Bandi	Paraprofessional	\$22,558.90
Lynne Campbell	Administrative Assistant	\$52,296.17
Andrea Charbonneau	Paraprofessional 40%	\$8,883.70
Karolee Currier	Paraprofessional 60%	\$13,657.28
Sheila Dockery	Paraprofessional	\$22,209.25
Lisa Foisy	Paraprofessional	\$22,312.85
Katherine Hadaway	Paraprofessional	\$21,043.75
Jamie Hazel	Paraprofessional	\$22,105.65
Andrew Lang	Paraprofessional	\$22,105.65
Karen Nielsen	Paraprofessional	\$22,209.25
Anita Ross	Paraprofessional	\$27,894.30
Elisabeth Russell	Secretary	\$25,303.20
Kerry Schnell	Paraprofessional 80%	\$19,890.00
Jolene Stratton	Paraprofessional 80%	\$19,293.75
Lynn Tilden	Paraprofessional	\$24,846.89
Eric Tyrrell	Facilities Director	\$52,211.06
David White	Custodian	\$41,683.20

THORNTON CENTRAL SCHOOL ENROLLMENT HISTORY

	07-08	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23
K	19	19	17	21	21	21	15	17	13	23	25	30	24	20	19	21
1	26	29	19	16	25	24	23	25	15	14	23	25	30	23	20	17
2	25	26	27	17	19	27	24	25	20	20	14	24	26	27	16	21
3	30	31	27	26	19	19	23	23	20	22	16	17	20	27	26	16
4	18	30	28	28	28	18	20	22	22	28	25	16	17	21	28	26
5	20	17	31	27	28	29	19	20	21	22	27	23	20	17	22	28
6	21	19	18	30	26	30	29	22	20	25	25	26	24	23	13	22
7	20	21	19	19	29	29	30	31	23	23	28	26	26	23	22	13
8	18	20	19	20	17	30	29	29	28	23	22	28	26	23	23	21
	197	212	205	204	212	227	212	214	182	200	205	215	213	204	189	185



2021-2022 THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET

	General	Food Service	All Other	Capital Projects	Trust/ Agency
Current Assets					
Cash	498,605.95	16,547.31	(16,269.25)	0.00	0.00
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,118.43
Assessment Receivable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interfund Receivables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergov Receivables	2,104.47	27,064.08	16,753.26	0.00	0.00
Other Receivables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prepaid Expenses	3,231.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Assets	503,941.52	43,611.39	484.01	0.00	1,118.43
Current Liabilities					
Interfund Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Intergovernment Payables	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Payables	24,305.97	39,867.88	340.53	0.00	0.00
Accrued Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payroll Deductions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deferred Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Liabilities	24,305.97	39,867.88	340.53	0.00	0.00
Fund Equity					
Res for Encumbrances	169,366.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Res for Amounts Voted	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Res for Special Purposes	0.00	3,743.51	143.48	0.00	1,118.43
Unreserved Fund Balance	310,269.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Fund Equity	479,635.55	3,743.51	143.48	0.00	1,118.43
Total Liability & Fund Equity	503,941.52	43,611.39	484.01	0.00	1,118.43

THORNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPENDITURES REPORT PER RSA 32:11A

	<u>Fiscal Year 2020-2021</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2021-2022</u>
Expenditures	\$1,087,199	\$1,020,494
Revenues	\$163,396	\$170,449
Net Expenditures	<u>\$923,804</u>	<u>\$850,046</u>
 \$ increase/decrease		 -\$73,758
% increase/decrease		-7.98%

2023 GRADUATES

Athena Saree Bell
Isaac Porter Benton
Domenic Paul Ciotti
John Thomas Duffy
Katherine Mae Farley
Amber Rose Gowen
Aurora Jennie Graton
Maxine Karen MacDonald
Caedon Jacob Manseau
Logan Riley Marsh
Isabella Jean McDonald
Isabella Sabina Nardone
Madysen Lee Nardone
Turner Conrad Oldenburg
Rachel Adele Pamplin
Justin Clyde Pare
Wyatt Henry Pare
Brayden Michael Rayburn
Taylor David Rousseau
Lauryn Emily Silvia
Camryn Anne Superchi
Alyza Emily Thompson
London Trinity Walker

NOTES:

TOWN OF THORNTON

HOURS OF OPERATION

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Selectmen, Town Administrator, and Assessing

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Telephone: 603-726-8168 Fax: 603-726-2078

Tax Collector and Municipal Agent

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Telephone: 603-726-4232 Fax: 603-726-2078

Town Clerk

Tuesday and Thursday: 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Telephone: 603-726-4232 Fax: 603-726-2078

Planning Department

Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. and by appointment

Telephone: 603-726-8168 Fax: 603-726-2078

Police Department

Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m.. – 4:00 p.m.

Emergencies: 911

Non-Emergency Telephone: 603-726-4222

Fire Department

Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Emergencies: 911

Non-Emergency Telephone: 603-726-3300

Highway Department

Telephone: 603-726-4546

Transfer Station and Recycling Center

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, Monday, and Friday - CLOSED

Telephone: 603-726-7713 or 603-254-6003

Thornton Public Library

Monday and Wednesday: 9:00 a.m.– 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: 9:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.

Telephone: 603-726-8981 Fax: 603-726-8985

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Thornton, NH 03285

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U.S. Senators

Margaret Hassan – (202) 224-3324

<http://www.hassan.senate.gov/>

Jeanne Shaheen – (202) 224-2841

<http://www.shaheen.senate.gov/>

U.S. Congress – District 2

Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster - 18 N. Main St., 4th Floor, Concord, NH 03301

Phone: (603) 226-1002, Fax: (603) 226-1010

Town Offices will be CLOSED on the following holidays:

New Year's Day (Observed)	Monday	January 2, 2023
Martin Luther King Day	Monday	January 16, 2023
President's Day	Monday	February 20, 2023
Memorial Day	Monday	May 29, 2023
Juneteenth National Independence Day	Monday	June 19, 2023
Independence Day	Tuesday	July 4, 2023
Labor Day	Monday	September 4, 2023
Columbus Day	Monday	October 9, 2023
Veteran's Day (Observed)	Friday	November 10, 2023
Day Before Thanksgiving (closing @ 12 noon)	Wednesday	November 22, 2023
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November 23, 2023
Day after Thanksgiving	Friday	November 24, 2023
Christmas Eve, Observed (closing @ 12 noon)	Friday	December 22, 2023
Christmas Day	Monday	December 25, 2023
New Year's Day	Monday	January 1, 2024

The Transfer Station will be CLOSED on the following holidays:

Independence Day	Tuesday	July 4, 2023
Day Before Thanksgiving (closing @ 12 noon)	Wednesday	November 22, 2023
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November 23, 2023