

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

Town of Thetford

VERMONT

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For The Year Ending December 31

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GRAND LIST	\$9,771.65
TAX Rate	12.30
Moderator	Charles A. Wilcox
Town Clerk	Claradella S. Betts
Assistant Clerk	Charles W. Betts
Treasurer and Receiver of Taxes	Harold E. Heaton
Ass't Treas. and Ass't Receiver of Taxes	Elsie C. Heaton

SELECTMEN

George Huggett (1960)	George Evans (1961)
Winston G. Colton (1962)	

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Frank R. Stiles (1960)	Claradella S. Betts (1961)*
Charles A. Wilcox (1962)	

AUDITORS

Carl A. Anderson (1960)	Quentin Malmquist (1962 for 2 years)
Carl Kelley (for 3 years)	

LISTERS

Roy B. Gould (1960)	Edward C. LaMontagne (1961)
William E. Bond (1962)	

- ARTICLE 6. To hear and act on the report of the Budget Committee and raise taxes:
- a. To pay indebtedness of the Town and Current Expenses.
 - b. Highway Tax.
- ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to employ a bookkeeping clerk for the Town Officers and the Budget Committee.
- ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed \$125.00 to American Legion Post No. 79 for Memorial Day observances.
- ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed \$100.00, for the Town Library.
- ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed \$200.00, for the Thetford Volunteer Fire Department.
- ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will appoint a committee, composed of a representative from each of the six villages, plus two alternates, to study the advantages and disadvantages of zoning, or the organization of a Town Planning Board; and to report its findings at the next annual Town Meeting.
- ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to exempt in whole or in part, in accordance with the provisions of Title 32, Section 3840, as amended, of the Vermont Statutes Annotated, for a period not exceeding ten (10) years, the real estate owned by Camp Farnsworth, Inc., a charitable, non-profit corporation lawfully organized under the laws of the State of Vermont, said real estate being used exclusively for purposes of such organization.

- ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Auditors of the Town, to employ the services of an Accountant from the office of the Auditor of Accounts as provided for in the Section 1693 and 1697 of this Title, to conduct an audit of the accounts of the Town.
- ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote a sum of money, not to exceed \$80.00 per student, as a scholarship for one or more Thetford students in a teacher preparation institution in the state, in accordance with the provision of Section 4352 of the Public Laws, subject to recommendation by the School Directors and the Principal.
- ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town School District will vote to accept the School Report and raise a tax as recommended.
- ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to donate a sum of money to Thetford Academy.
- ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town School District will authorize the School Directors to sell and deed the schoolhouses located at North Thetford, Stevens District, Union Village, Thetford Center, and Post Mills; and use the money therefrom as directed by the Budget Committee.
- ARTICLE 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Dated at Thetford, Vermont, February 1, 1962.

GEORGE HUGGETT
W. C. COLTON
GEORGE EVANS

Selectmen

The Meeting Continued

- ARTICLE 1. Charles A. Wilcox was re-elected Moderator for one year.

ARTICLE 2. Claradella S. Betts was elected Town Clerk for one year.

ARTICLE 3. Read and polls declared open until 3:00 P. M.

The final result of voting were as follows:

- a. Sale of malt and vinous liquors, Yes-60
No-35
- b. Sale of spiritous liquors, Yes-35 No-57

ARTICLE 4. Clerk read the Report from the State Welfare Dept. which was not received in time for the Town Report. This report by John J. Wackerman was accepted with the understanding the Report be in the next Town Report. Report of Town Officers accepted as a whole after the correction on Page 18 (Montpelier National Bank \$19,894,50 instead of the amount as printed.)

ARTICLE 5. Election of Town Officers:

- a. Road Commissioner — Elected by ballot, Merton Godfrey-66, Royce Bond-7, Carl Cook-1.
- b. Treasurer and Receiver of Taxes — Harold Heaton was re-elected for a term of one year.
- c. Ass't Treas. and Ass't Receiver of Taxes. — Elsie C. Heaton was re-elected for a term of one year.
- d. Selectman — for 3 years, elected by ballot — W. G. Colton-40, George Phelps-36, George Huggett-2, A. L. Cowles-1.
- e. Auditor for 3 years — Carl Kelley was re-elected.
- f. Auditor for 2 years — Quentin Malmquist was re-elected.

- g. Lister — William Bond was re-elected for 3 years.
- h. Trustee of Public Funds — A. Lee Cowles was elected for 3 years.
- i. Constable & Collector of Taxes — William Worcester was re-elected for a term of one year.
- j. Overseer of Poor — Appointment left with the Selectmen.
- k. Agent to Prosecute and Defend Suits — Gerald Wilson was re-elected for one year.
- l. Town Grand Juror — A. Lee Cowles was re-elected for one year.
- m. Library Trustee — Freda Wing was elected for five years.
- n. Cemetery Trustee — Ray Palmer was elected for 3 years.
- o. Budget Committee — After some discussion, Walter Malmquist was re-elected for 3 years, and he agreed to serve if the Town voted in favor of Art. 11.

The Clerk read a letter from the State about the Town Officers meetings and urged all Officers to attend.

ARTICLE 6. Following taxes voted as last year:

- a. Town Tax — \$2.55.
- b. Highway Tax — \$.80 to be paid on or before the 25th of October with interest at one half of one percent thereafter on delinquent taxes.

ARTICLE 7. Voted to drop this article from future warnings as the Selectmen have this right anyway. Therefore the article as read was dropped.

ARTICLE 8. After some discussion it was voted \$125.00 to American Legion Post No. 79 for Memorial Day observances.

ARTICLE 9. Voted \$100.00 for the Town Library.

ARTICLE 10. Voted \$200.00 for the Thetford Volunteer Fire Department.

ARTICLE 11. Discussed but tabled until after lunch when Mr. Reininger was to give a report.

ARTICLE 12. After much discussion it was voted not to exempt Camp Farnsworth, Inc., from taxes.

ARTICLE 13. Voted to pass over this article.
Meeting recessed for lunch
Meeting re-opened at 1:05 P. M.

ARTICLE 11. (continued) Voted for a Planning Board. Following committee voted to represent the whole Town. Tem. Ch. William Slade, Thetford Hill; Charles Herschleb, Thetford Center; Chester Palmer, East Thetford; Mrs. A. Esdon, North Thetford; Quentin Malmquist, Post Mills; Roy Gould, Union Village; Alt. Ralph Sawyer, Rices Mills; Alt. William Peters, Stevens' District.

TOWN MEETING RECESSED

Rev. Edward Tyler acted as Moderator for the School Meeting

ARTICLE 5. Charles A. Wilcox was re-elected on School Board for 3 years.

ARTICLE 14. Voted \$80.00, as a scholarship for one or more Thetford student, with the amendment that the student must make application in writing to the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15. After discussion and a ballot vote the School tax was accepted at \$8.95. Voted to accept the School Report. While the ballots were being

counted Mrs. Davison, the kindergarten teacher, gave an interesting and very satisfactory account of the first Thetford Kindergarten, which is being conducted five mornings per week in the Sunday School rooms of the Thetford Hill Church.

ARTICLE 16. Voted to invest \$1000.00 in Thetford Academy.

ARTICLE 17. Mrs. Ralph Fifield spoke briefly on behalf of the Union Village Community, asking for consideration of the school house as a community center.

Voted to authorize the School Board to sell the school houses located at North Thetford, Steven's District, Union Village, Thetford Center, and Post Mills.

Voted to sell the schoolhouse at Union Village by sealed bids with the School Board having the right to accept or reject any, or all bids.

ARTICLE 18. Dr. Wiencke spoke for the newly organized Rice's Mills Assoc. asking for consideration on the question of taxation for their newly acquired building. No vote was taken as this was not in the warning.

There was some discussion about the new central school as to grading, janitor, transportation, and Insurance but no legal action was taken.

SCHOOL MEETING ADJOURNED

REGULAR MEETING CONTINUED

As there was nothing further for discussion under Art. 18. the meeting was recessed until the polls closed at 3:00 P. M. Result of voting recorded under Article 3.

THETFORD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1962 — June 30, 1962

Cash in Bank, January 1, 1962 \$ 62,986.35

Receipts:

State of Vermont Voc. Education	\$ 1,714.23
Thetford Academy Jr. High Scholarship	766.66
Rp'y of Loan - Consol. School Acct.	16,000.00
Flood Control tax loss (Mass.)	1,085.40
Bradford Nat. Bank Loan	3,000.000
Transportation — Bus Fares	1,120.57
Miscellaneous Receipts	102.65
Land Rent	2.39
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	\$ 23,791.90
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Total Receipts June 30, 1962	86,778.25
Disbursements	86,026.78
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Cash in Bank, June 30, 1962 751.47

Cash in Bank, July 1, 1962 751.47

Receipts:

State of Vermont Voc. Education	\$ 1,097.32
Flood Control	1,207.60
1962 School Tax Bill	87,339.47
State Aid-Education	24,824.85
Thetford Academy Jr. High Scholarship	341.53
Transportation — Bus Fares	940.10
Land Rent — State	21.00
Miscellaneous Sales and Refunds	261.65
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	\$ 117,118.92
Total Receipts, July - Dec. 31, 1962	117,870.39
* Disbursements	46,239.72
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Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1962	71,630.67
December 31, 1962	Treasurer
Thetford, Vermont	H. E.Heaton
* Includes Blue Cross - Blue Shield	
paid without orders. — Auditors.	

TRUST FUNDS

TOWN FARM TRUST FUND

Puritan Fund, Original Investment —
 667 Shares \$ 4,001.07

Jan. 1, 1963
 946.602 Shares at \$7.23 6,839.58

At any time this income is needed for the care of the poor, it may be had by the sale of shares, any or all in excess of the original investment.

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

Puritan Fund, Original Investment.
 220 Shares \$ 1,300.20

Also purchased 6 shares 9/6/60;
 6 shares 6/5/61.
 Income 1962 153.07

Total to be divided: 153.07

Distribution:

Hillside Cemetery	11.78
Post Mills Cemetery	23.55
East Thetford Cemetery	35.32
Evergreen Rest Cemetery	82.42
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	153.07
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Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1963
 232 shares at 7.23 1,177.36

Respectfully submitted,
 A. Lee Cowles
 Vanessa A. Tilden
 Walter Smith

VERMONT HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Bradford, Vermont

January 14, 1963

Town of Thetford

Listed below are funds which were available and spent on maintenance and construction during 1962. To date claims have been processed but the Town Highway Fund claim has not yet been paid.

	Am't Avail.	Am't Spent	Balance
Town Highway Fund	\$ 24,782.53	\$ 9,079.32	\$15,703.21
State Aid Construction	14,133.02	11,999.71	2,133.31
State Aid Resurfacing	57.75	67.46	0.00
State Aid Retirement	2,269.69 (S)		
	1,134.84 (T)		
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	3,404.53	3,404.53	

SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	Pd. by State	Pd. by Twn	To. Cost
Town Highway Fund	9,079.32	0.00	9,079.32
State Aid Construction	11,999.71	0.00	11,999.71
State Aid Resurfacing	38.50	28.96	67.46
State Aid Retirement	2,269.69	1,134.84	3,404.53
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	\$23,387.22	\$1,163.80	\$24,551.02
S.A. Winter Maintenance	1,009.00		
Town Winter Maintenance	1,301.50		

R. J. FUNK/da
 District Engineer

DOG REPORT 1962

147 Males and Spays at	\$2	\$ 294.00
19 Females at	6	114.00
18 Males and Spays at	3	54.00
3 Females at	9	27.00
1 Kennel License		30.00
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Total		\$ 519.00

Respectfully submitted,
 Claradella S. Betts, Town Clerk

TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT
BALANCE SHEET — GENERAL FUND

December 31, 1962

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash		\$4,036.76
Delinquent taxes receivable		1,747.32
Accounts receivable:		
State of Vermont	\$9,079.32	
Individuals	105.54	9,184.86
Total Assets		\$14,968.94

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Current Liabilities:		
Accrued taxes payable:		
Federal Withholding	\$264.30	
State Withholding	43.94	
Social Security	401.45	
Total current liabilities		\$709.69
Surplus:		
Balance	\$14,178.26	
Add excess receipts over disbursements	80.99	14,259.25
Total liabilities and surplus		\$14,968.94

Note: The above does not include notes on grader held by Franklin County National Bank — \$2,530.00

TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS

For The Year Ending December 31, 1962

Revenues	Estimate 1962	Received 1962	Excess (Deficiency)
Taxes	\$116,334.29	\$118,021.26	\$1,686.97
Poor account	700.00	645.44	(54.56)
Winter roads	2,310.50	2,310.50	—
Construction	13,000.00	23,390.18	10,390.18
Taxes — old age assistance	2,550.00	2,505.00	(45.00)
Interest and warrant fees	80.00	72.08	(7.92)
Dog licenses	525.00	519.00	(6.00)
Beverage licenses	112.50	112.50	—
Sale of supplies, services and materials	300.00	354.00	54.00
Flood control	3,221.26	3,204.50	(16.76)
Miscellaneous	500.00	613.02	113.02
	\$139,633.55	\$151,747.48	\$12,063.93
Appropriations		Spent	
Poor account	\$ 5,543.00	1962 \$ 3,711.33	\$(2,067.02)
Winter roads	5,700.60	6,678.49	977.89

Construction, retreatment, bridges	Schedule 3	14,452.90	22,956.58	8,503.68
Highway account	Schedule 4	7,748.80	7,630.70	(118.10)
Equipment payment		1,452.90	1,367.78	(85.12)
Taxes — State and county	Schedule 5	3,099.52	3,315.77	216.25
Old age assistance tax		2,295.00	2,286.00	(9.00)
Town officers	Schedule 6	3,293.24	3,777.33	484.08
Electricity, fires, insurance	Schedule 7	2,324.64	2,512.21	187.57
Printing, supplies, telephone	Schedule 8	1,162.32	1,113.60	(48.72)
Buildings, sanitation, forests	Schedule 9	290.58	158.29	(132.29)
Interest		193.72	158.08	(35.64)
Tax appropriations	Schedule 10	387.44	545.00	157.56
Cemetery		96.86	105.60	8.74
Contingency	Schedule 11	871.74	4,395.49	3,523.75
Repairs and maintenance	Schedule 12	1,840.34	1,679.32	(161.02)
Town school district taxes		86,689.70	87,339.47	649.77
Town school district flood control		2,240.25	2,170.80	(69.45)
		<u>\$139,683.55</u>	<u>\$151,666.49</u>	<u>\$11,982.94</u>
				\$80.99

EXCESS RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS

TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT

APPROPRIATION SCHEDULE

	Received 1962	Expense 1962	Net Cost (Income) To Town
Poor account — Schedule 1			
General assistance		\$ 603.59	
Department of Social Welfare		169.01	
Clothing and incidentals		283.14	
Medical care		1,658.52	
Commodities		761.72	
		<u>\$3,475.98</u>	
Less Credits:			
From individuals	\$645.44	645.44	\$2,830.54
Winter roads — Schedule 2			
Gas and oil		\$ 640.07	
Labor		3,471.72	
Materials and supplies		139.68	
Machine rentals		395.26	
Salt		2,031.76	
		<u>\$6,678.49</u>	
Less Credits:			
State of Vermont	\$2,310.50		
Sale of salt	51.40	2,361.90	\$4,316.59
Construction, retreatment, bridges — Schedule 3			
Construction:			
Labor		\$ 5,426.20	
Materials and supplies		5,586.44	
Machine rentals		11,196.11	
Retreatment:			
Materials and supplies		67.50	
Bridges:			
Labor		39.86	
Materials and supplies		640.47	
		<u>22,956.58</u>	

Less credits:			
State of Vermont	\$23,390.18	23,390.18	\$(433.60)
Highway account — Schedule 4			
Gas and oil		\$ 703.80	
Labor		3,938.35	
Materials and supplies		999.55	
Machine Rentals		1,341.50	
Patrol		647.50	
		<u>7,630.70</u>	
Less credits:			
Machine rentals and gravel to individuals	\$302.60	302.60	\$7,328.10
Taxes — State and county — Schedule 5			
Treasurer, Orange county		\$484.35	
Social Security		550.58	
State of Vermont — highway assessment		1,937.38	
Vermont Agricultural Extension Service		343.46	\$3,315.77
Town Officers — Schedule 6			
Listers		\$1,164.25	
Medical examiner		40.80	
Town clerk		183.00	
Treasurer		1,462.53	
Assistant treasurer		18.75	
Selectmen		450.00	
Overseer of poor		129.00	
Ballot clerks, board of civil auth., etc.		329.00	\$3,777.33
Electricity, fires, insurance — Schedule 7			
Insurance		\$921.87	
Fires		1,073.15	
Electricity		517.19	\$2,512.21
Printing, supplies, telephone, etc. — Schedule 8			
Postage and telephone		\$123.86	
Printing and supplies		821.72	
Bank service charge		6.00	
Mileage		162.02	\$1,113.60

Buildings, sanitation, forests — Schedule 9			
Town share - care of dump		\$90.62	
Town hall and other building repairs		40.22	
Electrical wiring of town shed		27.45	\$ 158.29
Tax appropriations — Schedule 10			
Scholarships		\$120.00	
Thetford Volunteer Fire Department		200.00	
Memorial day		125.00	
Latham Memorial Library		100.00	\$ 545.00
Contingency — Schedule 11			
Typewriter - F. L. Prevost		\$300.00	
Minutes of town meeting		5.00	
Purchase of FWD Truck and plows		3,000.00	
Clerk — town officers		1,000.00	
Tax refunds		85.49	
Legal services		5.00	
		<u>4,395.49</u>	
Less credits:			
Typewriter - F. L. Prevost	\$300.00	300.00	\$4,095.49
Repairs and maintenance — Schedule 12			
Ford truck		\$241.35	
FWD truck		118.62	
F 600		385.40	
Grader		671.41	
Backhoe		229.89	
Tractor and other		32.65	
		<u>1,679.32</u>	
Less credits:			
Reimbursement for tires and tubes	\$88.02	88.02	\$1,591.30

THETFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Another year of hard work, much sacrifice of time and effort by the dedicated few and through the generosity of a great many people, much progress has been made to make this organization functional.

At this time we would like to make public our financial status from our beginning in October 1960, to January 1, 1963.

INCOME:

Membership and dues	\$ 795.00
Suppers, raffles & auctions	2,225.00
Town appropriations	300.00
Donations	120.00
Profit from sale of extinguishers	300.00
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Total	\$ 3,740.00

EXPENDITURES

Hose and nozzles	\$ 795.00
Portable pump	311.00
Cost of trucks and repairs	553.00
Truck registrations	8.00
Furnace fuel	76.50
Lights	37.35
Insurance on bldg. and trucks	310.48
Principal and interest on note	295.00
Cost of building to Jan. 1, 1963	3,220.28
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Total	\$ 5,606.61

The Department has a \$2,000.00 note with the Bradford Bank on which \$295. has been paid on the principal and interest.

Work remains to be done to the Firehouse, more equipment must be purchased, such as hose and ladders, but the Department is happy to announce that it is ready to respond to calls.

The largest single item facing the organization is that of an adequate fire alarm system. All possible types of systems are being investigated, such as telephones, sirens and radios.

Again we wish to thank everyone who has contributed in any way in helping the Thetford Volunteer Fire Department to achieve its goal.

MARY HITCHCOCK MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Hanover, New Hampshire

January 23, 1963

Mr. Carl Hebb
Overseer of Welfare
Thetford, Vermont
Dear Mr. Hebb:

During the year January 1, 1962 through December 31, 1962 the Thetford Free Bed Fund in the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, Hanover, New Hampshire has rendered 23 days' service to 6 residents of the Town of Thetford, Vermont.

The portion of the hospital's income from Free Bed Funds amounted to \$1,320.00 for 1962. An overuse of \$8.79 on December 31, 1961 brought the net allotment for the year to \$1,311.21.

The charges at the minimum hospital rates for service rendered to the patients during this period amounted to \$1,031.10, and subtracting this from the net allotment, there is an unused balance of \$280.11 on December 31, 1962.

A summary is enclosed, showing the various charges to this Fund.

Please accept my thanks for your continued cooperation in the administration of this fund.

Sincerely yours,
W. L. Wilson
Administrator

REPORT OF THETFORD TOWN PLANNING BOARD

One year ago — at the Town Meeting of March 1962 — the citizens of Thetford set up a Town Planning Board.

The instructions given to this Board were to “go ahead,” to study the possibilities of organized planning for Thetford, and to bring in recommendations at the next Town Meeting. In addition they were asked to study the desirability of a Thetford Zoning Board and to report their findings.

Your Planning Board has met 6 times during the year and your chairman has met 3 times with the State Director of Planning in Montpelier. Numerous conferences have been held with planning officials in other New England towns and with Thetford officers and interested citizens. Various Town Plans have been read.

As a result of this study we should like to make the following recommendation.

That a firm of Town Planning Consultants be employed to draw up a Comprehensive Town Plan for Thetford and that any Zoning in our town should come as an outgrowth of this Comprehensive Plan.

In support of this recommendation we would like first — to briefly outline what a Comprehensive Plan is and second — to give the reasons which have influenced your Board in making this recommendation.

A Comprehensive Town Plan

1. A Comprehensive Plan provides a survey of the town — its natural and potential resources — and makes recommendations as to the best program of further development.

Such a plan is developed by men who are well trained and have made Town Planning their life work. It would take 18 months or 2 years to complete the work.

2. But a Town Plan must be the result of the best thinking of the town people themselves and what they want. To accomplish this, meetings are held by the Director of Planning with various groups of local people in order to develop plans in each selected area of study.

3. In Thetford a Comprehensive Plan would be developed only after a 100% door to door survey — to get basic information — but also to obtain the ideas of people concerning plans for Thetford — their hopes and dreams for their home town.

A Comprehensive Plan would be a cooperative effort by the people of the town but under professional guidance. It means much work but distributed among many individuals.

4. The following areas are usually covered in a Comprehensive Plan. A complete aerial survey of the entire town from which a series of maps are prepared. Much of the basic information about the town can be shown on these maps; Population — State Highways and Town Roads — Land Use — Land Capability — Parks and Recreation Areas — Utilities — Fire Protection — Schools — Slopes and Soil Condition — Commercial and Industrial Development and other Public and Private Improvements.

In addition, there are usually special studies of Population, year around and seasonal, and by areas, with projection into the future. Perhaps most important is an analysis of the way the people earn their living in Thetford, and recommendation as to the most favorable opportunities for future development of profitable enterprises.

5. Reports are an important part of any survey and include 1 — Monthly Progress Reports during the contract period and 2 — A General Report with full recording of pertinent facts, maps and recommendations and 3 — A summary Report sent to each voter or family in town.

Points Which Influenced Your Board in Recommending a
Comprehensive Plan for Thetford

1. It sets up organization for an intensive Town Survey and then a continuing study of town problems.
2. It uses the best thinking of town people in arriving at recommendations for future development.
3. It will furnish in a convenient printed form full information for any business enterprise or individual who is considering a move to Thetford.
4. It will aid in bringing to Thetford public funds for development of our town.
5. It will give us the required information on which to base any zoning code we may wish to adopt.
6. It will immediately institute a study of the effect of the Thruway on the Town of Thetford and provide necessary information — facts — as a basis for recommending any action that should be taken.
7. A Comprehensive Plan as outlined is so highly thought-of by the Federal Government that they will contribute twice as much as the Town toward the cost. Thetford \$3,000, Federal Government \$6,000. Total cost \$9,000.

Mrs. Elida Esdon, North Thetford
Roy Gould, Union Village
Charles Herscheb, Thetford Center
Quentin Malmquest, Post Mills
Chester Palmer, East Thetford
William Peters, Stevens District
Ralph Sawyer, Rices Mills
William Slade, Thetford Hill Chr.
Winston G. Colton, Selectman
Walter A. Malmquist, Chr. Budget Committee

REPORT OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

In submitting the budget report for your consideration we draw your attention to the unexpended balance in the general fund which has grown the past few years to the amount this year of \$14,259.25.

This balance is created by the incomes of Flood Control Tax reimbursement and allowances in the State Aid account for highway programs not otherwise specifically accounted for in our books.

Realizing it would be necessary to replace equipment from time to time and also to provide soon for construction of a bridge at Thetford Center and because the Budget Committee feels it is important to the people of the town to maintain a uniform tax rate, we have recommended tax rates in the past that would insure the development of a balance for major contingencies. Because of this we were able to replace one truck this past year without raising a special tax.

After careful consideration, we recommend this year's budget as follows: that a Town Tax of \$2.55 and a Highway Tax of \$.80 to be raised for the current year.

In addition we recommend that \$1,750.00 be allocated from the unexpended balance to supplement the tax raised for the Poor Account to provide an estimated \$4,485.60.

We recommend that \$500.00 be allocated for recopying the old Land Record Books which are becoming nearly unreadable.

We recommend that should the town act affirmatively on the Warning to provide for a Town Plan that \$1,000.00 be allocated to cover this year's portion of that cost.

We finally recommend that \$10,000.00 be allocated for the construction of the Thetford Center Bridge when feasible, thus, leaving an unallocated balance for the General Fund of \$1,009.25 to which can be added the incoming General Fund

Portion of the Flood Control Tax reimbursement and other miscellaneous incomes for the current year which are necessary as our other truck will most likely have to be replaced sometime during the year.

The Budget Committee considered a detailed report of the Planning Committee and feel they should be highly commended for the effort put into it. We would also recommend that the town take advantage of this opportunity of having a Plan for this town and as indicated in our Budget Proposal we feel no extra tax will be needed if we use miscellaneous incomes for the appropriation.

The Budget Committee considered and certainly with approval, this year's School Account and Report by the School Directors. Needless to say, we are pleased to recommend the tax rates they have requested which are as follows: General Operation — \$7.11; Bond Retirement — \$.93; Interest — \$.41 for a total School Tax Rate of \$8.45.

The total tax rate recommended will therefore be \$11.80 or \$.50 less than last year.

Respectfully submitted,

Budget Committee

PROPOSED BUDGET - 1963

Estimated Grand List \$9,770	Tax Rate \$3.35
Revenues:	
Taxes	\$ 30,000.00
*Winter Roads Aid	2,310.50
*Construction	38,000.00
Old Age Assistance Taxes	2,505.00
Interest and warrant Fees	80.00
Dog Licenses	525.00
Beverage Licenses	112.50
Sale of Services and Materials	350.00
Flood Control	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	500.00
Unexpended Balance	14,259.25

Expenditures:

	1962 Spent	Rate 1963	Estimated 1963
Poor Account	\$3,475.98	.28	\$2,735.60
*Winter Roads	6,678.49	.45	4,396.50
*Construction, retreatment,	22,956.58	.15	1,465.50
Equipment Payment	1,367.78	.15	1,465.50
Taxes — State and County	3,315.77	.34	3,321.80
Old Age Assistance Tax	2,286.00	—	2,286.00
Town Officers and Bookkeeping ex	4,777.33	.50	4,885.00
Electricity, Fires, Insurance	2,512.21	.24	2,344.80
Printing, Supplies, Telephone	1,113.60	.12	1,172.40
Buildings. Sanitation, Forests	158.29	.02	195.40
Interest	158.08	.03	293.10
Tax Appropriation	545.00	.04	390.80
Cemetery	105.60	.02	195.40
Contingency	3,395.49	.03	293.10
Repairs and Maintenance	1,679.32	.18	1,758.60
Highway	7,630.70	.80	7,816.00
TOTALS	62,156.22	3.25	35,015.50

By appropriations from unexpended balance - Poor Account, \$1,750.00; Copying of Land Records - \$500.00; Planning Board \$1,000.00; Bridge - \$10,000.00.

*At this time of year the Selectmen have no exact means of having an actual knowledge of the cost of Construction, retreatment, etc., until later in the Spring. Schedules II & III show the actual accounts at the end of the fiscal year.

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Delinquent taxes December 31, 1961	\$	1,595.26
Delinquent taxes for 1962 from treasurer:		
Real Estate	\$	4,321.61
Personal Property		744.15
Poll and Old Age assistance		1,003.40
		6,069.16
		\$ 7,664.42
Collected and paid to Treasurer	\$	5,822.15
Adjustments and abate. by board of Civil Authority		94.95
		5,917.10
Delinquent taxes December 31, 1962		\$1,747.32
Collected warrant fees \$4.25		
Collected interest \$67.83		
The following tax payers were delinquent on December 31, 1962:		
Poll and Old Age Assistance —		
1961 Arvin Manning	\$	16.00
1961 Joyce Manning		16.00
1962 John Menancon		17.30
		\$ 49.30
Personal Property 1962—		
Fred Clark, Jr.	\$	12.30
Manuelian Haig, Decd.		86.10
*Roberts, Edwin's Est and Alice Est		107.01
		\$205.41
Real Estate 1962—		
Edwin and Anna Crowley	\$	206.64
Ralph Dow and others		64.58
Warren Dennett, Bal.		60.64
Manuelian Haig, Decd., Bal		294.94
*Gilbert Higgins		34.44
John Menancon		301.35
*Hugh and Claudia O'Donnell		12.92
Charles and Eileen Palmer		131.61

*Gardner Palmer	107.63	
Maxwell Perkins	86.10	
Charles and Andrew Porter	4.31	
*Roberts, Edwin's Est. and Alices' Est. (bal.)	58.30	
*Gordon Tuller and Emma Nichols	129.15	\$1,492.61
		\$1,747.32

Respectfully submitted,

William E. Worcester, Tax Collector

Items marked * paid since December 31, 1962.

Notary Public —

County of Orange, Town of Thetford Vermont, Appeared before me, William E. Worcester, Tax Collector, who declared under oath that the above record of delinquent taxes is correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

My commission expires

February 10, 1963.

CHARLES W. VAUGHAN

Notary Public.

VERMONT STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The following health services were available from State-Federal tax money and local voluntary contribution to protect the health of the people of Thetford, along with the people of the other towns and cities in Vermont. A tabulation of the principal State Health Department services which the residents of your town used last year* follows:

With the aim of keeping children well and helping handicapped children, well-child and school conferences were attended by 163 children. Nutrition and dietary consultations numbered 0. At the request of attending doctors, 0 children received pediatric consultations, 1 received hospital diagnosis, 3 with orthopedic, cardiac, plastic or neurological conditions received services or appliances through clinics for handicapped children

and 1 was given financial aid toward hospitalization costs. Mental retardation clinic services were extended to 0 children.

In the effort to control communicable disease 5 persons received chest x-rays; 101 children received immunizations, including boosters, against diphtheria, whooping cough and/or tetanus. Polio immunizations, including boosters, were given 64 children and adults in clinics and conferences. The state laboratory performed tests on 42 water samples, 0 food and dairy products, 40 blood specimens and 8 other specimens. Vaccines, antitoxins and biologicals were distributed for protection against communicable diseases.

There were 39 sanitary inspections or consultations made at the town's food and lodging places and 7 concerning water supply, sewage disposal, public buildings and other problems, to protect health through improved town sanitation. Services to maintain and improve adult health in industry include 0 chest x-rays and inspections and consultations at plants. In connection with the state licensing program and the Hill-Burton federal aid program for hospital and medical facility construction there was 1 inspection-consultation to hospitals, nursing homes and homes for the aged.

Mental health services by guidance clinics through educational meetings or consultations, were received by 0 persons and groups. Individual interviews with the psychiatrist, psychologist or psychiatric social worker were given 0. Under the community mental health program to develop local projects for prevention, treatment or education in mental health, financial assistance and staff consultations are available.

To promote better dental health 0 school children received instruction from dental hygienists.

In cancer work 0 received diagnosis and treatment at tumor clinics or were financially helped with hospitalization costs.

All programs in the department offer educational services. Pamphlets, films, a news release and information service and speakers are available.

The public health nurse served at well-child and school conferences, x-ray and immunization clinics, assisted by local people. She visited homes, doctors, and agencies, making 268 visits on behalf of 45 persons and community health activities. Her service is an essential element in the department's program for health promotion, disease prevention, diagnosis, treatment and education.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. Aiken, M. D., M. P. H.

Commissioner of Health

*To show the amount of services and have this available by the time your town report is prepared we have tabulated most of our services in the 12 month period ending September 30, although some are in the fiscal year ending June 30th. You will note that certain services have not been utilized in your town, as indicated by zeros in the blank spaces.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

Montpelier, Vermont

For year 1961:

This is the twenty-sixth annual report which has been made to the citizens of Thetford regarding State payments on behalf of persons who applied from your municipality for the various types of assistance and welfare during 1961. We intend to set up a system of records for the next calendar year which will permit us to report in detail the town or city's participation in the operation of the Federal and/or State assistance programs.

The support and cooperation of town officers and people generally over this period is gratefully acknowledged.

Old Age Assistance	\$ 17,101.67
Aid to the Blind	3,797.00
Aid to Dependent Children*	2,323.96
Aid to the Disabled	
Committed Children**	
Total	\$23,222.63

John J. Wackerman
Commissioner

* One-eighth paid by the town or city unless family is non-settled.

** One-half paid by the town or city unless family is non-settled.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

Montpelier, Vermont

For Year 1962:

This twenty-seventh in the series of annual reports submitted to the people of Thetford presents tabulations for the calendar year 1962. In the Department of Social Welfare's programs of assistance to the aged, blind and disabled 30% of the costs of hospital and physician services, as well as the excess over \$75.00 per month in Nursing Home care, are assessed against the town of settlement of the recipients of such care. Participation charges incurred by your community during the past year for each of these types of care were as follows:

Nursing Home Care	\$ 114.60
Hospitalization Services	738.15
Physician Services	249.00

Under similar settlement provisions town participation in the program of Aid to Families with Dependent Children is at the rate of one-eighth the assistance grants while costs incurred for the care of Committed Children are borne equally by the local and state agencies. Charges assessed against your community for the former amounted to \$183.01 and for the later 0 for the year just closed.

During April, 1962 there were 17 recipients of Old Age Assistance, 0 recipients of Aid to the Blind and 3 recipients of Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled residing in your community. Direct money payments to these persons were financed entirely out of state-federal funds. Among the other programs financed from these same sources were Services for the Blind, Adoption Services and the recently inaugurated Medical Aid for the Aged. While no town-by-town records are compiled for these categories, their benefits were available to all qualified residents.

Respectfully submitted,
John J. Wackerman
Commissioner of Social Welfare

THE THETFORD TOWN LIBRARY

It is gratifying to report further progress by our Town Library in several directions. This year your committee has held eleven meetings together with the members of the Latham Memorial Library Committee as well as participating in a trip to Montpelier State Library. These meetings crystallized the thinking and objectives of the two committees and further cemented the spirit of co-operation.

One of the major objectives was the accelerated School Library Program for the Elementary School Children. This also included the recognition of the needs of the Junior High School and the Academy. The Library School program started in April 1962. It was soon discovered that there was inadequate space and an inadequate supply of juvenile books. The lack of space has been partially overcome.

During the summer Mrs. Helen Burnham worked to classify and arrange the juvenile books, culling old and useless ones and suggesting replacement purchases. The elementary School children come to the library bi-weekly by classes with their teachers on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons from 1:30 to 2:45. In addition to the regular staff—Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Whitehorne, Miss Buse—assistants were secured from Union Village (Mrs. LaPierre and Mrs. Wood): from Rice's Hill (Mrs. Sawyer), and from Post Mills (Mrs. Cutts, Mrs. Hoisington, Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Malmquist); and from Thetford Hill (Mrs. Slade and Mrs. McCurdy). The library hours have been increased from four to fourteen per week. This does not count the hours spent before and after the building is opened to the public.

Circulation of Books:

* 7 months of the school year.

	1960	1961	1962*
Adult	713	1,203	1,341
Juvenile	680	954	2,554
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TOTAL	1,460	2,157	3,895

In order to continue this accelerated program for both adults and school children, it is absolutely necessary to increase the budget for this coming year. Your committee asks the Town to increase its appropriation as outlined in the Report of the School Directors, an amount which has the approval of both the Budget Committee and the School Directors. The Latham Memorial Library Trustees have been asked to raise \$800.00. A minimum budget of \$1,500.00 is absolutely necessary to carry on the current program which is showing so fine a result.

REPORT OF THE NEEDS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SCHOOL

We are particularly pleased to make our report this year as it marks the beginning of attendance at the Consolidated School on the Hill. As begun last year we show enrollment statistics and the usual five year comparison figures. Continuing we show as clearly as possible the current budget, actual expense and estimated expense for the current school year in two columns each covering six months. A fourth column gives an anticipated total expense for current year which gives easy comparison to budget figures. The final column is the budget as proposed for the 1963-1964 school year. School Directors' financial statement with pertinent figures of balances, income and disbursement show what the anticipated condition our finances will be June 30, 1963. Other reports included this year cover the sale of school houses and disposition of monies; the lunch program being carried on, and what we consider a final report on the financing of the new school construction.

To date we are very pleased with our new school. As most of you are aware we moved into the building during our Spring vacation last year, and finished the school year, during which period, efforts were made to iron out bus problems, etc. There are a few problems left to be smoothed out and then our school should do us proud. During the spring and summer much work has been completed both inside and on school grounds. There is still much work to be done before the playground area is completed. We had hoped to get ground plowed, harrowed, seeded and smoothed over before snow came last fall. Monies are available for this, the erection of a flagpole, playground equipment and repayment of General Fund for purchase of kitchen equipment. In line of construction, the contract is finished but as usual a few areas

need further adjustment. The clock system is one such area. Consequently we have held payment of \$483.68 which completes building. This is shown in report on new school construction.

We were fortunate in retaining most of our teachers. Mrs. Boutwell and Mrs. Mason did not return. In their places Jay Chandler was hired as Grade 6 teacher and building principal. Mrs. Elizabeth Roberts was hired to teach Grade 2. Miss Biathrow was moved to Grade 1 and Mrs. Shumway to Grade 4. It is, we feel, a very heavy load to place on the primary rooms. Grade 1 has 30 pupils and Grade 3 has 28. These two grades in particular should not be this large with only one teacher. It is impossible to give all the time and attention necessary for each individual in classes this large. Both teachers are working to the best of their abilities to give the children all possible help, and we are certain the children will progress satisfactorily. The question is, could we do better by them? Mrs. Christopher continues as teacher of music. Floyd Ricker had the misfortune of illness so Frank Stiles has taken his place as bus driver and general maintenance man. In addition Fred Currier assists in custodial work. We feel extremely fortunate in having both men. Both take great pride in keeping the building neat, and assist the teachers immeasurably during the year.

Our budget for the year is exceeded slightly by figures of actual costs and estimates, amounting to about \$1,600.00. In our actual cost figures however is \$500.00 for kitchen equipment which will be reimbursed. This drops our overage to \$1,100.00. This is only an overall picture, for there are areas in which overages occur, such as Board expenses, Text books and Instructional supplies, Janitors, Fuel, Lights and Telephone. These are not great but do account for roughly \$3,200.00. Savings will be effected in Tuitions where we did not have as many students attend as actually planned for. In addition this is reduced further through Scholarship Aid on

Junior High pupils of roughly \$1,000.00. Our overall expected savings amount to roughly \$5,000.00 giving us a cushion of \$1,800.00. Besides this we received more State Aid and tax monies which if estimated figures bear out will leave us a balance this June 30th of \$3,000.00. Looking forward to our projected budget for next year, increases are made where necessary to meet costs of this current year. Teacher salary increments, Instructional Supplies, Fuel, Janitors are places where this is necessary. High School Tuition increases by \$15.00 but we do not anticipate an increase in pupils attending. Twenty-four seniors graduate and twenty-four are slated to enter Grade 7. We anticipate continued Scholarship Aid in Junior High and our budget reflects a reduction of approximately \$1,000.00 here. Our total budget for the year is set at \$115,408.25. Estimates of income for the same period are found on following pages broken down totaling \$33,174.23. This then subtracted from budget leaves \$82,234.02 to be raised by tax. This we recommend to be done in the following manner: General Operation Expense \$7.11, Bond Retirement \$.93 and Interest on bonds \$41 for a total of \$8.45. This is a reduction from last year of \$.50 on the Grand List of \$9,770.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles A. Wilcox,
Patricia M. Doyle,
Frank Stiles,
SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Fay G. Whitcomb,
SUPERINTENDENT

PUPIL PROGRESS, 1961 - 62

Grades	Total Pupils Per Year	No. Pro. 1 or more Grade	No. Pr. on Condition	No. Not Pro. a Grade	No. Trans. to other Schools
1	30	27	0	0	3
2	23	21	0	1	1
3	29	24	0	3	2
4	24	19	3	1	1
5	24	18	2	1	3
6	24	17	0	6	1
Totals	154	126	5	12	11

ENROLLMENT — 1962-1963

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Totals
Elemen.	31	28	24	26	24	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	157
Thet. Acad.	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	21	20	13	18	24	116
St. Joh. Trade	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
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TOWN OF THETFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Estim. bal. and income for July 1, 1963-July 30, 1964:	
Anticipated balance June 30, 1963	\$ 3,024.23
Estimated State Aid	24,500.00
Estimated Fed. Voc. Aid to Thetford Academy	3,000.00
Estimated Bus Fares	1,200.00
Estimated Flood Tax	1,400.00
Lease Land Rent	50.00
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	\$33,174.23
Tax Money	\$82,234.02

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS

Balance on hand—July 1, 1962	\$	751.47
(Left from \$3,000.00 borrowed by Note— Actual Deficit \$2,248.53)		
Income — July 1 - December 31, 1962:		
Taxes	\$	87,339.47
State Aid		24,824.85
Bus Fares		940.10
Home Ec. & Agric. to Thet Acad.	1,097.32	
Sale of Equipment		115.40
Misc. and Rebate		146.25
Academy Scholarship		341.53
Flood Tax		1,085.40
Land Rent		21.00
Bradford Savings Acct. Transfer—	1,207.60	117,118.92
Sale of Rices Mills and East Thetford Schools		<u> </u>
Total Avail. July 1 - Dec. 31, 1962		\$117,870.39
Less Directors' Orders drawn July- Dec. 31, 1962	\$	46,166.74
* Correction in Orders drawn	33.84	46,200.58
Directors' Balance		<u>\$ 71,669.81</u>
** Checks drawn without order	\$	51.10
Less check due but not drawn		11.96
		<u>-39.14</u>
Treas.'s Bal. on Hand—Jan. 1, 1963		\$71,630.67
Anticipated Income—Jan. 1 - June 30, 1963:		
Home Ec. and Agr. to Thet. Acad.	\$1,900.00	
Bus Fares		1,000.00
Miscellaneous		50.00
Scholarship-Thetford Acad.	660.00	3,610.00
Total Anticipated avail.—June 30, 1963		\$75,240.67
Less Director's Orders Anticipated, Jan.-June 30, 1963		<u>\$72,216.44</u>
Anticipated balance—July 1, 1963		\$3,024.23

*So. Security	\$31.89	***\$2.00 Annie Boutwell
Underpaid	1.95***	.05 F.O.A.B.
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$ 33.84	\$2.05
		-.05 Fay G. Whitcomb
		-.05 Cynthia Malmquist
		<u> </u>
		\$1.95

**To balance accts. in agreement with Treas. Books:

Blue Cross-Blue Shield paid without order	\$51.10 checks drawn
Teacher Retire. underpaid	--11.96 checks not drawn
	<u> </u>
	\$39.14

Accounting for Blue Shield-Blue Cross:

Floyd Ricker—pd. Treas Cash	\$37.95
Annie Boutwell—pd. Tr. Cash	14.15
	<u> </u>
	\$52.10

Overdeducted Violet Shumway	1.00
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Total	\$51.10

NEW SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

WHERE MONIES CAME FROM:

First Bond Issue and Interest	\$ 125,201.60
Second Bond Issue and Interest	11,012.60
Interest accrued on Saving	86.77
State Aid — Construction	26,400.00
State Aid — Construction	32,711.56
From Bradford National Bank	1,906.75
Temporary Loans	96,000.00
* To be transferred from Bradford Nat. Bank	483.68
	\$ 293,802.96
TOTAL	

HOW MONIES WERE SPENT:

Breakdown of Construction Costs —

Trumbull - Nelson - Original and Change Order Contract	\$ 174,665.30
Trumbull - Nelson - Additional Agreed Change extras	185.68
W. Brooke Fleck, Architect	10,810.47
	\$185,661.45
Temporary Loans	96,000.00
Interest on Loans	527.64
Guiliani Fees	913.21
	\$ 97,440.85

SITE WORK:

Survey and Title	277.80
Bulldozing	215.00
Gravel and Labor	955.55
Culvert	114.15
Paving	2,366.69
Wells	3,780.00
	\$ 7,709.19

EQUIPMENT:

Mats	94.26
Shades	224.80
Tables	2,672.41
	\$ 2,991.47

TOTALS

Paid to Date	\$ 293,319.28
*Balance Due	483.68
	\$ 293,802.96

\$293,802.96

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The School Lunch Program went into operation on December 3, 1962 with Mrs. Howard Dresser as cook and Mrs. Frank Stiles as agent and assistant to the cook. This would not have been possible without the generous donations in equipment, time, and money received from many people. We sincerely appreciate the large commercial range donated by the Ladies Benevolent Society of Thetford Hill, the refrigerators, equipment, and money given by the Lunch Program at Post Mills School, the silver and plates from East Thetford and the work of the Hot Lunch Committee of the P. T. A.

The Budget Committee and the School Board agreed on a \$500.00 allocation from the money received from the sales of the former schoolhouses to purchase needed equipment for the kitchen. Of this amount, we have used approximately \$350.00 to purchase additional divided trays, silver, soup bowls and heavy duty cooking utensils. The balance we have reserved to use as we learn what more is most necessary for additional equipment.

We receive surplus commodities as they are available plus a reimbursement from the state for each child's meal served. Each child pays 25 cents per meal and each adult pays 35 cents per meal.

During the month of December we served 1,636 children's lunches plus 89 adult lunches and 445 one-half pints of extra milk. A Christmas dinner was served at which time all the children in the school were invited to eat.

The School Board has established the policy that tickets must be purchased for each meal served since the program must be operated on a self-supporting basis. As you can see from the figures below for December we are just managing to do this with very careful planning on the part of the agent and cook.

Month of December

INCOME:

From Post Mills 1961-1962 Program	14.90	
From P. T. A. Supper	36.02	
Children's Lunch Payments	403.80	
Children's Milk Payments	10.19	
Adult Lunch Payments	31.50	
State Refund for December	116.96	
Total Income		\$ 613.37

PAYMENTS:

Food and Milk	\$ 329.39	
Supplies	55.36	
Trans. & Storage - Commodities	27.72	
Labor	156.00	
Printing Tickets	9.60	
Coin Envelopes for Children	7.25	
Stamped Envelopes	.50	
Total Payments		\$ 585.82
Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1963		\$ 27.55

We sincerely thank all who have helped in any way and ask your continued co-operation and understanding to keep the program operating successfully.

Your School Board

DISPOSITION OF SCHOOLHOUSES

School	Purchaser	Price	Paid In	Balance
*Rices Mills	Rices Mills Com. Assoc.	\$ 535.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 285.00
East Thetford	Everett Fifield	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Union Village	Few Owners Assoc. of Union Village Methodist Church	1,005.00	1,005.00	
**Thetford Ctr.	Thetford Ct. Com. Assoc.	750.00	250.00	500.00
***No. Thetford	Daniel Cornell	1,275.00	1,275.00	
Stevens Dist.	Richard D'Amato	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Post Mills	Unsold			
		\$7,565.00	\$6,780.00	\$785.00

*\$100.00 to be paid annually with interest at 5%.
 **\$175.00 to be paid annually with interest at 5%.
 ***School Board voted to buy North Thetford School Rights from Charles Wilcox for \$500.00 so net proceeds to town from sale were \$775.00.

HOW PROCEEDS OF SALES USED

Total Money Rec. from Sales	\$ 6,780.00
Int. on Mortgage to Date	32.99
Bank Interest	67.56
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Total	\$6,880.55
Trans. to Gen. School Fund-Deficit	\$1,207.60
Trans. to Con. School Acct.	1,906.75
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Bal. in Sav. Acc't-Bradford Nat. Bank	\$3,766.20
Allocated Per Budget Comm. and School Board:	
For Flag Pole	200.00
For Instructional Supplies	250.00
Work on Playground	250.00
For Kitchen Equipment	500.00
To Finish Con. School Acct.- Final Payment	483.68
For Playground Equipment	1,500.00
For Thetford Public Library	500.00
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Total Allocated	2,683.68
Unallocated Balance	\$ 83.68

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AND PROPOSED BUDGET

	Current Budget July 1, '62- June 30, '63	Actual Expense July 1, '62- Dec. 31, '62	Estimated Expense Jan. 1, '63- June 30, '63	Total Spent & Estimated July 1, '62- June 30, '63	Proposed Budget July 1, '63- June 30, '64
GENERAL CONTROL:					
SUPERVISION					
Supt. Salary and Travel	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 622.14	\$ 622.14	\$ 1,244.28	\$ 1,300.00
Supt. Office Expense	375.00	183.00	183.00	366.00	400.00
BOARD OF EDUCATION:					
Salaries	225.00	0.00	225.00	225.00	225.00
Clerk	250.00	125.00	125.00	250.00	250.00
Expenses	100.00	170.62	30.00	200.62	200.00
Treasurer	25.00	18.53	10.00	28.53	30.00
INSTRUCTIONAL EXPENSES:					
Teachers	26,250.00	8,716.48	17,533.52	26,250.00	27,500.00
Jr. & Sr. H.S. Tuition & Aid	50,645.00	16,848.75	28,860.00	45,708.75	45,360.00
Text Books	500.00	215.92	75.00	290.92	500.00
Instructional Supplies	1,100.00	1,214.58	200.00	1,414.58	1,400.00
Library and Reference	100.00	9.00	31.21	40.21	300.00
Special Education	1,300.00	1,252.92	0.00	1,252.92	1,300.00
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:					
Janitors' Services	1,500.00	1,432.42	2,148.63	3,581.05	3,600.00
Janitors' Supplies	500.00	340.04	160.00	500.04	600.00
Fuel	1,200.00	883.08	1,000.00	1,883.08	1,900.00
Lights and Water	500.00	395.05	400.00	795.05	800.00
Telephone	0.00	36.10	36.10	72.20	75.00
MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:					
Repairs	500.00	566.56	100.00	666.56	500.00
Furniture and Equipment	650.00	170.21	700.00	870.21	500.00
Kit. Equip. Trans. from Savings Acct.		500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
FIXED CHARGES:					
Insurance	750.00	478.36	271.64	750.00	750.00
Bank Charges	12.00	0.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Social Security	200.00	16.86	153.00	169.86	200.00
AUXILIARY COSTS:					
Health and Medical	50.00	2.80	247.20	250.00	50.00
Transportation (Other than Bus)	8,000.00	3,644.00	4,555.00	8,199.00	8,200.00
Transportation — Bus	2,500.00	1,040.91	1,400.00	2,440.91	2,500.00
Truant and Census	30.00	29.30	0.00	29.30	30.00
Sinking Fund	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Federal & State Aid—Thetford Acad.	3,000.00	1,097.32	1,900.00	2,997.32	3,000.00
Interest on Bonds	4,269.75	2,031.75	2,238.00	4,269.75	3,926.25
Bonds — New School	10,000.00	1,000.00	9,000.00	10,000.00	9,000.00
Short-Term Loans	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00
Interest on Short Term Loans	0.00	125.04	0.00	125.04	0.00
Totals	\$ 116,781.75	\$ 46,166.74	\$ 72,216.44	\$ 118,383.18	\$ 115,408.25

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THETFORD ACADEMY

To the Citizens of Thetford:

Thetford Academy began its 144th year on September 5, 1962. Five new teachers joined the faculty this year. Mrs. Jean Reininger, who attended Susquehanna University, is teaching the commercial subjects. Mrs. Martha Wiencke, who received her B.A. from Bryn Mawr and Ph. D., in classics from Yale University, is teaching Latin. Miss K. Lucille Whitney, a graduate of the University of Vermont, teaches home economics. Miss Rae Welch, who received her undergraduate degree from Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia and her M. A. from the University of Virginia, is teaching junior English, sociology and general science. Mr. John Norman Fortier, who had been a principal in Quebec for over thirty years, is teaching French, world history, one section of freshman English and one section of general mathematics.

Two of our long-time faculty members received grants to study with all expenses paid this past summer. Mr. Herbert Reininger attended the Economics Workshop at the University of Vermont. Mr. Robert Bacon received a grant to study chemistry and biology at Thiel College in Pennsylvania. Mr. Bacon was one of 50 science teachers chosen out of 430 applicants, and received special commendation for his fine work and scholastic attainment while at Thiel.

The enrollment on opening day was 237, constituted by classes as follows: 8th Grade, 21; 7th Grade, 20; 9th Grade, 58; 10th Grade, 49; 11th Grade, 41; 12th Grade, 48. There have been 5 drop-outs in the Senior High. One student from the Junior High and 3 students from the Senior High have been transferred to other schools. One student has transferred into the Junior High and 4 into the Senior High, making our present enrollment 233, an increase of 14 over last year's enrollment at this time.

The guidance program has been improved by the establishment of a comprehensive testing program designed to give as complete a picture as is possible of each student's interests and abilities so that he may be more adequately assisted in making future plans both within the school and after graduation. The number of hours devoted to individual guidance has been increased.

Since the time the last report was published, several items worthy of mention have occurred. In June Thetford Academy was chosen as one of the ten schools to represent the State of Vermont at the Nine-State Citizenship Conference at Tufts University. Tony Reininger and Joan Orth of Norwich, along with their advisor, Mr. Reininger, were among the seventy delegates from New England, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania who attended the conference. One of the major results of this conference was the Northeastern States Youth Citizenship Project which deals with the more effective teaching of ideology and world affairs. Thetford Academy was chosen as one of the thirty Vermont schools to try out this project on a pilot basis during the first five months of 1963. At the end of the trial period in our U. S. history and world affairs classes, an evaluation of the project will be made by Mr. Reininger, with suggestions for additions and improvements.

Tony Reininger was elected State Treasurer at Green Mountain Boys' State.

It was learned that Spencer Putnam of Lyme is a semifinalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

The Vermont State Wool Show was held at Anderson Hall on December 1.

Judy Smith of Post Mills placed second in her bid for election as secretary of the Vermont Association of Student Councils.

Several valuable additions have been made at the Academy. Rollaway bleachers, which will seat 450 persons, have been installed at Anderson Hall. A new stereo portable phonograph for use in classes and in the music program has been ac-

quired. A new duplicating machine for use by the faculty and commercial students and a new electric typewriter for the commercial department have been purchased. It is felt that the latter two acquisitions will be another step forward in better training in the commercial program. In addition to the items above, a number of reference books and thirty Webster Collegiate Dictionaries have been added to the library, as well as several new bookcases in individual classrooms and the office.

Two new courses, earth science and psychology, have been added to the curriculum.

In closing my report, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the fine support given to the Academy by the citizens of Thetford. This support takes many forms. It may take the form of support of the annual magazine drive or support of the basketball teams. More important, this support manifests itself in the questions "How is my boy (or girl) doing? Is there anything we can do to help?" or "How are things going this year?" These are seemingly simple questions, but reflected by their very asking is the sincere interest and concern for the education and welfare of the youth of this town, an interest and concern lacking in all too many communities today. Such an attitude is genuinely appreciated by the faculty and myself, not for our personal satisfaction, but because the youth of Thetford and surrounding towns will reap the fruits of this attitude.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruel G. Barrett

AUDITORS REPORTS

General Fund

LIABILITIES	1961	1962
Franklin County Bank Notes 8-10 \$	3,795.00	\$ 2,530.00
Note — Bradford National Bank	12,000.00	_____
Accrued Taxes, Fed., State, Soc. Sec.	619.70	709.69
	_____	_____
Total Liabilities	\$16,414.70	\$3,239.69
 ASSETS		
Cash	23,154.44	4,036.76
Outstanding Taxes	1,595.26	1,747.32
Accounts Rec. — State	_____	9,079.32
Accounts Rec. Ind.	309.92	105.54
	_____	_____
Total Assets	25,059.62	14,968.94
 Assets over Liabilities	8,644.92	11,729.25

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

ASSETS	1961	1962
Cash on hand	\$ 62,986.35	\$ 71,630.67
Total Assets	62,986.35	71,630.67

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS IN BANK

Northfield National Bank (Bus Fund)	\$ 1,092.89
Peterborough Savings Bank (Bus Fund)	1,071.64
In Escrow Bradford Sav. Bank — Bal on hand	3,766.20

(Sale of School Houses)

Other Monetary Assets of the Town Town Farm Trust Fund	
Jan. 1, 1963 — 946.602 shares of Puritan Fund at \$7.23	6,839.58

Cemetery Trust Fund	
Jan. 1, 1963 — 232 shares of Puritan Fund at \$7.23	1,177.36

Thetford Town Forest	500.00
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The officers of the town are properly bonded as required by law.

We hereby certify that we have examined the recorded entries for books and accounts of the town officers and trustees of public funds of Thetford, Vermont, and have found the same to be correct.

Carl Kelley
Quentin Malmquist
Carl A. Anderson

AUDITORS

BIRTHS REPORTED TO THE TOWN OF THETFORD — 1962

Name of Child	Father of Child	Mother of Child	Place of Birth	Date of Birth
Catherine Joan Bonnett	Robert W. Bonnett	Isabelle Joyce Smith	Lebanon, N.H.	Feb. 20, 1962
Michael Lee Thurston	Elwood E. Thurston	Gloria Ann Goodrich	Lebanon, N.H.	Feb. 19, 1962
David Allen Cadwell	Benjamin T. Cadwell	Donna Jean Fowler	Lebanon, N.H.	March 22, 1962
Wayne Clement Tilden	Karl C. Tilden, Jr.	Janet Belle Clark	Lebanon, N.H.	April 9, 1962
William Jeffrey Joiner	William H. Joiner	Margaret Alice Huggett	Lebanon, N.H.	May 23, 1962
Laurie Anne French	Roland E. French	Rita Frances Johnson	Barre, Vt.	June 23, 1962
Karen Louise Banker	Walter R. Banker	Catherine Mary Paul	Lebanon, N.H.	July 6, 1962
Kimberly Kae Hurlburt	Burnham J. Hurlburt	Jill Elaine McAllister	Lebanon, N.H.	July 7, 1962
Laurie Ann LaMontagne	Ed. C. LaMontagne	Evelyn May Banker	Lebanon, N.H.	August 19, 1962
Eleanor Dawn Roberts	Daniel W. Roberts	Verna M. Clark	Lebanon, N.T.	Sept. 2, 1962
Wendy Sue Godfrey	Franklin G. Godfrey	Margaret Helen Godfrey	Lebanon, N.H.	Sept. 11, 1962

MARRIAGE REPORT, TOWN OF THETFORD — 1962

Name of Groom	Residence	Name of Bride	Residence	Date	Place
Banker, Walter Ralph	Thetford, Vt.	Paul, Catherine M.	Chelsea, Vt.	30 Dec. '61	Vershire, Vt.
Barry, David	Bradford, Vt.	Fifield, Sandra	Thetford, Vt.	3 Feb.	Bradford, Vt.
Fifield, Derek	Thetford, Vt.	Benjamin, Norma	Strafford, Vt.	6 March	Vershire, Vt.
Hodge, George E. Jr.	Thetford, Vt.	Fairbrother, Lorraine E.	Vershire, Vt.	24 March	Norwich, Vt.
Cross, Gordon	Thetford, Vt.	Clogston, Betty Jean	Norwich, Vt.	20 April	Thetford, Vt.
Huggett, Robert L.	Thetford, Vt.	Young, Susan Claire	Lebanon, N.H.	6 April	Thetford, Vt.
Lee, Theodore P.	Lebanon, N.H.	Richardson, Shirley, R.	Thetford, Vt.	3 June	Norwich, Vt.
Kelley, Edward H.	Thetford, Vt.	Humes, Penelope J.	Thetford, Vt.	9 June	Thetford, Vt.
Josler, William Nicholas	Strafford, Vt.	Kaup, Agnes W.	Thetford, Vt.	3 June	Sharon, Vt.
Cook, Rodney, M. W.	Hanover, N.H.	Gusha, Stella Lorraine	Thetford, Vt.	29 June	Thetford, Vt.
Smith, Robert	Roxbury, Mass.	Bacon, Mary Jane	Thetford, Vt.	7 July	Thetford, Vt.
Gray, Laurence	Thetford, Vt.	Robinson, Florence	Williamstown, Vt.	24 June	Thetford, Vt.
Winters, Milo	Williamstown, Vt.	Chennell, Raya	Columbus, Ohio	27 July	Sharon, Vt.
Barker, John Arthur	Vershire, Vt.	Nichols, Emma Ruth	W. Fairlee, Vt.	28 July	Groton, Vt.
Tuller, Gordon Warren	Thetford, Vt.	Nelson, Shirley	Groton, Vt.	10 Aug.	Groton, Vt.
Jamieson, John W.	Thetford, Vt.	Sherman, Rachel Agnes	Duxbury, Vt.	25 Aug.	Waterbury, Vt.
Straw, Duane Walker	Thetford, Vt.	Uline, Cheryl Joyce	Thetford, Vt.	8 Sept.	Norwich, Vt.
Teeter, Richard Duane	Thetford, Vt.	Goodrich, Florence M.	Thetford, Vt.	29 Sept.	Thetford, Vt.
Bailey, Warren A. Jr.	Guilford, Conn.	Gould, Janice Marie	Thetford, Vt.	13 October	Norwich, Vt.
Doyle, David Delwin	W. Fairlee, Vt.	Mattoon, Ann S.	W. Fairlee, Vt.		
Pinard, Walter J.	Thetford, Vt.				

REPORT OF DEATHS — TOWN OF THETFORD — 1962

Name of Deceased	Date of Death	Place of Death	Age
Kendall, Cora Moore	January 10	Springfield, Vt.	80
Richardson, John A.	January 6	Hanover, N.H.	74
Cummings, Asa W.	January 20	Hanover, N.H.	78
Higgins, Iona	January 29	Thetford, Vt.	75
Chamberlin, Minnie E.	February 19	N. Greenbush, N.Y.	84
Dodge, Harry L.	March 26	Hanover, N.H.	80
Clark (Baby)	April 1	Lebanon, N.H.	
Bonnett, Frank E.	April 2	Hartford, Vt.	67
Smith, Myron C.	April 22	Thetford, Vt.	81
Granger, Ira	April 24	Lyme, N.H.	67
Burr, Ethel	May 3	Waterbury, Vt.	86
Ash, Eli Peter	May 11	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	83
McMahon, Zon	May 13	Thetford, Vt.	13 days
Moore, Clesson Henry	May 27	Thetford, Vt.	48
Mann, Arline R.	June 12	Lebanon, N.H.	69
Tyler, Donald Lewis	June 22	Fairlee, Vt.	46
Clark, Marion D.	June 26	Chelsea, Vt.	83
Kibbey, Mary L.	June 29	Winthrop, Mass.	91
Downing, John	July 8	Hanover, N. H.	79
Mattoon, Nina Adel	July 23	Chelsea, Vt.	83
Robinson, Zelestia	August 24	Hanover, N. H.	83
Barker, Mildred I.	August 25	Hanover, N. H.	83
Doble, Ralph	August 26	Hartford, Vt.	51
Bushnell, Pearl Myrtle	August 27	Laconia, N.H.	78
Cushman, Edna E.	August 27	Malone, N.Y.	69
Palmer, Nellie L.	August 27	Hanover, N.H.	69
Chamberlin, Herbert Frank	September 11	Thetford, Vt.	87
Picken, Agnes Lenora	September 16	Waterbury, Vt.	81
Wiggins, Jennie M.	September 20	Haverhill, N.H.	79
Smith, Jennie M.	December 2	Thetford, Vt.	64
Laclair, Lelia	December 4		88
Caswell, George Warren	December 8	Bowdoinham, Maine	
	December 14		

TOWN WARNING

The legal voters of the Town and Town School District of Thetford, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Thetford Academy Auditorium - Gymnasium in said Town of Thetford March 5, 1963 A. D. at 10 o'clock A. M. E. S. T. to transact the following business:

- ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator.
- ARTICLE 2. To elect a Town Clerk.
- ARTICLE 3. Providing to vote upon the following:
- a. Shall license for sale of malt and vinous liquors be granted in this town?
 - b. Shall spiritous liquors be sold in this town?
- ARTICLE 4. To hear and act on the report of the Town Officers.
- ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will authorize and empower the selectmen to appoint a Road Commissioner or elect same by ballot, and elect all other Town Officers.
- ARTICLE 6. To hear and act on the report of the Budget Committee and raise taxes:
- a. To pay indebtedness of the Town and Current Expenses.
 - b. Highway Tax.
- ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed \$125.00 to American Legion Post No. 79 for Memorial Day observance.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed \$200.00 for Thetford Volunteer Fire Department.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote a sum of money not to exceed \$80.00 per student, as a scholarship for one or more Thetford students in a teacher preparation institution in the state, in accordance with the provision of Section 4352 of the Public Laws, subject to recommendation by the School Directors and Principal.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to continue the Town Planning Committee as a standing committee.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 (\$1,000.00 each year for three years) to pay one-third the cost of a Comprehensive Town Plan for Thetford. (This request of the Thetford Planning Committee is explained in the Town Report, page 24 and has been approved by the Budget Committee.)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will act on and appropriate money for the following:

- a. Construction of a new bridge at Thetford Center or
- b. Renovation of the old bridge at Thetford Center.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town School District will vote to accept the School Report and raise tax as recommended.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to donate a sum of money to Thetford Academy.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Town Library as approved by the Budget Committee and the School Directors.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will authorize the purchase of school playground equipment in amount not to exceed \$1,500.00.

ARTICLE 17. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Dated at Thetford, Vermont, January 30, 1963

GEORGE HUGGETT

W. C. COLTON

GEORGE EVANS

Selectmen