

THETFORD TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 7:00 P. M. to 9:00 P. M.
 Tuesday thru Friday: 10:00 A. M. - 12 Noon and 1:00 P. M. - 5:00 P. M.
 Telephone: 785-2922

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| Selectmen's Meeting | Every Monday 7:00 P. M. |
| Recreation Committee | First Tuesday of every month 7:30 P. M. |
| Planning Commission | First Tuesday after first Monday of each month 7:30 P. M. |
| Planning Commission & Board of Adjustment | Fourth Tuesday after first Monday of each month 7:30 P. M. |
| School Directors | First Tuesday of every month 7:30 P. M. |

EMERGENCIES

FIRE, AMBULANCE & F.A.S.T.
 Fairlee phone exchanges CALL 353-4347
 Thetford and Norwich phone exchanges CALL 643-3610
ORANGE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
 24-Hour Service 728-3230

STATE POLICE
 Emergency Only: Dial "O" ask for Police Emergency
 Non-Emergency 234-9933
 Trooper: Danford O'Brian 333-9414

TOWN CONSTABLE
 William E. Phelps
 During Office Hours: 785-2922 or 649-1147
 After hours: 785-4053

GAME WARDEN
 James Schmidt
 Leave message with State Police 234-9933

DOG CATCHER
 A. J. Thorburn 785-2804
 Edward F. Clay 333-9259

ZONING AND SUBDIVISION ADMINISTRATOR

John Mellquist
 Town Hall Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 1:00 P. M. - 5:00 P. M.
 and by appointment
 785-2922 or 685-4687

Bulky Metal Waste Disposal - Thetford Auto Parts
 (South of Colton's Realty, Route 5, on left)
 333-9686

Open daily Mon. thru Sat. 8:00 A. M. - 12 Noon and 1:00 P. M. - 4:00 P. M.

Stump Dump - Barker Sargent Landfill (Post Mills) - 785-2136

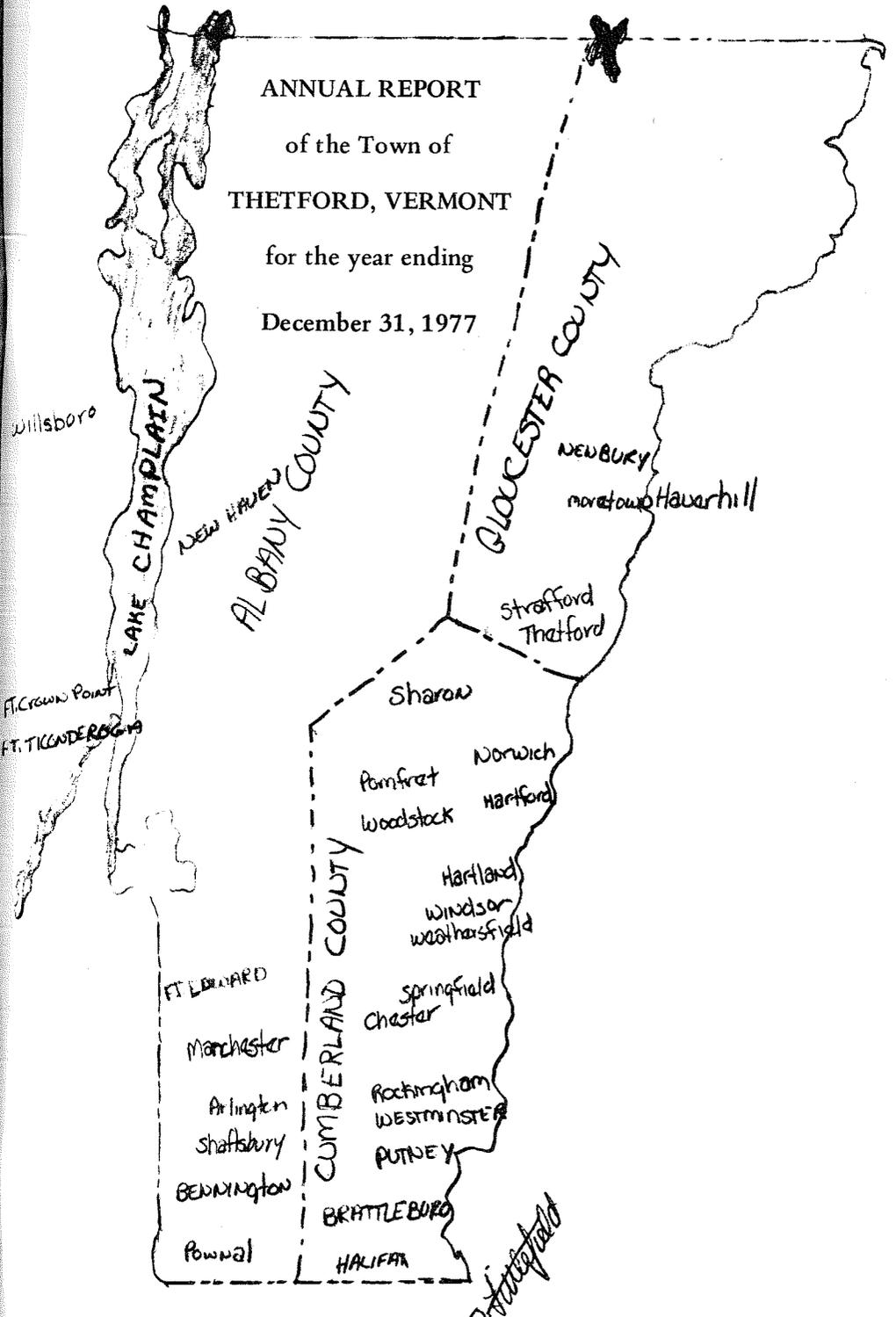
Open Wednesday and Saturday 8:00 A. M. - 4:00 P. M.

Household Rubbish - Old Dump Site West Fairlee - Thetford Town Line
 State Aid Rd. No. 2, West Fairlee Rd.
 Saturday 1:00 P. M. - 4:00 P. M.

Recycling Papers - anytime, first stall in horse sheds,
 behind Thetford Center Post Office
 All papers must be bundled and tied.

DEADLINES

Final dates for paying the following without fines
 Dog Licenses April 1
 Poll Taxes July 26
 Property Taxes October 25



ANNUAL REPORT
 of the Town of
THETFORD, VERMONT
 for the year ending
 December 31, 1977

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CANDIDATES FOR TOWN & SCHOOL OFFICES 1978

| TOWN | | SCHOOL | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Moderator | Matthew I. Wiencke | Moderator | Matthew I. Wiencke |
| Selectman | Drew Tallman | School Director | Frank L. Barker, Jr. |
| Lister | Geo. C. Davenport | Treasurer | Emily E. Hood |
| Auditor | Arlene D. Palmer | | |
| Library Trustees: | | | |
| 5 years | Robert Crossett | | |
| 3 years | Ann Scotford | | |
| 1 year | Susan Voake | | |
| | | Agent to Convey Real Property | Edward C. LaMontagne |
| Trustee of Trust Funds | Gertrude Clark | Grand Juror | Robert D. Jaccaud |
| Cemetery Commissioner | John Wilmot | Tax Collector | William E. Phelps Douglas H. Dresser |
| Budget Com. | George A. Phelps | Constable | William E. Phelps A. James Thorburn Douglas H. Dresser |
| Town Clerk | Emily E. Hood | | |
| Treasurer | Emily E. Hood | | |
| Agent to Prosecute & Defend Suits | Edward LaMontagne | | |

TOWN OFFICERS

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|---|----------------------|
| Moderator | Matthew I. Wiencke |
| Town Clerk and Treasurer | Emily E. Hood |
| Road Commissioner | Claude Thurston |
| Tax Collector and Constable | William E. Phelps |
| Grand Juror | Robert D. Jaccaud |
| Agent to Prosecute and Defend Suits | O. Fay Allen |
| Agent to Convey Real Property | Edward C. LaMontagne |
| Selectmen (Three year term) | Term expires |
| Richard Hauger | 1978 |
| George P. Stowell | 1979 |
| Virginia S. Babcock | 1980 |
| Listers (Three year term) | |
| George C. Davenport | 1978 |
| Arthur J. Bacon | 1979 |
| Melba Briggs | 1980 |
| Auditors (Three year term) | |
| Arlene D. Palmer * | 1978 |
| Robert Crossett | 1979 |
| Roberta C. Howard | 1980 |
| School Directors (Three year term) | |
| Frank L. Barker, Jr. | 1978 |
| Laurence E. Babcock | 1979 |
| Webster Keefe | 1980 |
| Trustees of Library (Five year term) | |
| Harriett Atkins | 1978 |
| Susan Voake * | 1979 |
| Judith Hunter | 1980 |
| Ann Scotford * | 1981 |
| Robert Jaccaud | 1982 |
| Trustees of Trust Funds (Three year term) | |
| Gertrude Clark | 1978 |
| Frederick P. Howard | 1979 |
| Merton Boyd | 1980 |
| Cemetery Commissioners (Three year term) | |
| John Wilmot | 1978 |
| Wesley Clay | 1979 |
| Edward F. Clay | 1980 |
| Budget Committee (Three year term) | |
| George A. Phelps | 1978 |
| Frederick P. Howard | 1979 |
| Karl Tilden, Sr. | 1980 |

Also Treasurer, Road Commissioner, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and Chairman of the Board of School Directors.

* Appointed due to resignation

Officers Elected at General Election

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| Representative from District No. Or-3 Tel. 785-2652 | Thomas W. Bonnett East Thetford, Vt. 05043 |
| Justices of the Peace | |
| Guy C. Aldrich | Ely, Vt. 05044 333-4654 |
| William E. Bond | Thetford Center, Vt. 05075 333-4640 |
| Frederick P. Howard | North Thetford, Vt. 05054 333-9291 |
| Samuel W. Farnham | East Thetford, Vt. 05043 785-2689 |
| Robert C. Vaughan, Sr. | East Thetford, Vt. 05043 785-2279 |
| Jeanne C. Phipps | North Thetford, Vt. 05054 333-9130 |
| George P. Stowell | Thetford Center, Vt. 05075 785-2518 |

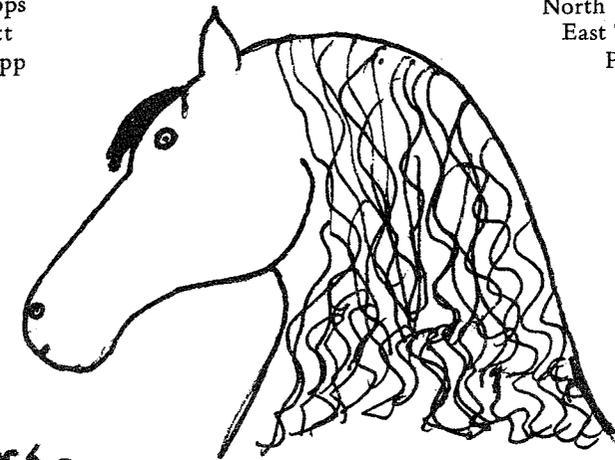
Appointed Town Officers

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| Road Commissioner | Claude Thurston |
| Assistant Town Clerk | Susan R. Tallman |
| Health Officer | Marjorie P. Shopp |
| Town Service Officer | Robert A. Eaton |
| Pound Keeper | Edward C. LaMontagne |
| Assistant Dog Catcher | Edward F. Clay |
| Fence Viewers | A. James Thorburn |
| Surveyors of Wood and Lumber | Robert Evans, Robert C. Vaughan, Jr., Royce C. Bond |
| Tree Warden | Kenneth C. Bragg, Edward C. LaMontagne, Lee D. Palmer |
| Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Planning & Development Council | Elmer G. Brown |
| Fire Warden | Bernard Benn, Charlotte McCartney |
| Zoning and Sub-division Administrator | Arthur J. Bacon |
| Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment | John Q. Mellquist |
| George W. Phelps, Chairman | Term expires |
| Thetford, Vt. 05074 785-2542 | 1980 |
| Royce C. Bond | |
| Thetford Center, Vt. 05075 333-4640 | 1978 |
| Bernard Benn | |
| East Thetford, Vt. 05043 649-1271 | 1979 |
| John R. Scotford, Jr. | |
| East Thetford, Vt. 05043 785-4576 | 1979 |
| Daniel Grossman | |
| East Thetford, Vt. 05043 785-4074 | 1978 |
| Arthur J. Bacon | |
| East Thetford, Vt. 05043 785-2015 | 1981 |
| Ilsa Winter | |
| Thetford Center, Vt. 05075 785-2514 | 1981 |
| Recreation Committee | |
| Drew Tallman, Chairman | Kathleen Brown, Secretary |
| Matthew I. Wiencke, Treasurer | Terry Viens Martha Vaughan |

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| Community Health Service, Inc. | |
| Trustees: Barbara Gilbert, M.D. | Molly A. Shumate |
| Agency on Aging | Bertha Brown |
| Orange County Mental Health | |
| Trustee | Michael Bouchard |
| District 9 Emergency Ambulance Service | Donald Havens |
| Emergency Fuel & Shelter Coordinators | |
| George P. Stowell | Edward C. LaMontagne |
| Historian | Gertrude Clark |
| Vermont Bicentennial Committee | |
| Pliny Boutwell | Annie Boutwell |

Notary Publics in Thetford

| | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| O. Fay Allen, Jr. | Post Mills |
| Thomas W. Bonnett | East Thetford |
| Merton H. Boyd | East Thetford |
| Melba Briggs | Union Village |
| Doris R. Colton | East Thetford |
| Donna L. Durkee | East Thetford |
| Samuel W. Farnham | East Thetford |
| Beulah W. Gray | East Thetford |
| Herbert Gray | East Thetford |
| Daniel Grossman | East Thetford |
| Victoria B. Hoyt | Post Mills |
| Emily E. Hood, Town Clerk | Town Hall |
| Jeanne C. Phipps | North Thetford |
| Peter C. Pickett | East Thetford |
| Arthur N. Shopp | Post Mills |



State Horse

/ Morgan Horse - Jackie Cadwell

WARNING
TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT AND THETFORD
TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Legal Voters of the Town of Thetford in the County of Orange and State of Vermont are hereby warned to meet in Anderson Hall, Thetford Academy, in said Town of Thetford on Tuesday, March 7, 1978, at 9:30 AM for balloting by Australian Ballot on the following articles. The polls for said articles shall be open from 9:30 AM until 7:00 PM.

Article I. To elect the Town and School Officers for the ensuing year.

Article II. To see if the Town will approve the following amendment to the Thetford Zoning Ordinance.

Section 210 ZONING DISTRICTS: GENERAL

(4) **Highway Service:** Change this district to Rural Residential.

Section 240 SCHEDULE A: AREA AND BULK REGULATIONS; PARKING REQUIREMENTS; PERMITTED USES; CONDITIONAL USES

(Additions and/or changes to the original: please compare with p. 18 of Zoning Ordinance)

ZONING DISTRICT

VR (B) Max. Nr. Dwelling units: 1 per 20,000 square feet; (C) Area in square feet; 20,000; (D) Mean depth: 100 feet; (E) Width at building line: 100 feet; (F) Depth of rear yard: 15 feet; (G) Depth of side yard: 15 feet; (H) Building setback from centerline of travelled way in linear feet: 65; (I) Max. lot coverage: 20%; (K) Min. off-street parking space: one space for each dwelling unit. For all other uses, refer to Section 390. (N) Conditional uses: (added to original) apartments, planned residential developments, any structure over 35 feet in height, fire stations, restaurants, police stations.

RR (D) Mean depth: 100 feet; (E) Width at building line: 100 feet; (F) Depth of rear yard: 15 feet; (G) Depth of side yard: 15 feet; (H) Building setback from centerline of travelled way in linear feet: 65; (I) Max. lot coverage: 20%; (K) Min. off-street parking space: one space for each dwelling unit. For all other uses, refer to Section 390; (N) Conditional uses: **ADD** Fire stations, planned residential developments, planned unit developments, any structure over 35 feet in height. **DELETE:** Soil mining subject to provisions of Section 320. **CHANGE:** "Any other commercial or industrial use will be located on a lot not less than 5 acres and will be subject to the general and specific standards in Section 730."

CB (E) Width at building line: 100 feet; (F) Depth of rear yard: 15 feet; (G) Depth of side yard: 10 feet except 15 feet when abutting a RR or VR district or residential property; (H) Building setback from centerline of travelled way in linear feet: 65; (I) Max. lot coverage: 20%; (K) Min. off-street parking space: one space for each dwelling unit. For all other uses, refer to Section 390; (N) Conditional uses: (added to original) Automobile and repair garages, planned unit developments, any structure over 35 feet in height, fire stations.

Article III. To see if the Town will approve the following amendment to the Thetford Zoning Ordinance.

Section 110 TITLE (Bracketed part [] added)

In accordance with the Vermont Planning and Development Act, 24 VSA, Chapter 91, Section 4401 through Section 4491 (c), a Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Thetford, Vermont is hereby established [and amended].

Section 120 PURPOSE

(ADD to the original)

To these ends, the Ordinance has the specific objectives of ensuring that: (1) Property owners enjoy unhampered use of their property, provided that such use does not affect the health or safety of their neighbors, or unduly impair the value of neighboring property; (2) The expense of providing essential Town services to all property are minimized; and (3) Any development within the Town conforms to those objectives and purposes.

Section 340 AUTOMOBILE SERVICE STATIONS CHANGE to read:

Section 340 AUTOMOBILE SERVICE AND/OR REPAIR STATIONS

DELETE: All motor vehicles which do not comply with the Motor Vehicle Regulations to pass inspection shall be screened from the highway and adjacent properties by a six foot high screen.

Section 391 AUTOMOBILE REPAIR GARAGES DELETE this section. It is covered under Section 340 Automobile Service and/or Repair Stations.

Section 820 ZONING PERMIT (Fourth paragraph only)

A zoning permit shall be issued by the Administrative Officer only if an application, fee, sketch plan and other requirements of this Ordinance have been properly met. A zoning permit shall be issued or denied by the Administrative Officer within 60 [**CHANGE** to read: 30] days of the submission of an application.

Section 970 DEFINITIONS

ADD the following new definitions, in alphabetical order:

APARTMENT BUILDING: Includes buildings containing 3 or more living units, with independent cooking and bathroom facilities, whether designated as apartment house, tenement, garden apartment, or by any other name.

1 & 2 FAMILY DWELLINGS: Any building or portion thereof, designed or used exclusively as living quarters for one or two families, other than motels, hotels, tourist homes, clubs, hospitals or similar uses.

FLOOR AREA: Gross floor area shall be the floor area within the outside perimeter of the outside walls of the building under consideration, with no deductions for hallways, stairs, closets, thickness of interior walls, columns or other features.

HOTELS: Includes buildings or groups of buildings under the same management in which there are more than 15 sleeping accommodations for hire primarily used by transients who are lodged with or without meals, whether designated as a hotel, inn, club, motel, or by any other name. So-called apartment hotels shall be classified as hotels because they are potentially subject to transient occupancy like that of hotels.

LAND DEVELOPMENT: The construction, reconstruction, relocation or enlargement of any building or other structure, or of any mining, excavation or landfill, and any change in the use of any building or other structure, or land, or extension of use of land.

LODGING OR ROOMING HOUSES: Includes buildings in which separate sleeping rooms are rented providing sleeping accommodations for a total of 15 or less persons, either on a transient or permanent basis; with or without meals, but without separate cooking facilities for individual occupants except as provided in 1 and 2 family dwellings.

CHANGE name of GASOLINE SERVICE STATIONS to AUTOMOBILE SERVICE AND/OR REPAIR STATIONS.

Article IV. To see if the Town will approve the following amendment to the Thetford Zoning Ordinance:

(ADD a whole new section)

Section 225 PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 4407 (3) of the Act, in order to encourage flexibility of design and development in harmony with natural terrain and natural features, and in order to promote the economical provision of streets and utilities, and the preservation of the natural and scenic qualities of open lands, the Planning Commission may permit, simultaneous with the approval of a subdivision plat, an owner or owners or a duly authorized agent to develop the tract as a Planned Residential Development (PRD), subject to the applicable regulations of this Ordinance and the conditions and safeguards which follow:

- 1) Only residential uses shall be permitted within a PRD—single family, two-family, and multi-family dwellings.
- 2) As a prerequisite to approval of a PRD, every applicant shall submit a Site Plan as provided for in Section 492 of this Ordinance, as well as the following information:
 - (a) Information which describes the ownership, use, and maintenance of open space land or land to be held in common;
 - (b) Information which describes the proposed method of water supply and sewage disposal, and
 - (c) A statement which describes the nature of all proposed changes or modifications to the zoning regulations in effect at the time of application.
- 3) PRD is permitted only within the Village Residential (VR) and Rural Residential (RR) districts subject to the area and bulk requirements set forth in Schedule B, below.
- 4) When PRD is proposed on a tract of land which lies within both the VR and RR districts, the overall density of the development shall be directly proportional to the amount of acreage held in each district.

SCHEDULE B — AREA AND BULK REQUIREMENTS — PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

| Zoning District | Minimum Size Requirements | | Yards | | | | Maximum Height | Minimum Offstreet Parking Spaces | Permitted Uses | Conditional Uses |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| | Minimum Size of Development | Overall Density of Development | Width at Bldg. Line in Feet | Rear Yard Depth in Linear Feet | Width of Side Yards in Lin. Ft. | Bldg. Setback from Road Ctr. | | | | |
| VR | 120,000 sq. ft. | 1 DU per 20,000 sq. ft. | 100 ft | 15 ft | 15 ft | 65 ft | 35 ft | 1 Space/D. U. | Residential D. U.'s & Access. Uses | None |
| RR | 400,000 sq. ft. | 1 DU per 80,000 sq. ft. | " | " | " | " | " | " | " | " |

(ADD a whole new section)

Section 226 PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 4407 (12) of the Act, in order to encourage flexibility of design and development in harmony with natural terrain and natural features, and in order to promote the economical provision of streets and utilities, and the preservation of the natural and scenic qualities of open lands, the Planning Commission may permit, simultaneous with the approval of a subdivision plat, an owner or owners or a duly authorized agent to develop the tract as a Planned Unit Development (PUD), subject to the applicable regulations of this Ordinance and the standards and conditions which follow:

- 1) Proposals for planned unit development shall be submitted to the Planning Commission. The material accompanying the proposal shall contain the following:

Required site plan shall show all buildings, parking areas, and landscaping at a scale sufficient to permit the study of all elements of the plan. All utilities shall also be shown and described. Typical elevations and floor plans of all buildings may also be required. In addition, the site plans shall show the adjacent building outlines and other outstanding features within 200 feet of the property.
- 2) The purpose (conditions) of planned unit development shall be to encourage a development which will result in:
 - (a) A choice in the types of environment and living units (where applicable) available to the public, and quality in land uses so that development will be a permanent and long-term asset to the town.

- (b) Open space and recreation areas if dwelling units are a part of the development.
- (c) A pattern of development which preserves trees, outstanding natural topography and geologic features and prevents soil erosion.
- (d) An efficient use of land resulting in smaller networks of utilities and streets.
- (e) An environment in harmony with surrounding development.
- (f) A more desirable environment than would be possible through the strict application of other sections of these regulations.

- 3) Density may vary within the development but in planned unit developments having dwelling units the total permitted number of dwelling units shall not exceed 25 percent more than the number which could be permitted in the Planning Commission's judgment if the land were subdivided into lots in conformance with the zoning regulations for the district in which the land is situated.
- 4) The predominant use of the land shall not differ substantially from the uses permitted in the district in which the plan is located. In a planned unit development in a residential district, commercial, educational, and public facilities may be allowed which are designed to serve the development and the area around the development.
- 5) Lot size, width, front yard depth, and side yard requirements may be waived; however, these will be evaluated by the Planning Commission on their individual merit.

Article V. To see if the Town will approve the following amendment to the Thetford Zoning Ordinance.

Section 320 EXTRACTION OF SOIL, SAND OR GRAVEL (Bracketed part [] added)

In accordance with Section 4407 of the Act, any new soil, sand or gravel extraction operation or extension thereof in any district, except where incidental to construction of a building [or of the roadway to a building] on the same premises, shall be permitted only when the following requirements and conditions have been met: . . . (remainder of section).

(ADD a whole new section)

Section 335 STRUCTURES OVER 35 FEET

Structures over 35 feet will be set back from all property lines a distance equal to their height. All will be a conditional use.

Section 350 HOME OCCUPATIONS (Bracketed part [] added)

Any resident may use a minor portion of a dwelling for a home occupation which is customary in residential areas and does not change the character thereof. The establishment and continuance of a home occupation shall be subject to the following requirements:

- (1) Such use shall be carried on entirely within a dwelling [or adjacent out-building] and conducted by the inhabitants thereof.
- (2) The total area . . . (rest of section).

Section 370 MOBILE HOMES: INDIVIDUAL

DELETE: The entire first paragraph.

Section 390 OFFSTREET PARKING

ADD: Each space shall meet the following minimum off-street parking requirements:

- 1) Residential: 1 space per dwelling unit
- 2) Hotel, Motel, etc.: 1 space per guest
- 3) Dormitory, Hospital, etc.: 1 space per each two beds
- 4) Public Assembly buildings: 1 space per each five seats, or if no seats, 1 space for each 200 square feet of floor area
- 5) Business, professional, and medical offices: 1 space for each 200 square feet of floor area
- 6) Commercial, business and unspecified uses: 1 space for every motor vehicle used in business, plus 1 space for each 200 square feet of floor area
- 7) Restaurants: 1 space for each three seats
- 8) Industrial, wholesale, storage, etc. uses: 1 space for every motor vehicle used in the business plus 1 space for each two employees
- 9) Outdoor recreation: as required by the Planning Commission

Article V. NON-CONFORMING USES, NON-COMPLYING BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

CHANGE to read: ARTICLE V: NON-CONFORMING USES, NON-COMPLYING BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES AND TEMPORARY USES AND STRUCTURES

Section 510 NON-CONFORMING USES, NON-COMPLYING BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

Any lawful building, structure or use existing at the time of the enactment of this Ordinance may be continued . . . (entire text of current Article V).

Section 520 TEMPORARY USES AND STRUCTURES

Temporary permits may be issued by the Administrative Officer for a period not exceeding one year, for non-conforming uses incidental to construction projects, provided such permits are conditioned upon agreement by the owner to remove the structure of use upon expiration of the permit. Such permits may be renewed upon application for an additional period not exceeding one year.

At 10:00 AM transaction of the following business will begin.

Article VI. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

Article VII. To hear and act upon Part I of the Budget Committee Report in regard to recommended expenditures for anticipated Federal Revenue Sharing Funds in the amount of \$42,300.00.

Article VIII. To hear and act upon Part II of the Budget Committee Report and to raise necessary monies recommended by the Committee. All taxes so raised must be in the Treasurer's Office on or before October 25, 1978 with interest of 1% per month thereafter, plus the five cents warrant fee and 8% penalty.

Article IX. To see if the voters will vote \$1,612.50 to Orange County Mental Health Services, Inc. (\$1,612.50 was voted in 1977)

Article X. To see if the voters will vote \$3,128.00 to Community Health Services, Inc. (\$3,128.00 was voted in 1975, 1976 and 1977)

Article XI. To see if the voters wish to appropriate \$3,400.00 to the Thetford Library Federation. (Their request was for \$6,200.00. \$2,800.00 was recommended to be appropriated from the Federal Revenue Sharing Funds as in 1976 and 1977)

Article XII. Shall the Town authorize the Selectmen to appoint an Energy Coordinator as provided in 24 V.S.A., Sec. 1131?

Article XIII. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to negotiate tax stabilization contracts for agricultural or tree farm land, pursuant to the provisions of 24 V.S.A. Section 2741.

Article XIV. To hear and act upon Part III of the Budget Committee Report and to raise necessary monies recommended by the Committee. All taxes so raised must be in the Treasurer's Office on or before October 25, 1977 with interest of 1% per month thereafter, plus the five cents warrant fee and 8% penalty.

Article XV. Shall the Town vote to levy and collect Poll Taxes for the year 1978 in accordance with Section 1 of House Bill 11 as passed by the Vermont General Assembly during the 1978 session?

Article XVI. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

School Directors

Frank L. Barker, Chairman
Laurence E. Babcock, Clerk
Webster Keefe

Selectmen

George P. Stowell
Virginia S. Babcock, Clerk
Richard Hauger

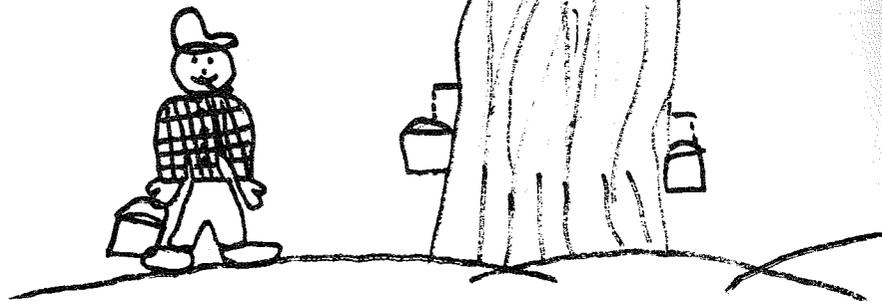
Posted and filed in the Town Clerk's Office

Thetford Center, Vermont 05075

Dated January 31, 1978

Emily E. Hood, Town Clerk

Sugaring in Vermont
Dawn Hart



BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

At a Public Hearing held January 3, 1978 to receive requests for Town and Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, the Budget Committee heard the following requests for the anticipated Federal Revenue Sharing Funds:

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| F.A.S.T. | \$ 1,000.00 for equipment |
| Thetford Library Federation | 6,200.00 |
| Thetford Vol. Fire Dept. | 1,300.00 for hose and radio |
| Recreation Committee | 2,350.00 for Treasure Island taxes & Ball program |
| Town Clerk | 1,000.00 for restoration of Vital and Land Records |
| Planning Commission & Listers | 7,087.33 for Tax Mapping |
| School | 18,000.00 for School Bond Principal |
| Selectmen | 17,000.00 for dump truck |
| | <u>\$53,937.33 Total requests of FRS funds</u> |

As in the past, the committee voted to recommend to the Selectmen that the requests from Orange County Mental Health Service, Inc., and Community Health Service, Inc. be placed as line item articles in the Warning. It was also voted that the balance of the Thetford Library Federation request, which doesn't come from FRS funds, be placed as a line item article.

Part I

At a Public Hearing on January 23, 1978 the Budget Committee voted to recommend using the anticipated Federal Revenue Sharing Funds of \$42,300.00 as follows:

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| F.A.S.T. | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Thetford Library Federation | 2,800.00* (same as last year) |
| Thetford Vol. Fire Dept. | 1,300.00* (same as last year) |
| Recreation Committee | |
| Treasure Island | 2,000.00* (same as last year) |
| Ball Program | 350.00 |
| Restoration of books | 1,000.00 |
| School Bond Principal | 18,000.00 |
| Tax Mapping | 7,087.33 |
| Dump Truck financing | 8,762.67 |
| | <u>\$42,300.00</u> |

Part II

The Board of Selectmen presented a budget of \$226,102.00. (Printed on the preceding pages). The Highway budget is \$139,947.67 and the Town Budget is \$86,155.99, less anticipated funds as follows:

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| Highway State Aid | \$30,350.00 |
| Federal Revenue Sharing Funds | 12,112.67 |
| Anti-recession funds | 714.00 |
| Surplus | 10,000.00 |

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT (Continued)

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| Miscellaneous Revenues | \$20,000.00 |
| Delinquent taxes | 12,000.00 |
| (amount anticipated to be collected in 1978) | |
| | \$85,176.67 |

The Budget Committee recommends applying \$52,206.67 of the anticipated revenues against the Highway Budget, thus the amount needed to be raised for the Highway account is \$87,740.33. It is recommended that the balance or \$32,970.00 of the anticipated revenue be applied against the Town General Account, thus the amount needed to be raised for the Town General Account is \$53,185.00.

Anti-recession funds must be spent within six months of receipt and at this time there is no way of knowing the amount the Town will receive. Thus the Budget Committee recommends spending all anti-recession monies received in 1978 in the Highway Department to relieve the burden of wages.

Part III

The Board of School Directors presented a budget of \$655,369.00. Needed to be raised in taxes is \$544,989.33. The Budget Committee voted to raise \$544,989.33 for the School less any increase or plus any decrease in the \$65,000.00 anticipated State Aid.

Summation

| | Tax Monies to be raised 1977 | Tax 1977 | Tax Monies to be raised 1978 | Est. Tax based on 50% valuation 1978 | Est. Tax based on 100% val. 1978 |
|---------------------|------------------------------|----------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Highway | \$ 79,084.00 | \$.63 | \$ 87,741.00 | \$.69 | \$.345 |
| Town | 79,245.00 | .63 | 53,185.00 | .41 | .205 |
| Articles in warning | 7,890.00 | .06 | 8,140.00 | .06 | .035 |
| School | 476,253.69 | 3.75 | 544,989.33 | 4.26 | 2.13 |
| | | \$5.07 | | \$5.42 | |

The Budget Committee is very concerned over the sharp rise in Delinquent Taxes and feel stronger collection measures should be made.

| Year | Delinquent Taxes |
|------|------------------|
| 1973 | \$21,386.13 |
| 1974 | 19,622.74 |
| 1975 | 25,208.00 |
| 1976 | 27,140.24 |
| 1977 | 38,124.30 |

Budget Committee
 George A. Phelps, Chairman
 Frederick P. Howard
 Karl C. Tilden, Sr.
 George P. Stowell
 Frank L. Barker, Jr.

Claude E. Thurston
 Emily E. Hood

PROPOSED TOWN BUDGET 1978

| Administration | Spent '77 | Budget '78 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Selectmen | \$ 1,400.00 | \$ 1,400.00 |
| Board of Civil Authority | 150.00 | 300.00 |
| Assistant Clerks and Bookkeeper | 1,622.62 | 1,480.00 |
| Town Clerk and Treasurer | 7,920.00 | 9,370.00 |
| Employee benefits | 539.73 | 540.00 |
| Office Supplies | 1,235.58 | 1,000.00 |
| Small tools and equipment | 43.50 | 150.00 |
| Advertising | 82.09 | 100.00 |
| Telephone | 379.45 | 400.00 |
| Postage | 733.19 | 1,000.00 |
| Dues, subscriptions and meetings | 391.00 | 400.00 |
| Insurance | 2,615.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Purchased services (payroll) | 319.13 | 300.00 |
| Professional services | 2,364.07 | |
| Printing and binding | 1,486.99 | 3,500.00* |
| Machine rentals | 1,154.86 | 1,500.00 |
| Travel | 105.50 | 125.00 |
| Conducting Elections | | |
| Payroll | 285.10 | 900.00 |
| Other | 39.70 | 225.00 |
| Accountant | | |
| Payroll | 2,337.50 | 1,500.00 |
| Other | 39.62 | 15.00 |
| Auditors | | |
| Payroll | 300.00 | 400.00 |
| Auditing FRS '73 - '76 | | 500.00 |
| Listers | | |
| Payroll | 9,398.82 | 9,540.00 |
| Office supplies | 106.15 | 25.00 |
| Operating supplies | 6.98 | 15.00 |
| Telephone | .86 | 5.00 |
| Postage | 99.80 | 100.00 |
| Dues, subscriptions and meetings | 12.33 | 15.00 |
| Professional services | 925.50 | |
| Travel | 166.95 | 200.00 |
| Zoning Administrator | | |
| Payroll | 3,407.63 | 4,405.00 |
| Office supplies | 311.59 | 660.00 |
| Operating supplies | 7.64 | 8.00 |
| Small tools | | 52.00 |
| Advertising | 249.41 | 250.00 |
| Telephone | 27.73 | 30.00 |

PROPOSED TOWN BUDGET 1978 (Continued)

| | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Postage | \$ 438.80 | \$ 470.00 |
| Dues, subscriptions and meetings | 27.00 | 30.00 |
| Professional services | 249.80 | 500.00 |
| Travel | 158.55 | 200.00 |
| Town Hall | | |
| Janitor payroll | 304.50 | 600.00 |
| Operating supplies | 133.84 | 100.00 |
| Insurance | 181.00 | 200.00 |
| Purchased services | 22.50 | 40.00 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 104.48 | 450.00 |
| Electricity | 313.98 | 350.00 |
| Building heating oil | 424.75 | 450.00 |
| Special equipment purchases | 149.75 | 500.00 |
| Taxes (state and county) | 4,237.58 | 4,500.00 |
| Tax collector/Constable | | |
| Payroll | 2,921.39 | 200.00 |
| Other | 131.74 | 80.00 |
| Fire Department | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Ambulance | | |
| Contract | 3,903.39 | 5,700.00 |
| Fees | 2,229.45 | 1,000.00 |
| Humane Department | 566.89 | 600.00 |
| Waste | | |
| Collecting | 1,596.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Landfill | 6,799.00 | 7,000.00 |
| Health Officer | | |
| Payroll | 374.50 | 550.00 |
| Other | 90.45 | 200.00 |
| Treasure Island | 2,550.00 | 2,350.00 * |
| Cemeteries | 527.25 | 800.00 |
| Interest | 2,079.11 | 2,000.00 |
| Tax Appropriations | 8,975.50 | 1,775.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 750.65 | 1,000.00 |
| Energy Coordinator | | 100.00 |
| | <u>\$ 90,307.87</u> | <u>\$ 86,155.00</u> |

* \$1,000 requested in FRS funds, if approved budget will be reduced by \$1,000

PROPOSED TOWN BUDGET 1978 (Continued)

| Roads | Spent '77 | Budget '78 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Maintenance | \$ 30,397.73 | \$ 25,000.00 |
| Labor | 2,732.62 | 4,000.00 |
| Supplies | 5,882.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Purchase | | |
| Retreatment | | |
| Labor | 5,082.71 | 5,000.00 |
| Supplies | 15,512.45 | 16,600.00 |
| Purchase | 1,744.52 | 2,000.00 |
| Construction | | |
| Labor | 3,193.71 | 4,000.00 |
| Supplies | 1,958.70 | 4,000.00 |
| Purchase | | |
| Winter Roads | | |
| Labor | 12,766.16 | 16,000.00 |
| Supplies | 6,266.11 | 6,300.00 |
| Purchase | 2,020.53 | 500.00 |
| Bridges | | |
| Labor | 2,100.57 | 1,000.00 |
| Supplies | | 1,000.00 |
| Purchase | | |
| Insurance | 45.00 | 50.00 |
| Contingency/Emergency | | 5,000.00 |
| Vehicles and Equipment | | |
| Labor | 4,502.45 | 6,000.00 |
| Supplies | 1,813.88 | 3,500.00 |
| Insurance | 3,063.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Gas and Oil | 6,742.50 | 7,000.00 |
| Repairs | 6,066.89 | 8,000.00 |
| Purchase | 5,734.59 | 8,762.67* |
| Equipment for repairs | 259.62 | 300.00 |
| Garage Building | | |
| Labor | 602.23 | 610.00 |
| Supplies | 499.16 | 300.00 |
| Communications | 609.05 | 700.00 |
| Insurance | 273.00 | 300.00 |
| Electricity | 355.04 | 400.00 |
| Heat | 763.74 | 800.00 |
| Dues, subscriptions, meetings | 10.00 | 10.00 |
| Travel | 13.80 | 15.00 |
| Repairs and maintenance | | 500.00 |
| Street lights | 2,191.37 | 2,300.00 |
| Unemployment Insurance | | 1,000.00 |
| | <u>\$123,203.13</u> | <u>\$139,947.67</u> |

* requested in FRS funds, if approved budget will be reduced by said amount.

**TOWN OF THETFORD, VERMONT
BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1977**

CURRENT ASSETS

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Cash | \$ 23,143.43 |
| Petty Cash | 50.00 |
| Delinquent Taxes Receivable | <u>38,124.39</u> |

TOTAL ASSETS \$ 61,317.82

CURRENT LIABILITIES

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Accrued Federal Withholding | \$ 735.08 |
| Accrued State Withholding | 339.03 |
| Accrued Social Security | <u>1,242.87</u> |

TOTAL LIABILITIES 2,316.98

SURPLUS

| | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Balance January 1, 1977 | 21,428.72 |
| Excess Receipts for Year | <u>37,572.12</u> |

TOTAL SURPLUS \$ 59,000.84

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS \$ 61,317.82

REVENUES

| | |
|---|---------------|
| 2000 Real Property Taxes | \$638,372.46* |
| 2010 Poll Taxes | 6,567.11* |
| 2011 Old Age Assistance Tax | 4,045.00 |
| 2030 Warrant and Interest on Delinquent Taxes | 4,970.00 |
| 2101 Alcoholic Beverage Sale Permits | 250.00 |
| 2120 Dog Licenses | 925.50 |
| 2121 Building and Sub Division Permits and Zoning | 2,385.00 |
| 2122 Septic Permits | 1,890.00 |
| 2123 State of Vermont - Licenses | 3,114.00 |
| 2124 Title Registrations | 7.00 |
| 2125 Posting Land | 22.00 |
| 2202 Federal Grants for Public Works | 893.00 |
| 2232 State Grants for Public Works | 30,154.26 |
| 2236 State Grants for Flood Control | 2,854.80 |
| 2237 Flood Control Rental Reimbursement | 446.25 |
| 2310 Town Clerk Fees | 5,403.45 |
| 2320 Listers Research | 296.25 |
| 2330 Sale of Office Supplies | 80.46 |
| 2350 Charges for Copying Machines | 756.48 |
| 2351 Charges for Use of Books | 440.05 |
| 2590 Sale of Garage Supplies | 3,434.94 |
| 2591 Sale of Gas | 5,139.41 |
| 2592 Sale of Garage Services | 105.73 |
| 2593 Sale of Use of Garage Equipment | 408.50 |
| 2630 Ambulance Revenue | 579.25 |

* includes uncollected delinquents

REVENUES (Continued)

| | <u>Budget</u> | <u>1977</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| 2705 Treasure Island | | \$ 7,626.83* |
| 2706 Ball Program | | 1,101.05 |
| 2709 Ski Program | | 1,036.00 |
| 2930 Interest | | 2,318.08 |
| 2990 Miscellaneous | | <u>1,852.22</u> |
| TOTAL REVENUES | | \$727,475.08 |

DISBURSEMENTS

Administration

| | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Selectmen Payroll | \$ 1,400.00 | \$ 1,400.00 |
| Board of Civil Authority | 300.00 | 150.00 |
| Assistant Clerks and Bookkeeper | | 1,622.62 |
| Town Clerk and Treasurer | 10,400.00 | 7,920.00 |
| Employee Benefits | | 539.73 |
| Office Supplies | | 1,235.58 |
| Small Tools and Equipment | | 43.50 |
| Advertising | 100.00 | 82.09 |
| Telephone | | 379.45 |
| Postage | 1,300.00 | 733.19 |
| Radio | | 518.31 |
| Dues, Subscriptions and Meetings | | 391.00 |
| Insurance | | 2,083.00 |
| Purchased Services (Payroll) | 300.00 | 319.13 |
| Professional Services | | 2,364.07 |
| Printing and Binding | 4,000.00 | 1,486.99 |
| Refunds | | 239.42 |
| Machine Rentals | | 1,154.86 |
| Travel | 100.00 | 105.50 |
| | <u>\$ 17,900.00</u> | <u>\$ 22,768.44</u> |

Conducting Elections

| | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Payroll | \$ | \$ 285.10 |
| Office Supplies | | 1.50 |
| Small Tools and Equipment | | 38.20 |
| | <u>\$ 300.00</u> | <u>\$ 324.80</u> |

Accountant

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Payroll | \$ | \$ 2,337.50 |
| Office Supplies | | 12.17 |
| Telephone | | .50 |
| Postage | | .35 |
| Dues, subscriptions and meetings | | 26.60 |
| | <u>\$ 2,400.00</u> | <u>\$ 2,377.12</u> |

Auditors

| | | |
|---------|--------|--------|
| Payroll | 300.00 | 300.00 |
|---------|--------|--------|

* Includes \$2,000.00 Revenue Sharing

REVENUES (Continued)

| Listers | Budget | 1977 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Payroll | | \$ 9,398.82 |
| Office Supplies | | 106.15 |
| Operating Supplies | | 6.98 |
| Telephone | | .86 |
| Postage | | 99.80 |
| Dues, Subscriptions and Meetings | | 12.33 |
| Professional Services | | 925.50 |
| Travel | | 166.95 |
| | \$ 8,750.00 | \$ 10,717.39 |
| <u>Zoning Administrator</u> | | |
| Payroll | \$ 2,000.00 | \$ 3,407.63 |
| Office Supplies | | 311.59 |
| Operating Supplies | | 7.64 |
| Advertising | 300.00 | 249.91 |
| Telephone | | 27.73 |
| Postage | 600.00 | 438.80 |
| Dues, Subscriptions and Meetings | | 27.00 |
| Professional Services | | 249.80 |
| Travel | 250.00 | 158.55 |
| | \$ 3,150.00 | \$ 4,878.65 |
| <u>Town Hall</u> | | |
| Janitor Payroll | \$ | \$ 304.50 |
| Operating Supplies | 725.00 | 133.84 |
| Insurance | | 181.00 |
| Purchased Services | | 22.50 |
| Repairs and Maintenance | 50.00 | 104.48 |
| Electricity | | 313.98 |
| Building Heating Oil | 550.00 | 424.75 |
| Special Equipment Purchases | 200.00 | 149.75 |
| | \$ 1,525.00 | \$ 1,634.80 |
| <u>Taxes</u> | | |
| State and County | \$ 8,000.00 | \$ 4,237.58 |
| Old Age Assistance | 4,500.00 | 4,498.35 |
| | \$ 12,500.00 | \$ 8,735.93 |
| <u>Tax Collector/Constable</u> | | |
| Payroll | \$ 100.00 | \$ 2,921.39 |
| Office Supplies | | 59.70 |
| Telephone | | 1.04 |
| Dues, Subscriptions and Meetings | | 21.00 |
| Equipment (Radio) | | 50.00 |
| | \$ 100.00 | \$ 3,053.13 |
| <u>Fire Department</u> | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 5,108.50 * |

* plus \$5,000.00 note payment

DISBURSEMENTS (Continued)

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

| Summer Roads | Budget | 1977 |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Labor | \$ | \$ 14,429.84 |
| Repair and Maintenance Supplies | | 1,378.68 |
| Purchased Services | | 3,306.00 |
| Machine Rentals | | 1,288.00 |
| Construction Labor | | 2,698.95 |
| Construction Supplies | | 1,958.70 |
| Retreatment Labor | | 929.95 |
| Retreatment Supplies | | 231.15 |
| Gas and Oil | | 8,103.23 |
| Class 4 | | 347.77 |
| | \$ 42,725.00 | \$ 34,672.27 |
| <u>Signs, Posts, Culverts, etc.</u> | | 1,070.94 |
| <u>Winter Roads</u> | | |
| Labor | \$ 16,200.00 | \$ 6,991.27 |
| Machine Rentals | 1,000.00 | 420.00 |
| Repair and Maintenance | | 39.63 |
| Special Equipment Purchases | | 1,600.53 |
| Salt | 10,000.00 | 5,993.06 |
| Gas and Oil | 1,800.00 | 3,778.68 |
| Other Materials and Supplies | 1,000.00 | 233.42 |
| | \$ 30,000.00 | \$ 19,056.59 |
| <u>Summer Roads - State Aid</u> | | |
| Labor | \$ | \$ 726.73 |
| Repair and Maintenance Supplies | | 109.00 |
| Machine Rentals | | 1,288.00 |
| Retreatment Labor | | 4,012.76 |
| Retreatment Supplies | | 17,025.82 |
| | \$ 24,000.00 | \$ 23,162.31 |
| <u>Winter Roads - State Aid</u> | | |
| Labor | \$ | \$ 1,433.73 |
| <u>Flood Damage</u> | | |
| Labor | \$ | \$ 900.18 |
| Repair and Maintenance Supplies | | 174.00 |
| | | \$ 1,074.18 |
| <u>Construction & Maintenance of Bridges</u> | | |
| Thetford Center | \$ | \$ 519.71 |
| Fire Insurance | | 45.00 |
| Sawnee Bean | | 757.00 |
| Union Village | | 823.86 |
| | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ 2,145.57 |

| DISBURSEMENTS (Continued) | Budget | 1977 |
|---|----------------|--------------|
| <u>Street lights</u> | \$ 2,000.00 | \$ 2,191.37 |
| <u>Garage Building</u> | | |
| Operating Supplies | \$ 300.00 | \$ 114.57 |
| Telephone | | 499.16 |
| Insurance | | 90.74 |
| Purchased Services | | 273.00 |
| Electricity | 400.00 | 31.50 |
| Heating Oil | 350.00 | 355.04 |
| Travel | | 763.74 |
| | | 13.80 |
| | \$ 1,050.00 | \$ 2,141.55 |
| <u>Maintaining Vehicles and Equipment</u> | | |
| Employee Benefits | \$ | \$ 5,192.01 |
| Operating Supplies | | 3,421.18 |
| Repair and Maintenance Supplies | | 442.68 |
| Insurance | | 681.44 |
| Special Equipment Purchases | | 3,063.00 |
| '76 GMC Pickup | | 240.00 |
| '76 GMC Dump 650 | | 1,538.92 |
| '74 Ford 750 | | 359.09 |
| '74 Ford 750 | | 874.06 |
| '73 Ford 700 | | 21.75 |
| Loader | | 2,695.50 |
| Grader | | 577.57 |
| Buying Vehicles and Equipment | | 726.59 |
| Buying and Maint. Other Equip. | | 19.62 |
| | \$ 18,500.00 | \$ 19,853.41 |
| <u>Bookkeeper</u> | | |
| Payroll | | 228.08 |
| HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TOTALS | \$119,275.00 | \$107,030.00 |
| | plus anti-rec. | 8,187.62 |
| | | \$115,217.62 |
| <u>Maintaining Cemeteries</u> | \$ 900.00 | \$ 527.25 |
| <u>Ambulance</u> | | |
| Contract | \$ 6,500.00 | \$ 3,903.39 |
| Fees | | 2,229.45 |
| | \$ 6,500.00 | \$ 6,132.84 |
| <u>Dog Warden</u> | | |
| Office Supplies | \$ | \$ 439.88 |
| Refunds | | 103.29 |
| | | 35.00 |
| | \$ 500.00 | \$ 578.17 |

| DISBURSEMENTS (Continued) | Budget | 1977 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| <u>Waste</u> | | |
| Collecting | \$ | \$ 1,596.00 |
| Disposing (Landfill) | 9,000.00 | 6,799.50 |
| | \$ 9,000.00 | \$ 8,395.50 |
| <u>Health Officer</u> | | |
| Payroll | \$ | \$ 374.50 |
| Travel | | 90.45 |
| | \$ 200.00 | \$ 464.95 |
| <u>Town School District</u> | | |
| Taxes | \$ | \$476,253.69 |
| Flood Control | 2,113.00 | 2,112.55 |
| | \$ 2,113.00 | \$478,366.24 |
| <u>Recreation Committee</u> | | |
| Treasure Island Payroll | \$ | \$ 2,285.00 |
| Taxes | 2,000.00 | 3,612.44 |
| Operating Supplies | | 59.96 |
| Repair and Maintenance Supplies | | 1,007.56 |
| Advertising | | 65.00 |
| Telephone | | 78.40 |
| Postage | | 70.13 |
| Insurance | | 423.00 |
| Purchased Services | | 146.00* |
| Electricity | | 744.03 |
| | \$ 2,000.00 | \$ 8,491.52 |
| Ball Program Miscellaneous | | 9.00 |
| Insurance | | 349.77 |
| Special Equipment Purchases | | 709.80 |
| | \$ 350.00 | \$ 1,068.57 |
| <u>Interest</u> | 4,000.00 | 2,079.11 |
| <u>State of Vermont</u> | | |
| Licenses | | 3,057.50 |
| <u>Social Security</u> | 2,960.00 | 4,086.40 |
| <u>Tax Appropriations</u> | 9,315.00 | 8,975.50 |
| <u>Miscellaneous</u> | 1,345.00 | 750.65 |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS | | \$689,902.96 |

* includes \$94.00 '75-'76 bill

THETFORD TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance January 1, 1977 \$ 1,075.25

RECEIPTS:

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Taxes | |
| Old Age Assistance | \$ 4,840.00 |
| Polls | 4,119.40 |
| Real Estate and Personal Property | 590,210.45 |
| Polls - Delinquent | 775.22 |
| Real Estate and Personal Property Delinquent | 38,055.35 |
| Interest, Warrant Fee and Penalty | 4,970.00 |
| State Highway Fund | 30,154.26 |
| State Licenses | |
| Fish and Game | 3,069.00 |
| Marriage | 45.00 |
| State Local Fine Ordinance | 19.00 |
| State Forest Fires | 343.00 |
| State Forest Stumpage | .60 |
| Federal Land Entitlement | 893.00 |
| Flood Control | 2,854.80 |
| Flood Control Rental Fees | 446.25 |
| Town Clerk Fees | 5,416.45 |
| Use of Town Records | 440.05 |
| Dog Licenses | 925.50 |
| Liquor Licenses | 250.00 |
| Posting Land | 22.00 |
| Sale of Materials and Services | |
| Office Supplies | 57.35 |
| Phone | 5.73 |
| Postage | 4.38 |
| Roneo | 253.55 |
| Xerox | 492.93 |
| Addressograph | 10.00 |
| Garage Supplies | 753.24 |
| Road Department Labor | 105.73 |
| Use of Road Department Equipment | 408.50 |
| School Gas | 5,139.41 |
| Zoning and Subdivision | 2,390.00 |
| Septic Systems | 1,890.00 |
| Ambulance | 579.25 |
| Treasure Island (includes F R.S. Dollars) | 8,009.04 |
| Ski Program | 1,036.00 |
| Ball Program | 1,101.05 |
| Old Town Reports | 13.00 |
| Listers | |
| Research | 263.25 |

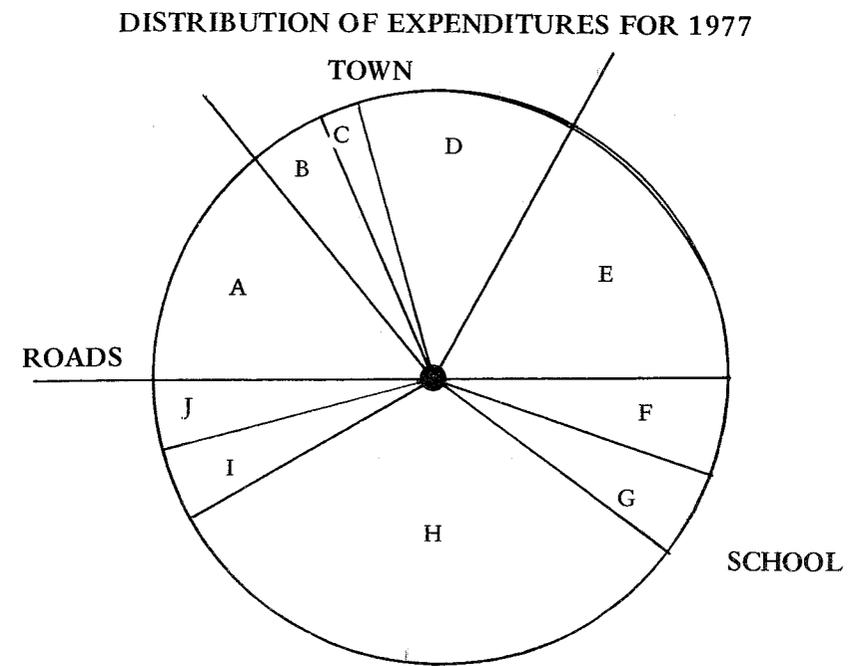
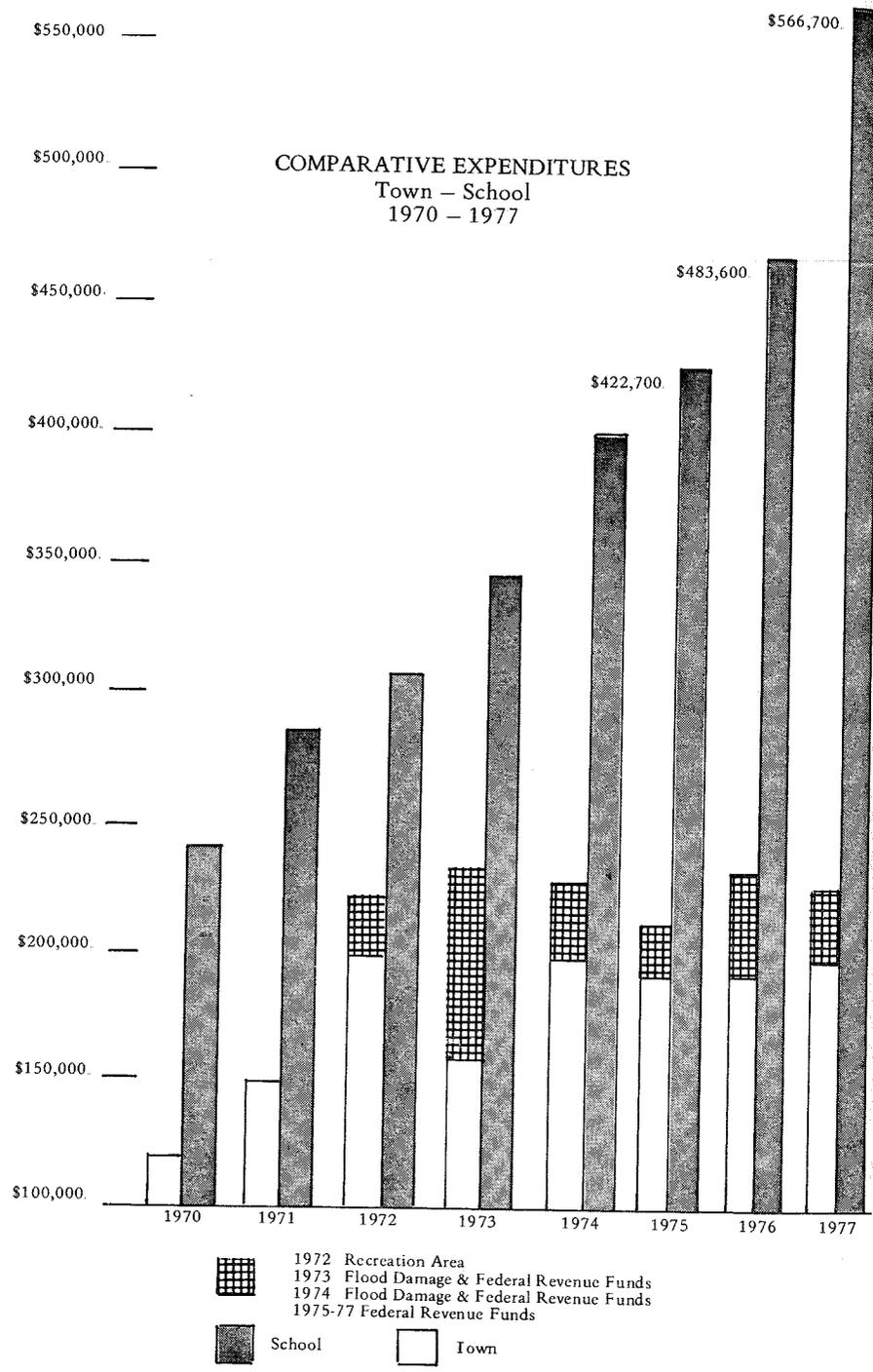
TREASURER'S REPORT - Listers - (Continued)

| | | |
|--|------------|-----------------------|
| Supplies | \$ 33.00 | |
| Title Registration | 7.00 | |
| Cemetery Book Fund | 836.00 | |
| East Thetford Cemetery | 45.00 | |
| Release of Leased Land | 100.00 | |
| Planning Commission Supplies and Labor | 7.00 | |
| Upper Valley Fish and Game Club Lease | 1.00 | |
| Forest Fires | 248.00 | |
| Blue Shield - Blue Cross Insurance Payment | 25.98 | |
| Book Binding Service | 28.43 | |
| Small Claims Fee Collected | 5.98 | |
| Workmen's Compensation Insurance | 106.40 | |
| Scholarship returned | 40.00 | |
| R. E. Tax overpayment | 19.20 | |
| Assistant Town Clerk wages | 6.90 | |
| Highway Department refunds | 9,346.88 | |
| Bad Check collected | 5.00 | |
| Check not cashed | 4.00 | |
| Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for Loader parts | 2,566.85 | |
| Insurance Truck Repairs | 114.85 | |
| Interest | 2,318.08 | |
| Certificates of Deposit | 365,000.00 | |
| Bradford National Bank Notes | 80,000.00 | 1,171,227.29 |
| | | <u>\$1,172,302.54</u> |
| DISBURSEMENTS | | 1,149,159.11 |
| CASH ON HAND | | \$ 23,143.43 |
| PETTY CASH | | 50.00 |
| BALANCE December 31, 1977 | | <u>\$ 23,193.43</u> |

Recommended Wage Increases

| PAYROLL | 1977 | 1978 |
|--------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Town Clerk and treasurer | 170/wk | 170/wk |
| Constable | 3.00/hr | 3.00/hr |
| Listers | 3.45/hr | 3.65/hr |
| Asst. clerks | 3.20/hr | 3.25/hr |
| Bookkeeper | 3.45/hr | 3.50/hr |
| Road Commissioner | 4.40/hr | 4.75/hr |
| Town Crew | 4.15/hr | 4.35/hr |
| Zoning Administrator | 3.50/hr | 4.00/hr |
| Accountant | 2400/yr | 1500/yr |
| Selectmen | 1,400/yr | 1,400/yr |
| | | (600,400,400) |
| Health Officer | 3.50/hr | 3.50/hr |
| Auditors | 300/yr | 400/yr |
| Ballot Clerks | 2.30/hr | 2.45/hr |
| Justices of the Peace | 5.00/mtng | 5.00/mtng |
| Janitors | 3.00/hr | 3.50/hr |

We recommend an additional paid holiday, Town Meeting Day for the Road Crew, for a total of eight paid holidays.



| | Comparative | | |
|---------------|--|------|-----|
| | 1976 | 1977 | |
| ROADS | | | |
| A | Road Service | 16% | 14% |
| TOWN | | | |
| B | Town Officers | 3% | 4% |
| C | Buildings and Supplies | 5% | 2% |
| D | Ambulance, taxes, interest, cemetery, etc. | 5% | 10% |
| SCHOOL | | | |
| E | Administration | 20% | 18% |
| F | Transportation | 5% | 5% |
| G | Building Operation | 5% | 5% |
| H | Tuition | 32% | 32% |
| I | Supplies | 1% | 2% |
| J | Fixed charges, Health and Miscellaneous | 7% | 8% |

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUND ACCOUNT

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Balance on hand January 1, 1977 | \$ 9,007.68 |
| Federal Revenue Checks received Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, 1977 for year 1977 | 19,853.00 |
| Oct. 1, 1977 to Dec. 31, 1977 for year 1978 | 7,130.00 |
| Interest from Certification of Deposits | <u>1,014.61</u> |
| | \$37,005.29 |

DISBURSEMENTS:

| | Budgeted | Spent |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Thetford Library Federation | \$ 2,800.00 | \$ 2,800.00 |
| Thetford Vol. Fire Dept. | 1,300.00 | 1,300.00 |
| Treasure Island (taxes) | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| School (for principal on Bond) | 18,000.00 | 18,000.00 |
| Snow Plow | 2,000.00 | 1,838.00 |
| Dump Truck (balance due) | 3,125.00 | 3,170.29 |
| Loader repair parts and tires | 3,500.00 | 2,566.85 |
| Roller Shelving for Land Records | <u>1,475.00</u> | <u>1,471.00</u> |
| | \$34,200.00 | \$33,146.14 |

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1977 \$ 3,859.15

Emily E. Hood, Treasurer

THETFORD CEMETERY TRUST FUND

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Bequest from Mary C. Hoisington 1972 | \$1,000.00 |
| Interest to be used for care of four graves, cleaning stones and for floral pieces each Memorial Day. William and Caroline Marston and Eugene and Isadore Smith lots. | |
| Balance on hand January 1, 1977 | 1,141.03 |
| Interest | <u>70.19</u> |
| | \$1,211.22 |

DISBURSEMENTS:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Grave upkeep | \$8.00 |
| Floral pieces | <u>8.60</u> |
| | 16.60 |
| Balance on hand December 31, 1977 | \$1,194.62 |

Emily E. Hood, Treasurer

TRUST FUNDS 1977

TOWN FARM TRUST FUND

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Puritan Fund, original investment | | |
| 12-4-57 | 667 shares | \$ 4,001.07 |
| October 10, 1977 | | |
| 2,732.501 shares | @ \$10.34 | \$28,254.06 |

Since the original purchase, all income earned from the investment has been re-invested in additional shares.

At any time when this income is needed for care of the poor, it may be had by the sale of shares, any or all, in excess of \$4,000.

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Puritan Fund, original investment | | |
| 12-4-57 | 220 shares | \$ 1,300.20 |
| Puritan Fund, additional investments | | |
| 9-6-60 | 6 shares | |
| 6-5-61 | 6 shares | |
| 9-1-64 | 7 shares | |
| 8-12-75 | 6.873 shares | |
| 8-2-76 | 5.027 shares | |
| 8-8-77 | 7.108 shares | |
| August 8, 1977 | 258.008 shares @ \$10.59 | \$ 2,732.30 |
| Income for 1977 to be divided | | \$ 195.00 |

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Hillside Cemetery | \$ 15.00 |
| Post Mills Cemetery | 30.00 |
| East Thetford Cemetery | 45.00 |
| Evergreen Rest Cemetery | 105.00 |

Cash on hand

| | | |
|----------|-----------------|----------------|
| 1-1-77 | | \$ 146.76 |
| 1-24-77 | Interest | 6.83 |
| 2-14-77 | Income Dividend | 33.87 |
| 5-3-77 | Income dividend | 33.87 |
| 8-26-77 | Income dividend | 57.71 |
| 11-10-77 | Interest | 4.83 |
| 11-10-77 | Income dividend | <u>37.41</u> |
| | | \$ 321.28 |
| | | <u>-195.00</u> |
| | | \$ 126.28 |

Balance on hand 12-31-77

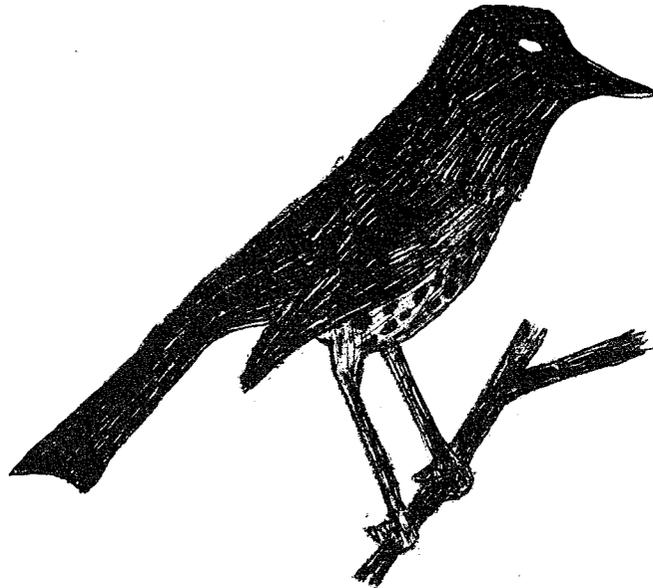
Frederick P. Howard
Merton A. Boyd
Gertrude Clark

ANTIRECESSION FISCAL ASSISTANCE

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Balance December 31, 1976 | \$2,783.00 |
| Antirecession receipts | 5,359.00 |
| Interest | 45.62 |
| | <u>\$8,187.62</u> |

DISBURSEMENTS:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Highway Department payroll | \$8,186.66 |
| Balance on hand December 31, 1977 | \$.96 |



Hermit Thrush - State Bird - Burtch Hunter

RABIES CLINIC

There will be a rabies clinic for cats and dogs Saturday, March 18, 1978 from 9:30 A.M. to 12:00 noon at the Town Garage. Rabies shots will cost \$4.00 each. Only Thetford dogs receiving rabies shots may get their licenses at this time. Others may obtain theirs at the Town Clerk's Office during regular office hours: January 3, 1978 thru April 1, 1978. All dogs four months of age and older must have a rabies shot. Shots are good for 30 months.

POUND KEEPER'S REPORT

The following were picked up during the year 1977:

1 cat, 10 dogs, 8 puppies.

One citation was issued by the Poundkeeper and assistant dog catcher. This does not include ones issued by the Selectmen and constable.

EXPENSES:

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Dog Collar | \$ 2.95 |
| Dog Food | 68.00 |
| Care of unclaimed animals | 213.50 |
| Mileage | <u>12.15</u> |
| | \$296.60 |

RECEIPTS:

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Fines and fees | \$ 70.00 |
|----------------|----------|

(retained by poundkeeper to coverage mileage and care of claimed dogs.)

Edward F. Clay, Poundkeeper
A. J. Thorburn, Assistant Dog Catcher

DOG REPORT 1977

| | | | Compared to 1976 |
|--------------------------|-----|-------------------|------------------|
| Total Dogs Licensed | 490 | | 19+ |
| Males at \$2.00 @ | 184 | \$ 368.00 | 2+ |
| Females at \$6.00 @ | 65 | 390.00 | 10+ |
| Spayed at \$2.00 @ | 133 | 266.00 | 8+ |
| Males at \$3.00 @ | 37 | 111.00 | 1- |
| Females at \$9.00 @ | 8 | 72.00 | 1- |
| Spayed at \$3.00 @ | 32 | 96.00 | 5+ |
| Kennels | 3 | 102.00 | 1- |
| Tag replacements \$.25 @ | 10 | 2.50 | |
| Total collected | | <u>\$1,407.50</u> | |
| Dog Damage - 5 sheep | | 167.00 | |
| Dog Fund for 1977 | | <u>\$1,240.50</u> | |

Records show 36 dogs still delinquent and listed May 15, 1977.

Please report all deceased dogs to the Town Clerk so that they can be removed from your record.

If you own a dog PLEASE READ Resident Information (see index for page number.)

TOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CONSTRUCTION AND
EQUIPMENT SUPPLIES

| STOCKPILE | | VALUE |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 2 drums | Motor Oil | \$ 409.56 |
| 4 cases | Motor Oil | 123.52 |
| 10 cases | 110 Mobil Oil | 180.00 |
| 1 drum | Gear Oil | 158.40 |
| 2 cases | Prestone Antifreeze | 59.74 |
| 1/2 case | Dry Gas | 4.12 |
| 1 drill set | 1/16" to 1/2" | 80.33 |
| 2 sets | Grader Blades | 171.20 |
| 2 | Wing Blades | 75.00 |
| 6 | Plow Blades | 606.00 |
| 1/2 case | Ether | 11.88 |
| 1 tank | Mapp Gas | 36.60 |
| 55 gal. | Power Fluid | 326.70 |
| 1 1/2 bxs. | Welding Rods | 36.70 |
| 50 ft. | 18in. Culvert | 289.50 |
| 30 ft. | 15in. Culvert | 113.40 |
| | Oil Filters and Bolts | 300.00 |
| Total Value | | \$2,982.65 |



Vermont
Flower
Red
Clover

Kevin Pickett

TOWN GARAGE INVENTORY

- Allis Chalmer tractor loader
- 1976 GMC Dump Truck, with radio, wing and fire extinguisher
- 1976 GMC 3/4 ton Pickup, with plow, radio and fire extinguisher
- 1974 Ford F750 Dump Truck, 7cy with radio and fire extinguisher
- 1973 Ford F700 Dump Truck, 7cy with radio and fire extinguisher
- 1973 Wabco Grader, with wing, Bulldozer blade, radio and fire extinguisher
- 2 609K Frink Plows
- 1 425-140 Frink Plow
- 2 Selecto sander-salters
- 1 Swenson sander-salter
- 1 Millers Falls Ball Bearing Grinder 1977
- 1 Black & Decker Drill 1977
- 1 1 Horse Power Air Compressor
- 3,000 gal. underground tank for gas with dual pumps
- 2,000 gal. underground tank for gas with pump
- 550 gal. tank for diesel fuel with hand pump
- Hot air furnace with 275 gal. fuel tank
- Air Wrench - complete
- Gas Welding Torch - complete
- Hot Water Heater
- Water Pressure tank
- Hand Tools
- AC Welder 225 amps
- 2 Bolt Bins
- 4 Hard Hats with liners
- 1 pair Welding Gloves
- Super XL - automatic Homelite Chainsaw
- 4 Rain Jackets and pants
- 6 Fire Rakes
- 6 Round Pointed Fire Shovels
- 4 Fire Extinguishers

TOWN HALL INVENTORY

| | |
|--|--|
| Flag Pole | 40 chairs |
| U. S. Flag, Vermont Flag & Bicentennial Flag | Air conditioner |
| Hot Water Furnace | Tappan stove |
| 500 gal. Underground Fuel Tank | Roneo Duplicator |
| Pressure Tank | Aluminum Stepladder (5 ft.) |
| Vault | Wooden Stepladder (8 ft.) |
| 2 Desks | 5 Tables (large) |
| 2 Typing Tables | 3 Tables (small) |
| 5 Office Chairs | Map case |
| 2 Typewriters | 2 Desk Lamps |
| Adding Machine | Stamp Dispenser |
| Olympia Calculator | Aerial Photo of Thetford |
| 2 4-drawer files (legal size) | Polaroid Land Camera |
| 5 4-drawer files (letter size) | Paper Cutter |
| Storage Cabinet | Fire Extinguisher |
| 9 file drawers (5 x 8) | 2 Cabinets on wheels |
| 12 file drawers (3 x 5) | RCA Communication Radio |
| Bookcase mounted on wall | 2 Outside Lamps and Posts |
| Bookrack | Clock |
| Telephone Shelf | Artesian Well and Pump |
| Radio and Light Shelf | 12 Voting Booths with Lights |
| Micro-film Reader-Printer | Addressograph File Cabinet |
| Bookshelves | 4 Bulletin Boards |
| Electric Stapler | Roller Shelving for approximately 80 Volumes |
| 5 2-drawer files (letter size) | Steel shelving (in vault) |



WAGES AND BENEFITS FOR TOWN OFFICERS & EMPLOYEES For Year 1977

| | |
|--|---|
| Town Clerk and Treasurer | \$160.00 per wk. (a b c d) |
| NOTE: Town Clerk does not receive money from account labeled Town Clerk Fees in revenue. The money goes into the General Fund. | |
| Assistant Town Clerk | \$3.20 per hr. (c) |
| Accountant | \$5.00 per hr. (c) |
| Bookkeeper | \$3.45 per hr. (c) |
| Constable | \$3.00 per hr. (c) |
| Listers | \$3.45 per hr. (c) |
| Road Commissioner | \$4.40 per hr. 1 1/2 over 40 hrs. (a b c d) |
| Road Crew | \$4.15 & \$3.80 per hr. 1 1/2 over 40 hrs. (a b c d) |
| Road Dept. Bookkeeper | \$3.45 per hr. (c) |
| Zoning & Sub-Division Administrator & Secretary for Planning Commission & Zoning Board of Adjustment | \$3.50 per hr. (c) |
| Health Officer | \$3.50 per hr. (c) |
| Ballot Clerks | \$2.30 per hr. |
| Janitor | \$3.00 per hr. |
| Justice of the Peace | \$5.00 each meeting |
| Auditors | \$300.00 to be divided |
| Selectmen, Chairman | \$600.00 yearly |
| Selectmen | \$400.00 yearly |
| Benefits: | |
| (a) | 7 paid Holidays, New Years Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas. |
| (b) | 100% Blue Cross and Blue Shield Insurance. |
| (c) | Mileage \$.15 per mile when private vehicle is used. |
| (d) | Vacation 1 week; after 5 years employment 2 weeks. |

DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1977

| | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972-70 |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Anderson, Robert and Shirley | \$ 795.99 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Atkinson-Davis Corp. | 349.83 | 340.17 | 278.07 | | | |
| Atwood, Ehrick & Margitta | 755.43 | | | | | |
| Bagley, G. E., Inc. | 18.02 | | | | | |
| Bailey, Archie Est. | 1,115.40 | | | | | |
| Bailey, Charles and Vivian | 479.11 | | | | | |
| Bailey, Charles, Jr. | | 59.16 | 48.36 | 43.20 | | |
| Bailey, Donald and Margaret | 510.00 | | | | | |
| Bailey, Fred and Minnie | 294.06 | 285.94 | 233.74 | | | |
| Bailey, William and Louise | | 6.60 | | | | |
| Barker, Kenneth | 82.78 | | | | | |
| Boston and Maine R. R. | 177.45 | 172.55 | 141.05 | 126.00 | 105.84 | 359.71 |
| Berkeley, Robert | | | 29.36 | | | |
| Braley, George and Linda | 390.97 | | | | | |
| Briggs, Melba | 347.29 | | | | | |
| Cadwell, Nellie | 177.45 | 172.55 | 141.05 | 32.70 | | |
| Cappell, Laura Est. (Emma Nichols) | | 369.75 | | | | |
| Carolan, John | 1.87 | | | | | |
| Cook, Duane and Virginia | | 24.36 | | | | |
| *Cook, Kenneth and Patricia | 618.54 | | | | | |
| Covery, Merle and Verla | 1,097.65 | | | | | |
| Cummings, Lawrence and Rose | 147.03 | 142.97 | 2.16 | 3.12 | | |
| *Davenport, Donald and Mary | | | | | | |
| Dickinson, Edward and Marjorie | 195.19 | 3.80 | | | | |
| Durkee, James and Linda | 565.30 | 91.20 | | | | |
| Durkee, Leonard | 157.17 | 152.83 | 124.93 | 111.60 | 13.13 | |
| Durkee, Heman and Valory | | | | 246.50 | | |

| Delinquent - Real and Personal | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972-70 |
|----------------------------------|----------|--------|----------|--------|-------|---------|
| Durkee, Miriam Hart | \$ | \$ | \$ 33.96 | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Eaton, Thomas | | 167.62 | | | | |
| Eaton, William and Nancy | 90.16 | | | | | |
| Fairbrother, Lawrence and Betty | | | | | 32.30 | |
| Field, David (Susan Field Est.) | 1,079.91 | | | | | |
| Field, David | 512.07 | | | | | |
| Frazier, Charles and Pam | 397.99 | | | | | |
| French, Donald | 22.81 | 22.18 | 18.13 | 16.20 | 17.01 | |
| Goodale, William and Mary Ann | 552.63 | 338.73 | | | | |
| Jaccaci, August and Robin | 14.81 | | | | | |
| Jim's Garage | 45.63 | 276.68 | | | | |
| Johnson, Glendon | 126.75 | | | | | |
| Josler, Nicholas | | | | | | |
| Kimbal, Edward and Ida | 169.84 | 155.38 | | 16.57 | | |
| Kniffin, Earl V., Jr. | 36.32 | 33.97 | | | | |
| Littlefield, Howard | | 84.81 | | | | |
| Lucy, Richard | 39.05 | | | | | |
| McGranaghan, Ivan and Lucille | 325.31 | 62.93 | | | | |
| MacPhail, Bruce | 319.41 | | | | | |
| Magoon, Robert | 103.93 | | | | | |
| Manning, Arvin and Lois | | 19.72 | 16.12 | 14.40 | 13.83 | |
| Manning, Lois | 103.93 | | | | | |
| Manning, Eileen Joyce | 580.51 | 512.72 | 419.12 | | | |
| Marcou, Thomas and Eleanor | 49.33 | 200.00 | | | | |
| Marka, Floy and David | 113.20 | | | | | |
| Martin, Robert and Patricia, Jr. | 342.22 | | | | | |
| Menancon, John | 719.94 | 700.06 | 578.31 | 525.60 | | |
| Nickels, James and Helen | 1,242.15 | | | | | |
| Osmer, Rodney | | | 40.30 | 36.00 | | |

| Delinquent - Real and Personal | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972-70 |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| *Pat's Village Store | \$ 181.86 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Perkins, Maurice and Sally | 593.19 | | | | | |
| Pero, Elwin | | 411.65 | 336.50 | | | |
| Pero, Gary and Patricia | 58.30 | | | | | |
| Pero, Reginald and Marion | 291.52 | 283.47 | 231.72 | 207.00 | 217.35 | 233.55 |
| Phelps, William and Carol | 64.38 | 601.46 | | | | |
| Phelps, Auto Body | 16.01 | 172.55 | | | | |
| Picknell, Richard | 332.08 | 322.91 | 263.96 | 235.80 | 80.32 | |
| Raymond, Leon | | | | 59.15 | | |
| Richter, Joseph (PP) | | 32.04 | | | | |
| Robinson, Joanne | | 79.91 | | | | |
| Ruza, Stanley | | 48.41 | | | | |
| St. Aubin, Lawrence and Linda | 732.61 | | | | | |
| St. Aubin, Lawrence (PP) | 111.43 | | | | | |
| Seace, James and Gertrude | 242.80 | | | | | |
| Sepanek, Edward and Ardeoth | | | 26.71 | | | |
| Stone, Duane | 103.93 | 61.62 | | | | |
| Thurston, Frank | 349.83 | | | | | |
| Thurston, Justin and Laura | 22.81 | 22.18 | 18.13 | 16.20 | | |
| Turner, Gordon | | 5.92 | | | | |
| Vance, Jim Garage | | | 28.21 | | | |
| Vance, Kermit and Marcia | 925.27 | 658.15 | 323.40 | | | |
| Van Ells, Paul and Margaret | 238.65 | 22.36 | | | | |
| Vermont Highway Department | 22.55 | | | | | |
| Weathersfield Farms | 970.90 | 944.09 | 771.74 | 689.40 | 68.82 | |
| Williams, George Gill | | 108.97 | | | | |
| Wright, Judith | 212.55 | | | | | |
| TOTALS | \$20,735.10 | \$8,171.83 | \$4,105.03 | \$2,379.44 | \$548.60 | \$ 593.26 |

DELINQUENT POLL TAXES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1977

| | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972 |
|----------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Adams, Leon | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Arnold, Martha D. | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Bacon, Cathy A. | .95 | | | | | |
| Bacon, Charles W. | .95 | | | | | |
| Banker, Blair A. | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Banker, Richard E. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Banker, Priscilla B. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Bailey, Tom | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Bailey, Leigh M. | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Benn, Bernard L. | .95 | | | | | |
| Benn, Vivian E. | .95 | | | | | |
| Berman, Phillip | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Bouchard, Louis, Jr. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Bouchard, Sally | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Bradley, Ransom W. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Bray, Michael | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Bray, Patricia | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Brockway, John | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Brockway, Rebecca | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Burgess, Tom | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Burke, William J. | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Cadwell, Peter | .95 | | | | | |
| Cadwell, Holly | .95 | | | | | |
| Cadwell, Scott | .95 | | | | | |
| Caswell, Douglas | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Clemson, Barry | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Condit, William S. | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Considine, Brian | | 9.93 | | | | |

Del. Poll Taxes as of Dec. 31, 1977

| | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972 |
|---------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Considine, Pamela | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Cook, Duane P. | .95 | 1.14 | | | | |
| Cook, Virginia A. | .95 | 1.14 | | | | |
| Cosgrove, Robert C. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Cosgrove, Kristine | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Cross, Gordon | .95 | | | | | |
| Cross, Betty | .95 | | | | | |
| Cross, Robert G. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Cummings, Kevin | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Davidow, Kathy | 10.07 | | | | | |
| DeMoll, Susan | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Doyle, Chris | 10.07 | | | 8.60 | | |
| Durkee, Gary | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Durkee, James | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Durkee, Linda | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Durkee, Leonard | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Durkee, Joan | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Durkee, Terri | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Eaton, William S. | .95 | | | | | |
| Eaton, Nancy S. | .95 | | | | | |
| Ecker, Harry W. | .95 | | | | | |
| Ecker, Joan R. | .95 | | | | | |
| Frazier, Charles | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Frazier, Pamela E. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| French, Donald | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Fulkerson, Charles | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Goodale, William H. | .95 | | | | | |
| Goodale, Maryann | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Goodrich, Peter | 10.07 | | | | | |

Del. Poll Taxes as of Dec. 31, 1977

| | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972 |
|---------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Harrington, Ramona | .95 | | | | | |
| Harrison, Mildred | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Hartman, Gloria | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Higgins, Terri | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Hill, Enoch | 10.07 | 1.14 | | | | |
| Hill, Nancy | 10.07 | 1.14 | | | | |
| Hill, Nathan | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Hodge, Richard | .95 | | | | | |
| Hodge, Roberta | .95 | | | | | |
| Hoffman, Christine | .95 | | | | | |
| Hooker, Timothy | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Hooker, Minnie | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Hosmer, Shirley | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Jordan, Wesley P. | .95 | | | | | |
| Kasper, Judith | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Kasper, Lloyd | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Kniffin, Wayne | | | 9.03 | | | |
| Knowlton, Dianna | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Kornberg, James P. | | 1.14 | | | | |
| Kornberg, Sally E. | | 1.14 | | | | |
| Laramie, Melissa | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Laroque, Everett G. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Latham, David | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Lilienthal, Paul A. | .95 | | | | | |
| Lilienthal, Margo | .95 | | | | | |
| Lynch, Kevin | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Lyons, Donald R. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Lyons, Bonita | 10.07 | | | | | |

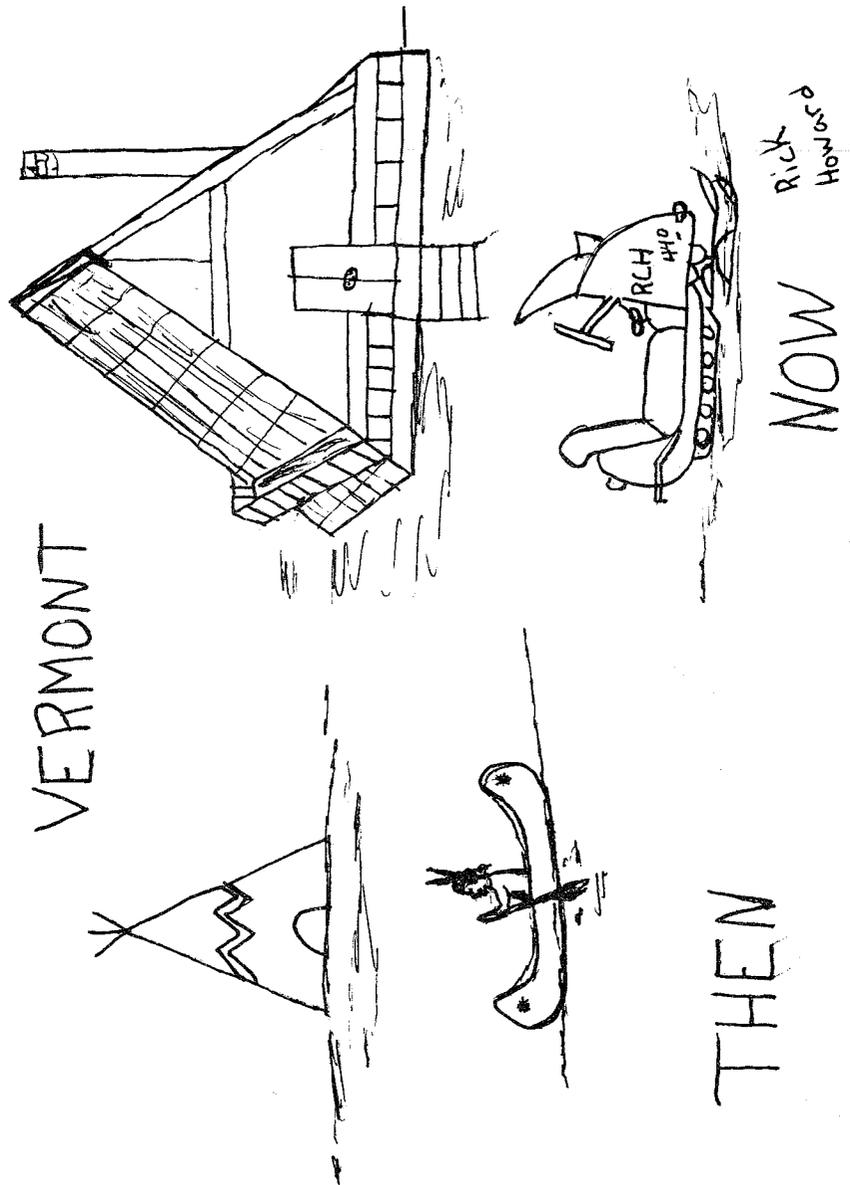
| Del. Poll Taxes as of Dec. 31, 1977 | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972 |
|-------------------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| MacGrath, Sheila | | | | | | |
| Magoon, Robert | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Magoon, Brenda L. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Manning, Gerald | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Manning, Arvin, Sr. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Manning, Eileen Joyce | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Manning, Arvin, Jr. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Manning, Bernard | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Marcott, Carol | .95 | | | | | |
| Mellors, John W. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Miller, Julian A. | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Mross, Michael | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Nichols, Duncan | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Nickels, James D. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Nickels, Helen M. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| O'Dell, Chip | .37 | | | | | |
| Osgood, Gary L. | | 1.14 | | | | |
| Osgood, Janice H. | | 1.14 | | | | |
| Osmer, Rodney | 10.07 | 9.93 | 9.03 | | 8.78 | 21.15 |
| Osmer, Linda | 10.07 | 9.93 | 9.03 | | 8.78 | 21.15 |
| Page, Cynthia E. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Paige, Ellis L. | .95 | | | | | |
| Paige, Wanita | .95 | | | | | |
| Patterson, Jane | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Palmer, Scott | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Peavey, James | .95 | | | | | |
| Peavey, Diane | .95 | | | | | |
| Pero, David | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Pero, Merlin | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Pero, Nathan E. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Pero, Reginald A. | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |

| Del. Poll Taxes as of Dec. 31, 1977 | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972 |
|-------------------------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Pero, Marion E. | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Phelps, Mitchell | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Phelps, William C. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Phelps, Carol A. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Picknell, Richard | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Raymond, Frances | 10.07 | | 9.03 | | | |
| Richter, Martha | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Richter, Joseph | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Rogers, Earl A. | .95 | | | | | |
| Rogers, Janet R. | .95 | | | | | |
| Roka, Barbara D. | .95 | | | | | |
| Rose, Susan E. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Ross, Dennis A. | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Ross, Paul E. | .95 | | | | | |
| Ross, Helen M. | .95 | | | | | |
| Rutter, Walter B. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Rutter, Nancy G. | 10.07 | | 9.03 | | | |
| St. Aubin, Lawrence | 10.07 | | 9.03 | | | |
| St. Aubin, Linda | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Sanborn, William, Jr. | 10.07 | 1.14 | | | | |
| Sanborn, Lydia | 10.07 | 1.14 | | | | |
| Seace, Gertrude B. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Seace, James C. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Smith, Gerard | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Smith, Alexander | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Smith, Allyn | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Sokol, Mark | | | | | | |
| Stone, Kathleen | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |

| Del. Poll Taxes as of Dec. 31, 1977 | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972 |
|-------------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Strohmer, Linda S. | \$.95 | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Swanson, Ann | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Thompson, Robert A. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Trottier, Joe | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Turner, Edward | | 9.93 | | 8.60 | 8.78 | 21.15 |
| Turner, Charlotte | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Van Ells, Paul A. | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Van Ells, Margaret | 10.07 | 9.93 | | | | |
| Voight, Kurt M. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Voight, Barbara A. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Wallace, Robert | .95 | | | | | |
| Wallace, Sharon | .95 | | | | | |
| Ward, Bradley | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Ward, Meg | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Waterman, Dena | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Waterman, Michael | | 9.93 | | | | |
| Whitmore, James M. | | 9.93 | | | | |
| White, Peter S. | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Walz, Terry | 10.07 | | | | | |
| William, Dorothy | 10.07 | | | | | |
| Wilpone, Seri A. | .95 | | | | | |
| Wright, Woody | 1.14 | | | | | |
| | \$931.75 | \$ 489.18 | \$63.21 | \$17.20 | \$26.34 | \$63.45 |

| Del. Poll Taxes as of Dec. 31, 1977 | 1977 | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 | 1973 | 1972 |
|--|-------------|------|------|-------------|------|------|
| Partial payment made after December 31, 1977 | | | | | | |
| Delinquent taxes December 31, 1976 | | | | \$27,140.24 | | |
| Delinquent taxes from Treasurer 1977 | | | | | | |
| Real Estate and Personal Property | \$48,162.01 | | | | | |
| Polls and Old Age Assistance | 2,426.87 | | | 50,588.88 | | |
| | | | | \$77,729.12 | | |
| Delinquent taxes collected in 1977 | | | | | | |
| Real Estate and Personal Property | \$38,058.62 | | | | | |
| Polls and Old Age Assistance | 1,570.22 | | | | | |
| Abated and Adjustments | (24.11) | | | 39,604.73 | | |
| Delinquent taxes on December 31, 1977 | | | | | | |
| Real Estate and Personal Property | \$36,533.26 | | | | | |
| Polls and Old Age Assistance | 1,591.13 | | | | | |
| | | | | \$38,124.39 | | |

William F. Phelps, Tax Collector



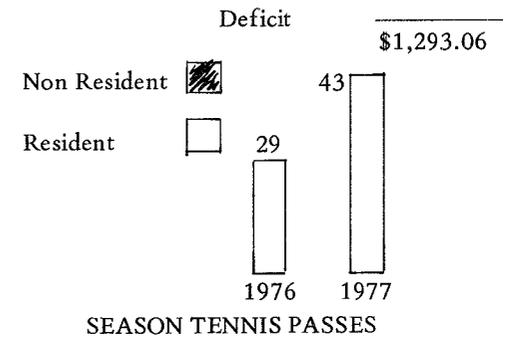
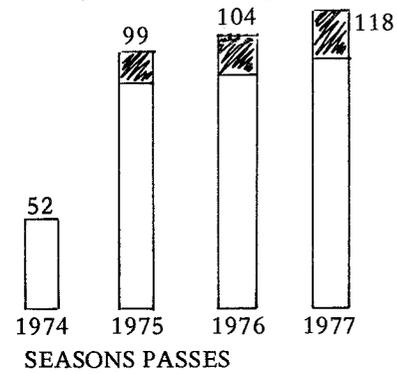
TREASURE ISLAND REPORT 1977

RECEIPTS:

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| F. R. S. - Town Voted | | \$2,000.00 |
| Season Tickets | 118 | |
| Non Resident | 16 (Family 13 & Single 3) | 500.00 |
| Resident | 102 (Family 89 & Single 13) | 1,515.00 |
| Tennis | 43 (Family 34 & Single 9) | 502.00 |
| Swimming Lesson | | 110.00 |
| Daily Admissions | | 2,089.75 |
| Gift | | 25.00 |
| Electricity | | 711.08 |
| Non. season tennis | | 144.00 |
| Weekly passes | 15 | 30.00 |
| | | <u>\$7,626.83</u> |

DISBURSEMENTS:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Electricity | \$ 905.34 |
| Taxes to West Fairlee and Fairlee | 3,612.44 |
| Insurance | 423.00 |
| Telephone | 78.40 |
| Wages | 2,505.96 |
| Supplies and Repairs | 455.52 |
| Sanitation | 804.10 |
| Postage and Advertising | 135.13 |
| | <u>\$8,919.89</u> |



Deficit \$1,293.06

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Treasure Island had another continued year of growth in attendance. Resident and non-resident season swimming passes, as well as daily admission fees, increased. The use of the tennis courts was substantial this year. Tennis, as most everyone knows, has become a popular pasttime activity. And the courts' familiarity is on the rise. Income, again for another year, for both swimming and tennis, increased. The swimming instruction program for the youngsters and adults was much improved.

For the first time, the baseball program for the boys and the girls softball teams came under the supervision of the Recreation Committee. Little League, Babe Ruth, and the softball teams participated in games among themselves and with various other towns. Thanks to many people and businesses in town the teams were financially well supported.

Also, this year skiing, now known as the "Thetford Ski Program" is being administered to by the Recreation Committee. Eighty-four girls and boys are participating at the Lyme Skiway.

Overall the Recreation Department of Thetford has grown quite a bit from last year and it looks for the future to continue in this direction for the benefit of everyone in town. There are numerous volunteers in the swimming, baseball, softball and ski programs that are hard working and deserving of all your praise.

Recreation Committee
 Drew Tallman, Chairman
 Rick Hoffman
 Martha Vaughan
 Matthew Wiencke
 Ted Peters
 Don Wilson
 Martha Bouchard
 Kathy Brown

RECREATION SKI PROGRAM

RECEIPTS:

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------|
| 78 Students | \$8.00 @ | \$ 624.00 |
| 10 Instructors | \$32.00 @ | 320.00 |
| 1 Ski Rental | \$2.00 @ | 2.00 |
| Mothers Club Gift | | 50.00 |
| Gifts | | 40.00 |
| | | <u>40.00</u> |
| | | \$1,036.00 |

DISBURSEMENTS:

| | | |
|-----------------|---------|-----------|
| 10 Pair Skis | \$50.00 | |
| Balance on Hand | | \$ 986.00 |

THETFORD'S LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL

The Thetford Little League enjoyed one of its most successful seasons during 1977. There were approximately 60 boys participating on one major and two minor league teams.

The major league team went undefeated with a 14 and 0 mark and 7 players made the Connecticut Valley All Star team which lost in the first round of the state playoffs 2 to 1.

Through "Skip" Malmquist's generosity of the use of his field in Post Mills, the Little League was able to have their own field for the first time. This appeared to be the ideal spot in town as crowds as high as 200 people attended some of the games.

Approximately \$1,000 was raised throughout the season in various ways and a balance of about \$250 is left for the 1978 season. Little equipment will have to be purchased this year as the three teams were completely equipped last year. However, new uniforms for the major league have been ordered at the cost of about \$500.

The goal of the Thetford Little League is to give every boy and girl that wants to play baseball a chance. Although we didn't have any girls participating last year we are looking forward to some this year.

A new scoreboard will be added to the field this year and hopefully some stands for the spectators can be erected as well.

In ending my report I wish to thank the coaches, parents, umpires, and friends of the Little League who gave so much of their time and financial support to such a worthwhile program. Most of all we should be proud of the boys who exemplified good sportsmanship throughout the season.

Again your support is needed and will be much appreciated for the upcoming season.

Douglas Dresser

ADDRESSING SERVICES

We have a complete listing of all the taxpayers, property owners, and residents as of April 1st. You may have your bulletins addressed for a fee of \$5.00.

BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL PROGRAM

| | | |
|---|--------------|----------|
| TOWN VOTED FUNDS | | \$350.00 |
| Disbursement: | | |
| Babe Ruth Registration & Insurance 1974-1977 | \$252.27 | |
| Conn. Valley Little League Registration & Insurance | | |
| 56 players — 3 teams | 51.75 | |
| Girls' Softball 2 teams | <u>54.00</u> | |
| Total | \$358.02 | (\$8.02) |

TOWN DRIVE

There were 24 donors who donated \$314.00 for equipment, which was divided among the six teams.

BABE RUTH 1 team Manager Frank Bonnett

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Receipts: | | |
| Town Drive | \$52.33 | |
| Registration from players | <u>6.00</u> | |
| | \$58.33 | |
| Disbursements | \$0 | Balance on hand \$ 58.33 |

GIRLS' SOFTBALL 2 teams Manager Phyllis Colby

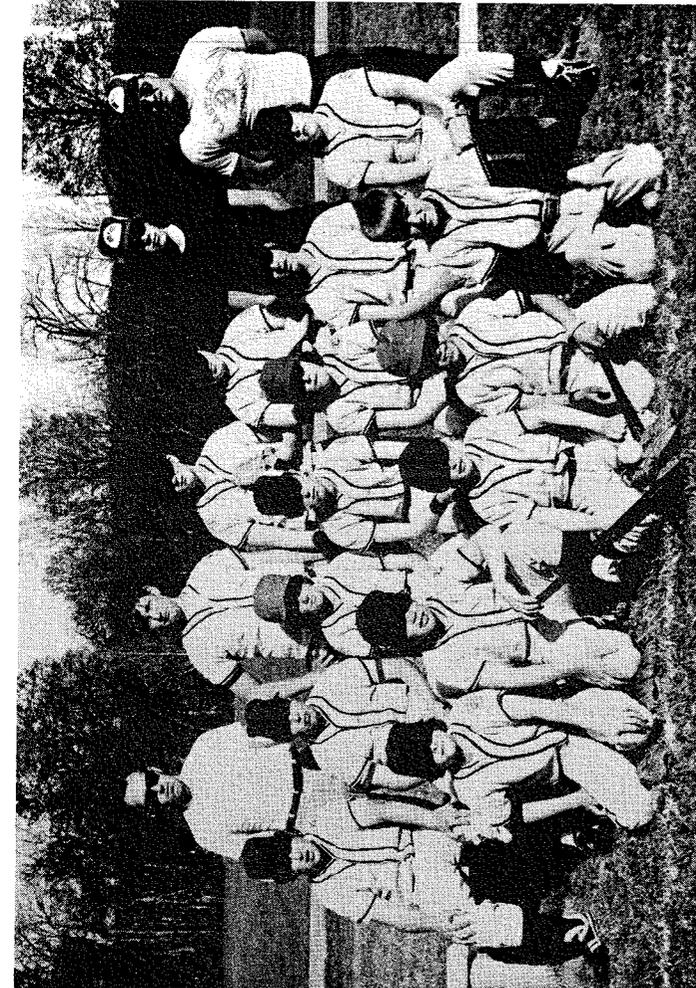
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|------------|--------------|
| Receipts: | |
| Town Drive | \$104.66 |
| Food Sale | <u>40.00</u> |
| | \$144.66 |

| | |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| Disbursements: | |
| Equipment | \$ 16.00 |
| | Balance on hand \$128.66 |

LITTLE LEAGUE 3 teams Manager Douglas Dresser

| | |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Receipts: | |
| Town Drive | \$157.01 |
| Players registration | 112.00 |
| Gifts | 175.00 |
| Food Sales | 124.40 |
| Game Contributions | 206.49 |
| Equipment Refund | 30.44 |
| Concessions | 1.55 |
| Bal. in acct. from T. A. | <u>99.42</u> |
| | \$906.31 |

| | |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| Disbursements: | |
| Physical | \$ 9.00 |
| Equipment | <u>684.30</u> |
| | \$693.30 |
| | Balance on hand \$213.01 |



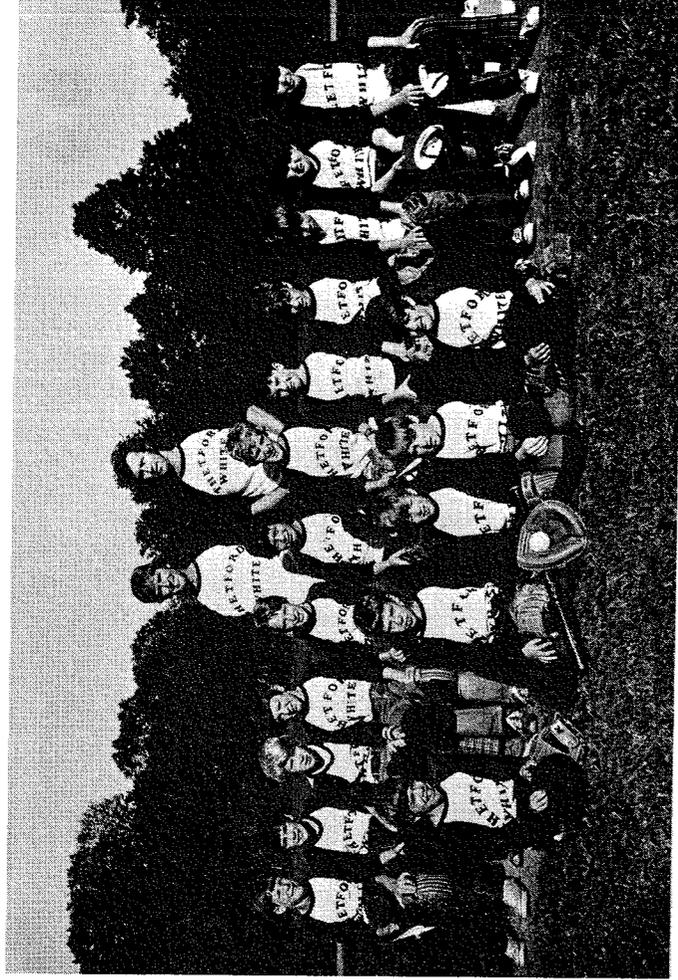
Thetford Little League

Bottom Row: Shawn Banker, Stewart Osgood, David Ulman, Danny Baker and Jimbo Seace.
Middle Row: Stuart Hunt, Darrell Dresser, Ward Malmquist, Wayne Briggs, Scott Moore, Kevin Mousley and Matt Barker. *Top Row:* Manager, Alford Stone, Mark Godfrey, Randy Hutchinson, Doug Mousley, Coaches Johnny Johnson and Douglas Dresser.



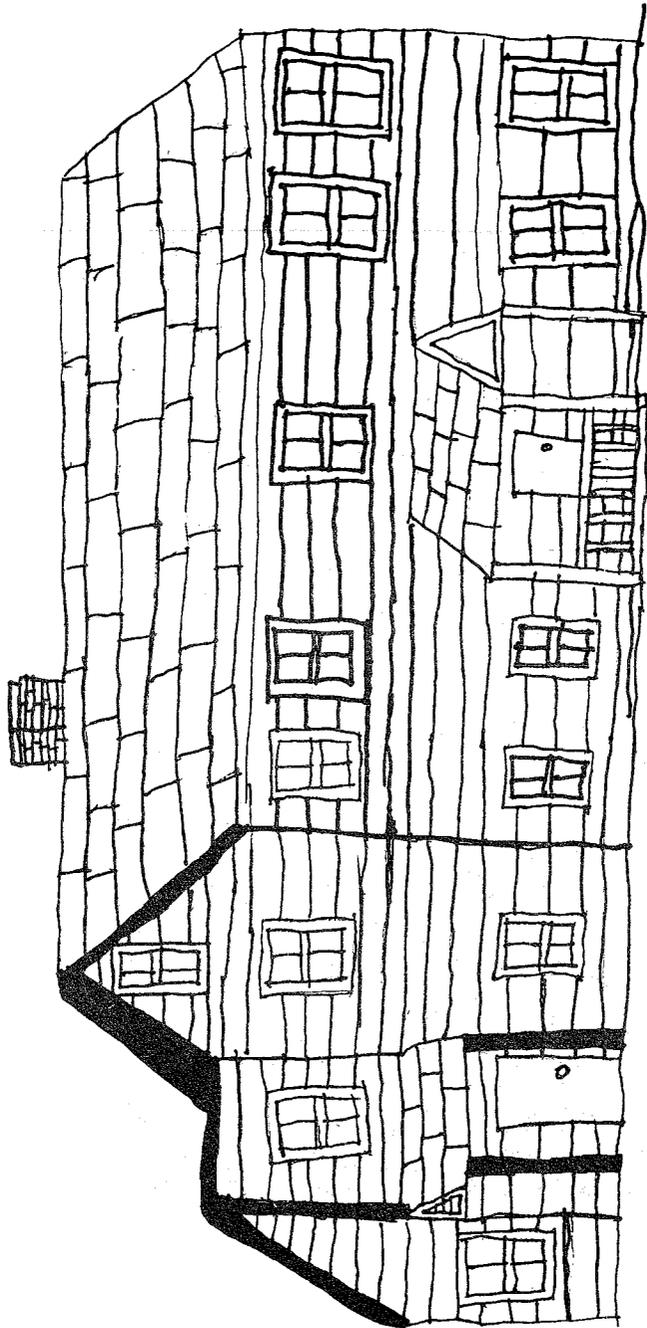
Thetford Blue Farm Team

Bottom Row: Rocky Osmer, Sean Lewis and Evan Lee. *Middle Row:* Frankie Thurston, David Osmer, Shannon Hart, Andy Moore, Brent Illsley and Tim Hoisington. *Top Row:* Coaches Greg Lewis, Butch Moore and Larry Hart. Missing when picture was taken: Michael Ricker, Timmy Doyle, Marty Wright, Chris Baker, Michael and Robert Murch, Warren and Victor Bailey.



Thetford White Farm Team

Bottom Row: Timmy Fowle, Mike Vaughan, Mike Norman, Darren Vaughan and Barbooy, Bobby Hunter. *Middle Row:* Dana McGranaghan, Randy Hurlbert, Andy Easton, Burtch Hunter, Kevin Pickett, Ray Coffin, Ethan Hall, Rick Howard, Dougie Durkee, Bobby Hart, Ronald Sweet and Gregory Frost. *Top Row:* Coaches John Lavasser and Howard Durkee. Missing when picture was taken: Troy Gray and Jamey Steinmetz.



Putt on House, Circa 1788

By Leeann Hart

Town of Thetford School District Reports



S. Johnson

1784 - First two school districts started.

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AND PROPOSED BUDGET 1978 - 79

| | Proposed Budget 7/1/77 - 6/30/78 | Actual Expense 6/30/77- 12/31/77 | Estimated Expense 1/1/78 - 6/30/78 | Spent & Estimated 7/1/77 - 6/30/78 | Proposed Budget 7/1/78 - 6/30/79 |
|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| <u>ADMINISTRATION</u> | | | | | |
| <u>Salaries</u> | | | | | |
| Board of Education | \$ 1,100.00 | \$ | \$ 1,100.00 | \$ 1,100.00 | \$ 1,100.00 |
| Supt's Office | 1,619.00 | 901.54 | 901.46 | 1,803.00 | 1,983.00 |
| Supt's Salary | 2,200.00 | 1,227.02 | 1,226.98 | 2,454.00 | 2,699.00 |
| Census | 60.00 | 60.00 | | 60.00 | 60.00 |
| Other Salaries | 2,004.00 | 1,256.30 | 1,256.70 | 2,513.00 | 2,764.00 |
| <u>Expenses</u> | | | | | |
| Board of Education | 825.00 | 350.18 | 474.82 | 825.00 | 825.00 |
| Treasurer | 30.00 | | 30.00 | 30.00 | 30.00 |
| Supt's Office | 1,318.00 | 780.56 | 780.44 | 1,561.00 | 1,711.00 |
| Supt's Travel | 542.00 | 283.70 | 283.30 | 567.00 | 624.00 |
| Other Expense | 600.00 | 325.00 | 325.00 | 650.00 | 715.00 |
| Purchasing Office | | 89.92 | 10.08 | 100.00 | |
| Contracted Services | 51.00 | 26.40 | 26.60 | 53.00 | |
| | \$ 10,349.00 | \$ 5,300.62 | \$ 6,415.38 | \$ 11,716.00 | \$ 12,511.00 |
| <u>Instruction</u> | | | | | |
| Teachers | \$130,825.00 | \$ 48,677.50 | \$ 86,095.50 | \$134,773.00 | \$145,373.00 |
| Textbooks | 1,500.00 | 2,095.22 | .78 | 2,096.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Library Books | 1,000.00 | 360.69 | 639.31 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Periodicals | 250.00 | 301.68 | .32 | 302.00 | 300.00 |
| Audio Visuals | 1,200.00 | 576.45 | 300.55 | 877.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Other Library Expense | 600.00 | 231.44 | 368.56 | 600.00 | 900.00 |
| Manipulative Inst. | 1,200.00 | 307.67 | 200.33 | 508.00 | 1,000.00 |

| | Proposed Budget | Actual Expense | Estimated Expense | Spent & Estimated | Proposed Budget |
|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| | 7/1/77 - 6/30/78 | 6/30/77 - 12/31/77 | 1/1/78 - 6/30/78 | 7/1/77 - 6/30/78 | 7/1/78 - 6/30/79 |
| <u>INSTRUCTION (Continued)</u> | | | | | |
| Teaching Supplies | \$ 4,250.00 | \$ 4,226.87 | \$ 123.13 | \$ 4,350.00 | \$ 4,800.00 |
| Other Expense Instr. | 250.00 | 506.61 | 50.39 | 557.00 | 500.00 |
| Other Expense Misc. | 550.00 | 286.60 | 313.40 | 600.00 | 605.00 |
| In-Service Training | 1,500.00 | 2,466.85 | 33.15 | 2,500.00 | 1,800.00 |
| | \$143,125.00 | \$ 60,037.58 | \$ 88,125.42 | \$148,163.00 | \$159,278.00 |
| <u>Health Service</u> | | | | | |
| Physician | \$ 150.00 | \$ 113.00 | \$ 67.00 | \$ 180.00 | \$ 240.00 |
| School Nurse | 1,188.00 | 475.20 | 712.80 | 1,188.00 | 1,242.00 |
| Nurse's Supplies | 75.00 | 31.25 | 43.75 | 75.00 | 75.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 500.00 | 44.50 | 455.50 | 500.00 | 1,110.00 |
| | \$ 1,913.00 | \$ 663.95 | \$ 1,279.05 | \$ 1,943.00 | \$ 2,667.00 |
| <u>Pupil Transportation</u> | | | | | |
| Salaries - Drivers | \$ 18,750.00 | \$ 7,258.28 | \$ 10,741.72 | \$ 18,000.00 | \$ 18,703.00 |
| Bus Insurance | 1,100.00 | 715.00 | 715.00 | 715.00 | 800.00 |
| Gas and Oil | 7,000.00 | 2,623.26 | 4,376.74 | 7,000.00 | 7,500.00 |
| Tires and Tubes | 1,200.00 | 153.38 | 646.62 | 800.00 | 800.00 |
| Maintenance | 6,000.00 | 3,122.58 | 4,177.42 | 7,300.00 | 7,300.00 |
| Rent | 500.00 | 100.00 | 150.00 | 250.00 | 250.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 200.00 | 25.80 | 174.20 | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| | \$ 34,750.00 | \$ 13,998.30 | \$ 20,266.70 | \$ 34,265.00 | \$ 35,553.00 |
| <u>Operation of Plant</u> | | | | | |
| Custodial Services | \$ 11,000.00 | \$ 5,534.70 | \$ 4,696.30 | \$ 10,231.00 | \$ 13,428.00 |
| Heat | 9,600.00 | 2,091.06 | 5,908.94 | 8,000.00 | 8,600.00 |
| Electricity | 4,200.00 | 1,737.56 | 2,462.44 | 4,200.00 | 4,500.00 |
| Gas | 250.00 | 49.08 | 200.92 | 250.00 | 275.00 |

| | Proposed Budget | Actual Expense | Estimated Expense | Spent & Estimated | Proposed Budget |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| | 7/1/77 - 6/30/78 | 6/30/77 - 12/31/77 | 1/1/78 - 6/30/78 | 7/1/77 - 6/30/78 | 7/1/78 - 6/30/79 |
| <u>OPERATION OF PLANT (Cont.)</u> | | | | | |
| Telephone | \$ 1,250.00 | \$ 674.72 | \$ 675.28 | \$ 1,350.00 | \$ 1,350.00 |
| Custodial Supplies | 2,000.00 | 2,628.75 | 601.25 | 3,230.00 | 3,200.00 |
| | \$ 28,300.00 | \$ 12,715.87 | \$ 14,545.13 | \$ 27,261.00 | \$ 31,353.00 |
| <u>Maintenance of Plant</u> | | | | | |
| Grounds | \$ 500.00 | \$ 576.00 | \$ 576.00 | \$ 1,152.00 | \$ 1,200.00 |
| Building | 1,800.00 | 158.54 | 841.56 | 1,000.00 | 1,800.00 |
| Equipment Repair | 1,000.00 | 340.99 | 659.01 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Instr. Equip. Replacement | 500.00 | 131.70 | 368.30 | 500.00 | 1,384.00 |
| Non-Instr. " " | 16,000.00 | 63.06 | 10,000.00 | 10,063.06 | 1,000.00 |
| Other Expense | 750.00 | 963.46 | 236.54 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 |
| | \$ 20,550.00 | \$ 2,233.75 | \$ 12,681.31 | \$ 14,915.06 | \$ 7,584.00 |
| <u>Fixed Charges</u> | | | | | |
| Social Security | \$ 9,600.00 | \$ 4,106.23 | \$ 5,493.77 | \$ 9,600.00 | \$ 10,600.00 |
| Property Insurance | 2,000.00 | 1,689.40 | 310.60 | 2,000.00 | 2,200.00 |
| Employee Insurance | 6,200.00 | 3,721.82 | 4,278.18 | 8,000.00 | 10,122.00 |
| Liability " (not bus) | 490.00 | | 560.00 | 560.00 | 560.00 |
| Fidelity Bond | 35.00 | 135.00 | 36.00 | 36.00 | 36.00 |
| Interest on Cur. Loans | | | | 135.00 | |
| Unemployment Comp. | | | | | 2,000.00 |
| | \$ 18,325.00 | \$ 9,652.45 | \$ 10,678.55 | \$ 20,331.00 | \$ 25,518.00 |
| <u>Food Service</u> | | | | | |
| Expense | \$ 100.00 | \$ | \$ 100.00 | \$ 100.00 | \$ 100.00 |
| <u>Capital Outlay</u> | | | | | |
| Equipment | \$ | \$ 75.00 | \$ | \$ 75.00 | \$ |

| | Proposed Budget 7/1/77 - 6/30/78 | Actual Expense 6/30/77 - 12/31/77 | Estimated Expense 1/1/78 - 6/30/78 | Spent & Estimated 7/1/77 - 6/30/78 | Proposed Budget 7/1/78 - 6/30/79 |
|-------------------|---|--|---|---|---|
| DEBT SERVICE | | | | | |
| Bonds | \$ 23,000.00 | \$ | \$ 23,000.00 | \$ 23,000.00 | \$ 23,000.00 |
| Interest | 14,360.00 | 340.00 | 13,593.00 | 13,933.00 | 14,280.00 |
| Outgoing Transfer | \$ 37,360.00 | \$ 340.00 | \$ 36,593.00 | \$ 36,933.00 | \$ 37,280.00 |
| Tuition | \$274,000.00 | \$ 84,932.72 | \$165,567.28 | \$250,600.00 | \$ 326,050.00 |
| Special Education | 4,000.00 | 4,889.95 | | 4,889.95 | 9,100.00 |
| Aid-Fed. & State | 3,000.00 | | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| In-State Tuition | | 1,715.67 | 3,174.33 | 4,890.00 | 5,375.00 |
| TOTALS | \$281,000.00 | \$ 91,538.34 | \$171,741.61 | \$263,379.95 | \$343,525.00 |
| | \$575,772.00 | \$196,555.86 | \$362,426.15 | \$558,982.01 | \$655,369.00 |

RECAPITULATION

| | Proposed Budget 7/1/77 - 6/30/77 | Actual Expense 6/30/77 - 12/31/77 | Estimated Expense 1/1/78 - 6/30/78 | Spent & Estimated 7/1/77 - 6/30/78 | Proposed Budget 7/1/78 - 6/30/79 | Increase (Decrease) |
|----------------------|---|--|---|---|---|------------------------|
| Administration | \$ 10,349.00 | \$ 5,300.62 | \$ 6,415.38 | \$ 11,716.00 | \$ 12,511.00 | \$ 2,162.00 |
| Instruction | 143,125.00 | 60,037.58 | 88,125.42 | 148,163.00 | 159,298.00 | 16,153.00 |
| Health Service | 1,913.00 | 663.95 | 1,279.05 | 1,943.00 | 2,667.00 | 754.00 |
| Pupil Transportation | 34,750.00 | 13,998.30 | 20,266.70 | 34,265.00 | 35,553.00 | 803.00 |
| Operation of Plant | 28,300.00 | 12,715.87 | 14,545.13 | 27,261.00 | 31,353.00 | 3,053.00 |
| Maintenance of Plant | 20,550.00 | 2,233.75 | 12,681.31 | 14,915.06 | 7,584.00 | (12,966.00) |
| Fixed Charges | 18,325.00 | 9,652.45 | 10,678.55 | 20,331.00 | 25,518.00 | 7,193.00 |
| Food Service | 100.00 | --- | 100.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 | --- |
| Capital Outlay | 37,360.00 | 75.00 | --- | 75.00 | --- | --- |
| Debt Service | 281,000.00 | 340.00 | 36,593.00 | 36,933.00 | 37,280.00 | (80.00) |
| Outgoing Transfer | | 91,538.34 | 171,741.61 | 263,379.95 | 343,525.00 | 62,525.00 |
| | \$575,772.00 | \$196,555.86 | \$362,426.15 | \$558,982.01 | \$655,369.00 | \$ 79,607.00 |
| Budget Increase | | \$ 79,607.00 | - 14% | | | |
| Tax Increase | | \$ 68,745.64 | - 14% | | | |

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS

January 1, 1978

| | | |
|---|--------------------|---------------|
| Balance on Hand - July 1, 1977 | | |
| Cash in Bank | \$ 2,743.41 | |
| Petty Cash | <u>50.00</u> | |
| Total Assets | \$ 2,793.41 | |
| Less Accruals | <u>(10,132.72)</u> | \$ (7,339.31) |
| Total on Hand - July 1, 1977 | | |
| Income - July 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977 | | |
| Taxes | 476,253.69 | |
| Bus Fares and Rentals | 2,000.00 | |
| State of Vermont | | |
| State Aid for Education | 53,789.00 | |
| 20% Reimbursement - Debt Service | \$ 8,263.94 | |
| Federal Grant | 1,224.36 | |
| Sale of Real Property | 4,000.00 | |
| Total Available | <u>545,530.99</u> | |
| Less Directors Orders drawn July 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977 | \$538,191.68 | |
| Directors Balance - January 1, 1978 | <u>196,555.86</u> | |
| Treasurer's Balance - January 1, 1978 | \$341,635.82 | |
| Cash in Bank | 347,893.42 | |
| Certificates of Deposit | 6,257.60 | |
| Petty Cash | | |
| Less Accruals | <u>341,635.82</u> | |

| | | |
|--|-------------------|--------------|
| Directors Balance - January 1, 1978 | | |
| Anticipated Income - January 1, 1978 to June 30, 1978 | | |
| Vocational Aid | 341,635.82 | |
| Bus Income | \$ 3,000.00 | |
| Interest - Certificate of Deposit | 3,392.00 | |
| Debt Retirement - Revenue Sharing | 4,000.00 | |
| Anticipated Total Available to June 30, 1978 | <u>18,000.00</u> | 28,392.00 |
| Less Directors Orders Anticipated January 1, 1978 to June 30, 1978 | \$370,027.82 | |
| Anticipated Surplus | <u>362,426.15</u> | \$ 7,601.67. |
| Estimated Balance and Income for July 1, 1978 to June 30, 1979 | | |
| Surplus | | 7,601.67 |
| State Aid | 65,000.00 | |
| Vocational Aid | 3,000.00 | |
| Bus Income | 3,392.00 | |
| 20% Bond and Interest | 7,386.00 | |
| Estimated Interest Income | 4,000.00 | |
| Flood Control | \$ 2,000.00 | |
| Revenue Sharing | <u>18,000.00</u> | 102,778.00 |
| Estimated Balance and Income | \$110,379.67 | |
| Proposed Budget - July 1, 1978 to June 30, 1979 | | |
| Less Estimated Balance and Income | 655,369.00 | |
| Tax Money to be Raised | <u>110,379.67</u> | \$544,989.33 |

**THETFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
TREASURER'S REPORT**

| | | |
|--|--------------|-------------------|
| Balance Cash, January 1, 1977 | \$ 21,519.14 | |
| RECEIPTS: | | |
| Taxes | \$476,253.69 | |
| State Aid for Education | 53,789.00 | |
| Vocational Education | | |
| Consumer and Homemaking | 4,098.61 | |
| Education | 8,560.75 | |
| Transportation | 2,160.00 | |
| Technical | 1,300.00 | |
| Federal Title IV-B | 508.00 | |
| State reimbursement 20% indebtedness | 8,263.94 | |
| Federal Employment Grant | 5,750.24 | |
| Flood Control | 2,112.55 | |
| Bus Transportation | 4,000.00 | |
| H. P. Cummings - fuel oil | 1,110.88 | |
| Sale of mobile unit | 4,000.00 | |
| Tuition refund - OxBow | 161.43 | |
| Blue Cross - Blue Shield (for insurance) | 472.58 | |
| Certificates of Deposit | 290,000.00 | |
| Interest on Certificates of Deposit | 5,703.87 | |
| School Bond Principal F.R.S. | 18,000.00 | |
| Bradford National Bank Notes | 12,000.00 | <u>898,245.54</u> |
| | | \$919,764.68 |
| DISBURSEMENTS: | | <u>911,921.26</u> |
| Balance Cash on hand December 31, 1977 | | \$ 7,843.42 |
| Certificates of Deposit | | 340,000.00 |
| Petty Cash (Principal's Office) | | <u>50.00</u> |
| Total Balance of Funds December 31, 1977 | | \$347,893.42 |

Emily E. Hood, Treasurer

**REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND ADMINISTRATION**

The 1977-78 enrollment is approximately the same as last year with 220 elementary students and 201 secondary students. The excellent staff at the Thetford Elementary School continues to improve the educational program for students. The revised Reading Program is in operation and test scores were higher again this year. The social studies curriculum has been revised for grades two through five and will be fully implemented in grades one through six next year. The science program is also being examined in cooperation with the Regional Center for Education Training.

The Thetford Elementary School continues to participate in the Orange East Supervisory Union special services programs which include Remedial Reading and Speech Therapy. New additions to the program this year were a learning disabilities specialist for school age students and an early education specialist for pre-school children with special educational needs. It is hoped that additional services will be available in 1978-79 to meet the needs of all handicapped children. The entire staff should be commended for their continued dedication to the children of Thetford.

The 1978-79 budget represents an increase of \$79,607 or 13.8% over the 1977-78 budget. The major increases occur in the areas of staff salaries \$14,548 fixed charges \$7,193 (employee insurance and unemployment compensation) and tuition \$62,525. We have made every effort to reduce expenditures wherever possible and to propose a reasonable budget.

The State Aid to Education formula is again under consideration by the legislature. It appears from recently released figures that the Town of Thetford would benefit substantially if the legislature substituted H550 for the present "Miller" formula. This bill includes an "income" factor as well as a "property" factor. Thetford would also benefit from a proposal to add 3.7 million for distribution under the present formula. Present funding gives Thetford approximately \$125 per pupil. The additional 3.7 million would result in \$170 per pupil and H550 would, with the additional 3.7 million, produce \$290 per pupil. Since this impact could be substantial, you should encourage your representatives to support such legislation.

We encourage you to visit school and to attend and participate in school board meetings. The board meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P. M. at the Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Barker, Jr.
Laurence Babcock
Webster Keefe

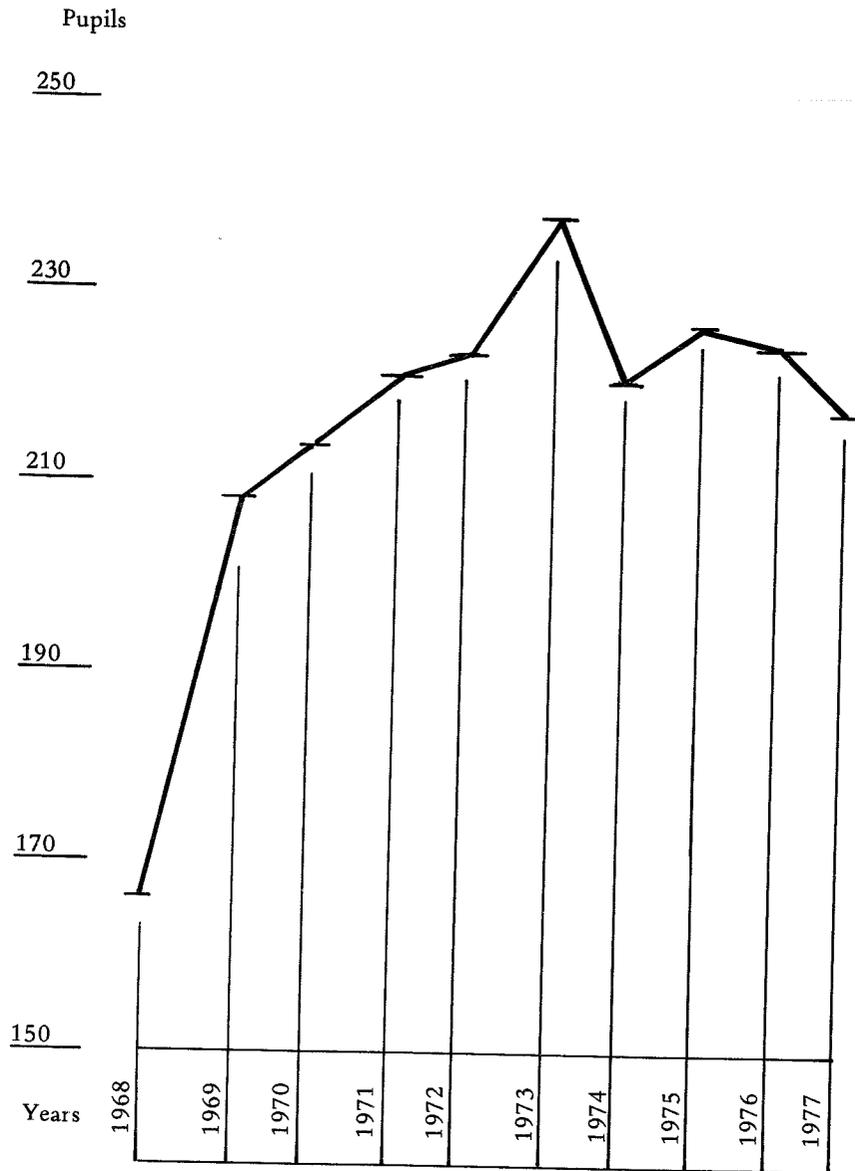
Board of School Directors

John D. Fontana, Superintendent

Leo E. Beaumont, Asst. Superintendent

Robert F. Johnston, Principal

THETFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT



THETFORD ELEMENTARY TEACHERS SALARY SCHEDULE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1977 - 1978

| Step | B.S. | B.S.+15 | B.S.+30 (M.A.) |
|------|-------|---------|----------------|
| 1 | 7300 | 7510 | 7930 |
| 2 | 7615 | 7825 | 8245 |
| 3 | 7930 | 8140 | 8560 |
| 4 | 8245 | 8455 | 8875 |
| 5 | 8560 | 8770 | 9190 |
| 6 | 8875 | 9085 | 9610 |
| 7 | 9190 | 9505 | 10030 |
| 8 | 9610 | 9925 | 10450 |
| 9 | 10030 | 10345 | 10870 |
| 10 | 10450 | 10765 | 11290 |
| 11 | 10765 | 11080 | 11605 |

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

| Grade | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Total |
|---------------|----|------|------|----|----|----|-------|
| | 27 | 18 | 44 | 33 | 38 | 30 | 219 |
| Kindergarten: | | A.M. | P.M. | | | | |
| | | 15 | 14 | | | | |

THETFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BOND

| Bond No. | Denom. of Bonds due | Amt. of Bond ea. Mat. date | Interest Payment | Maturity date of Bonds | Total |
|----------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------|
| 104-108 | \$1,000.00 | \$5,000.00 | \$595.00 | 6/1/78 | \$5,595.00 |
| 109-113 | 1,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 425.00 | 6/1/79 | 5,425.00 |
| 114-118 | 1,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 255.00 | 6/1/80 | 5,255.00 |
| 119-123 | 1,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 85.00 | 6/1/81 | 5,085.00 |

SCHOOL 1976-1977 ADDITION BOND

Balance due \$342,000.00
 \$18,000.00 paid on Principal

SCHOOL BOND CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Jan. 1, 1977 to Dec. 31, 1977

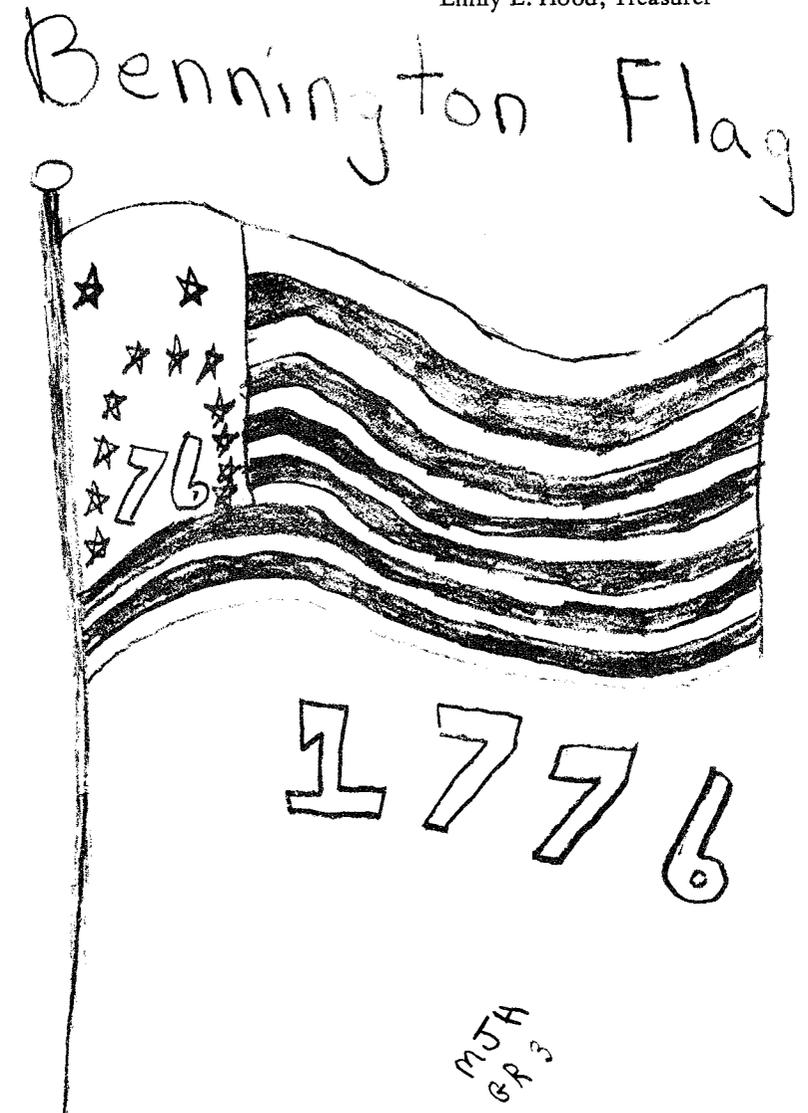
| DISBURSEMENTS: | |
|--|---------------------|
| Professional Bldg. Services | |
| R. Bilyard (architect) | \$ 7,041.36 |
| Professional Site Services | |
| Twin State Survey | 275.00 |
| Samuel Morris | 1,600.00 |
| Site Improvements | |
| Van Norden Tree Service | 1,002.00 |
| Barker Sargent | 692.00 |
| Bigelow Paving | 338.40 |
| R. Howard | 217.00 |
| C. Deane Const. | 14,307.30 |
| New Addition | |
| H. P. Cummings (contractor) | 28,044.87 |
| Remodeling | |
| Ely Fence | 146.00 |
| R. Judd | 146.00 |
| Randall Co. | 1,200.15 |
| Trowell Trades Supply | 16.95 |
| Vt. Contract Furnishing Supply | 4,820.00 |
| Equipment for Instruction | |
| Kenco | 1,800.00 |
| Nissen Corp. | 876.00 |
| Ed. Installations | 6,329.02 |
| Public Seating | 3,203.86 |
| Langley | 1,850.00 |
| New England School Supply | 69.70 |
| Jarmak Co. | 14,385.25 |
| Equipment for Janitor (operation of plant) | |
| Kenco | 499.60 |
| Randall Co. | 1,146.54 |
| Ambrose | 34.07 |
| Block & Co. | 97.90 |
| Vt. Contract Furnishing Supply | 57.60 |
| Equipment for Administration | |
| Beckly-Cardy | 130.20 |
| Gallison | 330.00 |
| Legal Services | |
| Otterman & Allen | 102.00 |
| Bank Notes | 146,600.00 |
| Interest on Notes | 1,132.88 |
| Total Disbursements | \$238,491.65 |

RECEIPTS:

| | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Balance on hand 12-31-76 | \$125,213.59 |
| Interest | 8,187.27 |
| Bank Notes | 61,600.00 |
| State Aid for Construction | 57,013.40 |
| | <u>\$252,014.26</u> |

Balance on Hand 12-31-77 \$ 13,522.61

Emily E. Hood, Treasurer



THETFORD ACADEMY OPERATING ACCOUNT

| | 1976-1977 Actual | 1977-1978 (Revised) Budget | 1978-1979 Budget |
|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| INCOME: | | | |
| Tuition | \$384,953.35 | \$400,400.00 | \$503,250.00 |
| Reimbursement from Office | 1,218.10 | 950.00 | .00 |
| Reimbursement from State | 11,975.99 | 9,600.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Town of Thetford | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Scholarships | 1,050.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Rent | 5,375.00 | 5,400.00 | 8,000.00 |
| Blue Cross - Blue Shield | 110.60 | 249.00 | 250.00 |
| Student Conventions | | 1,400.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | | 150.00 | |
| Insurance Claims | | | |
| Total | \$411,631.47 | \$421,149.00 | \$524,500.00 |
| DISBURSEMENTS: | | | |
| Administration | | | |
| Salaries | \$ 2,640.00 | \$ 2,640.00 | \$ 2,800.00 |
| Memberships | 336.00 | 1,125.00 | 2,125.00 |
| Supplies | 723.41 * | 825.00 | 1,235.00 |
| Travel | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Total | \$ 6,590.00 | \$ 6,590.00 | \$ 8,160.00 |
| INSTRUCTION: | | | |
| Salaries | \$222,596.16 | \$259,364.00 | \$299,328.00 |
| Textbooks | 5,492.62 | 4,500.00 | 4,775.00 |
| Library | 2,873.52 | 3,500.00 | 3,700.00 |
| Supplies | * | 10,000.00 | 10,600.00 |
| Travel | * | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| In-Service Training | 370.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Miscellaneous | * | 550.00 | 550.00 |
| Total | \$279,314.00 | \$320,353.00 | \$320,353.00 |
| HEALTH SERVICES: | | | |
| Salaries | \$ 1,100.00 * | \$ 1,200.00 | \$ 1,275.00 |
| Supplies | * | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Total | \$ 1,400.00 | \$ 1,400.00 | \$ 1,475.00 |

TRANSPORTATION:

| | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Salaries | \$ 7,343.75 | \$ 7,800.00 | \$ 8,270.00 |
| Gas, Oil, Tires) | | 4,200.00 | 4,200.00 |
| Maintenance) | 6,572.84 * | 2,065.00 | 2,065.00 |
| Driver Education Car | 659.37 | 800.00 | 800.00 |
| Total | \$ 14,865.00 | \$ 15,335.00 | \$ 15,335.00 |

PLANT OPERATION:

| | | | |
|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Salaries | \$ 21,758.63 | \$ 22,000.00 | \$ 32,923.00 |
| Utilities | 29,418.45 * | 27,200.00 | 41,400.00 |
| Supplies | | 6,400.00 | 7,630.00 |
| Total | \$ 55,600.00 | \$ 55,600.00 | \$ 81,953.00 |

PLANT MAINTENANCE:

| | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Contractor Services | \$ 1,012.77 | \$ 8,500.00 | \$ 9,010.00 |
| Equipment Replacement | | 2,400.00 | 2,350.00 |
| Grounds: Other Expense | | 1,500.00 | 1,600.00 |
| Buildings: Other Expense | | * | 13,000.00 |
| Total | \$ 14,650.67 | \$ 35,400.00 | \$ 26,160.00 |
| Social Security | | \$ 16,043.00 | \$ 21,191.00 |
| Employment Security | | .00 | 7,006.00 |
| Insurance | 5,871.00 | 4,607.00 | 7,500.00 |
| Blue Cross - Blue Shield | 7,832.39 | 7,800.00 | 14,925.00 |
| Total | \$ 28,354.06 | \$ 28,450.00 | \$ 50,622.00 |

STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES:

| | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Salaries | \$ 4,802.01 | \$ 4,100.00 | \$ 7,675.00 |
| Other Expense | 1,000.00 | 2,400.00 | 2,400.00 |
| Scholarships and Awards | 1,255.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Total | \$ 8,500.00 | \$ 8,500.00 | \$ 12,075.00 |

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS IN YEAR

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Surplus or deficit prior year | | | |
| Disbursements | \$430,119.00 | \$516,133.00 | \$516,133.00 |
| Projected Deficit | - | - | - |
| Grand Total | \$415,429.95 | \$430,119.00 | \$430,119.00 |

* NOTE:

ITEMS OF OLD BUDGET WHICH ARE
DISTRIBUTED IN * STARRED ITEMS
OF NEW BUDGET LINES

\$ 40,091.88 — Supplies and Equipment
33,262.71 — Improvements and Maintenance
1,015.69 — Transportation and Travel
80.00 — Student Conventions
671.17 — Miscellaneous

REPORT OF THE HEADMASTER OF THETFORD ACADEMY

1977 was a stormy year for Thetford Academy. The winds of change blew long and hard revealing some weaknesses, but also confirming the basic strength of Vermont's oldest secondary school. That strength is in the deep roots of support the school has in the community it serves, and in the dedication and loyalty of its faculty and staff, past and present. I hope that, when the period of reevaluation and development is over, the Academy will once again have demonstrated that it is solid in its basic values and yet flexible enough to adapt itself to changes in the communities' needs.

The Academy opened this Fall with 314 students registered from the following towns: Thetford 202, Strafford 26, West Fairlee 34, Vershire 38, Lyme 8, Fairlee 3, Corinth 1, and Hanover 2. In addition to myself, new faculty members this year are Dr. Robert Brinckerhoff, Assistant Headmaster; Miss Debra Lickley, physical education; Miss Judith Jordan, reading specialist; and Miss Rebecca Burt, English. Mrs. Anita Lathrop, a para-professional in career education, is also with us this year in a CETA funded program. Of the new faculty members, three are replacements and two are additions, bringing the faculty and staff to the following strength: Headmaster, Assistant Headmaster, Guidance Director, Librarian, 22 full time classroom teachers, Plant Maintenance Man, bus driver, 2 part time custodians, and four part time student custodians.

The trustees have worked hard throughout the year to see that the buildings and equipment of the Academy are brought up to standard, and that a program of continued maintenance be established. All the projects required by the state agencies have either been accomplished or are on schedule. There is, of course, still room for improvement, but the older buildings are safe and serviceable. Completion of the new building, expected by early Spring, will provide excellent facilities for Home Economics, Industrial Arts, Music, Art, Business Education, and Developmental Reading, and will also make possible more effective use of space in the older buildings.

The Academy's curriculum is designed to meet the needs of all the students in the district and must range from remedial reading and mathematics to college preparation and advanced vocational training. The need for additional reading instruction has been partially met this year by Miss Jordan. Our first surveys of the State's new Basic Competencies in mathematics makes it clear that our students need a wider range of courses in mathematics in the upper grades, and we look forward to the help we will be able to provide with the return of Mrs. Esther Scruggs to the Mathematics Department.

The expenditures needed to accomplish the improvements in plant and program are reflected in the substantially increased budget for next year. The major increases are due to the following: (1) changes in the Social Security and Employment Security laws, (2) raising salaries and benefits of Academy faculty closer to those of surrounding public schools, (3) addition of one faculty member in mathematics, (4) additions to the utility and custodial budgets to accommodate the new building, and (5) the spreading of the unusual expenses of 1977-1978 over two or three years' budgets.

The Academy applauds the outstanding achievements of Senior Erin Sweeney of Strafford in being chosen as a National Merit Scholarship Finalist, of the girls varsity softball team in winning the Vermont State Championship, and of the boys varsity soccer team in winning the Central Vermont League Championship.

I would be glad to meet with anyone who has questions or suggestions for the improvement of the Academy.

Frederick G. Torrey

1976 TOWN REPORT WINS FIRST PLACE

For the FOURTH year in a row the Thetford Town Report was awarded first place in Class IV of the James P. Taylor Memorial Town Report Contest. This was in competition with all towns in Vermont and was presented in December at the annual meeting of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns Fair. The class is determined according to the population of the town. The plaques are hung in the Selectmen's Office.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

In accordance with 24 V.S.A. sections 1681, we have examined the accounts and records of the Town Officers and Organizations, and have made the corrections and adjustments necessary on several reports.

To the best of our knowledge, the statements contained here are correct and represent the financial position of the Town on December 31, 1977.

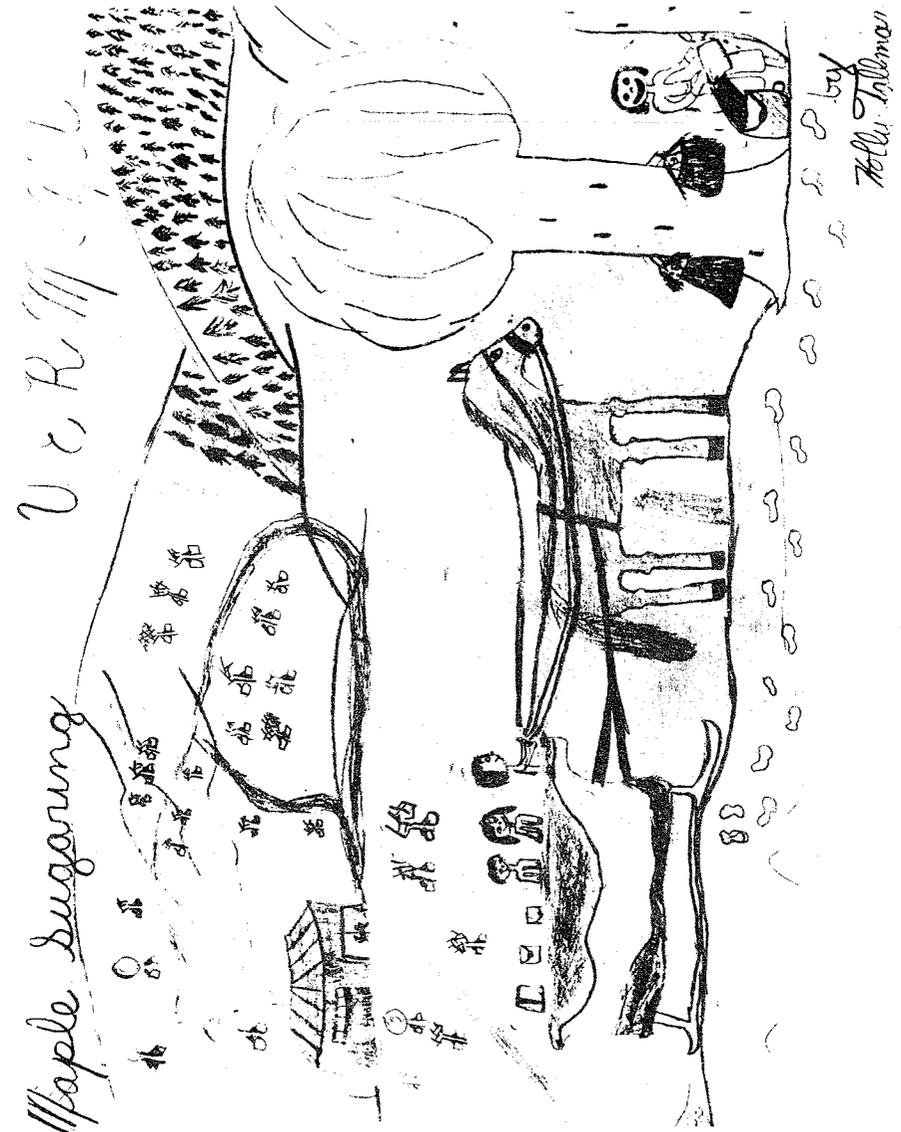
We would like to express our appreciation to the Town Clerk for her cooperation in furnishing the information needed in compiling this Report.

We welcome all comments and suggestions.

Robert J. Crossett
Roberta C. Howard
Arlene D. Palmer

Sincere thanks to Mrs. Robert Johnston of Thetford Center for the cover of this Town Report for 1977 commemorating the Bicentennial of Vermont.

Special credit to ALL the Thetford school children who contributed sketches of Vermont. Unfortunately, all the entries could not be printed due to the lack of space.



SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Board of Selectmen meets weekly in the Town Hall. Our meetings are open to the public and citizens are invited to attend and offer their suggestions and criticisms about town government. We can serve you best if you make your concerns known to us. Most of our work is the day to day solution of town problems.

To summarize briefly some of our major concerns in 1977:

BUDGETARY: We have worked with our new accountant, Donna Durkee, our bookkeeper and our town clerk to revise our chart of accounts so as to provide the taxpayers with a better picture of the cost of town and highway services. Our proposed budget for 1978 appears on pages 15 of this town report.

ROADS: Inflation and foul weather continue to plague our highway budget. Last spring rains damaged several town roads, Houghton Hill severely. State reimbursement for flood damage enabled us to rebuild part of Houghton Hill Rd. as we had not anticipated any new construction in 1977. This year we are proposing an emergency fund in the highway budget for the unexpected blows the weather deals us. We are also planning construction projects to improve drainage on several town roads and widening to aid in snow removal.

In 1977 we purchased a new snowplow and a used wing plow. The wing plow, mounted on the '76 dump truck, has significantly cut the plowing time for our town crew – a boon in this winter of unending snow.

The loader was repaired by our town crew, with the help of Frank Barker, Sr., for less than we had anticipated. Said repairs have caused the loader to appreciate some \$3,000 in trade in value according to one salesman.

On our retreatment schedule, Academy Rd., Robinson Hill Rd., and part of Tucker Hill Rd., (approximately 4.89 miles total) received a seal coat this past summer. We propose to retreat 4.68 miles of blacktop in 1978.

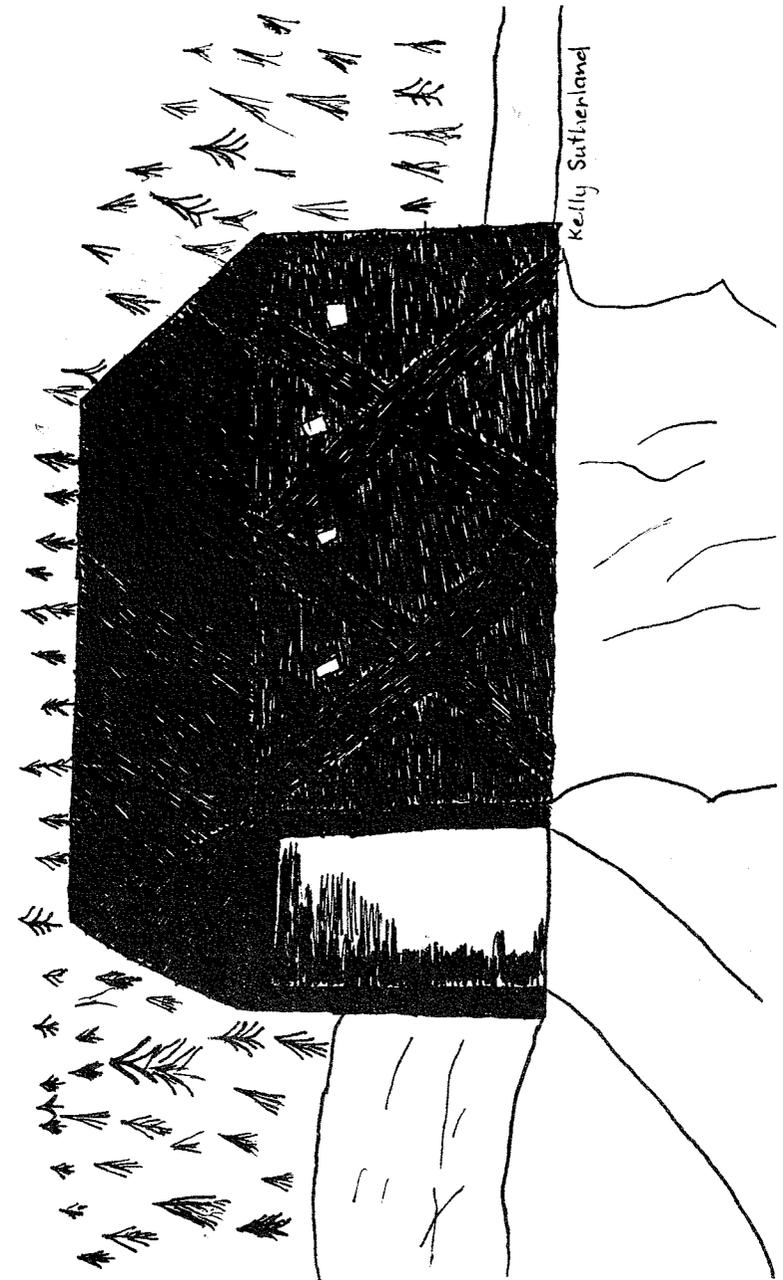
BRIDGES: Repairs to our two covered bridges, damaged in 1976 by water and trucks, were completed with the siding and laying of running plank on the Union Village bridge.

This year the town officers will hold PRE-TOWN MEETING on Sunday, March 5th at 2:00 PM in the Thetford Elementary School. We urge you to attend. Articles on the warrant re amendments to our zoning ordinance may not be discussed at town meeting because the polls will be open for voting on them. They may be discussed at pre-town meeting and members of the planning commission will be present to answer questions. Please try to attend.

During the year it is frequently the selectmen's duty to appoint citizens to town and regional boards. We try to advertise openings and hope townspeople interested in serving will make themselves known to us. We thank all those who have given of their time this past year in service to Thetford.

George P. Stowell, Chairman
Virginia S. Babcock, Clerk
Richard Hauger

Crossing The River



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LISTERS

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Total taxable Real Estate | \$12,450,319.00 |
| Total taxable Personal Property | 190,309.00 |
| Total taxable Real and Personal Property | \$12,640,628.00 |
| One percent of the listed value | 126,406.28 |
| Total listed valuation of taxable polls @ \$1.00 each | 1,050.00 |
| Total Grand List | \$ 127,456.28 |

These are all listed which by law are 50% of Fair Market Value. Due to the changes in the State Statute, effective April 1, 1978, all property will be listed at full valuation instead of 50%. Polls will be listed at \$2.00 instead of \$1.00.

The following are Poll exemptions:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Disabled, veterans, wives and widows | 29 |
| Citizens over 65 years of age | 220 |
| Poor | 15 |
| Military Servicemen and wives | 30 |
| Total exemptions, polls | 294 |

The following are Real Estate exemptions:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Veterans (50% or more disability) Statutory (11) | \$ 55,000.00 |
|--|--------------|

As most people may know, Veterans exemptions were raised from \$6,000 to \$10,000 effective April 1, 1977.

We thought once again people would be interested in the growth in town since 1970.

| Year | Dwl. | M.H. | Gar. | Add. | Accs. Bldgs. | Total Const. |
|--------|------|------|------|------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1970 | 18 | 9 | 7 | 13 | 10 | 57 |
| 1971 | 16 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 51 |
| 1972 | 26 | 13 | 18 | 29 | 19 | 105 |
| 1973 | 20 | 10 | 23 | 34 | 29 | 116 |
| 1974 | 14 | 5 | 7 | 24 | 22 | 72 |
| 1975 | 19 | 3 | 8 | 19 | 25 | 74 |
| 1976 | 21 | 3 | 5 | 16 | 13 | 58 |
| 1977 | 24 | 5 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 65 |
| Totals | 158 | 54 | 87 | 156 | 143 | 598 |

Because we now have a complete file on the people in town prior to this year, this year we'll only be asking new residents in town and anyone who has turned 18 years of age since April 1, 1976, to fill out poll tax cards. We will now have a form at town meeting for everyone to fill out listing all livestock and how many dogs you have.

Due to the rising cost of building materials, labor, etc. and the continuing rise in prices people are paying for land, we as a town should start thinking of a reappraisal in the next couple of years.

Board of Listers
Arthur J. Bacon
George Davenport
Melba J. Briggs

RECORD OF VITAL STATISTICS BIRTHS 1977

| NAME | DATE | PLACE | MOTHER | FATHER |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Ballou, Harold King III | 6/21/77 | Berlin | Virginia Lee Higgins | Harold King Ballou, Jr. |
| Betts, Laura Snow | 1/3/77 | Hanover | Susan Muriel Bouchard | Leon Nelson Betts |
| Bonnett, Seth Wilcox | 3/11/77 | Lebanon | Karin Theresa Grimminger | Frank Wilcox Bonnett |
| Bray, Sarah Joan | 1/6/77 | Hanover | Patricia Ann Lee | Michael Peter Bray |
| Caldwell, Luke | 5/17/77 | Thetford | Dianne Charlotte Rodriguez | Scott Caldwell |
| Carpenter, Andrew Brian | 8/14/77 | Lebanon | Judy Mary Ward | Roger Gene Carpenter |
| Chase, Alexander Wynkoop | 11/13/77 | Thetford | Karen Sue Wynkoop | Robin Alexander Chase |
| Coutermarsh, Steven Allen | 11/30/77 | Hanover | Deborah Marie Gardner | Danny Coutermarsh |
| Crossett, Megan Anne | 5/2/77 | Hanover | Patricia Anne Corwin | Robert John Crossett |
| Crowley, Erin Leigh | 2/22/77 | Lebanon | Jane Diane Harrat | Ervin Timothy Crowley |
| Curtis-McLane, Ryman Christopher | 6/23/77 | Hanover | Kathy Anne Curtis | Bruce Averill Curtis-McLane |
| Darling, Heather Anne | 10/14/77 | Hanover | Helen Eva Kandrotas | John Florian Darling, Jr. |
| Davenport, Charles Cowan | 9/15/77 | Lebanon | Mary Francis Wing | Donald George Davenport |
| deMoli, Joshua Proctor | 3/18/77 | Lebanon | Jane Alice Lancaster | James Edward deMoli |
| Doherty, Brigid Catherine | 6/26/77 | Hanover | Carolyn Louise Johnson | Michael Joseph Doherty |
| Fahey, Leum Scott | 9/10/77 | Hanover | Susan Lee Thurston | Kevin George Fahey |
| George, Clare Melissa Estelle | 8/28/77 | Lebanon | Myrtle Estelle Harrison | Robert Arnold George |
| Huggett, Toby George | 3/12/77 | Lebanon | Bonnie May Lund | Robert Lee Huggett |
| Irwin, Sharon Barrett | 8/4/77 | Lebanon | Bonnie Lee White | Lynn Cathcart Irwin |
| Kingberg, Jason Lawrence | 7/27/77 | Hanover | Gail Elizabeth Short | Larry Allen Kingberg |
| Morton, Timothy Scott | 9/30/77 | Hanover | Marilyn Long | Albert Kent Morton |
| Nakamura, Jeffrey Kenzo | 9/18/77 | Hanover | Jaye Majel Anderson | Robert Tatsuo Nakamura |
| Osmer, Rodney Gene II | 9/27/77 | Lebanon | Linda Lee French | Rodney Gene Osmer |
| Page, Beth Ann | 2/9/77 | Lebanon | Mary Louise Dennett | Everett Charles Page |
| Peavey, Julie Ann | 5/11/77 | Hanover | Diane Lucy Moore | James Edward Peavey |

Births 1977 (Continued)

| NAME | DATE | PLACE | MOTHER | FATHER |
|---------------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Peck, Devin Bennett | 12/12/77 | Hanover | Alison Beth Weiss | Brian Peck |
| Schlech, Austin John | 12/14/77 | Hanover | Mary Marshall Austin | Walter Frederick Schlech |
| Phelps, Trevor Lee | 8/13/77 | Lebanon | Catherine Lucille Bugbee | Bradley Everett Phelps |
| Ricker, Brian Walter | 6/14/77 | Hanover | Susan Marie Bacon | Roger Frederick Ricker |
| Smith, Anne Hope | 12/22/77 | Hanover | Lynn Tison Quattlebaum | Robert Ernest Smith, Jr. |
| Smith, Emmon Patrick | 4/12/77 | Hanover | Catherine Francine Holub | Gerard Vincent Smith |
| Smith, Erica Gray | 5/23/77 | Hanover | Frances McMath Herring | Benjamin George Smith |
| Smith, James Kenneth, Jr. | 3/23/77 | Hanover | Susan Margaret Champney | James Kenneth Smith |
| Southworth, Alisha Marie | 12/7/76 | Haverhill | Mary Margaret Meder | Brenton Keith Southworth |
| Wallace, Jeremy Joseph | 1/19/77 | Lebanon | Sharon Lee Thresher | Robert William Wallace |
| Wallace, Stephanie Ann | 7/3/77 | Lebanon | Yvonne Carrol Goldinger | Kenneth Paul Wallace |
| Wilmott, Cynthia Kay | 7/24/77 | Lebanon | Robina Kay Adams | Gerald Frank Wilmott |
| Wolejko, Jeffrey William | 10/18/77 | Hanover | Gail Pauline Reitsma | Raymond Edward Wolejko |
| Vaughan, Robert Neil | 5/10/77 | Lebanon | Lynn Anne Pike | Robert Dean Vaughan |

DEATHS 1977

| NAME | SEX | AGE | DATE OF DEATH | PLACE | BURIAL |
|------------------------|-----|-----|---------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Aldrich, William B. | M | 21 | 5/23/77 | 1-91 Thetford | Woodsville, N. H. |
| Anderson, George A. | M | 84 | 1/16/77 | Fairlee | Thetford Center |
| Belser, Daisy M. | F | 90 | 10/25/77 | Berlin | Thetford Center |
| Betts, Albert Dwight | M | 19 | 7/17/77 | Hanover | Thetford Center |
| Biathrow, Carrie Moore | F | 97 | 11/3/77 | Thetford | West Lebanon, N. H. |
| Bond, Alden W. | M | 82 | 12/7/76 | Hartford | North Thetford |
| Carleton, Dorothea S. | F | 60 | 6/24/77 | New York | Post Mills |
| Comstock, Jo-Ann | F | 18 | 6/18/77 | Hanover | Corinth |
| Cowan, Clarence David | M | 73 | 2/21/77 | East Thetford | North Thetford |

Deaths 1977 (Continued)

| NAME | SEX | AGE | DATE OF DEATH | PLACE | BURIAL |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|---------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Emerson, Edward Sayre | M | 46 | 2/19/77 | Lebanon, N. H. | North Thetford |
| Fowle, Claire Jaquith | F | 93 | 11/17/77 | White River Junction | Thetford Center |
| Fowle, Mary | F | 56 | 3/27/77 | Massachusetts | Thetford Center |
| Gilman, Wilma B. | F | 87 | 12/30/76 | Hartford | Thetford Center |
| Magoon, Viola A. | F | 87 | 9/17/77 | Hanover | Post Mills |
| Martin, Burt A. | M | 85 | 7/9/77 | Hanover | Union Village |
| Maxfield, Doris Elizabeth | F | 46 | 1/3/77 | Post Mills | Post Mills |
| Page, Horace Albert | M | 71 | 1/17/77 | North Thetford | Post Mills |
| Pero, Merlin A. | M | 26 | 11/11/77 | Hanover | Thetford Center |
| Persons, Hattie Ardell | F | 74 | 12/13/77 | Thetford | |
| Sanborn, Shirley L. | F | 42 | 11/24/77 | Hanover | Post Mills |
| Simon, Rollin Oscar | M | 78 | 12/2/77 | Hanover | Thetford Center |
| Smith, Walter | M | 65 | 11/2/76 | Brattleboro | Post Mills |
| Stetson, Alice Greaves | F | 71 | 11/14/77 | White River Junction | Thetford Center |
| West, Beulah Eager | F | 84 | 2/21/77 | Milford, Conn. | Post Mills |
| Wilcox, Leola McEwan | F | 79 | 2/13/77 | Keene, N. H. | North Thetford |
| Wilson, Marion Palmer | F | 79 | 8/26/77 | North Thetford | Post Mills |
| Vaughan, Harold Winthrop | M | 86 | 12/13/76 | East Thetford | North Thetford |
| | | | | Monterey, California | North Thetford |

RECORD OF VITAL STATISTICS
MARRIAGES 1977

| GROOM | RESIDENCE | BRIDE | RESIDENCE | DATE | PLACE |
|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------|----------|---------------|
| Barker, Stephen K. | Post Mills | Colburn, Patricia M. | Vershire | 7-2-77 | Post Mills |
| Brown, James M. | Fairlee | DeMoll, Susan E. | East Thetford | 9-3-77 | Thetford Hill |
| Carpenter, George R. | Orford | Harrington, Ramona | Thetford | 10-20-77 | Hanover, NH |
| Cichocki, Joseph A. | No. Haven, Conn. | Pleines, Carol A. | No. Haven, Ct. | 1-22-77 | Thetford |
| Conrad, Peter E. | East Thetford | Rowe, Ellen D. | E. Thetford | 6-26-77 | Hanover |
| Cook, Duane S. | Thetford Ctr. | Godfrey, Kathleen A. | No. Thetford | 8-27-77 | No. Thetford |
| Gregory, Barry M. | Post Mills | Smith, Janice A. | Post Mills | 4-28-77 | Post Mills |
| Harlow, Allen P. | Norwich | Osgood, Connie Joan | Thetford Hill | 4-16-77 | Thetford Hill |
| Jache, Erwin H. | Claremont, NH | Hoyt, Patricia A. | E. Thetford | 4-20-77 | Thetford Hill |
| Knight, Harvey D. | Rices Mills | Fowler, Roberta J. | Rices Mills | 9-24-77 | Norwich |
| Lafave, Arthur J. III | Shaker Hgts., Ohio | Fowle, Rebecca | Arlington, Va. | 8-27-77 | Thetford Hill |
| LaMontagne, James E. | Thetford Center | Stetson, Doris S. | Lebanon, NH | 4-16-77 | Norwich |
| Moore, Michael D. | Winooski | Godfrey, Corinne A. | No. Thetford | 4-2-77 | No. Thetford |
| Phelps, Bradley E. | No. Thetford | Bugbee, Catherine L. | Hartford | 6-18-77 | Hartford |
| Phelps, Douglas A. | E. Thetford | Arnold, Martha D. | E. Thetford | 12-29-77 | Thetford |
| Rodgers, Dale K. | Thetford Center | Ransmeier, Margaret H. | Thetford Ctr. | 12-30-77 | Thetford Ctr. |
| Sargent, Philip W. | Thetford | Parker, Marsha J. | Thetford | 7-30-77 | Thetford Hill |
| Sawyer, Kevin A. | Post Mills | Hosmer, Tina F. | Post Mills | 10-2-77 | Thetford Hill |
| Shedd, Daniel P. | Post Mills | Murray, Beverly T. | Cambridge, MA | 11-30-76 | Post Mills |
| Thurston, Elwood E. | Post Mills | Chaffee, Darlene H. | Post Mills | 8-20-77 | Thetford Hill |
| Uline, Allen R. | Union Village | Piper, Donna L. | Fairlee | 12-4-76 | Fairlee |
| Vargish, Thomas | Orford, NH | Ermarth, Elizabeth | Orford, NH | 10-27-77 | Thetford Hill |

MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL TOWN AND SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
February 28, 1977

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. on Monday, February 28, 1977 by the Moderator, Matthew I. Wiencke. Reverend Gary Wait was appointed by the Moderator as the Parliamentarian for the meeting.

Boy Scout Troop No. 711 conducted a presentation of the colors.

Reverend Gary Wait led those attending in prayer.

The Moderator read a list of guidelines to be followed during the Town Meeting to keep the business meeting running smoothly and within a reasonable length of time.

The Selectmen requested that Articles XIX and XX be discussed at this time as they would not be voted on until the following day at the Town Hall. Virginia Babcock, Selectmen, spoke to Article XIX. There was no discussion. John Stephens, Chairman of the Planning Board, spoke to Article XX. The Moderator stated that a 2/3 vote of those voting tomorrow will be necessary to pass this article due to a petition filed requesting that this be done.

Article 1. Motion made that the Town accept the reports of the Officers of the Town of Thetford. Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Article 2. Motion made that the Town accept Part I of the Budget Committee Report in regard to recommended expenditures for anticipated Federal Revenue Sharing Funds in the amount of \$34,200.00. Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Article 3. Motion made that the Town accept Part II of the Budget Committee Report and to raise necessary monies recommended by the Committee. All taxes so raised must be in the Treasurer's Office on or before October 26, 1977 with interest of 1% per month thereafter, plus the five cents warrant fee and 8% penalty. Seconded. Voted in the affirmative. Total amount is \$158,329.00.

Article 4. Motion made that the Town pass over this article and appropriate this money to the Ambulance Fund. Seconded. The motion was not carried.

Motion made that the Town drop this article entirely and not appropriate this money to the Ambulance Fund. Seconded. The motion was not carried.

Motion made that the Town appropriate \$1,612.50 to the Orange County Mental Health Service, Inc. (\$1.50 per registered voter). Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Article 5. Motion made that the Town appropriate \$3,128.00 to Community Health Services, Inc. (\$2.20 per capita). Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Article 6. Motion made that the Town appropriate an additional \$2,800.00 to the Thetford Library Federation. (Their request was for \$5,600.00, \$2,800.00 was recommended to be appropriated for the Federal Revenue Sharing Funds.) Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Article 7. Motion made that the Town appropriate \$350.00 to support the

Summer Baseball and Softball Program for boys and girls. Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Article 8. Motion made that the Town discontinue the 4% discount on poll bills when paid on time. Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Article 9. Motion made that the Town exempt from real and personal property tax alternate energy sources as defined in 32 V.S.A. Section 3845 (Alternate energy sources includes any plant, structure or facility used for the generation of electricity or production of energy used on the premises for private, domestic or agricultural purposes, no part of which may be for sale or exchange to the public.). Seconded.

Motion made to postpone the vote until Representative Thomas Bonnett arrived and could speak to the Article. Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Article 10. Motion made that the Town exclude construction and operation of commercial nuclear reactors, or any other nuclear facility, and the transportation, storage or disposal of radioactive wastes from such reactors in the land, air or water of the Town. Seconded. The motion was passed with the understanding that this represented a symbolic gesture on the part of the Town.

Article 9. Discussion on Article 9 was resumed at this time with the arrival of Rep. Thomas Bonnett.

Motion made to amend Article 9 by adding the following statement after the word "public": "With the proviso that the land on which the facility is constructed will be taxed at the same rate as that current for the use to which such land was previously put." Seconded. The motion to amend was carried.

Article 9 with the amendment was voted in the affirmative.

Article 11. Motion made that the Town accept the reports of the School Officers of the Town of Thetford. Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Article 12. Motion made that the Town have two separate votes for our school budget; the first vote for the primary school budget, which is prepared by our elected school board officials; the second vote for the secondary school budget. Seconded.

John D. Fontana, Superintendent of Schools in Orange East District, spoke to this Article. His conclusion after reading Vermont Statutes Annotated 16: 822; 16:824 and 16:562 was that it was not illegal for a Town to vote separately the primary and secondary school budgets. However, he said that the Statutes make it very definite that secondary tuition must be paid whether voted or not.

Article 12 was voted in the affirmative by a hand vote, 128 in favor and 96 opposed.

Motion made to limit debate to five minutes per speaker for the remaining articles. Seconded and voted in the affirmative. The Moderator granted the request to have a Boy Scout present keep track of the time.

Article 13. Motion made that the Town pass over this Article and seconded. Voted in the affirmative. The article reads as follows:

"To see if the voters wish to vote to designate Thetford Academy as the public school of the district with the following stipulations: Each of the following stipulations shall be voted upon separately, prior to the designation vote of Thetford Academy, which shall be voted on with such stipulations attached as shall have received affirmative votes.

1. The designation of Thetford Academy as the public high school of the district shall be reviewed at the 1979 annual school district meeting.
2. The recommendations of the New England Assoc. of School and Colleges shall be made available to the public at the Thetford Town Clerk's Office.
3. The recommendations of the evaluation team of the State Dept. of Education shall be printed in the town report for the year following its issue.
4. Thetford Academy shall make available to the voters of the school district any information that a public school in the State of Vermont is required to make public.

Previous to Town Meeting a letter from Thetford Academy's Board of Trustees was circulated which stated a willingness to comply with the second, third and fourth stipulations above mentioned

The Moderator called a recess of twenty minutes which started at 9:40 P. M. and ended at 10:00 P. M.

Article 14. Motion made to amend Article 14 as follows: To Designate Thetford Academy as the secondary educational facility for the Town and to agree to pay the same amount of Thetford Academy tuition to send a student to any accredited secondary school, not to be construed to rule out an appeal to the School Board of additional funds. Seconded. The Moderator asked for a show of hands because he could not determine the voice vote. 124 voted in favor of the amendment and 143 voted against. The amendment was voted down.

Motion made that the Town designate Thetford Academy as the public high school for the district as provided for under Title 16 V.S.A., Section 827 of Vermont School Law. Seconded. The results of the paper ballot were 219 in favor and 93 against with a total of 312 votes cast. Article 14 was carried.

Article 15. Motion made that the Town accept part III of the Budget Committee Report and to raise necessary monies recommended by the Committee. All taxes so raised must be in the Treasurer's Office on or before October 26, 1977 with interest of 1% per month thereafter, plus the five cents warrant fee and 8% penalty. The total amount to be raised is \$476,253.69. Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, motion was made to adjourn until 10:00 A. M. Tuesday, March 1, 1977 for voting on Articles 17, 19 and 20. Seconded. Voted in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. Hood, Town Clerk

Article 17. To see if the voters wish to change the present Monday evening Annual Town and School District Meeting, to the First Tuesday of March, beginning in 1978.

By ballot, there were 260 votes for day meeting and 225 votes for night meeting. Article 17 was carried.

Article 19. To see if the Town will approve the following amendment to the Thetford Subdivision Regulations: Change Section 4.12, Filing Fee, to read: "Filing fees for a major or minor subdivision shall be set by the Board of Selectmen. Said fees shall be submitted prior to any action by the Commission to approve or disapprove the final plat. Such fees are charged to defray the expense of administering these regulations, and include costs for publishing notices and holding public hearings and for periodic inspections during the installation of public improvements."

Article 19 was carried with 337 votes in favor and 158 opposed.

Article 20. To see if the Town will amend the Subdivision Regulation in such a way so as to allow the property owner one division of his property with the need of only a Zoning permit so long as this division does not cause undo hardship to neighboring properties or the town. We feel that with state, health, and zoning regulations these considerations are met. As a suggestion we feel this might be done by amending Section 2 Paragraph 2.40 to read "shall mean the subdivision of land into three or more lots or sites."

Article 20 was not carried although there were 278 votes in favor and 224 votes opposed, there was not the necessary two thirds majority to pass the article.

March 1, 1977

ELECTION RESULTS: Checklist 1066
Absentees 28
Total Casting Votes 528

| | | | |
|----------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|
| MODERATOR FOR SCHOOL | | SELECTMAN | |
| Fred Fisher | 146 | VIRGINIA S. BABCOCK | 324 |
| MATTHEW WIENCKE | 371 | James D. Banker | 146 |
| SCHOOL DIRECTOR | | David Hauger | 28 |
| WEBSTER KEEFE | 296 | Bruce Slack | 19 |
| Margo Lilienthall | 211 | LISTER | |
| Fritz Osgood | 2 | MELBA BRIGGS | 461 |
| Robert Atkins | 1 | Karl Tilden | 1 |
| MODERATOR FOR TOWN | | AUDITOR | |
| Fred Fisher | 156 | ROBERTA HOWARD | 481 |
| MATTHEW WIENCKE | 355 | CONSTABLE | |
| Daniel Grossman | 1 | Douglas Dresser | 150 |
| Robert Atkins | 1 | WILLIAM E. PHELPS | 288 |
| TOWN CLERK | | A. James Thorburn | 77 |
| EMILY E. HOOD | 501 | TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS | |
| Gertrude Clark | 1 | MERTON H. BOYD | 493 |
| TREASURER | | TOWN GRAND JUROR | |
| EMILY E. HOOD | 497 | ROBERT JACCAUD | 473 |
| Gertrude Clark | 1 | | |

LIBRARY TRUSTEE
ROBERT JACCAUD 48
Claradella Betts 8
Anne Scotford 25
Bertha Brown 5
Elizabeth Champe 2
Alfreda Wing 2
There were 32 other names each receiving one vote.

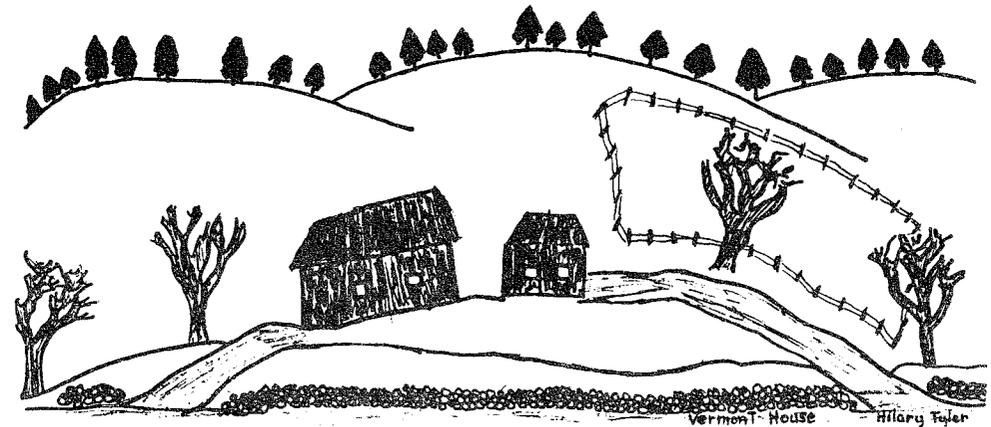
TAX COLLECTOR
Douglas Dresser 129
WILLIAM PHELPS 280
Tom Saler 25
A. James Thorburn 66

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER
EDWARD CLAY 493

BUDGET COMMITTEE
KARL C. TILDEN, SR. 291
Andrew Warner 198
Arlene Hill 1
Mary Davenport 3

AGENT TO PROSECUTE & DEFEND SUITS
O. FAY ALLEN 476

AGENT TO CONVEY REAL PROPERTY
Edward C. LaMontagne 482
Morris Pero 1
Arthur Bacon 1
Edward Crowley 1
Emily Hood 1
Daniel Grossman 1
Arthur Shopp 1
O. Fay Allen 1



FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

OUTDOOR BURNING PERMITS

WHEN do you need burning permits?
WHENEVER THERE IS NO SNOW
ON THE SITE.

WHERE do you need burning permits?
WITHIN 200 FEET OF WOOD-
LAND OR DRY GRASS LEADING
TO WOODLAND OR BRUSH.

WHO needs burning permits?
EVERYONE WHO DOES OUT-
DOOR BURNING.

HOW do you get burning permits?
BY TELEPHONE OR IN PERSON
FROM YOUR TOWN FOREST
FIRE WARDEN.

WHAT about campfires?
FOR OUTDOOR FIRES FOR COOK-
ING OR WARMTH YOU MUST
HAVE PERMISSION OF THE
LANDOWNER.



200 FROM WOODS OR BUILDINGS
DEBRIS BURNING--

IF YOU LIVE IN A CITY OR INCOR-
PORATED VILLAGE WITH A FIRE
DEPARTMENT THE PREVIOUS DE-
TAILS OF THE STATE BURNING
LAWS DO NOT NECESSARILY
APPLY. ASK YOUR FIRE CHIEF
ABOUT LOCAL ORDINANCES.



INCINERATOR

WILD FIRE PREVENTION CHECKLIST

BURN only when necessary
HAVE permit to burn when required
BURN in safe area
GUARD fires carefully
BURN on cool, damp, quiet days
BE sure fire is dead out



WHAT about incinerators?

YOU MAY BURN IN AN OUTDOOR
INCINERATOR OR BURNING BAR-
REL WITHOUT A PERMIT AFTER
IT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY
YOUR FOREST FIRE WARDEN —
AS LONG AS IT IS MAINTAINED
IN THE SAME CONDITION AS
APPROVED.

WHAT is your responsibility about any
fire you kindle?

YOU MUST NOT LEAVE YOUR
FIRE UNTIL IT IS DEAD OUT.
EXCEPT FIRES IN APPROVED
INCINERATORS. FIRES CON-
FINED TO FIREPLACES IN AT-
TENDED AREAS SUCH AS PARKS
AND CAMPGROUNDS.

WHAT about air pollution?

CHECK WITH YOUR FIRE WAR-
DEN FOR DETAILS OF AIR
POLLUTION REGULATIONS.
DO NOT USE TIRES TO IGNITE
FIRES.

91 fire permits issued
6 fires started without permits
2 fires, causes unknown

Forest Fire Warden
Arthur J. Bacon

THETFORD LIONS CLUB

Thetford, Vermont

We the members of the Thetford Lions Club are proud to represent the town of Thetford in a club which is dedicated to the service of their community.

We believe we have touched every facet in our community.

YOUTH:

Three scholarships are given out to three graduating seniors from Thetford Academy each year. Two area students were sent to conservation camp. Three area girls were sent to basketball camp for one week. A Boy Scout from troop 711, from Thetford, was sent to the National Scout Jamboree in Pennsylvania.

THE SCHOOLS:

The Thetford Lions Club initiated the funding for the purchase of a "Titmus Eye Testing Machine" for testing and examining the eye, and an "Audi-Ometer", an ear testing machine.

Books were purchased by the Lions for use in the Thetford Elementary School.

AREA SERVICES:

Donations to the Thetford Fire Dept. for the building of a new pumper. Donations to the F.A.S.T. squad. Sponsoring of troop 711, Boy Scouts, of Thetford. Donation of manpower and use of the Lions' concession van for "Old Home Day" to the Thetford Center Community Association.

THE ELDERLY:

The "Fall Foliage Tour", a tour through the country side, viewing the beautiful landscapes of Vermont and New Hampshire.

THE NEEDY:

Hearing aid donated to elderly gentleman. Glasses donated to younger resident.

The following men are members of your Lions club:

Allen Avery
Bill Buck
Bob Conrad
Ralph Easton
Bruce Farnham
John Fifield
Bernie Godfrey
Dan Grossman
Dave Hauger

Don Havens
Carl Hines
Bob Jaccard
Ed LaMontagne
Mel Maxfield
Fred McCarthy
Dan Osgood
Chet Palmer
Lee Palmer

Bill Pugh
Harjit Rakhra
Bob Rogers, Sr.
Bob Rogers, Jr.
Karl Tilden
George Wehrman
Chauncey Willey
Dick Cobb
Dave Fuchs

**TOWN OF THETFORD
REVISED SNOWMOBILE REGULATIONS AND ORDINANCE**

CROSSINGS ALLOWED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS PROVIDED THAT THE CROSSING HAS SIGNS TO WARN MOTORISTS.

- State Aid No. 1 – Route 132 four (4) locations
By Union Village Dam, Cement Bridge, Old School House in Rices Mills and by Vaun Cook's
- State Aid No. 2 – West Fairlee Road one (1) location
By Thetford - West Fairlee Old Dump Site
- State Aid No. 3 – Academy Road two (2) locations
By C. Willey's and R. Durkee's houses
- State Aid No. 4 – Skunk Hollow Road one (1) location
Intersection with Wells Fargo Road (Saler)
- State Aid No. 5 – Latham Road one (1) location
By Willereth Ackerson's
- Town Road No. 7 Burnham Road one (1) location
By W. Burnham's
- Town Road No. 29 Tucker Hill two (2) locations
By H. Paige's & intersection of Poor Farm Road
- Town Road No. 30 Mud Pond Road two (2) locations
By T. LaMontagne's and C. Bragg's
- Town Road No. 8 Gove Hill one (1) location
Intersection of T. S. No. 51

TRAVEL PERMITTED ON ALL CLASS FOUR SECTIONS OF ROADWAY AND THE FOLLOWING CLASS THREE ROADS.

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Town Road 11 – Robinson Hill Road | Town Road 32 – Trailer Park Road |
| Town Road 14 – Turnpike Road | Town Road 39 – Spur Road |
| Town Road 17 – Potato Hill Road | Town Road 40 – Godfrey Road |
| Town Road 20 – Sawnee Bean Road | Town Road 51 – Picknell Road |
| Town Road 21 – Barker Road | Town Road 52 – Cream Street |
| Town Road 22 – Colby Road | Town Road 55 – Norford Lake Road |
| Town Road 26 – Jackson Brook Road | Town Road 58 – Quial John Road |
| Town Road 27 – Poor Farm Road | Town Road 61 – Five Corners Road |
| Town Road 41 – Houghton Hill Road | Town Road 81 – Cranberry Hill Road |

PROVIDED THAT:

- Speed shall be ten (10) miles per hour
- All machines shall travel on the extreme right hand side of the road
- All machines shall travel single file
- All roads that are used for snowmobile travel shall be posted to warn motorists

Approved by Snowcoasters, Inc.
Floyd Dexter
Dated: 1/3/78

Approved by Thetford Board of
Selectmen
George P. Stowell
Dated: 1/8/78

CROSSINGS WHICH THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN HAVE NO JURISDICTION
Rte. 244 - Post Mills Church Rte. 113 - E. Thetford, Thetford Hill, Thetford Ctr.
and Post Mills (1 each)

**1977 REPORT OF THE
THETFORD F.A.S.T. SQUAD**

The thirteen member F.A.S.T. squad has rendered first aid to more than 49 people involved in 41 emergency situations during 1977.

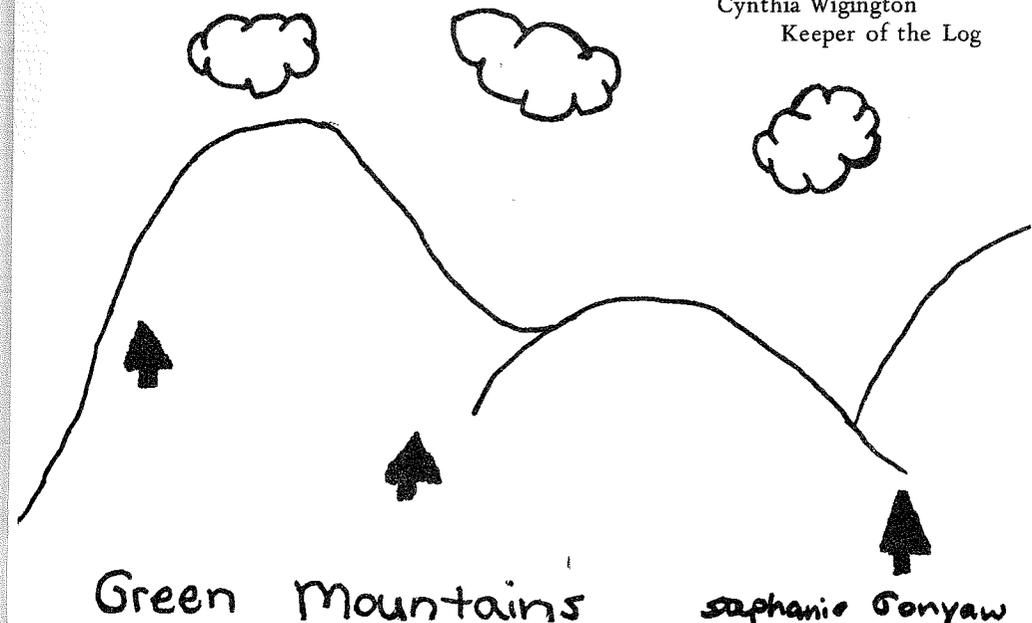
Our fund raising effort this year has brought in over \$1,600.00, which is being spent to replenish supplies and buy much needed equipment. We thank our Thetford friends for their contributions.

Our training program continues, as it must, to keep our first aiders qualified. In 1977 we conducted the American Red Cross course "Advanced First Aid and Emergency Care". Presently more than half our members are already, or are studying to become Emergency Medical Technicians. (EMT's with asterisks will have course completed by May 1978).

You may receive our services free of charge by calling the emergency telephone number 643-3610 or 353-4347, or by calling a F.A.S.T. squad member listed below.

| | | | |
|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
| Elmer Brown, EMT* | 785-2167 | Jerry Slack | 785-2187 |
| Nancy Carman, EMT | 785-4582 | Karl Tilden, Jr., EMT | 785-2806 |
| Don Havens, EMT | 785-2838 | Marshall Van Norden | 333-9543 |
| Gail Havens | 785-2838 | Richard Weinberg, EMT | |
| Helen Huggett | 785-2668 | Cynthia Wigington, EMT* | 785-2458 |
| Melvin Maxfield, EMT* | 333-9155 | Sandra Wilmont | 333-9256 |
| Paul Rump, EMT | 785-4029 | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Wigington
Keeper of the Log

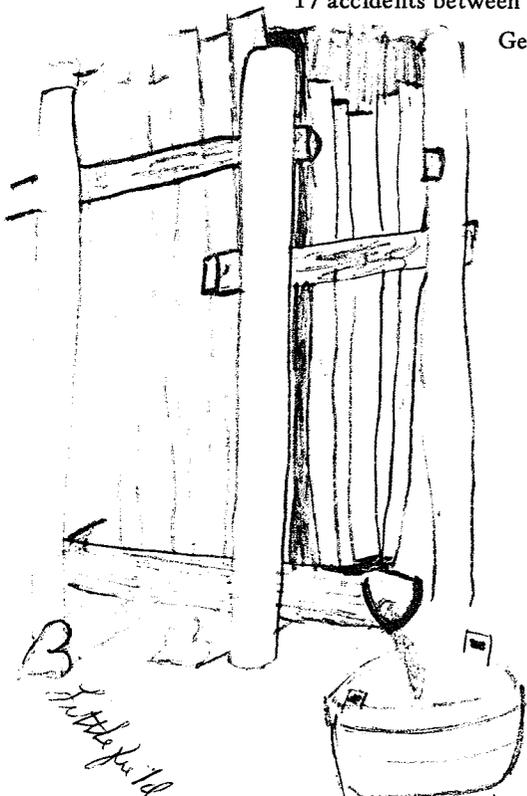


**ACCIDENTS IN TOWN OF THETFORD
INVESTIGATED BY STATE POLICE**

| Route No. | No. Accidents | |
|-------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| I-91 | 6 | 22 accidents involved 1 vehicle |
| 113 | 15 | (including 1 motorcycle) |
| 5 | 5 | 15 accidents involved 2 vehicles |
| 132 | 3 | (including 1 with bus and |
| Town Roads | 4 | 1 with pedestrian) |
| State Aid 3 | <u>2</u> | Injuries were sustained in 16 |
| | 37 | accidents |
| | | 2 Fatalities |
| | | Property damage reported in 21 |
| | | accidents |

5 accidents between midnight and 6 AM
 8 accidents between 6 AM and 12 noon
 7 accidents between 12 noon and 6 PM
 17 accidents between 6 PM and midnight

George C. Nickerson, Sgt.
 Vermont State Police



potash maker

First American Patent issued in 1796 to
 a VERMONTER SAMUEL HOPKINS

SPEED LIMIT ORDINANCE

The Thetford Board of Selectmen hereby establish that the maximum speed of motor vehicles shall not be more than Thirty-five (35) miles per hour on all Class Three (3) gravel roads and on the following Class Three Blacktop Roads:

- Main Street, Union Village, Town Road No. 56
- Godfrey Road, Town Road No. 40
- Airport or Robinson Hill Road, Town Road No. 11
- Tucker Hill Road, Town Road No. 29

The following State Aid Roads shall also be limited to Thirty-Five (35) miles per hour.

- Academy Road, State Aid No. 3
- West Fairlee Road, State Aid No. 2

All prior ordinances inconsistent in any way with the within ordinance are hereby repealed.

Any violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

Signed this 2nd day of May 1977.

George P. Stowell, Chairman
 Virginia S. Babcock, Clerk
 Richard Hauger

Attest: Emily E. Hood, Town Clerk

Received for record and duly recorded in the Thetford Town Clerk's Office this 2nd day of May 1977 in Vol. I, page 48 of the Highway records and Vol. 56, page 446 of Thetford Land Rec.

CONSTABLE'S REPORT FOR 1977

- 8 Miscellaneous Complaints
- 7 Dog Complaints
- 4 Criminal Complaints
- 3 Accident Investigations
- 4 Motor Vehicle Complaints

William Phelps, Constable

THETFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Financial Statement 12/31/77

Cash on hand 1/1/77 \$ 8,974.52

RECEIPTS:

Town appropriation 4,725.00
 Revenue sharing to be used for purchase of Bushway garage for new Post Mills station 1,300.00
 Donations 1,208.00
 Activities, BBQ, Auction, sale of fire extinguishers, smoke detectors 3,060.40
 Miscellaneous, pool filling, Fairlee train fire 1,428.84
 Interest 384.07
Total Receipts \$12,106.31

DISBURSEMENTS:

Utilities \$ 2,373.12
 Insurance 2,647.00
 Activities, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers 1,630.78
 Dispatching, radio expense 1,474.70
 Gasoline, oil, tires 1,893.63
 Miscellaneous 862.95
Total Disbursements \$10,882.18

Cash on hand 12/31/77 \$10,198.65

The Fire Department has also received donations of over \$1,000 in memory of C. W. Gray and Ed Emerson. This money has not been included in the above financial statement.

Paul Lilienthal, Treasurer

FOR SALE

OLD THETFORD TOWN REPORTS

1901-1976

Inquire at Town Clerk's Office

THETFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Upper Valley Regional Emergency Service Association has had a repeater donated to them. They have installed it on Moose Mt. and it is in working order as of November 1977. This repeater will provide better radio communications.

T.V.F.D. has purchased a building in Post Mills located on Rte. 244 across from the Post Office. This building is our sub-fire station. It is big enough for two trucks. We have our No. 2 tanker in this station.

The 1968 Dodge we purchased last year has the tank on it now and the cab rust is being fixed. This tanker will replace the old No. 3 International tanker which had a 1100 gallon tank. This Dodge will have a 1500 gallon tank with a 300 gallon per minute pump. We hope to have this tanker in service by February, 1978.

We would like to thank the people who help the T.V.F.D. keep operating, and hope that the rate of fires will decrease in 1978.

The Thetford Volunteer Fire Department responded to 65 alarms in 1977. Types of alarms as follows:

| | | | |
|-------------|----|---------------------|---|
| Structurals | 5 | Dump | 1 |
| Chimney | 19 | Telephone Pole | 1 |
| Stoves | 2 | Smoke Investigation | 2 |
| Automobile | 4 | Mutual Aid | 8 |
| Grass | 11 | Airplane Accident | 1 |
| Brush | 3 | Auto Accident | 4 |
| Tree | 4 | | |

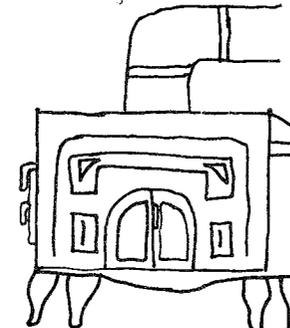
We had four Mutual Aid calls with Lyme, three with West Fairlee and one with Strafford. Strafford assisted us on two alarms, West Fairlee on three and Lyme on three.

The number of chimney fires are still high but are decreasing a little. Grass fires are increasing with the dry weather patterns.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellis Paige, Fire Chief

Early Vermont Stove



Manon Price

**UPPER VALLEY REGIONAL EMERGENCY
MEDICAL CARE SERVICE**

The Upper Valley Regional Emergency Medical Care Service responded to 427 calls for Medical Aid in 1977 as indicated.

| <u>COMMUNITY</u> | <u>1975</u> | <u>1976</u> | <u>1977</u> |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Bradford | 64 | 51 | 67 |
| Fairlee | 28 | 13 | 22 |
| Hanover | 238 | 238 | 196 |
| Lyme | 18 | 13 | 23 |
| Norwich | 39 | 42 | 35 |
| Orford | 22 | 21 | 15 |
| Piermont | 11 | 10 | 15 |
| Strafford | 11 | 13 | 5 |
| Thetford | 31 | 27 | 34 |
| West Fairlee | 5 | 5 | 6 |
| Other | 17 | 18 | 9 |
| TOTAL | 484 | 451 | 427 |

The ambulance also responded to 80 dry runs in 1977. A dry run is when the ambulance does not transport a patient for one reason or another; either the patient is deceased or the sickness or injury does not require being transported to a medical facility. The dry runs were as indicated.

| <u>COMMUNITY</u> | <u>1975</u> | <u>1976</u> | <u>1977</u> |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Bradford | 4 | 8 | 10 |
| Fairlee | 6 | 2 | 1 |
| Hanover | 30 | 64 | 51 |
| Lyme | 5 | 3 | 3 |
| Norwich | 7 | 6 | 3 |
| Orford | 4 | 6 | 1 |
| Piermont | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Strafford | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Thetford | 7 | 4 | 6 |
| West Fairlee | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Other | 7 | 4 | 1 |
| TOTAL | 73 | 100 | 80 |

In 1978 the per capita rate will remain at \$3.50. The user fee will be reduced to \$45.00 per run, and mileage fee will remain at \$1.00. To offset the lower user fee it is recommended that updated population figures from the Regional Health Planning Commissions be used. In 1977 the user fee for scheduled transfers was reduced to \$40.00 in hopes of being more competitive. This approach failed to meet the expectations. During 1977 the Fire Department Personnel donated some 400 hours of their time to take an Emergency Medical Technicians update and refresher course. Planned activities for 1978 include finalization of treatment protocol for advanced care, and training our Emergency Medical Technicians in Intravenous Therapy. New equipment for 1978 includes replacing the chassis of the Rescue Unit and delivery of a specialized Rescue tool acquired through a Federal Grant.

**COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES, INC.
Annual Report for 1977**

In 1977 Community Health Services, Inc. began a new service which we named the "Town Nurse Screening Program". We provided, on a regular basis in each town served, an opportunity for health consultation and for detection and referral of specific diseases as high blood pressure, glaucoma, etc. as well as assistance in monitoring diseases under treatment. There were 737 patient visits in this 1st year. 51 patients were referred for further study of problems found at a clinic and 70 individuals received assistance in monitoring high blood pressure. This service will be continued in 1978. Both radio and newspapers have regularly announced the time and place of these clinics but if you have missed it call our office for the schedule best suited to your residence or place of business.

426 patients were seen in our regular programs in their homes. About 2/3 of these individuals were over sixty years old. This is in line with our past experience - our older citizens need and use home health care. At the other end of the age scale Community Health Services participated in Well Child Clinics that had over 500 child visits.

The budget adopted by the Community Health Services Board of Directors calls for a continuation of all services in 1978 at no increase in cost to the towns served. This is the fourth year in which we have been able to keep requests level in spite of increased costs due to inflation. This is a real tribute to the excellent management by the Community Health Services, Inc. staff and the representatives of each town who serve on the Community Health Services Board.

The town of Thetford provided \$3,128.00 in 1977. Our request for 1978 is \$3,128.00 or \$2.20 per capita.

Sincerely,
James Watt, M. D.
President, Board of Directors
Community Health Services, Inc.

NOTE: Financial Statements of Community Health Services, Inc. may be viewed at the Town Clerk's Office, or Community Health Services, Inc. office.

Table 1

| <u>TOWNS</u> | <u>Under</u> | <u>10-</u> | <u>21-</u> | <u>60&</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>Eval. all</u> | <u>Total</u> | |
|---------------|--------------|------------|------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|------------|
| | <u>1</u> | <u>1-9</u> | <u>20</u> | <u>59</u> | <u>over</u> | <u>ages</u> | | |
| Bradford | 4 | 10 | 6 | 7 | 20 | 47 | 18 | 65 |
| Corinth | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 12 | 1 | 13 |
| Fairlee | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 13 | 17 | 12 | 29 |
| Hartford | 11 | 2 | 7 | 28 | 108 | 156 | 42 | 198 |
| Newbury | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 18 | 24 | 16 | 40 |
| Norwich | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 19 | 23 | 10 | 33 |
| Thetford | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 17 | 22 | 13 | 35 |
| West Fairlee | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 13 |
| Totals | 22 | 12 | 15 | 53 | 205 | 307 | 119 | 426 |

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Budget 1978

I. OPERATING REVENUES

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| * Skilled Nursing Care | \$33,935.00 |
| Physical Therapy | 13,880.00 |
| Home Health Aide | 12,387.00 |
| Home Maker | 995.00 |
| EPSDT | 207.00 |
| School Nurse Contract | <u>1,608.00</u> |
| Total Operating Revenue | \$63,012.00 |

Less: Deductions from Revenues

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Free Service (part fee payments) | 2,596.00 |
| Contract Allowance | <u>1,364.00</u> |
| Total Deductions | <u>3,960.00</u> |

Net operating Income \$59,052.00

OTHER REVENUES

| | |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Towns | \$32,024.00 |
| Interest Income | <u>1,325.00</u> |
| Total other Revenues | \$33,349.00 |

Net Revenues \$92,401.00

II. EXPENDITURES

A. Salaries

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1. Staff Nurses | \$21,064.00 |
| 2. HHA-HM | 8,508.00 |
| 3. Clerical | 10,913.00 |
| 4. School Nurse | 1,268.00 |
| 5. Physical Therapist | 6,254.00 |
| 6. Administrator | <u>14,138.00</u> |

Total Salaries \$62,145.00

B. Fringe Benefits

| | |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| 1. FICA @ 6.05% | \$ 3,759.00 |
| 2. Vt. Unemployment @ 1.8% | 1,118.00 |
| 3. Work. Comp. | 517.00 |
| 4. Ind. Malpractice Ins. | 205.00 |
| 5. Health Ins. | 345.00 |
| 6. Physical Exams. | <u>105.00</u> |

Total Fringe Benefits \$ 6,049.00

C. Purchased Services (P. T.) 3,540.00

D. Medical Supplies 250.00

E. Transportation 6,025.00

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES, INC. Budget 1978 (Cont.)

F. Occupancy

| | |
|----------------------|---------------|
| White River Junction | \$ 3,653.00 |
| Bradford | <u>840.00</u> |
| | \$ 4,493.00 |

G. Office Expenses

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. Supplies | 1,100.00 |
| 2. Telephone | 3,600.00 |
| 3. Postage | 825.00 |
| 4. Payroll Service | 288.00 |
| 5. Equipment Maintenance Contract | <u>269.00</u> |

\$ 6,082.00

H. Other General Expenses

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Depreciation | 500.00 |
| 2. Dues and Subscriptions | 1,000.00 |
| 3. Accounting and Legal | 800.00 |
| 4. Staff Education | 300.00 |
| 5. Insurance | 858.00 |
| 6. Advertising and Publicity | 100.00 |
| 7. Miscellaneous | <u>50.00</u> |

\$ 3,608.00

Total Expenditures \$92,192.00

Anticipated Net Gain \$ 209.00

* Nursing Care -- the present visit rate of 141.4 visits per month at \$20.00/visit.

Physical Therapy -- the present visit rate of 57.8 visits per month at \$20.00/visit.

Home Health Aide -- the present hourly rate of 129.0 hours per month at \$8.00/hour.

Homemaker -- the present hourly rate of 10.36 hours per month at \$8.00/hour.

RENT-A-KID IS BACK!

(under new management)

The Thetford Academy German Club is determined to go to Germany in the Spring of '79.

We are earnest, industrious, cheerful, honest, diligent, dependable and reasonable. To arrange for our services, call 785-2873 after 4:00 P. M. Look for us at Town Meeting.

ORANGE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE, INC.

5 Maple Street • Randolph, Vermont 05060

Tel. 728-3230

The following is our report to the Town of Thetford concerning mental health services to individuals from the Town of Thetford from 11/1/76 through 11/1/77.

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Number of individuals served | 39 |
| Dollars spent in delivery of service | \$16,988.00 |
| Dollars received from patient and third party fees (i.e., Blue Shield, Medicare, Medicaid) | 7,720.50 |
| Amount of town support | <u>1,612.50</u> |
| Amount of discounted services | \$ 7,655.00 |

| <u>Types of Problems</u> | <u>Number of People Seen with These Problems</u> |
|--|--|
| Depression | 3 |
| Adjustment to Adult Life | 12 |
| Speech | 2 |
| Adjustment to Adolescence | 3 |
| Adjustment to Childhood | 3 |
| Personality Disorder | 3 |
| Marital | 5 |
| Parent/Child | 3 |
| Alcohol | 3 |
| Developmental Disabilities (Mental Retardation, Epilepsy, Cerebral Palsy) | 2 |

The above figures indicate numbers of people seen plus the cost of services rendered to them. You will note that the amount received from the patient or third-party payer plus the amount of town support does not equal the actual cost of service delivery. This "discounted" amount must be made up from sources other than the patient or local community. Local funds from towns are used as matching funds to obtain revenues from state and federal sources.

We are asking that Thetford assess each registered voter \$1.50 to offset the cost of services to the residents of Thetford. This assessment formula has been in effect for the last six years and is being requested of all towns in our catchment area, and results in the following request for 1978 - 1075 registered voters x \$1.50 = \$1,612.50.

We would like to add that Orange County Mental Health Service is a local non-profit corporation that spends the major part of its budget in the central Vermont area - thus not only providing a much-needed service to residents of the community but an economic asset as well.

OCMHS is engaged in services in the following clinical areas: inpatient care, outpatient care, 24-hour emergency crisis care, consultation and education programs, alcoholism treatment and prevention, drug treatment, alternate/aftercare services for the elderly and comprehensive children's services - both a treatment and preventative nature - and is considered a comprehensive mental health center.

We respectfully request that the above-mentioned appropriation be placed in the budget of Thetford and will await your decision.

AUDITORS' NOTE: The amount shown here represents only the Town's cost. An additional amount is also included in the School Budget.

THETFORD'S REPRESENTATIVE TO OCMH

We meet once a month in Chelsea and discuss problems ranging from new alcohol and drug programs to budget proposals. The Board of Orange County Mental Health is made up of people like myself who care about the quality and quantity of service we are receiving for the money spent.

After being on the board for over a year, I can assure you that Thetford's money is being well spent. Rarely are tax dollars used more professionally, in programs that we can see and measure results.

A problem concerning one's mental health is very personal. Whether it is related to drinking, drug, etc., the staff at OCMH are willing and able to help. A 24 hour toll free number enables anyone to get in touch with help at any time. The number is 800-622-4244.

If there are any questions concerning OCMH, please contact me by phone or personally. It could save discussion time at Town Meeting and the question may be better understood by both of us.

Michael Bouchard
Thetford Representative

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS REPORT

We report that the total expenses for the 1977 care of the town cemeteries came to \$527.25.

This was for the spring clean-up and for the general care such as keeping them mowed and trimmed.

There were also a few stone repairs made to keep the stones in upright condition.

Respectfully submitted,
Cemetery Commissioners
Wesley Clay
Edward F. Clay
John Wilmot

THETFORD FREE BED FUND

Fourteen Thetford residents received assistance from the Bed Fund between July 1, 1976 and June 30, 1977.

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance as of July 1, 1976 | \$ 127.58 |
| Allotment '76-'77 | <u>1,147.68</u> |
| | \$1,275.26 |
| Reinstatements | <u>152.27</u> |
| Available for the fiscal year | \$1,427.53 |
| Services rendered | <u>1,135.73</u> |
| Unused balance as of June 30, 1977 | \$ 291.80 |

Edward LaMontagne
Town Service Officer

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Annual Report to the Citizens of Thetford

It is the goal of the Health Department to protect and improve the health of all Vermonters by providing services to the residents of each town without charge. During the past year we have provided the following services to the people of Thetford.

234 elementary school children were examined by a dental hygienist and received personal oral hygiene instruction twice during the school year.

The Dental Program monitored the fluoridation equipment of the Thetford Elementary School.

Treatment for 83 children was approved and paid for in total or in part by the Tooth Fairy and Denticaid Programs.

Public Health Nurses made 53 individual public health visits to 28 persons.

4 persons received instruction in childbirth and parenting in group classes.

140 children received preventive health examinations and counselling at Well Child Conferences.

97 immunizations were given in Health Department clinics.

In a special program, 370 persons were immunized against swine flu.

Through the Handicapped Children's Program, diagnosis and treatment services for orthopedic, hearing, cardiac, and other conditions were provided to 12 children in an effort to reduce their handicaps.

Through the Child Development Clinic 1 child received diagnostic and intensive followup services for suspected physical and/or mental retardation.

11 persons received chest X-rays for early detection of lung disease from the Barre, Rutland or other Health Department chest clinics.

The following services were provided by the Health Department Laboratory in Burlington:

21 diagnostic blood tests,
18 bacteriological and viral cultures,
191 tests of individual and municipal water systems to monitor drinking water quality.

123 people received nutritional education and food supplements through the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC).

Through the Early Periodic Screening Detection and Treatment Program (EPSDT) 26 children underwent medical evaluation and treatment.

8 women were examined for cervical and breast cancer.

Statewide, 400 emergency medical technicians were trained; 142,600 doses of vaccine were distributed to private physicians; 20 hospitals and 48 nursing homes were inspected and licensed; 3475 blood and breath samples were tested for alcohol content; 1951 restaurants were inspected; 2144 venereal disease treat-

ments were paid for and 778 contacts were traced; material to test 38,825 persons for tuberculosis was distributed to private physicians, public clinics, and schools; 150 industrial inspections affecting 13,174 workers were done; and 55 x-ray machines were inspected.

Technical assistance was provided through the office of Local Health Services to your Town Health Officer Robert A. Eaton.

Your Town Clerk Mrs. Emily E. Hood received support and instruction in the handling of vital records from the Division of Public Health Statistics.

Although no residents participated, Health Department services are also available to Thetford in the following program:

The School Fluoride Rinse Program.

We encourage your participation in those programs which may meet your needs. Information about our services may be obtained by calling our toll free number 1-800-642-5148.

A. Marshall McBean, M. D.
Commissioner of Health

HOSPITAL SUPPLIES AVAILABLE

Thetford Post No. 79, the American Legion, has the following hospital equipment available for use by anyone who needs it:

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 5 hospital beds | 7 pair crutches |
| 2 mattresses | 2 canes |
| 1 mattress pad | 1 commode (potty chair) |
| 4 wheelchairs | 1 rubber doughnut |
| 4 walkers | |

There is no charge for the use of any of this equipment. Townspeople are simply asked to return the equipment as soon as they can and to keep it in good condition.

To obtain the loan of any item, contact Loren Bacon, Robert Bacon, Arthur Bacon, George Davenport, or Edward LaMontagne.

TOWN HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

The four water companies continue to send water samples for State testing and are meeting the State requirements.

Individuals may have their well or spring water supplies tested for bacteriological contamination by obtaining a water sample bottle from the Town Clerk or Health Officer. Numerous requests for these tests were handled this past year.

New State sewage regulations for individual systems were recently issued, and the Town Board of Health is reviewing and modifying them for possible future adoption.

If you have any problems or questions concerning water supply or sewage disposal in Thetford, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert A. Eaton
Health Officer
Town of Thetford

THE WHITE RIVER COUNCIL ON AGING

The White River Council on Aging is a private non-profit agency providing services to older residents in an eight town area including Thetford. Incorporated in April, 1976, under the direct supervision of a board of Directors, the Council is responsive to the needs of seniors through centers in Hartford and Woodstock.

The centers provide both nutritional and support services. A hot noontime meal is provided five days a week. Another vitally important aspect of the meals service is the home-delivered meal, a hot meal delivered to shut-in and convalescent elderly. In addition to these nutritional services, the centers provide a wide range of support services, including transportation, which assist senior citizens in remaining active and healthy. A full-time Outreach/Advocate Worker assists seniors in finding necessary social, legal, financial, and medical services. Other activities at the centers include group activities such as educational and informational sessions.

The White River Council on Aging also sponsors the Senior Citizen Discount Program (made possible through the cooperation of local merchants), tax assistance, cancer screening clinics, a monthly visit by the Legal Services for the Elderly Program lawyer, and publishes a monthly Senior Center Newsletter informing residents of activities and programs.

Sponsored services for seniors 60 and over in the town of Thetford are available through the Senior Center at the United Church of Christ in Hartford Village. These services are funded primarily under Title VII and Title III of the Older Americans Act; additional funds are received from the United Way of the Upper Valley and from meal participants through donations. Further information may be obtained by calling the Senior Center in Hartford at 295-9068, or Bertha Brown 785-2167.

ZONING AND SUBDIVISION ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT 1977

Zoning permits issued by the Administrator during the calendar year 1977 were as follows:

| <u>Item</u> | <u>No.</u> | <u>Item</u> | <u>No.</u> |
|-------------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|
| Residences | 34 | Garages | 17 |
| Apartment Buildings | 1 | Barns | 4 |
| Additions to structures | 23 | Agricultural Buildings | 8 |
| Accessory Buildings | 15 | Temporary Trailer Permits | 4 |
| Physician's Office | 1 | Music Amphitheater | 1 |
| Silo | 1 | Swimming Pools | 2 |
| Commercial Building | 1 | | |

With the four-unit building included, 38 new dwelling units were added to Thetford in 1977, up from 30 in 1976. New houses ranged in size from 320 to 4704 square feet.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment met in session on fifteen occasions during 1977 and approved the following conditional use applications: one sawmill, one dental office, one restaurant, one antique shop, one general store, one fire station, and one community care home facility. In addition, the Board of Adjustment approved three variances in building setback requirements due to steep terrain and/or close proximity to floodplain, and two additions to non-complying structures. No applications before the Board were denied.

The Planning Commission approved 25 subdivision plats, and 9 annexations of undersize parcels. Two subdivision applications were denied as they did not meet the state requirements, and one other was denied for not meeting Thetford's regulations.

The Administrator cited 9 zoning violations and two subdivision violations. All were remedied in short order and no fines were imposed.

On 18 April the Board of Selectmen voted to raise the fee for minor subdivision applications from \$15 to \$30, in order to keep the fee commensurate with the cost of subdivision administration. Similarly, the Selectmen on 6 June adjusted the fee schedule for zoning permits, raising the fees on residence permits to \$20 or \$25, depending on floor area, while at the same time reducing the fees for additions, accessory buildings, etc., from \$15 to \$5 or \$10, depending on cost of the new structure. The fee for hearings before the Board of Adjustment was raised from \$5 to \$15.

The Selectmen approved 24 new driveways.

The Administrator's Office is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 5 P.M. Please feel free to come in during one of these times to discuss your zoning or subdivision questions, or telephone for an appointment if another time would be more convenient for you.

John Mellquist
Zoning and Subdivision Administrator

**REPORT OF THE
THETFORD PLANNING COMMISSION
January 1978**

I am pleased to say on behalf of the Thetford Planning Commission, that 1977 has been a year of accomplishment for our town. Starting off this year with a new chairman and co-chairman, some members resigning and new ones being appointed, mired as always in subdivisions and with a mandate from the people for subdivision reform, it certainly didn't look as if much could be done! I can only say the credit must be given to the members of the planning commission for their hours and hours of hard work and determination. Many times throughout the year additional meetings were held to complete the work load and progress with town planning business.

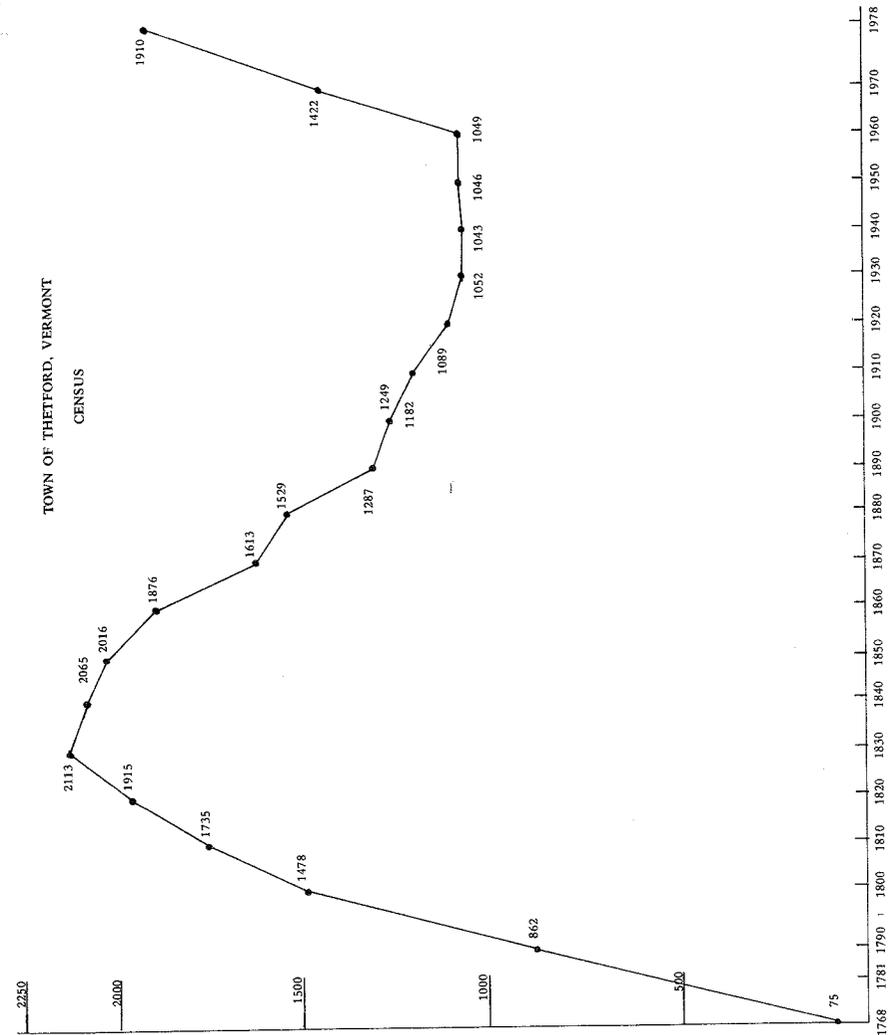
Probably the most important piece of work the board tackled this year was the town plan. We had been working under the existing 1965 plan which was sadly inaccurate and due to expire completely on September 6, 1977. After many discussions and public hearings, an edited version of 1976's proposed plan was submitted to the selectmen for approval. That approval was given by them on August 15, 1977. The new town plan document should be printed and assembled soon after the first of the year.

Another project which we undertook was the zoning regulation amendments. As this report is being written, these recommended amendments are just clearing the last public hearing held by the selectmen. They will be appearing in the Articles of this town report for balloting. Your attention to these changes is important in order to assure Thetford's continued progress in land use at a local level through zoning.

Turning to 1978, the most direct order of business just has to be the subdivision regulation remodeling. All members of the board clearly recall the petition of 1977 calling for reform of the minor subdivision section. Some work has been done on this by the board, but was set aside in order to give full attention to the two issues I have just mentioned. Now, with a clear slate, we will be able to devote the proper amount of time to these very important changes. I would like to say in regard to this effort and all subdivision applications or questions, please feel free to come to any board member or the administrator for help. Our administrator, John Mellquist, is on duty two days per week at the town hall: Tuesday and Thursday from 1 pm - 5 pm. Just drop by or call.

In closing, I would like to say that to all those people who have served on the planning commission and to those who continue to do so, must go a hearty thanks.

Respectfully submitted,
George W. Phelps, Chairman
Ilse Winter, Co-chairman
Dan Grossman
Bernard Benn
John Scotford
Royce Bond
Arthur Bacon



UPPER VALLEY-LAKE SUNAPEE COUNCIL

The Council is the regional planning commission serving Thetford and 30 neighboring communities in the Vermont and New Hampshire Upper Valley.

Thetford's annual dues, and those of other towns, return twice as much again in state and federal grants, which are used for both regional planning activities and technical assistance programs to the towns. The Council is governed by two commissioners from each town, with Thetford's commissioners during 1977 Vernon Anderson (who resigned at year's end) and Bernard Benn.

In addition to its regional planning activities in fields such as housing, land use and transportation, the Council has acted in an advisory role to the Thetford Planning Commission, Selectmen and Town Officers in a variety of planning, land use and permit, and federal application activities. It also assists town officials in many state - and federally - mandated programs and such activities as re-drafting bylaws and regulations and mapping needs.

THETFORD PAPER RECYCLING

The purpose of this small newspaper recycling program is to maintain the interest that was generated in the early 70's until recycling becomes commercially practical.

Approximately 6-7 tons of paper is being collected in the town per year, about the same amount that was collected when there was much more national publicity a few years ago.

The small amount of money realized from the sale of the collected paper is donated to the community organizations. In addition the town benefits by having less solid waste to dispose of.

Bundled newspapers can be taken to the horse shed beside the church in Thetford Center at any time. Other recyclable materials are being collected at the centers in Hanover and West Lebanon.

Thomas Pinder

COPYING SERVICES

Roneo

Now you can purchase a stencil from the Town Clerk's Office for .25¢. Type up your information on it and we'll make as many prints as you need for .3¢ a copy. Min. total accepted, including stencil, will be .50¢.

FOR TOWN ORGANIZATIONS the fee schedule for copies will be:

- .3¢ ea. for first 500 copies
- .2¢ ea. for 501 to 1000 copies
- .1¢ ea. for 1001 or more copies

Xerox

.20¢ a copy.

REPORT OF THE STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Dear Neighbors,

It's tax-cutting time in Montpelier. Already a number of tax reduction proposals have been circulating the State House. Let me add, however, that cutting taxes is, though pleasant, not easy. Virtually everyone feels his or her burden is too high and few can agree on which tax is most unfair. For example, tax reduction possibilities include:

- (1) Passing on the recent federal tax cuts (to maintain the piggy-back nature of the state income tax system);
- (2) Removing the old age assistance tax from local poll tax liability;
- (3) Repealing the state income surcharge (this would reduce the income tax liability from 27.25% of the federal tax to 25%);
- (4) Removing the sales tax on clothing (and perhaps books);
- (5) Expanding the property tax rebate program; and
- (6) Increasing the state aid to education appropriation to ease the local property school tax burden.

Although some of these tax reduction decisions are likely to be made very soon, I would be glad to discuss these tax proposals in further detail with anyone interested.

Indeed, there will be many major issues before the Vermont General Assembly this winter that I hope you will feel free to discuss with me. Briefly, the more controversial topics are:

- (1) A new state aid to education formula (which, incidentally, has a majority of House Education Committee support);
- (2) The continuing question of the "blue laws" that restrict Sunday Commercial activities.
- (3) State funding for abortions for low-income women;
- (4) The proposed elimination of the land use plan requirement in Act 250 and other conservation-related measures;
- (5) The reorganization of the Public Service Board;
- (6) Many substantial budget recommendations by the Governor;
- (7) Revision of the Vermont bottle deposit law;
- (8) The Cost Control Council recommendations for improving the efficiency of state government;
- (9) Major revisions of the election laws;
- (10) A "decommissioning" bill that would protect the state from having to assume the eventual costs of safely closing nuclear power facilities;
- (11) Reducing the severity of the penalty for possession of a small amount of marijuana; and
- (12) Moving the Health Department from Burlington to Waterbury, etc.

Finally, I would like to mention that the Vermont Public Service Board recently negotiated an agreement with New England Telephone to provide toll-free calls

STATE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT (Continued)

within town boundaries regardless of local exchanges. This development was chiefly in response to H.213 (which I sponsored last year) that would have ordered the phone company to provide this basic service. I mention this as an example that reform can occur in non-legislative ways (though it requires persistent pressure and a responsive bureaucracy).

As you know by now, I am always willing to discuss the activities of the Legislature. I am home on weekends during the session and would welcome your comments and questions at that time.

Most sincerely,

Thomas W. Bonnett
Representative Orange-3
East Thetford, Vermont 05043
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THETFORD'S TORIES, 1777

Just two hundred years ago last summer, our forefathers and predecessors in Thetford, stirred by fears of Indian raids incidental to Burgoyne's march south from Canada, drove some of their fellow-citizens out of town as Tory traitors and confiscated and sequestered their property. This short article will seek to evaluate this colorful and controversial episode in Thetford's history.

A few words of background are perhaps in order. The term Tory itself goes back to England in the time of the Glorious Revolution in 1688-1689, and implies allegiance to the deposed Stuart kings and opposition to the Hanoverian monarchs. As the 18th century wore on, Tory came to mean simply an opposition to the group of lords and landowners, called Whigs, who were usually in control of the British government. Yet it was colonial opposition to the policies of this government which led to the American Revolution, and it was people opposed to this revolution who came to be called Tories, or, more accurately, Loyalists.

In 1774-1775 the First Continental Congress passed the Association, a series of agreements cutting off trade with Britain unless the 1774 Coercive Acts against Massachusetts were repealed. This Association provided a clear dividing line between colonists — if a person refused to subscribe to it, he was clearly on the British side, a Loyalist. Once independence was declared, making the issue even clearer, different states took different measures against Loyalists. Such measures included laws forcing a person to take an oath; restricting freedom of speech; disfranchising Loyalists; amercing, taxing, or confiscating their estates; and making adherence to Great Britain a crime. Such laws were passed in most of the New England states at varying times in 1776 and 1777.

Such measures were perhaps understandable in time of war. However, other disputes and arguments got involved. Among these were:

a) *religious* In predominantly Congregationalist New England, the Church of England was suspected of British sympathies. Efforts in the decade before 1776 to get an Anglican bishop for America had increased these feelings. The activities of Samuel Seabury and other Anglicans in Connecticut during the war gave some substance to these suspicions. Thus, to be an Anglican might make one's loyalty suspect.

b) *land* Particularly in Vermont, the validity of land titles, whether derived from New York or New Hampshire charters, was a crucial issue. And this in turn was sharpened by the fact that New York had a large number of Loyalists and was consequently slower than New Hampshire in taking measures against them. Thus, to stand for New York titles might make one's loyalty suspect.

c) *financial* The colonies were short of money to carry on the war, and hesitant to impose taxes. Confiscation of Loyalist property would provide a popular source of revenue. The Allen brothers claimed to have originated such a policy in Vermont.

d) *local politics* An easy way to hurt any opponent would be to accuse him of Tory sympathies.

e) *fear of Indians* On all frontiers, northern, western, and southern, Tories were suspected of plotting with Indians against the colonial cause. The most effective work of this kind was done by Tarleton during the war in the South; Loyalists and Indians were clearly very helpful to Burgoyne's southward advance in 1777.

Several of these supplementary causes seem to have been applicable in Thetford.

Clement Sumner, Thetford's first minister, left town under pressure in 1776. Local tradition holds this was because he was a Tory; his views could easily have been aired from the pulpit or at local political meetings. It seems at least possible that he was also disagreeable personally, and that Loyalist views served as an excuse rather than a real reason. His religious views may also have been a reason; though a graduate of safely Congregationalist Yale, he is known to have tried at the end of his life to get an Anglican parish (he made the request of a notorious Tory, Rev. Samuel Peters). The case about Sumner is not clear; at best it raises some interesting questions.

On 6 March 1777, the New York provincial assembly, acting on the assumption that Vermont was part of New York, appointed 'commissioners of sequestration' in Gloucester County, including Major Israel Smith of Thetford, Col. Peter Olcott of Norwich, and Col. Jacob Kent of Newbury. This action was superseded three months later in June and July 1777 when Vermont proclaimed itself a separate state. Almost as soon as the new state constitution was written, on 8 July, a Council of Safety was set up and commissioners appointed to lease out Loyalist property. Several possible motives can be proposed for these actions; the simple desire for public safety; the view that Loyalist property would provide a popular way to get some state revenue; fear of Indians, particularly since Burgoyne's army was now moving down from Canada along Lake Champlain — on 6 July he took Ticonderoga. These were indeed times of crisis, the kind of times that lead men to take drastic actions.

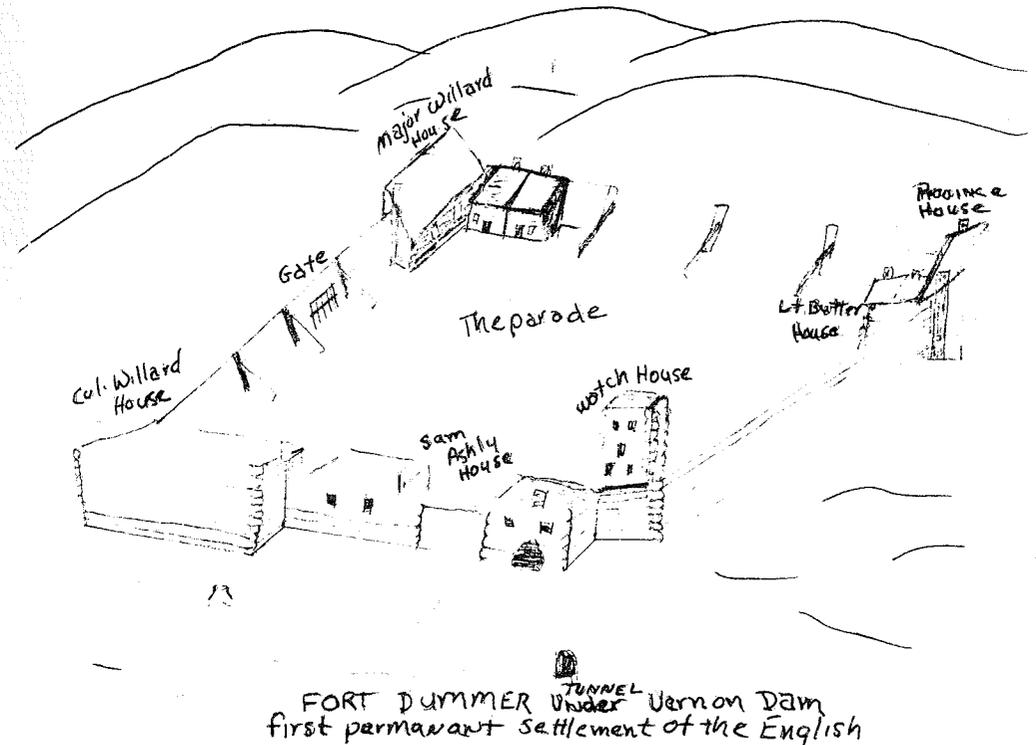
Hearing of Burgoyne's advance, some of those who were sympathetic with the British — or lukewarm about the Allen-dominated Vermont government — left to join him — perhaps thirty men in all from Strafford and Thetford, according to Col. Jacob Bayley. This threw into consternation those who remained behind, and who had visions of Tory-led Indian raids. In Thetford the inhabitants gathered together by the river; in Strafford, closer to the frontier, there was even more panic. On 10 July a considerable force, apparently numbering most of the able-bodied men left in town, left Thetford with the double purpose of bringing back loyal families to safety and of seizing Tory property.

The whole affair seems to have taken about ten days. Removal of Tory property was complete, even down to hiring reapers to harvest Tory grain. Some Tories, perhaps wives and children of those who had left, were held as prisoners under guard for at least eight days in two locations. Considerable amounts of livestock were sold. At least thirteen farms were confiscated and leased out, and two, those of Thomas Sumner and Uriah Curtis in Thetford, were sold. Details of these transactions appear in many entries in Volume VI of Vermont State Papers.

There are certain differences between what happened in Strafford and in Thetford. In Strafford the alarm was more severe, and more people seem to have been involved, including several members of the leading Pennock and Bean families. Perhaps because so many were involved, most of them came back and recovered both their property and their place as leading citizens. In Thetford, on the other hand, comparatively few people seem to have been treated as Tories — Thomas Sumner, Uriah Curtis, James Mun, and Adonijah Gilbert. It is not clear whether these men left town voluntarily or under compulsion; what provocation they gave; whether this was during, before, or after the Strafford alarm. Here the parting seems to have been more bitter and more permanent. The only note of mildness which shows up among the documents is dated June 1779; "On the Representation of Mr. Timothy Bartholomew, that the Children or Mr. James Munn, Late of Thetford, an Enimical person deceased, were suffering for the Necessaries of Life, an order is therefore issued to Joseph Horsford, Commissioner of Sequestration, for the rent of the Sd. Munn's farm for the present year to be appropriated for the relief of said Children."

It is an unhappy episode in our history, of a kind we may hope will not be repeated.

Charles Latham, Jr.
Thetford Historical Society



THETFORD LIBRARY FEDERATION, INC.

Report for the Year 1977

Library Activity

The year saw continued growth and improvement of library service in the various member libraries - partly as a result of the facilities in the new library - historical building, partly as a result of other federation activities.

Latham Library continues to be open for service most mornings, afternoons and evenings; the collection continues to grow through both gifts and purchases. The library and archives of Thetford Historical Society were open on a regular basis for most of the year; the book collection is almost completely catalogued, and much progress has been made in organizing the archives; considerable reference service has been provided by letter. Peabody Library has been winterized so that it can give year-round service. The Thetford Academy and Elementary School libraries have moved to improve and expand their collections.

In all the libraries, work has continued on the proper cataloguing of the collections. As books are catalogued, copies of the author cards are being put into a town union catalog, and a second copy is being added to the Vermont Union Catalog. All this work is being done in cooperation with, and with the support, of the federation.

Through the year, librarians of the member libraries have had several meetings to discuss and learn ways of improving library service. Subjects of these meetings have included the choice and care and repair of books, library public relations, application for a grant of state aid, and the working out of a library policy statement.

In all of our work in this area, we have had it in mind to try to meet standards set by the state library board and thereby qualify for increased state aid. Last year we received \$126 from the state based on circulation at Latham and Peabody; we have just heard that this year we shall receive a grant of \$600, and may be eligible for more.

Library-Historical Building

We are still finding out how to live with our new building and how much it will cost to operate it. Last winter gave us a good idea what maximum cost might be. We are also still ironing out final details of operation: choosing a fire alarm, improving the location of electrical switches, taking care of trees (and having to remove several), landscaping, and signs.

We are also concerned about the amount outstanding on our building loan, and are constantly working to reduce it. Starting with the bicentennial celebration in August 1976, we ran a capital fund-raising campaign which, with several large individual gifts, brought in a total of \$21,000 and enabled us to reduce the loan to \$46,551. The interest on this loan, which is secured at a minimum 7½%, runs about \$3,600 a year. This fall we ran another capital campaign, which has brought in \$3,941 to date.

Our balance in the building fund at the end of fiscal 1976-1977 was \$1,744.39.

THETFORD LIBRARY FEDERATION, INC. (Continued)

Operations

Our principal source of income for operations has been a grant from the town, plus a small amount granted by the state. Below is our budget performance for the fiscal year 1976-1977, together with the budget approved by the trustees for 1977-1978. Our balance in the operating fund at the end of fiscal 1976-1977 was \$2,452.38.

| | Expended 1976-1977 | Budget 1977-1978 |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Cataloguing Supplies | \$ 215.36 | \$ 150.00 |
| Office supplies | 434.93 | 500.00 |
| Heat | 1,335.15 | 1,500.00 |
| Electricity | 1,174.97 | 1,300.00 |
| Water | 195.00 | 100.00 |
| Telephone | 218.94 | 200.00 |
| Insurance | 624.00 | 700.00 |
| Custodian | 43.70 | 1,000.00 |
| Maintenance and supplies | 656.79 | 800.00 |
| Peabody Library | 700.00 | 700.00 |
| Latham Library | | 1,400.00 |
| Historical Society | | 700.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 538.72 | 100.00 |
| Books - professional | | 50.00 |
| Postage | 39.00 | 50.00 |
| Total | \$6,176.56 | \$9,250.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Latham, Jr.
Clerk of the Corporation

Trustees:

Latham Memorial Library Founder's Trustees - Alice Francisco, Chester Palmer
Peabody Library - Alex Alexander, Mary Fisher
Thetford Academy - Carl Anderson, William Slade
Thetford Historical Society - Charles Hughes, Charles Latham
Thetford School District - Harriet Atkins, Robert Johnston
Thetford Town Library Trustees - Judith Hunter, Robert Jaccaud

**TOWN LIBRARY
and
LATHAM MEMORIAL LIBRARY, INC.**

An abstract from Thetford Town Report 1909 - "at the last Annual Town Meeting the town voted to establish a free town library. They voted twenty-five dollars annually for its support as required by the statutes. The trustees of Latham Memorial Library on Thetford Hill, having offered the use of their building and books for a rental of ten dollars a year, the town accepted the offer" —

Some sixty-nine years later the Latham Library is still enjoying a growth in resources and services. The hours of service have been increased to nearly fifteen a week (2 to 4 week day afternoons and 7 to 8:30 evenings Monday through Wednesday). Circulation has picked up accordingly; 8675 volumes, January - December 1977. Several milestones were reached. The library's fiscal year now coincides with the town and the State library June 30th to July 1st. Its eleven member board has experienced four vacant chairs; 2 Church trustees: Ruel Barrett and Bertha Brown, being replaced by Rik Fowle and Chet Palmer. 2 Town trustees: Deborah Lewicki and Alfreda Wing, being replaced by Ann Scotford and Robert Jaccaud.

A number of volunteers worked on a book sale at the PTA Flea Market. Several have attended workshops at the Regional Library in Berlin, Vt. sponsored by the Vermont Library Trustees Association. In addition, volunteers have made possible a regularly scheduled program of class visits from the 225 children of the nearby Elementary School. Plans that include a path from the new wing of the school to the back door of the library will be implemented in the spring. This should allow children working on special projects etc., a short, safe walk to the resource books needed. The new schedule is also set up to include a 45 minute Library period for each of the classes K-6. This will be spaced over three days 10-2 pm. At present, the school-library program has a total of 24 volunteers that staff the library throughout the week. The success of this program is attributed to the hours of scheduling and patience shown by Mrs. Ann Scotford, who volunteered to organize this program, in the absence of our librarian Elizabeth Champe, who had resigned in October. With this vacancy, the volunteers continued to keep the library operating with very few mishaps under the direction of Connie Lightner (head of the Volunteer staff of more than 40).

The board soon found itself in the midst of writing a job description, advertising the librarian position in several local newspapers and interviewing applicants between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Much to our amazement, and delight, 25 plus applicants inquired and 12 sent in resumes. Robert Jaccaud (research librarian at Baker Library and newly appointed trustee) headed the Search Committee. On December 7, 1977, Mrs. Jean Knight of Bradford, Vt. was voted unanimously as the new part-time librarian (20 hours per week). Mrs. Knight was formerly a branch librarian at the Springfield Public Library in Springfield, Mass. As this article goes to print, Mrs. Knight will begin her first full week at Latham Library.

In the past year, 678 books were donated. Among the larger gifts, a collection

of several hundred books were given in memory of the Fowle Family (Charles - Claire - Richard). In lieu of flowers, the family and friends of Marion Wilson contributed a generous donation to the library. 55 adult and 41 children's books were purchased by the newly organized book selection committees. The cataloging of all books, by author, title and subject has been completed by volunteer Nanine Hutchinson. An increase in the exchange of books among Vermont libraries (Inter-library Loan) is noted in the state reports.

Consider this an invitation to visit and browse amongst the 8600 volumes of your town's library, meet the new librarian and with any luck you will be surprised and pleased that the townspeople of 1909 saw fit to establish a library! Wisdom, patience and interest from all areas of the town caused the Library to grow in such strides this year.

Harriett Atkins
Chairperson
Latham Library Trustees

Board of Trustees

Church Appointed

1978 Alice Francisco
1978 Peg Carpenter
1979 Ann Darling
1979 Jean Wolstenholme
1980 Rik Fowle
1980 Chet Palmer

Town Elected

1978 Harriett Atkins
1979 Susan Voake
1980 Judith Hunter
1981 Ann Scotford
1982 Robert Jaccaud



Danny Bragg
Vermont flower
Red Clover

THETFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.

Report for the Year 1977

ACTIVITIES

During the year the following activities took place: — exhibit at Thetford Center Old Home Day on 16 July, with emphasis on Thetford Revolutionary War hero Richard Wallace, on hole-making tools, and on wool-making.

- trip on 23 July to see the installations of historical societies at Royalton and Bethel.
- exhibit at Thetford Hill Fair on 2 August — flax working, Thetford's participation in the 1777 Burgoyne Campaign.
- annual meeting on 13 August. Talk by William Lovering of Royalton about evidences of pre-Columbian settlement in New England, especially stone structures thought to be related to sun-worship. This talk filled the Thetford Center Community building, and attracted several people from other towns.
- fall meeting with a panel discussion on Post Mills history arranged by Miss Jessie Baldwin. About 50 people attended.

LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

Last winter the historical library in the new building was kept open one evening a week; during the summer it was open four mornings a week. It is open on call to Louise Vaughan (785-2819). The book collection, now totalling close to 2000 volumes, has been completely catalogued, and copies of author cards have been provided for the town's Union Catalog and the Vermont Union Catalog. We are the only local historical society whose holdings are catalogued in the latter. This work has been done by volunteers. During the summer we went through the cabinets and shelves of the Wallace building, moved several cartons of ancient records to our archives room, and Kenneth Cook did a preliminary sorting. Considerable progress has been made in organizing the archives collection, and a guide to the collection has been provided by Curator Charles Hughes. Numerous mail requests for information from our extensive genealogical file have been answered by Louise Vaughan.

MUSEUM

Our museum, in Emma Coombs' barn on Route 113 just below Thetford Hill, was open on two Sundays in August, after a great deal of preparatory work, and preparation of special exhibits, by Charles and Fanny Hughes. The barn building seems in pretty solid shape, though the west end will soon need a new roof. We are still hoping sometime not too far in the future, to build an additional shed to house some of the farm vehicles.

PUBLICATIONS

Charles Hughes wrote an article on Richard Wallace for last year's town report. An article by Charles Latham on Thetford Tories and their treatment in 1777 appears in this year's report.

Robert Bacon, a member of our board, has completed a map and listing of all persons buried in the various cemeteries of Thetford since 1768. It is hoped that this will soon be published, with help from the Town, the Historical Society, and private individuals.

Other works which it is hoped can be published before long are an historical map of the town 1877-1977, and an account of Thetford schools by Ruthe Russ.

Sales continue of Charles Latham's Short History of Thetford.

FINANCIAL

We are still in the process of learning what our share of the expenses will be in the new Library-Historical Building. So far the operation of our historical library and archives have not cost a great deal, because all the work has been done by volunteers. But, particularly in the winter, we are considering the possibility of having to provide some paid staff. Repairs to our museum building are a recurring concern.

For income to meet these responsibilities we have hitherto depended on membership dues (income from which has increased when we changed to different classes of membership); on sale of publications, and on a small contribution from the town which offsets the taxes paid on the museum building.

Treasurer's report for the fiscal year July 1976 - July 1977

ON HAND;

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| Endowment fund | \$ 258.46 |
| NOW Account | <u>1,475.86</u> |
| Total Assets | \$1,734.32 |

INCOME:

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| Dues | 29 individual members | @ \$3. | |
| | 30 family members | @ \$5. | |
| | 16 contributing members | @ \$10. | |
| | 6 sponsors | @ \$25. | |
| | 81 Total | | \$665.00 |
| | town contribution | | 75.00 |
| | memorials | | 95.00 |
| | sales | | 73.00 |
| | interest | | <u>61.54</u> |
| | | | \$969.54 |

DISBURSEMENTS:

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| CVPS at museum | \$ 22.15 |
| postage | 30.50 |
| fire insurance on museum | 83.00 |
| office and library expense | 132.43 |
| town taxes (museum) | <u>63.37</u> |
| | \$331.45 |

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Latham, Jr.
President



S. C. Stone

COMMODORE HOUSE POST MILLS, V.T.

POST MILLS FIRES

During the past forty-five years, Volunteer Fire Departments have been organized in towns. Before this many homes and businesses were completely destroyed by fires too big for men with pails to put out. Each community feared the loss of its mills and businesses. Many were total losses as years ago there was no fire insurance to help rebuild with.

Twice the Fish Rod Factory was burned down at Post Mills. The last time around 1900. At this fire the whistle got stuck and blew continuously as the building was being consumed; which was very awesome to the Post Mills people. When the new building was built, the one now standing, it had a whistle but because of the memories was never used when I was a child. There was still controversy over it when Walter Malmquist began to use one. When ever a fire is reported to be in Post Mills, one always thinks first of the Mill as it is the only industry there and employs several local people.

The Commodore House, a hotel which stood where the Arthur Shoppes now live, burned either in the spring of 1910 or that fall. Miss Anna Dodge was our teacher and I remember school was dismissed. We went up the street with her to the fire. Men were throwing things out the upstairs windows while others caught them — wash bowl and pitcher sets, pillows, blankets and all such room furnishings. It was bare ground as I remember and later on as the fire burned, I remember the flames coming out the windows where a short time before men were working.

To the south of what was the former schoolhouse in Post Mills were three buildings which burned early one morning in late May or early June 1913. These were Burton Dodge's house, the old furniture store and a small candy store owned by Mrs. Celia Jenkenson and daughter, Alice.

Before the days of telephones, someone went from house to house to spread the alarm when a fire broke out and neighbors gathered to help. Men took their pails and formed a Pail Brigade — dipping the water from a brook or other source and passing the pails from man to man up the line to the fire. Sometime before these three buildings burned, there had been formed the Peoples' Telephone Companies, a group of residents each owning a half mile of poles and wire which he was responsible for the upkeep. When there was a fire the alarm was sent by ringing a very long ring giving people time to reach their telephones before giving the message.

Although we lived a mile and a half from the school in Post Mills, a neighbor with his horse and buggy came to our house as he was going by about two o'clock in the morning to ask if my father cared to go to the fire. He was recuperating from pneumonia and my mother was afraid he would have a relapse but he went just the same. I do not know how the fire started in the old store as I was only ten years old. Edwin and Clara Knight and their daughter, Violet, were living in the apartment over the store and they lost everything they had. Both the candy store and Burton Dodge's home burned before the fire was controlled; the store was between these other two houses.

The Ladies Benefit Society made a Friendship Quilt for Mrs. Knight and the girls in the community made a similar one for Violet. I remember of all meeting at Mrs. Edward Heaton's house to tie both quilts. It could have been our Girls Missionary Society as Mrs. Heaton was our leader.

In those first years of the 20th century, West Fairlee had also been plagued by two big fires in the center of the village. After the store fire, Post Mills people decided to buy a fire engine that could be pulled by men or hitched behind a vehicle. It was stored in the Fish Rod Factory near the doorway ready for quick action. There was always someone there around the clock, Glen and Guy Aldrich's father was night watchman for many years.

A few rods up the river from the Factory was another dam used by the Star Mill, a grist mill; and the sawmill. These two buildings were only a walkway apart. In the fall of 1914, Leland Robinson and I were in the seventh grade starting the study of decimals, Miss Alice Terhune was our teacher. We had not been in school very long after our morning recess, as I remember the clock was at 11 o'clock, which was actually 10:30 as the school was on "Shop" time, half an hour ahead of Standard Time. She had sent us to the blackboard at the rear of the room on the southside of the chimney. Leland stood by the window and I by the chimney with Miss Terhune a couple of rows of seats back of us. As she gave us a number to write on the board we would look at each other's work after we had written the number. We had written perhaps three or four decimal numbers. As I looked toward Leland my eye caught the sight of smoke out of the window. After writing the next number, I immediately looked out of the window instead of his work. I saw smoke coming from the back of the grist mill! Leland saw me looking so he looked and I suppose by our startled expressions, our teacher also looked. She calmly called us back to our recitation seats, gave the assignment for the next day, dismissed our class and immediately excused the whole school, much to the surprise of the rest of the students. There were remarks, "Why is she excusing us now, we just had recess?" We soon told why and all went to watch or do what we could. Miss Terhune not seeing what we could naturally thought it was the Fish Rod Factory that was on fire. After seeing the smoke I had seen men with pails coming from the Factory door and shouting.

In these days farmers raised corn and oats to feed their stock. Generally corn on the cob was fed to the hogs, also horses along with whole oats. Both grains were taken to the grist mill to be ground into feed for cows. Wheat, when raised, and shelled corn were also ground for use in the home making bread and Johnny cake.

Charles Wiggins was the miller at this time. He had been grinding grist for someone and a hot box had developed in the mechanism that turned the big flat stone wheels to grind with. The ever present dust and chaff was ignited by the hot box. Soon both mills were afire. There was a very strong southwind blowing that day. Burning embers flew through the air! Some set fire to the school house belfry; Children were called together to help remove books which we took across the street to various places. Truman Hatch climbed up to the belfry as high as he could and with his hand over the nozzle of the fire engine hose was able to spray

the water which put out the fire there. In the meantime several places on the roof of the IOOF Hall, which then had wooden shingles, had caught a fire. With diligent work the men and their new fire engine successfully extinguished all the little fires there.

There were numerous little grass fires started in the field where the Quentin Malmquists now live. I also remember Mrs. Henry Dodge coming down the street calling that their barn was afire. The men were so busy where they were that no one heeded the call. If it was so, that and the many grass fires went out on their own accord. It was a miracle that the barn did not burn for if it had there would have been no way to have saved the Peabody Library only a few feet from the barn, north of it.

Across the road from the brick house owned for several years more recently by the Hendricksons was a small building known as the Toy Shop as at one time toys were made there; it had an apartment upstairs and the Charles Maxhams lived there at the time of the fire. Being the closest building to the disastrous fire, it got hot. Wet blankets were kept on the roof all day. Several children including Ruth Hatch, Robert Allen and myself were on the roof at Rollie Hatch's store watching for sparks there. Edwin and Clara Knight had the Post Office in the Block at that time and they moved the post office safe out on the porch for easier removal had that been necessary. Even with the severe wind not a burning ember ever went across the street that day! I stayed around until about 4 o'clock and walked home. It had been an exciting day for all of us! The new fire engine had paid for itself that one day!

by Helen Paige



Andy Moore
Vermont seal

CHURCHES

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| North Thetford Federated | | 333-4429 |
| Post Mills Congregational | Rev. Jeffery Evans | 785-4073 |
| Thetford Hill Congregational | Rev. Jeffery Evans | 785-4073 |
| Timothy Frost Methodist (Thetford Ct.) | Rev. Hector Sullivan | 649-1258 |
| Union Village Methodist | Rev. Hector Sullivan | 649-1258 |

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

| | | |
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| Latham Memorial Library | Jean Knight | 785-4361 |
| (Hrs. Mon.-Fri. 2PM-4PM, Mon.-Wed. 7PM-8:30PM Preschool story hr. Wed. 9:30 AM) | | |
| North Thetford Library | Agness Waterman | 333-9184 |
| (Hrs. Monday, Thursday, Saturday 1PM-4PM) | | |
| Peabody Library | Nellie Glaser | 333-9343 |
| (Hrs. Wednesday 3PM-5PM & 7PM-9PM) | | |
| Thetford Historical Library | Louise Vaughan | 785-2819 |
| (Hrs. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 7PM-8:30PM) | | |

TOWN ORGANIZATIONS

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|--|------------------------------|----------|
| American Legion Post No. 5, Thet. Hill | George Davenport | 785-2536 |
| Boy Scouts | Gary Ulman | 785-4037 |
| | John Lavasser | 785-2001 |
| Cub Scouts | Fred Berecz | 785-2845 |
| Crystal Lake Lodge No. 5, Post Mills | Maurice Tucker | 333-4433 |
| DAR - Richard Wallace Chapter | Margaret Balch | 353-9023 |
| Democratic Caucus | Daniel Grossman | 785-4074 |
| First Aid Squad of Thetford | Helen Huggett | 785-2668 |
| Food Coop | | 295-7322 |
| Girl Scouts | | |
| Coordinator-Troop, Consultant | Carole Anderson | 333-4695 |
| Leader, Brownies | Norma Clark | 333-9263 |
| | Yvonne Littlefield | 785-2251 |
| Leader, Juniors | Susan Tallman | 785-4579 |
| | Stephanie Dean | 333-9426 |
| | Roney Hoffman | 785-2438 |
| | Roberta Howard | 333-4607 |
| | Sherry Crossley | 333-9579 |
| | Bertha Brown | 785-2167 |
| | Robert Rogers | 785-2992 |
| | George P. Stowell | 785-2518 |
| | Julie Harris | 785-4079 |
| | Beverly Vaughan | 785-2500 |
| | | 785-4344 |
| I Can Hardly Wait for Winter | Kathleen Bond | 333-4640 |
| Lions Club | Melvin Maxfield | 333-9155 |
| Men's Goodfellowship, Union Village | James A. Bacon | 333-9571 |
| Nurses Association (R.N. & L.P.N.) | | |
| P.T.A. | | |
| Parish Players | | |
| Red Cross Service to Military Families | | |
| Republican Caucus | | |
| Thetford Academy Alumni Assn. | | |

Thetford Historical Society
 Thetford Mother's Club
 Thetford Recreation Board
 Thetford Snowcoasters
 (3rd Thurs. of each month)
 Thetford Vol. Fire Dept.
 Thetford Workshop

Charles Latham 333-4613
 Lea Easton 785-4478
 Drew Tallman 785-4579
 Ivan McGranaghan 649-1896

Ellis Paige 785-2127
 Arlene Palmer 333-4655
 Jaye Nakamura 333-4484
 James Banker 785-2229

Upper Valley Fish & Game Club
 (3rd Wed. of each month at Thetford Elementary School)

AREA ORGANIZATIONS

Community Assn., Thetford Center
 Friendly Class, No. Thetford
 Ladies Aid Society, No. Thetford
 Ladies Benevolent Society, Post Mills
 Ladies Benevolent Soc., Thetford Hill
 Lake Fairlee Assn.
 Rices Mills Community Assn.
 Women's Fellowship Assn., Thet. Ctr.
 W.S.C.S., Union Village

Robert Hunter 785-2811
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 Virginia Mead 333-9102
 Louise Vaughan 785-2819
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 A. J. Thorburn 785-2804
 Bertha Brown 785-2167
 Annie Boutwell 785-4308

LUNCHEON WILL BE SERVED TOWN MEETING DAY

The Snowcoasters and American Legion will serve a luncheon of Baked Beans, Hot Dogs, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Coffee, Punch, and Pies. Cost of first course is \$2.50. Pies .30¢.



THETFORD RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS INFORMATION

DOGS

All dogs four months of age and older must be licensed between January 1st and April 1st of each year. Before licensing, the dog must have a rabies shot and a certificate on file in the Town Clerk's Office. Rabies shots are good for 30 months.

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| Fees: Male or Spayed Female | \$2.00 | Female | \$6.00 |
| Fees after April 1: Male or Spayed Female | \$3.00 | Female | \$9.00 |

Dogs which move into Town after April 1st, if licensed within 30 days of arrival, owners pay the regular fee. After 30 days they are liable for the late fees. Please report all deceased dogs to the Town Clerk's Office. Licenses may be obtained by mail.

"The owner or keeper of 3 or more dogs, four months of age or older, kept for sale or breeding purposes . . . shall apply to the Town Clerk for a kennel permit . . . Kennel permit expires March 31." 20 VSA 3681

POLLS

Cards will be filled out on Town Meeting Day. If listers miss you, you are responsible for seeing that your name is placed on the poll list and for registering livestock and dogs.

VSA 32 Section 3601 "The listers shall set the polls of all inhabitants of the state, citizens and aliens who are between the ages of 18 and 65 years in the Grand List in the town wherein such inhabitant resides on April 1 in each year.

POLL TAX BILLS

Payment of your poll tax does not place your name on the Checklist. Bills will be mailed out June 21, 1978 and are due on that date and before July 26, 1978, final grace date.

PROPERTY TAX BILLS

Bills will be mailed out July 25, 1978 and are payable on that date. You have a 90 day grace period, ending October 25, 1978.

PAYMENTS OF TAX BILLS

All payments received in the hands of the Treasurer after the final grace period date are delinquent, regardless of the date on the check or postmark, and will be turned over to the Tax Collector.

DELINQUENT POLL & PROPERTY TAXES

All delinquent taxes will have a 8% penalty and a five cents warrant fee added, plus interest of 1% each month. These are added the day they become delinquent and charges are not pro-rated.

CHECKLISTS

Voter registration for elections and town meetings close at 12:00 o'clock noon the fourth Saturday prior to voting. Application forms may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office. Anyone wishing to vote must make application, you are not automatically placed on the checklist.

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PERMITS NEEDED

Accesses from Highways

A written permit is required from the selectmen for any access from property to state aid roads and all town roads. Anyone building or wishing to drive to their property from these roads must obtain a permit.

Section 43: It shall be unlawful to develop, construct or regrade any driveway, entrance or approach, or build a fence or building, or deposit material of any kind within, or in any way affect the grade of, a highway right of way, or obstruct a ditch, culvert, or drainage course that drains a highway, or fill or grade the land adjacent to a highway so as to divert the flow of water onto the highway right of way, without a written permit from the Board of Selectmen. (V.S.A. 19: 1-43 Act 460)

Zoning Permits

No building construction or land development may commence, or no land structure may be devoted to a new or changed use within the Town without a Zoning Permit duly issued by the Zoning Administrator as provided for in Section 4443 of the Act. (Thetford Zoning Ordinance Article 8, Section 820)

On Site Sewage Disposal System

A person before constructing a sewage disposal system shall make application for a permit to construct, to the Local Board of Health, on the prescribed form, accompanied by a \$55.00 fee. A Sanitary Specialist will then inspect and test the proposed site, and give recommendations.

The Local Board of Health must issue a Construction Permit before any construction is done. The Sanitary Specialist is to be notified 48 hours in advance as to the date the system is to be installed, so that he can make an inspection during construction. After all requirements have been complied with, an Occupancy Permit will be issued.

Applications may be picked up and filed with the Town Clerk.

Sub-division

No subdivision of land may legally occur without a hearing before the Thetford Planning Commission. The placing of a second dwelling on a lot constitutes a subdivision (Thetford Subdivision Regulations, Section 2.39). Application forms and copies of the Thetford Subdivision Regulations are available at the Town Clerk's Office. Sometimes there can be confusion over the meaning of the Regulations. The Zoning and Subdivision Administrator and/or members of the Thetford Planning Commission will be glad to try to informally answer questions. A subdivider is also welcome to come before the Planning Commission during one of its regularly scheduled meetings to ask questions. Meetings are held the first and fourth Tuesdays after the first Monday of the month, beginning at 7:30 PM in the Town Hall.

Flood Hazard Regulations

Flood hazard regulations were adopted by HUD, October 20, 1975. Complete copies of the regulations may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office.