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# Town and School Annual Report

**Epping, New Hampshire** 



Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2006

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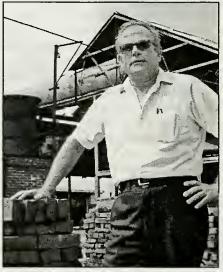
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## Dedication

## **The Goodrich Family**

n 1887, William Goodrich founded the Goodrich Brickyard and later served as Selectman. Ralph Goodrich built the first fire station in Town. The first Little League field was built by the Goodrich's and located on their land. Dexter Goodrich was one of the co-founders of the Epping Community Bank. Robert Goodrich served twelve years on the Planning Board and is currently the Town and the School Moderator.

Over the years, many individuals from our community were involved in the brick making process. This continued until 1976 when, due to the rising cost of energy, brick making was discontinued. Today, fifteen local employees assist in selling the



Dexter Goodrich, the third generation owner of the company



Bob Goodrich, current owner of Goodrich Brick and Stone



Willie S. Goodrich (right), founder of the Goodrich Brickyard, and his two sons Ruel and Ralph — Circa 1900.

stone and bricks originating in locations far afield.

Buildings using original Goodrich bricks include: Exeter Hospital, St. Anslem's College, Fanuiel Hall, the library at UMass-Amherst, the original Town Fire Station and many of the buildings at the University of New Hampshire.

Whenever our Town embarks on a building, or reconstruction endeavor, the Goodrich family has been there to assist us. That assistance has not been limited to the supplies they stock. There is a sense of service that matches the high quality of the products.

This sense of service and fairness has been their watermark. As a Town, and neighbors, we thank them.

## **Town Meeting Minutes**

#### March 14, 2006

The deliberative session of the 2006 Epping Town Meeting was held at the Epping Middle High School Gymnasium on Wednesday February 8, 2006. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Robert Goodrich at 7:05 p.M. A discussion of the articles took place. The deliberative session was adjourned at 9:25 p.M.

Final voting on the articles was by official ballot at the polls on March 14, 2006. The polls opened at 8:00 A.M. and closed at 7:00 P.M. Ballot Clerks were Ann Marie Gomez-Amaru, Barbara MacDonald, Andrew Vallone, and Patricia Sutliffe. There were 938 regular ballots cast and 45 absentee voters for a total of 983 voters. There were 32 new voters who registered at the polls. The results are as follows.

#### Budget Committee — 3 years

Vote for not more than 3 Michael King – 466 Ron LaChance – 352 Amy Randall – 611 Laurilee Shennett – 485 Gregory Tillman – 384 Michael King, Amy Randall and Laurilee Shennett were elected

#### Budget Committee — 1 year

Vote for not more than 1 Michelle Cromarty – 765 Michelle Cromarty was elected

#### **Cemetery Trustee — 3 years**

*Vote for not more than 1* Daniel W. Harvey – 843 **Daniel W. Harvey was elected** 

#### Fire Ward — 3 years

*Vote for not more than 1* Charles Goodspeed – 840 **Charles Goodspeed was elected** 

#### Library Trustee — 3 years

Vote for not more than 2 Teresa Kucera – 776 Sylvia Nollet – 669 **Teresa Kucera and Sylvia Nottet were elected** 

#### Moderator — 2 years

Vote for not more than 1 Robert Goodrich – 854 **Robert Goodrich was elected** 

#### Planning Board — 3 years

Vote for not more than 2 Rob Graham – 605 Mike Morasco – 723 **Rob Graham and Mike Morasco were** elected

#### Selectman — 3 years

Vote for not more than 2 Jeffrey F. Harris – 632 Ron LaChance – 306 Jerry Langdon – 716 **Jeffrey F. Harris and Jerry Langdon** were elected

#### Supervisor of the Checklist — 6 years

*Vote for not more than 1* Pamela Holmes – 816 **Pamela Holmes was elected** 

#### Water & Sewer Commissioner — 3 years Vote for not more than 1

Joseph Foley – 822 Joseph Foley was elected

#### **Trust Fund Trustee – 3 years**

*Vote for not more than 1* Daniel W. Harvey – 824 **Daniel W. Harvey was elected** 

#### Zoning Board of Adjustment — 3 years

Vote for not more than 2 Bob Jordan – 673 Ron LaChance – 282 Paul Spidle – 553 Bob Jordan and Paul Spidle were elected

#### **Article 2: PLANNING AMENDMENT 1**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to change Article 2 Section 3, West Epping Commercial Business Zone as follows: To remove certain uses as permitted uses that the planning board feels are incompatible with the scale, uses, and lors in the area. The following uses are proposed to be removed: wholesale establishments, motel/ hotel, shopping malls and plazas, recreation establishments/campgrounds, and gasoline stations. [Recommended by the Planning Board 4-0-0]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Thomas Gauthier and seconded by Dianne Gilbert to accept the article as written. Planning Board member Gregory Tillman explained that the area is primarily a residential area and this article would remove uses that would be incompatible with current uses.

#### Results: YES – 563 NO – 367 Article 2 PASSED

#### **Article 3: PLANNING AMENDMENT 2**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to change Article 2, Section 6 Residential Zone and Section 7 Rural Residential Zone by changing the following parcels from Residential to Rural Residential: Map 7, Parcels 1 and 2. Map 13: Parcels 1 through 16. Map 19: Parcels 1 through 3. Map 20: Parcels 1 through 19. Map 26: Parcels 43 through 45 and 87 through 93. The amendment will change the permitted uses and raise the minimum lor sizes. [**Recommended by the Planning Board 4-0-0**] **Discussion:** A motion was made by Thomas Gauthier and seconded by Dianne Gilbert to accept the article as written. Gregory Tillman explained that the land affected by this article is west of Blake Road and this article will make the zoning compatible with what is currently in this area. **Results: YES – 589 NO – 311 Article 3 PASSED** 

#### **Article 4: PLANNING AMENDMENT 3**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to amend Article 3, Industrial Commercial Zone and Article 2, Section 6 Residential Zone and Article 2, Section 5 High Density Residential Zone by changing the following parcels from their existing zoning to be included in Article 2, Section 4 Central Business Zone: Map 29: Parcels 178, 186 through 193, 198 through 202, 205, 206, 208 through 216, 285 through 291, 293, 294, and 296. The amendment will change the permitted uses for these properties in an effort to encourage more non-residential development in areas near the core of downtown and promote highdensity mixed uses in downtown. This change seeks to encourage revitalization of Epping's downtown and make it a destination for the Town. [Recommended by the Planning Board 3-0-1]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Thomas Gauthier and seconded by Christopher Murphy to accept this article as written. Gregory Tillman explained that this article will create a triangle of land east of Route 125 to Main Street and south of the Lamprey River. The permitted uses will be compatible with the existing uses.

Results: YES – 604 NO – 311 Article 4 PASSED

#### **Article 5: PLANNING AMENDMENT 4**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to amend Article 10 Epping Wetlands Ordinance to provide greater protections to wetland resources that are associated with the Piscassic River in the triangular area of Epping bounded by Route 125, Route 101, and the border with the Town of Brentwood. The proposed amendment will increase buffer requirements for these wetlands and mitigation requirements for impacts. The proposed amendment will also limit water withdrawals from wetland resources to public safety and drinking water purposes. [Recommended by the Planning Board 4-0-0]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Gregory Tillman explained that this article would increase the protection near the Piscassic River due to the development in that area.

Results: YES – 703 NO – 222 Article 5 PASSED

#### Article 6: REAFFIRM THE ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 41:14-A: ALLOWING THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO ACQUIRE OR SELL LAND OR BUILDINGS

To see if the Town will reaffirm their adoption the provisions of RSA 41:14a which authorizes the Board of Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings, or both, provided that the Selectmen first submit the proposed acquisition or sale to the Planning Board and Conservation Commission for review and recommendation, and further provided that they first hold two public hearings on the proposal. Then Selectmen may proceed, provided that if 50 or more registered voters petition the Selectmen, the acquisition or sale shall not proceed until it is approved by the voters at town meeting. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Dianne Gilbert to accept this article as written. Selectman Gauthier explained that this article is no different than what was previously voted and what is currently in existence, but the Board wanted the Town to be aware of this provision.

#### Results: YES – 645 NO – 276 Article 6 PASSED

#### Article 7: AMENDING THE ELDERLY EXEMPTION

To see if the Town will vote to modify the Elderly Exemption from property tax in the Town of Epping, based on assessed value, for qualified full time resident taxpayers to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 74 years, \$40,000; for a person 75 years up to 79 years, \$50,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$60,000. To qualify, the person must have resided in the State of New Hampshire at least 5 consecutive years preceding April 1, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married or a domestic partner for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$19,000 or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$29,000, and own assets not in excess of \$50,000; excluding the value of the property this exemption is applied to and which is the person's primary residence. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Don Sisson spoke about the end result of the revaluation which showed that property values in Epping increased an average of 250%, but the proposed elderly exemption amounts are only doubled. He made a motion to increase the exemption amounts to the following:

For a person 65 years of age up to 74 years, \$50,000; for a person 75 years up to 79 years, \$65,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$75,000.

The motion was seconded by Christopher Murphy. There would be no change in the income or asset limits that would be needed to qualify for the exemption. Selectman Murphy explained that discussion on this article started before the Selectmen had all the data from the revaluation, and the goal had been to make the elderly exemption give the same relief that it had in the past. He agreed that this amendment would be better than the original article and stressed that since the income and asset limits were so low it was truly protecting the elderly residents that most needed help to keep their homes. Town Administrator Fournier stated that a public hearing on this article will need to be held and it is scheduled for February 27th. A hand vote was taken on the amendment and the

amendment passed. The atticle as amended reads:

To see if the Town will vote to modify the Elderly Exemption from property tax in the Town of Epping, based on assessed value, for qualified full time resident taxpayers to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 74 years, \$50,000; for a person 75 years up to 79 years, \$65,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$75,000. To qualify, the person must have resided in the State of New Hampshire at least 5 consecutive years preceding April 1, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married or a domestic partner for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$19,000 or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$29,000, and own assets not in excess of \$50,000; excluding the value of the property this exemption is applied to and which is the person's primary residence.

Results: YES - 772 NO - 168 Article 7 PASSED

#### Article 8: SPRAYING FOR MOSQUITOES

To see if the Town will vote to support the method of widespread spraying for the treatment and extermination of mosquitoes, insects and other pests. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Dianne Gilbert to accept this atticle as written. Gregory Tillman asked why no money had been allocated for this article. Selectman Mc-Geough explained that this article was recommended by the State to get the feeling of the Town regarding spraying. When it is time to do the spraying there may be grants available to help defray the cost. Greg Tillman asked where the spraying would be done and when. Selectman Gauthier replied that the areas would be swampy areas and catch basins where mosquitoes breed. The Selectmen would develop a plan and work with the State. Michael Morasco asked if there would be a public hearing so that residents would know where spraying would occur. Selectman McGeough replied that there would be at least one public hearing and information would be given to newspapers of other options for controlling the mosquito population. Tom Sutliffe was concerned that we did not know what would be sprayed, where it would happen or what it would cost. We might be able to get funding for the first year, but need to raise the funds for future years. Selectman Murphy stated that the selectmen are just looking for direction with this article. The State could come in and spray regardless of our vote. If the Town is in favor of this, the Selectmen would put money in the budget for future years. Mike Morasco felt this would be fine as long as it is ecologically friendly. Katherine Cooper asked if the Town would investigate the type of pesticide to be used. Selectman McGeough stated that there are strong feelings for and against spraying, and the Selectmen want to know what the Town wants. Results: YES - 764 NO - 178

### Article 8 PASSED

#### Article 9: TOWN HALL IMPROVEMENT EXPENDABLE TRUST

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the previously established Town Hall Improvement Expendable Trust Fund. This sum will come from fund balance and no additional funds will be raised through taxation. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 2-7-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as read. Selectman Murphy explained the reason for including this article. Due to the difficult nature of defending the Town Hall against fire, he has wanted to have a sprinkler system installed and money had been allocated for this project. Due to the need to have the front steps replaced this past year, money was used for the steps instead of the sprinkler system. This atticle would replenish the improvement fund and allow us to go forward with the sprinkler system. Don Sisson asked why the Budget Committee had not recommended this atticle. Chairman James McGeough replied that due to the tax shock the residents had received in 2005, the Budget Committee only wanted to recommend articles that were most necessary. Peter Loch asked for a definition of the fund balance. Town Administrator Fournier answered that money not spent at the end of the year could be moved to the next year with a vote of the Town.

#### Results: YES – 492 NO – 428 Article 9 PASSED

#### Article 10: LANDFILL CLOSURE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be deposited into the existing Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund. [Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 1-4; Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 0-9-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Don Sisson stated that the Town had been putting some money away each year to prepare for this and wanted to know how much it should cost. Selectman McGeough responded that the cost could be a million dollars or more and hoped that there would be grant money available when the Town needs to do the closure. The Selectmen voted not to recommend the article this year due to the current tax situation, but this article would probably be presented in future years. Don Sisson felt the tax increase for this article would be minor. Budget Committee member Paul Spidle agreed that there is a need for this article, but the committee asked boards to cut any expense that was not urgent or a public safety issue. He stated that 15 years ago it was estimated that engineering costs for the landfill closure would be about \$150,000.

Results: YES – 246 NO – 678 Article 10 FAILED

#### Article 11: COMPACTOR/CONTAINER PURCHASE FOR TRANSFER STATION

To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars and no cents (\$30,000.00) for the purchase of a new solid waste compactor and container and to perform any necessary site work at the transfer station. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-2-1]

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Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Selectman Gilbert explained that this article was for replacing an existing compactor that is 20 years old; it is not for an additional compactor. Attendants at the Transfer Station have reported that the oldest machine could break down at any time. Although the Town can limp along with the remaining 3 units, we really need the 4th due to the increase in growth and trash tonnage. We will need to purchase a new container, but funds for the container are included in the operating budget. Selectman Gilbert made a plea for residents to bring to the transfer station only trash that is from Epping. James McGeough stated that the Budget Committee sees the operation of the Transfer Station as a crisis situation. The Town is shipping out too much trash and needs to encourage more recycling. The cost of operating the Transfer Station is much too high.

#### Results: YES – 634 NO – 294 Article 11 PASSED

#### **Article 12: POLICE COPS FAST GRANT**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,135.00 (Forty Two Thousand One Hundred Thirty Five Dollars) for the hiring of one additional full-time Police Officer including benefits. \$17,135.00 (Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Thirty Five Dollars) is to be raised by taxes. The balance of \$25,000.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) shall be provided by an approved three year United States Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Grant funded at \$25,000.00 per year. Approval would call for a total estimated increase of \$132,831.00 (One Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty One Dollars) in fiscal years 2006, 2007, and 2008. \$57,831.00 (Fifty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty One Dollars) is to be raised by taxes with a total offsetting revenue from the grant of \$75,000.00 (Seventy Five Thousand Dollars). Upon termination of the grant period (3 years) the Town would fully fund the additional full-time Police Officer position. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2;

#### Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-2-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Christopher Murphy to accept this article as written. Police Chief Greg Dodge explained that this is the third year that he has presented this article. Epping was one of three towns in New Hampshire selected to receive this grant and we were eligible for three officers. Two years ago he split the grant into two articles, one asking for one additional officer and another asking for two additional officers. Only the article requesting one officer passed, so last year he presented an article asking for one more officer. At the deliberative session this was amended to request two officers, and the article failed. The police department applied for this grant so that police protection could be provided at the least cost to the Town. Chief Dodge just received a phone call from Washington, DC informing him that even if we pass this article, they might not be able to fund the grant for this additional officer. He therefore requested the following amendment to the article:

In the event federal funding expires the Town authorizes an additional \$6,000.00 (Six Thousand Dollars) be raised and appropriated to fund the additional officer.

This would result in funding the salary and benefits for half a year. The motion was seconded by Liz Conrad. Paul Spidle stated that the Town would then need to fund the entire cost of the officer in future years. Charlie Goodspeed asked Chief Dodge to list the needs that awarded Epping the grant originally. Chief Dodge explained that the grant had been written by Lt. Wallace and was based on the demographics of the Town, the recent commercial and residential growth, our location on a major route to the seacoast, and the amount of crime we are experiencing. Heather Kyle asked if we would eliminate the officer after 6 months if the grant falls through. Chief Dodge replied that we would not, and would probably include it as a line item in the budget. Peter Loch asked why the article mentions an "estimated increase". This is because DRA requires that we must estimate the full cost for the three year period. A hand vote was taken on the amendment and the amendment passed. The article as amended reads:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,135.00 (Forty Two Thousand One Hundred Thirty Five Dollars) for the hiring of one additional full-time Police Officer including benefits. \$17,135.00 (Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Thirty Five Dollars) is to be raised by taxes. The balance of \$25,000.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) shall be provided by an approved three year United States Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services Grant funded at \$25,000.00 per year. Approval would call for a total estimated increase of \$132,831.00 (One Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty One Dollars) in fiscal years 2006, 2007, and 2008. \$57,831.00 (Fifty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty One Dollars) is to be raised by taxes with a total offsetting revenue from the grant of \$75,000.00 (Seventy Five Thousand Dollars). Upon termination of the grant period (3 years) the Town would fully fund the additional fulltime Police Officer position. In the event federal funding expires, the Town authorizes an additional \$6,000.00 (Six Thousand Dollars) be raised and appropriated to fund the additional officer.

Results: YES – 519 NO – 425 Article 12 PASSED

#### Article 13: HIGHWAY TRUCK EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the existing Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund. [Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 1-4; Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 1-8-1] Discussion: A motion was made by Christopher Murphy and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as read. Selectman Murphy explained that this is an ongoing fund that is used to purchase highway equipment. When the Town went out for bids to hire snowplowing for this winter, we were not able to get enough people to apply. This fund will help the Town to purchase another vehicle that can be used by Town employees for plowing. We have been buying used vehicles and equipping them with plows and sanders. **Results: YES – 180** NO – 766

## Article 13 FAILED

#### Article 14: FUNDS FOR ETV

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to be placed in the previously established Epping Television Expendable Trust Fund. These funds represent the difference between the Epping Television Operating Budget and the amount of money collected in franchise fees in 2005. This sum will come from the fund balance and will have no impact on the tax rate. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as read. Susan McGeough made a motion to amend this article to change the amount from \$3,000 to \$19,343. The amendment was seconded by Christoper Murphy who explained that the selectmen had not received their final payment of franchise fees when this article was written, but now the final number is known. Mike Morasco questioned how the amount was determined. Selectman McGeough explained that each year the cable company collects a small amount from each resident and turns this money over to the Town. Last year the Town voted to use this money for ETV and not keep it in the general fund. A hand vote was taken and the amendment passed. The article as amended reads:

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,343.00 (Nineteen Thousand Three Hundred Forty Three Dollars) to be placed in the previously established Epping Television Expendable Trust Fund. These funds represent the difference between the Epping Television Operating Budget and the amount of money collected in franchise fees in 2005. This sum will come from the fund balance and will have no impact on the tax rate. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0; Recommended by the Municipal **Budget Committee 9-0-1**] Results: YES - 633 NO - 309 **Article 14 PASSED** 

#### Article 15: LEASE / PURCHASE OF AMBULANCE

To see if the town will vote to anthorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year lease agreement not to exceed one hundred ninety-five thousand dollars and no cents (\$195,000.00) for the purpose of leasing and equipping an ambulance for the Fire Department, and to raise and appropriate the first year's lease expenditure of an amount not to exceed thirty nine thousand dollars and no cents (\$39,000.00) from the Public Safety Facilities Fund, a fund solely financed by revenue from the ambulance fees. This lease agreement will contain a non-appropriation clause and will have a one dollar (\$1.00) purchase option at the end of the lease. There will be no tax impact in 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Christopher Murphy and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Fire Chief Brian Toomire explained that when department heads were told to conserve money wherever possible, the Fire Department reviewed their requests. They returned \$56,000 of their 2005 budget to the Town and reduced their 2006 budget request from the 2005 level. At the same time they saw an increase in the volume of calls they needed to respond to. As a result he predicts that he will not be able to maintain these cuts in the future. He had wanted to present a second article this year, but decided to put it off fot another year and only present this article which he believes is essential. In 1980 the Fire Department instituted a 5 year plan for replacing ambulances. We currently have a 5 year old vehicle and a 10 year old vehicle. It is time to replace the 10 year old vehicle, and it would not be appropriate to purchase a used vehicle for this purpose. Mike King from the Budget Committee explained that although the committee initially voted not to recommend this article, they had received more information from the fire department and then voted to support this article. Chief Toomire provided more information about the disposition of the oldest ambulance. The Fire Department did not feel they would receive much for a trade in on the old vehicle, so they are planning to keep it as a back up housed in the West Epping station. Many ambulance personnel reside in West Epping and this would enhance our response time. Also, when there is an accident resulting in two people requiring an ambulance, the town needs to call a neighboring town for back up and this results in lost revenue of approximately \$500 per missed call. There is minimal cost involved in keeping this vehicle since the West Epping station is already heated and the vehicle would only require about \$500 to \$600 for maintenance over the coming year. Mike King raised the issue of how excess ambulance revenue should be used. He felt it should be used for purchasing other fire fighting equipment rather than making payments on a new ambulance. Peter Loch also had concerns about what the tax impact would be for 2007 and future years. Charlie Goodspeed replied that we can't as a Town vote to commit money for a purpose beyond the 2006 year. Chris Murphy agreed that we can't say what we would do with future revenue, but felt that this is a good deal for the Town.

#### Results: YES – 600 NO – 351 Article 15 PASSED

#### Article 16: CONTRIBUTION TO ADULT TUTORIAL PROGRAM

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to be distributed to the Adult Tutorial Program for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-3-1]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Paul Spidle spoke in opposition to this article and all other contribution articles except the ones for the Epping Youth Athletic Association and the Lamprey River Youth Soccer. He listed the following reasons for his position. First, these organizations are funded at the county, state, and federal levels as well. Second, there is no state law that authorizes the Town to raise money for this purpose. Third, due to the privacy law there is no way to know who receives assistance, and the organizations will not sign a contract saying that money raised by Epping will be used in Epping. In addition, both the Red Cross and the Rockingham County Community Action are currently under investigation for misuse of funds. Susan McGeough spoke in favor of the articles. She stated that the two warrant articles that the Town voted against last year were not recommended this year. There are many people in town who know individuals that have been helped by these organizations, and as a society we need to take care of each other.

Results: YES – 557 NO – 391 Article 16 PASSED

#### Article 17: CONTRIBUTION TO AIDS RESPONSE SEACOAST

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$525.00) to be distributed to the AIDS Response Seacoast for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-4-1]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Resident Siobhan Senier thanked the Town for its past support. She informed the Town that this organization does not receive county or state funding. The funding they receive from the federal government is restricted and cannot be used in ways that are often needed. This contribution helps to supply those services.

Results: YES – 501 NO – 440 ARTICLE 17 PASSED

#### Article 18: CONTRIBUTION TO THE AMERICAN RED CROSS—GREAT BAY CHAPTER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to be distributed to American Red Cross – Great Bay Chapter for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; No Recommendation from the Munici-

#### pal Budget Committee 5-5]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES - 541 NO - 408 Article 18 PASSED

#### Article 19: CONTRIBUTION TO THE AREA HOMECARE AND FAMILY SERVICES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$2,610) to be distributed to Area Homecare & Family Services for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-4-1]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. **Results: YES – 617** NO – 332 Article 19 PASSED

#### Article 20: CONTRIBUTION TO THE SEACOAST BIG BROTHER/BIG SISTER PROGRAM

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$1,620) to be distributed to Seacoast Big Brother/Big Sister Program for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-4-1] Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YE5 - 560 NO - 386

Article 20 PASSED

#### Article 21: CONTRIBUTION TO CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to be distributed to Child & Family Services for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1] Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES-612 NO-337 Article 21 PASSED

#### Article 22: CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY DIVERSION PROGRAM

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety Dollars (\$1,590) to be distributed to Community Diversion Program for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 0-5; Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 4-5-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES - 241 NO - 690

Article 22 FAILED

## Article 23: CONTRIBUTION TO THE LAMPREY HEALTH CARE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$3,780) to be distributed to Lamprey Health Care for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES - 548 NO - 403

Article 23 PASSED

#### Article 24: CONTRIBUTION TO THE RICHIE MCFARLAND CHILDREN'S CENTER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$3,850) to be distributed to McFarland Children's Center for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-4-1] **Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Resident Tom Dwyer spoke in support of this organization. His daughter needed help with her speech before she was eligible for help through the School system. By the time she started school she no longer required services.

Results: YES – 567 NO – 385 Article 24 PASSED

#### Article 25: CONTRIBUTION TO THE RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) to be distributed to Retired Senior Volunteer Program for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES - 631 NO - 317 Article 25 PASSED

#### Article 26: CONTRIBUTION TO THE ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars (\$10,285) to be distributed to Rockingham Co. Community Action for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1] Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES - 520 NO - 424 Article 26 PASSED

#### Article 27: CONTRIBUTION TO ROCKINGHAM NUTRITION AND MEALS ON WHEELS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Nine Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$3,910) to be distributed to Rockingham Nutrition & Meals On Wheels for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES – 732 NO – 225 Article 27 PASSED

#### Article 28: CONTRIBUTION TO A SAFE PLACE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to be distributed to A Safe Place for services estimated to be rendered to tesidents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES-641 NO-307

Article 28 PASSED

#### Article 29: CONTRIBUTION TO SEACOAST HOSPICE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to be distributed to Seacoast Hospice for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written.

Results: YES – 671 NO – 281 Article 29 PASSED

#### Article 30: CONTRIBUTION TO SEACOAST MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to be distributed to Seacoast Mental Health for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 0-5; Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 3-6-1]

Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES – 350 NO – 588 Article 30 FAILED

#### Article 31: CONTRIBUTION TO SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT SERVICES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$1,250) to be distributed to Sexual Assault Support Services for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2006. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1] Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas

Gauthier to accept this article as written. Results: YES - 610 NO - 333 Article 31 PASSED

#### Article 32: 2006 OPERATING BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant atticles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling four million eight hundred eighty-one thousand one hundred two dollars and eighty-one cents (\$4,881,102.81). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be four million seven hundred twenty seven thousand two hundred eighty-eight dollars and thirty nine cents (\$4,727,288.39), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0; **Recommended by the Municipal Budget** Committee 9-0-1]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Budget Committee Chairman Jim Mc-Geough stated that this budget is extremely bare and is only greater than the default budget by \$153,000. If the original budget fails, the Town would not be able to pay for the mapping which is needed in the Planning Department. It would then cost the Town even more to have new maps drawn up in the future. To decrease the budget by a dollar on the current tax rate, the Town would have to decrease the Recreation program offerings, decrease the hours the Library is open, and decrease the dump hours to one day per week. He urged the Town to support the recommended budget. Results: YES - 666 NO - 284

## Article 32 PASSED Article 33: *By Petition*:

### CONTRIBUTION TO LAMPREY RIVER YOUTH SOCCER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to be distributed to Lamprey River Youth Soccer. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1] **Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. George Kimball spoke in support of this article, and stated that there are between 170 and 200 children from Epping that participate in this program.

Results: YES – 609 NO – 346 Article 33 PASSED

#### Article 34: *By Petition*: CONTRIBUTION TO THE EPPING YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) in support of the Epping Youth Athletic Association. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1]

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Steve Illsley, Vice President of the EYAA spoke in support of this article. There has never been an increase in the funding requested over the years. The EYAA provides baseball, softball and basketball, and this article helps with equipment and registration fees for families needing assistance. The organization is run entirely with volunteers.

#### Results: YES – 695 NO – 250 Article 34 PASSED

#### Article 35: By Petition:

#### DISCONTINUANCE OF TWO RIGHT OF WAYS BETWEEN MEADOWBROOK DRIVE AND TOWN TAX MAP 17 LOT 9

To see if the Town will discontinue two 50ft dedicated ways between Meadowbrook Drive and Tax Map 17 Lot 9.

**Discussion:** A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Marlene Hagan, one of the petitioners, explained that one of the right of ways goes through her garage due to an error made when the building permit was originally applied for. The law allows for the Town to dissolve a right of way if it has not been used for 20 years, and the developers of the proposed subdivision are looking at another access to Meadowbrook Drive. Susan McGeough stated that the Selectmen had received a legal opinion that if passed this article would be non-binding.

#### Results: YES – 471 NO – 390 Article 35 PASSED

#### Article 36: By Petition: RESCIND 2004 TOWN MEETING NOISE ORDINANCE

To see if the Voters of the Town of Epping will rescind its vote of March 9, 2004 where Article 48 changed the noise ordinance to read, "so that from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. residents can use and enjoy, on their own property, recreational vehicles and other operating equipment" and return the ordinance to its original language and intent. Discussion: A motion was made by Susan McGeough and seconded by Thomas Gauthier to accept this article as written. Mike Morasco asked what the old language was. Tom Gauthier replied that the original ordinance was more strict in the hours of operation of recreational vehicles and equipment. Chief Dodge added that this article would only remove this one phrase and that the original ordinance was 5 pages long. Regardless of what the Town ordinance says, there is a State law that supercedes the Town's.

#### Results: YES - 445 NO - 467 Article 36 FAILED

Respectfully Submitted, Linda Foley, Town Clerk

## **Committee Reports**

## **Board of Selectmen**

This past spring, the State of New Hampshire saw some of the worst flooding in its history. The Town of Epping was not spared. We suffered damage to numerous roads and bridges, but all were able to be repaired. The Lamprey River breached its banks, leaving many homes with a significant amount of water damage. After all was said and done, the Town saw over \$75,000 in damage to town property, not including damages individual homeowners incurred. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), as well as the State Bureau of Emergency Management and the American Red Cross, assisted the Town's Fire, Police, and Highway Departments to make sure the Town was able to rebuild its infrastructure quickly. We would like to thank all of the people, especially the Fire, Police and Highway Departments, for their titeless work.

The Board began to address the growing demand on the limited capacity of our solid waste facilities. Accordingly, we appointed a Solid Waste Advisory Commit-



tee to make recommendations on ways to improve operations and management of our facilities. Epping currently pays \$71 a ton



A flooded property on Folsom Mill Lane

to deposit waste at the landfill. Out goal is to increase the amount we recycle and reduce what is put into the waste stream. We continue to encourage all our residents to recycle.

After years of establishing a capital reserve fund, we have actively begun to address the closing of the landfill (commonly referred to as the Stump Dump). The Department of Environmental Services is requiring the Town to study the facility to determine how much usable life the landfill has and additionally to plan for the eventual closure. In late 2006, the Board sent out a request for proposals beginning this process, and will soon hire an engineering firm needed too work on this project. The goal is to keep the facility open as long as possible. The Solid Waste Advisory Committee has already implemented ways to remove some materials from the landfill to other sites. This will allow us to manage its growth, allowing for longer use. Formal closing, in accordance with DES, will be a significant cost and the Board is looking at all possible outside funds to support this effort.

## **Refuse & Recycling**

#### **General Guidelines**

The refuse and recycling facilities in Epping are open to residents only. To use these facilities, a resident must first purchase a Solid Waste Permit for

\$5.00/yr. for each vehicle at the Clerk's Office and attach this permit to a side or rear window of their vehicle. Vehicles that do not have a Solid Waste Permit that matches the registration and inspection sticker will not be allowed to enter any of Epping's dumping facilities.

Any resident who wishes to use a vehicle that does not have a Solid Waste Permit to haul items to a dumping facility must get a special permit at the Clerk's Office.

The removal of items from Epping's dumping facilities (scavenging) is not permitted, except for items left at the Recycling Center's swap shop area.

#### **Transfer Station**

Open Wed 2 p.m.-7 p.m., Sat & Sun 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Household trash only. No construction debris, no bulky items, no recyclable and no hazardous materials are to be placed in to the compactors.

#### **Recycling Center**

Open Wed 2 p.m.-7 p.m., Sat & Sun 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

- Automotive Items: Used engine, transmission or hydraulic oils can be left at no charge. If you wish to keep your container see the attendant, otherwise leave it in a clearly marked and sealed container by the oil recovery tank.
  - Lead acid auto batteries can be left by the motor oil recovery tank at no charge.
  - Anti-freeze is not accepted.
- Aluminum Cans: soda and beer cans.
- Cardboard: corrugated cardboard, boxes and cartons. Flattened if possible. No paper board (i.e. cereal, pasta or shoe boxes). No wet or waxed cardboard (i.e. orange juice or milk cartons).
- Glass: clear, green, and brown bottles and jars. Rinse and remove the lids. Labels can be left on. No plate glass, light bulbs or ceramics.



- Paper: newspapers, phone books, magazines, paperboard (cereal, pasta and shoe boxes). Leave in brown paper bags, not in plastic bags or tied in string.
- **Plastic:** soda, milk, water and juice bottles/jugs and colored plastics #2 (includes laundry detergent, bleach, some shampoo and motor oil containers).
- Steel Cans: pet food, vegetable and fruit juice containers. Rinse out. Labels can be left on.
- Swap Shop: Used items in good usable condition can be left for others to pick up (such as books, toys, knick knacks, etc.) Used clothing can be left in bags at the swap shop for transport to Planet Aide. (No wooden furniture or TV/computer items.)

#### **Stump Dump**

Open Sat & Sun 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

## A separate pass must be purchased at the Town Hall before dropping off any items that has a fee.

- **Tires:** Up to 4 tires per resident per week. Fees of \$5 for automobile and light truck tires, \$15 with rims. For truck tires (series 920 or larger) the fee is \$30, \$40 with rims.
- Bulky items: The charge for Bulky items will be \$10 per item. Bulky items include but are not limited to, furniture such as couches, mattresses, upholstered chairs, carpeting/rugs. (No wooden furniture, dressers, coffee tables, etc.)
- **Scrap Metal:** Scrap metal (iron, aluminum, copper, etc.) will be taken at no charge.
- Appliances: Household appliances without refrigerant chemicals/Freon, will be taken at no charge. These appliances include, but are not limited to, washing machines, ranges, stoves, and dishwashers.

Household appliances that do **contain refrigerant** chemicals/Freon will have a fee of \$10 for each item. These appliances include, but are not limited to refrigerators, dehumidifiers and air conditioners.

- Televisions: Televisions and computers (monitor & CPU: Laptop) will have a charge of \$10 each.
  - Propane: Propane tanks will be taken at the stump dump for a \$5.00 charge.

Development continues in Epping. We have several new commercial projects underway along Rt. 125 with the Eppi-Center Plaza, the Hnrlbert Toyota dealership (behind McDonald's) and the plaza being built north on Rt. 125. Similar to many communities Epping has previously approved subdivisions with completions expected in 2007 and 2008. We recently welcomed our new building inspector Paul Harvey, who was hired to replace longtime building inspector Kevin Kelley, who made a career move to Hampton Falls. We thank Kevin and wish him success.

As with most communities in New Hampshire, Epping faces the challenges of balancing services and education against the local tax rate. With the 10% tax increase in 2006, the Board is continually challenged by the needs of all. The Town revaluation in 2005 saw our town's value rise, which unhappily, resulted in a drop in state aid. The Town's portion of your tax dollar is only 14%, while the School portion is 81%. Each taxpayer has a say in determining what the final tax rate will be, by participating in the voting process.

Again, we would like to thank the emergency personnel of the Town of Epping. This year, with the floods and the other incidents, we were even more aware of the hard work the police officers, volunteer firefighters, paramedics and EMT's do for our town.

In closing, we also want to thank our community members for working together to make Epping a great community.

Epping Board of Selectmen:

Tom Gauthier, Chair Susan McGeough Kim Sullivan Jerry Langdon Jeffrey Harris

### **Cemetery Trustees**

The cemetery Trustees are responsible for the care of 29 cemeteries in Epping. This past summer, 26 of the smaller plots were each cleaned once in the early summer. The other three larger cemeteries (Central, Jones and West Epping) were cleaned and mowed several times during the summer. Bids were received and accepted in April from two individuals who did an excellent job.

Our budget request remains the same this year as last. Anyone who is interested in bidding to do the cemetery maintenance is invited to do so. Bid forms will be available at the Selectmen's Office during the month of April.

Daniel Harvey Paul Ladd Marilyn Perry

## Conservation Commission

2006 was another busy year for the Conservation Commission. The highlight of the year was the annual canoe race on the Lamprey. We had nearly 100 people out and great weather (for a change), and everybody had a good time! Thanks to all who came to participate, and a special thanks to all who helped continue the tradition. This year's race is scheduled for the last Saturday in April. We hope to see you there!

The Conservation Commission in 2006 also accepted 50 acres or so of forest as part of the Planning Board's new openspace subdivision ordinance. This land abuts the existing Lamprey River Forest, and should provide a great place to play and explore for kids who will grow up nearby. If you haven't visited this, or one of Epping's other open areas, you should. Several sites are highlighted on a brochure that remains available at the town hall.

And finally, the Commission reviewed a variety of development plans and wetlands fill applications. 2007 is already underway, so if you're interested in helping, or have a project you'd like to start, please let us know. New faces are always welcome!

Greg Tillman John Bennett Amos Clapp Jeff Conrad Sonja Gonzalez Scott Pim

## **Budget Committee**

Growth. Change. We have certainly seen both in Epping this year. Lowe's arrived and Wal-Mart settled in, surrounded by new businesses large and small. We broke ground on a much-needed middle school addition. Residential development continued, slowed only by a drop in the regional teal estate market at year's end.

Change is good. Growth is necessary.

But with this change come growing pains and here in Epping, we have experienced our share in 2006. With the new school addition come bond payments. With the department stores come more police and fire calls. With residential development come additional roads to plow and repair. Many of our residents, especially those who have been here the longest, have been hurt by these growing pains. It's been a big adjustment.

Our job on the Budget Committee is much like a scale, weighing what the town needs against what it can afford. Not everyone will agree on the balance point. We don't always agree on it ourselves, but we work together to do the best job we can for Epping.

We started early this year. Having received many calls and comments about the recent tax increases, we took steps to impart upon both the town and the school the necessity of reducing their costs and increasing revenues. We urged the administrators to carefully review health care costs and use these reviews in upcoming contract negotiations. We encouraged a committee to tackle the solid waste problem, thereby increasing recycling revenue and reducing hauling fees at the transfer station. We asked all departments to hold their spending as close to level as possible, and they listened. Finally, we have urged the selectmen to tell our state representatives to raise their voices on our behalf about school funding, legal and other costs that are beyond the town's control.

We believe that the budgets for 2007 are as low as they can be while maintaining the services people need and improving those they want. We are here to serve the taxpayers and we welcome your input. Our meetings are generally held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. Check us our on Channel 22 or come down to speak with us in person. Most importantly, please come to the deliberative sessions in February and vote on March 13.

Remember-it's YOUR budget.

James P. McGeough, Chair Brenda McCartney, Vice Chair Jeff Harris, Selectmen's Representative Jeff LeDuc, School Board Representative Liz Conrad Michelle Cromarty Mike King Marc Nickerson Amy Randall Paul Spidle

### **Fire Department**

Please let me start by thanking all the residents of Epping for their continued outstanding support of the Fire Department this year. The members of the department truly appreciate your kind words and unfaltering support. By supporting your volunteer Fire department, you save the town the many hundreds of thousands of dollars it would cost to have paid full time coverage 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Our volunteer membership is down from last years all time high. We still have a core of very dedicated Fire Fighters and EMTs that is adequate to meet today's needs bur now may be the time for your to call the station for information about volunteering (679-5446) or email Chief\_ Toomire@comcast.net We have opportunities for you to help out as an EMT or a Fire Fighter and we pay for all training and supply all necessary protective clothing. If you can't see yourself filling one of these positions, there are other roles that need to be filled and you should still call to find out about them.

In 2006 you voted to support the purchase of a new Ambulance which went into service in August. We now proudly serve you with three Ambulances, one of which is maintained in Station 2 in West Epping. Having an Ambulance on that end of town has really helps us to better serve residents of West Epping with reduced response times. Additionally, having three ambulances is more and more of a necessity in our growing town. There are many instances when we have overlapping calls or need multiple ambulances at an accident.

The Fire Department was called a total of 946 times in 2006. There were 285 fire calls and 661 ambulance calls.

Our Explorer post continues to thrive and now has 19 youth members. The Exploring program is part of the Boy Scouts of America and gives young men and women age 14 to 18 the opportunity to explore different careers.

We would like all residents to please be sure you have your house number displayed in such a manner that is clearly visible from the road. Finally, please remember to change your smoke detector batteries when you change your clocks, spring and fall. We sometimes have smoke detectors donated to the department and have a small number available to the public at no charge. If you don't have a working



Epping Fire Department — Memorial Day 2006

## **Epping Fire Department — 60 Members**

Name	Certification	Serving Since
Antoz, Jason	FF/AA	06/04
Antoz, Jennifer	FF/AA	09/05
Arneil, Amanda	AA	01/04
Arneil, Steve	FF/AA	12/03
Bailey, Jerry	FF/AA	07/05
Bennis, Dan	FF/AA	04/85
Bodge, Cheryl	AA	03/92
Bodge, Joe	FF	06/02
Brown, Kathy	AA	04/06
Carter, Donna	AA	02/88
Castine, Heather	FF	06/04
Chapman, Bruce	FF/AA	01/04
Childs, John	AA	07/02
Childs, Shirley	AA	08/02
Clough, Craig	FF/AA	01/03
Cray, Cliff	FF	04/79
DeSotto, John	FF/AA	05/97
DeSotto, Nancy	AA	09/03
Downie, Robert	FF/AA	04/81
Drapeau, Jamie	AA	04/04
Dulin, Danielle	AA	12/03
Frederick, Crys	AA	01/04
Frederick, Glenn	FF/AA	09/01
Fredrick, Josh	FF	03/05
Frey, Harold	FF/AA	11/04
Fuller, Jeremy	FF	03/06
Garrant, Chris	FF	09/03
Holmes, Greg	FF/AA	07/05
LaRochelle, Amanda	FF/AA	08/03
LaRochelle, Steve	FF/AA	08/03
Letourneau, Hank	EMS	04/81
Levesque, Brad	FF	06/04
Levesque, Donna	FF/AA	05/04
Locascio, Bob	FF/AA	10/98
Louis, Karen	AA	08/88
McCormack, Barbara	AA	06/04

Name	Certification	Serving Since
Merchant, Rob	FF	11/05
Murphy, Chris	AA	12/72
Nickerson, Marc	FF/AA	09/01
Oakes, Dee	AA	07/01
Oakes, Don	FF/AA	01/00
Page, Joan	AA	03/02
Phelps, Wit	FF/AA	06/05
Pickering, Suzanne	FF	07/05
Porter, Jim	FF	06/04
Rodier, Amy	FF/AA	03/00
Rodier, Laurel	AA	08/02
Rodier, Richard	FF	09/02
Saad, Steve	FF	08/06
Santerre, Rich	FF	09/05
Stowell, Lori	AA	11/04
Tibbits, Rob	FF	05/06
Toomire, Brian	FF/AA	10/90
Tuttle, Chris	FF/AA	02/04
Van Amburgh, Don	FF	08/97
Webb, Bill	FF	11/05
Wells, Scott	AA	09/98
Woithe, Janet	AA	09/04
Woithe, Jen	AA	03/05
Zukas, Kevin	FF/AA	08/88

#### Fire Explorers:

Arsenault, Marrisa Bartlett, Kristen **Butler**, Jared Chapman, Kaitlyn Clough, Andrew Desotto, Kristine Floyd, Micheal Fredericks, Jocelyn Fuller, Zach Hajaboom, Micheal Harris, Andrew Hill, Ashley Hill, Heather Horton,Levi Loscascio, Jesse Loiselle, Kevin

McFadden, Ryan Nadeau, Anthony Rice, Jay Rowell, David Standen, Micheal Tangney, Brendon Toomire, Rebecca Zukas, Brian

Fire Wards: Cantrall, Richard Goodspeed, Charles Oakes Sr, Don

Selectmen's Rep: Tom Gauthier smoke detector, please call the station. My wishes go out to all of you for a safe and prosperous year.

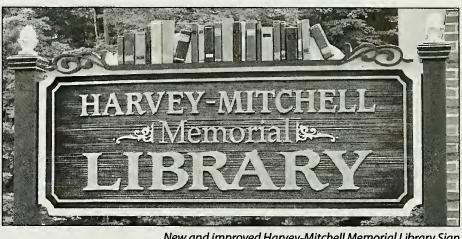
Respectfully, Brian Toomire, Fire Chief

## **General Assistance** (Welfare) Department

Another year has come and gone, and as in the past I've shared with you the many resources that are available to our Epping residents who are unable to provide for themselves and their families. The Town of Epping New Hampshire provides assistance to qualified individuals for basic living needs in accordance with State Statute RSA:165 implies that, "If a person is poor and unable to maintain himself or herself" the Town has no other choice but to assist. The Town's welfare was established to ensure that those residents who have a real need for financial assistance can obtain funding from the Town in an appropriate manner. The objective of the Town's welfare is to provide assistance to those who qualify, and to assist them in obtaining long-term financial security through other available resources.

The Food Pantry is available yearround to serve those in need. To visit the food pantry, please call my office or come in to see me so I can reach the appropriate person to help you. Because I am aware of other resources such as federal programs, state programs, county assistance programs I am able to direct the people of Epping with resources that serve the needs of the poor as well as the budgetary needs of the town. There is Rockingham Community Action Program which has been a significant resource in meeting the needs of our residents.

I have many brochures for information on the Legal Advice & Referral Centers, Families First, Healthy Kids, and Senior Prescription Discount Pilot Programs, and Shelters. The Compass Program is still going strong. This is a program to help the unemployed or underemployed develop skills that will lead



New and improved Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library Sign

to self-sufficiency and offer job-training services.

If you feel that you or your family needs assistance or information how to receive assistance, please do not hesitate to call my office at 679-1202, ext. 114. My office hours for appointments are Wednesday, 9:00 л.м. to 12:00 пооп.

Phyllis E. McDonough Welfare Administrator

## **Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library**

This year the library has continued to provide new programs, services, and resources. These efforts were again met with greater annual library usage. The number of people who visited the library and borrowed materials was greater in each month than in the corresponding months of the previous year.

After our first full year with three new public computers, computer use also saw a dramatic rise with a 65% increase over 2005.

Further changes to our technology services included the purchase of a new photocopier. The new machine is also the networked laser printer for the library, producing better quality prints.

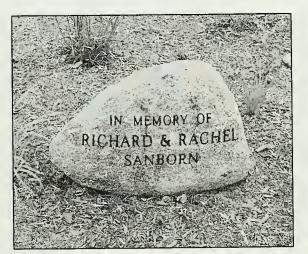
After nearly two years without any staff turnover, the library lost David Berube as Library Student Assistant. The position was filled by Epping High School junior Tara Davidson.

Programs such as Toy Play Day, Scrabble Club, Senior Citizen Tea, and Artist of the Month were introduced this year while others, such as Pajama Night and Preschool Storyhour, increased in frequency.

We joined with other groups in town, namely the Epping Conservation Commission and the Epping Garden Club, to host special speakers at the library. We also took advantage of our local professionals, hosting several speakers who donated their time and expertise. This year we were also the recipients of a New Hampshire Humanities Council grant, which allowed us to host a slide presentation and lecture.

Another new addition to library programming this year was a public performance movie license. During the April and December school breaks, we were able to show weekly movie series, as well as showing movies at other events such as the Summer Reading Program. This new programming vehicle was further expanded at the end of the year with a grant from the Wal-Mart Supercenter, which allowed us to buy new equipment.

There were changes to our facilities as well this year. We purchased a new library sign, which adds to the face value of the library, enhances the look of the downtown area, and provides us with an additional means of advertising our events. The tile floor of the lower level entranceway was repaired, removing cracked and faded tiles. Picture moulding was added upstairs, allowing the library to host several Epping artists in rotaring monthly exhibits.



Richard and Rachel Sanborn dedication stone

The pink dogwood purchased in honor of Richard and Rachel Sanborn was transformed into the center of a small garden planted by the Epping Girl Scouts. The area was completed with a carved stone recognizing the couple and was dedicated in their honor on Memorial Day.

The Friends of the Library, in addition to their long standing fundraising and support activities, ran a very creative raffle of sought after items: tickets to hear best selling, local author Dan Brown at the Music Hall this year. They also hosted a successful antiques appraisal event and their Second Annual Holiday Auction.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and Staff, I would like to thank the citizens of Epping for their continued support.

#### Respectfully submitted, Amanda Reynolds Cooper, Director

## Historic District Commission

Members: Steve Colby (Co-Chair), Pam Currier, Julie DiTursi-McPhee, Leo Grimard, Nancy Grimard, Susan V McGeough (Selectman's Rep.), Forrest True, Joy True (Secretary) and Madelyn Williamson (Co-Chair).

The Historic District is marked by signs and generally covers the areas east and west on Water and Pleasant Streets

and north and south Main Street. Established in 1979 and working to-

gether with the Planning Board, we strive:

"To preserve and enhance the valued character and history of our downtown area."

This past year in addition to review of several building and signage proposals within the district, we implemented the community effort which has resulted in the full renovation of the DAR Park, now complete for everyone to enjoy. The War Memorial monument is cleaned and landscaped, three granite benches installed as is fencing duplicated from vintage photos. We gratefully acknowledge the supporters and contributors of this project. They are the American Legion, the Goodrich Brickyard, Garden Center of Epping, Wal-Mart, Epping Highway Department, Epping Cemetery Preservation and the Epping Conservation Commission.

Again this year we suggested a "Spirit of the Season Display" to all residents and places of business within the historic district with great results.

Look for a vintage directional sign reproduction at the Four Corners. It will certainly show you the more scenic ways to Manchester and Portsmouth!

In our faster changing community the role of this Commission will become more active and evident. We will always appreciate your interest, input and support.

For further information contact any

## 2006 Police Report

Crime	2005	2006	% change		
Homicide	1	1	alange		
Kidnapping	1	2			
Sex Crimes	11	13			
Robbery	0	2			
Assaults	64	63			
Criminal Threatening	25	23			
Arson	1	2			
Burglary	27	25			
Shoplifting	16	13			
Theft	36	42			
Larceny	48	51			
Purse Snatching	0	1			
Family Offenses	0	14			
(Non-Violent)					
Loitering	0	1			
Motor Vehicle Theft	7	9			
Counterfeiting/	5	4			
Forgery Theft of Services	62	40	1		
Credit Card Fraud	8	5			
Criminal Mischief	113	114			
Drug Violations	47	35			
Pornography	2	0	-		
Weapons Violations	0	1	1		
Bad Checks	87	30	1		
Disorderly Conduct	26	41			
DWI	42	64			
Drunkenness	47	67			
Family Offenses	4	16			
Liquor Law Offense	38	90	-		
Runaways	12		-		
Criminal Trespass	14		-		
Other Offenses	228				
Totals	972		-		
Felonies	104	107	+3%		
Arrests	316	508	8 +61%		
Accidents	240	19	-23%		
Calls for Service	7,920	7,619	-4%		
Comparison for 11/30/05-11/30/06					

Comparison for 11/30/05-11/30/06

member listed above, Meetings 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall the last Tuesday of every month. We welcome you!

Submitted, Madelyn Williamson

## **Planning Board**

In 2006 the Board welcomed newly elected member, Mike Morasco. Also, the Board would like to thank Steve Illsley for serving on the Board as an elected member for three years. Robert Graham remained Chairman, Cory McPhee Vice-Chairman, Mike Morasco Treasurer, Greg Tillman as Secretary, and Alternate Steve Colby. Susan McGeough was appointed to serve as the Selectmen's Representative, with Kim Sullivan serving as the Selectmen's Alternate. Circuit Rider/Planner, Clay Mitchell, and the Planning Board Assistant is Phyllis Mc-Donough.

In 2006 the Board has reviewed and approved Nine Subdivision applications totaling 149 single-family lots, Twelve Site Plan reviews, and Three Lot Line Adjustments.

All contacts and issues relating to planning in the Town of Epping should be forwarded to the Town Planner, Clay Mitchell for long-range planning related issues. Generally scheduled office hours for the Planner are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, contacting the Planning Board Secretary at 679-1202, ext. 114 will insure a meeting with the Planner.

In response to the growth of the Town, the Board has continued its work on updates to the Master Plan, the regulations and several new zoning amendment proposals. We appreciate your attention to zoning matters at the town meeting and election.

The entire Board as always wishes to thank the citizens of Epping for their continued support, interest, and input we received throughout the year. Please continue to let us know how we're doing.

We thank you for your commitment and continued service.

Officers: Robert Graham, III, Cory McPhee, Greg Tillman, Mike Morasco, and Selectmen's Representative Susan McGeough. Alternate Steve Colby.

Planner Clay Mitchell, and Planning Board Assistant Phyllis McDonough.

### **Police Department**

On behalf of the Epping Police Department I want to thank the residents of this town for their continued support of our department. We value your thoughts and ideas and encourage you to please call or stop by anytime to voice your concerns. I want to begin this year by citing some of the personnel changes here at the department. Jodie Kimball left to pursue other

interests and we thank her for her service and wish her well. She has been replaced with Carol Ann Bonenfant who is a resident of Epping. She brings with her many years of experience and in her short time here she has proven to be a quick learner and valued employee. We look forward to having Carol Ann here for many years to come and are glad to have her as part of the team. In addition, the voters approved the hiring of our thirteenth full-time police officer. After a lengthy hiring process we hired Seth Tondreault of Rockport, MA. Officer Tondreault is an excellent hire for this department. He will do well, and we wish him a long and safe law enforcement career. And finally, we hired the services of Attorney Heather Newell to be our parttime prosecutor. Although she is a new attorney, she has a great deal of experience both in preparing and presenting cases in a court of law.

The police department showed a four (4) percent decrease in the number of calls for service and a five (5) percent decrease in the number of reported crime. However, the seriousness of the crimes is on the increase by three (3) percent. One statistic that really stands out is in the number of arrests made in 2006, a total of 509 arrests were made which is a 61% increase over the same period in 2005, rhat number being 316. You are all aware of the high-profile murder case that was reported in March. That homicide investigation was the largest crime scene area ever searched in this





Flooding on Mother's Day Weekend damaged roads.



State's history and the NH State Police Major Crime Scene Unit was on site for a record eighteen days. I want to thank my entire department for their assistance during that period of time and also want to thank the NH Attorney General's Office and NH State Police. They were truly a pleasure to work with and we appreciate their expertise and guidance. Fortunately, we don't see many of these types of cases, but it is reassuring to know that our State agencies are ready to assist at a moment's notice.

A full listing of crimes, arrests, accidents, and calls for service are listed in the box on page 18.

During the Mother's Day floods, that affected most of New Hampshire, our department was kept very busy. Our fire department and highway department did a phenomenal job in keeping up with the demands of all emergency services. The photos on page 19 and 20 depict some of the scenes from that weekend.

Thanks to the efforts of Lieutenant Michael Wallace, the department received numerous grants to conduct specialized patrols and acquire much needed equipment. Our biggest project was the introduction of wireless communications within the police cruisers. Each patrol vehicle is now equipped with a laptop computer where officers can enter their own motor vehicle listings, driving records and instant warrant checks from the car. In addition, officers can complete all reports from the field as well eliminating the need to return to the station during their shifts. Our goal is to have maximum visibility on the road and minimize station time.

Officers were also mandated to complete training. Each officer learned the effectiveness of establishing command during different scenarios presented by our instructors. A model city was used to illustrate either a bank robbery, hazardous material accident, or other emergency. Officers reenacted the procedures they may experience to insure sufficient emergency personnel were called to the scene. This training was well received and engages police officers to interact with fire and medical personnel when called to a crisis. This two-day training was necessary in order to qualify for future Federal grants. All of the overtime costs incurred by the department were reimbursed to the Town.

In closing, our Town has welcomed new businesses during the past year and more are to follow. Each new business deserves our protection and as always, we will do our best to respond to their needs. I encourage you to call us whenever you feel it is necessary. All the officers stand ready to serve you. On behalf of the staff of the Epping Police Department we wish you a safe 2007.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory C. Dodge, Chief Epping Police Department

### **Recreation Department**

Two thousand and six has been another wonderful year for the Epping Recreation Department. We experienced substantial program growth, resulting in a dramatic increase in revenue. This year we collected over one hundred and six thousand dollars in program fees, the highest amount ever generated in the Recreation Departments history. The Rockingham County Incentive Funds contributed over thirty thousand dollars towards financial assistance for children attending the after-school and summer programs. We would also like to extend our gratitude to the McPhee family for their generous contributions towards our financial assistance program.

The creation of the before-school program in the spring of 2006, helped contribute to the increase in revenue for the department. AmeriCorps member Sharon Harvey and program coordinator Tracey Young did a wonderful job of splitting their time between the before and after school programs. Tracy was also one of the stars of the Epping Rec. music video which was created at the Recreation Department and aired on the ETV network. Thank you to all of those who helped in the creation of this video.

Our largest growth occurred in the summer program. We had well over one hundred participants enrolled in the program. The average daily attendance was around 65 elementary aged children. Kathy Channell returned to the program and did





A city model being used to train police officers for emergency scenarios.

a marvelous job of juggling all of her duties as the program director. The Skyhawks sports camps were added to the summer programming choices and the Littlefield Tennis Network returned to offer six weeks of tennis lessons. Both programs were a success and will be returning in 2007. The middle-school summer adventure program was offered for the second year. We had five weeks of fun, with trips to the rock gym in Manchester and bike trips to Pawtuckaway State Park. The program was limited to only day trips due to the cost of transportation. We hope to be able to offer overnight hiking and canoeing trips in the summer of 2007.

This fall brought many new faces to Watson Academy. The 35 children that attended the after-school program pushed the program to the building's capacity. Retired school teacher, Gerry Russell, stepped up to coordinate the program. A few of the summer staff continued working through this fall providing a higher level of continuity to the after-school program. Watson Academy has served the elementary school children well, but we must look to expand our partnership at the school for our program to continue to grow in 2007.

With the New Year we look for growth in the areas of middle-school, family and Senior Citizen programming. For these groups we hope to offer more trips to local New England attractions. We also are focusing on improving the overall quality of the summer and after-school programs. In 2007 we will be continuing with some annual events like the Egg Hunt (March 31st), the Pepsi, Pitch, Hit and Run event and Hershey Track and Field competition (both in the late Spring). We also look to expand the Yoga and Ti Chi programs, while adding new programs like Kinder Musik, TumbleBus and pre-school t-ball. The department is always open to new ideas and willing to offer creative programming. If you have a skill that you would like to share, please let us know.

This year the Department will be coordinating an initiative to allow public access on a trail corridor that connects from the Epping Schools to north side of Pawtuckaway State Park. We are looking for the support of volunteers to make this goal a reality. Please contact the Recreation office if you would like to get involved with this project or any questions



On August 15, Epping Rec. brought 64 children to Canobie Lake Park. Can you find yourself in this photo? Happy hunting, see you this summer!

that you might have in regards to our programs. We can be reached Monday thru Friday; our office hours are 9–2:30. You can either reach us at 679-3301 or by email at rec@townofepping.com or stop on by Watson Academy. Get involved with the Recreation Department, you will love it!

## **Town Clerk's Report**

The State implemented a State-wide voter checklist in 2006 which should prevent voters from being on the checklist in more than one Town. Grace Lavoie, chairman of the Supervisors of the Checklist, as well as Joyce Blanchard and myself spent many hours converting our old records to the new format. The State also distributed special voting booths for voters with physical disabilities or those who are vision impaired. We were able to try out these new innovations at the elections held in September and November. Due to construction at the Middle High School, fall elections needed to be held in other locations. Due to low voter turn out we were able to hold the September election at the Town Hall. The November election, however, was much larger and the Fire Department graciously allowed us to use their facility. Many thanks to them for all the help they gave us.

Looking ahead for 2007, we will be going on line with the State for Motor Vehicle Registrations. This will allow us to issue more different kinds of plates (vanity, Moose, Farm), and process late renewals as well as vehicles with a GVW of up to 26,000. We hope the added services will make it more convenient for Epping residents, but will take some adjustment on our part to become familiar with the new computer system. To avoid lines at the Town Hall we encourage residents who are simply renewing a registration to take advantage of registrations by mail, or the online system accessed through the Town Website.

Linda Foley Town Clerk

## Water & Sewer Commission

During the past year the Epping Water & Sewer Dept. has provided more water than ever before to the Town. We are av-

## The Town Clerk's Office had the following activity during the period of January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006:

	1,832.01
	1,740.00
147	1,697.00
32	1,440.00
3,094	15,466.00
679	4,206.50
138	346.80
6,795	16,987.50
8,428	\$955,963.28
	6,795 138 679 3,094 32

eraging over 130K gpd.(gallons per day) Our maximum legal capacity is about 155K gpd. We currently pump most of our water from the two wells at Hoar's Pond and supplement that with about 20% from the Fremont Rd well site. As a result we are actively pursuing additional water sources. We are limited because a new well needs to be near the existing piping and have sufficient capacity to justify our investment. Wells that pump more than 100gpm are not that common and we must also secure a protective radius of 400' around them. The other obvious issue is that we cannot drill in an area with contaminated ground water. The MTBE in the ground water in certain areas of Town has not been removed by the NH Dept. Of Environmental Services, nor is it apparently likely that they will do anything to correct the situation.

The capacity at the sewer lagoons has been improved and we should soon be relicensed for 500K gpd. We have made significant investments to improve the operation and to make sure that the Epping Water & Sewer Dept. received the system that it paid for. We produce the cleanest effluent in the state from a sewage treatment plant, in part because we discharge into the Lamprey River, a wild and scenic river. Perhaps the highest hurdle before us is the infiltration of ground water when it rains and sump pumps which discharge into the system. This past summer we spent over \$12000.00 sealing manholes from infiltration. We will continue to do this. Sump pumps are a more troublesome problem. When discharged into the sewer system a single pump can easily pump 5000 gpd. When you factor in numerous houses you can easily see how fast this can become a significant problem. We pump on average about 130K gpd of water which should mean that we receive about that much sewage daily but during a wet spell in the spring there are days when we receive over 400K gpd of sewage (mostly just water) but we have to process it just the same. While not all of this is from sump pumps a lot of it is. Our system gets overwhelmed and we are at risk of violating our EPA discharge permits. If you have a wet cellar and you have a sump pump please run the

Source	Water	Sewei
Telly's Restaurant	\$9,250	
Hurlbert Toyota	31,200	\$16,550
McDonald's	13,250	
Athen's Pizza	2,500	2,500
L. Dionne	3,000	
NH DES Pine and Pond	200,000	
Totals	\$259,200	\$19,050

discharge hose outside and not into the sewer system.

This year we plan to replace some of the older pipe we have in the system. We still have  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " galvanized pipe that is 40 years old supplying parts of the Town. We will also be doing our routine maintenance and planning for the major maintenance issues. We have quotes to paint the old water tower for about \$250K. We need to put some money aside for this.

As new users come on the system we charge them a connection fee which helps pay for the construction and development of the system. The new water tower for example was paid for by connection fees from those businesses that needed it most, though we all benefit from it. In the future we will try to manage our costs and insure that everyone pays their fair share for the infrastructure we have in place.

Joseph Foley, Chairman Henry Deboer Mike King

## Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment consists of five elected members: Chairman Paul Langdon, Jr., Vice Chairman Dave Mylott, Thomas Dwyer, Jr., Bob Jordan, and Paul Spidle. The Board would like to thank last year's members, Ron LaChance and Dick Fisher for serving on the Board. The Zoning Board Secretary is Phyllis McDonough.

In 2006, the ZBA heard Sixteen requests for Variances Fifteen were granted, One denied. There were Three Special Exceptions granted, and Three requests for rehearing, Two of the requests to rehear were denied and One was granted.

New Hampshire law strictly controls the actions of ZBA Boards in the state. By law a ZBA can only grant three kinds of requests: an appeal of a previous administrative decision regarding the meaning of the Town Ordinance; a request for a Special Exception (if it meets all the specific conditions of the Town Ordinance), and request for a Variance from the literal wording of the ordinance-if it meets five tests spelled out in state law. Therefore, your Zoning Board of Adjustment earnestly asks every person considering an appeal to read Epping's Zoning Ordinance carefully beforehand, and to refrain from submitting any request which cannot be granted within these laws. By so doing they will save themselves time, expense and frustration.

For example, Epping's Zoning Ordinance states that certain uses are permitted by Special Exception in the Aquifer Protection District, provided they will not pollute the aquifer, significantly reduce the volume of water which it contains, or discharge hazardous materials on site. It is the ZBA's responsibility to decide whether or not a request meets these conditions. If the ZBA finds all the conditions have been met, it must grant the request; if it finds even one condition is not met, under the law it cannot grant it.

If a variance is requested, by State law the ZBA can grant it *only* if all five criteria are met:

- Value of surrounding properties would not be reduced.
- Granting the appeal would be in the public interest.
- Denying the appeal would effectively prevent the owner from making any reasonable use of the land.
- By granting the appeal substantial justice would be done.
- The use must not be contrary to the "spirit and intent" of the zoning ordinance. The courts have ruled "when an ordinance contains a restriction against a particular use of the land, The ZBA would violate the spirit and intent by permitting that use."

The principle underlying these laws is only the voters have power to change their zoning ordinance. No ZBA has this power.

Members have the ability to attend law lectures for Zoning Boards sponsored by the New Hampshire Municipal Association.

The Board would like to remind the public that the Zoning Board of Adjustment meets as needed and all meetings are televised on EPTV. The Board also invites the public to attend the meetings.

"Your Zoning Board of Adjustment"

#### Officers:

Paul Langdon, Jr. Dave Mylott Thomas Dwyer, Jr. Bob Jordan Paul Spidle

Zoning Board Secretary, Phyllis McDonough

## **Financial Reports**

## **Tax Collector's Report MS-61**

Year Ending 12-31-2006

Debits	2006	2005	2004	2003 & Prior
Uncollected Taxes at Beginning of Year				
Property Taxes		1,139,925		
Timber Tax		1,937		
Land Use Change Tax		500		
Tax Liens		116,300	47,607	4,349
Water Billing		32,104		
Sewer Billing		62,362		
Taxes Committed This Year				
Property Taxes	11,620,214	18,140		
Land Use Change Tax	467,000			
Timber Tax	3,693			
Tax Lien Executed	543,382			
Water Billing	133,062			
Sewer Billing	255,863			
Water Connection Fee	200,000			
Overpayment/Refunds				
Property Taxes	31,903	80,165		
Land Use Charge Tax		175		
Interest & Penalties Charged				
Interest For Taxes	11,057	47,217		
Penalties For Taxes	225	6,263		
Interest For Tax Liens	12,694	11,665	12,703	562
Interest For Water	265	416		
Interest For Sewer	519	860		
Bad Check Fees		75		
Shut Off Fee	15			
Total Debits	\$13,279,892	\$1,518,104	\$60,310	\$4,911

Credits	2006	2005	2004	2003 & Prior
Remitted To Treasurer				
Property Taxes	10,523,021	614,173	_	
Land Use Change Tax	318,000	675		
Timber Tax	3,396	7		
Taxes Converted To Lien		512,122		
Tax Liens Redeemed	292,645	67,035	45,788	2,217
Interest For Taxes	11,057	47,217		
Interest For Tax Liens	12,694	11,665	12,703	562
Penalties For Taxes	225	6,263		
Water Billing	92,597	31,941		
Sewer Billing	176,818	61,919		
Water Connection Fee	200,000			
Interest For Water	265	416		
Interest For Sewer	519	860		
Bad Check Fees		75		
Shut Off Fee	15			
Adjustments Made				
To Adjust Out Small Balances and Bad Checks	(15,317)	(6,393)		
Abatements Made				
Property Taxes	60,537	120,258		
Yield	297			
Land Use Change Tax	5,000			
Tax Liens	81,267			
Water Billing	145			
Sewer Billing	298		-	
Taxes Deeded To Town				
Property Taxes	1,823			
Tax Liens	3,867	1,776	1,819	
Uncollected Taxes at End of Year				
Property Taxes	1,081,642			
Land Use Change Tax	144,000			
Property Tax Liens	166,014	47,489		2,132
Water Billing	40,320	163		
Sewer Billing	78,747	443		
Total Credits	\$13,279,892	\$1,518,104	\$60,310	\$4,911

## **Summary of Valuation MS-1**

Value of Land	Acres	2005	2006	Net Change
Current Use	8,844	\$1,101,400	\$1,131,200	\$29,800
Residential	4,670	193,641,900	199,875,300	6,233,400
Commercial/Industrial	977	55,512,600	50,804,300	(4,708,300)
Total Taxable Land	14,491	250,255,900	251,810,800	1,554,900
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable	931	14,146,900	14,821,200	674,300
Value of Buildings				
Public Utilities		7,053,600	6,967,000	(86,600)
Valuation before Exemption		\$599,630,600	\$626,341,700	\$26,711,100
Blind Exemption	4@15,000	60,000	60,000	-
Elderly Exemption		1,280,000	3,045,400	1,765,400
Total Amount of Exemptions		\$1,3 <mark>4</mark> 0,000	\$3,105,400	\$1,765,400
Net Value for Local Tax Rate		\$598,290,600	\$623,236,300	\$24,945,700
Net Value w/o Utilities for State Education Tax		\$591,237,000	\$616,269,300	\$25,032,300

## **Statement of Appropriations MS-2**

Item	2005	2006	Difference
General Government			
Executive	\$176,311	\$182,221	\$5,910
Election, Reg & Vital Statistics	67,145	76,152	9,007
Financial Administration	144,179	149,375	5,196
Revaluation of Property	71,500	43,000	(28,500)
Legal Expense	30,500	45,000	14,500
Personnel Administration	44,100	250	(43,850)
Planning & Zoning	85,237	97,230	11,993
General Government Buildings	119,106	111,160	(7,946)
Cemeteries	20,000	6,000	(14,000)
Insurance	45,000	46,000	1,000
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	-	-	-
Other General Government	· · ·	33,489	33,489
Public Safety			
Police	988,654	1,075,459	86,805
Ambulance	293,758	256,678	(37,080)
Fire	151,914	157,997	6,083
Building Inspection	105,416	112,811	7,395
Emergency Management		-	-
Other (including Communications)	31,229	-	-
Airport/Aviation Center			
Airport Operations	-	-	-

Airport Operations

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Item	2005	2006	Difference
Highway & Streets			
Administration	-	-	-
Highway & Streets	476,521	550,719	74,198
Bridges	-	-	-
Street Lighting	20,000	20,000	-
Other	-		-
Sanitation			
Administration	-	-	-
Solid Waste Collection	56,718	102,290	45,572
Solid Waste Disposal	144,500	224,400	79,900
Solid Waste Clean-Up	30,750	-	(30,750)
Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		_	-
Water Distribution & Treatment	······		
Administration	-	-	-
Water Services	-	-	-
Water Treatment, Conservation & Other	-	-	_
Electric			
Electrical Operations	-	-	_
Health			
Administration	-	-	-
Pest Control (Animal Control Officer)	2,980	2,980	-
Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	35,130	35,130	-
Welfare			
Administration Direct Assistance	10,530	11,530	1,000
Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	-	-	
Vendor Payments & Other			
Culture & Recreation			·
Parks & Recreation	180,341	178,886	(1,455)
Library	114,241	127,638	13,397
Patriotic Purposes	1,500	1,500	-
Other Culture & Recreation		_	
Conservation			
Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources	2,000	2,000	-
Other Conservation	-	-	-
Redevelopment & Housing	-	-	_
Economic Development	15,000	50,000	35,000
Debt Service	•		
Prinicipal: Long Term Bonds & Notes	160,602	161,742	1,140
Interest: Long Term Bonds & Notes	78,608	71,892	(6,716)
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	-		
Other Debt Service			

## Statement of Appropriations MS-2 (continued)

Item	2005	2006	Difference
Capital Outlay			
Land	-	-	-
Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	49,500	-	(49,500)
Buildings	-	-	-
Improvements Other than Buildings	-	-	-
Operating Transfers Out		0	
To Special Revenue Fund	-	39,000	39,000
To Capital Projects Fund	-	-	-
To Enterprise Fund	-	-	-
Sewer	703,393	736,038	32,645
Water	312,387	322,800	10,413
Electric	-	-	-
Airport	-	-	-
To Capital Reserve Fund	25,000	-	(25,000)
To Expendable Trust Fund (except Health Maint. Fund)	24,642	39,343	14,701
To Health Maintenance Fund	-		-
To Non-Expendable Trust Fund	-	-	-
To Agency Funds	-	-	-
Total Appropriation	\$4,818,392	\$5,070,710	\$252,318

## **Revised Estimated Revenues MS-4**

Source of Revenue	FY05 Projected	FY06 Projected	<b>Dollar Variance</b>
Taxes			
Land Use Change Taxes	\$200,000	\$330,000	\$130,000
Resident Tax	-	-	-
Timber Tax	2,400	2,200	(200)
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	-	-	-
Other Taxes	-	-	-
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	56,000	86,550	30,550
Inventory Taxes	-	-	-
Excavation Tax (\$0.02 per cu yd)	-	-	-
Licenses, Permits, & Fees			
Business Licenses & Permits	32,600	36,800	4,200
Motor Vehicles Permit Fees	940,000	950,000	10,000
Building Permits	130,000	59,500	(70,500)
Other Licenses, Permits, & Fees	8,550	6,650	(1,900)
From Federal Government	20,000	25,000	5.000

## Revised Estimated Revenues MS-4 (continued)

Source of Revenue	FY05 Projected	FY06 Projected	<b>Dollar Variance</b>
State Government			
Shared Revenue	35,758	35,758	-
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	213,381	231,445	18,064
Highway Block Grant	125,000	131,372	6,372
Water Pollution Grant	195,351	187,388	(7,963)
Housing & Community Development	-	-	-
State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	-	-	-
Flood Control Reimbursement	-	-	-
Other	41,439	21,000	(20,439)
From Other Governments	-	-	-
Charges for Services			
Income from Departments	230,000	267,100	37,100
Other Charges	-		· ·
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Sale of Municipal Property	120,000	40,000	(80,000)
Interest on Investments	25,000	60,000	35,000
Other	35,500	10,300	(25,200)
Interfund Transfer In			
From Special Revenue Fund	169,500	159,000	(10,500)
From Capital Projects Funds	-	-	-
From Enterprise Fund	-	-	-
Sewer (Offset)	508,042	548,650	40,608
Water (Offset)	312,387	322,800	10,413
Electric (Offset)		-	-
Airport (Offset)	-	-	-
From Capital Reserve Funds	49,500	-	(49,500)
From Trust & Agency Funds	14,000	-	(14,000)
From Conservation Funds	-	-	-
Other Financing Sources			
Proceeds from Long Term Notes & Bonds	-	-	-
Subtotal of Revenues	\$3,464,408	\$3,511,513	\$47,105
Less Voted From "Surplus"	24,642	39,343	14,701
Unreserved Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes	-	698,051	698,051
Total Revenue & Credits	\$3,489,050	\$4,248,907	\$759,857
Requested Overlay	150,000	150,000	

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1899 1902	the second second	1		Balance Beg.Yr.	New Funds	With- draw	Balance End.Yr.	Balance Beg. Yr.	Inc ForYesr 06	r Year Amount	Expended For Yr.	Rafance End Yr.	P. & I. End Yr.
1902	George W Plumer	i d	Com. Trust.#1	\$857.58			\$857.59	\$1,340.95	2.423%	\$103.04	\$0.00	\$1,443.99	\$2,301.58
	-	ਭ	Com. Trust.#1	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$154.13	0.304%	\$12.96	\$0.00	\$167.09	\$289.60
1904	-	M	Com. Trust. #1	\$2,703.70			\$2,703.71	\$1,223.40	4.329%	\$184.05	\$0.00	\$1,407.45	\$4,111.16
1906	-	벙	Com. Trust.#1	\$1,225.13			\$1,225.14	\$1,511.57	3.017%	\$128.26	\$0.00	\$1,639.84	\$2,864.98
1916	-	ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$122.50			\$12251	\$134.15	0.282%	\$12.02	\$0.00	\$146.18	\$268.69
1917		ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$183.76			\$183.77	\$242.32	0.469%	\$19.97	\$0.00	\$262.29	\$446.06
1918	-	ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$61.25			\$61.25	\$116.49	0.195%	\$8.33	\$0.00	\$124.83	\$186.09
1918	Fogg Fund	Я	Com. Trust. #1	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$87.94	0.232%	\$9.86	\$0.00	\$97.81	\$220.32
1920	-	ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$61.25			\$61.25	\$58.60	0.132%	\$5.61	\$0.00	\$64.22	\$125.48
1922	-	5&L	Com. Trust. #1	\$6,125.69			\$6,125.69	\$174.77	6.945%	\$295.28	\$170.00	\$300.06	\$6,425.76
1926		ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$379.10	0.553%	\$23.50	\$0.00	\$402.61	\$525.12
1926	Caleb & Mary French	PLB	Com. Trust. #1	\$14,102.09			\$14,102.10	\$401.54	15.989%	\$679.75	\$400.00	\$681.29	\$14,783.39
1928	John O. Edgerly	ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$47.89	0.187%	\$7.98	\$0.00	\$55.88	\$178.39
1933	<u> </u>	TWP	Com. Trust. #1	\$19,685.42			\$19,685.43	\$6,604.43	28.983%	\$1,232.15	\$907.00	\$6,929.58	\$26,615.01
1935	+	ਛ	Com. Trust. #1	\$275.64			\$275.64	\$324.35	0.661%	\$28.12	\$0.00	\$352.47	\$628.12
<u>1</u>	+	ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$153.13			\$153.13	\$149.69	0.333%	\$14.19	\$0.00	\$163.88	\$317.02
1943	+	Fam	Com. Trust. #1	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$378.71	0.552%	\$23.49	\$0.00	\$402.21	\$524.72
1943		ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$245.01			\$245.02	\$97.54	0.377%	\$16.05	\$0.00	\$113.60	\$358.62
1945	Matthew J. Harvey	ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$613.62	0.811%	\$34.50	\$0.00	\$648.12	\$770.63
1952	Myra E. S. Green	ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$141.63	0.291%	\$12.37	\$0.00	\$154.01	\$276.52
1952	George E. Beede	ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$367.53			\$367.54	\$2,017.92	2.629%	\$111.80	\$0.00	\$2,129.72	\$2,497.26
1960	Wiggin Fund	Fam	Com. Trust. #1	\$245.01			\$245.02	\$106.54	0.387%	\$16.47	\$0.00	\$123.02	\$368.04
1960	-	ซี	Com. Trust. #1	\$367.53			\$367.54	\$1,392.63	1.940%	\$82.49	\$0.00	\$1,475.12	\$1,842.66
1974	Georgia Chase	Fam	Com. Trust. #1	\$81.92			\$81.93	\$322.68	0.446%	\$18.96	\$0.00	\$341.64	\$423.57
1976	Matthew Harvey	ଞ	Com. Trust. #1	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$457.56	0.639%	\$27.18	\$0.00	\$484.75	\$607.26
1982		ម	Com. Trust. #1	\$4,288.09			\$4,288.10	\$589.62	5.377%	\$228.60	\$0.00	\$818.23	\$5,106.33
1983	<u> </u>	M	Com. Trust. #1	\$2,225.25			\$2,225.25	\$624.30	3.141%	\$133.55	\$0.00	\$757.86	\$2,983.11
1989	1	ğ	Com. Trust. #1	\$3,100.00			\$3,100.00	\$1,472.60	5.041%	\$214.30	\$0.00	\$1,686.90	\$4,786.90
1990		g	Com. Trust. #1	\$1,500.00			\$1,500.00	\$223.80	1.900%	\$80.79	\$0.00	\$304.59	\$1,804.59
1991	+	ਤੋ	Com. Trust. #1	\$1,700.00			\$1,700.00	\$827.12	2.786%	\$118.44	\$0.00	\$945.56	\$2,645.56
1992		ਤੱ	Com. Trust. #1	\$1,600.00			\$1,600.00	\$642.49	2.472%	\$105.10	\$0.00	\$747.59	\$2,347.59
1993	Bert J. Allen Cemetery	Fam	Com. Trust. #1	\$500.00			\$500.00	\$264.05	0.842%	\$35.80	\$0.00	\$299.86	\$799.86
1995	West Epping Cem.	Š	Com. Trust. #1	\$2,790.00			\$2,790.00	\$661.33	3.804%	\$161.75	\$0.00	\$823.08	\$3,613.08
1996	<u> </u>	R	Com. Trust. #1	\$500.00			\$500.00	\$169.01	0.737%	\$31.35	\$0.00	\$200.36	\$700.36
1999		ਭ	Com. Trust. #1	\$500.00			\$500.00	\$88.61	0.648%	\$27.58	\$0.00	\$116.20	\$616.20
	Adj			\$45.01			\$45.01	\$70.91	0.127%	\$5.43	\$14.84	\$61.49	\$106.50
mmo	Common Trust #1 TOTALS			\$66,592.74	\$0.00		\$66,592.74	\$24,114.16	100.000%	\$4,251.23	\$1,491.84	\$26,873.54	\$93,466.30

## **Report of the Trust Funds MS-9**

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				Balance	New	With-	Balance	Balance	Inc. For Year	Year	Expended	Balance	P.& L
Date	Name of Trust Fund	Use	How Invested	Beg. Yr.	Funds	draw	End. Yr.	Beg. Yr.	*	Amount	For Yr.	End Yr.	End Yr.
1898	Lovell J. Brock	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$221.48	1.277%	\$16.03	\$25.55	\$211.96	\$334.47
1903	Mary S. Burnham	៙	CT-Pros. Cem	\$61.25			\$61.25	\$100.94	0.602%	\$7.5\$	\$12.05	\$96.45	\$157.71
1905	Hannah Durgin	RDT	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$323.08	1.655%	\$20.76	\$33.10	\$310.74	\$433.25
1908	Horace W. Langley	ਛ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$612.56			\$612.57	\$1,699.34	8.587%	\$107.73	\$171.75	\$1,635.32	\$2,247.89
1908	Mary E. Burnham	B	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$281.88	1.502%	\$18.84	\$30.04	\$270.69	\$393.20
1913	Wm. A. Cudworth	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$61.25			\$61.25	\$101.75	0.605%	\$7.59	\$12.11	\$97.24	\$158.50
1913	J. C. Bennett	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$91.88			\$91.89	\$198.20	1.077%	\$13.51	\$21.55	\$190.17	\$282.06
1914	Annie M. Pike	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$91.88			\$91.89	\$199.02	1.080%	\$13.55	\$21.61	\$190.97	\$282.86
1915	Walter Little	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$91.88			\$91.89	\$198.20	1.077%	\$13.51	\$21.55	\$190.17	\$282.06
1918	Harriet A. True	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$307.24	1.596%	\$20.02	\$31.92	\$295.34	\$417.85
1919	Mary A Jones	ਭ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$61.25			\$61.25	\$120.13	0.673%	\$8.45	\$13.47	\$115.10	\$176.36
1920	James A. Corning	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$286.98	1.521%	\$19.08	\$30.42	\$275.64	\$398.15
1920	Rebecca J. Foss	CBL CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$299.14	1.566%	\$19.64	\$31.32	\$287.47	\$409.98
1923	Emma Clarage	ฮ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$283.08	1.506%	\$18.90	\$30.13	\$271.85	\$394.36
1923	Sarah F. Wright	ខ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$283.08	1.506%	\$18.90	\$30.13	\$271.85	\$394.36
1923	Bessie A Miles	ਭ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$229.72	1.308%	\$16.41	\$26.16	\$219.96	\$342.47
1926	Carrie E. Norris	ਭ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$239.14	1.343%	\$16.85	\$26.86	\$229.12	\$351.63
1926	Fred H. Johnson	ਭ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$248.53	1.378%	\$17.29	\$27.56	\$238.25	\$360.76
1926	Linda Tarbox		CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$259.98	1.420%	\$17.82	\$28.41	\$249.39	\$371.90
1926	Asa Robie	ß	CT-Pros. Cem	\$245.01			\$245.02	\$734.94	3.640%	\$45.66	\$72.80	\$707.81	\$952.83
1927	Isabell Bartlett	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$281.90	1.502%	\$18.84	\$30.04	\$270.70	\$393.21
1929	James A. Johnson	ອ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$245.01			\$245.02	\$629.32	3.247%	\$40.74	\$64.95	\$605.11	\$850.13
1929	Jacob H. Tilton	8	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$283.62	1.508%	\$18.92	\$30.17	\$272.37	\$394.88
1929	Frank A. Miles	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$61.25			\$61.25	\$112.70	0.646%	\$8.10	\$12.92	\$107.89	\$169.15
1929	Levi Thompson	ತ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$228.52	1.303%	\$16.35	\$26.07	\$218.80	\$341.31
1930	Lizzie Rundlett	ĕ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$238.77	1.342%	\$16.83	\$26.84	\$228.77	\$351.28
1932	Daniel Cate	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$281.41	1.500%	\$18.82	\$30.01	\$270.22	\$392.73
1933	George Hopkinson	ਭ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$12251	\$281.41	1.500%	\$18.82	\$30.01	\$270.22	\$392.73
1934	Mary E. P. Sanborn	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$245.01			\$245.02	\$680.73	3.438%	\$43.14	\$68.77	\$655.10	\$900.12
1934	Almon L. True	ම	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$286.82	1.520%	\$19.07	\$30.40	\$275.48	\$397.99
1941	Hattie Chase	ਭ	CT-Pros, Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$282.39	1.504%	\$18.86	\$30.08	\$271.18	\$393.69
1943	Marcus M. Taytor	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$245.01			\$245.02	\$618.26	3.206%	\$40.22	\$64.13	\$594.35	\$839.37
1943	Frank 8. 8laisdell	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$310.26	1.607%	\$20.16	\$32.15	\$298.27	\$420.78
1946	Charles E. Gear	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$612.56			\$612.57	\$1,885.24	9.278%	\$116.40	\$213.25	\$1,788.38	\$2,400.95
1946	Milton J. Bly	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$246.60	1.371%	\$17.20	\$27.42	\$236.38	\$358.89
1947	Cyrus Sanborn	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$245.01			\$245.02	\$628.19	3.243%	\$40.69	\$64.87	\$604.01	\$849.03

**Town of Epping** 

Date	Name of Trust Fund	use .	How Invested	Balance Beg. Yr.	New Funds	With- draw	Balance End. Yr.	Belance Beg, Yr.	Inc. For Year % Ai	Year Amount	Expended For Yr.	Balance End Yr.	P. & I. End Yr.
1950	Abbie M. Norris	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$245.01		F	\$245.02	\$633.19	3.262%	\$40.92	<b>\$65.24</b>	\$608.87	\$853.89
1951	IM&C Purington	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$245.01			\$245.02	\$538.39	2.910%	\$36.50	\$58.20	\$516.69	\$761.71
1952	Elizabeth Beals	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$245.01			\$245.02	\$660.68	3.364%	\$42.20	\$67.28	\$635.60	\$880.62
1954	William Feldsend	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$284.37	1.511%	\$18.96	\$30.22	\$273.10	\$395.61
1958	Frank Wiltard	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$367.53			\$367.54	\$986.73	5.030%	\$63.11	\$100.59	\$949.25	\$1,316.79
1968	John J. Tilton	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50		_	\$122.51	\$260.49	1.422%	\$17.84	\$28.45	\$249.89	\$372.40
1976	John & Minnie Warren	CBL	CT-Pros. Cem	\$490.04			\$490.05	\$918.90	5.233%	\$65.65	\$104.67	\$879.88	\$1,369.93
1983	Fred Johnson	C8L	CT-Pros. Cem	\$122.50			\$122.51	\$119.75	%668.0	\$11.28	\$17.99	\$113.05	\$235.56
1999	Alice Langdon	ଞ	CT-Pros. Cem	\$500.00			\$500.00	\$0.00	1.857%	\$23.30	\$23.29	\$0.00	\$500.00
1999	Ron Nowe Sr.	Ř	CT-Pros. Cem	\$500.00		_	\$500.00	\$0.00	1.857%	\$23.30	\$23.29	\$0.00	\$500.00
TPros	CT Prospect Cemetary TOTALS			\$16.00	\$0.00		\$8,626.35	\$18,294.72	100.000%	\$1,254.53	\$2,000.00	\$17,549.27	\$26,175.61
otalC	Total Common Trust Funds			\$66,608.74	\$0.00		\$75,219.09	\$42,154.23		\$5,505.77	\$3,491.84	\$41,422.82	\$119,641.92
ther	Other General Trust Funds			00000		+	00 000 14	12 2024		CL 754	00.04	a, 1214	4 CD 4
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otal A	Total All Trusts			\$81,193.74	\$0.00		\$89,804.09	\$139,106.78		\$6,265.35	\$3,491.84	\$46,605.82	\$136,409.92
apital	Capital Reserve Funds												
2000	Landfill Closing		AIDAID	\$93,589.94	\$0.00		\$93,589.94			\$4,441.14	\$0.00		\$98,031.09
2002	Cemetery Expansion		AIDOIP	\$21,975.58	\$0.00		\$21,975.59			\$1,042.89	\$0.00		\$23,018.49
2003	Highway Dumptruck		AIDIP	\$10,690.00	\$0.00		\$10,690.00			\$391.91	\$11,081.91		\$0.00
2003	Highway Truck		AIDAID	\$41,430.41	\$0.00	-	\$41,430.41			\$1,162.62	\$33,679.07		\$8,913.96
2005	EIV		diadhn	\$5,693.84	\$19,343.00		\$25,036.84			\$538.04	\$16,470.00		\$9,104.89
2005	Town Hall Repair		diadhn	\$11,242.45	\$20,000.00		\$31,242.45			\$477.30	\$21,246.12		\$10,473.63
2005	Recreation Assistant		AIOAHN	\$0.00	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00			\$51.07	\$0.00		\$3,051.07
apital	Capital Reserve Total			\$184,622.26	\$42,343.00		\$226,965.26			\$8,105.03	\$82,477.13		\$152,593.17

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Report of the Trust Funds MS-9 (continued)

**Total All Funds** 

\$316,769.36

\$265,816.01 \$42,343.00

\$289,003.09

\$85,968.98

\$14,370.39

**Report of the Common Trust Fund Investments MS-10** 

## **Salaries of Town Employees**

Employee	Department	Status	2006 Salary	2006 Actually Earned*	Employee	Department	Status	2006 Salary	2006 Actually Earned*
Bielecki, Judith	Admin Assit.	FT	\$32,978	\$35,364.11	Bennis, Daniel	ETV	PT	\$1,298	\$2,203.52
Blanchard, Joyce	Deputy Clerk	FT	33,488	33,463.20	Channell, William	ETV	PT	7,488	8,577.00
Bonenfant, Carol	Police	FT	30,160	19,170.54	Denoncour, Joseph	ETV	PT	1,460	1,983.03
Clark, Gregory	Highway	FT	24,648	28,580.91	Frederick, Glenn	ETV	PT	1,404	1,242.38
Clivio, Thomas	Police	FT	32,074	39,533.35	Frederick, Jaymie	ETV	PT	1,092	411.25
Cote, Richard	Police	FT	40,581	55,630.29	Frederick, Josh	ETV	PT	1,298	929.76
Dionne, Norman	Water	FT	48,610	65,377.54	Johnson, Stephen	ETV	PT	1,298	1,003.36
Dodge, Gregory	Police	FT	69,680	69,996.20	Richard, Roxanne	ETV	РТ	1,298	1,376.32
Fluet, Raymond	Police	FT	39,395	49,393.06	Andrews, Nancy	Library	PT	2,340	3,147.75
Foley, Linda	Tax Clerk	FT	47,694	48,301.83	Berube, David	Library	PT	2,475	2,900.05
Fournier, Steve	Town Admin	FT	57,637	56,988.52	Murphy, Simonne	Library	PT	4,422	3,720.83
Gallagher, Sean	Police	FT	48,734	66,001.98	Semprini, Dorothy	Library	PT	2,678	2,655.50
Hickey, Seth	Recreation	FT	41,600	41,931.84	Wilkins, Tracie	Library	PT	19,501	15,673.66
Jardis, Bradley	Police	FT	38,230	41,706.86	Hanley, Paul	Police	PT	6,656	2,998.00
Kelley, Kevin	Building Insp.	FT	49,088	54,677.31	Hansen, Willaim	Animal	PT	2,080	1,845.00
Kilham, Robert	Water	FT	45,094	50,525.06	Kelley, Kevin	Police	PT	6,656	8,046.00
Kimball, Jodie	Police	FT	30,784	12,463.90	Laurent, Beverly	Police	PT	2,210	2,737.00
Loader, David	Police	FT	33,675	39,561.24	Leduc, Jeffrey	Police	PT	6,656	2,250.75
McDonough, Phyllis	Planning	FT	37,003	38,039.65	Lussier, Shannon	Police	PT	6,656	6,779.50
McFadden, Richard	Police	FT	41,787	51,715.17	Newell, Healther	Prosecutor	PT	31,200	24,490.00
Newman, Jason	Police	FT	49,608	57,164.08	Newman, Richard	Police	PT	6,968	5,627.70
Nye, Gregory	Police	FT	41,787	50,962.52	Brackett, Deborah	Solid Waste	PT	10,920	12,163.50
Reinhold, David	Highway	FT	47,008	54,933.46	Brown, Stuart	Solid Waste	PT	11,700	9,911.25
Reynolds-Cooper, A.	Library	FT	41,205	41,481.94	Eaton, Mayhew	Solid Waste	PT	7,020	7,668.00
Souther, Mary	Build Sec.	FT	24,960	12,222.00	Fontaine, Jon	Solid Waste	PT	11,700	3,537.00
Talbot, Lisa	Bookkeeper	Я	37,274	37,035.84	Koch, Dennis	Water/Sewer	PT	17,784	16,923.50
Tondreault, Seth	Police	FT	31,450	13,596.66	Total Part Time Emplo	yees		\$176,258.00	\$150,801.61
Turner, Marc	Police	न	47,029	55,440.30					
Victoria, John	Highway	FT	31,138	34,798.45					
Wallace, Mike	Police	न	54,350	60,284.17					
Zukas, Kevin	Ambul	FT	46,964	47,592.62					
Total Full Time Employ	vees	-	\$1,275,713	\$1,363,934.60					

\*This includes any overtime pay earned or details worked.

## 2006 Tax Rate Calculation

Town Portion			
Gross Appropriations	\$5,070,711		
Minus Revenues	3,550,856		
Minus Shared Revenues	(25,992)		
Add Overlay	150,559	-	
Add War Service Credits	31,000		
Approved Town Tax Effort	1,675,422	Town Tax Rate	
		\$2.69	
School Portion			
Net Local School Budget (Gross Appropriation - Revenues)	\$12,347,895		
Minus Equitable Education Grant	(2,953,684)		
State Education Taxes	(1,440,262)		
Approved School Tax Effort	7,953,949	Local School Rate	
		\$12.76	
State Education Taxes			
Equalized Valuation (w/o utilities) x	2.52		
\$469,944,277		\$1,440,262.00	
Divide by Local Assessed Value (w/o utilities)			
\$589,712,700			
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to the State			
Pay to State	0	State School Rate	
		\$2.34	
County Portion			
Due to County	\$542,799		
Minus Shared Revenues	(5,378)		
Approved County Tax Effort	537,421	County Tax Rate	
		\$0.86	
Total Property Taxes Assessed	\$11,607,054		
Minus War Service Credits	(31,000)		
Total Property Taxes Commitment	\$11,576,054	Total Rate	
		\$18.65	
Proof Of Rate			
Net Assessed Valuation		TaxRate	Assessment
State Education Tax (w/o utilities)	\$616,269,300	\$2.34	\$1,440,262.00
All Other Taxes	623,236,300	16.31	10,166,792.00
			\$11,607,054.00

### **Auditor's Report**



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

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

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Epping for the year ended December 31, 2005, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

#### **UPDATE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS**

#### **General Books of Account**

We continue to note improvement in the year-end financial reports presented for audit. In particular, this year, the enterprise funds (water department and sewer department) were much improved over past presentations. Fixed asset recordkeeping was properly recorded in the financial statements and the elimination of water and sewer capital reserve funds in the custody of the trustees of trust funds will reduce confusion in the future.

#### Ambulance Billings

We repeat our previous suggestion that the board of selectmen approve written procedures to be performed monthly in order to assure that reports received from the service organization are reconciled and documentation is retained and presented for the audit. Procedures should also address write off of uncollectible amounts.

#### **Purchase Order System**

Our random testing of expenditures covering all funds, did not disclose any issues of noncompliance with regard to the use of purchase orders.

We understand that the Town Administrator is in the process of reviewing the present purchase order policy in order to address potential noncompliance issues caused primarily by emergency purchases. Town of Epping

Independent Auditor's Communication of Reportable Conditions and Other Matters

#### **Treasurer's Monthly Report**

We have met with the new treasurer to review his duties and responsibilities in connection with recordkeeping, monthly bank reconciliations and reporting. We have stressed the need to have accurate and timely monthly reports submitted to the accounting office. The separation of duties and monthly reconciliations by both the Town accountant and treasurer are an integral part of the internal accounting controls utilized by the Town to provide assurance that interim financial reports are accurate.

We have suggested to responsible individuals that a monitoring be performed within the next two or three months to assure that these internal controls are working effectively, and also to provide technical assistance as required.

#### Applicable Reporting Standard

During June of 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. This statement drastically changes the way in which financial statements are prepared and requires additional information to be reported in order for the financial statements to be in compliance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Statement No. 34 took effect for the Town of Epping for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004.

The Town has not implemented GASB Statement No. 34, but has presented the financial statements following the format that was in effect prior to GASB Statement No. 34. While we have conducted our audit following generally accepted auditing standards as we have in past years, we have issued an adverse opinion again this year because the financial statements are not presented following the model established by Statement No. 34. As described more fully in our audit opinion, the financial statements are missing several required statements and supplementary information, and the format presented does not follow Statement No. 34. The opinion does not mean to imply that the figures presented are incorrect, but that they are not presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

We recommend that the Town of Epping take action to implement GASB Statement No. 34 as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the board of selectmen, and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

February 15, 2006

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# **General Information**

### **Elected Officials**

#### Selectmen

Tom Gauthier, Chair, 2007 Susan McGeough, 2008 Kim Sullivan, 2007 Jerry Langdon, 2009 Jeffrey Harris, 2009

**Town Clerk** Linda Foley, 2007 Deputy: Joyce Blanchard

**Tax Collector** Linda Foley, 2007 Deputy: Joyce Blanchard

#### **Treasurer** Jim McGeough, 2008 Joseph Foley, Deputy

#### **Fire Wards**

Charles Goodspeed, 2009 Richard Cantrall, 2005 Donald Oakes, 2007 Tom Gauthier, Selectmen's Representative

#### **Cemetery Trustees**

Daniel Harvey, 2009 Paul Ladd, 2007

### Moderator

Robert Goodrich, 2008

#### **Planning Board**

Robert Graham, 2009, Chair Corey McPhee, 2007 Mike Morosco, 2009 Gregory Tillman, 2008 Susan McGeough, Selectmen's Representative Kim Sullivan, Selectmen's Alternate Stephen Colby, Appointed Alternate, 2007

#### **Library Trustees**

Sylvia Nollett, 2009 Patricia Van Wagoner, 2007 Cheryl Denoncour, 2008 Tracy Dwyer, 2007 Teresa Kucera, 2009

#### **Budget Committee**

James McGeough, 2008, Chair Brenda McCartney, 2008 Elizabeth Conrad, 2008 Amy Randall, 2009 Michael King, 2009 Marc Nickerson, 2007 Paul Spidle, 2007 Michelle Cromarty, 2007 Laurilee Shennett, 2009, resigned 10-19-2006 Jeffrey Harris, Selectmen's Representative Jeff LeDuc, School Board Representative

#### **Trustees of Trust Fund**

Joe Denoncour, 2007, Chair Mark Kucera, 2008 Daniel Harvey, 2009

#### **Supervisors of Checklist**

Grace Lavoie, 2010 Pamela Holmes, 2012 Kim Gauthier, 2008

#### Water and Sewer Commission

Joseph Foley, 2009, Chair Michael King, 2007 Henry DeBoer, 2008 Dennis Koch, Appointed Administrator Jerry Langdon, Selectmen's Representative

#### **Zoning Board of Adjustment**

Paul Langdon, Chair, 2007 Tom Dwyer, Jt., 2007 Dave Mylott, 2008 Bob Jordan, 2009 Paul Spidle, 2009

### **Appointed Officials**

#### Selectmen's Office

Town Administrator, Stephen Fournier (no term) Assessing Clerk, Administrative Assistant: Judith Bielecki (no term) Assistant: Joyce Blanchard (no term) Bookkeeper: Lisa Talbot (no term) Planning Board Secretary: Phyllis McDonough (no term) Code Enforcement Officer: Kevin Kelley, resigned 9/29/2006 Emergency Management: Brian Toomire (no term)

#### **Welfare Administrator**

Phyllis McDonough (no term)

#### **Fire Department**

Chief of Department: Brian Toomire (no term)

#### **Police Department**

Chief of Police: Gregory C. Dodge (no term) Secretary: Carol Ann Bonefant (no term) Lieutenant: Michael Wallace (no term) Corporal: Jason Newman (no term) Sergeant: Sean Gallagher (no term) Detective: Marc Turner (no term), Richard Cote (no tetm) Patrol Officers: Ray Fluet, Thomas Clivio, Richard McFadden, Bradley Jardis, Gregory Nye, David Loader, Seth Tondreault (no term) Part-Time Officers: Sgt. Richard Newman, Sr., Paul Hanley, Jeffrey Leduc, Kevin Kellev Animal Control Officer: William Hansen

#### **Library Director**

Amanda Cooper

**Recreation Director** 

Seth Hickey (no term)

#### **Recreation Advisory Commission**

Heather Toland, 2007 Kelli Killen, 2008 Brian Reed, 2009 John DiFrancesco, 2009 Jeffrey Harris, Selectmen's Representative

#### **Ballot Clerks**

Patricia Sutliffe, 2008 Barbara MacDonald, 2008 Anne Marie Gomez-Amaru, 2008 Andrew Vallone, 2008

#### **Conservation Commission**

Scott Pim, 2008 Sonja Gonzalez, 2007 Jeff Conrad, 2008 Gregory Tillman, Chair, 2007 John Bennett, 2009 Amos Clapp, 2009 Jerry Langdon, Forestry Committee Robert Kimball, Forestry Committee Kevin Martin, Forestry Committee Jerry Langdon, Selectmen's Representative Isobel Parke, Honorable Member

### Crossing Guard

Beverly Laurent

Lamprey River Advisory Committee Tillman, Gregory

#### **Historic District Commission**

Madelyn Williamson, Chair, 2008 Joy True, 2007 Julie McPhee, 2007 Nancy Grimard, 2008 Pam Currier, 2008 Forrest True, 2008 Susan McGeough, Selectman's Representative

### **School District Officers**

#### **School Board**

Pamela Tibbetts, 2009 Scott Booth, 2007 Susan Kimball, Chair, 2007 Robert Lonek, 2008 Jeffrey LeDuc, 2008

#### **Superintendent of Schools**

Barbara Munsey

### Business Administrator

Martha Williamson

### Special Education Director

Catherine Zylinski

#### Assistant Superintendant for Curriculum and Transportation

Gary Tyrone

#### Administrators

Grades 1-5 Mark Vallone, Principal Grades 6-8 Lynn Ward Healy, Principal Grades 9-12 Dixie Bacallao Tremblay, Principal

#### Treasurer

Rene Pettis, 2008, resigned 6/30/2006 Joseph Foley, appointed 7/1/2006

#### Clerk

Robin O'Day, 2008

#### Moderator

Robert Goodrich, 2008

### **Area Statistical Information**

CountyRockingham
Labour Maulant Auss
Labor Market AreaPortsmouth-Manchester
Distance to:
Manchester, NH23 miles
Boston, MA54 miles
Portland, ME74 miles
New York, NY257 miles
Montreal, Canada
Elevation
Temperature (°F)
Annual Average
January Average
Precipitation: Annual Average

#### Demographics

<b>Total Population</b>	Community	County
2005	6,087	295,076
2000	5,549	278,748
1990	5,267	246,744
1980	3,460	190,345
1970	2,356	138,951
Population by Age (2000)		
under 5		
5 to 19		
20 to 34		1,030
35 to 54		1,921
55 to 64		
65+		
Median Age		
-		

#### Commuting Patterns (2000)

Min. travel time to work (mins)	27.7
Residents working in community	
Residents commuting to another NH community	
Residents communting out-of-state	15%

#### Largest Employers (as of 6/3/05)

Wal-Mart	
Epping High School	
Epping Elementary School	
McDonalds	
ERRCO (Recycling)	47
Abenaki Timber	
Burger King	25
PSNH (Utility)	
Goodrich Brickyard	12

#### **Municipal Services**

Town Hall Hours	M–Th 8–4; F 8–12 noon
Type of Government	
Budget (Annual 2004)	\$3,763,107
Planning Board	Elected
Industrial Plans Reviewed by	Planning Board
Zoning	
Master Plan	
Capital Improvement Plan	
Full Time Police Dept	Yes
Full Time Fire Dept	Yes
Town Fire Insurance Rating	

#### Taxes (2005)

Local Property Tax Rate (per thousand)	\$16.92
Equalization Ratio	
Full Value Tax Rate (per thousand)	

#### **2005 Valuation**

Residential	
Commerial	
Other	1.4%

#### Housing (2005)

Single-Family Units	1636
Number of building permits	
Multi-Family Units	
Number of building Permits	
Mobile Homes	

#### Utilities

Electricity	PSNH/NH Electric Coop.
Natural Gas	None
Water	Epping Water Dept.
Source	
Average Usage Hoar Well	
Average Usage Well #4	
Sanitation	
Sewer	Municpal
Coverage	
Municipal Treatment Plant	
TypeActive Sluce	dge/Zenon Microfiltration
Capacity (million gal/day)	
Load (percent of capacity)	
Telephone	
Cellular Phone Access	
Cable Television Access	Yes
High-Speed Internet Service (Bus. & R	es.) Yes

#### **Transportation/access**

#### **Road Access**

State Routes	
Nearest Interstate	1-95, Exit 2
Distance	
Railroad	Downeaster (Exeter)
Airport	Manchester
Runway	
Lighted	Yes
Navigational Aids	
Distance	

#### **Medical & Health**

Hospital	Exeter Hospital
Distance	-
Beds	
Number of Doctors working in te	own1

#### **Educational/Childcare Facilities**

	# of Schools	Grades	Enroll.	Vocation/ Education
Elementary	1	K-5	459	
Middle/Jr. High	1	6-8	270	
High School	1	9-12	413	No

#### **Higher Education Institutions**

Technical College..... Stratham Comm. Tech. College College/University.....Chester College of NE/McIntosh/UNH

Daycare Facilities.	9
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#### **Community Services & Recreation**

Protestant Churches	
Catholic Churches	
Hotels/Motels	
Bed & Breakfasts	
Live Theater	
Museums	
Local Television	
Channel 22, Epping TV & Bulletin Board	
Library	
Harvey-Mitchell Memorial	
Municipal Parks	
Conservation Areas	
Tennis Courts	
Nearest Ski Areas	McIntyre
Other Recreation	2 Race Tracks

#### **Town Directory**

#### **Emergency Numbers**

Fire/Police/Rescue	)1	1
Fire/Police/Rescue	)1	1

#### **General Business**

Fire	679-5446
Police	679-5122
Animal Control	679-5122

#### Schools

Elementary	.679-8018
High School	
Superintendent's Office	

#### **Town Offices**

Code Enforcement and Health	679-1224
Highway	679-5441
Library	679-5944
Planning and Zoning, Welfare	679-1202
Recreation	679-3301
Tax Assessing	679-5441
Town Administrator	679-5441
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	679-8288
(voter/car registrations, dog licenses,	
taxes, water/sewer payments)	
Water and Sewer	679-5171

#### **Other Resources**

Department of Motor Vehicles	679-2111
Epping Post Office	
Rockingham County Sheriff	
Exeter Chamber of Commerce	
Raymond Chamber of Commerce	
Rockingham Planning Commission	

#### For more information, contact:

Town Administrator 157 Main Street, Epping, NH 03042 Telephone: 603-679-5441 Fax: 603-679-3002 Email: administrator@townofepping.com Web: www.ci.epping.nh.us

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## **Town Owned Properties**

Мар	Lot	Serial	Location	Value
10	032	619	High Road — 22 Acres with a Conservation Easement	52 <mark>,9</mark> 01.00
12	026	539	Off Camp Lee Road — 4.5 Acres	28,500.00
15	013	2241	Red Oak Hill — 40,000 S.f., Triangle at intersection of Red Oak Hill, Plumer Road and Nottingham Sq. Rd.	25,000.00
18	001	2126	Jacobswell Road — 11.65 Acres, Conservation Land	49,700.00
22	044	1744	Hoar Pond Property — Taken by Eminent Domain for New Well 9/99; 56 +/- Beniah Lane	37,900.00
22	053	597	17 Academy Street — School Property — Watson Academy, Middle/High School, Elementary School	482,700.00
22	068	2503	Plumer Road — 17,000 S.f., Old Cemetery on Lehrmit Property	3,900.00
22	089	1837	Cate Street — 3.18 Acres, Public Skating Rink and Sports Field	45,000.00
22	096	2881	Cate Street — Sports Field and Tennis Courts	35,700.00
24	001	603	130 Old Hedding Rd. — 13.18 Acres	N/A
24	009	1716	Route 87 — 11.2 Acres	N/A
24	096	605	Old Hedding Rd — Dump — 11 Acres, Transfer Staion, Recycling and Highway Storage Ld	97,600.00
24	097	2891	Dorothy Drive — Backland — 6 Acres	30,100.00
25	002	607	Jacobswell Road — Forest — 2.37 Acres, Protected Conservation Forest Land	26,700.00
26	001	1780	Prescott Road — 2 Acres	26,100.00
26	014	2578	Joshua Lane — 3.21 Acres	27,300.00
26	015	2576	Joshua Lane — 1.47 Acres	25,500.00
26	016	2575	Joshua Lane — 2.02 Acres	26,100.00
26	017	2574	Joshua Lane — 1.24 Acres	25,300.00
26	018	2573	Joshua Lane — 1.71 Acres	25,800.00
26	019	2572	Joshua Lane — 1.12 Acres	25,200.00
26	020	2571	Joshua Lane — 1.77 Acres	25,900.00
26	021	2570	Joshua Lane — 1.59 Acres	25,700.00
26	022	2569	Joshua Lane — 1.68 Acres	25,800.00
26	023	2568	Quakerfield Drive — 1.46 Acres	25,500.00
26	024	2567	Joshua Lane — 1.52 Acres	25,600.00
26	025	2563	Joshua Lane — 1.10 Acres	2 <b>5,</b> 200.00
26	026	2565	Joshua Lane — 1.37 Acres	25,500.00

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Мар	Lot	Serial	Location	Value
26	027	2566	Quakerfield Drive — 1.643 Acres	25,700.00
26	028	2564	Quakerfield Drive — 1.3 Acres	25,400.00
27	020	606	Mill Rd — 5.5 Acres, New Cemetery Land	54,800.00
27	020-a	2107	Mill Rd — 4.5 Acres, Connected to Lot #106, Cemetery Land	4,100.00
27	061	602	Holt Rd. — 6 Acres, West Epping Fire Station	102,600.00
27	095	2292	Folsom Lane — 10.5 Acres, Mary Folsom Blair Memorial Park	37,100.00
27	158	80	11 School Street — .31 Acres & Building	N/A
27	190	2108	Depot Road — 3.36 Acres	N/A
28	045	944	Ledgewood Lane — 23.85 Acres for Conservation	1,262.00
29	103	2932	Pleasant Street from Ed White — 4.4 Acres, Backland	4,400.00
29	104	2767	Pleasant Street — 17,200 S.f., Water Tower Land, .39 Acres	240,800.00
29	113	1239	37 Pleasant Street — Safety Complex	116,000.00
29	124	601	Pleasant Street — 12 Acres known as Scoutfield, owned by town, custody of School Officials	7,200.00
29	133	604	Main Street — 1.77 Acres, Town Hall and Parking Lot	584,900.00
29	134	595	Main Street — 9,000 S.f., Harvey Mitchell Memorial Library	143,400.00
29	135	592	Main Street — 7,200 S.f., Main St. Fire Station	111,200.00
29	161	2331	Mill Street — 30,000 S.f., Waste Water Treatment Facility Lift Station	18,000.00
29	162	2133	Water Street — 8,778 S.f., Miriam Jackson Memorial Park under custody of Conservation Comm.	25,000.00
29	167	599	Water Street — 5,226 S.f., Dar Memorial Lot	27,800.00
29	177	608	Bunker Ave. — 900 S.f., Parking Lot	17,200.00
29	283-е	2909	Calef Highway. — Whelabrator Easement to town for Sewer Lift Station	2,600.00
29	283-008	3094	Calef Highway — .057 Acres+d12	N/A
29	285	2130	Main Street — 12,740 S.f., Triangle above Cumberland Farms maintained by Epping Garden Club	114,200.00
29	312	1915	Bunker Ave. — 1,465 S.f., Three Lot Parking Lot	15,100.00
30	031	2135	Lagoon Road — 58 Acres, Municipal Sewage Treatment Facility	1,509,900.00
30	056	2263	Route 27 — 9.98 Acres	N/A
31	008	2741	Off Mast Road — 11.2 Acres	1,434.00
31	026	2832	Mast Road — 46.66 Acres	N/A
32	011	1071	Mast Road — 4.4 Acres	N/A
32	025	1933	Birch Road — 18 Acres	N/A

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### Town Owned Properties (continued)

Мар	Lot	Serial	Location	Value
33	024	872	Route 101 West	N/A
33	025	2393	Route 101 — 1.49 Acres	N/A
33	026	2452	Off Route 101 — 1.38 Acres	N/A
33	027	2449	Off Route 101 — 2.16 Acres	N/A
34	010	494	Witham Road	N/A
34	015	1900	Tami Lane — .96 Acres	N/A
35	006	1361	Fremont Road — .17 Acres	N/A
36	020	2829	Fremont Road — .52 Acres & Bldg.	N/A
37	007	1674	Off Exeter Road — 25 Acres	N/A
39	004	2827	Off Birch Road — 2.2 Acres	N/A
39	010	2127	Birch Road — 4.5 Acres	N/A
39	011	137	10 Birch Road — 20 Acres	N/A

### Marriages

#### January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006

Date of Marriage	Name of Groom & Bride	Residence of Groom & Bride	Date of Marriage	Name of Groom & Bride	Residence of Groom & Bride
1/15/2006	Donald Evans Donna Todd	Epping Epping	5/6/2006	Joseph Chase Clara Coussement	Epping Epping
1/18/2006	John Bourdelais Rita Harrington	Epping Epping	5/12/2006	Jeffrey Schultz Jennifer Williamson	Epping Epping
2/26/2006	Miguel Bolorin Stephanie Campbell	Dover Epping	5/28/2006	Shuan Schultz Kelley Cole	Epping Exeter
3/9/2006	Paul Lusk Linda Frances	Epping Rochester	6/6/2006	Stephen McMullin Stephanie Foti	Epping Derry
3/10/2006	James Malcuit Patricia Lazazzera	Epping Epping	6/11/2006	Gary Sudak Jennifer Gannett	Epping Epping
4/22/2006	Kevin Field Kim McGown	Epping Epping	6/11/2006	Marcus Dube Stacey Phillips	Epping Epping

Date of Marriage	Name of Groom & Bride	Residence of Groom & Bride
6/24/2006	Daniel Hynds	Epping
	Crystal Bailey	Epping
6/24/2006	John Cooper	Newburyport, MA
	Tammy Yawnitz	Epping
6/25/2006	John McAuliffe	Epping
	Stacie Sarno	Epping
7/8/2006	Carl Campbell	Epping
	Judith MacDonald	Epping
8/25/2006	Michael Donnell	Epping
	Nicole Brooks	Epping
8/26/2006	Steven Gaffney	Epping
	Heidi Gregson	Epping
8/26/2006	Scott Kukesh	Epping
	Nicole Marston	Epping
8/27/2006	James Josselyn	Epping
	Deanna Hale	Epping
9/3/2006	John Burke	Newmarket
	Jennifer Lewis	Epping
9/8/2006	Dean Wishart	Epping
	Romaine Catusi	Epping
9/9/2006	Seth Denoncour	Epping
	Tara Paquette	Sullivan
9/10/2006	Thomas Arneil	Epping
	Carol Rollins	Epping
9/16/2006	Richard Rogers	Epping
	Alicia Smith	Epping
9/16/2006	Timothy Houle	Epping
	Jessica Achilles	Epping
9/23/2006	James Lawrence	Epping
	Jennifer Dudley	Epping
10/7/2006	Ricky Silver	Epping
	Barbara Tagget	Epping

Date of Marriage	Name of Groom & Bride	Residence of Groom & Bride
10/8/2006	Jeremy Bonner Amy Nardella	Epping Epping
10/14/2006	Rory Blais Nicole Richard	Epping Epping
10/15/2006	Chad Sullivan Shanna Titcomb	Epping Epping
10/21/2006	Jeremy Iverson Randi DeRoy	Epping Epping
10/25/2006	George Stelmach Alana Davidson	Epping Epping
11/10/2006	Eric Reddin Dawn Gagnon	Somerville, MA Epping
11/26/2006	William Gomez Colleen Parrott	Epping Barrington

### **Births**

#### January 1, 2006 - December 31, 2006

Date of Birth	Child's Name	Parents' Names	Birthplace
1/13/2006	Chanah Brielle Katz	Sara Katz Nathan Katz	Exeter
1/24/2006	Cameron Gibson Arneil	Amanda Arneil Steven Arneil	Exeter
1/25/2006	Owen Richard Warriner	Laurie Warriner Gary Warriner	Exeter
1/28/2006	Ronald Joseph Marino	Brandi Zukowski Ronald Marino	Exeter
2/6/2006	Chloe June Yergeau	Nicole Bernier Jason Yergeau	Exeter
2/16/2006	Alexia Megan Gentgen	Stephanie Gentgen Wayne Gentgen	Dover
2/16/2006	Vincent Eathan Entwistle	Tammy Entwistle Frederick Entwistle	Exeter
2/18/2006	Logan Andrew Martell	Rebecca Martell Andrew Martell	Dover
2/19/2006	Owen Preston Hyde	Heather McConnell Richard Hyde	Dover
2/23/2006	Eva Marie Worcester Simpson	Elizabeth Worcester Jeffrey Simpson	Nashua
2/24/2006	Aria Makenna Smith	Aimee Zelman-Smith Marc Smith	Exeter
3/1/2006	Austin Jay Leach	Danielle Tyler Thomas Leach	Manchester
3/10/2006	Abigail Anita Deary	Debora Deary Sean Deary	Exeter
3/16/2006	Colin James Hallinan	Angela Hallinan Brett Hallinan	Exeter
4/8/2006	Kaylee Elise Moulton	Kristie Frost Jarod Moulton	Exeter
4/11/2006	Cooper Hamish Lawrence	Jennifer Dudley James Lawrence	Portsmouth
4/18/2006	Annabelle Mary Shumway	Katherine Shumway Matthew Shumway	Portsmouth
4/25/2006	Lauren Nicholle Johnson	Nancy Johnson Lawrence Johnson	Exeter

Date of Birth	Child's Name	Parents' Names	Birthplace
4/29/2006	Donovan Andrew Carroll	Taylor Carroll David Carroll	Concord
5/6/2006	Myleigh Anne Martin	Stephanie Fiore Kevin Martin	Exeter
5/10/2006	Scarlett Francesca Demars	Jennifer Demars Paul Demars	Portsmouth
5/30/2006	Julianna Marie Gates	Cassandra Gates Donald Gates	Exeter
6/1/2006	Luke Patrick McKenzie	Lisa McKenzie Patrick McKenzie	Exeter
6/3/2006	Abigail Helen Zinnecker	Wendy Zinnecker Bradford Zinnecker	Exeter
6/7/2006	Sarah Emily McTague	Julie McTague Henry McTague	Dover
6/10/2006	Autumn Hope Loving	Andrea Loving Anthony Loving	Exeter
6/22/2006	Trevor James Pelletier	Deborah Pelletier Kenneth Pelletier	Exeter
6/26/2006	Robert Andrew Robinson	Erika Pethic-Robinson Robert Robinson	Concord
6/26/2006	Emma Rose Hynds	Crystal Hynds Daniel Hynds	Portsmouth
7/14/2006	Olivia Ana Milancovici	Silvia Milancovici Octavian Milancovici	Dover
7/29/2006	Rachel Lynn Peirce	Kelly Maguire James Peirce	Exeter
8/1/2006	Keegan Paul Russo	Jessica Russo Richard Russo	Exeter
8/3/2006	Skyler Dream Simard	Analia Simard Scott Simard	Exeter
8/10/2006	Leland Patrick Croumie	Jessica Murphy Sean Croumie	Exeter
8/14/2006	Dennis James Perkins	Kristine Bragg Dennis Perkins	Exeter
8/14/2006	Kimora Ann-Marie Bobb	Jillian Miglionico Kevin Bobb	Portsmouth
8/16/2006	Daniel Everett Ciriello	Alena Ciriello Jamie Ciriello	Exeter

Date of Birth	Child's Name	Parents' Names	Birthplace
8/16/2006	Landen Richard Dube	Stacey Dube Marcus Dube	Exeter
8/29/2006	Jakob Allan Martinez	Samantha Fitton Angel Martinez	Exeter
9/5/2006	Mikayla Marie Picard	Aimee Picard Michael Picard	Exeter
9/6/2006	Olivia Grace Rogalski	Karen Rogalski John Rogalski	Manchester
9/6/2006	Nev Michelle Haugh	Jamie Haugh Daniel Haugh	Portsmouth
9/14/2006	Zachary Guy Tessier	Stephanie Tessier Steven Tessier	Exeter
9/28/2006	Troy Robert Coleman	Laura Coleman Richard Coleman	Exeter
9/30/2006	Amelia Marie Harper	Mary Kathryn Harper Kenneth Harper	Exeter
10/26/2006	Piper Noelle Vetter	Amy Robey Charles Vetter	Exeter
10/28/2006	Stella Rose Smith	Cynthia Smith Thomas Smith	Exeter
10/31/2006	Adelaide Elizabeth Amorim Turner	Linda Turner Michael-Dale Turner	Exeter
11/3/2006	Elayna Mary Wright	Karen Wright David Wright	Exeter
11/4/2006	Lili Elaine Fawcett	Sasha Souther Raymond Fawcett	Exeter
11/17/2006	Emma Wiggin Lebroda	Tanya Lebroda Sean Lebroda	Portsmouth
11/22/2006	Riley Joshua Shepp	Holly Savickas Joshua Shepp	Exeter
12/2/2006	Jordyn Emerson Lee	Cheryl Lee Michael Lee	Exeter
12/13/2006	Dylan Thomas Sturgis	Jami Castine Thomas Sturgis	Exeter
12/16/2006	Ryan Robert Thornton	Carrie Drew Sean Thornton	Exeter
12/20/2006	Garrett Mitchell Follansbee	Jennifer Follansbee Glenn Follansbee	Portsmouth

### Births (continued)

### Deaths

January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Father's Name	Mother's Name
1/7/2006	Exeter	Roger Donovan Jr	Roger Donovan Sr	C Isabel Skinner
1/22/2006	Epping	Pota Wright	Angelos Pagones	Stavroula Kyriacopoulo
2/14/2006	Manchester	Janice Noel	Albion Cross	Rose Anderson
2/15/2006	Epping	Benjamin Bailey	Linwood Bailey	Rosetta Kennerson
3/2/2006	Brentwood	Leo Levesque	Antonio Levesque	Florence Caron
3/9/2006	Epping	Harbans Sappal	Gurcharan Tathgar	Modinder Gill
3/10/2006	Epping	Robert Duffy	Phillip Duffy	Althea Hersey
3/14/2006	Epping	James Johnson	John Johnson	Bertha Kaulback
3/22/2006	Exeter	Paul Bishop	Carrol Bishop	Ella Porter
3/30/2006	Brentwood	Harold MacNeil	Seldon MacNeil	Edna Lively
4/22/2006	Epping	Sharon King	James King	Mary Anderson
5/3/2006	Exeter	Gertrude Bishop	Frank Phelps	Ivy Munson
5/6/2006	Brentwood	Esther Congdon	Noel Rines	Bertha Miller
5/24/2006	Brentwood	Irene Regan	Octave Lavoie	Alma Pelletier
6/5/2006	Portsmouth	Jeffrey Nichols	Erie Nichols	Doris McKinney
6/7/2006	Exeter	Margaret Phillips	Elmer King	Grace Bissett
6/15/2006	Epping	William Clement	Joseph Clement	<b>Constance Roberts</b>
8/22/2006	Exeter	Patrick Roberts	Patrick Roberts	Edith Flight
8/26/2006	Manchester	Orval Ashley	(not known)	Vera Scott
8/28/2006	Dover	Bruce Duchemin	Frederick Duchemin	Muriel Cheney
9/21/2006	Manchester	Michael Lewis	Gordon Lewis Sr	Eleanor Durgin
10/4/2006	Epping	Elmer Brown	William Brown	Mabel Whitney
10/8/2006	Epping	Lucille Forshaw	Ferdinand Robichaud	Rosanna Therrien
10/26/2006	Exeter	Madeleine Glover	Sheldon French	Fannie Rock
11/12/2006	Brentwood	Leota Glidden	Leon Denyou	Lois Purington
11/16/2006	Epping	Bertha Ladd	Alvin Young	Marie Chaput
11/20/2006	Epping	Jacqueline Brown	Joseph Brown	Gertrude Fecteau
11/23/2006	Epping	Walter Gurski	(not known)	(not known)
11/24/2006	Portsmouth	Alice Garnett	Denton O'Neil	Alma Brandeis
11/26/2006	Epping	Roger Cote	William Cote	Regina Bernier
12/10/2006	Epping	Barbara Pettengill	Fred Trask	Jean Flanagan
12/12/2006	Exeter	Annie Wells	John Wells Jr	Esther Butler
12/28/2006	Epping	Ralph Droney	Alfred Droney	Verna Sprague

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# 2007 Town Warrant Articles

Epping, County of Rockingham, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

#### **First Session**

You are hereby notified to meet for the First (Deliberative) Session of the annual town meeting, to be held at the Epping Middle High School Auditorium, Epping, NH on the sixth day of February 2007 being Tuesday, at seven in the evening (7:00 P.M.) The First (Deliberative) Session will consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each of the following warrant articles, and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to each warrant article, except those articles whose wording is prescribed by state law.

#### **Second Session**

You are also notified to meet for the Second Session of the annual town meeting, to elect town officers by official ballot and to vote by official ballot on the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First Session, to be held at the Epping Elementary School, Epping NH, on the Thirteenth day of March 2007, being Tuesday, at eight o'clock in the forenoon (the polls are to be open at 8:00 A.M. and may not close prior to 7:00 P.M.) to act upon the following:

#### **Article 1: Election of Officers**

To choose necessary town officers for the ensuing year:

- Two Board of Adjustment Members for three (3) years.
- Three Budget Committee Members for three (3) years.
- One Budget Committee Member for two (2) years.
- One Cemetery Trustee for three (3) years.
- One Fire Ward for three (3) years.
- Two Library Trustees for three (3) years.
- One Planning Board Members for three (3) years.

- Two Selectmen for three (3) years.
- One Trustee of the Trust Funds for three (3) years.
- One Water and Sewer Commissioner for three (3) years.
- One Tax Collector for three (3) years
- One Town Clerk for three (3) years

#### Article 2: AMENDING ARTICLE 19 OF ZONING ORDINANCE

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to change Article 19 Signs. This amendment will affect anyone proposing new, replacing or expanding existing signs within all zones and districts. This change will not affect valid pre-existing non-conforming signs (grandfathered). In general, the amendments will create new process whereby the expansion and/or installation of new signage related to non-residential uses will be reviewed and approved by the Planning Board as part of the site plan review process. The ordinance will authorize the Planning Board to adopt new regulations to administer the change. The intent is to streamline the sign review process into the site evaluation process with the planning board rather than maintain a separate approval process for signage. The changes are comprehensive in nature and will affect all aspects of signage within the Town of Epping. [Recommended by the Planning Board 4-0-0]

#### Article 3: ADOPTING ARTICLE 22 OF ZONING ORDINANCE

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance to adopt Article 22, Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Design. The Article will apply to non-residential and multi-family developments (3 or more units per structure). The adoption of this article will require additional construction, site design, and building techniques that promote energy efficiency, lower energy costs of the buildings and minimize the environmental impact of the construction. The article will provide a range of options for compliance that will include renewable and efficient onsite energy production, recycling and reuse of site materials, using local resources for construction materials, increased efficiency in building design, recycling programs for construction debris and site operation, and a wide range of other design and operational options. The article will apply to new developments and reconstruction or expansion of non-residential and multi-family facilities. Additional requirements will be place on gasoline stations to provide alternative fuels in conjunction with any expansion of their facility (such as ethanol based fuels and biodiesel). The article will not apply to existing commercial uses or residential structures and will not apply to single-family or duplex residences. [Recommended by the Planning Board 4-0-0]

# Article 4: AMENDING ARTICLE 6 OF ZONING ORDINANCE

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance to amend Article 6, Supplementary Regulations for Certain Uses to allow for the expansion of existing manufactured housing parks in limited circumstances. The change will allow existing manufactured housing facilities to expand the number of units up to 25% provided the facility is in strict compliance with applicable local, state, and federal requirements. The expansion will be based on the number of units existing at the time of adoption. The provisions will be available only to existing compliant facilities. Completely new facilities are not permitted under this change. [Recommended by the Planning Board 3-1-0]

#### Article 5: AMENDING ARTICLE 6 OF ZONING ORDINANCE

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance to amend Article 6, Supplementary Regulations for Certain uses and Article 12 Definitions to provide additional regulations and specifications on the establishment of automotive based uses. The changes will limit the number placement of automotive sales facilities in the Town of Epping by requiring a minimum distance between such sites. Additional requirements for lighting, aesthetics, and outdoor storage will also be provided. The intent of this change is to prevent from proliferation of such uses and provide for a well-balanced mix of uses in the Town of Epping that serve the community. **[Recommended by the Planning Board 4-0-0]** 

#### Article 6: AMENDING ARTICLE 3 OF ZONING ORDINANCE

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance to amend Article 3, Industrial Commercial Zone and Article 2, Section 6 Residential Zone by changing the following parcels from Residential to Commercial/Industrial: Map. The amendment will include all land south and west of Route 27 and all land north and east of Route 27 to a distance of 1,500 feet from the centerline of Route 27. The change will affect the permitted uses for these properties to encourage more non-residential development in areas that are not already developed near Route 27 and to stabilize the tax base. Valid, pre-existing uses will be permitted to continue without further approvals or regulations. Consistent with the above all or a portion of Map 30 Lots 46-62, 76, 80, and 81 and Map 31 Lots 1-8 will be affected. The map of the proposed changes is available at Town Hall. [Recommended by the Planning Board 4-0-0]

#### Article 7: AMENDING THE ELDERLY EXEMPTION

To see if the Town will vote to modify the Elderly Exemption from property tax in the Town of Epping, based on assessed value, for qualified full time resident taxpayers to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$62,500; for a person 75 years up to 80 years, \$75,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$87,500. To qualify, the person must have resided in the State of New Hampshire at least 3 consecutive years preceding April 1, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married or a domestic partner for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$25,000 or, if married, a combined net income of not more than \$35,000, and own assets not in excess of \$50,000; excluding the value of the property this exemption is applied to and which is the person's primary residence. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0]

#### Article 8: ADDITIONAL FULL-TIME FIRE FIGHTER/EMT

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to hire an additional full time employee for the Fire Department. The additional Firefighter/EMT will be used to facilitate better ambulance and fire coverage during the day in addition to establishing fire prevention programs and to further raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) for six months salary and benefits for the employee. Approval would call for a total estimated increase in 2008 of \$58,000. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-1-1]

#### Article 9: FUNDS FOR FEDERAL LAWSUIT OF EPPING RESIDENTS FOR PRINCIPLED GOVERNMENT V. TOWN OF EPPING ET. AL.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of paying any legal fees or expenses the town may incur for having to appear and defend the town, except for any insurance deductibles, in the federal lawsuit, Thomas Sutliffe, Donald Sisson and the Epping Residents for Principled Government, Inc. on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated...other ERPG members whose interest are similarly situated include Ron LaChance, Paul Spidle, Nelson Gunn and Malcom Hayes v. Epping School District, The Town of Epping, Barbara Munsey, as Superintendent of Schools, Harold K. LaPierre, as Moderator for the Epping School District; Susan McGeough, Thomas Gauthier, Christopher Murphy and Kim Sullivan, in their individual and official capacities as

members of the Epping Board of Selectmen; Marci Morris, Jeffrey Nollet, Susan Kimball, Pamela Tibbetts, Scott Booth, Robert Lonek and Jeffery LeDuc, in their individual and official capacities as members of the Epping School Board; and Mark A. Vallone, Principal in his individual and official capacity.. This sum is in addition to the legal expense line item in the proposed operating budget. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-1-1]

#### Article 10: TOWN HALL IMPROVEMENT EXPENDABLE TRUST

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the previously established Town Hall Improvement Expendable Trust Fund. This sum will come from fund balance and no additional funds will be raised through taxation. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-1]

#### Article 11: LANDFILL CLOSURE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be deposited into the existing Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-1]

#### Article 12: AMEND THE DISABLED VETERANS TAX CREDIT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Disabled Veterans Tax Credit in accordance with RSA 72:35 from \$1,400.00 to the current maximum allowable amount of \$2,000.00. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0]

#### Article 13: HIGHWAY BACKHOE LEASE

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five (5) year agreement for the purpose of leasing and equipping one backhoe for the Highway Department; and to raise and appropriate the amount of Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Twenty dollars (\$18,320.00) for the first year's payment. This lease will contain a non-appropriation clause and is expected to cost a total of Ninety One Thousand Six Hundred dollars (\$91,600) with a One dollar (\$1.00) purchase option at the end of the lease term. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-1]

## Article 14: RECREATION PASSENGER VAN

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) for the purchase of a used passenger van. This van will be a Passenger Van or similar vehicle for the purpose of transportation of Senior Citizens, youth and family participants during Recreation Department sponsored trips. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-1-1]

# Article 15: CARPET REPLACEMENT AT WATSON ACADEMY

To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of removing and installing new carpets at the Watson Academy. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-2-1]

#### Article 16: ADDITIONAL PART-TIME LIBRARY EMPLOYEE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500 (six thousand, five hundred dollars) for the hiring of an additional part-time library assistant to work a schedule **that would allow the library to be open on Mondays**. This amount represents all compensation and benefits for 12 months. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-2-1]

#### Article 17: HIGHWAY COMPLEX CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the municipality will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of designing and constructing a new Highway Facility and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund. In addition, ro name the Board of Selectmen as agents of this fund. The selectmen and the budget committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required). [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-2-1]

#### **Article 18: FUNDS FOR ETV**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,799.08 to be placed in the previously established Epping Television Expendable Trust Fund. These funds represent the difference between the Epping Television Operating Budget and the amount of money collected in franchise fees in 2006. This sum will come from the fund balance and will have no impact on the tax rate. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-1]

#### Article 19: FULL-TIME HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE

To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to hire an additional full time employee for the Highway Department. This person is needed to assist in the day to day road work as well as possible maintenance and minor repairs to the highway vehicles. This person is also needed to cover for current employee vacations and sick days and to raise and appropriate Thirty-two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$32,800.00) including salary and benefits. [Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-2, Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-4]

#### Article 20: THREE YEAR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF POLICE OFFICERS

To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Epping and the International Brotherhood of Police Officers, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2007	\$53,786
2008	\$25,070
2009	\$26,015

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Six Dollars (\$53, 786.00) for the 2007 budget, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in salaries and benefits over those appropriations at current staffing levels paid in the prior budget year of 2006. [Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1, Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-1-2]

#### Article 21: PURCHASING LAND NEXT TO TOWN HALL

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), said sum to be used, along with other monies held by the planning board and conservation commission and for which no appropriation is needed to expend such other funds, for the purchase of a parcel of property known as Tax Map 29, Lot 137, having approximately 0.67 acres, and which is located adjacent to Town Hall, with frontage on the Lamprey River. It is anticipated that this parcel shall be used for recreation and conservation purposes. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0]

## Article 22: TO REMOVE THE ANNUAL CAP ON THE LAND USE CHANGE TAX

To see if the Town will vote to remove the annual cap on the revenue transferred from the Land Use Change Tax to the Conservation Fund. This Article will not alter the tax rate. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-1]

#### Article 23: TO CHANGE CLASS VI ROADS TO CLASS A TRAILS

To see if the town will vore to convert the following portions of Class VI Roads into Class A Trails:

- Dimond Hill Road, from Rum Brook south to Route 87
- Range Road, from North River Road east to Dimond Hill Road
- Birch Road, from Mast Road south to the Town Line

[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0]

#### Article 24: CONTRIBUTION TO ADULT TUTORIAL PROGRAM

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to be distributed to rhe Adult Tutorial Program for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 25: CONTRIBUTION TO AIDS RESPONSE SEACOAST

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$525.00) to be distributed to the AIDS Response Seacoast for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 26: CONTRIBUTION TO THE AMERICAN RED CROSS — GREAT BAY CHAPTER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to be distributed to American Red Cross – Great Bay Chapter for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 27: CONTRIBUTION TO THE AREA HOMECARE AND FAMILY SERVICES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$2,610) to be distributed to Area Homecare & Family Services for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 28: CONTRIBUTION TO CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000) to be distributed to Child & Family Services for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 29: CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY DIVERSION PROGRAM

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety Dollars (\$1,590) to be distributed to Community Diversion Program for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-1]

# Article 30: CONTRIBUTION TO THE LAMPREY HEALTH CARE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$3,780) to be distributed to Lamprey Health Care for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 31: CONTRIBUTION TO THE RICHIE MCFARLAND CHILDREN'S CENTER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$3,850) to be distributed to McFarland Children's Center for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 32: CONTRIBUTION TO THE RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) to be distributed to Retired Senior Volunteer Program for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 33: CONTRIBUTION TO THE ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars (\$10,285) to be distributed to Rockingham Co. Community Action for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 34: CONTRIBUTION TO ROCKINGHAM NUTRITION AND MEALS ON WHEELS

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Nine Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$3,910) to be distributed to Rockingham Nutrition & Meals On Wheels for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

# Article 35: CONTRIBUTION TO A SAFE PLACE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to be distributed to A Safe Place for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 36: CONTRIBUTION TO SEACOAST HOSPICE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to be distributed to Seacoast Hospice for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 37: CONTRIBUTION TO SEACOAST MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to be distributed to Seacoast Mental Health for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-1]

#### Article 38: CONTRIBUTION TO SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT SERVICES

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$1,250) to be distributed to Sexual Assault Support Services for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2007. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 39: 2007 OPERATING BUDGET

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling five million three hundred thirty-three thousand sixty-six dollars (\$5,333,066). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be five million fifteen thousand three hundred eighty-six dollars (\$5,015,386), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, **Recommended by the Municipal Budget** Committee 5-3-1]

#### Article 40: *By Petition:* CONTRIBUTION TO LAMPREY RIVER YOUTH SOCCER

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to be distributed to Lamprey River Youth Soccer. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-1]

#### Article 41: *By Petition*: CONTRIBUTION TO THE EPPING YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) in support of the Epping Youth Athletic Association. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-1]

#### Article 42: *By Petition:* INCREASING THE OPTIONAL VETERAN'S TAX CREDIT TO \$500

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Optional Veterans Tax Credit in accordance with RSA 72:28, II to the current maximum allowable amount of \$500.00.

# 2007 Town Budget

MS-7

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

OF: Epping

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

or Fiscal Year From \_\_\_\_

#### **IMPORTANT:**

to

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This form was posted with the warrant on	(Date): January 29 2007
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#### **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Please sign in ink.

## THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT



NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487 (603)271-3397

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4130-4139	Executive		182221	185383.12	186046		186046	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		76152	74102.55	85772		85772	
0-4151	4150-4151 Financial Administration		. 149375	133489.95	150615		150615	
4152	Revaluation of Property		43000	35561.82	26000		26000	
4153	Legal Expense		45000	22612.24	32000		32000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		250	06	60250		60250	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		97230	100208.41	100840		100840	
4194	General Government Buildings		111160	116362.29	137015		137015	
4195	Cemeteries		6000	5572	6000		6000	
4196	Insurance		46000	48054.25	49500		49500	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		0	0	0		0	
4199	Other General Government		33489	20522.31	35289		35289	
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	****
4210-4214	Police		1033324	1061225.41	1129354		1129354	
4215-4219	Ambulance		256678	234869.72	278980		278980	
4220-4229	Fire		157997	145007.5	183328		183328	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		112811	99805.83	113300		113300	
0-4298	4290-4298 Emcrgency Management		0	0	0		0	
4299	Other (Including Communications)		0	0	0		0	
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	хххххххх	хххххххх	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	ххххххххх	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	хххххххх
4311	Administration							
4312	Highways & Streets		550719	527634.77	574584		574584	
4313	Bridges		C	c	c		6	

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FY 2007	5	Actual	Expenditures Prior Year	XXXXXXXXX	16954.54	XXXXXXXXX	58648.73	157888.54
	4	Appropriations	Prior Year As Approved by DRA	XXXXXXXXX	20000	XXXXXXXXX	72290	224400

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	HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4316	Street Lighting		20000	16954.54	2000		2000	
4319	Other							
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration							
4323	Solid Waste Collection		72290	58648.73	91265		91265	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		224400	157888.54	228750		228750	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							-
4326-4329	4326-4329 Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
N	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMEN	LΤ	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	4335-4339 Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other							
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
	HEALTH/WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	ххххххххх	XXXXXXXXX	хххххххх	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		11530	6367.12	11530		11530	
4414	Pest Control		2980	3507.55	4680		4680	
4415-4419	4415-4419 Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other							

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Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts

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4445-4449 Vendor Payments & Other

4441-4442 Administration & Direct Assist.

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	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		174886	177993.01	188210		188210	
4550-4559	Library		127638	127638	135706		135706	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		1500	1433.7	1500		1500	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation							
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources							
4619	Other Conservation		2000	2000	2000		2000	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING							
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		5000	36261.88	25000		25000	
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ Long Term Bonds & Notes		161742.37	161742.37	162926		162926	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		71892.44	71621.71	65135		65135	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes							
90-4799	4790-4799 Other Debt Service							
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.							
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	хххххххх	****
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer-		736038	736038	747831		747831	
	Water-		322800	322800	499660		499660	

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e		Warr.	Art.#										han one w
2		PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	(RSA 32:3,V)	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.	Electric-	Airport-	To Capital Reserve Fund	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds	To Fiduciary Funds	SUBTOTAL 1	If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.
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			**SPI	CIAL WARRANT	ARTICLES**			
3) appri	warrant articles are defined in RS opriations to a separate fund crea warrant as a special article or as a	ted purs	uant to law, such a	is capital reserve	warrant articles; : funds or trusts fur	2) appropriations r ids; or 4) an appro	aised by bonds or priation designate	notes; d
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	Lamprey River Youth Soccor		1600	1000	1000		1000	
	Epping Youth Athletic Assoc		3000	3000	3000		3000	
	SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	4000	XXXXXXXXX	4000	XXXXXXXXXX
			**IND	VIDUAL WARRAN	TARTICLES**			
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			Appropriations	Actual	SELECTMEN'S A	PROPRIATIONS	BUDGET COMMITTEE	'S APPROPRIATIONS
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_	ERPG Lawsuit				10000		10000	
	Watson Academy Carpet				10000		10000	
	ETV Trust Fund		19343	19343.				
	Town Hall Repairs Trust Fund		20000	20000	20000		20000	······
	Recreation Van Purchase	L			11000		11000	
	Land Purchase				100000		100000	
	Library PT Employee				6500		\$600	
	Fire Fighter FT Employee				28000		28090	
	Highway FT Employee					32800		32800
	18PO Union Contract					63786		63786
-	American Red Cross		600	600	500		600	
	Highway Backhoe Lease				18320		18320	
	Landfill Closure				5000		5000	
	Aids Response Seacoast		626	625	626		526	
	Richie McFarland Children's Area Nomemakers		3850	3860	3850 2610		3860	
	Adult Tutorial Program		500	500	500		500	
	Seacoast Hospice		1500	1500			1600	
	Big Brothers/Big Sisters		1620	0				
	Child & Family Services		4000	4600	4000		4000	
	A Safe Place		500	600			600	
	Rockinham County CAP		10285	10285	10286		10285	
	Lamprey Health Caro		3780	3780	3780		3780	
	Retired Sr Vol Program		300	300	300		300	
	Sexual Assualt Support Serv		1250	1260	1260		1250	
ļ	Rockinham Nutrition Prog	L	3910	3910	3510		3910	
	Community Diversion Program					1690		169
	Seacoast Mental Nealth Center					1000		100
	Compactor/Container for Transfer Station		30000					
	Police COPS Grant		42136		·			
	LeasePurchase of Ambujance	I	39000	6				
	SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED			I XXXXXXXXXX	242330	XXXXXXXXXX	242330	

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Other Charges

Other

Sale of Municipal Property

From Special Revenue Funds From Capital Projects Funds

Interest on Investments

**MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES** 

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

FY 2007 Budget - Town/City of \_ Epping **MS-7** 3 4 5 1 2 Actual Estimated Revenues Revenues Warr. Art.# **Prior Year Prior Year** SOURCE OF REVENUE ACCT.# XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX TAXES 387000 330000 3120 Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund 3180 **Resident Taxes** 3395.91 2200 3185 **Timber Taxes** 3186 Payment in Lieu of Taxes 3189 Other Taxes 86550 100451.34 3190 Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes Inventory Penalties Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd) 3187 XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES 36800 30876.81 3210 **Business Licenses & Permits** 950000 972950.78 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees 3220 59500 **Building Permits** 3230 6650 3290 Other Licenses, Permits & Fees 51145.3 51145.3 FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT 3311-3319 FROM STATE XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX 35758 3351 Shared Revenues 231445 231445.24 Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution 3352 131372 131372.4 3353 Highway Block Grant 3354 Water Pollution Grant 3355 Housing & Community Development State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement 3356 3357 Flood Control Reimbursement 46000 62830.5 3359 Other (Including Railroad Tax) FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS 3379 CHARGES FOR SERVICES XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXX 3401-3406 Income from Departments 151300 193038.83

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Estimated

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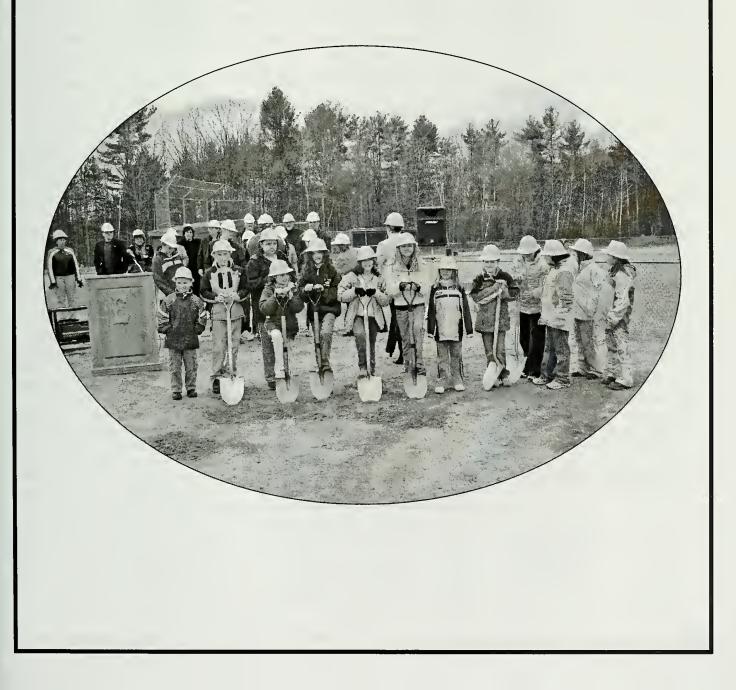
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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTER	UND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN con	t.	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)		703393.63	703393.63	747831
	Water - (Offset)		312387.13	312387.13	499660
-	Electric - (Offset)	_			
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXX	****	XXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")		39343	39343	35000
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
Т	OTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDIT	S	3558944.06	3777508.53	3464086

### \*\*BUDGET SUMMARY\*\*

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	4881102.81	5333066	5333066
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	4000	4000	4000
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	185608	242330	242330
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	5070710.81	5579396	5579396
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	3558944.06	3464086	3464086
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1511766.75	2115310	2115310

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# Epping School District Officers 2006–2007

### **School Board**

Susan Kimball, Chairman	Term Expires 2007
Scott Booth, Vice Chairman	Term Expires 2007
Jeffrey LeDuc	Term Expires 2008
Robert Lonek	
Pamela Tibbetts	-
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Barbara D. Munsey, Superintendent of Schools

Gary Tirone, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum

Martha Williamson, Business Administrator

Cathy Zylinski, Special Services Administrator

### **School Principals**

Mark Vallone, *Grades PK–5* Lyn Healy, *Grades 6–8* Dixie Bacallao Tremblay, *Grades 9–12* 

### **School District Officers**

Joe Foley, School District Treasurer

Robin O'Day, School District Clerk

Robert Goodrich, School District Moderator

# Letters to the Community

### **School Board**

Last year at this time we were all wondering when construction of the middle school addition, new high school gymnasium, and other renovations would get underway. It has been a year since the citizens of Epping voted to approve the building project and everyone was getting anxious to see some tangible progress. The official start of that progress took place on Saturday, March 25, 2006 during a groundbreaking ceremony held on the field behind the high school. Several town and school officials, both past and present, participated in the morning festivities that were well-attended by many folks in town. However the highlight of the day was seeing many of our Epping students don hard hats and ceremonial shovels to move the first scoops of soil! This culminating event was truly a memorable moment for all who had worked so hard to bring this much-needed building project to fruition.

At this time I am pleased to report that not only is the project well underway, but it is on schedule and on budget. The doors are scheduled to open when the 2007–2008 school year starts in September (yes, school will start *after* Labor Day). We have an extremely dedicated Building Committee whose members have devoted countless hours to this project and we are grateful for their efforts. It is their commitment that keeps the project rolling along so smoothly.

Some of you have inquired about the possibility of viewing the building during the construction phase. Unfortunately, due to the liability involved, only authorized personnel are currently allowed beyond the construction fence. This may change as the construction nears completion and many of the hazards are eliminated. However, as of this writing, a video of the project is being edited and is slated to air on Channel 22 EPTV starting in February. Also a slide show of the construction photos can be viewed on our www.saul4.org website.

I'd also like to thank everyone for

the patience and understanding you've displayed while dealing with the inconveniences of the construction. I know it's been quite frustrating at times but, as I promised last year, the final product will be well worth it!

On the ballot this year you will see only four warrant articles pertaining to the schools, all of which have received the approval of both the School Board and Budget Committee. The first is a three-year collective bargaining agreement between the Epping School Board and the Epping Education Association. This proposed contract has several benefits including a decrease in the district contribution for teacher health premiums, salary adjustments which would enable the district to be competitive with state and regional average teacher compensation, and the addition of one more day to the work year of the teaching staff...just to name a few.

Article 2 would allow for a special meeting if Article 1 is defeated. This would permit the district to renegotiate with the teacher's union and present cost items to the voters. This would have no tax impact.

Article 3 would also have zero tax impact by approving the use of bond interest to offset HVAC costs incurred with the new middle school addition. As agreed, the district has already applied \$238,238 of interest earnings from the project to offset the bond cost. We have been able to earn approximately \$400,000 of additional bond interest revenue which, with approval, the District would like to apply against the unanticipated expense of the air conditioning. It is important to note that we had intended to fund these HVAC costs from the contingency fund, but due to factors such as unsuitable soil conditions, unanticipated requirements from the Department of Environmental Services, and mandated upgrades to the fire alarm system in the existing school, a large portion of the contingency fund has been depleted.

The last warrant article is our 2007– 2008 operating budget. Once again, the School Board and Budget Committee have worked together to present a fiscally responsible budget. At the request of the Budget Committee over \$361,000 was cut from the budget that was originally proposed, resulting in a figure that is only \$48,338 higher than the default budget. The proposed budget will allow us to make the changes required to comply with state and federal requirements for a District in Need of Improvement and No Child Left Behind. It also provides for increased utility costs, as well as the additional personnel and supplies needed to open and operate the new middle school addition and high school gym.

It is also important to note that the school district had a fund balance of

Enrollmen As of 10/2/2006	it
Grade	Elementary School
1	69
2	76
3	78
4	81
5	73
	Middle School
6	71
7	79
8	78
	High School
9	88
10	103
11	110
12	69
Total Enrollmen for Grades 1-12: Kindergarten Enrollment:	

\$ 201,760 last year, which was returned to the town's General Fund.

I will close by recommending that you read the other articles written by our school administrators and committees that are also published in this Annual School Report. They provide excellent information regarding other initiatives and improvements that are currently taking place in our schools.

As always, we wish to express sincere thanks to our administrators, teachers, staff, and volunteers for their unending dedication to our students. We also give special thanks to everyone who takes the time to vote for your continued support in educating our young citizens of Epping. They are, afterall, the future of our town, the great State of New Hampshire, and our country. If we serve them well, they will serve us well in return.

Respectfully submitted, Susan H. Kimball, Chair

On behalf of the Epping School Board: Scott Booth, Vice Chair Pamela Tibbetts Jeffrey LeDuc Robert Lonek

### Superintendent of Schools

In the last annual report the journey from a good school to a great school was introduced along with our charge to steadily march to our greatness and to sustain it along the way. To achieve this, the district needed to have disciplined people, thought, and action in that order and to confront the brutal facts.

This school year the district has refined the administrative structure in all three schools and matched our human resources to the needs of the schools. The district has also adopted four goals addressing student achievement, respectful school and learning culture, professional growth, and curriculum mapping. Action plans were developed by school and central office administrators to support these goals.

We continue to confront the brutal facts particularly in the school district budget. Next school year the cost of the proposed budget is attributed equally to a revenue loss and an expenditure increase. The district continues to lose revenue from Fremont high school students withdrawing and the restructuring of state aid. Escalating expenditures in health insurance, retirement contributions, utility costs, and special education have exacerbated the financial situation. The good news is that we will be opening the new middle school classroom addition, two more renovated high school science labs, and a new high school gymnasium. The bad news is that we will not be able to sustain our student programming as the district will not be able to keep pace with increasing costs and decreasing revenue sources.

We have also gained one additional brutal fact and that is being designated a "district in need of improvement" per No Child Left Behind. The district for the past two consecutive years has not met the definition of proficiency in the area of reading as determined by the NH Department of Education using standardized state testing. Proficiency has been defined as meeting a minimum performance target number on the reading standardized test for students in grades 3 to 8 and grade 10. It is important to note that performance targets must be met in all subgroups of students including the whole school, racial and ethnic groups, socioeconomically disadvantaged, educational disability, and non- or limited-English proficient students. Students grouped as socioeconomically disadvantaged and educationally disabled did not meet these reading performance targets resulting in the "district in need of improvement" designation.

Being designated a "district in need of improvement" has significantly impacted the district this school year requiring a change in direction from the district process to a state directed process. A "district improvement planning team" has been meeting to review student data, attend state training sessions, and develop an improvement plan for reading. During this process the alignment of district curriculum to state grade level expectations, implementation of a consistent reading and writing program throughout the district, and focus on data-driven instruction were identified as areas of priority. The good news is that the three priority areas align with existing school district goals and school initiatives already underway. The bad news is that it will require meeting the state's timetable and criteria, putting some initiatives on hold, implementing some of our initiatives differently than originally intended, and reallocating district resources to address the "district in need of improvement" reading designation. There will be some tough choices ahead as the district will not be able to address the "district in need of improvement" status and provide all the student programming and services as in past years.

Unfortunately, we have arrived at the point where local, state, and federal decision making and policy have collided, and we no longer have the resources to sustain things as they are. The failure of the cooperative school district and the long term tuition agreement with Fremont has re-

### Statistical Data: School Year 2005–2006

	Average Daily Membership	Percent of Attendance
Elementary	371.1	96.2
Middle School	251.9	95.3
High School	396.0	91.3
Kindergarten	30.8	94.8

sulted in the loss of revenue to offset costs. Commercial development has increased the town's property valuation and resulted in less state funding. The state has implemented revised standards for school approval requiring more of our schools, and the state per federal guidelines has designated us a district in need with \$25,000 in federal funds for this purpose.

If we as a community, society, and nation expect our schools to do more and have higher student expectations, schools will need more resources. Reallocating existing resources will only get us so far, and there lies the problem. Under the current federal/state education funding system, the only solution at the moment is to pass it on to the local taxpayer, and that is not acceptable.

I will admit that we as a district have areas to improve upon and we will address those areas. However, I also offer that our political leadership has failed us. Please visit the district website at www.sau14.org to view information regarding the budget and "district in need of improvement" designation or to contact state and federal legislators.

We will continue to do what Epping has always done—do the best we can with what we have. Epping is a community strong in mind and heart, and we must hold on to that in the days ahead.

Barbara D. Munsey

### Assistant Superintendent

The Epping School District is currently initiating and continuing a number of initiatives to support the development of curriculum and instruction in each of the schools; and attempting to systematically coordinate those efforts PreK–12. Accomplishing our goals in these areas, requires us to be mindful of a number of learning relationships that must evolve not only between adults and students, but also between adults in our school community.

Because of mandated policy like No Child Left Behind and the resulting designations of schools and districts in need of improvement ( a phenomenon that will potentially impact a majority of schools and districts in our country), it is a necessity to focus on both adult and student learning and development in our schools. Roland Barth, author of Improving Schools from Within, uses an interesting metaphor to make this point when he writes, "...consider the common instructions given by flight attendants to airline passengers: For those of you traveling with small children, in the event of an oxygen failure, first place the mask on your own face and then-and only then-place the mask on your child's face. The fact of the matter is, of course, that the adult must be alive to help the child." A conclusion that can be drawn from Barth's example is that we need to emphasize and ensure that we provide the means and time for adult learning development to take place in our schools on an ongoing basis in order to realize a measurable, sustained impact for students.

Keeping in mind the learning relationships that must take place and the strong connections those relationships must have to quality instruction and student learning and achievement, it is important to note that each of the schools are currently involved with several high quality professional development programs, some with college or university affiliations, and primarily focused on the instructional and literacy issues that should have the greatest impact across content areas and grade levels. District initiatives in place to support these school efforts and plan for future PreK-12 coherence include:

■ A committee has been formed to meet the NHDOE requirement for a Professional Development Master Plan. This is perhaps our most significant undertaking this year because it will define not only the methods by which adults in our schools will be recertified and evaluated; but it will also create expectations for adult professional development that will move the learning culture in our schools to one that includes more inquiry and collaboration for both students and adults. It will focus on data and evidence for learning, which should positively impact the level and possibility for achievement by all. ■ We are in the third and final year of a grant funded mentoring program that has provided a number of opportunities for new teachers to our district to observe and incorporate quality instruction into their classrooms as well as become better acclimated to the ancillary expectations of their job. This type of program benefits both new and established faculty with the influx and sharing of established and new practices. It has also helped to reduce the turnover of teachers in our district these past few years. We will continue to offer the mentoring program next year and explore opportunities for grant funding.

■ The NHDOE has also put in place Information, Communication, and Technology(ICT) Standards with expectations that students will have electronic portfolios at the end of Grade 8 which display some of their work across content areas along with their ability to integrate various uses of technology into that work. Additionally, benchmarks for technology will need to be incorporated into our curriculum K-12. A committee of staff members representing each of the schools has been meeting throughout the year to advance this expectation and requirement.

■ Our curriculum mapping efforts have had to factor in additional variables due to District in Need of Improvement issues which command priority and the new State Frameworks (GLEs/GSEs) which require curriculum alignment decisions PreK-12. We continue to offer professional development to support Elementary School efforts with math and literacy, and some content areas at the Middle and High Schools.

The above simply highlights some of the areas being addressed in professional development, curriculum, and instruction. A more complete picture can be accessed by following the curriculum and instruction link at the sau14.org website. There, community members can find the posted State Frameworks(GLEs/GSEs) to which our curriculum is connected. Also, there are additional links that can help adults connect with children and their learning.

It's an exciting and opportune time for the Epping Community with the opening of a new Middle School facility, the additions and refurbishing of the High School,







and the increased instructional space for the Elementary School. While the new construction will enhance the learning environment and culture, it also opens possibilities we can now entertain as a learning community.

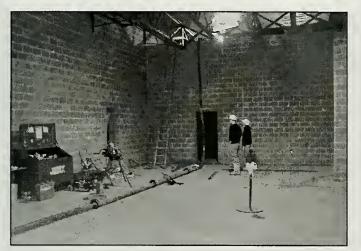
Gary Tirone

### **Building Committee**

Construction of the middle school addition is proceeding on schedule with teachers and staff due to move in over the summer. The building is a tribute to town support and will address overcrowding with the separation of middle school and high school students. It also provides a new high school gymnasium that will be available for use by the entire community.

The middle school facility will be open year round to accommodate summer school, teacher trainings, and town recreation events as well as regular school year programs. Early in the construction process, the Building Committee and School Board decided to add central air conditioning to the original HVAC plans to address overheating in the summer. It is much less expensive to include central air in the building process now than it would be to go back later and put it in. The State is requiring more each year in terms of air quality in public facilities, and it is likely that central air will be a requirement in future. The high summer usage, possible forthcoming State requirements and savings from acting now rather than later all contributed to the decision to add central air at this point. You will note that warrant article included to request the approval of funds for this purpose.

Architect Frank Marinace and contractor CCI (Conneston Construction Inc.) have done a superb job coordinating with staff and administration to remain on schedule with the new construction while minimizing the disruption to school events. Staff, students and the community have been patient and accommodating to changes in sports venues, temporary reduction in available parking and adjustments to traffic flow around the schools.



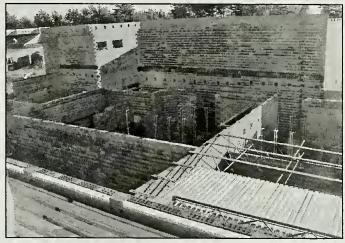
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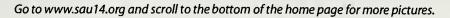
View from the Roof



The Courtyard



December 2006



Many thanks to all for their hard work and patience. In just a few months the new addition will be open!

Sincerely, The Epping Building Committee

### **Elementary School**

#### **Annual First Day Program**

Epping Elementary School opened on August 25, 2006. Three hundred adults joined their children in classes and then took part in an orientation session put on by school and community organizations such as the PTO, the Epping Police and Fire Departments, our Title I program and the Harvey Mitchell Library. Our school welcomed new teachers Susan Carter (Grade 2), Katie Crosby (Special Education), Ashley Foster (Grade 5), and Lizette Nash (Special Education) as well as a new Dean of Students, Mike McKenney.

#### 2006–07—A Focus on Reading and Writing

Epping Elementary has made 2006-07 a year devoted to improving reading and writing. The school's Literacy Task Force, a group made up of teachers, para-professionals, parents and administrators developed a plan to train teachers in more effective teaching methods and to increase community and family participation in reading. In one program, all teachers of grades K to 3 students have been meeting with reading specialists from Tufts University to learn the components of "Readers Workshop" a program that increases the amount of time students spend on independent reading. All teachers have learned to check on reading progress through the use of the DRA testing program, a system that helps teachers identify student strengths and weaknesses precisely and frequently. Teachers in grades 4 and 5 have participated in graduate courses on literacy that are conducted right here at school by the University of New Hampshire. The courses, called Learning Through Teaching, bring university professors into the school to observe teachers, conduct classes and lead groups of staff members in small group observations of ef-



First grade students Erin Killen and Brenna Osgood show off their Matryoshka dolls during the EES Artist In Residence program with Traditional Russian Artist Marina Nazarova Forbes.

fective instruction. A third effort is led by well-known artist and writer, Beth Olshansky who is training a group of 12 teachers in Picture Writing, a method that incorporates art with writing and helps build student vocabulary and writing fluency.

The school has also reached out to parents and families in our effort to promote reading and writing. Epping's Title I program sponsored a breakfast information session on reading for parents and will host a second Pizza and Literacy Night that is co-sponsored by NH Public Television's education program on reading. Third grade teacher Nancy Bernard has also planned a special evening program called Readers' Theater for parents and children.

#### **Curriculum Mapping**

As part of its effort to improve student achievement, Epping Elementary School has begun aligning its curriculum with the New Hampshire state gtade level expectations that were released last year. Teachers from all grade levels have learned how to use the computer program Curriculum Mapper to enter existing units of study. The Mapper program will enable teachers to then analyze both Epping's K-5 curriculum and the state expectations before making changes in what is taught and when it is taught.

#### **NWEA Testing Implemented**

Epping Elementary also began to use the NWEA test in math, reading and writing for grades 2–5. This on line test will be given at the beginning and ending of this school year to provide more immediate feedback on how well each student is progressing. The advantage of this test is the speed of the results. Teachers and administrators know within days the results and so they can individualize their instruction to meet the needs of all students.

Some examples? Epping Elementary started a weekly enrichment program in mathematics for students who scored 90% or above on the NWEA. In another instance, low NWEA scores in reading have helped us identify students for extra help and attention in reading.

#### **Enrichment Activities**

For the seventh straight year, Epping students are taking part in the Artist in Resi-



Michael Rainford and Ryleigh Holmes play the accordion with Traditional Polish Accordion Artist Gary Sredzienski during the EES Artist In Residence Program."

dence program with this year's program focusing on Latin American music and art. Every K-5 student will have the opportunity to work. The Artist in Residence program is funded by the Epping School District, and money from assorted fund raisers conducted during the year.

This year Epping Elementary School is offering after school lessons in Spanish and French. After school programs this year also include a Homework Club, Study Buddies, Leap Frog, Passport Around the World, Writing Club, Adventure Club, Drama and Yoga. Before school programs include Jump Rope Club, Friendship Club, Safety Skills and Library.

#### Volunteers

I am once again pleased to report that Epping Elementary was recognized as both a Blue Ribbon and a Gold School for its volunteer program. Thanks to parent volunteer Abby Constantineau, Guidance Counselor Laura Conley, and administrative assistant Cheryl MacLeay who recruited and trained new volunteers and managed the schedules of the many veteran volunteers. Thanks also to the hundreds of volunteers who contributed so much to our program.

#### **Epping PTO**

The PTO continues to be a major partner in educating the children of Epping Elementary. PTO fund raisers helped pay the cost of bus transportation for field trips, sponsor special assembly performances and lectures for parents. The PTO purchased and installed a slide and miniature rockclimbing board for the playground. Once again PTO volunteers operated the daily snack program, held a Halloween Dance and put on an ice cream social. The PTO also organized a spring fair that was very well attended. Thank you, PTO.

Many thanks to all the dedicated people—parents, teachers, custodians, aides, food service workers, office staff, substitutes, and volunteers who work for the benefit of our students and who make this school a wonderful place to learn and grow. You are welcome to see this dedicated staff working with great kids, please feel free to call our school at 679-8018 to arrange a visit.

Mark Vallone Principal

## **Middle School**

This summer when our faculty attended the Summer Conference of the New Eng-



Charlie Hardy and John Gagnon try out playing the accordion during the Artist In Residence Program.

land League of Middle Schools (NELMS), we elected to call ourselves, "A school on the move!" and so we are! During this school year we are critically reexamining ourselves-the program we have in place for young adolescent learners-and deciding which items will move to our new middle school facility and which things we will pack away and put into storage. We are so excited to be preparing for our new school, a school specifically designed to provide the most effective education to the sixth through eighth graders of Epping. Thank you for building this school for us. We hope you are having as much fun as we are watching the structure go up and imagining what will happen on the inside. It's all about the learning!

We have focused our work to coordinate with the goals of the Epping School Board. The first area is **Student Achievement**. EMS is working to facilitate a collaborative relationship with families to ensure the success of every student. We have inaugurated the following to facilitate communication between home and school:

- Wednesday Communication Days so that parents can know when to expect information coming home with students in their planners;
- Good News notes that are mailed to parents to share student successes;
- A page on the Epping School District website to provide dynamic information to the community; and
- Principal's coffees which are held monthly.

To continue connecting school with family, the EMS PTO has been working on behalf of the students and their families. One of its most successful activities this year has been a Family Night held in connection with the school's celebration of Red Ribbon Week. The event was held in November and was extremely well attended. Another family event is being planned.

Another program to encourage student achievement which has seen revision is the student advisory program. All students have an advisor and meet two times each week in these small groups. One of the purposes of this group is to help students design individualized learning plans to better understand themselves as learners and to set achievement goals. Another is to take on special community services projects and to have the opportunity to support one another in an academic setting.

Seventh grade students attended Nature's Classroom for a week in October. The students used an outdoor environment to actively engage in learning. Our students have experienced learning through several field trips including the Boston Museum of Science and plays. By providing real life learning experiences, we are better able to make connections with classroom learning.

Student achievement is currently measured by the New England Common Education Program (NECAP) where students are tested in the fall. We are awaiting the results of this year's testing, but have spent significant time analyzing the results and are working as part of the School in Need of Improvement (SINI) and District in Need of Improvement (DINI) plans to make certain that our instruction is aligned with what is being assessed.

The second School Board goal addresses creating a Respectful School and Learning Culture. We have directed significant attention to this goal as a positive and respectful school climate contributes exponentially to student achievement. EMS has continued to focus on our Guiding Principles which were adopted last year. Each month every team selects two students who represent their peers in living up to our principles. We hold recognition assemblies each month to honor these students and they are then invited to a Principal's Breakfast for additional reinforcement. Also honored at these assemblies are students who are randomly selected as part of our new "Nice Moves" program. Many times our students engage in random acts which represent our guiding principles or they are observed doing something positive for one of their peers or for a teacher. Teachers then give the students a "ticket" to acknowledge this act. At our assemblies we draw tickets from the box and students receive any number of prizes such as free snacks, ice cream, gift certificates, etc. We have received donations from various members of the Epping community including our own teachers. Prizes to date have included such items as hair styling supplies, X-box games and even a snow board. Donations are welcome and potential donors should contact our Dean of Students who has developed this program. Middle school students appreciate being recognized for their positive behaviors.

We have also enjoyed several special events during the year. Ed Gerety provided one student assembly. His message focused on four important traits: appreciation, respect, kindness and belief. The students responded positively to his message. We expect to have other programs during the year. Another special event was our celebration of Red Ribbon Week in late October. The focus of this week is to help students make important choices regarding drug and alcohol use. The 7th and 8th graders were able to participate in an activity sponsored by the National Guard. We received a letter from the sponsor complimenting our students as "one of the most respectful, upbeat and downright pleasurable student communities that I have had the joy of working with!"

Part of creating a school culture is to recognize the contributions of faculty in addition to the students. Staff members are randomly selected to use the special parking place in front of the school. Sixth grade teachers are randomly selected to have the principal cover their duties before school. We also acknowledge special contributions with an EMS Appreciation Apple.

Finally, our students have participated in the "My Voice" Survey. This survey asks students their opinion about their school environment and is sponsored by the NH Department of Education. We have been carefully analyzing the feedback the students have provided and are working to make sure the middle school climate is one where respect, responsibility and relationships flourish.

In order to create a refreshed middle school program, the third school board goal of **Professional Growth** has been emphasized. The faculty's journey with their new administration began with a three day summer experience at the Summer NELMS conference referred to above. We learned many things about one another and made some important decisions to begin our year. From that point, our professional development has had three primary initiatives.

The first focuses on teaching literacy in the content areas and is a continuation of work begun during the previous year. EMS has a literacy team which is helping to focus the work. On the early release days, we have been working with the NELMS literacy consultant. Her efforts were a review of the two day session teachers had attended last year. The consultant also met with the Literacy Team to make plans to sustain the literacy initiative during the year. From that point we have been providing our own leadership to this initiative. We have agreed upon a rubric to use for writing which parallels those used by the state on NECAP writing prompts. We are working to make this kind of writing commonplace for our students so that they are not surprised when they see it on the NECAP tests. The benefit to students is that they are receiving similar vocabulary and information in all of their classes regarding reading and writing no matter the content of the material being addressed.

The second initiative concerns assessment. The NELMS Teacher in Residence has spent several days working with the four teams during their planning periods to discuss the connections with curriculum and instruction. One of our goals is to have a clear and concise understanding of our grading system which is standards based and descriptive. This is an effort which involves taking divergent points of view to become agreed-upon middle school practice. The work currently is leading to an alignment of our grades with NECAPs. We are trying to use language such as "proficient with distinction, proficient, developing proficiency and novice" to align with A, B, C and I.

Finally the faculty is meeting bimonthly for an hour after school. In these meetings we have been addressing not only some nuts and bolts about our current work, but also thinking about and discussing a variety of best practices ro focus our work together as a school. There are several concerns about the change process, about the initiatives around DINI and SINI as well as practical matters around grading, progress reports, advisory, technology, etc. which are being discussed by the faculty. These working meetings have provided faculty with the opportunity to discuss important issues across grade levels and content areas as we work to refine the program we will be taking to the new middle school building. We really are working to create "a school of our own!"

The final school board goal addresses Curriculum Mapping and we are beginning to focus our energy in this direction. Curriculum mapping helps us articulate not only what we teach, but when we teach it and is a vehicle to help teachers connect learning for their students. We have Grade Level Expectations (GLEs) and Grade Span Expectations (GSEs) that provide the "what students should know and be able to do" information for teachers. Our work is focusing on literacy-reading and writing-and we are working to make certain that we find no gaps in our instruction which would impact our student's learning. Because this work is so intertwined with the other goals of the school board, our DINI and SINI plans, and simply because it's what we do everyday, it is challenging to be more specific in describing our work!

In conclusion, I would like to sincerely thank the rown of Epping for supporting the creation of a new middle school! In my professional career I have had the opportunity to work with many schools in many different communities and I am enjoying this opportunity to work with an outstanding group of administrators, some terrific staff members, some wonderful students and caring parents and community members to help create this school to address the unique developmental needs of middle level students. We really are working to create a separate school, a "school of their own!" and will look forward to sharing our "school on the move!" with you when we open in our new building in the fall. Thank you!

Lyn Ward Healy Principal

### **High School**

As always the year has been filled with changes and opportunities. The focus of the 2006–2007 school year has been instruction. Our teachers and the administrative team have focused on this issue in many different ways. We have restructured instructional time, worked on academic standards, and come together as a faculty to create an enriching environment for students.

Last April Epping High School was once again granted its accreditation by the NEAS&C. One of the tasks that EHS was asked to complete was to develop a mission statement that reflected that we were now a 9–12 school. Many of you may have noticed our new mission statement on our website. For those who have not read our mission statement it is as follows:

> The Epping High School community educates and empowers students within a safe environment to become **Respectful**, **Involved**, and **Knowledgeable** citizens.

This mission statement represents the lens that we are using to frame all of the work that we do at EHS.

#### **Student Achievement**

We began our academic year once again with a celebration where students met with all of their teachers and had a chance to renew acquaintances.

This year both grades 9 and 10 are in teaching teams. The English, math, science, social studies and special education teachers as well as the guidance counselor form a team of caring adults who work with our students. These teachers meet daily to align curriculum and discuss student progress. The meetings allow the teachers to review a student's progress from many different perspectives. The 10th grade team is offering honors challenges in the four core subjects. These honors challenges allow students to stretch themselves academically while offering the student the chance to earn an honors designation on their transcripts. Our freshman and sophomore teams monitor all students' progress very closely and

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strive to communicate with parents. The teams send home regular progress reports so that students and parents always know where they stand academically.

In the upper grades we have expanded our Advanced Placement offering to include an 11th grade English class. This addition increases the AP classes offered at EHS to six. Next year we are hoping to add an AP Chemistry course.

Not only are we expanding course offerings to students, we are also measuring progress through the use of standardized exams. We once again tested our grade 9 and 10 students using a computer based assessment, the Northwest Evaluation Association's *Measures of Academic Progress*. The test results have given teachers and students information about skills and concepts that individual students have learned and will allow teachers to adjust instruction. This year's junior class also performed quite well on the NHIEAP test last spring, achieving adequate yearly progress on all standards.

While we have emphasized academic challenges and measuring student progress, we are also providing support to students so that they can strengthen their basic skills. We have added tutorial classes in English and math at the 9th and 10th grade levels. These classes give students additional time in these subject areas to work on concept acquisition. We are also offering after school tutoring for any student who needs extra help in English, math, social studies or science.

While we continue to stress that students need to gather credits in order to graduate, we also want students to learn to be responsible by facing natural consequences. We expect students to pass their classes. If students do not pass their classes the credit must be made up at a small cost to the student. It is our belief that the citizens of Epping should pay for the first time a student takes a class, not the second. This is not to be a punishment for students but rather a natural consequence of not passing a class. In order to help students in recovering credits, we have continued our credit recovery portion of our CARE program where students can earn credit after school for a nominal fee.

Implementation of these programs, expanded course offerings and standardized tests is getting to the root of another of the key concepts of our mission statement and that is being **knowledgeable**. It is our hope that by emphasizing academics while providing support for the acquisition of skills we will be fostering the development of more knowledgeable students.

#### Respectful School and Learning Culture

This year we have moved to a block schedule, allowing the students and faculty to focus on fewer classes at one time. The longer periods of instruction also allow a concept or idea to be introduced and worked with all in the same instructional block. The new schedule gives students the opportunity to have a short break at the beginning of the day (after the first block of instruction) which provides time to get something to eat and be energized for the rest of the morning. Juniors and seniors have also been allowed to earn the privilege of signing out of school during study halls. In order for juniors and seniors to earn their privileges, they must maintain a "C" in each of their courses.

In keeping with a focus on instruction, the faculty has worked along with their students to create Full Value Contracts (FVC). FVC's are, according to the Critical Skills Program, a social contract that helps to create a safe learning environment for all members of a classroom community. It also provides a structure within which behavioral and academic expectations are established. This class contract models a respectful environment for students by giving guidelines for interactions and allowing a safe forum for students to discuss differences of opinions. The FVC is a way in which we are using our mission statement to guide our practice, modeling a respectful manner in which to interact with others.

Another key attribute that makes up our mission statement is **involvement**. We at EHS have very active clubs, organizations and sport teams that offer our students the opportunity to become involved in high school. There is an organization or sport for everyone. We have clubs that are academically focused, community service oriented and others geared to special talents/interests. We at EHS are proud that we have fifteen different clubs and organizations along with student government that offer students the chance to expand their learning and personal growth beyond the classroom.

On the athletic field our students once again represented our community with style and grace. The basketball season allowed our student to showcase their skills. The boy's varsity team went 9-10 and lost in the preliminary round of the state playoffs. The girl's varsity team went 17-3 and lost in the quarterfinal round of the state tournament. Last spring our baseball and softball teams were competitive in their class. This year we held the second annual homecoming celebration with home games in all varsity sports, a dance and an outdoor concert. Our football team, in its third season as an NHIAA varsity level sport, went 1-8. The football team and the coaching staff also received the New Hampshire Football Officials Association's Sportsmanship banner which will hang in our new gym next year. The volleyball team had an energizing season with many tough fought matches with a 6-11 record. This year they made it to the Division 3 preliminary round of the state tournament. On the soccer field EHS once again experienced much success with both the Girl's and Boy's varsity teams making it to the playoffs. The Boys team for the first time ever made it to the second round in the playoff. Mr. McDermott was elected by his peers as the Class M Coach of the year. The Girl's Varsity team made it to the final four in the state tournament. This year we are sponsoring our first swim team with one young man representing Epping at a variety of swim meets. We have, for the first time, an indoor track team with 6 students representing Epping.

#### **Professional Growth**

EHS is lucky to have a dedicated and hard working faculty and staff. This summer 85% of our teaching faculty attended a week long institute to learn about the Critical Skills Model. The remaining 15% have received training on this model throughout the first quarter of the school year. As a result of the work accomplished this summer, Epping High School has embraced the Critical Skills teaching model as a vehicle to work together to improve instruction. The short definition of this model is:

> ....a classroom dynamic that guides the thoughtful design of learning experiences for students. At a simple level, it is a set of tools and strategies for being purposeful in the process of engaging students in their learning, making the class run more smoothly, addressing state and local learning goals, and focusing on quality work. In other words, Critical Skills is understanding that in order to develop into independent thinkers and responsible citizens, students need to practice being independent and responsible in the relatively safe environment of school.

One of the techniques that teachers have implemented are learning opportunities we call "challenges" that ask for students to problem solve. These challenges, since students need to understand the content and also to apply what they have learned, will lead to a greater understanding of the selected subject matter.

The faculty and staff have also been developing various ways of working together to raise the bar on the delivery of instruction. The teachers have begun to develop a rubric describing quality classrooms. This rubric will be used by the teachers to help them to continue to grow professionally and to define the aspects of an exemplary class. The teachers have also been conducting peer to peer observations to give feedback and viewing how other teachers deal with various instructional techniques.

#### **Curriculum Mapping**

While focusing on instruction we have not lost sight of our curriculum goals. This year the faculty will be examining the New Hampshire Department of Education's Grade Span Expectations. These grade spans more specifically direct the revision of the curriculum. Epping High School has joined with ten other seacoast high schools to develop competencies for all high school classes.

#### **Thank You**

As always we strive to serve our students and community. Please visit our new website for the latest information about what is happening in the school www.saul4.org/ EHS. As always feel free to call to discuss any issue or area of concern. Epping High School is a great place to be. Thank you for your continued support.

Dixie Bacallao Tremblay Principal

## Director of Special Services

The opening of the 2006 school year brings to the Epping Special Education department a time of reflection and self-assessment. This year we are preparing for an onsite evaluation from the New Hampshire Department of Education Special Education Program Approval and Improvement Process. This is part of a three year cycle that supports improved educational results for all children, youth, and their families by "Cultivating a Culture of Collective Responsibility".

This evaluation process allows the school district, through the filters of No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and the Individuals with Disabilities Improvement Act (IDEA 2004), to look at students with disabilities to increase their ability to access the general curriculum, to support teachers as they successfully utilize assessments to guide instruction and to support positive transitions from grade level to grade level.

Special Education staff members, in collaboration with their peers, have been working to develop core principles that support effectively teaching all children. Teachers have been using assessment for screening, diagnostic analysis, and for monitoring student progress. As a result of these assessments, research based instruction is adjusted to meet the needs of all students.

As of December 2006, the school district provided special education services to 175 identified students. Services

include occupational therapy, speech & language services, behavioral consultation with our school psychologist, adventure base counseling, remedial instruction in specialized math, reading and written language programs from our special education teachers, and post-secondary support from our School to Career counselor. We provide physical therapy services through a certified contracted employee. Itinerant teachers, such as teachers for the hearing and visually impaired, are contracted as needed.

All special education staff members from paraprofessionals to special education teachers are deeply involved in quality, comprehensive on-site professional development that is supported by our district initiatives with Tufts, NELMS, Antioch, and UNH. These opportunities for professional development allow the adults to model our commitment to learning as they provide instruction and support.

As we complete the Department of Education evaluation process this year it will be with a positive attitude that fosters ongoing efforts to improve instructional outcomes for students with disabilities. We will keep in mind that our efforts are not an isolated or a one year only event, but rather a comprehensive process that supports studeuts, parents, and community from preschool to high school.

I wish to express a heartfelt thanks to our paraprofessionals, teachers, staff, volunteers, school board members, and parents for their support and commitment to our students. As I watch the new middle school grow I am reminded once again of the wonderful place I have been given the opportunity to work. Thank you for your continued support.

#### Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Zylinski Director of Special Services

# 2006 Ballot Results

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## SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

BUDGET FORM FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

OF: EPPING, NH

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1.Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date):\_\_\_\_

BUDGET COMMITTEE Please sign in ink.

#### THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT



NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487 (603)271-3397

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6	Budget Committee's Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year	NOT RECOMMENDED	XXXXXXXX							XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXX										XXXXXXXXXX		
8	Budget Comm Ensuing F	RECOMMENDED	XXXXXXXXX	\$4,048,726	\$1,953,628	\$192,400	\$294,090			XXXXXXXXXX	\$944,480	\$754,618	XXXXXXXXXXX		\$84,454	XXXXXXXXXX	\$296,326	\$137,336	\$841,748		\$1,018,339	\$538,354	\$2,317,077		\$1	XXXXXXXXXX	\$460,000	\$541,041
7	Appropriations Iscal Year	NOT RECOMMENDED	XXXXXXXXX							XXXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXX										XXXXXXXXXX		
9	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year	RECOMMENDED	XXXXXXXXXX	\$4,048,726	\$1,953,628	\$192,400	\$294,090			XXXXXXXXXX	\$944,480	\$754,618	XXXXXXXXX		\$84,454	XXXXXXXXXXX	\$296,326	\$137,336	\$841,748		\$1,018,339	\$538,354	\$2,317,077		\$1	XXXXXXXXXX	\$460,000	\$541,041
5	Appropriations Current Year as	Approved by DRA	XXXXXXXXXX	\$4,163,255	\$1,992,873	\$174,930	\$250,109			XXXXXXXXXX	\$971,940	\$596,175	XXXXXXXXXX		\$80,813	XXXXXXXXXX	\$305,955	\$151,993	\$731,740		\$841,769	\$477,811	\$1,954,432		\$1	XXXXXXXXX	\$447,350	\$561,488
4	Expenditures for Year 7/1/05	to 6/30/06	XXXXXXXXXX	\$3,977,869	\$1,852,903	\$145,597	\$176,884			XXXXXXXXXX	\$829,195	\$674,550	XXXXXXXXXX		\$79,377	XXXXXXXXX	\$311,408	\$139,745	\$756,033		\$878,713	\$386,805	\$1,688,056		\$270,946	XXXXXXXXXXX	\$76,000	\$369,757
3	WARR.	ART.#		4	4	4	4	4	4		4	4		4	4		4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		4	4
2	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS	(RSA 32:3,V)	INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)	Regular Programs	Special Programs	Vocational Programs	Other Programs		Adult & Community Programs	SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)	Student Support Services	Instructional Staff Services		School Board Contingency			SAU Management Services	All Other Administration	School Administration Service		Operation & Maintenance of Plant	Student Transportation	2800-2999 Support Service Central & Other	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION	OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)	Debt Service - Principal	Debt Service - Interest
-		Acct.#		1100-1199	1200-1299	1300-1399	1400-1499	1500-1599			2000-2199	2200-2299		2310 840	2310-2319		2320-310	2320-2399	2400-2499	2500-2599	2800-2699	2700-2799	2800-2999	3000-3999	4000-4999		5110	5120

#### **Epping School District**

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.0)	WARR. ART#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/05 to 6/30/06	Appropriatione Current Year As Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMI	ppropriations cal Yeer NOT RECOMMENDED	Budget Comn Ensulng RECOMMENDEO	Budget Committee's Approp. Ensuing Flacal Year MMENDE0 NOT RECOMMENDED
	FUND TRANSFERS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX
5220-5221	To Food Service	4	\$397,458	\$400,506	\$432,006		\$432,006	
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue							
5230-5239	To Capital Projects							
5251	To Capital Reserves							
5252	To Expendable Trust (*see below)							
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts							
5254	To Agency Funds							
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.							
	SUPPLEMENTAL							
	DEFICIT							
	SUBTOTAL 1		\$13,011,296	\$14,103,140	\$14,854,624	0\$	\$14,654,624	\$0
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'you have a	If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.	warrant arti	cle, please use the	space below to identify	/ the make-up of the II	ne total for the ens	suing year.	
	Acct.#	Warr. Art.#	Amount		Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	

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rable article. 4	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA					XXXXXXXXXXXX	**INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES**	"special warrant a Supplemental appi ich must be fundeo	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA					*****
warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.	Expenditures for Year 7/1/05 to 6/30/06					XXXXXXXXXXX	DNI**	tssarlly the same as nents; 2) Leases; 3) the current year wh 3	Expenditures for Year 7/1/05 to 6/30/06					~~~~~~
warrant as a special article or as a noniapsing or nontransferable article. 2	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	Middle school addition HVAC				SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotlated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Leases; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is alread available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation. 3 4	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Negotiated Teachers'	Contract			
~	Acct.#	4500							Acct.#	1100-	2900	-		

#### **Epping School District**

\*\*SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\*

Budget - School District of EPPING FY 2008

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MS-27	Budget - Scho	ol District of	EPPING FY 2008		
1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
	REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
1300-1349	Tuition	4	\$1,025,803	\$595,000	\$348,266
1400-1449	Transportation Fees	4			
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments	4	\$28,557	\$2,700	\$5,000
1600-1699	Food Service Sales	4	\$198,558	\$248,876	\$280,376
1700-1799	Student Activities	4	\$19,250	\$20,000	\$20,000
1800-1899	Community Services Activities	4			
1900-1999	Other Local Sources	4	\$86,592	\$198,000	\$98,000
	REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES	<u> </u>		XXXXXXXXXXX	
3210	School Building Aid				<u>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</u>
3220		4	\$37,274	\$188,481	\$193,894
3230	Kindergarten Aid Catastrophic Aid	4	£74.500		
3240-3249	Vocational Aid	4	\$74,566	\$43,000	\$43,000
3250	Adult Education		\$15,780	\$10,000	\$10,000
3260	Child Nutrition	4		£1.400	
3270	Driver Education	4	\$4,358	\$4,130	\$4,130
3290-3299	Other State Sources	4	\$3,450 \$26,111	\$7,500	\$7,500
	REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES		XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXX	
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants	4			
4540	Vocational Education	4			
4550	Adult Education	4			
4560	Child Nutrition	4	\$127,562	\$127,500	\$127,500
4570	Disabilities Programs	4			
4580	Medicaid Distribution	4	\$25,860	\$25,000	\$25,000
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)	4			
4810	Faderal Forest Reserve	4			
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	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes	4			
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund	4			
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds	4			
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds	4	\$155,000	\$83,298	\$0
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds	4			

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MS-27	Budget -	School District of EP	PING FY 2008		
1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES CONT.		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds				
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources				
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's				
	(Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D for Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FYless RAN, Revenue Last FY =NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Voted From Fund Balance	3			\$400,000
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	4	\$192,071	\$201,760	\$100,000
	Total Estimated Revenue & Credits		\$2,020,792	\$1,755,245	\$1,862,666

#### \*\*BUDGET SUMMARY\*\*

	Current Year Adopted Budget	School Board's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee's Rscommended Budget
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 3)	\$14,103,140	\$14,854,624	\$14,854,624
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)	\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)		\$279,589	\$279,589
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	\$14,103,140	\$15,534,213	\$15,534,213
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	\$1,755,245	\$1,662,666	\$1,662,666
Less: Amount of Statewide Enhanced Education Tax/Grant	\$4,393,946	\$4,161,285	\$4,161,285
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	\$7,953,949	\$9,710,262	\$9,710,262

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: \$1,385,358 (See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

#### **BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE**

(For Calculating 10% Maximum Increase) (RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)

VERSION #2: Use if you have Collective Bargaining Cost Items

LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: Epping School District FISCAL YEAR END 2008

RECOMMENDED AMOUNT \$14,854,624 1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Committee (see budget MS7, 27, or 37) LESS EXCLUSIONS: 2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes \$460.000 3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes \$541,041 4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b 5. Mandatory Assessments 6. TOTAL EXCLUSIONS (Sum of rows < \$1,001,041 > 2-5) 7. Amount recommended less \$13,853,583 recommended exclusion amounts (Line 1 less Line 6) 8. Line 7 times 10% \$1,385,358 9. Maximum allowable appropriation prior \$16,239,982 Col. B to vote (Line 1 + 8)

Col. A

Col. C (Col. B-A)

Amt. voted above recommended

Cost items voted

At meeting, add Line 9 + Column C. \$

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE APPROPRIATIONS VOTED

10. Collective Bargaining Cost Items,

RSA 32:19 & 273-A:1, IV, (Complete Col. A prior to meeting & Col. B and Col.

C at meeting)

Line 8 plus any not recommended collective bargaining cost items or increases to cost items voted is the maximum allowable increase to budget committee's recommended budget. Please enter this amount on the bottom of the posted budget form, MS7, 27, or 37.

Cost items recommended

\$279.589

Please attach a copy of this completed supplemental schedule to the back of the budget form.

## DEFAULT BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL

#### OF: EPPING, NH

Fiscal Year From July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

RSA 40:13, IX (b) "Default budget" as used in this subdivision means the amount of the same appropriations as contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year, reduced and increased, as the case may be, by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget. For the purposes of this paragraph, one-time expenditures shall be appropriations not likely to recur in the succeeding budget, as determined by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, of the local political subdivision.

1. Use this form to list the default budget calculation in the appropriate columns.

2. Post this form or any amended version with proposed operating budget (MS-26 or MS-27) and the warrant.

3. Per RSA 40:13, XI, (a), the default budget shall be disclosed at the first budget hearing.

SCHOOL BOARD or Budget Committee if RSA 40:14-b is adopted

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487 (603)271-3397

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (REA.32:3/)         Prior Year Adopted (REA.32:3/)         Reductions & Operating Bidgied (Increases)         Minus Increases         DEFAULT BUDGET           100-1199         INSTRUCTION (1000-1199)         XXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	1	2	3	4	5	6
1100-1199         Regular Programs         4,163,255         -64,041         4,099,214           1200-1299         Special Programs         1,992,873         36,400         2,029,201           1300-1399         Vocational Programs         174,930         34,470         299,400           1400-1499         Other Programs         250,109         0         250,109           1500-1599         Non-Public Programs         -         -         -           1600-1699         Adult & Community Programs         -         -         -           1600-1699         Adult & Community Programs         -         -         -         -           2000-2199         Student Support Services         991,741         -6,337         965,544         -	Acct.#		Adopted		1-Time	DEFAULT BUDGET
1200-1299Special Programs1,992,87336,4082,029,2811300-1399Vocational Programs174,9303,4,470209,4001400-1499Other Programs250,1090250,1091500-1599Non-Public Programs250,1090250,1091600-1699Adut & Comunity Programs		INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)	XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX
1300-1399     Vocational Programs     174,930     34,470     209,400       1400-1499     Other Programs     250,109     0     250,109       1500-1599     Non-Public Programs	1100-1199	Regular Programs	4,163,255	-64,041		4,099,214
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1500-1599Non-Public ProgramsImage: Support ServicesSupport ServiceSupport Servic	1300-1399	Vocational Programs	174,930	34,470		209,400
1600-1899     Adult & Community Programs     XXXXXXXXX     XXXXXXXXXX     XXXXXXXXX       2000-2199     Student Support Services     971,941     -6,397     965,544       200-2299     Instructional Staff Services     596,174     39,186     633,360       Ceneral Administration     XXXXXXXXX     XXXXXXXXXX     XXXXXXXXX     XXXXXXXXX       2310 840     School Board     80,613     8,485     89,298       Z310 840     School Board     80,613     8,485     89,298       Z320-310     Other School Board     80,613     8,485     89,298       Z20-3239     All Other Administration     151,993     4,181     196,174       230-239     School Administration     151,993     4,181     196,174       2400-249     School Administration     151,993     4,181     196,174       2400-249     School Administration     151,993     4,181     196,174       2400-2499     School Administration     171,740     79,188     810,929       2500-2599     Business	1400-1499	Other Programs	250,109	0		250,109
SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)         XXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXX           2000-2199         Student Support Services         971,941         -6,397         965,544           200-2299         Instructional Staff Services         596,174         39,186         633,360           General Administration         XXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXX           2310-2319         Other School Board         80,613         8,485         89,298           Executive Administration         XXXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXXX         XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	1500-1599	Non-Public Programs				
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	5251	To Capital Reserves				
5252 To Expendable Trust	5252					

#### Default Budget - School District of EPPING FY 2008

#### Default Budget - School District of EPPING FY 2008

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
	FUND TRANSFERS	XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXX
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts				
5254	To Agency Funds				
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.				
	SUPPLEMENTAL				
	DEFICIT				
	SUBTOTAL 1	14,103,140	703,146	0	14,806,286

#### Please use the box below to explain increases or reductions in columns 4 & 5.

Acct #	Explanation for Increases	Acct #	Explanation for Reductions
1200	CURRENT STAFF OVER BUDGET	1100	CURRENT STAFF BELOW BUDGET
1300	INCREASE IN TUITION IN 2007-2008	2000-2199	CURRENT STAFF BELOW BUDGET
2200-2999	CURRENT YEAR STAFF OVER BUDGET	2320	STAFF REORGANIZATION
2310	LEGAL FEES		
2400	CBA SALARY INCREASES & STAFF REORGANIZATION		
2600	CONTRACTURAL & SAFETY-UTILITIES/INSURANCE		
2700	TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTURAL		
2900	BENEFITS CONTRACTURAL		

## 2007–2008 Warrant Article Information

#### WARRANT ARTICLE 1 TEACHERS' COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

- 1. Decreases the district contribution to teacher health premiums in all three health plans.
- 2. Reduces future health insurance cost by forming a health benefit committee to study various health care options and make recommendations by June 2008 for future cost savings.
- 3. Adjusts the teacher salary schedule to enable the district to be more competitive in the hiring of new, less experienced teachers in anticipation of qualified teacher shortages.
- 4. Keeps the district competitive in attracting and retaining quality teachers by maintaining state and regional average teacher compensation.
- 5. Offers a limited number of teachers to retire early meeting the teacher's need as well as saving the district money in replacement salary costs.
- 6. Compensates teachers for teaching extra courses and performing extra duties as team leaders and program coordinators enabling the district to provide course offerings with existing staff and to improve student program for less cost.
- 7. Redefines professional development time, aligns funding to district needs and the revised state public school standards, and focuses on improved student learning supported by data.
- 8. Provides flexibility in the school calendar to offer student instruction by the number of days or hours per the revised state public school standards and in anticipation of changing future needs.
- 9. Adds one more day to the teacher work year providing an additional teacher training day for improved teaching and learning.
- 10. Further defines and focuses teacher evaluation on improved teaching and learning per best educational practice.
- 11. Provides a three-year agreement focusing teachers and the district on school improvement.

SCHOOL YEAR	COST	TAX IMPACT
2007-2008	\$279,589	\$0.45
2008-2009	\$334,052	\$0.54
2009-2010	\$339,628	\$0.54

#### WARRANT ARTICLE 2 SPECIAL MEETING IF WARRANT ARTICLE 1 IS DEFEATED

- 1. In the event that Warrant Article 1 is defeated, Warrant Article 2 permits the district to renegotiate with the teachers' union and present cost items to the voters.
- 2. Continues the district's intent to negotiate in good faith with the teachers' union.
- 3. Tax impact is \$0.00.

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#### WARRANT ARTICLE 3 USE OF BOND INTEREST TO OFFSET HVAC COSTS INCURRED

Recognizing that our school buildings are used all year round, the decision was made to design the new addition with central air conditioning as an integral part of the heating/ventilation system.

When the middle school addition was approved by the voters, the district agreed to apply \$238,238 of interest earnings from the project to offset the bond cost, and this has been done. The district has been able to generate additional bond interest revenue of approximately \$400,000 which, with approval, we would like to apply against the unanticipated expense of the air conditioning.

1. The cost of adding air conditioning at a later date is significantly more than incorporating it into the original design.

2. Air quality regulations may soon require central air in school facilities.

3. Many special programs are mandated during the summer months and students need to have an appropriate climate to learn.

4. The middle and high school buildings are used throughout the summer for summer school and teacher training.

5. The town recreational department uses the middle and high school buildings for various programs throughout the summer.

#### NOTE:

We originally anticipated that we might be able to fund additional HVAC costs from the contingency fund, but unsuitable soil conditions, unanticipated requirements from the state Department of Environmental Services, and mandated upgrades in the existing school to the fire alarm system have depleted a significant portion of the contingency.

#### ADDITIONAL TAX IMPACT

#### WARRANT ARTICLE 4 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET 2007-2008

- 1. Maintains school program.
- 2. Implements changes necessary to comply with state and federal requirements for DINI (District in Need of Improvement) and No Child Left Behind.
- 3. Meets the revised state public school standards.
- 3. Provides for increased utilities, supplies and personnel needed to open the new middle school addition and high school gymnasium.

#### NOTE:

The district has worked hard to maintain educational standards with as little tax impact as possible; however, increases in health and retirement rates, special education mandates, data management and professional development expenses related to DINI (District in Need of Improvement) requirements, setup costs associated with opening the new facility, increases in vocational tuition, and ongoing escalation of fuel & electricity costs have collectively placed a significant strain on available resources. The district has tried to minimize cost increases by reorganizing existing resources so as to offset new expense. This year we have also experienced a significant decline in revenue due to a decrease in State aid and the continued decrease in tuition revenue as Fremont students transition out of Epping.

#### ESTIMATED TAX IMPACT

Expenditure Increases	<u>Amount</u>	Impact
Health Insurance & Retirement	\$352,814	\$0.56
New Facility	\$226,214	\$0.36
Special Education	\$111,740	\$0.18
District in Need of Improvement	\$89,622	\$0.14
Technology	\$49,270	\$0.08
Other Programs	\$34,981	\$0.06
Vocational Education	\$17,470	\$0.03
Legal Fees	\$9,000	\$0.01
Reductions in Other Areas	<u>(\$139,626)</u>	(\$0.22)
Subtotal Expense	<u>\$751,485</u>	<u>\$1.20</u>
Revenue Decreases	<u>Amount</u>	Impact
State Tax and Education Grant	(\$232,661)	(\$0.37)
Tuition	(\$245,565)	(\$0.39)
Fund Balance	(\$101,760)	(\$0.16)
Impact Fees	(\$100,000)	(\$0.16)
Capital Project Transfer	(\$83,298)	(\$0.13)
All Other Revenue	<u>\$38,044</u>	\$0.06
Subtotal Revenue	(\$725,240)	<u>\$1.16</u>
Total Estimated Tax Impact	<u>\$1,476,725</u>	<u>\$2.36</u>
Estimated Tax Impact of Default		<u>\$2.28</u>

## **Deliberative Session Minutes**

#### February 8, 2007

**Call to Order:** Due to the absence of School Moderator Bob Goodrich, Mr. Jim Rogier was asked to govern the Deliberative Session for the Epping School District.

Moderator Rogier called meeting to order at 7:12 P.M.

Budget Committee member Brenda McCartney introduced the budget committee members in attendance. They were Chairperson Jim McGeongh, Liz Conrad, Amy Randall, Marc Nickerson, Michael King, Michelle Cromarty, Jeff Harris, Paul Spidle and School Board representative Jeff Leduc.

School Board Chairperson Sue Kimball introduced the School Board members and administrators in attendance. They were Mr. Robert Ciandella (school legal counsel), Superintendent Barbara Munsey, Business Manager Martha Williamson, Scott Booth, Pam Tibbetts, Bob Lonek, Jeff Leduc and School District Clerk Robin O'Day. She also introduced each of the principals: Mark Vallone, elementary school; Lyn Ward Healy, middle school; Dixie Tremblay, high school and Gary Tiron, Director of Curriculum.

School Board Chairperson Kimball thanked the audience for coming and those at home who were watching on the EPTV channel. She thanked Mr. Rogier for filling in as Moderator and the EPTV crew for their continued support in taping school board meetings throughout the school year. Chairperson Kimball spoke about the current Middle School building project and the ongoing process of getting the building completed and ready for the 2007-2008 school year. She also recognized the efforts of the Building Committee. It was announced that there will be a video of the building project available on EPTV in the near future and that interested parties can visit the SAU 14 website and view the building project slide show that is available. Chairperson Kimball concluded her opening statement by stating that the building project is on schedule and on budget and thanked all staff members for their dedication toward educating the students of Epping.

Moderator Rogier read the rules of the meeting. He explained the purpose of the Deliberative Session and the process of voting for amendments.

**Article 1:** To see if the Epping School District will vote to approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Epping School Board and the Epping Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

Year	Estimated Increase
2007-08	\$279,589
2008-09	\$334,052
2009-10	\$339,628

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$279,589 for the upcoming fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. The school board and the budget committee recommend this appropriation.

#### Recommended by the Epping School Board Recommended by the Epping Budget Committee

Member Kimball made a Motion to accept the article as written. Seconded by Member LeDuc.

Member Lonek spoke on behalf of Article 1. Please refer to page 3 of the School Board Handout, which highlights the details of the Teachers' Collective Bargaining Agreement. Mr. Lonek reported that the agreement will save the district \$63,000 in health insurance costs and will enable the district to form a committee to review health insurance plans and recommend future cost savings. The agreement is for three years and the first year's cost is \$2,000 more than the last year making it in line with previous proposal costs.

Mr. Paul Spidle stated that the total cost impact at the end of the 3-year proposed contract in its entirety would be approximately 1.3 million dollars to the taxpayers of Epping. After calculations by the Business Manager that figure was proven to be incorrect and that the total tax impact for the proposed contract in its entirety would be approximately \$1.8 million dollars. There was some discussion regarding how the warrant articles are written and Superintendent Munsey stated that there is legal wording that must be used and this wording is mandated by the Department of Education.

Mr. Kim Sullivan wanted to know what the percentage increase breakdown was for the 3 year proposed contract. He also wanted to know why there were blanked out areas on the district's handouts. Mr. LeDuc explained that at 3:07 P.M. this afternoon the SAU Office received a letter from the Epping Residents for Principled Government. As a result of this letter a word was removed from the handouts. Mr. LeDuc proceeded to read the letter. Superintendent Munsey stated that the first year would be a 2.5% cost of living raise and then a 3.0%-3.5% step increase for those that qualify for step increases, second year would be 4.0% cost of living raise and 3.0%-3.5% step increase, and third year a 4.0% cost of living raise plus 3.0%-3.5% step increase. It was stated that there are approximately 50 teachers out of 100 that will not be receiving step increases with this proposed 3 year contract. It was stated that the goal of the Epping School District is to stay competitive with the state averages for teachers' salaries. Currently Epping is ranked 106 out of 160 schools in regards to teachers' salaries with a starting salary of \$1,099 less than state average for the 2005-2006 school year.

Discussion on Article 1 was closed. Article 1 will appear on ballot as written. **Article 2:** Shall the Epping School District, if article 1 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 1 cost items only?

#### **Recommended by the Epping School Board**

Motion by Chairperson Kimball to accept Article 2 as written. Seconded by Member LeDuc.

Member Lonek spoke on behalf of Article 2. See explanation of Article 2 on page 3 of the School Board Handout.

There was no discussion on Article 2. Article 2 will appear on ballot as written.

Article 3: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400,000 for the purpose of offsetting additional HVAC costs incurred in the middle school addition project and authorize the use of that amount from the June 30 fund balance for this purpose. (This amount is available due to additional interest earned on bond proceeds from the middle school addition project transferred to the general fund on or before June 30).

#### Recommended by the Epping School Board Recommended by the Epping Budget Committee

Chairperson Kimball made a Motion to accept Article 3 as written. It was seconded by Member Booth.

Member Booth spoke on behalf of Article 3. See page 4 of the School Board handout for explanation of Article 3.

Mr. Kim Sullivan asked what the borrowing interest rate was. Superintendent Munsey explained that the bond was borrowed at a rate of 4.13% and the district is receiving accrued interest at 5.14%. There was a total of \$640,000 made in interest. There was \$240,000 turned back to the general fund and there is an additional \$400,000 that the School Board is asking to use for HVAC in the new middle school addition. There is no tax impact from this warrant article. Mr. Sullivan made a Motion to amend Article 3 from \$400,000 to \$100,000. Seconded by Ron LaChance.

Mr. King stated that since there is no impact on the tax rate you (the Epping voters) should not cheapen the equipment that would be used because you cheapen the building project and the value of the HVAC system that is installed. Superintendent Munsey explained that during the course of construction the building committee ran into some problems with a stump dump, fire alarm issues, and an endangered turtle habitat that had to be paid for from the projects' contingency funds at an unanticipated cost of \$220,000.

Liz Conrad explained to the audience that "no tax impact" does not mean "no cost". There is always a cost associated with money articles that are voted on by the voters. She feels that Article 3 should not be amended because she thinks it is needed and would be more costly to do at a later date. Chairperson McGeough also stated that by not adding the HVAC during the current building project the district would lose the 40% State building aid that is currently available to cover that portion of the HVAC cost. Lost aid would amount to \$160,000.

Mr. Killen made a Motion to move the question. Seconded by Sue McGeough. There was a vote taken to amend article 3. Amendment failed.

Superintendent Munsey explained that \$400,000 would be appropriated, but that \$400,000 in unanticipated excess revenues will be used to offset that appropriation creating a zero tax impact.

Article 3 will appear on ballot as written.

Article 4: Shall the Epping School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$14,854,624? Should this article be defeared the default budget shall be \$14,806,286 which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

#### Recommended by the Epping School Board Recommended by the Epping Budget Committee

Chairperson Kimball made a Motion to accept Article 4 as written. Seconded by Member LeDuc.

Member LeDuc spoke on behalf of Article 4. See page 5 in School Board Handout for details. Mr. LeDuc reported that the budget increases are due to health insurance and retirement, the new facility, special education, and the district in need of improvement status. Revenue has also been impacted by reductions in state aid and Fremont withdrawing more students from the high school.

There was no discussion on Article 4. Article 4 will appear on ballot as written.

**Article 5:** To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Liz Conrad informed the audience and the people at home that there will be a Speak up Epping event that will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2007 starting at 7 A.M. in the Epping High School Gymnasium. There will be a pancake breakfast, babysitting services and a lunch will be provided. This event is being held for Epping residents to speak up about what they value most in Epping and a wish list for Epping's future. She encouraged all to save the date and make an effort to artend and to help guide Epping into the future.

Chairperson McGeough announced that candidate's night will be held on February 28th in the High School Media Center @ 7 P.M. He encouraged everyone to come down and ask questions to all candidates.

Deliberative Session was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin A. O'Day School District Clerk

#### SCHOOL WARRANT STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

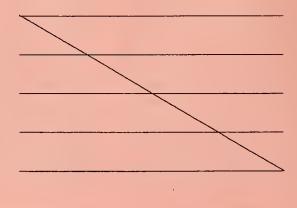
To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Epping, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Epping Elementary School Gymnasium in said District on the thirteenth day of March, 2007, at eight o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects: (The polls may not close before seven o'clock in the evening.)

- 1. To choose two School Board Members for the ensuing three years.
- 2. To choose a School District Treasurer for the remainder of the unexpired one year term.
- 3. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hand at said Epping this 2	11th day of January, 2007.
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EPPING SCHOOL BOARD



# 2007 Sample Ballot

ABSENTEE OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 13, 2007 SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS								
A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice (s) like this: B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office. C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.								
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER Vote for not 3 Years more than 2 SCOTT D. BOOTH O ERIC CLEMENTS O SUSAN KIMBALL O	SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER Vote for not more than 1 JOSEPH FOLEY							
(Write-in) (Write-in) (Write-in)	SCHOOL WARRANTS							
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2007 - 08	\$279,589							
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# Auditor's Report



## **PLODZIK & SANDERSON**

Professional Association/Accountants & Auditors 193 North Main Street Concord New Hampshire 03301-5063 003-225-6996 FAX-224-1380

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the School Board Epping School District Epping, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Epping School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the School District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on the financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Epping School District as of June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated October 20, 2006 on our consideration of the School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information are not a required part of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Epping School District's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Epping School District. The combining and individual fund schedules and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

October 20, 2006

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EXHIBIT C-1
EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2006

						School Construction		Other		Total
			Food		,	and		vernmental	G	i otai
		General	Service	Grants	J	Renovations		Funds	0.	Funds
ASSETS							·			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	387,780	\$ 76,974	\$ -	\$	4,011,146	\$	12,775	\$	4,488,675
Investments						7,000,000				7,000,000
Receivables:										
Interest						217,541				217,541
Intergovernmental		8,276	24,218	78,679		-		-		111,173
Interfund receivable		168,423	-	-		9,343		-		177,766
Prepaid items		109,450	-	-		-		-		109,450
Total assets	\$	673,929	\$ 101,192	\$ 78,679	\$	11,238,030	\$	12,775	\$	12,104,605
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE.	5									
Liabilities:										
Accounts payable	\$	290,965	\$-	\$ 1,400	\$	-	\$	-	\$	292,365
Accrued salaries and benefits		10,588	-	4,011		-		-		14,599
Contracts payable		í _	-			231,609		-		231,609
Intergovernmental payable		-	-	4,378		-		-		4,378
Interfund payable		9,343	98,125	68,890		1,408		-		177,766
Total liabilities		310,896	98,125	 78,679		233,017		-		720,717
Fund balances:										
Reserved for encumbrances		157,060	-	-		9,785,894		_		9,942,954
Reserved for special purposes		-	-	-		1,219,119		467,500		1,686,619
Unreserved, undesignated, reported in:										
General fund		205,973	-	-		-		-		205,973
Capital projects funds		-	-	-		-	(	(454,725)		(454,725)
Special revenue funds		-	3,067	-		-		-		3,067
Total fund balances		363,033	3,067	 -		11,005,013		12,775		1,383,888
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	673,929	\$ 101,192	\$ 78,679	\$	11,238,030	\$	12,775		2,104,605

	Gov	erumental Fu	nls			
	For the Fiscal	Year Ended J	nne 30, 2006			
				School		
				Construction	Other	Total
		Food		and	Governmental	Governmental
	General	Service	Grants	Renovations	Funds	Funds
Revenues:						
School district assessment	\$ 6,696,439	\$-	\$-	s -	\$ -	\$ 6,696,439
Other local	1,288,727	217,593	•	403,460	18,463	1,928,243
State	4,550,462	4,358	9,000	-	-	4,563,820
Federal	25,860	144,117	399,018	-	4,799	573,794
Total revenues	12,561,488	366,068	408,018	403,460	23,262	13,762,296
Expenditures:						
Current:						
Instruction	7,475,667	-	408,018	-	-	7.883.685
Support services:						
Student	829,196	-	-	-	-	829,196
Instructional staff	587,041	-	-	-	-	587.041
General administration	79,377	-	-	-	-	79,377
Executive administration	447,491	-	-	-	-	447,491
School administration	756,033	-	-	-	-	756,033
Operation and maintenance of plant	870,253	-	~	-		870,253
Student transportation	386,805	-	-	-	-	386,805
Other	464,609	-	-	-	-	464,609
Non-instructional services	-	389,041	-	-		389,041
Debt service:						
Principal	76,000	-	-	-	-	76,000
Interest	330,648	-	-	-	-	330,648
Facilities acquisition and construction	237,283	-	-	1,743,447	69,483	2,050,213
I otal expenditures	12,540,403	389,041	408,018	1,743,447	69,483	15,150,392
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over (under) expenditures	21.085	(22,973)		(1,339,987)	(46,221)	(1,388,096)
Other financing sources (uses):						
I ransfers in	155,000	25,000	-	-	-	180,000
Transfers out	(25,000)	-	-	(155,000)	-	(180,000)
Bonds issued	-	-	-	12.072,350	-	12,072,350
Premium on bonds issued	-	-	-	427,650	-	427,650
Total other financing sources and uses	130,000	25,000	-	12,345,000		12,500,000
Net change in fund balances	151,085	2,027	-	11,005,013	(46,221)	11,111,904
Fund balances, beginning	211,948	1,040	-	-	58,996	271,984
Fund balances, ending	\$ 363,033	\$ 3,067	\$ -	\$ 11,005,013	\$ 12,775	\$11,383,888

#### EXHIBIT C-3 EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

#### EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### DETAILED EXPENDITURE & REVENUE DATA FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION (HANDICAPPED / DISABLED ONLY) (ALL FUNDS)

#### **REQUIRED PER RSA 32:11-a**

EXPENDITURE	2004-2005	<u>2005-2006</u>
Instruction	\$2,031,149	\$2,369,813
Related Services	\$440,047	\$646,712
Administration	\$114,791	\$185,782
Legal	\$1,079	\$4,888
Transportation	<u>\$145,680</u>	<u>\$131,577</u>
TOTAL	\$2,732,745	\$3,338,772
REVENUE	<u>2004-2005</u>	2005-2006
Tuition (Local)	\$103,318	\$86,243 *
Adequate Education (State)	\$0	\$1,360,393 **
Catastrophic Aid (State)	\$108,446	\$74,566
Medicaid (Federal)	\$26,251	\$25,860
Disability Programs (Federal)	<u>\$211,658</u>	<u>\$222,039</u>
TOTAL	\$449,672	\$1,769,101
EXPENDITURE	<u>2004-2005</u>	<u>2005-2006</u>
MINUS REVENUE	\$2,283,073	\$1,569,671

\* Decrease due to Fremont students transitioning to Sanborn.

\* \* There is no special education allocation in the formula for state adequate education in 2004-2005.

#### DETAILED EXPENDITURE & REVENUE DATA FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION (CULTURALLY DEPRIVED, BILINGUAL, AND GIFTED & TALENTED) (ALL FUNDS)

<b>BILINGUAL EDUCATION</b>	<u>2004-2005</u>		2005-20	<u>)06</u>
Expenditure	\$	17,025	\$	29,116
Revenue		<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>
Espenditure minus Revenue	\$	17,025	\$	29,116

No expense / revenue reported for culturally deprived or gifted/talented.





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