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Epping, New Hampshire



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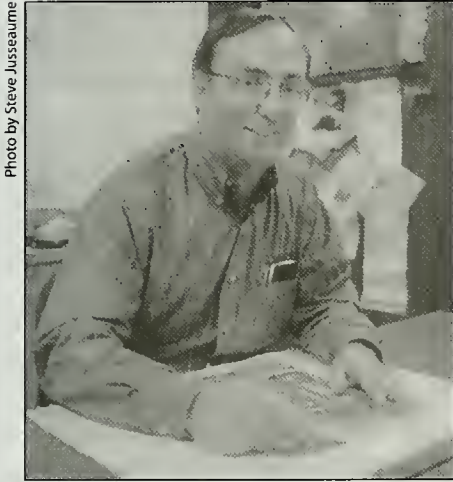
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Dedication

Chris Murphy



The charm, community spirit and friendship that characterize Epping are not illusive; this all evolves from many residents contributing their time and energy to our town. Each year we recognize an individual committed to sustaining the quality of life we enjoy in Epping. This year we recognize a resident for his service, accomplishments, mentoring and insight he has provided throughout his entire adult life.

His dedication to Epping began when he worked for the Fire Department when he turned 18. He was the high school janitor while attending UNH at age 20, and progressed to the Police Department, as a part-time officer for ten years and then a special deputy sheriff for two years. Most recently he served on the Board of Selectmen. His progressive attitude, willingness to mentor, and superb managerial skills are most apparent in the many milestones Epping has achieved.

His 36 year commitment to the Epping Fire Department established the foundation supporting the many volunteers we have now. Beginning his career with the Fire Department, he soon progressed to Deputy Chief, a position he held for 22 years until he became Chief in 1998. As an excellent manager, he quickly expanded the Department from less than

30 volunteers to more than 60 currently serving. With his progressive attitude and keen financial foresight, he prepared a feasible financial plan and oversaw the construction of the fabulous Safety Complex we have today. Currently our Fire Department handles over 900 ambulance and 60 fire calls a year by many volunteers mentored by Chris Murphy. He saw the value in new technologies such as fighting fires using foam. Our relatively new foam truck has saved numerous structures with the speed at which it can extinguish a fire. The fire fighters' equipment, air tanks and radios can all be attributed to Chris's foresight and the hard work by many volunteers inspired by Chris. The fire department community is very appreciative for the many contributions Chris made to the Department during his years of service. He has indeed touched many lives.

The Town extends its thanks by recognizing Chris Murphy as an outstand-

ing member of our community and his 36 years of dedicated service to the Fire Department.

With his progressive attitude and keen financial foresight, Chris prepared a feasible financial plan and oversaw the construction of the fabulous Safety Complex we have today.



From left to right: Dick Marcotte, Bob Wyman and Chris Murphy accept new mittens and pocket spanners from the Women's Auxiliary in 1981.

Town Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2008

The deliberative session of the 2008 Epping Town Meeting was held at the Epping Middle School gymnasium on February 5, 2008. There were 87 registered voters in attendance. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Robert Goodrich at 7:05 P.M. Jeffrey Harris, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, opened the meeting by introducing the new Town Administrator, Dean Shankle. He then read the dedication of the 2008 Town Report and made the presentation to H. Clifton (Cliff) Cray.

Final voting on the articles was by official ballot at the polls on March 11, 2008. 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, Patricia Surliffe. There were 1,205 regular ballots cast and 59 absentee voters for a total of 1,264 voters. There were 29 new voters who registered at the polls. The results are as follows

ARTICLE 1: TO CHOOSE NECESSARY TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR:

Budget Committee for 3 years

Vote for 3

Mark LeClerc – 806

Jeffrey LeDuc – 736

Rose L. Colby – 726

Tammy Shennett – 90 (write in)

Mark LeClerc, Jeffrey LeDuc and Rose L. Colby were elected

Cemetery Trustee for 3 years

Vote for 1

Grace A. Frost – 1032

Grace A. Frost was elected

Checklist Supervisor for 6 Years

Vote for 1

Kim Gauthier – 1054

Kim Gauthier was elected

Fire Ward for 3 years

Vote for 1

Richard Cantrall – 1051

Richard Cantrall was elected

Library Trustee for 3 years

Vote for 1

Lynn B. Reinhard – 1057

Lynn B. Reinhard was elected

Moderator for 2 years

Vote for 1

Robert Goodrich – 1089

Robert Goodrich was elected

Planning Board for 3 years

Vote for 1

Gregory Tillman – 598

Stephen A. Colby – 418

Gregory Tillman was elected

Selectman for 3 years

Vote for 1

Matt Killen – 171

James P. McGeough – 490

Karen Sott – 519

Karen Sott was elected

Treasurer for 3 years

Vote for 1

Nathan D. Robbins – 579

Kim A. Sullivan – 550

Nathan D. Robbins was elected

Trust Fund Trustee for 3 years

Vote for 1

Mark W. Kucera – 1031

Mark W. Kucera was elected

Water & Sewer Commissioner for 3 years

Vote for 1

Henry DeBoer – 1026

Henry DeBoer was elected

Zoning Board of Adjustment for 3 years

Vote for 1

Peter Loch – 451

David Mylott – 534

David Mylott was elected

Zoning Board of Adjustment for 2 years

Vote for 2

Ron Nowe – 724

Paul Brown – 706

Ron Nowe and Paul Brown were elected

Article 2: AMENDING ARTICLES 2 AND 6 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 1 as proposed by the Planning Board that will comprehensively amend the requirements for permitted uses within Article 2, and Article 6 with respect to multi-family units. This amendment will affect anyone proposing new, replacing or expanding existing multi-family uses within all zones. In general, the amendments will endeavor to reflect the existing uses in the area and eliminate the need for excessive frontage requirements for such uses. The per-unit frontage will be capped in the new amendments to provide for increased frontage up to the limit. The changes are comprehensive in nature and will affect all aspects of multi-family uses within Epping. **[Recommended by the Planning Board 5-0]**

Discussion: Planning Board Vice Chairman Gregory Tillman explained that this article reduces the frontage requirement for multi-family housing. Currently this is determined by the number of units being planned. The amendment would not change the number of units allowed or the density.

YES – 618 NO – 452

Article 2 PASSED

Article 3: AMENDING ARTICLE 15 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 2 as proposed by the Planning Board that will amend Article 15 Residential Open Space Development by Conditional Use Permit. The proposed amendment will clarify the intent of the ordinance with respect to units that are developed as single structure/multiple unit form of ownership for open space developments

in a manner that expands the applicability for such developments while reflecting the goals of the ordinance. The amendment will eliminate the percentage limitation on the number of such units within a development and increase the requirement for open space accordingly. The amendment will affect all parcels of land that are being considered as an open space development in the Town of Epping. **[Recommended by the Planning Board 5-0]**

Discussion: Gregory Tillman explained that this article simply allows for multi-family housing in an open space development.

YES – 742 NO – 461

Article 3 PASSED

Article 4: AMENDING ARTICLE 3 AND ARTICLE 2 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 3 as proposed by the Planning Board that will amend Article 2 Districts Section 4.0 with respect to setbacks from the centerline of Route 125. The proposed amendment will reduce the setback from the centerline of Route 125 from 100 feet to 50 feet. Originally established to protect property owners from unknown state roadway expansion, this requirement is now unduly restrictive for commercial development along this portion of Route 125 where the DOT design has been completed and shows no need for additional expansion of the right of way. The proposed amendment allows for more consistent and flexible development of the downtown core along Main Street and Route 125 and reflects the existing development patterns in this area. **[Recommended by the Planning Board 5-0]**

Discussion: Gregory Tillman explained that the only section of Route 125 that is being changed by this article is the section between Routes 101 and 27, which is the Highway Commercial District. Dianne Gilbert asked if this article was tied to the article that will be discussed later regarding Railroad Ave. Planning Board member Tom Dwyer replied that both articles refer to the same area of town but are separate issues. Currently the ZBA is granting variances for most businesses in this area and the setback is no longer

needed. Dianne Gilbert asked why this article did not change the setback needed up to Old Hedding Road. Tom Dwyer responded that was a different Zone, and only one property in that area had applied for a variance.

YES – 547 NO – 658

Article 4 FAILED

Article 5: ROAD BOND

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500,000.00 for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, and paving of various Town Roads as determined by the Board of Selectmen, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$500,000.00 of bonds or notes for a five year term in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA33) and to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof; and authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto. **[Recommended by Board of Selectmen 5-0; Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-1-1] [3/5 Majority Vote Required]**

Discussion: Selectman Jerry Langdon explained that the Selectmen had wanted to present this article last year, but there had not been enough time to prepare it. A hand out was available showing which roads are scheduled for repair and the anticipated cost for the repairs. Kim Sullivan questioned why we were trading a \$60,000 per year payment for a \$120,000 payment and whether or not the price of asphalt was considered. Selectman Tom Gauthier replied that the \$60,000 figure was based on a smaller bond, and they had locked in a price of \$59 per ton for the asphalt. Jeff Harris explained that Charlie Goodspeed, the Road Agent, and Selectman Langdon had examined the roads in Town and prioritized the repairs. They will be working on the worst roads first so that they can be salvaged. With the price of petroleum products continuing to rise, he felt this was a good time to lock in a price on the badly needed repairs.

YES – 887 NO – 336

Need to Pass – 734

Article 5 PASSED

Article 6: 2008 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 appropriates 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, two hundred thirty nine thousand, five hundred eighty nine dollars (\$5,239,589.00). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be five million, fifteen thousand and seven hundred thirty dollars (\$5,015,730.00), 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 Budget Committee 10-0-1] Majority Vote Required.**

Discussion: Former Fire Chief Chris Murphy requested that the budget be increased by \$3,875.00. The reason for this is that there was an error in the spreadsheet when the fire department's budget was presented. The line item affected was for vehicle maintenance. He made a motion to increase the Town Budget by \$3,857. The motion was seconded by Tom Gauthier. A hand vote was taken and the amendment passed. Selectman Gauthier explained that this budget is approximately \$150,000 more than the budget that the Selectmen prepared for 2007. The increases are due to an additional \$30,000 needed for appraisals due to cases before the Bureau of Tax and Land Appeals, the addition of one full time employee for the Fire Department that was approved by the voters last year, and increases in health insurance. Budget Committee member Mike King still felt the budget was too high and recommended voters vote No in order to keep taxes down.

The article as amended reads: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriates 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, two hundred forty three thousand, four hundred sixty four dollars (\$5,243,464.00). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be five million, fifteen thousand and seven hundred thirty dollars (\$5,015,730.00), 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.

YES – 767 NO – 456

Article 6 PASSED

ARTICLE 7: 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 funds will be raised through taxation. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Jeff Harris explained that the purpose of this fund is for maintenance for the Town Hall. Although the building did have a new furnace installed this year under the CORE 2 project, the building is old and continues to need repairs. Matthew Killen asked what is the current balance of this fund. Bookkeeper Lisa Fogg answered that as of the close of 2007, there was \$2,013.61 in the fund. Kim Sullivan expressed his view that it is not correct to say that no funds will be raised through taxation. If the money is in the fund balance, it could eventually be used to reduce taxes.

YES – 862 NO – 355

Article 7 PASSED

Article 8: LANDFILL ENGINEERING DESIGN STUDY/CLOSURE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be deposited into the existing Landfill Engineering Design

Study/Closure Capital Reserve Fund. [Recommended by Board of Selectmen 3/1, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Jerry Langdon explained that as of November 2007, there was \$103,000 in this fund. We have since entered into a contract with CMA engineering to study what needs to be done when we close the Landfill in 10-20 years. That contract cost \$43,000. Because of this expense and the lack of funding from other sources, he believes we will need to keep this fund going and contribute to it in the future.

YES – 822 NO – 386

Article 8 PASSED

Article 9: LIBRARY PART TIME EMPLOYEE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000 (eight thousand dollars) for the purpose of opening the library for Monday operating hours. Current library hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. and Saturday, 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. This amount represents all compensation and benefits for 12 months. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2-1] Majority Vote Required

Discussion: Library Trustee Sylvia Nollet explained that this article was in response to requests from residents to provide more hours.

YES – 622 NO – 605

Article 9 PASSED

Article 10: TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR PART TIME EMPLOYEE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,400 (eleven thousand four hundred dollars) for the purpose of hiring a part time employee for the Town Clerk's Office, to provide public office hours for the Town Clerk and Tax Collector's Office five days a week. This represents compensation for nine months. Compensation for a twelve month period would be \$14,400 (fourteen thousand four hundred dollars). [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Town Clerk Linda Foley explained that the purpose of this article is 3 fold. First is to increase the number of days open to the public. Currently residents come in on Tuesdays and Thursdays hoping to register vehicles only to discover that they need to come back another day. Secondly, it is hoped to have two people in the office at all times, allowing for coverage during vacations and in the evening. Finally, the volume of work has increased to the extent that it can no longer be completed with the current number of scheduled hours. Kevin Kelly spoke in favor of the article, expressing his appreciation of the evening hours. Kim Sullivan stated that we have been trying to fund this position for several years, but there has not been enough money in the budget. He hopes the Town will support it this year.

YES – 604 NO – 623

Article 10 FAILED

Article 11: POLICE DEPARTMENT UNION CONTRACT

To see if the Town of Epping will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Town of Epping and the New England Police Benevolent Association – Epping Local #28, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

| Year | Estimated Increase |
|-----------|--------------------|
| 2008..... | \$28,236 |
| 2009..... | \$20,645 |
| 2010..... | \$21,170 |

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,236.00 (Twenty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Six Dollars) for the 2008 budget, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior budget year of 2007. The total estimated aggregate cost for the three years is One Hundred Forty Seven Thousand One Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars (\$147,168.00). [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-0-2] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Police Chief Greg Dodge explained that last year the contract had failed and the officers have gone without a raise for the past year. As a result, the officers will be getting an additional increase this year. The contract is designed to give a COLA and longevity raise every April. The average increase this year will be \$3.09 per hour. There will be a one time increase this October of 3%. The average increase in years 2 and 3 will be \$1.30 per hour. One more holiday per year has been added, and the manner in which vacation time is accrued has been changed. The union had wanted the starting salary to be a minimum of \$35,000. This contract does not achieve that yet, but we are becoming more competitive with surrounding towns. Passage of this article will result in a 4 cent increase to the tax rate. Mike King urged the Town to accept this contract. He feels it is fair and keeps us in line with other police forces. Budget Committee members Jim McGeough and Paul Spidle also spoke in support of the article.

YES – 720 NO – 520

Article 11 PASSED

Article 12: POLICE DEPARTMENT CRUISERS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a three (3) year lease agreement for the purpose of leasing and equipping two (2) police vehicles for the Police Department; and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Three Hundred Forty Dollars (\$25,340.00) for the first year's payment. This lease agreement will contain a non-appropriation clause and is expected to cost a grand total of Seventy Six Thousand and Twenty Dollars (\$76,020.00) with a One-Dollar (\$1.00) purchase option at the end of the lease term. [Recommended by Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Chief Dodge gave information about the current Police Department vehicles. They all have high mileage with an average of 93,000 miles in addition to idling time. In 2007 he needed to overspend his budget for vehicle maintenance

due to the age of his fleet. This expense will go up again if this article does not pass. The tax impact of this article is 4 cents per thousand. Susan McGeough explained that the Board of Selectmen were overly cautious about adding expenses to the regular budget and believes that the Town really needs to acquire these vehicles. Jeff Harris agreed and stated that the Police Department depends on these vehicles and we rely on them. Matthew Killen supported the purchase of the vehicles, but felt that this should be part of the operating budget.

YES – 706 NO – 531

Article 12 PASSED

Article 13: POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$16,500.00) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a vehicle for the detective division of the Epping Police Department. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-1-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Chief Dodge explained that there are currently 2 detectives in the Department and their hours overlap making it impossible for both of them to use an unmarked vehicle. He has decided that a used vehicle could be purchased and made a motion to reduce the dollar amount to Fifteen Thousand Dollars. The motion was seconded by Tom Gauthier. 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 Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a vehicle for the detective division of the Epping Police Department.

YES – 510 NO – 713

Article 13 FAILED

Article 14: FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,000.00 (Twenty-Nine Thousand Dollars and no cents) from the Public Safety Facilities

Fund, a fund solely financed by revenue from the ambulance fees, for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a used 4-wheel drive, 4-door, pickup truck for the Epping Fire Department to replace the 1999 Jeep Cherokee that is used for department business. THERE WILL BE NO TAX IMPACT FOR THIS PURCHASE. [Recommended by Board of Selectmen 4-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Fire Chief Skip Galvin explained that the current vehicle was purchased in 2001 with the plan that it would last for 5 years. He feels that by purchasing a pickup truck this time the vehicle will be more useful. Mike King asked if enough money could be included in this article so that it could be equipped with a plow in case they need to respond to an emergency when a driveway has not been cleared. Chief Galvin replied that he felt he could find a 2006 or 2007 truck with a plow for the amount of money in the article. Greg Tillman questioned the need for a pickup truck and for the 4 wheel drive. Chief Galvin explained that it will be easier for the Fire Department to transport equipment that needs to be cleaned or is too large to fit in the Jeep Cherokee. The four wheel drive will make it easier for them to get to places during inclement weather, and the cost difference between a four wheel drive and two wheel drive vehicle is relatively low. Kim Sullivan asked about the current balance in the Safety Fund. He pointed out that we need to watch the balance if we are using it to pay the mortgage on the Safety Complex and we only anticipate \$140,000 a year in revenue. Lisa Fogg answered that at the end of 2007 there was \$224,767.51 available. Matt Killen questioned whether we could take money from the Facilities Fund, or should it come from a revolving fund for equipment. Chris Murphy replied that the fund had been established so that it could be used for equipment as well as the facility. Matt Killen then suggested that the article be amended to correctly name the fund. Moderator Bob Goodrich pointed out that a correction in the name of the fund would not need an amend-

ment. We would simply determine the correct name and correct it as an error. Kevin Kelly asked if there would be more impact fees coming from commercial development. Susan McGeough replied that once the buildings are in place and they have tenants, the Town will receive impact fees for public safety.

The article as corrected reads:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,000.00 (Twenty-Nine Thousand Dollars and no cents) from the Public Safety Facilities and Equipment Fund, a fund solely financed by revenue from the ambulance fees, for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a used 4-wheel drive, 4-door, pickup truck for the Epping Fire Department to replace the 1999 Jeep Cherokee that is used for department business. THERE WILL BE NO TAX IMPACT FOR THIS PURCHASE.

YES – 908 NO – 323

Article 14 PASSED

Article 15: AMBULANCE EQUIPMENT — COT

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,636.00 (Ten Thousand-Six Hundred Thirty Six Dollars and no cents) from the Public Safety Facilities Fund, a fund solely financed by revenue from ambulance fees, for the purpose of purchasing a Stryker Power Pro Ambulance Cot to replace the Manual ProFlex cot in ambulance 18A1. THERE WILL BE NO TAX IMPACT FOR THIS PURCHASE. [Recommended by Board of Selectmen 4-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Skip Galvin spoke of the advantages of this equipment. Because it has a hydraulic lift, it will make it much safer for ambulance personnel to lift and transport patients. This should dramatically reduce the incidents of back injuries for our volunteers. The cot has a capacity of 700 pounds and is capable of transporting equipment as well as the patient. It has been used successfully in many surrounding towns. A demonstration was provided showing how easy the cot is to use. Kim Sullivan again spoke of desire to see money from ambulance fees

returned to the general fund rather than being used for equipment.

The name of the fund was corrected and the article as corrected reads: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,636.00 (Ten Thousand-Six Hundred Thirty Six Dollars and no cents) from the Public Safety Facilities and Equipment Fund, a fund solely financed by revenue from ambulance fees, for the purpose of purchasing a Stryker Power Pro Ambulance Cot to replace the Manual ProFlex cot in ambulance 18A1. THERE WILL BE NO TAX IMPACT FOR THIS PURCHASE.

YES – 1050 NO – 192

Article 15 PASSED

Article 16: AMBULANCE EQUIPMENT — AUTO PULSE

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,000 (Sixteen Thousand Dollars and no cents) for the purpose of purchasing an “Auto Pulse”, a piece of automated equipment that performs CPR on patients with no heartbeat. This equipment is intended to be carried in the primary response ambulance. [Recommended by Board of Selectmen 4-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-1-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Budget Committee member Tom Dwyer asked why the money for this article was not coming from the Public Safety Facilities Fund. Chief Galvin explained that the Fire Department wanted to reserve the money in that fund for equipment that is more expensive. Paramedic Craig Clough explained the advantages of the Auto Pulse and how it has saved many patients in his experience. A short demonstration was then provided. Due to its design there is more blood flow to the body over that provided by manual CPR. Because it compresses the entire chest cavity, there is less strain on the rib cage resulting in fewer incidents of fractures. By using this device, the paramedic can perform other treatment while the patient is receiving CPR, and the patient can be seated. Budget Committee member Michelle Cromarty was disappointed that money for this item was not coming from the Safety Fund because she felt it

was such an important piece of equipment. Chris Murphy explained that this article was a late addition to the budget and was presented after the other articles were written. Tom Dwyer felt there was sufficient money in the Safety Fund to cover this purchase, but wondered if the Fire Department anticipated the need for more equipment. Tom Gauthier made a motion to amend the article to include the provision that the money will come from the Safety Fund and would have no tax impact. The motion was seconded by Susan McGeough. Jim McGeough stated that the Town was upset with the increase in taxes, but the safety of the people is important too. He would like to see the Town purchase this equipment and he is in favor of the amendment. Heather Kyle stated that medical equipment is expensive, but life is priceless so she is in favor of this article. There was a motion and second to move the question. 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 \$16,000 (Sixteen Thousand Dollars and no cents) from the Public Safety Facilities Fund, a fund solely financed by revenue from ambulance fees, for the purpose of purchasing an “Auto Pulse”, a piece of automated equipment that performs CPR on patients with no heartbeat. This equipment is intended to be carried in the primary response ambulance. THERE WILL BE NO TAX IMPACT FOR THIS PURCHASE.

YES – 1075 NO – 158

Article 16 PASSED

Article 17: TRANSFER STATION TRUCK

To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to purchase a used dump truck with or able to accept a plow to replace the uninspectable Ford F-150 currently in use by the Transfer Station. The truck to be purchased for use in the day to day operation of the Transfer Station and to assist the Highway Department with snow removal and road repair. [Not Recommended by Board of Selectmen 1-3, Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 1-9-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Jerry Langdon spoke in support of the new employee at the Transfer Facility and stated that Jim has worked hard to reduce the cost of running the Transfer Station. He is looking forward to more cost savings in the coming year. Jeff Harris pointed out that the existing Ford F-150 has been inspected, and he made a motion to delete the word "un-inspectable" from the article. The motion was seconded by Tom Gauthier. A hand vote was taken and the amendment passed.

The article as amended reads: To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to purchase a used dump truck with or able to accept a plow to replace the Ford F-150 currently in use by the Transfer Station. The truck to be purchased for use in the day to day operation of the Transfer Station and to assist the Highway Department with snow removal and road repair.

YES – 380 NO – 847

Article 17 FAILED

Article 18: 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 2007. This sum will come from the fund balance and will have no impact on the tax rate. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Tom Gauthier made a motion to amend the dollar amount in the article to \$6,376.92. The motion was seconded by Jeff Harris. Greg Tillman asked what the current balance was in the Fund. Lisa Fogg reported that at the end of 2007, there was \$10,487.11 in the fund. Greg also wanted to know the purpose of the fund and who has authorization to spend the money. It was answered that the Board of Selectmen must approve the spending, and the fund is for making improvements to the system. During the past year new cameras were installed at the Town Hall and there is now a scroll

on the screen. Greg objected to the high wattage lights and the black bar that has been installed to support these lights at the Town Hall. He believes there should be a plan for what is done to the Town Hall, and more care should be taken as to how this money is spent. Dianne Gilbert responded that this money comes from franchise fees, not taxes. Although purchases are discussed at Selectmen's Meetings, the board usually approves what is presented to them. When asked if the money could be given to the general fund, the answer was no. 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 \$6,376.92 (Six Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Six Dollars and Ninety Two Cents) 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 2007. This sum will come from the fund balance and will have no impact on the tax rate.

YES – 858 NO – 366

Article 18 PASSED

Article 19: RECREATION REVOLVING FUND

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA35-B:2 II. The money received from fees and charges for recreation park services and facilities shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Recreation Commission and the approval of the Board of Selectmen. These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other town funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0, Rec-

ommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-01]

Discussion: Jeff Harris explained the problems with having the Recreation programs part of the regular budget. Do to the work that Director Seth Hickey has been doing, the number of programs being offered continues to grow. Although the participants pay the cost of the programs, the projected expense needs to go into the operating budget, then the revenue goes into surplus. This article allows the Recreation Department programs to grow while allowing the budget line to decrease. It is a win/win situation for the Town. Recreation Chairman John Di-Francesco agreed with this explanation and went on to say that the Recreation Commission will still oversee the programs, and the Board of Selectmen will still need to approve expenditures.

YES – 896 NO – 323

Article 19 PASSED

Article 20: RECREATION DEPARTMENT VEHICLE

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand (\$14,000.00) for the purchase of a used multi-passenger vehicle. This vehicle will be used for the purpose of transportation of Senior Citizens, youth, and family participants during Recreation Department sponsored trips. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 9-1-1] Majority Vote Required.

Discussion: Recreation Director Seth Hickey explained that the vehicle he hoped to purchase would be a used small coach bus with approximately 50,000 miles. There would be a wheel chair lift and it would accommodate 14 passengers. There have been growing requests for trips, but they need to have 30 people sign up in order to cover the cost of using a school bus. This van would allow them to plan trips for fewer people. This article would be a one-time expense since the plan is to charge a fee for the trips that would cover maintenance of the vehicle. Seth anticipates that it would be used between 75 and 100 times per year. Jeff Harris explained that the driver would be trained, and the Selectmen would have control

over the operator. Paul Spidle made a motion to insert the words “handicap accessible” between “multi-passenger” and “vehicle”. The motion was seconded by Tom Gauthier. 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 Fourteen Thousand (\$14,000.00) for the purchase of a used multi-passenger handicap accessible vehicle. This vehicle will be used for the purpose of transportation of Senior Citizens, youth, and family participants during Recreation Department sponsored trips.

YES – 516 NO – 707

Article 20 FAILED

Article 21: BY PETITION: RESCIND THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 40:13 (known as SB2)

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the provisions of RSA 40:13 (Known as SB2), as adopted by the Town of Epping on March 13, 2001, so that the official ballot will no longer be used for voting on all questions, but only for the election of officers and certain other questions for which the official ballot is required by State Law? **3/5 Majority Vote Required.**

Discussion: Tom Gauthier explained his reason for signing the petition. Although he likes the convenience of being able to vote by ballot all day, he does not like the 5 week delay between the deliberative session and voting. Presently only about 50 voters attend the deliberative session to determine the wording of the articles and hear the explanations. During the traditional Town Meetings there may have been as many as 300 voters. Tom Kyle does not want to see a return to a traditional Town Meeting and wants to maintain the secret ballot. He urges people instead to work to change the way SB2 works. Heather Kyle spoke about military personnel and the elderly being unable to attend a traditional meeting, but able to take advantage of absentee voting now. Paul Spidle gave some statistics about the number of voters participating. From 1993 to 2001 the average number of people voting by ballot for town officials was 772 and the average attendance at town meeting was

143. After SB2 was adopted the average number of people voting by ballot was 1361 and the average number attending the deliberative session was 75 to 100. Susan McGeough admitted that being able to vote by ballot was a nice convenience, but she still prefers the pure democracy of traditional town meeting. With SB2 there is not enough dialog and mailings are only sent by people who have enough money to pay for them. In the past many of these mailings have been misleading. Dianne Gilbert fought hard to get SB2 passed and objected to the way a small number of people controlled the meetings in the past. She further stated that during the years of 1993 – 2001 there was only one occasion when there were 213 voters in attendance. Greg Tillman spoke of the positive experience he had with town meetings in a smaller community, but he believes Epping is now too large for that form of government. He agrees that the deliberative session is “broken”, and hoped that the Town could work towards creating its own form of government that would be better. Matt Killen also spoke of town meetings that have worked well but mentioned that there are towns as large as 30,000 still using the town meeting form of government and that situation is very difficult. He urges intelligent discussion as to how we could improve the system.

YES – 216 NO – 992

Needed to Pass – 725

Article 21 FAILED

Article 22: BY PETITION: LAMPREY RIVER YOUTH SOCCER

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) in support of Lamprey River Youth Soccer. [Recommended by Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] **Majority Vote Required.**

Discussion: George Kimball told of how this program is growing. There are currently over 160 children involved in the program and they are working hard to keep costs down so that every child can play.

YES – 777 NO – 439

Article 22 PASSED

Article 23: BY PETITION: EPPING YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (EYAA)

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) in support of Epping Youth Athletic Association (EYAA). [Recommended by Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] **Majority Vote Required.**

Discussion: Steve Illsley, President of the EYAA, spoke of the programs for baseball, softball and basketball. He also stated that EYAA maintains the fields at Mary Blair Park and that is an asset to the Town. Their goal also is to keep as many children as possible involved in their activities..

YES – 871 NO – 350

Article 23 PASSED

Article 24: BY PETITION: PAINTING MEDIAN LINES

To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate the sum of \$4,012.80 Four Thousand Twelve Dollars and Eighty Cents for the purpose of painting median lines on Main Street, Old Hedding Road, and Jacobs Well Roads in order to maintain safety and prevent the potential for a serious accident. At one time or another everyone in Town travels these areas to get to the Town Hall, Schools, Post Office, and Transfer Station. This would be a safety feature that would benefit us all. [Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 0-5, Not Recommended by the Budget Committee 0-10-1] **Majority Vote Required.**

Discussion: Jeff Harris explained that the Board of Selectmen did not recommend this article because they felt it could be taken care of in the present Highway budget.

YES – 366 NO – 856

Article 24 FAILED

Article 25: CAPITAL RESERVE FUND CLOSURE

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the following Capital Reserve Funds: Water Mains Capital Reserve Fund created in 2001; Municipal Well Capital Reserve Fund created in 2001; Waste Water Facility Capital Reserve Fund created in

2001. No funds are remaining in these accounts. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] Majority Vote Required.**

Discussion: Jeff Harris said this article was presented on the advice of our auditor.

YES – 960 NO – 227

Article 25 PASSED

Article 26: CAPITAL RESERVE FUND CLOSURE

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund created in 2004. No funds are remaining in this account. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0, Recommended by the Budget Committee 10-0-1] Majority Vote Required.**

Discussion: Jeff Harris said this article was presented on the advice of our auditor.

YES – 989 NO – 201

Article 26 PASSED

Article 27: RACE TRACK AMENDMENT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the by-laws relating to the regulation and licensing of motor vehicle race tracks. To amend Section II to include the following: "The Board of Selectmen may at their discretion, upon written application, waive the provisions of Article II allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages within the race track premises within a designated and controlled area as approved by the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing, of which all abutters have been duly notified in writing." **[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0] Majority Vote Required.**

Discussion: Greg Tillman asked if the intent of this article was to allow the sale of alcohol. Tom Gauthier explained that currently the ordinance does not allow any alcohol at the race tracks. In 2007 there was one race where alcohol was sold in an enclosed place at the track. The event went over very well so there are 15 dates proposed in 2008 where New England Dragway has asked permission to sell alcohol. Greg Tillman found the wording of the article to be confusing and made

a motion to change the wording to read: "The Board of Selectmen may at their discretion, upon written application, waive the provisions of Article II, thereby allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages..."

The motion was seconded, a hand vote was taken and **the amendment passed.** Steve Illsley asked how this has affected the Police Department. Greg Dodge answered that in the past there had been a concert held at the Dragway, but not run by NE Dragway, at which alcohol had been sold and that event resulted in chaos. The event held in 2007 was run by NE Dragway and everything went smoothly. He supports this article. Tom Gauthier added that after 3 events the situation will be evaluated and monitored to be sure there are no problems. Matt Killen objected to the phrase "The Board of Selectmen may at their discretion..." and made a motion to change the wording to "The Board of Selectmen within established criteria..." The motion was seconded by Heather Kyle. A hand vote was taken and the amendment failed. Greg Tillman asked what the situation would be if they built a bar. Tom Gauthier answered that would be a permanent structure subject to Planning Board approval and they would have to get a license from the State Liquor Commission". What is being proposed by NE Dragway is temporary. Paul Spidle added that it would depend on whether or not the bar was on racetrack property or on its own separate lot. Joe Lombardo from New England Dragway affirmed that they did not intend to construct a building. In their case they would subcontract out the sale of the alcohol. If the other race track in town wants to build a bar, they first need to subdivide their property to create a separate lot, then would need to apply to the State Liquor Commission.

The article as amended reads: To see if the Town will vote to amend the by-laws relating to the regulation and licensing of motor vehicle race tracks. To amend Section II to include the following: "The Board of Selectmen may at their discretion, upon written application, waive the provisions of Article II, thereby allowing the sale of alcoholic beverages within the race track premises within a designated

and controlled area as approved by the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing, of which all abutters have been duly notified in writing."

There was no more discussion on this article and the Moderator moved on to the next article.

YES – 564 NO – 646

Article 27 FAILED

At this time Jim McGeough requested that we discuss articles 28 through 34 together and allow anyone who wants to speak on a specific charity to do so. Paul Spidle stated that he had no opinion on the services provided by these organizations, but did not believe that money should come from tax dollars. Individuals should contribute as they desire, but it should not be a function of government to provide the funds. Matt Killen asked how these articles came to be on the warrant. Jeff Harris explained that the Board of Selectmen puts these articles on the warrant. The organizations must provide a service to Epping residents and they must send in a written request. Susan McGeough gave some further history. Originally these articles were submitted by petition. After many years, the Board of Selectmen grouped the charities together and placed an article on the warrant. Now the organizations must submit a request. If the request is defeated for 2 years in a row, that particular request would no longer be submitted by the Board of Selectmen. Greg Tillman gave his view that government should take care of its own people, and he supports these articles.

Article 28: 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 2008. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1, Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2-1] Majority Vote Required.**

YES – 701 NO – 513

Article 28 PASSED

Article 29: 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 2008. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1, Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2-1] Majority Vote Required.

YES – 697 NO – 522

Article 29 PASSED

Article 30: 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 Dollars Fifty (\$3,850) to be distributed to McFarland Children's Center for services estimated to be rendered to residents of the Town during the year 2008. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1, Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2-1] Majority Vote Required.

YES – 639 NO – 589

Article 30 PASSED

Article 31: 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 2008. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1, Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2-1] Majority Vote Required.

YES – 751 NO – 477

Article 31 PASSED

Article 32: 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 2008. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1, Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2-1] Majority Vote Required.

YES – 846 NO – 387

Article 32 PASSED

Article 33: 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 2008. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1, Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2-1] Majority Vote Required.

YES – 769 NO – 459

Article 33 PASSED

Article 34: 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 2008. [Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1, Recommended by the Budget Committee 8-2-1] Majority Vote Required.

YES – 676 NO – 555

Article 34 PASSED

Article 35: REALIGNMENT OF RAILROAD AVENUE

To see if the Town upon request of the Planning Board shall vote to discontinue completely a portion of Railroad Avenue between Main Street and State Route 125 after the construction of a new roadway is completed that will result in a realignment of Railroad Avenue creating a perpendicular access point with State Route 125. Upon construction and deeding of the newly aligned Railroad Avenue, the Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to deed all interest in the discontinued roadway to the abutting landowners. A plan depicting the area to be abandoned is titled "Railroad Avenue Relocation Plan" is available for viewing at the Town Hall. [Recommended by the Planning Board 5-0, Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0]

Discussion: Paul Spidle spoke in favor of the proposed realignment saying that currently Railroad Avenue intersects Route 125 at a dangerous angle. He also pointed out that the property where the granary building is located would benefit from this realignment because they could have more parking. Susan McGeough stated that although she appreciates the charm of the original town roads, she recognizes the need for safety, and the proposed realignment would be a better configuration.

YES – 744 NO – 480

Article 35 PASSED

*Respectfully submitted,
Linda Foley, Town Clerk*



Board of Selectmen

Committee Reports

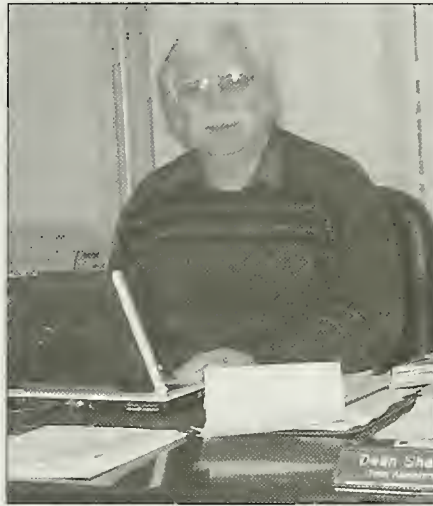
Board of Selectmen

As the Board of Selectmen, we try to keep abreast of everything happening within the Town. Although there were many interesting things we could report on that occurred in the town this year, we will try not to repeat those that can be found in the reports of the various town departments, committees and commissions elsewhere in this annual report.

As you may remember from the 2008 Town Meeting, we chose to focus on the town highway infrastructure this year. At that town meeting, the people supported a \$500,000 road bond we put forward. During the year, we expended \$372,714.00 to pave approximately six miles of road, including parts of the following: Shirking Road, Railroad Avenue, Old Hedding Road, North River Road, Mill Street, Hickory Hill Road and Upper Blake Road. During 2009 we will be continuing to do highway projects and use the balance of the bond funds to pave parts of Beede Road, Moore Street, Epping Woods Road, Bunker Avenue and St. Laurent Street.

In addition to road bond money helping to rebuild town infrastructure, road reconstruction funds were used to pave parts of Bridal Lane, Old Nottingham Road and North River Road, and installed approximately 600' of culverts and ditched approximately 15 (fifteen) miles of Town roads.

There were a number of administrative changes in the town, which we expect will continue to have an impact in the coming years. We hired a new town administrator (Dean Shankle) and Code Enforcement/ Health Officer (Dan Kramer) and created the position of Department of Public Works (DPW) Coordinator (Dennis Koch). Each of these employees developed several new administrative procedures throughout the year that have increased town government's efficiency and effectiveness. Of course, we are grateful for the work of each of our town employees. We realize it is only through their



Dean Shankle—Town Administrator

hard work that our policies, and those of the Town, are properly implemented.

Along those lines, we would like to take this opportunity to recognize each of those citizens of the town that take the time to get involved to help make our community a better place to live. Many serve tirelessly on the various town boards, commissions and committees that are vital to the smooth functioning of our local government. Many are involved in local service or non-profit organizations designed to provide service to town citizens. Moreover, many call us with thoughts or suggestions that help us keep in touch with the hopes, desires and expectations of the people whom we serve. We thank each of you for your concern for, and service to, the Town.

Cemetery Trustees

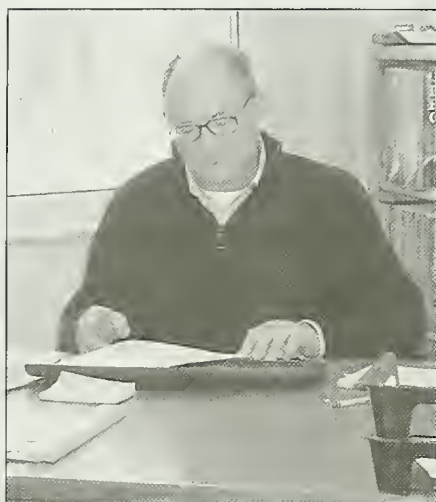
The cemetery trustees are responsible for the care of twenty-nine cemeteries, not including the cemeteries that are covered in the trust funds for perpetual care. This year the Board was informed, after a vote by the Selectmen, to require liability insurance be carried by any maintenance workers, and we lost a good man in Mr. Edward Fraise. Fortunately, our second maintenance worker Mr. Jonathan

Hutchinson did carry the insurance and was able to step in and maintain the entire list of cemeteries as well as getting a good start on the cemeteries that are in perpetual care trusts. He did a fabulous job and as a board we are exceptionally happy with all the work that was done by Mr. Hutchinson. The board, as well as the town, received many well deserved letters and comments about how beautiful our cemeteries looked this past year. We appreciate very much your comments and pass them along to our maintenance worker along with our thanks. We will continue in the next year to keep the standard that was set this past year and will continue with the cemeteries in perpetual trusts as well, until they are all in the outstanding condition as they were this year. This year we also have a new cemetery trustee that was voted in and would like to welcome Mrs. Grace Frost to our group. We are all looking forward to working together and moving forward with the care of our towns' cemeteries.

Trustees: Daniel Harvey, Paul Ladd, Grace Frost

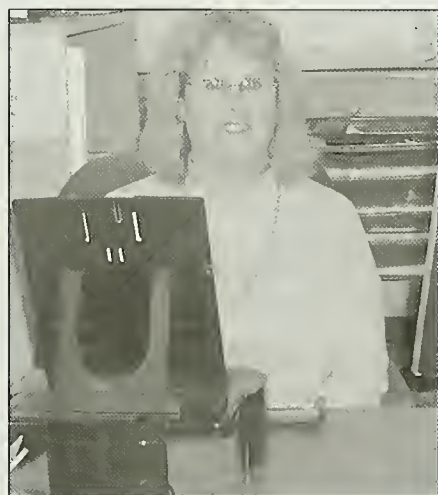
Code Enforcement

The year 2008 saw an 11% decline in the number of building permits issued—143 for 2008 as compared to 161 for 2007—plus another 433 permits issued for electric, plumbing, gas and septic. However the revenues generated from issuing the permits was down less than 2%. We have added to the community 35 new homes and several businesses, one of which is TD Bank North with its example of “going green” by incorporating a system for recycling rain water and its photovoltaic cells on the roof to help supply some of its electricity. We are beneficiaries of two great new restaurants, The Holy Grail and The Orient Pearl. We have also seen the start of two apartment buildings that will have a total of 82 units which will be heated with geothermal wells in keep-



Dan Kramer—Building Inspector/Code/Health Officer

ing with our goal “efficient energy and sustainable design.” Building has slowed to a more manageable pace but Epping is still growing. This has been my first year as Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer and I want to thank the entire community for their cooperation. In a special way I am grateful for the guidance and help of Paula, Phyllis and Clay. Speaking as an outsider, I find Epping a really exciting place to be and a community that you all should be proud of. One of my goals for the coming year is to place more emphasis on code enforcement and doing what I can to encourage everyone to keep their property looking presentable. I would appreciate your as-



Paula Brown—Building Department Secretary

sistance making Epping an even better place to live, work and raise a family. The office is open to assist you Monday–Thursday 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. and on Friday 8 A.M. to 3 P.M.. Phone: 679-1224 x113, email codeenforcement@townofepping.com. Thank you.

*Sincerely,
Dan Kramer*

Conservation Commission

This year was a quiet year for the Conservation Commission. Last year the Commission contributed towards the purchase of land for the Town Hall core project. This year the Commission is pleased to see the results, including the removal of pavement near the riverbank, and the improved drainage, which should help significantly to stabilize the bank and improve water quality in the river.

In other news, the 2008 canoe race went off without a hitch, and we thank all the volunteers who make that possible year after year. The race is a long-standing tradition and tons of fun, so keep the last Saturday in April open this year, you don't want to miss it! Thanks to all who came to participate, we look forward to seeing you again.

If you are interested in conservation, come join us at a meeting, or give us a call, and find out more about what we do.

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

Fire Department

2008 has again shown to be a very busy year for the Epping Fire Department. The department responded to a total of 1419 calls. These calls consisted of 792 emergency medical calls, 277 emergency fire calls, and 350 non-emergency

calls for service. And to top off the year, Mother Nature provided us with a major ice storm that we will all remember for a long time. I would like to thank the dedicated members of the Epping Fire Department and their families, both career and volunteer for their time, effort and devotion to the department and the citizens that we serve. These people give many hours of their time to handle the calls, attend meetings and training sessions with very little compensation. Without the efforts of the members of the department, the cost to provide such an important service to the town would be much higher. So the next time you meet a member of the Epping Fire Department on the street, thank them for what they do.

I would like to thank the town for the new equipment we were able to purchase over the year. Ambulance 1 is now equipped with a power assisted stretcher. This stretcher will reduce the possibilities of back injuries from lifting patients into the back of the ambulance. Ambulance 1 is also equipped with a Zoll Auto pulse device. This device performs chest compressions during CPR that are far more effective than compressions performed by a rescuer. Fortunately we have not had to use this device yet, but the chance of survival in the case of sudden cardiac arrest is far greater with this tool in our toolbox. The department was also able to purchase a 2008 Ford F-250 Pick-up. Utility 1 replaced the Jeep Cherokee that was reassigned to the building inspector. The truck is used frequently to transport equipment and personnel.

2008 also saw the retirement of valued member and good friend. Chris Murphy retired from the department on December 3rd after 35 years of dedicated service to the Town of Epping. Over his career Chris served as a firefighter, Emergency Medical Technician, Fire Instructor, Officer, and Fire Chief. Chris was the driving force behind the planning and completion of the Public Safety Complex on Pleasant Street and a very strong advocate for the forward progress of the department. I look forward to working with Chris, as a consultant to the department with our Keep Independent Seniors Safe

program and information technology needs. The members of the department and I thank you Chief Murphy for your years of service and dedication the Epping Fire Department.

2008 saw the passing of a long time member of the Epping Fire Department. Retired Lieutenant Don King passed away on February 13th. Don was a member of the department for many years. He served as a firefighter, EMT, and officer. Not only was he a dedicated fireman and EMT, but a true friend to all that knew him.

I would like to thank all the businesses in Epping that supported our efforts this year. I would like to show my appreciation to Wal-Mart for all they have done for us this year. Wal-Mart donations have helped us in more ways than I can mention. They are always there to help us when we need them. I would like to also thank Al's Automotive in Exeter for providing the department with training this fall that will help our responders stay safe during operations on the highway. I would also like to thank Morgan's Towing and Epping Auto Salvage for donating vehicles to help run the class.

I would also like to thank the residents, the Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator Dean Shankle, and the Board of Fire Wards for your support last year and your continued support in the future.

2009 should be a busy year for us. We hope to see more initiatives in Fire Prevention and Public Education, services to our senior citizens, and any other services we can provide to the people of Epping. We are also forming a Capital Improvement Committee to help formulate a plan for effective and efficient growth of the department. Please check out our web site at www.eppingfire.com for upcoming information on events and services offered by the department.

We are always looking for new members to join our ranks. So if you think you have an interest in either the Fire Service, Emergency Medical Services or both, feel free to contact me or any member of the department and we will show you what we do and why we do it. And as always feel free to stop in at your fire station for

a tour and to meet the firefighter and EMT's that serve you.

*Respectfully submitted,
Roswell "Skip" Galvin, Fire Chief*

Explorers

Exploring is a part of the Boy Scouts of America "Learning for Life program" Explorer Post 716 is sponsored by the Epping Fire Department and gives youth 14 to 20 years of age the opportunity to learn about a career in the fire or emergency medical fields. The youth run the program. Officers for 2008–2009 are Kristen Bartlett President, Ashley Hill Vice President, Lauren Desotto Treasurer and Tabitha Frey, Secretary. Mike Floyd is the Explorer Chief. Captain Cliff Cray is Post Advisor and Deputy Chief John Desotto and EMT Karen Louis are Assistant Advisors. We have thirteen members and eight FD members as advisors and committee members.

For the last two years the Post has been collecting money to purchase automatic electronic defibrillators. (AED) Through their efforts and a great donation from Wal-Mart, three AEDs have been delivered to the Epping Middle and High School. Two to be used by the athletic department and one to be placed outside of

a gym. One AED was purchased by the school for the second gym. The Post also placed an AED in the Epping Elementary School and the Ellis School in Fremont and another has been purchased and will be presented to the Recreation department for the Watson Academy.

The Explorers are able to attend fire department training and take charge of the rescue van at major incidents they are not allowed in burning structures but can help with air packs and overhaul.

Four Explorers were able to attend the New Hampshire State Fire Academy's Explorer Academy last June. This is fast paced week of fire training costing the participants nearly \$300.00. Any donations for this program would be appreciated by the members. Our members are Epping and Fremont residents and our program is open to all interested high school students. Several members are nominated for awards each year and this year Assistant Advisor, Deputy Chief John Desotto received and award for his leadership at the annual Explore ring banquet. Several youth and adults have been nominated over the years and several awards have been presented to our members.

During the December ice storm Mike Floyd spent most of five days at the fire station helping wherever he could in-



The Fire Department's new pick-up truck

cluding cooking some of the meals for the volunteer's. We thank Explorer Floyd for his dedication.

For more information on Explorers call the Epping Fire Department at 679-5446.

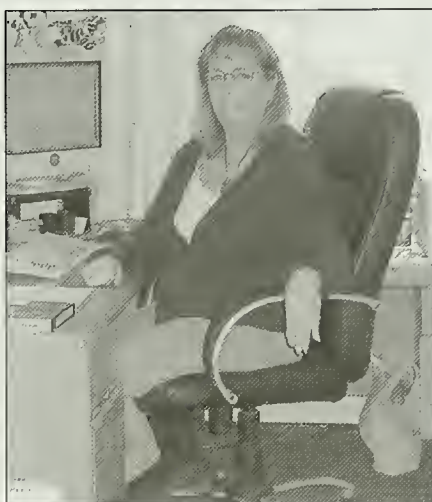
Submitted by H. Clifton Cray

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 year-round 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 and shelters 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, WIC, Senior Prescription Discount Pilot Programs, and Shelters. The Compass Program is still going strong. This is a program to help the unemployed or un-



*Phyllis McDonough—Planning/Zoning/
Welfare Administration.*

deremployed develop skills that will lead 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 A.M. to 12:00 noon.

*Phyllis E. McDonough
Welfare Administrator*

Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library

After four years of consistent staff, the Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library has faced many challenges in 2008. Amanda Reynolds Cooper left us in June of this year to become the director of the Lane Memorial Library in Hampton. In February we lost the evening assistant, Michael O'Donnell who joined our staff in April of 2007. Currently we have only two permanent staff positions, an Interim Director and our faithful and much loved Children's Librarian, Tracie Wilkins. Simone Murphy who retired after twenty years in 2007, has graciously returned to fill the gaps in the evening and has been an invaluable help. We also would not have survived without our ever faithful "super sub" Nancy Andrews who is always willing to

fill in whenever and wherever needed. We are also happy to have Rebecca Day as our unofficial evening student intern, replacing the wonderful Lily Nutt who left to join AmeriCorps in October.

The Board of Trustees has also had to deal with the loss of two board members who resigned in July. They were fortunate to have several applicants apply to fill those positions and were very pleased to have Nan Nutt and Chris Vallone join the Board in November to fill those positions until the next election.

On July 12, an engraved granite bench was donated to the library in memory of Kaleigh and Shane Lambert, who were tragically killed in a car accident in January of 2008. The bench was the idea of Lisa Dodge, Director of Maple Tree Learning Center where the children attended pre-school, and participated weekly in a story hour program we provide to the school. The bench was donated by Goodrich Stone and Masonry Supply in Epping. Monies which had been collected to pay for the bench were donated in trust to our library for future purchases of children's books.

The library has seen increased growth in daily patron attendance, circulation of library materials, borrowing and loaning of interlibrary loans, and computer use regularly over the past year. In 2008 patron attendance increased 17% over 2007. The circulation of materials increased by 15% over 2007. Borrowing and loaning of materials through interlibrary loan also increased, 48% more borrowed and 62% more loaned out. The use of computers, increased 48% over 2007. The increase in library use, is in large part due to the grim economic times. Patrons use our computers for updating resumes, job searching and networking with others who are here to do the same. Many are realizing it makes sense to obtain their reading materials here, and make use of our large DVD collection, to make better use of their disposable income.

In December of this year, we found out what a place of refuge the library can be to patrons during an emergency. The ice storm of December 12 left many Epping residents without power. We had many patrons who came to the library to

get warm, charge their cell phones and use computers for various resources. We also opened our kitchen so that patrons could cook food that was spoiling in their home due to lack of electricity. Some patrons were even without water and came to fill buckets and jugs with water. Patrons shared their food, and stayed and enjoyed a movie together in our warm children's room. It was nice to experience the feeling of community during this hard time, and to know that we could provide comfort to our patrons.

We owe our continued growth and success to our many faithful library patrons and we thank them.

2008 Highlights

- Continued with monthly "Artist of the Month" program, but need additional artists for 2009
- Hosted a UFO program with Kathleen Marden who co-authored the book *Captured: The Betty and Barney Hill UFO Experience*.
- Continued Monthly Movie Nights for adults
- Continued to offer three story hours every week, one weekly after-school program as well as two monthly special events for kids
- Continue to host two reading groups per month, the "Eclectic Group" which meets the second Tuesday of the month and the "Mystery Group" which meets the third Wednesday of each month
- Added a "Teen Reading Group" which was successful during the summer months

Library Stats for 2008

Items Circulated. 34,875

Interlibrary Loans 1,300

Attendance 19,472

Computer Uses 5,940

New Items 1,786
(books, audio books, videos,
and magazines)

- The Summer Reading Program was a success with 200 registered participants who read over 1,967 hours in 2008.

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

*Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Dudley, Interim Director*

Historical Society and Museum

The Epping Historical Society is celebrating its 37th year of service as a public resource center for information concerning the many aspects of our town's unique history and people.

Our expanding collections include a wide variety of displays, historical maps, Epping family records from 1741, old documents and photos. Additionally we offer a computerized index of our over 80 cemeteries.

All historical society programs and activities are announced and free and open to the public. Further, all programs are taped and accessible to the public.

Starting in May with The Two Fiddler's program, several other very well received programs were presented this past year: In September The James House Players reenacted the history of a family which lived in an existing 300 year old house in Hampton. This was followed in October by "Slaves in Epping and the Story of Peter" presented by Madelyn Williamson. The third program in the series was given in November by The Write Sisters, a group which includes Andrea Murphy. They introduced us to little known extraordinary "Women of Granite". On December 12th, despite a historical ice storm we once again held our open house and helped host the town Christmas Tree lighting with Santa and the Knights of Columbus. As always the building will be open on Memorial Day as well.

As in past years, the Society also presented scholarships to Epping students majoring in history.

Thus year we would most especially like to acknowledge and thank Penn Brown, Glenn Frederick, Epping TV, Danielle McRae, Dan Murphy and Wendy True for their time and special contributions to the Society.

The Epping Historical Society Building is located on Water Street next to the park and open each Monday 6-9 P.M. and Wednesday from 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

To be reached anytime in case of closure due to inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances: Madelyn Williamson at 679-5482 or Joy True 679-8855.

Planning Board

The Planning Board thanks former members Rob Graham and Susan McGeough for their hard work, energy, and the many years of service they provided Epping during their tenures on the Planning Board. After Twelve years on the Board, the past five as chair, Rob Graham resigned in 2008 due to other commitments. Alternate Steve Colby was appointed to complete his term. Susan McGeough served for ten years as the Selectmen's Representative to the Planning Board, and her term ended in March 2008. The Board welcomes Selectmen Karen Sott as her successor.

The Board voted Greg Tillman as Chair, and Mike Morasco as Vice Chair. The Board could not do its job without the help of the Planning Department: Circuit Rider/Planner Clay Mitchell; Planning Board Assistant Phyllis McDonough; and the Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer Dan Kramer.

Even after his resignation, Rob Graham continued to volunteer his time to coordinate the redesign of the town parking lot and the removal of old pavement around the Town Hall. Mr. Graham put in many hours coordinating work schedules and supervising the design and implementation of the new parking and the riverside restoration. A final top coat on the parking area remains to be done, along with some curbing and landscaping work. The Board thanks Mr. Graham for the donation of his time and expertise, which was essential to the project's completion.

The Board also thanks the developers involved who went above and beyond in working with the town to see the project completed, including K.J. France Road Extension, R.J. Moreau Communities, and Thibeault Properties and Investments. As a result of the project, the physical upgrades to the Town Hall facility have expanded the usable space into the third floor. New insulation, windows, and our innovative energy system have saved the taxpayer over \$12,000.00 in energy costs for the year, even with the recent fall in heating oil prices to below \$2.00/gallon. As fuel and energy prices rise, the savings will likewise increase. These upgrades will pay for themselves in less than 4 years and continue to save the taxpayer far into the future.

In 2008 the Board reviewed twelve noticed Site Plans, along with a variety of informal discussions, lot line adjustments, and smaller subdivisions. The Board continues its work on updates to the Master Plan, regulations, and new zoning amendment proposals. Finally, we welcome several new businesses to Epping, including the Holy Grail, on Main Street; TD Bank North's new highly energy-efficient branch on Fresh River Road; and the Orient Pearl, the first business to open in the "Commons at Epping" plaza on Route 125.

All questions and issues relating to planning in the Town of Epping should be brought to Phyllis McDonough, at 679-1202, ext. 114. If necessary she will forward long-range planning or site plan issues to the Town Planner, Clay Mitchell. Generally, office hours for the Planner are Thursday, and contacting Ms. McDonough will insure a timely meeting with the Planner.

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

Board Members: Greg Tillman, Mike Morasco, Tom Dwyer, Jr., Steven Colby and Selectmen's Representative Karen Sott.

Planner Clay Mitchell and Planning Board Assistant Phyllis McDonough.

Police Department

Your Police Department has been very active this past year taking on more cases and prosecuting a greater number of defendants. The high profile murder case ended after eight weeks of testimony with a verdict of sane/guilty on two counts of first degree murder. This case was complicated and took many hours of preparation both from the prosecutors, and the officers who testified. I am proud of our Attorney General's Office and, in particular, Prosecutors James Bofetti, Ann Rice and Jane Young. These attorneys worked diligently months before the trial started to insure that all the evidence was in place and that every witness was prepared. Most importantly, the officers of this Department should be pleased for if it were not for their excellent report writing, note taking, recollection of events and strong testimony this case would not have had the same outcome. Few police departments experience the details that go into one of these cases and I want to thank all those who contributed their time and labor in this matter.

Another case attracting a great deal of publicity was the 2004 theft of the Buxton Oil truck. After four arduous years, the FBI and other local law enforcement agencies assisted Epping Police detectives, with the successful conclusion of this case. In 2008, an Exeter man pled guilty to the theft and was subsequently sentenced to a 3–10 year sentence in the NH State Prison.

2008 saw a change with the color scheme of two Epping Police cruisers. Bright, reflective colors made way for a more traditional subdued look, at a reduced cost. This new look has already proven quite popular and has received accolades from many who have noticed the changes. All future police cruisers will take on this new look and eventually the old look will phase out. This year officers have taken the initiative to bring back the Police Explorer Program. Much personal time and effort are put forth by the officers to make this program a success. Anyone between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one interested in the program is urged to

2008 Police Report

| Reported Crime | 2007 | 2008 | |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Homicide | 0 | 0 | |
| Kidnapping | 1 | 0 | |
| Sex Crimes | 12 | 10 | |
| Robbery | 0 | 0 | |
| Assaults | 80 | 70 | |
| Criminal Threatening | 28 | 24 | |
| Arson | 2 | 1 | |
| Burglary | 40 | 25 | |
| Shoplifting | 25 | 29 | |
| Stalking | 6 | 10 | |
| Witness Tampering | 1 | 1 | |
| False Prescriptions | 8 | 18 | |
| Receiving Stolen Property | 14 | 4 | |
| Theft | 56 | 155 | |
| Larceny | 78 | 42 | |
| Family Offenses | 36 | 66 | |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 4 | 6 | |
| Counterfeiting/ Forgery | 5 | 11 | |
| Theft of Services | 20 | 8 | |
| Credit Card Fraud | 12 | 15 | |
| Criminal Mischief | 114 | 99 | |
| Drug Violations | 40 | 65 | |
| Child Pornography | 2 | 4 | |
| Weapons Violations | 3 | 1 | |
| Bad Checks | 18 | 6 | |
| Disorderly Conduct | 27 | 34 | |
| DWI | 41 | 57 | |
| Drunkenness | 57 | 56 | |
| Liquor Law Offenses | 46 | 41 | |
| Runaways | 8 | 13 | |
| Criminal Trespass | 24 | 46 | |
| Cruelty to Animals | 40 | 2 | |
| Wiretapping | 2 | 0 | |
| Child Neglect | 0 | 6 | |
| Other Offenses | 162 | 273 | |
| Totals | 1,012 | 1,198 | |
| | | | % change |
| Felonies | 115 | 123 | +7% |
| Arrests | 409 | 439 | +8% |
| Accidents | 233 | 188 | -20% |
| Calls for Service | 8,940 | 8,553 | -5% |

Comparisons for 12/01/07–12/01/08



The Police Department's new cruiser

contact the Epping Police Department for an application.

The Department ended the year extremely busy with the ice storm of '08. During this time officers of the Police Department maintained a vigil patrol of the Town while also responding to numerous reports of power lines and trees down, alarm activations, accidents and general assistance. I am pleased to report that during this State of Emergency very few property crimes were reported. I would like to attribute this to the hard work and diligence of the officers.

Reportable crimes in 2008 were up as compared to 2007. Most of the increase was in the number of thefts, family offenses and drug-related offenses. Unfortunately, as the economic situation continues to worsen it is likely that this trend will continue.

We welcome Stephen Soares as our newest full time police officer. Officer Soares had worked full-time for the Northwood Police Department before accepting employment with our department. Officer Soares has a degree in Criminal Justice and we are pleased to have him as a member of the Department. We wish him a successful career.

It is with pride that I commend the members of our Department and the Town Hall staff on their contributions to the Epping Community Church Food Pantry in lieu of gifts this Christmas. We were able to contribute \$500.00 towards helping the less fortunate here in Town.

In closing, I want to thank the men and women of the Epping Police Department for their continued support. They are a dedicated group who work hard to provide the Citizens of this Town with the service they deserve.

As always, we welcome any comments or suggestions that you may have and invite you to call the Police Department. On behalf of this Department we wish all of you a safe 2009.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Gregory C. Dodge, Chief
Epping Police Department*

Recreation Department

2008 was another eventful and exciting year for the Epping Recreation Department. We forged new relationships and strengthened our connections with community partners. Our top priority was to continue improving our elementary programs while bringing more services to middle-school youth. The Elementary School administration generously shared their facilities with us, allowing the Recreation Department to operate before-school, after-school and summer camp programs at the Epping Elementary School. This move provided a safe and familiar environment for our younger participants, and it also made Watson Acad-

emy available for expanded middle school programming. Our younger students took classes in—among other things—cooking, French, German, and Tae Kwan Do at the Elementary School, while our middle schoolers enjoyed the freedom and fun of their home at Watson Academy, where they were able to plant a garden, learn cooking skills, practice carpentry, and even start their own fix-it bike shop.

In March of 2008, Epping citizens voted to permit the Recreation Depart-

Recreation Programs for 2008 and Number of Participants

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Before School Programs | 22 daily |
| After School Programs | 60 |
| School Vacation Programs | 50 |
| Summer Programs | 120 |
| Adult Yoga | 33 |
| Red Cross Classes | 45 |
| Youth Ceramics | 12 |
| Pre School Sports | 78 |
| Special Events | 230 |

Special Thanks to all of the Businesses and Organizations that gave to Recreation Department in 2008:

Comcast Day of Caring, Lowes Heroes, Apple Bees Pancake Breakfast, Epping House of Pizza, Generations, Town House of Pizza, Epping Irving/Mainway, Autumn Pride Farm in Epping, Raymond Hannaford, Epping Wal-Mart and the staff at the 4-H Camp at Bearbrook State Park.

*The Recreation Community would like to thank Brian Reed, Vanessa Bennett and Katie Stinson for their time of service to the Department as AmeriCorp and A*VISTA members, thanks so much for all that you accomplished over the past year!*



The Recreation Department Bike Program

ment to create a revolving account for all program revenues. This measure has allowed us to continue expanding our programs and services without increasing our budget. Funds in the revolving account are used to offset program expenses, which have represented nearly half of our budget in recent years. Because of the new revolving account, we have reduced our 2009 budget by \$110,000. In the past, funds in the annual Recreation Department budget were allotted annually and repaid to the general fund during the year, but they did impact the setting of the tax rate. Now, we have the flexibility to add or change programs as needed without affecting the town's annual budget. Structuring our finances in this fashion allows the department to function more like a business, responding to demands in the community, and reducing the fiscal demand on Epping tax payers.

The Recreation Department experienced a slight growth in participation in 2008. Our overall participation for programs grew by about eight percent. The greatest increases occurred in our pre-school and middle school programs. Our spring preschool soccer sessions had a record number of over 45 participants per session. In spite of our excitement over the growth that the Recreation Department has seen over the past five years, we are prepared to remain flexible and cautious

during the rough economic times ahead.

The Recreation Department received the continued support of JC Penney and the 4-H Council. The department was once again awarded funds for 15 participants to attend the program at a reduced cost to their families. Our partnership with 4-H has brought volunteers who have shared their own skills and talents with participants in our after-school programs. We look forward to developing a parent and family evening series at the middle school in the early part of 2009. Plans are also under way to continue with the very successful family nights that we first introduced in the fall of 2008.

In the coming year the Recreation Department will be looking for new ways to reach out the Epping Community, offering only the services that are wanted, and providing them at the highest quality possible. If there are talents or skills that you would like to share with the community please contact the department office at 679-3301 or visit our website at eppin-grecreation.org.

- Comcast employees provided a ray of sunshine on a rainy Saturday in April, providing 15 employee volunteers, 5 City Year and nearly 20 Young Hero volunteers during the Comcast Day of Caring. The workers created a walk way,

landscaped around the historic building of Watson Academy. Comcast paid for all of the materials for their day of service and also matched all the volunteers' time with a check for over \$2,500 for the Watson Academy Seniors.

- The highlight for many of the summer middle school participants was their weekly bike trips to Pawtuckaway State Park. The 22 mile trip would take nearly five hours to complete. As you can see everyone is all smiles at the half way point to the park. The youth have started a Bike Shop in the basement of Watson Academy with the assistance of a Youth Ventures grant. If you have any bike mechanic skills or would like to join the group on a ride please contact the recreation department.

Town Clerk's Report

The Presidential Election took the spotlight during 2008. After much deliberation by the State, the Presidential Primary was finally set for January 8th, the earliest date it has ever been held. We had a total of 2319 ballots cast for the election and 267 new voters who registered at the polls. At the general election in November, we had a record number of voters, 3348, and 283 new voters registered at the polls. With the country so focused on eliminating election fraud, the State held several workshops during the year to make sure that we were all well prepared. Many thanks to the election workers who made the time to attend these workshops, and who put in extra hours to make sure that everything ran smoothly. The ballot clerks who served in November were Abigail Constantineau, Barbara MacDonald, Patricia Sutcliffe and Patricia VanWagoner. In addition, Jacqueline Cameron, Virginia LaPierre and Marilyn Perry volunteered their time for the day. Ann Marie Gomez Amaru and Andrew Vallone also served as ballot clerks during 2008. Supervisors of the Checklist Grace Lavoie, Kim Gauthier and Pamela Holmes put in



Town Clerk, Linda Foley (left) and Deputy Clerk, Joyce Blanchard (right)

many additional hours to accommodate all the new voters during the year. Moderator Robert Goodrich had the unenviable task of making sure all voters followed the guidelines set by the State; he ran a very smooth election. My thanks to all of you.

In September the State Department of Motor Vehicles implemented a change in registration format. The new forms are the size of a business envelope and include a barcode to aid law enforcement. Also in 2008, the Town Clerk's office began mailing registration renewal notices to all residents. These notices are not bills, they are simply a reminder with fees listed to help registrants know what money would be needed to renew their vehicles. The

notices can be used for renewing registrations through the mail, or they may be brought to the office to facilitate the renewal process. On line registration is also available at the Town's web site.

Linda Foley, Town Clerk

Water & Sewer Commission

As 2008 ends we are still in the process of completing all the questionnaires and surveys required by the NHDES for the well we drilled at Hoar Pond in 2007. At a depth of 1000' this well is 350 feet deeper than any other well at the site. Preliminary tests indicate a high volume of water flow. As we enter 2009 the well is approved to be pump tested in January. We are investigating other well sites, in particular in the area behind the Walmart development, as several very good wells have been drilled there and tested in excess of 300 gpm. This is a significant amount of water and we are very interested as it could secure the Town's future water needs for a very long time. This would also provide some measure of safety if something should happen to the Hoar Pond well field as all of our eggs would not be in one basket.



Dennis Koch—Water & Sewer and Public Works

As I stated in the report last year the capacity at the Waster Water Treatment Facility has been improved and we should soon be relicensed for 500K gpd. There are no issues that we are aware of to prevent our being licensed at this level and we are operating at this capacity when necessary. We are waiting for NHDES to process our permit. 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.

Sump pumps are a 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. The inflow to the treatment plant more than doubles during the very wet spring season and about half of this increase is from sump pumps. The relatively clean water has no nutrients for the treatment process and it adversely impacts our process. If you have a wet cellar and you have a sump pump please run the discharge hose outside and not into the sewer system.

This year we are in the final stages of an agreement for painting and maintenance of our water towers. It is our intent to have the old tower repainted and repaired during the summer of 2009.

As new construction has slowed our connection fees have decreased as you can see below. These are the funds that we use for major infrastructure needs so

The Town Clerk's Office had the following activity during the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-------|---------------------|
| Motor Vehicle Permits Issued | 8,880 | \$941,439.43 |
| Municipal Agent Transactions | 7,911 | 19,777.95 |
| E-Reg Transactions | 349 | 602.60 |
| Dog Licenses | 728 | 4,527.00 |
| Dump Permits | 3,245 | 15,640.00 |
| Stump Dump Fees | | 11,855.00 |
| Marriage Licenses | 43 | 1,935.00 |
| Vital Records Certificates | 185 | 2,071.50 |
| UCC Filings | | 1,410.00 |
| Miscellaneous | | 863.19 |
| Total Remitted to Treasurer | | 1,000,121.67 |

Water & Sewer Connection Fees 2008

| Date | Business | Amount | |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | | Water | Sewer |
| 1/28/2008 | Holy Grail Rest. | \$500.00 | |
| 6/25/2008 | Pearson Way Bld 1 | | \$12,000.00 |
| 8/5/2008 | Pearson Way Bld 3 | 12,000.00 | |
| 9/17/2008 | PSNH | 1,530.00 | |
| 10/5/2008 | WS Goodrich | 840.00 | |
| Total | | \$14,870.00 | \$12,000.00 |

that the burden does not fall on the taxpayer or the rate payer. In 2008 the Board voted to contribute \$30,000 to the extension of water and sewer services north on 125 to the new Commons Plaza. While the developer contributed over \$170,000, in order to make the project viable the Board voted to commit \$30,000, believing that the development that occurs on 125 in the future will allow us to recover the \$30,000 through connection fees and that the commercial development is consistent with what the Town wants through its planning and zoning ordinances.

Our status as we end 2008 is good. We will have the new well on line in 2009 which will meet our needs for the immediate future and in addition we are in the process of pursuing additional well sites. Our treatment plant is working at its design capacity which is well in excess of our foreseeable needs. We will complete maintenance agreements for our water towers this year. If federal funding suddenly becomes available we have plans that can be implemented in short term to take advantage of any new federal programs.

*Joseph Foley, Chairman
Epping Water and Sewer Commission*

Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment consists of five elected members: Chairman

Paul Spidle Vice Chairman Dave Mylott, Bob Jordan, Ron Nowe, Paul Brown and Alternate Patrick Pagnani. The Board would like to thank Peter Loch who had to resign due to moving out of town for serving the Town as an Alternate to the Board. The Zoning Board Secretary is Phyllis McDonough.

In 2008, the ZBA heard **Five** requests for Variances. There were **Four** Special Exceptions granted, and **Two** requests for rehearing, and **Two** Appeals from an Administrative Decision.

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 Hardship 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. The Zoning Board is always looking for people who would like to sit on the Board as an alternates, if interested please contact the Zoning Board Secretary at 679-1202 ext. 114.

"Your Zoning Board of Adjustment"

*Officers: Paul Spidle, Dave Mylott, Bob Jordan, Ron Nowe and Paul Brown;
Alternate Patrick Pagnani and Zoning Board Secretary, Phyllis McDonough*

Refuse & Recycling

General Guidelines

The Solid Waste Department facilities in Epping are open to residents only. To use these facilities, a resident must first purchase a Solid Waste Permit (sticker or temporary pass) and make this permit available for inspection by the facility staff. Vehicles that do not have a Solid Waste Permit that matches the registration will not be allowed to enter any of Epping's dumping facilities. Misused or "borrowed" stickers or passes are subject to confiscation. Any resident who wishes to use a vehicle that does not have a permit to haul material to the facility must first get a temporary pass at the Town Clerk's Office.

The removal of items from the Solid Waste Department (scavenging) is not permitted without the consent of the Town of Epping or its employees.

Transfer Station

Household trash only. No construction debris, bulky items, recyclables, or hazardous materials are to be placed into the compactors.

Open Wed 2 P.M.–7 P.M., Sat & Sun 9 A.M.–4 P.M.

- **Aluminum Cans:** soda and beer cans.
- **Glass:** all colors, plate glass and ceramics (no light bulbs)
- **Plastic:** all plastic items with #1 thru #7 printed in the recycling triangle on them. Please remove caps they can go into the mix separately. No Styrofoam.
- **Tin Cans:** pet food, vegetable and fruit juice containers.
- **Paper and Cardboard:** All paper products can be put in the compactor near the trash containers. Please cut cardboard to 4' x 4' pieces.
- **Automotive Oils:** motor oil, transmission fluid and hydraulic oils can be left at the containment tank. If you wish to keep your container please see attendant. No flammable liquids or antifreeze is accepted.
- **Cooking Oils:** should be left in clearly marked containers and set next to the tank for recycling into bio-fuels.
- **Fluorescent Light Bulbs:** can not go into the regular trash or landfill. Please see the attendant for disposal (there is no charge for removal).
- **Swap Shop:** Used items in good working condition can be left for others to pick up (such as books, toys, knick knacks, etc.) Used clothing can be placed in the Planet Aid containers. No "Pay Items" are allowed at the Swap Shop.



Stump Dump

Winter Hours: Wednesday 12–4 P.M.;

Saturday & Sunday 9 A.M.–4 P.M.

Please see attendant before dumping.

Pay Items: A separate ticket must be purchased at the Town Hall before dropping off any items that have a fee.

No money is to be collected at the Stump Dump.

- **Mattresses,** boxed springs, couches and upholstered chairs – \$10.00.
- **Freon Units:** refrigeration, air conditioners, freezers, water coolers, dehumidifiers – \$10.00.
- **TV's,** monitors, laptops – \$10.00
- **Propane Tanks** – \$5.00
- **Tires:** off rims – \$5; on rim – \$15; heavy equipment off rims – \$30; heavy equipment on rim – \$40.

Construction Debris

Dumpsters are provided for various materials at no cost. Please separate items—the cost to the Town varies and it will save you time. Residents are allowed one ¼-ton truck-load per week. No contractors (including residents) are allowed to use this service.

- **C&D:** sheetrock, pressure treated wood, insulation.
- **Painted and Stained Wood** (includes plywood and particle board) laminated ok.
- **Shingles** (non-asbestos).
- **Scrap Metal:** non-Freon appliances, auto parts, hot water heaters, etc. (please separate copper, aluminum wire, brass and other non-ferrous metals)

Burn Pile

Brush less than 5" in diameter and clean unpainted wood may be disposed of at no cost.

Fill Area

Larger bulkier items may be disposed of here. Including but not limited to non-recyclable plastic and vinyl, carpeting, unusable clothes, toilets, tiles and ceramics, hard fiberglass, Styrofoam, etc.

The more we separate the more tax dollars we can save. If you have any questions, please ask the attendant we will be happy to help or call 679-4675 or 608-8274.



Financial Reports

Tax Collector's Report MS-61

Year Ending 12-31-2008

| Debits | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 & Prior |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Uncollected Taxes at Beginning of Year | | | | |
| Property Taxes | | 1,130,510 | | |
| Land Use Change Tax | | 110,849 | | |
| Timber Tax | | 2,948 | | |
| Tax Liens | | 367,798 | 73,747 | 5,681 |
| Water Billing | | 41,990 | 1,001 | 22 |
| Sewer Billing | | 79,403 | 2,283 | 82 |
| W&S Special Assessment | | 3,650 | | |
| Shut Off Fees | | 360 | | |
| Taxes Committed This Year | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 12,810,707 | | | |
| Land Use Change Tax | 37,500 | | | |
| Timber Tax | 8,780 | | | |
| Excavation Tax | 110 | | | |
| Tax Lien Executed | 800,978 | | | |
| Water Billing | 151,356 | | | |
| Sewer Billing | 243,512 | | | |
| W&S Special Assessment | 1,650 | | | |
| Overpayment/Refunds | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 49,177 | 39,711 | 23,642 | 14,330 |
| Water Billing | | 30 | | |
| Sewer Billing | | 104 | | |
| Interest & Penalties Charged | | | | |
| Interest For Taxes | 12,090 | 73,454 | | |
| Penalties For Taxes | | 7,799 | | |
| Interest For Tax Liens | 16,525 | 25,137 | 18,074 | 59 |
| Bad Check Fees | 150 | | | |
| Interest For Water | 342 | 755 | 162 | 5 |
| Interest For Sewer | 506 | 1,412 | 373 | 14 |
| Shut Off/On Fee | 160 | 240 | | |
| Total Debits | \$14,133,543 | \$1,886,150 | \$119,282 | \$20,193 |

| Credits | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 & Prior |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Remitted To Treasurer | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 11,680,148 | 487,864 | | |
| Land Use Change Tax | 37,500 | 12,000 | | |
| Timber Tax | 7,872 | 2,948 | | |
| Excavation Tax | 110 | | | |
| Taxes Converted To Lien | | 741,007 | | |
| Tax Liens Redeemed | 357,624 | 164,297 | 70,902 | 3,630 |
| Interest For Taxes | 12,090 | 73,454 | | |
| Interest For Tax Liens | 16,525 | 25,137 | 18,074 | 59 |
| Penalties For Taxes | | 7,799 | | |
| Bad Check Fees | 150 | | | |
| Water Billing | 106,396 | 41,705 | 1,001 | 22 |
| Sewer Billing | 171,465 | 78,771 | 2,253 | 82 |
| W&S Special Assessment | | 1,176 | | |
| Interest For Water | 342 | 755 | 162 | 5 |
| Interest For Sewer | 506 | 1,412 | 373 | 14 |
| Shut Off/On Fee | 120 | 600 | | |
| Adjustments Made | | | | |
| Returned Checks | -9,260 | | | |
| Small Balances | -7 | 2 | | |
| Abatements Made | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 16,465 | 40,192 | 23,642 | 14,330 |
| Tax Liens | 1,281 | | | |
| Water Billing | 69 | 53 | | |
| Sewer Billing | 129 | 317 | | |
| Tax Deeded Property | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 2,277 | | | |
| Property Tax Liens | 2,440 | 2,326 | 1,583 | |
| Uncollected Taxes at End of Year | | | | |
| Property Taxes | 1,166,188 | 6 | | |
| Timber Tax | 908 | | | |
| Property Tax Liens | 443,707 | 201,174 | 1,261 | 2,051 |
| Water Billing | 44,890 | 262 | | |
| Sewer Billing | 71,932 | 419 | 31 | |
| W&S Special Assessment | 1,650 | 2,474 | | |
| Shut Off Fee | 40 | | | |
| Credit for 2009 | -14 | | | |
| Total Credits | \$14,133,543 | \$1,886,150 | \$119,282 | \$20,193 |

Linda Foley, Tax Collector

FORM

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NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

FORM MS-1 FOR 2008

Municipal Services Division

PO BOX 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487 Phone (603) 271-2687

Email Address: nduffy@rev.state.nh.us

Original Date: _____

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Revision Date: _____

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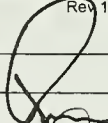
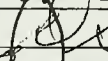
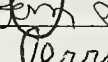
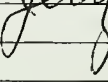
CITY/TOWN OF EppingIN Rockingham

COUNTY

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information provided in this report was taken from the official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Rev. 1707.03(d)(7)

| PRINT NAMES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS | SIGNATURES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS* (Sign in ink) |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Jeffrey Harris |  9-8-08 |
| Dianne Gilbert |  9-8-08 |
| Tom Gauthier |  9-9-08 |
| Jerry Langdon |  9/8/08 |
| Karen Sott | |

Date Signed: 9-08-08 Check one: Governing Body ☒ x
Assessors ☐

City/Town Telephone # (603) 679-5441 Due date: September 1, 2008

Complete the above required certification by inserting the name of the city/town officials, the date on which the certificate is signed, and have the majority of the members of the board of selectmen/assessing officials sign in ink.

REPORTS REQUIRED: RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon forms prescribed for that purpose.

NOTE: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/towns tax assessments and sworn to uphold under Oath per RSA 75:7. Please complete all applicable pages and refer to the instructions tab for individual items.

THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DRA NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1ST.

Village Districts - pages 8 - 9 must be completed for EACH village district within the municipality.

RETURN THIS SIGNED AND COMPLETED INVENTORY FORM TO: N.H. DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION, MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION, PO BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487.

Contact Person: Dean Snankle administrator@townofepping.com
(Print/type) Email:
Regular office hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00 - 4:00 PM; Friday 8:00 - Noon.

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See Line by line instructions and Tax Increment Finance District Tab of this set as needed.

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2008

Epping

| LAND | Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving. | NUMBER OF ACRES | 2008 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN |
|---|--|-----------------------|--|
| BUILDINGS | Lines 2 A, B, C, & D List all buildings. | | |
| 1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4 | | | |
| A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1) | | 4,400.31 | \$1,119,700 |
| B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B | | 0.00 | \$0 |
| C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C | | 0.00 | \$0 |
| D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D | | 0.00 | \$0 |
| E Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land) | | 8,703.96 | \$205,133,000 |
| F Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land) | | 1,398.20 | \$52,780,800 |
| G Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F) | | 14,502.47 | \$259,033,500 |
| H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land | | 951.89 | \$13,911,200 |
| 2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B | | | |
| A Residential | | | \$308,284,700 |
| B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31 | | | \$21,159,100 |
| C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT include Utility Buildings) | | | \$64,569,000 |
| D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D | Number of Structures | 0 | \$0 |
| E Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D) | | | \$394,012,800 |
| F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings | | | \$23,202,700 |
| 3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) | | | |
| A Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc. | | | \$8,198,900 |
| B Other Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary) | | | |
| 4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5 | | | \$0 |
| 5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4) | | | \$661,245,200 |
| This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality. | | | |
| 6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a | | Total # granted | |
| (Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance) | | 0 | \$0 |
| 7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b | | Total # granted | 0 |
| 8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a | | Total # granted | 0 |
| 9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV | | Total # granted | |
| (Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each) | | 0 | \$0 |
| 10 Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a | | Total # granted | 0 |
| 11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10) | | | \$661,245,200 |
| This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality. | | | |
| 12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37 | | Total # granted | 3 |
| Amount granted per exemption | | \$15,000 | \$45,000 |
| 13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b | | Total # granted | 47 |
| 14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b | | Total # granted | 0 |
| Amount granted per exemption | | \$0 | \$0 |
| 15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b | | Total # granted | 0 |
| Amount granted per exemption | | \$0 | \$0 |

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| | | | |
|---|-----------------|---|---------------|
| 16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70 | Total # granted | 0 | \$0 |
| 17 Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62 | Total # granted | 0 | \$0 |
| 18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66 | Total # granted | 0 | \$0 |
| 19 Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV | Total # granted | 0 | \$0 |
| 20 TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19) | | | \$3,081,400 |
| 21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20) | | | \$658,163,800 |
| 22 Less Utilities (Line 3A) Do NOT include the value of OTHER utilities listed in Line 3B. | | | \$8,198,900 |
| 23 NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 21 minus Line 22) | | | \$649,964,900 |

Additional notes (example: update, reval, changes to exemptions, mapping, increases to value, decreases to value, etc.)

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REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

(RSA 21-J:34)

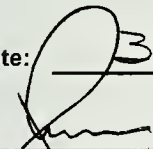
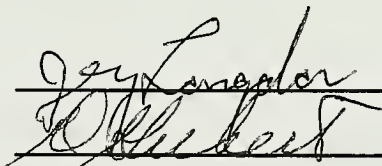
Date of Meeting: March 11, 2008Town/City Of: Epping County: RockinghamMailing Address: 157 Main Street
Epping, NH 03042Phone #: 679-5441 Fax #: 679-3002 E-Mail: _____

Certificate of Appropriations

(To be Completed After Annual or Special Meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Governing Body (Selectmen)

*Please sign in ink.*Date: 3.24.08
Karen Sosa
Tom Stuel
Jay Longdon
Robert

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

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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|----------------|----------------------------|--|
| Acct.# | PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V) | WARR. ART.# | Appropriations As Voted | For Use By Department of Revenue Administration |
| GENERAL GOVERNMENT | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4130-4139 | Executive | | 197,935.00 | |
| 4140-4149 | Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics | | 85,155.00 | |
| 4150-4151 | Financial Administration | | 157,245.00 | |
| 4152 | Revaluation of Property | | 57,500.00 | |
| 4153 | Legal Expense | | 31,000.00 | |
| 4155-4159 | Personnel Administration | | 5,250.00 | |
| 4191-4193 | Planning & Zoning | | 107,110.00 | |
| 4194 | General Government Buildings | | 134,815.00 | |
| 4195 | Cemeteries | | 6,000.00 | |
| 4196 | Insurance | | 54,500.00 | |
| 4197 | Advertising & Regional Assoc. | | - | |
| 4199 | Other General Government | | 39,735.00 | |
| PUBLIC SAFETY | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4210-4214 | Police | 11 | 1,171,373.00 | |
| 4215-4219 | Ambulance | | 358,794.00 | |
| 4220-4229 | Fire | | 210,463.00 | |
| 4240-4249 | Building Inspection | | 104,010.00 | |
| 4290-4298 | Emergency Management | | - | |
| 4299 | Other (Including Communications) | | - | |
| AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4301-4309 | Airport Operations | | - | |
| HIGHWAYS & STREETS | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4311 | Administration | | | |
| 4312 | Highways & Streets | 5 | 1,103,945.00 | |
| 4313 | Bridges | | | |
| 4316 | Street Lighting | | 20,000.00 | |
| 4319 | Other | | | |
| SANITATION | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4321 | Administration | | | |
| 4323 | Solid Waste Collection | | 133,225.00 | |
| 4324 | Solid Waste Disposal | | 165,700.00 | |
| 4325 | Solid Waste Clean-up | | | |
| 4326-4329 | Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other | | | |
| WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4331 | Administration | | | |
| 4332 | Water Services | | | |
| 4335-4339 | Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other | | | |
| ELECTRIC | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4351-4359 | Electrical Operations | | | |

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|-----------------------------------|---|----------------|----------------------------|--|
| Acct.# | PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V) | WARR. ART.# | Appropriations As Voted | For Use By Department of Revenue Administration |
| HEALTH | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4411 | Administration | | | |
| 4414 | Pest Control | | 4,500.00 | |
| 4415-4419 | Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other | 28-34 | 15,310.00 | |
| WELFARE | | | | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4441-4442 | Administration & Direct Assist. | | 10,530.00 | |
| 4444 | Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts | | | |
| 4445-4449 | Vendor Payments & Other | | | |
| CULTURE & RECREATION | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4520-4529 | Parks & Recreation | 22,23 | 213,975.00 | |
| 4550-4559 | Library | 9 | 150,949.00 | |
| 4583 | Patriotic Purposes | | 1,500.00 | |
| 4589 | Other Culture & Recreation | | | |
| CONSERVATION | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4611-4612 | Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources | | 2,000.00 | |
| 4619 | Other Conservation | | | |
| 4631-4632 | REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING | | | |
| 4651-4659 | ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | | 15,000.00 | |
| DEBT SERVICE | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4711 | Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes | | 104,153.00 | |
| 4721 | Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes | | 58,332.00 | |
| 4723 | Int. on Tax Anticipation Note | | | |
| 4790-4799 | Other Debt Service | | | |
| CAPITAL OUTLAY | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4901 | Land | | | |
| 4902 | Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment | 12 | 25,340.00 | |
| 4903 | Buildings | | | |
| 4909 | Improvements Other Than Bldgs | | | |
| OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4912 | To Special Revenue Fund | 14,15,16 | 55,636.00 | |
| 4913 | To Capital Projects Fund | | | |
| 4914 | To Enterprise Fund | | | |
| | Sewer- | | 737,332.00 | |
| | Water- | | 342,674.00 | |
| | Electric- | | | |
| | Airport- | | | |
| 4915 | To Capital Reserve Fund | 8 | 5,000.00 | |
| 4916 | To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917 | 7,18 | 26,376.92 | |
| 4917 | To Health Maint. Trust Funds | | | |
| 4918 | To Nonexpendable Trust Funds | | | |
| 4919 | To Agency Funds | | | |
| TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS | | | 5,912,362.92 | |

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division
2008 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: EPPING

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Gross Appropriations | 5,912,363 |
| Less: Revenues | 4,075,224 |
| Less: Shared Revenues | 25,992 |
| Add: Overlay | 50,528 |
| War Service Credits | 134,500 |

Barbara J. Polunin
 10/17/08

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Net Town Appropriation | 1,996,175 |
| Special Adjustment | 0 |

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Approved Town/City Tax Effort | 1,996,175 |
|-------------------------------|-----------|

TOWN RATE
3.03

SCHOOL PORTION

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue) | 13,452,262 |
| Regional School Apportionment | 0 |
| Less: Adequate Education Grant | (3,101,368) |

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| State Education Taxes | (1,467,748) |
| Approved School(s) Tax Effort | 8,883,146 |

LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
13.50

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x | \$2.14 |
| 685,863,586 | 1,467,748 |
| Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities) | |
| 649,964,900 | |
| Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State | |
| Pay to State → | 0 |

STATE
SCHOOL RATE
2.26

COUNTY PORTION

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Due to County | 599,024 |
| Less: Shared Revenues | (5,378) |

| | |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Approved County Tax Effort | 593,646 |
|----------------------------|---------|

COUNTY RATE
0.90

TOTAL RATE
19.69

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Total Property Taxes Assessed | 12,940,715 |
| Less: War Service Credits | (134,500) |
| Add: Village District Commitment(s) | 0 |
| Total Property Tax Commitment | 12,806,215 |

PROOF OF RATE

| Net Assessed Valuation | | Tax Rate | Assessment |
|------------------------------------|-------------|----------|------------|
| State Education Tax (no utilities) | 649,964,900 | 2.26 | 1,467,748 |
| All Other Taxes | 658,163,800 | 17.43 | 11,472,967 |
| | | | 12,940,715 |

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REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

City/Town: Town of Epping FY: 2008

| ACCT.# | SOURCE OF REVENUE | WARR. ART.# | FOR USE BY MUNICIPALITY | RESERVED FOR USE by DRA |
|-------------------------------------|---|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| TAXES | | | | |
| | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3120 | Land Use Change Tax <i>\$300K last yr.</i> | | 30,000.00 | |
| 3180 | Resident Tax | | | |
| 3185 | Timber Tax | | 6,000.00 | 6900 <i>LLP</i> |
| 3186 | Payment in Lieu of Taxes <i>MSI</i> | | | |
| 3189 | Other Taxes | | | |
| 3190 | Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes | | 146,300.00 | |
| | Inventory Penalties | | | |
| 3187 | Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd) | | | |
| LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES | | | | |
| | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3210 | Business Licenses & Permits | | 41,700.00 | 51700 <i>LLP</i> |
| 3220 | Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | | 956,000.00 | 958000 <i>LLP</i> |
| 3230 | Building Permits | | 67,000.00 | 71000 <i>LLP</i> |
| 3290 | Other Licenses, Permits & Fees | | 8,600.00 | 9600 <i>LLP</i> |
| 3311-3319 | FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT <i>cop 5000</i> | | 40,000.00 | |
| FROM STATE | | | | |
| | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3351 | Shared Revenues | | 35,000.00 | 35758 <i>LLP</i> |
| 3352 | Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution <i>Coef</i> | | 240,000.00 | 270,636 <i>LLP</i> |
| 3353 | Highway Block Grant | | 131,800.00 | 132252 <i>LLP</i> |
| 3354 | Water Pollution Grant | | 172,694.00 | ✓ |
| 3355 | Housing & Community Development | | | |
| 3356 | State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement | | | 0 |
| 3357 | Flood Control Reimbursement | | | 0 |
| 3359 | Other (Including Railroad Tax) <i>RR=0 PD and</i> | | 15,000.00 | |
| 3379 | FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS | | | |
| CHARGES FOR SERVICES | | | | |
| | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3401-3406 | Income from Departments | | 303,550.00 | 305650 <i>LLP</i> |
| 3409 | Other Charges | | | |

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MUNICIPAL SERVICESNH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
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DUE SEPTEMBER 1

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REVISED ESTIMATED REVENUES (RSA 21-J:34)

City/Town: Town of Epping

FY: 2008

| ACCT.# | SOURCE OF REVENUE | WARR. ART.# | FOR USE BY MUNICIPALITY | RESERVED FOR USE by DRA |
|---|--|----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3501 | Sale of Municipal Property | | | |
| 3502 | Interest on Investments | | 80,000.00 | |
| 3503-3509 | Other | | 8,950.00 | 10,400 <i>W</i> |
| INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3912 | From Special Revenue Funds | 14,15,16 | 170,645.00 | ✓ |
| 3913 | From Capital Projects Funds | | | |
| 3914 | From Enterprise Funds | | | |
| | Sewer - (Offset) + \$ 3,354,172,694 | | 564,638.00 | |
| | Water - (Offset) | | 342,674.00 | |
| | Electric - (Offset) | | | |
| | Airport - (Offset) | | | |
| 3915 | From Capital Reserve Funds | | | |
| 3916 | From Trust & Fiduciary Funds | | | |
| 3917 | From Conservation Funds | | | |
| OTHER FINANCING SOURCES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3934 | Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes | 5 | 500,000.00 | ✓ |
| SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES | | | 3,860,451.00 | 3,913,847 |
| For Municipal Use | **General Fund Balance** | | | |
| \$1,085,932.00 | Unreserved Fund Balance <i>ms-5</i> | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| \$ | Less Emergency Approp. (RSA 32:11) ✓ | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 26377 201,377 | Less Voted From "Surplus" <i>WA 7 + 18</i> → | | 34,377.00 | 26377 ✓ <i>W</i> |
| \$ 135000 | Less Fund Balance - Reduce Taxes → | | | 135000 <i>W</i> |
| \$1,054,559.00 | Fund Balance - Retained | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 924560 | | | | |
| TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS | | | 3,894,528.00 | 4,075,224 <i>W</i> ✓ |

REQUESTED OVERLAY (RSA 76:6)

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~~75,000.00~~50,000 *W*

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DATE

PREPARER'S SIGNATURE AND TITLE

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487

SUBMIT BY SEPTEMBER 1 TO THE ADDRESS ABOVE

Report of the Trust Funds MS-9

December 31, 2008

| Principal | | | | | Interest | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|------------------------|-----|----------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Date | Name of Trust Fund | Use | How Invested | Balance Beg. Yr. | New Funds | Balance End. Yr. | Inc. For Year | | Total | Expended For Yr. | Balance End Yr. | P. & I. End Yr. |
| | | | | | | | % | Amount | | | | |
| 1899 | George W. Plumer | CPC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$857.59 | | \$857.59 | 2.487% | \$59.02 | \$1,619.17 | \$250.00 | \$1,369.17 | \$2,226.76 |
| 1902 | Elijah/Gardner Jones | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.313% | \$7.43 | \$189.14 | \$100.00 | \$89.14 | \$211.65 |
| 1904 | Rufus H. Smith | TWP | Com. Trust. #1 | \$2,703.71 | | \$2,703.71 | 4.443% | \$105.43 | \$1,720.37 | \$0.00 | \$1,720.37 | \$4,424.08 |
| 1906 | Lydia W. Ladd | CCC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$1,225.14 | | \$1,225.14 | 3.096% | \$73.47 | \$1,857.90 | \$0.00 | \$1,857.90 | \$3,083.04 |
| 1916 | Celia Stevens | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.290% | \$6.89 | \$166.63 | \$0.00 | \$166.63 | \$289.14 |
| 1917 | Abbie T. Spaulding | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$183.77 | | \$183.77 | 0.482% | \$11.44 | \$296.24 | \$0.00 | \$296.24 | \$480.01 |
| 1918 | Elizabeth A. Edgerly | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$61.26 | | \$61.26 | 0.201% | \$4.77 | \$138.99 | \$0.00 | \$138.99 | \$200.25 |
| 1918 | Fogg Fund | STC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.238% | \$5.65 | \$114.58 | \$0.00 | \$114.58 | \$237.09 |
| 1920 | Albert L. Norris | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$61.26 | | \$61.26 | 0.136% | \$3.22 | \$73.78 | \$0.00 | \$73.78 | \$135.04 |
| 1922 | Hosea B. Burnham | S&L | Com. Trust. #1 | \$6,125.70 | | \$6,125.70 | 6.636% | \$157.47 | \$481.82 | \$320.00 | \$161.82 | \$6,287.52 |
| 1926 | Carrie E. Norris | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.567% | \$13.47 | \$442.58 | \$0.00 | \$442.58 | \$565.09 |
| 1926 | Caleb & Mary French | PLB | Com. Trust. #1 | \$14,102.10 | | \$14,102.10 | 15.277% | \$362.52 | \$1,109.89 | \$740.00 | \$369.89 | \$14,471.99 |
| 1928 | John O. Edgerly | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.193% | \$4.57 | \$69.46 | \$0.00 | \$69.46 | \$191.97 |
| 1933 | Mary E. P. Sanborn | TWP | Com. Trust. #1 | \$19,685.43 | | \$19,685.43 | 28.763% | \$682.54 | \$8,955.31 | \$0.00 | \$8,955.31 | \$28,640.74 |
| 1935 | Sarah P. Prescott | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$275.65 | | \$275.65 | 0.679% | \$16.11 | \$400.28 | \$0.00 | \$400.28 | \$675.93 |
| 1940 | Alfred Trask Blake | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$153.14 | | \$153.14 | 0.343% | \$8.13 | \$188.02 | \$0.00 | \$188.02 | \$341.16 |
| 1943 | George B. True | Fam | Com. Trust. #1 | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.567% | \$13.46 | \$442.15 | \$100.00 | \$342.15 | \$464.66 |
| 1943 | Joseph A. Edgerly | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | 0.388% | \$9.20 | \$140.90 | \$0.00 | \$140.90 | \$385.92 |
| 1945 | Matthew J. Harvey | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.833% | \$19.76 | \$706.78 | \$0.00 | \$706.78 | \$829.29 |
| 1952 | Myra E. S. Green | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.299% | \$7.09 | \$175.06 | \$0.00 | \$175.06 | \$297.57 |
| 1952 | George E. Beede | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$367.54 | | \$367.54 | 2.699% | \$64.04 | \$2,319.80 | \$0.00 | \$2,319.80 | \$2,687.34 |
| 1960 | Wiggin Fund | Fam | Com. Trust. #1 | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | 0.398% | \$9.44 | \$151.03 | \$50.00 | \$101.03 | \$346.05 |
| 1960 | Blanche R. Purington | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$367.54 | | \$367.54 | 1.991% | \$47.26 | \$1,615.38 | \$0.00 | \$1,615.38 | \$1,982.92 |
| 1974 | Georgia Chase | Fam | Com. Trust. #1 | \$81.93 | | \$81.93 | 0.458% | \$10.86 | \$373.88 | \$0.00 | \$373.88 | \$455.81 |
| 1976 | Matthew Harvey | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.656% | \$15.57 | \$530.98 | \$0.00 | \$530.98 | \$653.49 |
| 1982 | Central Cemetery | CCC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$4,288.10 | | \$4,288.10 | 5.518% | \$130.95 | \$1,206.89 | \$200.00 | \$1,006.89 | \$5,294.99 |
| 1983 | Miriam Jackson Park | MJP | Com. Trust. #1 | \$2,225.25 | | \$2,225.25 | 3.224% | \$76.50 | \$984.91 | \$0.00 | \$984.91 | \$3,210.16 |
| 1989 | Hist.Soc. C.F. #1 | CAC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$3,100.00 | | \$3,100.00 | 5.173% | \$122.76 | \$2,051.25 | \$0.00 | \$2,051.25 | \$5,151.25 |
| 1990 | Hist.Soc. C.F. #2 | CAC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$1,500.00 | | \$1,500.00 | 1.950% | \$46.28 | \$441.95 | \$0.00 | \$441.95 | \$1,941.95 |
| 1991 | Hist.Soc. C.F. #3 | CAC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$1,700.00 | | \$1,700.00 | 2.859% | \$67.85 | \$1,146.92 | \$0.00 | \$1,146.92 | \$2,846.92 |
| 1992 | Hist.Soc. C.F. #4 | CAC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$1,600.00 | | \$1,600.00 | 2.537% | \$60.20 | \$926.27 | \$0.00 | \$926.27 | \$2,526.27 |
| 1993 | Bert J. Allen Cemetery | Fam | Com. Trust. #1 | \$500.00 | | \$500.00 | 0.864% | \$20.51 | \$360.74 | \$0.00 | \$360.74 | \$860.74 |
| 1995 | West Epping Cem. | CWC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$2,790.00 | | \$2,790.00 | 3.905% | \$92.66 | \$1,098.09 | \$0.00 | \$1,098.09 | \$3,888.09 |
| 1996 | Burt Family Cem. | CFC | Com. Trust. #1 | \$500.00 | | \$500.00 | 0.757% | \$17.96 | \$253.67 | \$0.00 | \$253.67 | \$753.67 |
| 1999 | Colford-Colket | CBL | Com. Trust. #1 | \$500.00 | | \$500.00 | 0.666% | \$15.80 | \$163.11 | \$0.00 | \$163.11 | \$663.11 |
| | Adj | | | \$45.01 | | \$45.01 | 0.115% | \$2.73 | \$69.60 | \$29.10 | \$40.50 | \$85.51 |
| Common Trust #11TOTALS | | | | \$66,592.75 | | \$66,592.75 | 100.00% | \$2,373.02 | \$32,983.53 | \$1,789.10 | \$31,194.43 | \$97,787.18 |

Report of the Trust Funds MS-9 (continued)

| Date | Name of Trust Fund | Use | How Invested | Principal | | | Interest | | | Total | Expended For Yr. | Balance End Yr. | P. & I. End Yr. |
|------|--------------------|-----|--------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------|----------|---------------|---------|------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | Balance Beg. Yr. | New Funds | Balance End Yr. | % | Inc. For Year | Amount | | | | |
| 1898 | Lovel J. Brock | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.278% | | \$7.65 | \$210.54 | \$25.56 | \$184.00 | \$307.30 |
| 1903 | Mary S. Burnham | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$61.26 | | \$61.26 | 0.603% | | \$3.61 | \$95.78 | \$12.05 | \$83.73 | \$144.99 |
| 1905 | Hannah Dungh | RPI | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.655% | | \$9.91 | \$388.91 | \$33.10 | \$275.80 | \$398.31 |
| 1908 | Honore W. Langley | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$612.57 | | \$612.57 | 8.588% | | \$51.41 | \$1,675.78 | \$171.75 | \$1,454.03 | \$2,066.60 |
| 1908 | Mary L. Burnham | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.502% | | \$8.99 | \$269.02 | \$30.04 | \$238.98 | \$361.49 |
| 1913 | Wm. A. Cuthworth | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$61.26 | | \$61.26 | 0.606% | | \$3.63 | \$96.57 | \$12.11 | \$84.46 | \$145.77 |
| 1913 | J. C. Bennett | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$91.89 | | \$91.89 | 1.078% | | \$6.45 | \$188.98 | \$21.55 | \$167.43 | \$259.37 |
| 1914 | Annie M. Pike | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$91.89 | | \$91.89 | 1.081% | | \$6.47 | \$189.77 | \$21.61 | \$168.16 | \$260.05 |
| 1915 | Walter Little | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$91.89 | | \$91.89 | 1.078% | | \$6.45 | \$188.98 | \$21.55 | \$167.43 | \$259.37 |
| 1918 | Barrett A. True | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.596% | | \$9.56 | \$291.57 | \$31.93 | \$261.64 | \$384.15 |
| 1919 | Mary A. Jones | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$61.26 | | \$61.26 | 0.674% | | \$4.03 | \$114.46 | \$13.48 | \$100.98 | \$162.14 |
| 1920 | James A. Gunning | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.521% | | \$9.11 | \$273.96 | \$30.42 | \$243.54 | \$366.05 |
| 1920 | Rebecca L. Fox | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.566% | | \$9.38 | \$285.73 | \$31.33 | \$254.41 | \$376.92 |
| 1923 | Emma Claage | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.507% | | \$9.02 | \$270.18 | \$30.13 | \$240.05 | \$362.56 |
| 1923 | Sarah E. Wright | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.507% | | \$9.02 | \$270.18 | \$30.13 | \$240.05 | \$362.56 |
| 1923 | Bessie A. Miles | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.368% | | \$7.83 | \$218.51 | \$26.17 | \$192.35 | \$314.86 |
| 1926 | Carrie L. Norris | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.341% | | \$8.04 | \$277.64 | \$26.87 | \$250.77 | \$371.28 |
| 1926 | Fred H. Johnson | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.471% | | \$8.25 | \$236.73 | \$27.57 | \$209.16 | \$331.67 |
| 1926 | Linda Larbow | | CI-Prop. Cem | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | 3.640% | | \$21.79 | \$703.77 | \$72.80 | \$630.97 | \$875.99 |
| 1926 | Asa Lebie | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.507% | | \$8.99 | \$269.04 | \$30.04 | \$239.00 | \$361.51 |
| 1927 | Isabell Bartlett | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | 3.248% | | \$19.44 | \$601.51 | \$64.96 | \$536.55 | \$781.57 |
| 1929 | James A. Johnson | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | 1.509% | | \$9.03 | \$270.70 | \$30.17 | \$240.53 | \$363.04 |
| 1929 | Jacob H. Tilton | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 0.646% | | \$3.87 | \$107.17 | \$12.92 | \$94.25 | \$155.51 |
| 1929 | Frank A. Miles | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$61.26 | | \$61.26 | 1.304% | | \$7.81 | \$217.35 | \$26.08 | \$191.27 | \$313.78 |
| 1929 | Levi Thompson | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.342% | | \$8.03 | \$277.28 | \$26.84 | \$250.44 | \$372.95 |
| 1930 | Lizzie Rundlett | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.500% | | \$8.98 | \$268.56 | \$30.01 | \$238.55 | \$361.06 |
| 1932 | Daniel Gate | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.500% | | \$8.98 | \$268.56 | \$30.01 | \$238.55 | \$361.06 |
| 1933 | George Hepkinton | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | 3.439% | | \$20.59 | \$651.28 | \$68.78 | \$582.51 | \$827.53 |
| 1934 | Mary E. P. Sanborn | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.520% | | \$9.10 | \$273.80 | \$30.41 | \$243.39 | \$365.90 |
| 1934 | Almon L. True | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.504% | | \$9.00 | \$269.51 | \$30.08 | \$239.43 | \$361.94 |
| 1941 | Hattie Chase | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | 3.207% | | \$19.20 | \$590.79 | \$64.13 | \$526.66 | \$771.68 |
| 1943 | Marcus M. Taylor | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 1.608% | | \$9.62 | \$296.49 | \$32.15 | \$264.34 | \$386.85 |
| 1943 | Frank R. Blaisdell | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 9.066% | | \$54.28 | \$1,750.45 | \$236.36 | \$1,514.09 | \$2,126.66 |
| 1946 | Charles E. Gear | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$612.57 | | \$612.57 | 1.371% | | \$8.21 | \$234.86 | \$27.42 | \$207.44 | \$329.95 |
| 1946 | Milton J. Gly | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | 3.244% | | \$19.42 | \$600.41 | \$64.87 | \$535.54 | \$780.56 |
| 1947 | Cyrus Sanborn | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | 3.262% | | \$19.53 | \$605.25 | \$65.24 | \$540.01 | \$785.03 |
| 1950 | Abbie M. Norris | CRL | CI-Prop. Cem | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | | | | | | | |

| | | | | Principal | | | Interest | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|-----|--------------|------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | | | | Balance Beg. Yr. | New Funds | Balance End Yr. | Balance Beg. Yr. | Inc. For Year | | Expanded For Yr. | Balance End Yr. | P. & I. End Yr. | |
| Date | Name of Trust Fund | Use | How Invested | | | | | % | Amount | Total | | | |
| 1951 | IM&C Purington | CBL | CT-Pros. Cem | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | \$496.04 | 2.910% | \$17.42 | \$513.47 | \$58.20 | \$455.26 | \$700.28 |
| 1952 | Elizabeth Beals | CBL | CT-Pros. Cem | \$245.02 | | \$245.02 | \$611.73 | 3.364% | \$20.14 | \$631.87 | \$67.29 | \$564.59 | \$809.61 |
| 1954 | William Feldsend | CBL | CT-Pros. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | \$262.38 | 1.511% | \$9.05 | \$271.43 | \$30.23 | \$241.20 | \$363.71 |
| 1958 | Frank Willard | CBL | CT-Pros. Cem | \$367.54 | | \$367.54 | \$913.54 | 5.031% | \$30.12 | \$943.66 | \$100.61 | \$843.05 | \$1,210.59 |
| 1968 | John J. Tilton | CBL | CT-Pros. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | \$239.79 | 1.423% | \$8.52 | \$248.31 | \$28.45 | \$219.86 | \$342.37 |
| 1976 | John & Minnie Warren | CBL | CT-Pros. Cem | \$490.05 | | \$490.05 | \$842.74 | 5.234% | \$31.33 | \$874.07 | \$104.67 | \$769.40 | \$1,259.45 |
| 1983 | Fred Johnson | CBL | CT-Pros. Cem | \$122.51 | | \$122.51 | \$106.66 | 0.900% | \$5.39 | \$112.05 | \$18.00 | \$94.05 | \$216.56 |
| 1999 | Alice Langdon | CBL | CT-Pros. Cem | \$500.00 | | \$500.00 | (\$0.00) | 1.963% | \$11.75 | \$11.75 | \$11.75 | \$0.00 | \$500.00 |
| 1999 | Ron Nowe Sr. | CPC | CT-Pros. Cem | \$500.00 | | \$500.00 | (\$0.00) | 1.963% | \$11.75 | \$11.75 | \$11.75 | \$0.00 | \$500.00 |
| CT Prospect Cemetary TOTALS | | | | \$8,626.35 | | \$8,626.35 | \$16,839.50 | 100.000% | \$598.70 | \$17,438.20 | \$2,000.00 | \$15,438.20 | \$24,064.55 |
| Total Common Trust Funds | | | | \$75,219.10 | \$0.00 | \$75,219.10 | \$44,422.83 | | \$2,971.72 | \$50,421.73 | \$3,789.10 | \$46,632.63 | \$121,851.73 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other General Trust Funds | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1988 | Ladd Family Fund | Fam | NHPDIP | \$1,300.00 | | \$1,300.00 | \$458.39 | | \$42.75 | \$501.14 | \$200.00 | \$301.14 | \$1,601.14 |
| 1989 | Karen Bickford Mem. | SCH | NHPDIP | \$13,285.00 | | \$13,285.00 | \$2,577.82 | | \$390.03 | \$2,967.85 | \$0.00 | \$2,967.85 | \$16,252.85 |
| Total Other Gen. Trust Funds | | | | \$14,585.00 | \$0.00 | \$14,585.00 | \$3,036.21 | | \$432.78 | \$3,468.99 | \$200.00 | \$3,268.99 | \$17,853.99 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total All Trusts | | | | \$89,804.10 | \$0.00 | \$89,804.10 | \$46,605.83 | | \$3,404.50 | \$53,890.72 | \$3,989.10 | \$49,901.62 | \$139,705.72 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Capital Reserve Funds | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2000 | Landfill Closing | | NHPDIP | \$108,111.27 | \$5,000.00 | \$113,111.27 | | | \$2,250.21 | | \$40,423.39 | | \$74,938.09 |
| 2002 | Cemetery Expansion | | NHPDIP | \$24,190.17 | \$0.00 | \$24,190.17 | | | \$594.62 | | \$0.00 | | \$24,784.79 |
| 2003 | Highway Truck | | NHPDIP | \$426.91 | \$0.00 | \$426.91 | | | \$10.63 | | \$0.00 | | \$437.54 |
| 2005 | ETV | | NHPDIP | \$10,487.11 | \$16,376.92 | \$26,864.03 | | | \$378.13 | | \$4,580.00 | | \$22,662.16 |
| 2005 | Town Hall Repair | | NHPDIP | \$2,013.61 | \$20,000.00 | \$22,013.61 | | | \$177.76 | | \$0.00 | | \$22,191.37 |
| 2005 | Recreation Assistant | | NHPDIP | \$15,875.51 | \$7,340.25 | \$23,215.76 | | | \$411.62 | | \$0.00 | | \$23,627.38 |
| Capital Reserve Total | | | | \$161,104.58 | \$48,717.17 | \$209,821.75 | | | \$3,822.97 | | \$45,003.39 | | \$168,641.33 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total All Funds | | | | \$250,908.68 | \$48,717.17 | \$299,625.85 | | | \$7,227.47 | | \$48,992.49 | | \$308,347.05 |

Report of the Common Trust Fund Investments MS-10

December 31, 2008

| How Invested | | Principal | | | | Income | | | | Grand Total | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| No. Units | Description | Balance Beg. Year | Purchases | Proceeds of Sales | Gain from Sales (new money) | Balance End Year | Balance Beg. Year | Income This Year | Expended This Year | Balance End Year | P. & I. End of Year |
| | Common Trust #1: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | \$66,492.75 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$66,492.75 | \$30,710.51 | \$2,373.02 | \$1,789.10 | \$31,294.43 | \$97,787.18 |
| | C.T.-Prospect Cemetery | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$8,626.35 | \$16,839.50 | \$598.70 | \$2,000.00 | \$15,438.20 | \$24,064.55 |
| Total Common Trust | | \$75,119.10 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$75,119.10 | \$47,550.01 | \$2,971.72 | \$3,789.10 | \$46,732.63 | \$121,851.73 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | MBIA NH-01-0545-0004 | | | | | | | | | | \$97,531.03 |
| | MBIA NH-01-0545-0006 | | | | | | | | | | \$24,064.55 |
| | Fleet Check Acct 9358137037 | | | | | | | | | | \$256.15 |
| Total All Accounts | | | | | | | | | | | \$121,851.73 |

Salaries of Town Employees

| Employee | Department | Type | 2008 Salary | Amount Earned* |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Bielecki, Judith | Admin Assist | FT | \$38,123 | \$41,822.10 |
| Blanchard, Joyce | Deputy Clerk | FT | 36,504 | 35,590.12 |
| Bonenfant, Carol | Police Sec. | FT | 32,760 | 34,902.06 |
| Chapman, Bruce | Highway | FT | 32,427 | 43,727.42 |
| Childs, John | Ambul | FT | 38,210 | 34,369.72 |
| Clark, Gregory | Highway | FT | 31,491 | 34,984.24 |
| Cote, Richard | Police | FT | 45,698 | 55,095.13 |
| Dionne, Norman | Water | FT | 52,333 | 66,118.87 |
| Dodge, Gregory | Police | FT | 74,422 | 75,856.30 |
| Fluet, Raymond | Police | FT | 44,366 | 54,034.76 |
| Fogg, Lisa | Finance | FT | 40,664 | 42,247.16 |
| Foley, Linda | Tax Clerk | FT | 50,378 | 52,274.23 |
| Freeman, James | TS Supr | FT | 42,182 | 44,423.13 |
| Gallagher, Sean | Police | FT | 53,435 | 70,375.85 |
| Hickey, Seth | Rec | FT | 43,909 | 42,927.28 |
| Jardis, Bradley | Police | FT | 43,056 | 51,099.11 |
| Kilham, Robert | Sewer | FT | 48,547 | 52,647.27 |
| Koch, Dennis | W&S Admin | FT | 52,557 | 47,514.10 |
| Kramer, Daniel | Code | FT | 45,011 | 41,729.84 |
| Loader, David | Police | FT | 40,560 | 45,587.05 |
| McDonough, Phyllis | Planning | FT | 39,874 | 40,136.59 |
| McFadden, Richard | Police | FT | 47,070 | 58,903.99 |
| Newman, Jason | Police | FT | 53,435 | 66,071.45 |
| Nickerson, Marc | Ambul | FT | 42,494 | 50,781.50 |
| Nye, Gregory | Police | FT | 47,070 | 60,691.19 |
| Reinhold, David | Highway | FT | 50,378 | 64,179.43 |
| Reynolds-Cooper, A. | Library | FT | 43,709 | 22,385.73 |
| Ruest, Joseph | Highway | FT | 39,520 | 7,142.00 |
| Shankle, Dean | Town Admin | FT | 60,528 | 56,401.27 |
| Soares, Stephen | Police | FT | 36,774 | 35,636.64 |
| Tondreault, Seth | Police | FT | 36,774 | 51,143.68 |
| Turner, Marc | Police | FT | 52,998 | 60,087.83 |
| Wallace, Mike | Police | FT | 58,926 | 65,465.03 |
| Zukas, Kevin | Ambul | FT | 11,830 | 8,680.72 |
| Total Full Time Salaries | | | \$1,508,013 | \$1,615,032.79 |

| Employee | Department | Type | 2008 Rate | Amount Earned* |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------|-----------|---------------------|
| Brown, Paula | Code/Sec | PT | \$12.41 | \$19,219.05 |
| Bennis, Daniel | ETV | PT | 8.32 | 2,253.14 |
| Channell, William | ETV | PT | 12.00 | 14,985.00 |
| Denoncour, Joseph | ETV | PT | 9.36 | 1,919.04 |
| Frederick, Glenn | ETV | PT | 9.00 | 3,867.20 |
| Johnson, Stephen | ETV | PT | 8.32 | 1,863.68 |
| Richard, Roxanne | ETV | PT | 8.32 | 6,543.68 |
| Andrews, Nancy | Library | PT | 10.00 | 9,342.50 |
| Dudley, Laura | Library | PT | 18.00 | 21,125.25 |
| Murphy, Simonne | Library | PT | 9.00 | 2,380.50 |
| Nutt, Lily | Library | PT | 7.25 | 1,972.42 |
| Wilkins, Tracie | Library | PT | 11.36 | 17,066.24 |
| Cote, Shannon | Library | PT | 16.50 | 4,854.00 |
| Hanley, Paul | Police | PT | 16.50 | 9,958.51 |
| Hansen, William | Police | PT | 11.28 | 5,248.32 |
| Kelley, Kevin | Police | PT | 16.50 | 7,516.50 |
| Laurent, Beverly | Police | PT | 9.00 | 1,402.50 |
| Leduc, Jeffrey | Police | PT | 16.50 | 7,209.00 |
| Newell, Heather | Police | PT | 31.00 | 33,172.00 |
| Newman, Richard | Police | PT | 17.50 | 36,570.01 |
| Carrick, Kevin | Solid Waste | PT | 10.23 | 8,427.61 |
| McKenzie, Michael | Solid Waste | PT | 10.00 | 4,467.50 |
| Stone, Earnest | Solid Waste | PT | 10.00 | 8,175.00 |
| Victoria, John | W/5 | PT | 22.46 | 2,897.34 |
| Total Part Time Salaries | | | | \$232,435.99 |

*Includes overtime pay and police detail work.

Auditor's Report



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF CONTROL DEFICIENCIES AND OTHER MATTERS

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

In planning and reporting our audit of the financial statements of the Town of Epping as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Town of Epping's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Epping's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Epping's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Town of Epping's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Town of Epping's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Town of Epping's internal control. We believe that the following deficiencies constitute material weaknesses. We did not note any matters that we would consider to be material weaknesses.

We want to discuss the following issues that we do not consider to be significant deficiencies.

Proper Purchasing Procedures

The Town is not always following its purchasing policies and procedures. We tested sixty disbursements chosen randomly. Our findings were as follows: Eight of the invoices were not properly approved by a department head; one disbursement requiring a purchase order did not have one; and three purchase orders were approved subsequent to the invoice date.

We recommend that department heads follow instituted policies and procedures as required. We understand that the Town accountant has issued a memo to all department heads reminding them of the proper procedures to follow. Also, the Board may wish to revise some of the procedures as appropriate after consulting with the department heads.

*Town of Epping**Independent Auditor's Communication of Control Deficiencies and Other Matters**Trust Funds Investment Policy*

The trustees of trust funds have not adopted a formal investment policy as required under the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated (RSA 31:25).

In order to comply with the statute, the trustees should adopt an annual investment policy. The Local Government Center has published a basic financial policies handbook, which could be used as a guide.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the board of selectmen, others within the organization, and state and federal agencies, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

July 29, 2008

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General Information

Elected Officials

Selectmen

Jeffrey Harris, Chair, 2009
Karen Sott, 2011
Jerry Langdon, 2009
Thomas Gauthier, 2010
Dianne Gilbert, 2010

Town Clerk

Linda Foley, 2010
Deputy: Joyce Blanchard

Tax Collector

Linda Foley, 2010
Deputy: Joyce Blanchard

Treasurer

Nathan D. Robbins, 2011
Joseph Foley, Deputy

Fire Wards

Richard Cantrall, 2011, resigned 10/08
Charles Goodspeed, 2009
Donald Oakes, 2010
Tom Gauthier, Selectmen's Representative

Cemetery Trustees

Grace Frost, 2011
Daniel Harvey, 2009
Paul Ladd, 2010

Moderator

Robert Goodrich, 2010

Planning Board

Robert Graham, 2009, resigned 2/08
Steve Colby, 2009
Gregory Tillman, 2010, Chair
Thomas Dwyer, Jr., 2010
Mike Morosco, 2009
Karen Sott, Selectmen's Representative

Library Trustees

Lynn Reinhard, 2011
Sylvia Nollett, 2009
Teresa Kucera, 2009, resigned 7/08
Michael Swegles, 2010
Tracy Dwyer, 2010, resigned 7/08
Nan Nutt, appointed 10/08
Christine Vallone, appointed 10/08

Budget Committee

Rose Colby, 2011
Jeff Leduc, 2011, Chair
Mark Leclerc, 2011
Amy Randall, 2009
Michael King, 2009, resigned 10/08
Paul Spidle, 2009
Thomas Dwyer, Jr., 2010
Michelle Cromarty, 2010
Sandra Osgood, 2010
Tammy Shennett, appointed 10/08
Jeffrey Harris, Selectmen's Representative
Scott Booth, School Board Representative

Trustees of Trust Fund

Joe Denoncour, 2010, Chair
Mark Kucera, 2011
Daniel Harvey, 2009

Supervisors of Checklist

Grace Lavoie, 2010
Kim Gauthier, 2014
Pamela Holmes, 2012

Water and Sewer Commission

Joseph Foley, 2009, Chair
Henry DeBoer, 2011
Michael King, 2010
Dennis Koch, Appointed Administrator
Jerry Langdon, Selectmen's Representative

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Paul Spidle, Chair, 2009
Dave Mylott, 2011
Bob Jordan, 2009
Paul Brown, 2010
Ronald Nowe, 2010
Alternates, Peter Loch 2010, resigned 9/08
Patrick Pagnani Jr., 2011

Appointed Officials

Selectmen's Office

Town Administrator, Dean Shankle (no term)
Assessing Clerk, Administrative Assistant: Judith Bielecki (no term)
Assistant: Joyce Blanchard (no term)
Bookkeeper: Lisa Fogg (no term)
Planning Board Secretary: Phyllis McDonough (no term)
Code Enforcement Officer: Dan Kramer (no term)
Code Enforcement Secretary: Paula Brown (no term)
Emergency Management: Roswell Galvin (no term)

Police Department

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

Fire Department

Chief of Department: Christopher Murphy, resigned 1/08
Roswell Galvin, appointed 1/08

Welfare Administrator

Phyllis McDonough (no term)

Temporary Library Director

Laurel Dudley, appointed 6/08

Recreation Director

Seth Hickey (no term)

Recreation Advisory Commission

Kelli Killen

Brian Reed, 2009, reinstated 12/08

John DiFrancesco, 2009

Barbara Carrigan, 2010

Thomas Gauthier, Selectmen's

Representative

Ballot Clerks

Patricia Sutcliffe, 2010

Barbara MacDonald, 2010

Abby Constantineau, 2010

Patricia Vanwagoner, 2010

Conservation Commission

Scott Pim, 2011

Sonja Gonzalez, 2010

Jeff Conrad, 2011

Gregory Tillman, Chair, 2010

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

Martin, Kevin

Historic District Commission

Steve Colby, Chair

Nancy Grimard

Pam Carrier

Jim Rogier, 2010

Devon Rains, 2010

Karen Sott, Selectman's Representative

School District Officers**School Board**

Gregory Dodge, 2011, Chair

Shawn Patton, 2011

Pamela Tibbetts, 2009, resigned

03/13/08

Scott Booth, 2010

Susan Kimball, 2010, resigned 3/02/08

Susan Kimball, appointed 04/22/08

Kelli Killen, appointed 04/22/08

Superintendent of Schools

Barbara Munsey

Business Administrator

Martha Williamson

Special Education Director

Cathryn Zylinski

Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Gary Tyrone

Administrators

Grades 1-5

Mark Vallone, Principal

Grades 6-8

Lynn Ward Healy, Principal

Grades 9-12

Dixie Bacallao Tremblay, Principal

Treasurer

Joseph Foley, 2011

Clerk

Robin O'Day, 2011

Moderator

Robert Goodrich, 2011

The Town of Epping will elect the following officials on March 10, 2009

Board of Adjustment

3 years / 2 positions

Budget Committee

3 years / 3 positions

Cemetery Trustees

3 years / 1 position

Fire Ward

3 years / 1 position

Fire Ward

2 years / 1 position

Library Trustee

3 years / 2 positions

Library Trustee

1 year / 1 position

Planning Board

3 years / 2 positions

Selectman

3 years / 2 positions

Trust Fund Trustee

3 years / 1 position

Water & Sewer Commission

3 years / 1 position

Epping School District

School Board Member

3 years / 1 position

School Board Member

1 years / 1 position

Election

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Polling Place: Epping Middle School
Gymnasium

Polling Hours: 8 A.M. – 7 P.M.

Area Statistical Information

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| CID Number | 810 |
| County | Rockingham |
| Labor Market Area | Portsmouth-Manchester |
| Distance to: | |
| Manchester, NH | 23 miles |
| Boston, MA | 54 miles |
| Portland, ME | 74 miles |
| New York, NY | 257 miles |
| Montreal, Canada | 278 miles |
| Elevation | 160 |
| Temperature (°F) | |
| Annual Average | 46.6 |
| January Average | 22.2 |
| Precipitation: Annual Average | 44.0 |

Demographics

| Total Population | Community | County |
|--------------------------|------------|---------|
| 2007 | 6,169 | 296,543 |
| 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 | 383 | |
| 5 to 19 | 1,219 | |
| 20 to 34 | 1,030 | |
| 35 to 54 | 1,921 | |
| 55 to 64 | 417 | |
| 65+ | 509 | |
| Median Age | 35.8 years | |

Commuting Patterns (2000)

| | |
|---|------|
| Min. travel time to work (mins) | 27.7 |
| Residents working in community | 16% |
| Residents commuting to another NH community | 69% |
| Residents commuting out-of-state | 15% |

Largest Employers (as of 6/3/05)

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Wal-Mart | 350 |
| Epping High School | 91 |
| Epping Elementary School | 87 |
| McDonalds | 50 |
| ERRCO (Recycling) | 47 |
| Abenaki Timber | 30 |
| Burger King | 25 |
| PSNH (Utility) | 15 |
| Goodrich Brickyard | 12 |

Municipal Services

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Town Hall Hours | Mon.-Thurs., 8-4; Fri., 8-Noon |
| Town Clerk | Mon., Noon to 8; Weds., 9-6; Fri., 9-3 |
| Type of Government | Selectman/SB2 |
| Budget (Annual 2007) | \$5,243,464 |
| Planning Board | Elected |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed by | Planning Board |
| Zoning Board | Yes |
| Master Plan | 2006 |
| Capital Improvement Plan | Yes |
| Full Time Police Dept. | Yes |
| Full Time Fire Dept. | Yes |
| Town Fire Insurance Rating | 5/9 |

Taxes (2008)

| | |
|--|---------|
| Local Property Tax Rate (per thousand) | \$19.69 |
| Assessment Ratio | 98% |

Housing (2008)

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Single-Family Units | 1,672 |
| Multi-Family Units | 440 |
| Mobile Homes/Manufactured | 453 |
| Number of Building Permits | 145 |

Utilities

| | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Electricity | PSNH/Electric Coop. |
| Natural Gas | None |
| Water | Epping Water Dept. |
| Source | 2 Bed Rock Wells |
| Average Usage Hoar Well | 90 gpm |
| Average Usage Well #4 | 70 gpm |
| Sanitation | |
| Sewer | Municipal |
| Coverage | 25% |
| Municipal Treatment Plant | |
| Type | Active Sludge/Zenon Microfiltration |
| Capacity (million gal/day) | 0.50 |
| Load (percent of capacity) | 20% |
| Telephone | Verizon/Comcast/Fairpoint |
| Cellular Phone Access | Yes |
| Cable Television Access | Yes |
| High-Speed Internet Service (Bus. & Res.) | Yes |

Transportation/access

| | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Road Access | |
| State Routes..... | 101, 125, 27 |
| Nearest Interstate | 1-95, Exit 2 |
| Distance..... | 15 miles |
| Railroad..... | Downeaster (Exeter) |
| Airport..... | Manchester-Boston Regional |
| Runway..... | 9,250 feet |
| Lighted | Yes |
| Navigational Aids..... | Yes |
| Distance | 27 miles |

Medical & Health

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Hospital..... | Exeter Hospital |
| Distance | 10 Miles |
| Beds | 218 |
| Number of Doctors working in town | 1 |

Educational/Childcare Facilities

| | Grades | Enroll. |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Elementary | K-5 | 456 |
| Middle/Jr. High | 6-8 | 224 |
| High School | 9-12 | 355 |
| Daycare Facilities | | 7 |
| Total Capacity..... | | 232 |

Higher Education Institutions

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Technical College..... | Stratham Comm. Tech., Seacoast School of Tech., Exeter |
| College/University | Chester College of NH, McIntosh, Great Bay, University of NH |

Community Services & Recreation

| | |
|--|--------------------------|
| Protestant Churches..... | 4 |
| Catholic Churches | 1 |
| Hotels/Motels | 1 |
| Bed & Breakfasts | 1 |
| Live Theater | 1 |
| Museums | 1 |
| Local Television | 1 |
| Channel 22, Epping TV & Bulletin Board | |
| Library..... | 1 |
| Harvey-Mitchell Memorial | |
| Municipal Parks | 1 |
| Conservation Areas..... | 3 |
| Tennis Courts | 1 |
| Nearest Ski Areas | McIntyre/White Mountains |
| Other Recreation | 2 Race Tracks |

Town Directory**Emergency Numbers**

| | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Fire/Police/Rescue..... | 911 |
|-------------------------|-----|

General Business

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Fire | 679-1846 |
| Police..... | 679-5122 |
| Animal Control | 679-5122 |

Schools

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Elementary..... | 679-8018 |
| Middle | 679-2544 |
| High School | 679-5472 |
| Superintendent's Office | 679-8003 |

Town Offices

| | |
|---|---------------------------|
| Code Enforcement | 679-5441 x113 |
| Building/Health Officer | 679-5441 x113 |
| Public Works | 679-5441 x108 |
| Library..... | 679-5944 |
| Planning and Zoning, Welfare | 679-1202 |
| Recreation | 679-3301 |
| Tax Assessing | 679-5441 x100 |
| Town Administrator..... | 679-5441 x100 |
| Town Clerk/Tax Collector | 679-8288 or 679-5441 x109 |
| (voter/car registrations, dog licenses, taxes, water/sewer payments) | |
| Selectmen | 679-5441 x100 |
| Water and Sewer..... | 679-5171 |

Other Resources

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Dept. of Motor Vehicles..... | 679-2111 or 271-2383 |
| Epping Post Office..... | 679-5952 |
| Rockingham County Sheriff | 679-2225 |
| Exeter Chamber of Commerce | 772-2411 |
| Raymond Chamber of Commerce..... | 895-2254 |
| Rockingham Planning Commission | 778-0885 |
| Epping Watson Academy Seniors..... | 679-3797 |
| Citizens Services: Gov. Office..... | 800-852-3456 |
| Fish and Game..... | 271-3422 |
| Veteran's Council | 271-2621 |

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

Town Owned Properties

| Map | Lot | Location | Value | Map | Lot | Location | Value |
|-----|---------|--|--------------|-----|---------|--|--------------|
| 10 | 032 | High Road — 22 Acres w/Conservation Easement | 122,700.00 | 26 | 027 | Quakerfield Drive — 1.64 Acres | 25,700.00 |
| 12 | 026 | Off Camp Lee Road — 4.5 Acres | 40,300.00 | 26 | 028 | Quakerfield Drive — 1.3 Acres | 25,500.00 |
| 13 | 028 | 315 Prescott Road — .81 Acres & House | 215,700.00 | 27 | 020 | Mill Rd — 5.5 Acres, Cemetery Land | 110,600.00 |
| 15 | 013 | Red Oak Hill — 40,000 s.f. | 93,800.00 | 27 | 020-A | Mill Rd — 4.50 Acres, Cemetery Land | 28,100.00 |
| 18 | 001 | Jacobs Well Road — 11.65 Acres, Conservation Land | 164,900.00 | 27 | 061 | Holt Rd. — 6.0 Acres, West Epping Fire Station | 272,400.00 |
| 20 | 026-045 | Olde Bridge Lane — 17.03 Acres, Open Space | 5,800.00 | 27 | 095 | Folsom Lane — Mary Folsom Blair Memorial Park | 155,400.00 |
| 20 | 026-046 | Olde Bridge Lane — 11.82 Acres, Open Space | 4,000.00 | 27 | 190 | Depot Road — 3.36 Acres | 94,900.00 |
| 20 | 049 | Blake Road — 64 Acres | 9,000.00 | 29 | 103 | Pleasant Street — 4.4 Acres, Backland | 116,500.00 |
| 21 | 028 | Olde Bridge Lane — 51.78 Acres, Open Space | 104,400.00 | 29 | 104 | Pleasant Street — 17,200 s.f., Water Tower Land | 428,100.00 |
| 22 | 043 | Hamilton Drive — 25.73 Acres | 28,300.00 | 29 | 113 | 37 Pleasant Street — Safety Complex | 1,775,300.00 |
| 22 | 044 | Hoar Pond Property — Beniah Lane | 304,400.00 | 29 | 124 | Pleasant St. — Scout Field, Custody of School | 36,300.00 |
| 22 | 049 | 18 Prescott Rd. — 4.50 Acres | 133,800.00 | 29 | 133 | Main Street — 1.77 Acres, Town Hall & Parking Lot | 861,700.00 |
| 22 | 053 | 17 Academy St. — Watson Academy | 536,800.00 | 29 | 134 | Main Street — Harvey Mitchell Memorial Library | 284,600.00 |
| 22 | 053-B | 17 Prospect Rd. — Elementary School | 2,647,900.00 | 29 | 135 | Main Street — 7,200 s.f., Main St. Fire Station | 227,600.00 |
| 22 | 053-A | 21 Prospect St. — Middle/High School | 8,505,900.00 | 29 | 137 | 14 Water St. — .67 Acres, Parking Area | 89,600.00 |
| 22 | 068 | Plumer Road — 17,000 s.f., Old Cemetery | 43,700.00 | 29 | 161 | Mill St. — Waste Water Treatment Lift Station | 82,000.00 |
| 22 | 089 | Cate St. — 3.18 Acres, Sports Field | 87,600.00 | 29 | 162 | Water St. — Miriam Jackson Memorial Park | 67,600.00 |
| 22 | 095 | Cate St. — 2.25 Acres | 89,800.00 | 29 | 167 | Water St. — 5,226 s.f., Dar Memorial Lot | 60,700.00 |
| 22 | 096 | Cate St. — Sports Field & Tennis Courts | 87,300.00 | 29 | 177 | Bunker Ave. — 900 s.f., Parking Lot | 50,900.00 |
| 22 | 097 | 213 Main St. — Sau & Field | 639,600.00 | 29 | 283-E | Calef Hwy. — For Sewer Lift Station | 448,900.00 |
| 24 | 001 | 130 Old Hedding Rd. — 13.18 Acres | 173,300.00 | 29 | 283-008 | Calef Highway — .057 Acres | 36,500.00 |
| 24 | 009 | Route 87 — 11.2 Acres | 134,500.00 | 29 | 285 | Main St. — Triangle, Epping Garden Club | 535,200.00 |
| 24 | 096 | Old Hedding Rd — Transfer Station, Recycling, Highway Storage | 201,500.00 | 29 | 312 | Bunker Ave. — 1,465 s.f., Three Lot Parking Lot | 23,200.00 |
| 24 | 097 | Dorothy Drive — 6 Acres, Backland | 20,500.00 | 30 | 031 | Lagoon Rd. — Municipal Sewage Treatment Facility | 1,525,200.00 |
| 25 | 002 | Jacobs Well Road — 2.73 Acres, Conservation Land | 125,000.00 | 30 | 056 | Route 27 — 9.98 Acres | 34,200.00 |
| 26 | 001 | Prescott Road — 2 Acres | 26,000.00 | 31 | 026 | Mast Road — 46.66 Acres | 10,100.00 |
| 26 | 014 | Joshua Lane — 3.21 Acres | 27,500.00 | 32 | 025 | Birch Road — 18 Acres | 60,500.00 |
| 26 | 015 | Joshua Lane — 1.47 Acres | 25,300.00 | 33 | 024 | Route 101 West — 3.34 Acres | 27,700.00 |
| 26 | 016 | Joshua Lane — 2.02 Acres | 26,000.00 | 33 | 025 | Route 101 — 1.49 Acres | 25,300.00 |
| 26 | 017 | Joshua Lane — 1.24 Acres | 24,800.00 | 33 | 026 | Off Route 101 — 1.38 Acres | 25,200.00 |
| 26 | 018 | Joshua Lane — 1.71 Acres | 25,600.00 | 33 | 027 | Off Route 101 — 2.16 Acres | 26,200.00 |
| 26 | 019 | Joshua Lane — 1.12 Acres | 24,400.00 | 34 | 034 | Beede Road — 5.19 Acres | 115,700.00 |
| 26 | 020 | Joshua Lane — 1.77 Acres | 25,700.00 | 35 | 006 | Fremont Road — .17 Acres | 6,400.00 |
| 26 | 021 | Joshua Lane — 1.59 Acres | 25,500.00 | 36 | 020 | Fremont Road — .52 Acres & Bldg. | 91,500.00 |
| 26 | 022 | Joshua Lane — 1.68 Acres | 25,600.00 | 37 | 007 | Off Exeter Road — 25 Acres | 1,400.00 |
| 26 | 023 | Quakerfield Drive — 1.46 Acres | 25,300.00 | 38 | 025 | Exeter Road — 17.26 Acres | 459,200.00 |
| 26 | 024 | Joshua Lane — 1.52 Acres | 25,400.00 | 39 | 010 | 10 Birch Road — 20 Acres | 40,200.00 |
| 26 | 025 | Joshua Lane — 1.10 Acres | 24,400.00 | | | | |
| 26 | 026 | Joshua Lane — 1.37 Acres | 25,700.00 | | | | |

Marriages

January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008

| Date of Marriage | Name of Groom & Bride | Residence of Groom & Bride |
|------------------|--|----------------------------|
| 1/2/2008 | Scott Boston Amanda Smith | Epping Somersworth |
| 2/9/2008 | Stanley Robbins Joann Finegan | Epping Epping |
| 2/24/2008 | Charles Partaledis Alexandra Willis | Epping Epping |
| 3/1/2008 | Brett Walker Carey-Ann Boulanger | Epping Epping |
| 3/22/2008 | Shawn Morin Kathleen Gustin | Epping Epping |
| 3/28/2008 | Miles Chipman Traci Turner | Epping Epping |
| 4/25/2008 | Raymond Fawcett Linda Grant | Epping Raymond |
| 4/26/2008 | Brian Patterson Kathleen McKee | Epping Epping |
| 4/30/2008 | Reyes Sanchez Michelle Moore | Epping Epping |
| 5/24/2008 | Sean Waters Tiffany Price | Epping Epping |
| 5/24/2008 | Sean Rickwall Bethany Bartlett | Epping Dover |
| 5/31/2008 | Brian Moss Elizabeth Mahoney | Epping Epping |
| 6/7/2008 | Daniel South Jessica Salinder | Epping Epping |
| 6/7/2008 | Benjamin Piper Angela Jennings | Epping Epping |
| 6/21/2008 | John Tuck Kayla Meredith | Epping Epping |
| 6/28/2008 | Fanny Barnett Arthur Forster | Epping Epping |
| 7/7/2008 | Jarod Moulton Kristie Frost | Epping Epping |
| 7/12/2008 | Christopher Brown Sarah Peabody | Epping Epping |
| 7/12/2008 | Benjamin Lamarche Noele Arrott | Epping Epping |
| 7/27/2008 | Duane Paschal Jennifer Lanese | Epping Epping |

| Date of Marriage | Name of Groom & Bride | Residence of Groom & Bride |
|------------------|--|----------------------------|
| 8/2/2008 | James Reese Justeen Peel | Epping Plaistow |
| 8/8/2008 | G Michael Vose Denise Robinson | Epping Epping |
| 8/8/2008 | Richard Hammond Jennifer Leigh | Raymond Epping |
| 8/15/2008 | Brian Toomire Jane Colby | Epping Epping |
| 8/15/2008 | Timothy McPhee Sarah Kennedy | Epping Epping |
| 8/17/2008 | Albert Poliquin Yvonne Poliquin | Epping Epping |
| 8/22/2008 | Keith Christopher Jennifer Rowden | Epping Epping |
| 8/23/2008 | Joseph Hamilton Ronna Woike | Epping Epping |
| 9/6/2008 | Bruce Chapman Jemima Choolijian | Epping Epping |
| 9/12/2008 | Jeffrey Richard Tara Cate | Epping Epping |
| 9/14/2008 | Craig Heon Caitlin Collins | Epping Epping |
| 9/20/2008 | Daryl Rice Jenna Brooks | Candia Epping |
| 9/20/2008 | Christopher Heal Lauren Braly | Epping Epping |
| 10/4/2008 | William Sawyer Alice Anderson | Epping Stratham |
| 10/11/2008 | John Woodward Amy Blattenberger | Epping Kingston |
| 10/17/2008 | Christopher McConnell Kristin Merry | Epping Epping |
| 10/18/2008 | Gregory Nye Christina Lailer | Epping Epping |
| 10/18/2008 | Joshua Grenier Meagan Bernier | Epping Epping |
| 10/25/2008 | William Silva Heather Farrell | Manchester Epping |
| 11/22/2008 | Patrick Bergin Melanie Jackson | Epping Epping |

Civil Unions

January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008

| Date of Civil Union | Name of Parties | Residence of Parties |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1/1/2008 | Judy Hicks Jean Robb | Epping Epping |
| 1/8/2008 | Lori Stowell Bridget Ronaghan | Epping Epping |
| 9/20/2008 | Dorene Heselton Debbie Prue | Epping Epping |

Births

January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008

| Date of Birth | Child's Name | Parents' Names | Birthplace |
|---------------|------------------------------|---|------------|
| 1/12/2008 | Taylor Madison Comeau | Adrienne Comeau / Gregory Comeau | Exeter |
| 1/14/2008 | Logan Carey Lewis | Pamela Lewis / Matthew Lewis | Exeter |
| 1/16/2008 | Robson Leland Perkins-Fowler | Doris Perkins / Paul Fowler | Exeter |
| 1/20/2008 | Jacob William Gagnon-Kalil | Shayna Kalil / Gerald Gagnon | Exeter |
| 1/28/2008 | Ava Jo Birarelli | Dawn Birarelli / Kristopher Birarelli | Exeter |
| 1/29/2008 | Sean Daniel Haugh | Jaime Haugh / Daniel Haugh | Portsmouth |
| 1/30/2008 | Emile James Tessier | Angela Tessier / Jason Tessier | Exeter |
| 2/6/2008 | Nora Maureen Murray | Catherine Murray / Deryk Murray | Exeter |
| 2/19/2008 | Jonah Benjamin Katz | Sara Katz / Nathan Katz | Exeter |
| 3/6/2008 | Sydney Ann MacVicar | Julie MacVicar / Stephen MacVicar | Exeter |
| 3/8/2008 | Makenzie Leigh Pettis | Alicia Pettis / Justin Kenney | Exeter |
| 3/11/2008 | Reilly Anthony Clark | Heather Clark / Chester Clark | Exeter |
| 3/16/2008 | Kyle William Morrissey | Rachel Morrissey / Tim Morrissey | Exeter |
| 4/3/2008 | Kayla Sky Chase | Clara Chase / Joseph Chase | Exeter |
| 4/6/2008 | Avery Lynne O'Neil | Jenny O'Neil / John O'Neil | Exeter |
| 4/20/2008 | Athena Redansyr Partaledis | Alexandra Partaledis / Charles Partaledis | Exeter |
| 4/23/2008 | Keagan Ryan Lawrence | Andrea Lawrence / Ryan Lawrence | Exeter |
| 4/26/2008 | Alyssa Carol McNeil | Michelle McNeil / Michael McNeil | Manchester |
| 4/28/2008 | Rachel Natalia Mazzone | Melanie Mazzone / Christopher Mazzone | Exeter |
| 4/29/2008 | Tyler Christopher Bigelow | Melanie Bigelow / Christopher Bigelow | Exeter |
| 5/6/2008 | Ava Sloane Finkelstein | Colleen Finkelstein / Scott Finkelstein | Exeter |

| Date of Birth | Child's Name | Parents' Names | Birthplace |
|---------------|----------------------------------|---|------------|
| 5/7/2008 | Andrew David Lamb | Lindsey Fragola / Matthew Lamb | Exeter |
| 5/20/2008 | Kaitlyn Taylor Markulec | Kimberly Markulec / Jeffrey Markulec | Exeter |
| 5/27/2008 | Lilah Grace Smalley | Christina Smalley / Taylor Smalley | Exeter |
| 6/1/2008 | Haley Ruth Marden | Jennifer Marden / Craig Marden | Exeter |
| 6/2/2008 | Mackenzie Robyn Curry | Shannon Curry / Matthew Curry | Dover |
| 6/18/2008 | Hannah Elizabeth Amitault | Tracy Bockman | Manchester |
| 6/19/2008 | Alexander Jacob Walton | Cara Walton / Mark Walton | Manchester |
| 6/20/2008 | Gabriel Luke Reynolds | Robin Reynolds / Jason Reynolds | Concord |
| 6/22/2008 | Noah Ryan Flagg | Shannon Young / Joshua Flagg | Exeter |
| 6/26/2008 | Elizabeth Rose Chamberlain | Erin Chamberlain / David Chamberlain | Exeter |
| 6/26/2008 | Luccas Jean-Alexander Thompson | Noel Sullivan / Kyle Thompson | Exeter |
| 7/1/2008 | Wyatt Jackson Allen | Darcy Allen / Bruce Allen | Exeter |
| 7/2/2008 | Trevin Anthony Duffy | Kelly Duffy / Daniel Duffy | Exeter |
| 7/3/2008 | Beckham James Martin | Stephanie Fiore / Kevin Martin | Exeter |
| 7/7/2008 | Olivia Leila Vetter | Amy Robey / Charles Vetter | Exeter |
| 7/31/2008 | Madison Riley Garrant | Kimberly Garrant / Christopher Garrant | Exeter |
| 8/10/2008 | Ava Cathleen Duxbury | Stephanie Duxbury / Thomas Duxbury | Nashua |
| 8/14/2008 | Meagan Elizabeth Rinko | Christine Rinko / Bryan Rinko | Exeter |
| 8/23/2008 | Jackson Ernest Eichen | Mikella Grootenboer / Lawrence Eichen | Exeter |
| 8/30/2008 | Madeline Page Stevens | Sarah Stevens / Paul Stevens | Exeter |
| 8/31/2008 | Hannah Lyn Marshall | Bethany Marshall / Brent Marshall | Exeter |
| 9/1/2008 | Ethan Cooper Battles | Allison Battles / Scott Battles | Exeter |
| 9/18/2008 | Dylan Christopher Mihailidis | Kelly Mihailidis / Christopher Mihailidis | Exeter |
| 9/21/2008 | Brooke Summers Sostak | Shannon Fuller / Ryan Sostak | Exeter |
| 9/21/2008 | Hannah Mae Boston | Amanda Boston / Scott Boston | Exeter |
| 10/1/2008 | Tucker Jacob Chipman | Traci Chipman / Miles Chipman | Exeter |
| 10/9/2008 | Sean Joseph Webster | Amy Webster / Mark Webster | Exeter |
| 10/12/2008 | Faith Marie Bellen | Stacey Bellen / Frederick Bellen | Exeter |
| 10/20/2008 | Ethan Holden Byram | Lisa Byram / Jason Byram | Portsmouth |
| 10/21/2008 | Eliza Lynne Schmitz | Candice Schmitz / Ben Schmitz | Exeter |
| 10/22/2008 | Riley Ann-Marie Pelletier | Nichole Page | Exeter |
| 11/01/2008 | Chloe Anne Soper | Stephanie Flayhan / Matthew Soper | Exeter |
| 11/7/2008 | Teagan Dominique Fairchild Gagne | Jessica Fairchild / Rodney Gagne | Exeter |
| 12/14/2008 | Lyla Katherine Shumway | Katherine Shumway / Matthew Shumway | Exeter |

Deaths

January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008

| Date of Death | Place of Death | Name of Deceased | Father's Name | Mother's Name |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1/4/2008 | Fremont | Keith Drady | Howard Drady | Mildred Hooper |
| 2/1/2008 | Exeter | Virginia Barbasso | Ottavio Hoglievina | Claudia Peranovich |
| 2/13/2008 | Dover | Donald King | Unkown | Hazel King |
| 3/1/2008 | Manchester | James O'Connor Jr | James O'Connor Sr | Theresa Warts |
| 3/6/2008 | Exeter | Salvatore Barbasso Jr | Salvatore Barbasso | Lucille Silvestri |
| 3/8/2008 | Brentwood | Dorothy Ratte | Albert Kirkman | Mabel Dearbon |
| 3/14/2008 | Fremont | Arthur Desjardin | Daniel Desjardin | Eva Gamlin |
| 3/17/2008 | Exeter | Mary Shivvers | Cornelius Kelliher | Mary Cormier |
| 4/4/2008 | Dover | Theodore Schwarz | William Schwarz | Ruth Unknown |
| 5/16/2008 | Epping | Shirley Letourneau | Jesse Burleigh | Mabel Holmes |
| 5/19/2008 | Exeter | Gloria Locke | William Penniman | Ophelia Perkins |
| 5/19/2008 | Epping | Pauline Parker | Albert Parker | Annie Purington |
| 6/9/2008 | Epping | Tad Leavitt | William Leavitt | Norma Coldwell |
| 6/20/2008 | Rochester | Barbanell Luinis | Evington Koonsman | Mary Coder |
| 7/8/2008 | Exeter | Richard Giles | Lawrence Giles | M. Brown |
| 7/18/2008 | Epping | William Bouchard | Hector Bouchard | Gladys Teague |
| 7/18/2008 | Epping | Gail Maillet | Arthur Prescott | Hazel Thompson |
| 7/30/2008 | Raymond | Henry Dionne | Cyprien Dionne | Alice Morin |
| 8/2/2008 | Exeter | George Darling | Charles Darling | Nettie Welch |
| 8/6/2008 | Exeter | Kaitlyn Markulec | Jeffrey Markulec | Kimberly Kirk |
| 8/8/2008 | Exeter | Frederick Hoffman | George Hoffman | Florence Nicholson |
| 9/10/2008 | Rochester | Donald Bonenfant | John Bonenfant | Lillian Homiak |
| 9/12/2008 | Brentwood | Albert Girard Jr | Albert Girard | Obeline Roy |
| 9/18/2008 | Epping | Silver, Ricky | Adrian Silver | Shirley Clarke |
| 10/31/2008 | Exeter | Benoit Morin | Claude Morin | Blanche Benoit |
| 11/10/2008 | Manchester | Albert Dodge | Harold Dodge | Ethel Emerson |
| 11/12/2008 | Dover | John Regis | John Regis | Bessie Haddock |
| 11/15/2008 | Epping | John Denyou Sr | Earl Denyou | Charlotte Sullos |
| 12/14/2008 | Epping | Richard LaPoint | Edward LaPoint | Yolanda Rizzo |
| 12/24/2008 | Derry | Grover Fenstermaker | Domer Fenstermaker | Myrtle Strong |
| 12/29/2008 | Hampton | William Adams | George Adams | Sarah Smart |
| 12/30/2008 | Epping | Shirley Stone | Frederic Grady | Eleanor O'Brien |

2009 Town Meeting Warrant

To the inhabitants of the Town of 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 Third day of February 2009 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 offices 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 High School, Epping, NH on the Tenth day of March 2009, 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:

- Two Board of Adjustment Members for three (3) years
- One Trustee of Trust Fund for three (3) years
- One Water and Sewer Commission Member for three (3) years

CHANGING DEFINITION OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLE SALES ESTABLISHMENTS

Article 2: Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No.1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to change the definition of Recreational Vehicle Sales Establishment to prohibit outdoor activities, storage, or vehicle displays. The proposed change will permit Recreational Vehicle Sales Establishments in the Central Business Zone without restrictions on placement and location. Any establishment with outdoor storage or displays of Recreational Vehicles will be defined as an Auto Dealership, and will be subject to the same restrictions on placement and location that apply to Auto Dealerships. This change intends to allow indoor sales establishments to have more flexibility than those uses that have large outdoor displays of vehicles. The proposed change will amend Articles II, VI, and XII, and will affect all zones where Recreational Vehicle Sales Establishments or Auto Dealerships are permitted. **[Recommended by the Planning Board 3-0-0] Majority Vote Required**

CHANGES IN PERMITTED USES IN INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL ZONE

Article 3: Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No.2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to allow multi-family housing in the Industrial/Commercial zone by Conditional Use Permit. The proposed change will limit the number of units to no more than 10% of the current dwelling count in the Town of Epping. It intends to assist the Town of Epping in achieving the requirements of the new state law (RSA 674:58-61 that mandates a reasonable and realistic opportunity for the development

of workforce housing), and it will allow no more than 15% of the buildable portion of any parcel or parcels be devoted to such a use. The change also intends to provide for mixed uses in the Industrial/Commercial zone. The proposed change will amend Article 3 and will affect all land in or near the Industrial/Commercial zone. **[Recommended by the Planning Board 3-0-0] Majority Vote Required**

CHANGE RELATED TO DRIVE-THRU WINDOWS AT RESTAURANTS IN CENTRAL BUSINESS ZONE

Article 4: Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to prohibit drive-thru windows at restaurants in the Central Business Zone unless the facility has direct access to NH Route 125. The change intends to maintain the downtown scope of Main Street and the surrounding area and minimize traffic impacts resulting from drive-through windows, but still permit restaurants as a use in the Central Business Zone. The proposed change will amend Article 2 and will affect all land in or near the Central Business Zone. **[Recommended by the Planning Board 3-0-0] Majority Vote Required**

ESTABLISHMENT OF HOURS OF OPERATION FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL SITES AND CONSTRUCTION

Article 5: Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to authorize the Planning Board to set the hours of operation and hours of construction for commercial sites as part of site plan review regulations. The change intends to give the Board authority over hours in order to balance rights of property use and minimize impacts to abutting properties from construction or operational activities. The proposed change will amend Article 6 and will affect all development and land uses that require site plan review, primarily non-residential uses. **[Recommended by**

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Article 1: To choose necessary town officers for the ensuing year:

- Two Selectmen for three (3) years
- Three Budget Committee Members for three (3) years
- One Cemetery Trustee for three (3) years
- One Fire Ward Member for three (3) years
- One Fire Ward Member for two (2) years
- Two Library Trustees for three (3) years
- One Library Trustee for one (1) year
- Two Planning Board Members for three (3) years

the Planning Board 3-0-0] Majority Vote Required

ADOPTING ARTICLE 23 RELATING TO SMALL WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS

Article 6: Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance to adopt Article 23, Small Wind Energy Systems. This Article will authorize the Town of Epping to permit and regulate the installation of small wind energy systems. The change intends to implement a new requirement of state law that prohibits towns from excluding wind energy systems or applying blanket structure height limitations (RSA 674:62-66). The ordinance will set limits on height, setbacks to property lines and structures, and noise. The proposed change will affect all landowners that seek to install small wind energy systems and abutting properties. **[Recommended by the Planning Board 3-0-0] Majority Vote Required**

2009 OPERATING BUDGET

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriates 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, Five Hundred Twenty Two Thousand, Five Hundred Seventy Three Dollars (\$5,522,573.00). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Five Million, Two Hundred Ninety Seven Thousand, Three Hundred Forty Dollars (\$5,297,340.00), 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] Majority Vote Required**

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR PART TIME EMPLOYEE

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote

to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$11,400.00) for the purpose of hiring a part time employee for the Town Clerk's Office, to provide public office hours for the Town Clerk and Tax Collector's Office five days a week. This represents compensation for nine months. Compensation for a twelve month period would be Fourteen Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$14,400.00) and funding for this position will be contained in the operating budget in coming years. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 4-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

TOWN HALL IMPROVEMENT EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be placed in the previously established Town Hall Improvement Expendable Trust Fund. This sum will come from fund balance and no amount will be raised through taxation. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-1] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-1-1] Majority Vote Required**

LANDFILL ENGINEERING DESIGN/CLOSURE EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in the previously established Landfill Engineering Design Study/Closure Expendable Trust Fund. **[Recommended by Board of Selectmen 3-1] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

FUNDS FOR ETV

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) 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 2008. This

sum will come from the fund balance and no amount will be raised through taxation. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

REVALUATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the future property revaluation of the town and raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) and appoint the selectman as agents to expend from the fund. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES BOND PAYMENT

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eleven Thousand, Five Hundred Nine Dollars (\$111,509.00) for the purpose of paying the 2009 principal and interest payment on the Public Safety Facility Bond. Funding to come from the Public Safety Facilities and Equipment Special Revenue Fund, a fund solely financed by revenues from ambulance fees and no amount will be raised by taxation. Passage of this article will reduce the town's operating budget by said amount. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 5-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

POLICE DEPARTMENT CRUISER

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a Three (3) Year Lease/Purchase Agreement for Forty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$47,000.00) with a One Dollar (\$1.00) purchase option at the end of the lease term for the purpose of leasing and equipping one (1) police vehicle for the Police Department; and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$15,600.00) for the first year's payment. This lease agreement

will contain a non-appropriation clause. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 4-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-1-1] Majority Vote Required**

POLICE DETAIL REVOLVING FUND

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of police special details. All revenues received for police special details shall be deposited into the fund and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Board of Selectman and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Any surplus in said fund shall only be expended for the purpose of purchasing a new cruiser or making the annual payment on a current cruiser lease. Passage of this article will reduce the Town's operating budget by Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00). **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 4-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

EPPING TELEVISION REVOLVING FUND

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund pursuant to RSA 31:95-h, for the purpose of operating the town's public television station. All revenues received from cable franchise fees will be deposited into the fund and the money in the fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered part of the town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the Board of Selectman and no further approval is required by the legislative body to expend. Such funds may be expended only for the purpose for which the fund was created. Passage of this article will reduce the Town's operating budget by Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00).

[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 4-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required

PLANNING BOARD TRANSPORTATION IMPACT FEE GRANT

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00) for the purpose of completing an impact fee study, under the administration of the planning board, for transportation related impacts. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 3-1] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

CORE2 PROJECT FORENSIC AUDIT

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the purpose of hiring an audit firm to conduct a forensic audit of the Core2 Project. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 3-2] [Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 3-6-1] Majority Vote Required**

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND CLOSURE

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Following Capital Reserve Fund: GMC 1-Ton Pickup created in 2002. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the municipality's general fund. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 4-0] Majority Vote Required**

RECOMMENDATIONS "TALLY VOTES" ON WARRANT ARTICLES

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote pursuant to RSA 32:5, V-a to require that all votes on recommendations on budget items or warrant articles by the Municipal Budget Committee and the Governing Body shall be recorded votes, and that the numerical tally of such votes shall be printed in the Town Warrant next to the affected warrant article. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 4-0] Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: LAMPREY RIVER YOUTH SOCCER

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to support the Lamprey River Youth Soccer. **[Recommended by Board of Selectmen 4-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: EPPING YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) to support of the Epping Youth Athletic Association. **[Recommended by Board of Selectmen 4-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: ROCKINGHAM NUTRITION & MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Eight Dollars (\$3,988.00) to support the Rockingham Nutrition & Meals on Wheels Programs service providing meals for older, homebound and disabled Epping residents. **[Recommended by Board of Selectmen 3-1] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-2-1] Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: LAMPREY HEALTH CARE

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$3,800.00) to support the Lamprey Health Care Program. Lamprey provides senior transportation and affordable medical care to the residents of Epping. **[Recommended by Board of Selectmen 3-1] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1] Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: ROCKINGHAM COMMUNITY ACTION

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eleven

Thousand Three Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$11,314.00) to defray the costs provided to Epping residents by Rockingham Community Action, a private, non-profit, multi-service, anti-poverty agency. Rockingham Community Action provided Epping residents with \$256,001.00 in direct assistance and 1,770 units of service between July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. **[Recommended by Board of Selectmen 3-1] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1] Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: THE RICHIE MCFARLAND CHILDREN'S CENTER

Article 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$3,900.00) for the Richie McFarland Children's Center. **[Recommended by Board of Selectmen 3-1] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 6-3-1] Majority Vote Required**

PREPAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

Article 27: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Tax Collector to accept payments in prepayment of taxes in accordance with RSA 80:52-a. No taxpayer shall be allowed to prepay taxes more than Two (2) years in advance of the due date of the taxes. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 4-0] Majority Vote Required**

PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Tax Collector and Town Clerk to accept on-line payment of local taxes, charges generated by the sale of utility services, or other fees by use of a credit card in accordance with RSA 80:52-c. The Town may add to the amount due, in addition to penalties and interest payable, a service charge for the acceptance of the card. The amount of the service charge shall be disclosed at the time of the bill. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 4-0] Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: RESCIND POLICE DETAILS

Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to rescind the ordinance adopted at the March 1995 Town Meeting per Article 29

requiring the exclusive use of uniformed policemen at construction work sites. School zones, state roads and signaled intersections are exempt from this article. **Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: LAND ACQUISITIONS BY TOWN MEETING VOTE

Article 30: To see if the Town will vote to require acquisitions of land in the name of the Town, by any town board or commission, be put before the Town Meeting for consideration whenever said acquisition of land includes an easement, pre-existing or proposed, as part of the acquisition. Public utility and railroad easements are exempt from this article. **Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: LAND USE CHANGE TAX REVENUES

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote

to return all land use change tax revenues (LUCT) to the General Fund for the purpose of relieving property taxes as originally intended/passed by the New Hampshire Legislature (RSA 79-A). LUCT monies currently held by the Conservation Commission to be exempt. **Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: CONSERVATION FUNDS

Article 32: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, I (b) to authorize the conservation commission to expend funds for contributions to "qualified organizations" for the purchase of property interests, or facilitating transactions related thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the town will retain no interest in the property. **Majority Vote Required**

Given under our hand and seal and ordered posted this 26th day of January, 2009:

THE EPPING BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Jeffrey Harris, Chairman

Dianne Gilbert, Vice-Chairman

Tom Gauthier, Selectman

Jerry Langdon, Selectman

Karen Sott, Selectman

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Jeffrey Harris, Chairman

Dianne Gilbert, Vice-Chairman

Tom Gauthier, Selectman

Jerry Langdon, Selectman

Karen Sott, Selectman

Amended Articles from Deliberative Session Held on February 3, 2009

FUNDS FOR ETV

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty One Thousand Four Hundred Thirteen Dollars and Eighty One Cents (\$21,413.81) 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 2008. This sum will come from the fund balance and no amount will be raised through taxation. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 4-0] [Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-1] Majority Vote Required**

CORE2 PROJECT FORENSIC AUDIT

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote

to raise and appropriate the sum of Zero Dollars (\$0.00) for the purpose of hiring an audit firm to conduct a forensic audit of the Core2 Project. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 3-2] [Not Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 3-6-1] Majority Vote Required**

PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to allow the Tax Collector and Town Clerk to accept on-line payment of local taxes, charges generated by the sale of utility services, or other fees by use of a credit card in accordance with RSA 80:52-c. The Town will add to the amount due, in addition to penalties and interest payable, a service charge for the acceptance of the card. The amount of the service charge shall be

disclosed at the time of the bill. **[Recommended by the Board of Selectman 4-0] Majority Vote Required**

BY PETITION: LAND USE CHANGE TAX REVENUES

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to return all land use change tax revenues (LUCT) to the General Fund for the purpose of relieving property taxes as originally intended/passed by the New Hampshire Legislature (RSA 79-A). LUCT monies currently held by the Conservation Commission to be exempt. This will discontinue all funding to the Conservation Fund. This article will expire at the end of the calendar year. **Majority Vote Required**

2008 Town Budget

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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, 2009 to December 31, 2009

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

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): _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Jimmy John Shephard
Paul Sir
Tom Z. Cuff
Sandra Osgood

Scott Bratt
Amy P. Randall
Marie Juler

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

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

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| PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V) | | | Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA | | Actual Expenditures Prior Year | | SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED) | | BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED | |
| ACCT.# | | Warr. Art.# | | | | | | | | |
| GENERAL GOVERNMENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4130-4139 | Executive | | | 197935 | | | 191155 | | | 191155 |
| 4140-4149 | Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics | | | 85155 | | | 86945 | | | 86945 |
| 4150-4151 | Financial Administration | | | 157245 | | | 175110 | | | 175110 |
| 4152 | Revaluation of Property | | | 57500 | | | 38000 | | | 38000 |
| 4153 | Legal Expense | | | 31000 | | | 31000 | | | 31000 |
| 4155-4159 | Personnel Administration | | | 5250 | | | 5250 | | | 5250 |
| 4191-4193 | Planning & Zoning | | | 107110 | | | 127885 | | | 127885 |
| 4194 | General Government Buildings | | | 134815 | | | 134290 | | | 134290 |
| 4195 | Cemeteries | | | 6000 | | | 6000 | | | 6000 |
| 4196 | Insurance | | | 54500 | | | 61000 | | | 61000 |
| 4197 | Advertising & Regional Assoc. | | | | | | | | | |
| 4199 | Other General Government | | | | | | | | | |
| PUBLIC SAFETY | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4210-4214 | Police | | | 1143137 | | | 1336000 | | | 1336000 |
| 4215-4219 | Ambulance | | | 358794 | | | 156911 | | | 156911 |
| 4220-4229 | Fire | | | 210463 | | | 420433 | | | 420433 |
| 4240-4249 | Building Inspection | | | 104010 | | | 101350 | | | 101350 |
| 4290-4298 | Emergency Management | | | | | | | | | |
| 4299 | Other (Including Communications) | | | 39735 | | | 43875 | | | 43875 |
| AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4301-4309 | Airport Operations | | | | | | | | | |
| HIGHWAYS & STREETS | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4311 | Administration | | | | | | | | | |
| 4312 | Highways & Streets | | | 603945 | | | 757005 | | | 757005 |
| 4313 | Bridges | | | | | | | | | |

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|---|----------------------------------|----------------|--|--------|--------------------------------------|--|--------|--|--------|--|
| ACCT.# | HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont. | | | | | | | | | |
| 4316 | Street Lighting | | | 20000 | | | 21000 | | 21000 | |
| 4319 | Other | | | | | | | | | |
| SANITATION | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4321 | Administration | | | | | | | | | |
| 4323 | Solid Waste Collection | | | 133225 | | | 167860 | | 167860 | |
| 4324 | Solid Waste Disposal | | | 165700 | | | 149700 | | 149700 | |
| 4325 | Solid Waste Clean-up | | | | | | | | | |
| 4326-4329 | Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other | | | | | | | | | |
| WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4331 | Administration | | | | | | | | | |
| 4332 | Water Services | | | | | | | | | |
| 4335-4339 | Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other | | | | | | | | | |
| ELECTRIC | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4351-4352 | Admin. and Generation | | | | | | | | | |
| 4353 | Purchase Costs | | | | | | | | | |
| 4354 | Electric Equipment Maintenance | | | | | | | | | |
| 4359 | Other Electric Costs | | | | | | | | | |
| HEALTH/WELFARE | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4411 | Administration | | | 17630 | | | 15100 | | 15100 | |
| 4414 | Pest Control | | | 4500 | | | 6160 | | 6160 | |
| 4415-4419 | Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other | | | | | | 100 | | 100 | |
| 4441-4442 | Administration & Direct Assist. | | | | | | | | | |
| 4444 | Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts | | | | | | | | | |
| 4445-4449 | Vendor Payments & Other | | | | | | | | | |

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| ACCT.# | PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V) | Warr. Art.# | Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA | Actual Expenditures Prior Year | SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED) | (NOT RECOMMENDED) | BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED | NOT RECOMMENDED |
|---------------------------------|---|----------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|-------------------|---|-----------------|
| CULTURE & RECREATION | | | | | | | | |
| 4520-4529 | Parks & Recreation | | 208975 | | 79110 | | 79110 | |
| 4550-4559 | Library | | 142949 | | 154577 | | 154577 | |
| 4583 | Patriotic Purposes | | 1500 | | 1500 | | 1500 | |
| 4589 | Other Culture & Recreation | | | | | | | |
| CONSERVATION | | | | | | | | |
| 4611-4612 | Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources | | | | | | | |
| 4619 | Other Conservation | | 2000 | | 2000 | | 2000 | |
| 4631-4632 | REDEVELOPMINT & HOUSING | | | | | | | |
| 4651-4659 | ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | | 15000 | | 5000 | | 5000 | |
| DEBT SERVICE | | | | | | | | |
| 4711 | Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes | | 104153 | | 204153 | | 204153 | |
| 4721 | Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes | | 58332 | | 70332 | | 70332 | |
| 4723 | Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes | | | | | | | |
| 4790-4799 | Other Debt Service | | | | | | | |
| CAPITAL OUTLAY | | | | | | | | |
| 4901 | Land | | | | | | | |
| 4902 | Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment | | | | | | | |
| 4903 | Buildings | | | | | | | |
| 4909 | Improvements Other Than Bldgs. | | | | | | | |
| OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT | | | | | | | | |
| 4912 | To Special Revenue Fund | | | | | | | |
| 4913 | To Capital Projects Fund | | | | | | | |
| 4914 | To Enterprise Fund | | | | | | | |
| | Sewer- | | 737332 | | 670782 | | 670782 | |
| | Water- | | 342674 | | 302990 | | 302990 | |

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| OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont. | | | | | | | | |
| | Electric- | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| | Airport- | | | | | | | |
| 4915 | To Capital Reserve Fund | | | | | | | |
| 4916 | To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917 | | | | | | | |
| 4917 | To Health Maint. Trust Funds | | | | | | | |
| 4918 | To Nonexpendable Trust Funds | | | | | | | |
| 4919 | To Fiduciary Funds | | | | | | | |
| SUBTOTAL 1 | | | 5250564 | 0 | 5522573 | 0 | 5522573 | |

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.

| Acct. # | Warr. Art. # | Amount | Acct. # | Warr. Art. # | Amount |
|---------|-----------------|--------|---------|-----------------|--------|
| | | | | | |
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MS-7 Budget - Town/City of Epping FY 2009****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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|--------|---|----------------|--|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------|--|-----------------|
| ACCT.# | PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V) | Warr. Art.# | Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA | Actual Expenditures Prior Year | SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year | | BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year | |
| | | | | | (RECOMMENDED) | (NOT RECOMMENDED) | RECOMMENDED | NOT RECOMMENDED |
| | Lamprey River Youth Soccer | | 2000 | 2000 | 2000 | | 2000 | |
| | Epping Youth Athletic Assoc. | | 3000 | 3000 | 3000 | | 3000 | |
| | ETV Trust Fund | | 6376.92 | 6376.92 | 3000 | | 3000 | |
| | Landfill Closure | | 5000 | 5000 | 5000 | | 5000 | |
| | Town Hall Repairs | | 20000 | 20000 | 10000 | | 10000 | |
| | Highway Road Bond | | 500000 | 500000 | | | | |
| | Revaluation CRF | | | | 35000 | | 35000 | |
| | Rockingham Nutrition Prog | | | | 3988 | | 3988 | |
| | Lamprey Health Care | | | | 3800 | | 3800 | |
| | Rockingham CAP | | | | 11314 | | 11314 | |
| | Richie McFarland Children's Center | | | | 3900 | | 3900 | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED | | XXXXXXX | XXXXXXX | 81002 | XXXXXXX | 81002 | XXXXXXX |
| | | | 536376.92 | 536376.92 | 81002 | 0 | 81002 | 0 |

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
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| ACCT.# | PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V) | Warr. Art.# | Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA | Actual Expenditures Prior Year | SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year | | BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year | |
| | | | | | (RECOMMENDED) | (NOT RECOMMENDED) | RECOMMENDED | NOT RECOMMENDED |
| | American Red Cross | | 500 | | | | | |
| | Richie McFarland Children's | | 3850 | 3850 | | | | |
| | Seacoast Hospice | | 1500 | 1500 | | | | |
| | Child & Family Services | | 4000 | 4000 | | | | |
| | Retired Sr Vol Program | | 300 | 300 | | | | |
| | Sexual Assault Support Serv | | 1250 | 1250 | | | | |
| | Rockingham Nutrition Prog | | 3910 | 3910 | | | | |
| | Police Cruisers | | 25340 | 22703.43 | 15600 | | 15600 | |
| | FD Vehicle | | 29000 | 28556.55 | | | | |
| | Ambulance Equipment - Cot | | 10636 | 10636.9 | | | | |
| | Ambulance Equipment - CPR Machine | | 16000 | 15285 | | | | |
| | PT Library Employee | | 8000 | 7250.36 | | | | |
| | Police Union Contract | | 28236 | 30119.73 | | | | |
| | PT Town Clerk Employee | | | | 11400 | | 11400 | |
| | PB Transportation Impact Fee Study Grant | | | | 8500 | | 8500 | |
| | PSF Bond Payment-SRF | | | | 111509 | | 111509 | |
| | Forensic Audit - Core2 Project | | | 0 | 10000 | | | 10000 |
| | SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED | | XXXXXXX | XXXXXXX | 157009 | XXXXXXX | 147009 | XXXXXXX |

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| ACCT.# | SOURCE OF REVENUE | Warr. Art.# | Estimated Revenues Prior Year | Actual Revenues Prior Year | Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year |
| TAXES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3120 | Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund | | 30000 | | 30000 |
| 3180 | Resident Taxes | | | | |
| 3185 | Timber Taxes | | 6900 | | 3000 |
| 3186 | Payment in Lieu of Taxes | | | | |
| 3189 | Other Taxes | | | | |
| 3190 | Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes | | 146300 | | 107000 |
| | Inventory Penalties | | | | |
| 3187 | Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd) | | | | |
| LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3210 | Business Licenses & Permits | | 51700 | | 51750 |
| 3220 | Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | | 958000 | | 940000 |
| 3230 | Building Permits | | 71000 | | 60000 |
| 3290 | Other Licenses, Permits & Fees | | 9600 | | 8000 |
| 3311-3319 | FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT | | 40000 | | |
| FROM STATE | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3351 | Shared Revenues | | 35758 | | 35000 |
| 3352 | Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution | | 270636 | | 250000 |
| 3353 | Highway Block Grant | | 132252 | | 136878 |
| 3354 | Water Pollution Grant | | | | |
| 3355 | Housing & Community Development | | | | |
| 3356 | State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement | | | | |
| 3357 | Flood Control Reimbursement | | | | |
| 3359 | Other (Including Railroad Tax) | | 15000 | | 15000 |
| 3379 | FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS | | | | |
| CHARGES FOR SERVICES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3401-3406 | Income from Departments | | 141100 | | 62500 |
| 3409 | Other Charges | | 164550 | | 120000 |
| MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3501 | Sale of Municipal Property | | | | |
| 3502 | Interest on Investments | | 80000 | | 75000 |
| 3503-3509 | Other | | 14400 | | 1500 |
| INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3912 | From Special Revenue Funds | | 170645 | | 111509 |
| 3913 | From Capital Projects Funds | | | | |

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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|--|--|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ACCT.# | SOURCE OF REVENUE | Warr. Art.# | Estimated Revenues Prior Year | Actual Revenues Prior Year | Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year |
| INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont. | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3914 | From Enterprise Funds | | | | |
| | Sewer - (Offset) | | 737332 | | 670782 |
| | Water - (Offset) | | 342674 | | 302990 |
| | Electric - (Offset) | | | | |
| | Airport - (Offset) | | | | |
| 3915 | From Capital Reserve Funds | | | | |
| 3916 | From Trust & Fiduciary Funds | | | | |
| 3917 | Transfers from Conservation Funds | | | | |
| OTHER FINANCING SOURCES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3934 | Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes | | 500000 | | |
| | Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus") | | | | |
| | Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes | | | | |
| TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS | | | 3917847 | 0 | 2980909 |

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

| | PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET | SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET | BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5) | 5250564 | 5522573 | 5522573 |
| SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6) | 536376.92 | 81002 | 81002 |
| SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6) | 132522 | 157009 | 147009 |
| TOTAL Appropriations Recommended | 5919462.92 | 5760584 | 5750584 |
| Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above) | 3917847 | 2980909 | 2980909 |
| Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised | 2001615.92 | 2779675 | 2769675 |

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: 547,610
 (See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

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BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

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

VERSION #1: Use if you have no Collective Bargaining Cost Items or RSA 32:21 Water Costs

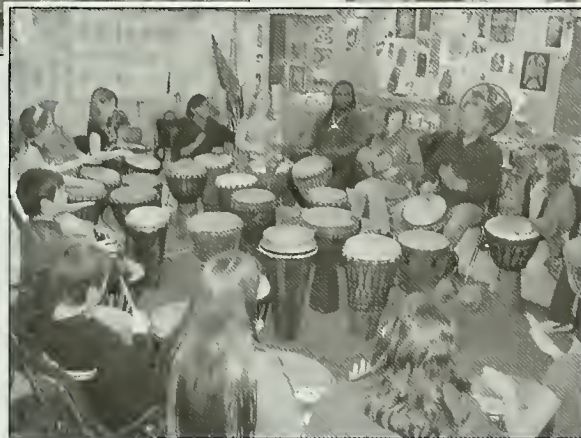
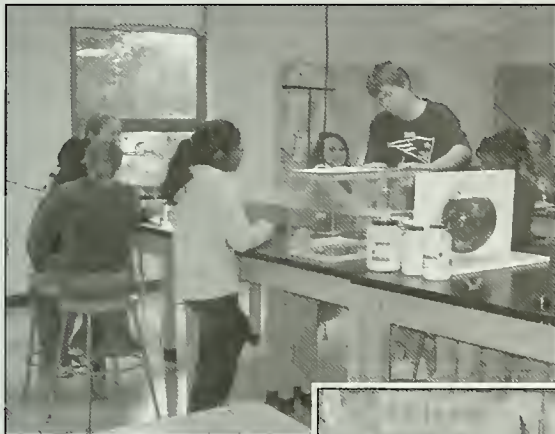
LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: Town of Epping FISCAL YEAR END 12/31/2009

| | RECOMMENDED AMOUNT |
|--|-----------------------|
| 1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Comm. (See Posted Budget MS7, 27, or 37) | \$5,750,584 |
| LESS EXCLUSIONS: | |
| 2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes | \$204,153 |
| 3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes | \$70,332 |
| 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 2 - 5) | <\$274,475> |
| 7. Amount recommended less recommended exclusion amounts (line 1 less line 6) | \$5,476,109 |
| 8. Line 7 times 10% | \$547,610 |
| 9. Maximum Allowable Appropriations (lines 1 + 8) | \$6,298,194 |

Line 8 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.

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

Epping School District



2008 Annual Report

The Epping School District Mission Statement

The mission of the Epping School District is to focus on the potential of every student and engage each to be passionate, confident learners who demonstrate competence and have strength of character to reach their highest aspirations and thoughtfully contribute to a diverse and changing world.

Epping School District Officers 2008–2009

School Board

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Gregory Dodge, Chairman | Term Expires 2011 |
| Shawn Patton | Term Expires 2011 |
| Scott Booth | Term Expires 2010 |
| Susan Kimball | Term Expires 2009 |
| Kelli Killen | Term Expires 2009 |

Barbara D. Munsey, *Superintendent of Schools*

Martha Williamson, *Business Administrator*

Catherine Zylinski, *Director of Special Services*

School Principals

Mark Vallone, *Epping Elementary School*

Lyn Ward Healy, *Epping Middle School*

Dixie Tremblay, *Epping High School*

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

It has been a busy year for the School Board as we took on many complex issues. Superintendent Munsey has been busy writing policy which is reviewed and adopted by the School Board. This process takes a great deal of time and we will work towards completing our policy manual as soon as practical.

The Board thanks all of its administrators, teachers and support staff for the professionalism and dedication shown every day. It is through all of you that our students enjoy a good learning environment. A special thanks to the staff in the Superintendent's office. They are a dedicated group of individuals who work diligently in sustaining our school district.

At the end of the 2007–2008 school year, we honored our Food Service Director, Lura Dodge, as she retired from the District. The cafeteria was named in her honor and we wish her well in the coming years. Sadly, Lura's husband, "Gabby" Dodge, a part-time custodian and lifelong Epping resident, passed away shortly after Lura's retirement. On behalf of the District, we express our sincere condolences to the family. He will be remembered.

Along with welcoming our newest staff members, we recognize our new Food Service Director, Veronica "Ronnie" Bush, who comes to us from the Oyster River School District. Ronnie has an extensive background in the field of food service and we are confident she will bring fresh ideas and nutritious foods to the program.

The biggest accomplishment of the District this past year was to achieve our goal of being removed from the "District in Need of Improvement" status according to the standards of "No Child Left Behind". The minimum time it takes to remove this status is two years and the District met that goal. On behalf of the School Board, we want to thank the dedicated work of our administrators, teachers and, more importantly, our students for this accomplishment. Many schools across

the State have been in this status for much longer and have struggled to achieve compliance. Epping should be proud and we offer our congratulations.

Preparing the 2009–2010 budget this year was troubling as we recognize difficult economic times and a decline in student enrollment. As you know, our tuition agreement with the Town of Fremont is now over and, consequently, our student population is on the decline. In light of this, the School Board directed our Superintendent to propose a budget that reflected a one million dollar decrease, which was no easy task. To do this, difficult decisions were made and it will mean a consolidation of positions and a reduction in staff, however, we will

work hard to maintain a proficient learning environment.

Finally, the Board wishes to thank the citizens of the Town of Epping for passage of the teacher and para-professional contracts last year and the operating budget. Your continued support of the School District is vital to our success and we appreciate it. Without a doubt, we will face some tough economic challenges ahead but, rest assured, with your help we will continue to keep our schools, students and District goals as our top priorities.

We encourage the parents of our School District and any Epping resident to contact the District at any time with your concerns, comments, and ideas.

*Respectfully submitted,
Epping School Board*

*Gregory C. Dodge, Chairman
Scott Booth, Vice Chairman
Shawn Patton, Board Member
Susan H. Kimball, Board Member
Kelli Killen, Board Member*

Enrollment As of 10/2/2008

| Grade | Elementary School |
|--|-------------------|
| 1 | 66 |
| 2 | 84 |
| 3 | 61 |
| 4 | 76 |
| 5 | 75 |
| | Middle School |
| 6 | 72 |
| 7 | 71 |
| 8 | 69 |
| | High School |
| 9 | 74 |
| 10 | 74 |
| 11 | 79 |
| 12 | 74 |
| Total Enrollment for Grades 1-12: | 875 |
| Kindergarten Enrollment: | 84 |

Superintendent of Schools

It is a time for reflection as we face challenges as a nation, state, community, and family. The Epping School District faces uncertain national and state economies, increasing salary/benefit/energy costs, and a declining student enrollment. The fact is that we can no longer sustain things as they are. We must take this time to seek out our truths, reaffirm our values, chart our respective courses, and accept our responsibilities.

At some point in time long standing truths, values, and responsibilities changed. Public schools became the answer to an assortment of problems, not opportunity as intended. Success became a matter of luck, not hard work. Education became a matter of money, not personal responsibility and system accountability. The simple truth is

that Epping Schools cannot do it all and we cannot do it alone. Epping Schools are a partner in educating Epping children, not the sole answer. We need everyone doing their job as students, parents, school staff, administrators, school board members, and community members.

This past May we celebrated our removal from the "District in Need of Improvement" list. In hindsight this was an opportunity with the school district learning several lessons from this two year experience. First, it was an opportunity to discover that it was not just the educationally disabled and socioeconomically disadvantaged students that were not meeting reading proficiency. Second, there was hard work to do in aligning our curriculum to the state curriculum standards, improving instructional strategies in the classroom, and analyzing student data to identify missed learning opportunities. Third, it did not take more money; it took setting priorities and aligning our resources to support these priorities. Epping was one of the few districts that got off the list in the same timetable as getting on it. The reason for this success was that students, parents, school staff, administrators, and school board members dealt with the reality, put their values in place, and took responsibility.

This October the district began the budget process for next school year. Administrators were directed to submit a lean budget. Even so, to maintain status quo the budget was projected to cost an additional \$1.4 million consisting of \$800,000 in salaries, benefits, and facility increases, and \$600,000 for a revenue shortfall due to the return of an \$800,000 fund bal-

ance last school year. Both the budget increase and revenue decrease as proposed would potentially impact the Epping taxpayer with a tax rate increase of \$2.17 during difficult economic times. In addition, student enrollment declined below 1,000 students dating back ten years ago. Taking all of these factors into consideration the School Board directed that \$1 million be cut from the budget. The first action taken was to reduce equipment and supplies by \$300,000. The facilities' budget was reviewed again and \$60,000 in reductions made. The balance was made in staff cuts after looking at class sizes, course enrollments, special education case loads, and district priorities. Overall, up to ten full time professional positions and three support positions were cut from the 2009–2010 budget. This action has resulted in a proposed school budget significantly less than the default budget. Epping has a favorable history of passing school budgets. The reason for this record is due to the School Board and Budget Committee working together to understand the issues and balance the needs of the school and town.

In writing this message I have asked myself if these ideas are a fact of getting older in years, and my conclusion is that to a certain degree it is part of it. However, I have the sense that there is genuine concern over the gradual erosion of truths, values, and responsibilities. The school district has not lost sight of the role that truth, value, and responsibility play in our success as a district and for our students. To our students you will need both ability and effort to succeed, and we will require both learning and effort in the

classroom. To our parents you will need to be involved, and we will require your support in emphasizing learning and effort at home and in school. To our school staff you will need to sustain the effort in curriculum, instruction, and data analysis, and we will support you in that effort. To our administration you will need to keep your school and the district focused on student learning, and we will all support each other in that goal. To our School Board you will need to balance the needs of the school and the community, and we will support you in that responsibility. To our community members we will need your support, and we ask for your participation in the days ahead.

Epping is a wonderful community filled with down to earth people. At times we can get caught up in things as most small towns do, but we do some pretty amazing things in our schools and town for a community of our size. For that reason, let us not forget that we have much to celebrate. The reality, however, is that we live in challenging times. And for that reason, let us not forget to take this opportunity to seek out our truths, reaffirm our values, chart our respective courses, and accept our responsibilities to continue on the path of success.

Barbara D. Munsey

Business Administrator

During 2008, the Epping School District faced many challenges as it dealt with an aging physical infrastructure and changing circumstances.

Two of the district's long-standing service support program supervisors retired during this past year, and the District now has new faces in both facilities and food service. In March, George Kimball joined our team as Director of Facilities when Dick Marcotte stepped down from that position to continue working part-time in grounds and maintenance. Dick and George have worked together closely to ensure a smooth transition in this vital role. George has spent endless hours learning about the buildings' infrastructures and equipment; setting up

Statistical Data: School Year 2007–2008

| | Average Daily Membership | Percent of Attendance |
|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Elementary | 372.85 | 95.96 |
| Middle School | 224.6 | 95.5 |
| High School | 342.4 | 91.9 |
| Kindergarten | 30.08 | 94.3 |



EES Grades 1 & 2 West African Dance—Artist in Residence



Randy Armstrong and Theo Martey teaching West African drumming to students at EES

relationships with district providers; and dealing with various unanticipated floods, ice storms, power outages and personnel changes. His energy and commitment are much appreciated.

In July, Lura Dodge retired and the middle and high school cafeteria officially became the Lura Dodge Cafeteria in honor of her many years of dedicated service to our staff and students. Lura's presence will be sorely missed, but we are very happy to welcome our new Food Service Supervisor, Veronica Bush. Ronnie has been instrumental in the implementation of a computerized point of sale system which has greatly facilitated food service recordkeeping and reporting. New menu offerings in line with the District Wellness Initiative are increasing the choices for all students and expanding their ability to make healthy lifestyle choices.

This year also saw the inauguration of the new stage in the middle school gym. The high school drama department presented *War of the Worlds* and the middle school followed with *A Sword Called Excalibur*. Elementary, middle and high school music concerts have benefited from the light and sound systems in the new venue as well.

The SAU building is lighter and warmer with new windows throughout, thanks to partial funding procured from a town grant that paid for windows on the lower level. The remaining windows were funded through the maintenance budget. These new windows have led to

energy savings in the form of decreased fuel costs. The locker rooms of the middle school gymnasium have been renovated, and the gym itself has received a new coat of paint. Summer projects included essential repairs to the roofs at the SAU and high school, floor tile replacement due to flood damage in the SAU, tile replacement according to schedule in the high school, and skylight repairs to address leaks in the elementary school.

The district administration and School Board have worked hard to minimize the impact of school funding on town residents in the coming year. We have reduced staff, frozen technology, analyzed the effectiveness of programming and instituted energy saving measures. The current year's school tax impact is twenty-one cents less than last year, and the proposed budget for the upcoming school year (2009–2010) is \$152,000 lower than this year's figure, though we are still anticipating a tax impact of \$0.73 due to decreased revenues.

The Epping School District continues to work hard, despite the economic uncertainties of the times, to provide a safe, satisfying and educationally supportive environment for our students. Thanks to your continued support the Epping schools are a welcoming environment where all students can study, work and learn to reach their full potential.

*Martha Williamson,
Business Administrator*

Elementary School

Epping Elementary School opened the school year with the **Annual First Day Program** as nearly 300 parents and other guests visited classrooms with their children. The school also held an information fair that included community organizations such as the PTO, the Epping Police and Fire Departments, our Title I program and the Harvey Mitchell Library. Sixty-two businesses, organizations and individuals donated enough money to provide all students with EES Eagle T-shirts which are worn throughout the year on field trip and school pride days.

Epping Elementary welcomed new teachers Heather Darois (Grade 1), Jackie Dodge (Grade 3), Andrea Greeley (Occupational Therapy), and Susan Young (Reading). The school also welcomed a new guidance counselor, Meaghan Beaulieu and saw Erin Milbury move from the guidance office to Dean of Students. Julie Masury and Karen Page moved from Title I to kindergarten and reading positions respectively.

The School Pilots 1 Full Day Kindergarten Class

A small first grade enrollment, along with a very large kindergarten registration plus support by the School Board enabled the school to offer one full-day kindergarten class along with its usual four half day classes. This has been an exciting development. Research has consistently shown



EES Student Council Representatives

that early childhood intervention has long lasting benefits for students of all abilities, but particularly for students who enter school at-risk of academic failure. The pilot kindergarten class is based on the same organization as our pre-school program which combines students who may be at risk of academic failure with students who are peer models and whose parents pay tuition for the extra half day of kindergarten.

Epping Elementary Enters Second Year of Reading Program with Tufts University

Last year Epping Elementary classes began teaching a reading program called Learning-to-Read-through-Reading. All classroom teachers use "Readers Workshop," a program that involves direct instruction by teachers in "Focus Lessons" and lots of independent reading by students who confer regularly with the teacher. All reading was organized by teams of teachers into units of instruction that were aligned to the New Hampshire Curriculum Frameworks.

This year, teachers have been trained in two programs, "Guided Reading" and "Strategy Groups." In both activities, teachers test students in a variety of ways and use the information from the testing

to organize groups and plan instruction based on the needs of students. The key is finding the right books and short readings. To achieve that goal, the school has increased the number and quality of trade books (fictional titles such as "Black Beauty" and non-fiction titles such as "Meet Tom Brady") that enable each student to read independently at many different levels of difficulty. The school has also built up a small library of what are called "leveled readers" which are packets of booklets written to help teach particular reading strategies. The packets are then used by teachers to work with a small group of students who may be experiencing difficulty with a particular strategy, hence the name "strategy groups."

Intensive Remediation Efforts Reading Recovery and the Wilson Program

Helping students who have very severe problems with reading requires additional remediation outside the classroom. This year the school has introduced Reading Recovery, "a highly effective short-term intervention of one-to-one tutoring for low-achieving first graders. The intervention is most effective when it is available to all students who need it and is used as a supplement to good classroom teaching.

The goal of Reading Recovery is to dramatically reduce the number of first-grade students who have extreme difficulty learning to read and write and to reduce the cost of these learners to educational systems. Reading Recovery serves the *low-est-achieving first graders*—the students who are not catching on to the complex set of concepts that make reading and writing possible. Individual students receive a half-hour lesson each school day for 12 to 20 weeks with a specially trained Reading Recovery teacher. As soon as students can meet grade-level expectations and demonstrate that they can continue to work independently in the classroom, their lessons are discontinued, and new students begin individual instruction." (from Reading Recovery Council web site)

For students who need more intensive remediation due to disabilities, the school employs the Wilson and Edmark reading programs at all grade levels. By combining the improved instructional techniques in the classrooms with the intensive remediation of our most needy students, Epping Elementary School is working diligently toward higher reading achievement and academic success in the most cost effective ways.

Mathematics Program Restored to Provide Remediation and Enrichment

An increase in federal Title I funding enabled Epping Elementary School to hire a teacher, Bethany St. Aubin, to tutor students having difficulty with mathematics. This development helps restore much needed services that were lost when the District budget was cut eliminating the position of mathematics specialist two years ago. The school can now offer after school math programs to provide both enrichment and remediation to students in grades 1-5. Technology coordinator, Dee Mayne, has continued in her role of providing advanced math instruction to students who score above the 90th percentile on the NWEA or NECAP tests in mathematics.

Using Test Information

Teachers are now using a wide variety of assessments to more carefully track student achievement, to identify gaps in our

curriculum and to make needed changes in instruction. They set benchmarks based on these assessments to more accurately measure student progress throughout the year. In a recent example, reading assessment data from the Concepts of Print assessment led to kindergarten classes increasing the amount of instructional time on the mechanics of reading a book. In another, teachers have used the Developmental Reading Assessments which checks 40 important skills in the areas of phonological awareness, letter/word recognition, phonics, word analysis and syllabication. Use of this data is helping teachers design small groups and individual lessons to incorporate into Readers Workshop. Results from the NH state test (NECAP) led teachers to increase the amount of open ended questions they use in the quizzes and tests they give.

NWEA online tests in reading, writing and math achievement are given to all students grades 1–5 during the year—fall, winter and spring. Fall NWEA results include a projection about what should be the optimal increase in achievement based on the student's individual score. Teachers share that information with parents and students and work to set academic goals. NWEA's rapid feedback (results come back within a week) and goal setting component enables teachers to plan their instruction more effectively and motivates students to improve their learning.

In summary, Epping Elementary teachers are becoming more skillful in analyzing what and how students are learning and are better able to individualize instruction and improve student learning.

Enrichment Activities

Epping students take part in Artist in Residence programs. Last spring's culminating festival of drumming and dance from West Africa was the school's biggest in nine years. This year's program focuses on world music and story telling with artists Randy Armstrong and Genevieve Aichelle. Every K-5 student will have the opportunity to participate. Artist in Residence programs are funded by the Epping School District, and from fund raisers conducted during the year. All Epping residents are welcome to attend the inter-

national potluck supper and culminating event April 3rd at 6:00 P.M. in the school gymnasium.

This year Epping Elementary School is offering after school lessons in Spanish, French, German and Japanese. After school programs this year include, Passport around the World, Writing Club, Adventure Club, Drama, Tap Dancing, Leap Frog Reading Club, Holiday Crafts, Garden Club and Yoga. Before-school programs include Jump Rope Club, Friendship Club, Safety Skills and Library. The school will also produce a year book.

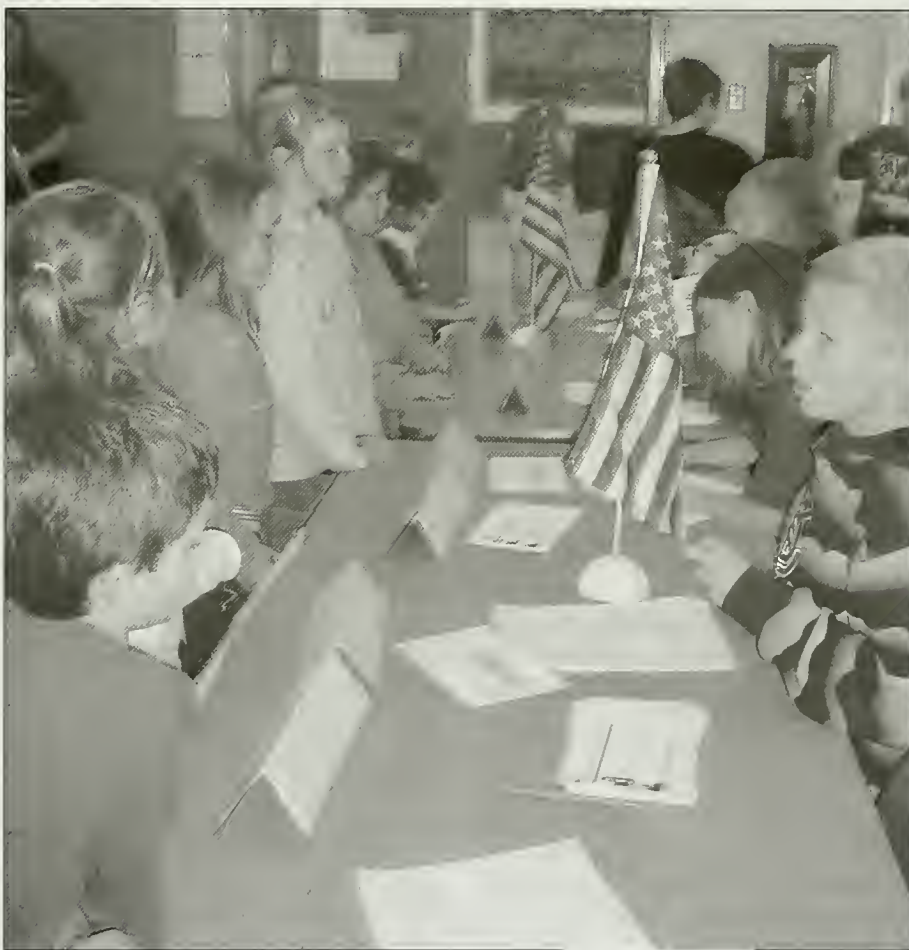
Volunteers

Epping Elementary was once again recognized as both a Blue Ribbon and a Gold School for its volunteer program. Hundreds of parents, relatives, high school students and other members of the Epping community come into our school on a regular basis to help read to students,

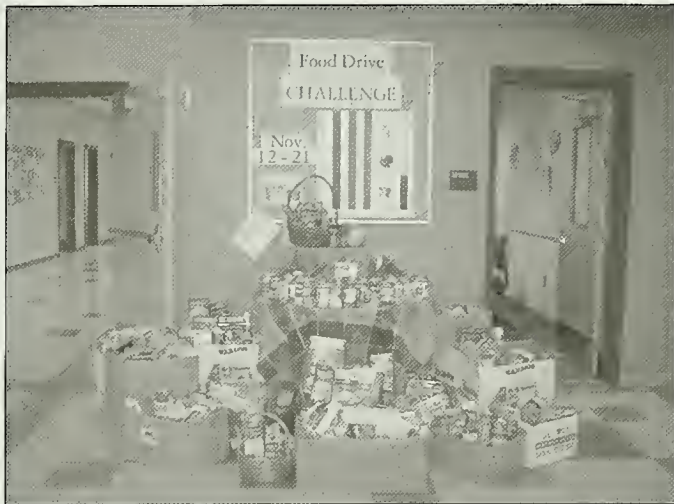
run off papers, chaperone trips, or to help with our special events. The University of NH sends students to help read. Bauer Sporting Goods organized a clean up day last fall and rebuilt our walking paths and spruced up the gardens in front of the school.

Epping PTO

The children of Epping Elementary benefit from a very active and dedicated PTO whose fund raisers pay the cost of bus transportation for field trips, sponsor special assembly performances and lectures for parents. The PTO purchased hundreds of books and donated \$1,000 to help provide an Epping Eagle T-shirt for every student. PTO volunteers operate the daily snack program, hold a Halloween Dance and put on ice cream socials. The PTO also organized a spring carnival that was very well attended. Thank you, PTO.



EES Mock Presidential Election in November



EMS November Food Drive



EMS Save the Rainforest Drive

Many thanks to all the dedicated people—parents, teachers, custodians, paraprofessionals, 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. Epping residents are welcome to see this dedicated staff working with great kids. If you would like to arrange a visit, please call our school at 679-8018.

Mark Vallone, Principal

Middle School

Greetings from Epping Middle School where we are well into our second year in our beautiful building and where the students are doing amazing things to make us proud! This year we have welcomed three new faculty members: Andrew Fersch is teaching language arts in the 8th grade; Nick DeGruttola is our new guidance counselor; and Brian Freed is teaching music and directing the choral programs for both EMS and EHS. Their enthusiasm has been energizing.

Student Achievement

Our focus this year has been on finding ways to include mathematics in each content area and the teachers are making very creative connections whether the subject is art, wellness or social studies. The grade level teams began the year by selecting a

name of a famous mathematician. Our sixth grade teams are named Hypatia and Thales, seventh grade is named Plato and the eighth grade selected Newton as their team name. Each team is sharing information about their namesake at one of our monthly PRIDE Assemblies and the students have created canvasses for their team areas.

One of the challenges that students graphed this year was a canned food drive which was held the week before Thanksgiving. Students at EMS responded to a challenge provided by the Newton Team and collected more than 1,500 cans for the community food pantry. The daily graphing of cans collected provided motivation as well as a sense of urgency to win the grade level competition.

Another graphing challenge, which combined our efforts in mathematics and literacy, occurred in March 2008, during Read Across America activities. Responding to *"The Lorax"* by Dr. Seuss, our students collected enough pennies in a team-by-team competition to purchase two acres of rainforest.

We continue to focus on literacy by engaging in special events throughout the year. One of the new programs is called "New Books for New Babies" where the students will be giving a book to each baby born in the Epping community this year. We will again be celebrating Read Across America. We plan to have several activities in March to continue our focus on the importance of reading and writing in all subject areas.

The EMS faculty continues its work on student assessment and reporting to parents. We have inaugurated a new progress report and report card which clearly differentiate between what our students know and are able to do and how hard they work at their learning. EMS has developed rubrics for both learning and work habits/effort. Robyn Clements, Steven Illsley and Donna Szczechowicz, EMS parents, as well as Rose Colby, a representative of the community, have joined Thelma Thompson, Judi Phelps and Christine Luongo in the efforts to develop this reporting system. We will be evaluating it following the end of the second semester and will make any necessary revisions.

Our students continue to excel in the arts. In March 2008, the EMS unified arts teachers introduced an evening event for the community, Learning in Motion. Students became the teachers and shared class projects with their parents and others in attendance. This event will be duplicated on March 3, 2009, and the community is encouraged to attend. We have had students participate in music festivals, submit work to the Scholastic Art Contest and do exceptionally well, and participate in a variety of contests including a veterans' project with NHPTV. Our school has joined the Tri-County League for interscholastic sports this school year so that we can celebrate our Blue Devils Pride. Christine Hebert has been named our school's first athletic director.

An important addition to our opportunities for students is the artist-in-residence program which was primarily coordinated by Deborah Booth. This year we spent a week with actor/educators from Children's Stage Adventures and produced "A Sword Called Excalibur" on our new stage. The students did a terrific job and learned a great deal in a short amount of time.

During the school year we have several special celebrations. We hold monthly PRIDE celebrations to recognize students for representing their team regarding our Guiding Principles. We randomly acknowledge students through our Nice Moves program. We celebrate Go Green Week, Earth Day, Read Across America, Red Ribbon Week, Volunteer Appreciation, Education Week and contribute significantly to various community service projects. Both our students and our faculty and staff are engaged in a wide variety of programs that enrich the lives of ourselves and our community. Pat Weisberg coordinates many of the faculty activities including monthly denim days and coaching a team for the NH Breast Cancer Walk. Student and faculty efforts in October raised more than \$5,000 for



Each month at the Epping Middle School we celebrate two students from each grade level team who personifies each of our school's six guiding principles. During a school wide assembly these students are recognized by their teachers and called forward to accept a certificate that describes their achievement. Our student's make us very proud!

prevention. She also has students participating in efforts on behalf of UNICEF, Make-A-Wish Foundation and Friends Helping Friends, an Epping specific group.

In the spring, members of the Frost Team (they are now on the Newton Team) engaged in a special project for our school by planting the circle in front of the school. The Whittier Team (currently 9th graders) purchased the dogwood tree for the circle. Several collaborative efforts have made our entrance much more welcoming. One of those collaborations is with the Epping branch of TD Bank-North who donated money to purchase the benches outside our doors.

Finally, as a result of significant collaboration on the part of the faculty and a dedicated effort on the part of our students, we continue to show improvement in our NECAP scores. In the 2008 testing cycle, we had 78% of our students achieve proficiency in reading, up from 70% in 2007, and 67% of our students achieve proficiency in math, up from 56% in 2007. We truly remain "A School on the Move!" and should make the town of Epping proud!

Collaborative and Accountable Culture

As a faculty we have been engaged in a variety of professional learning opportunities. The nuts and bolts decision mak-



EMS Art Projects



Trees by Sebastian Gouveia

ing is done by the Building Leadership Team (BLT) composed of the Principal, Dean of Students and Team Leaders so that our faculty meetings and professional development days are devoted to learning. This year we have initiated professional learning communities (PLCs) focused on instruction through the use of technology, motivation or differentiation. Each member of the faculty participates in one of these communities. In addition to focusing on instruction, as a faculty we are mapping curriculum, looking at student data to guide our decision making, incorporating literacy and mathematics

into our classes, reading professionally and assessing our own practice as team members.

We also are happy recipients of several awards. Susan Thompson and Stephanie Sturzo were recognized by the New Hampshire Association of Middle Level Education (NHAMLE) for "exemplary efforts that reinforce best middle school practices and outstanding support for middle level education in your community." At the Annual Conference of the New England League of Middle Schools (NELMS) in April, Christine Luongo will be recognized as a Master Teacher,

Cushman Gillen will be recognized as a Promising Practitioner, and Barbara Munsey will receive the award as SUPERintendent for her support of the middle level. These awards will be announced at a School Board meeting in March, but our recipients were notified in November. Again, Epping has many reasons to be proud of this middle school.

Communication

EMS has made several strides in reaching out to notify parents of what is happening at our school. We continue our weekly News Notes to Parents on communication Wednesdays, but this year we have expanded our efforts by "going green." Parents who have provided us with email addresses are now receiving information in that format so that newsletters do not end up in the bottom of book bags. We hope that this method of communication is not only more convenient for parents, but also saves us reams of paper! In addition to weekly news, we use a variety of other media to share information about our school.

In addition to the weekly news from school, our teams regularly send information to parents through newsletters, emails and other contacts.

We provide parents with several ways to interact with us and encourage them to do so. In addition to regularly scheduled conferences, parents are welcome to visit the school at any time. We have initiated some opportunities for parents to attend classes and continue to welcome visitors to the building. If you have not had the opportunity to visit the school, we welcome you. Students are always more than willing to take our guests on tour.

Summary

Epping Middle School will always be growing and developing. As its Principal, I am proud that we have such an amazing group of students who work hard, enjoy coming to school and make us laugh each day. I am proud of the faculty and staff who, like the students, are professional in their approach to their own learning, and who advocate on behalf of their students. I enjoy having coffee and conversation with parents who stop in, and deeply

appreciate the care and concern that our parents exhibit on behalf of their children. We have worked hard to help our students develop their own identity and the identity of Epping Middle School as "a school of their own." This community and its support of education "makes me proud" to work here. Thank you.

Lyn Ward Healy, Principal

High School

The faculty and staff of Epping High School have been working extremely hard on two major goals this 2008–2009 academic year. The first goal is the completion and implementation of the competencies and the second is the adoption and implementation of the Frameworks for Effective Instruction. We have come together as a staff to define what good instruction looks like and have been working tirelessly on implementing our vision where it counts, in the classroom. We have kept in mind our guiding principles from our mission statement of *respectful, involved and knowledgeable* and have embraced the school district's goals of student learning, collaborative and accountable culture and communication. In others words we have been very busy.

Student Learning

While we have not changed many of our structures (for example Grades 9 and 10 are still teamed and we continue to have a block schedule), what we are doing between the hours of 7:25 A.M. and 2:25 P.M. is undergoing many changes. Last spring, the faculty of Epping High School voted to begin working with Tufts University. This program parallels the work being done at the elementary and middle school. Our work with Tufts is focused on effective instruction. It is a three pronged approach with work being done on effective practice, learning strategies, and higher order thinking skills. The teachers have been receiving feedback on their lessons as well as intensive feedback on their classroom practice. Teachers are being observed monthly and given focused feedback on improving instruction.



Kristen Bartlett and Victoria Sicard in The War of the Worlds

In addition to working with Tufts, we are continuing our work with competencies. Competencies are a broad idea that is fundamental to the concepts, content and skills of a course. It must be measurable and represent actions that students can demonstrate independently.

This year we are piloting our competencies to make sure that they measure the fundamental concepts and skill of each course. We are tying all assessments and lesson plans into our competencies as a way to focus our instruction.

In addition, we are examining our credit recovery and student retention programs. With the advent of Senate Bill 18, starting in July of 2009 all students must remain in school until they are 18. We are working with the area schools to research and create programming to facilitate this population of students to remain in school. Not only do we want to work on student retention, but we are examining how we can better use our resources for those students who have failed a course and need to retake a course.

We continue to use our previous professional development training by having real world issues brought into the classroom by way of challenges. We have also continued to expand our internships and

work studies opportunities allowing our students to earn credit while exploring post-graduation opportunities. We continue to host career fairs yearly, bringing in members of our community to share with our students the opportunities available to them post high school.

In that same vein we are actively working to promote post-secondary schooling opportunities for all our students. We hosted a college fair that had over 20 two-year and four-year colleges in attendance. Every junior and senior had the opportunity to attend the fair and to speak with representatives from the colleges. The guidance department also hosted an application fest where seniors were invited to come after school and receive help completing their college applications. We have also held one and will be holding another financial aid night.

The ninth and tenth grade teams are working on solidifying the programs that we have in place, with a special emphasis on literacy. Furthermore, we are strengthening our honors programs available in the seminar. This year we have added a stronger career component and media literacy units within our seminar program. The sophomore seminar will once again

complete a portfolio which showcases what students know and are able to do.

Our students have also had many learning opportunities offered to them outside of the traditional classrooms. We had a drama production of *The War of the Worlds*. We are also starting a traditional student newspaper after a few years of our online newspaper. Our music department has put on spectacular concerts and our art department continues to liven up our school with the displays of artwork. Next semester, we hope to open our school store offering students a chance to learn how to run a business.

Collaborative and Accountable Culture

The teachers and staff at Epping High School have been working very hard these last few years at creating a culture that promotes a student reaching his or her full potential and helps them attain the knowledge and skill they need to have in order to reach their post secondary goals. We have also been using various data points such as our failure data, standardized test scores and student retention numbers. We have formed a Student Success Committee to do further exploration of our data and recommend a course of

action. We also have a Pupil Assistance Team that works on our pyramid of interventions to catch students so that they do not fall through the cracks.

This year we had a tremendous jump in the number of our students taking the PSAT. We had over 60 students sign up and take the test this October. This is a 30% increase over the number of students who have taken this exam in the past.

Our college acceptance is also on the rise. Last year, we had 99 students graduate. Of that number 68% of our students went on to further education and 7% went on to the military. We are very proud of our students and continue to wish our 2008 graduates continued success.

This year and last year, the teaching staff have worked together to align their midterm and final exams with their competencies. We are working to make sure not only that our competencies are correct, but that we measure our students' knowledge and skills against the big ideas of the course. In addition, we are also working to ensure that we assess higher order thinking skills in our exams. We are also beginning to develop competency assessment for the end of each of our units. This work will be the focus for the next school year's professional development.

We continue to use our NECAP Test results to inform our curriculum development. We are proud to announce that Epping High School is no longer identified by the State of New Hampshire to be a "school in need of improvement." We were one of only a handful of high schools that got out of this designation in the shortest time possible, two years. Congratulations and Thank You to the students and faculty of Epping High.

Our Freshmen and Sophomore classes continue to take the NWEA Exam. This feedback gives our teachers good data on how our students are progressing on meeting our state standards.

This is the second year of our teachers using our new professional development program. In this process, teachers write measurable goals for student learning based on the school district and school goals. This year we have 2/3 of all teachers on this new program. Teachers' goals are measurable and focused on student learning.

Communication

Although most of us feel more connected by all of the technology available to use, the need for more communication is heightened, not lessened. We at Epping High School are working hard to be more consistent and global with our communication with our community. Let us know how we are doing.

We conducted parent conferences on November 19th and 20th. We hold our parent conferences in the late afternoon and early evening with hopes of making it easier for our parents to meet with the staff. We will conduct a second parent conference in April of 2009.

This fall we piloted opening the parent portal of PowerSchool with a small group of parents. The parent portal is a way for a parent to look at their student's grades and attendance. We are hoping to open the parent portal to all parents sometime during second semester. This is a good way for teachers and parents to work together to help students keep on track.

Each month, Epping High School sends out a newsletter highlighting what we have done, upcoming events and gen-



EHS teachers Stephanie Limperis and Jesse Blais

eral information. We also use the *Speak Up Epping* Newsletter to share information as well. If you would like to receive our newsletter, contact the main office to get on our mailing list.

Our website is filled with information of upcoming events. Please visit our website at www.sau14.org/EHS for the latest information about what is happening in the school. If there is information you would like to see on the website let us know.

Thank You

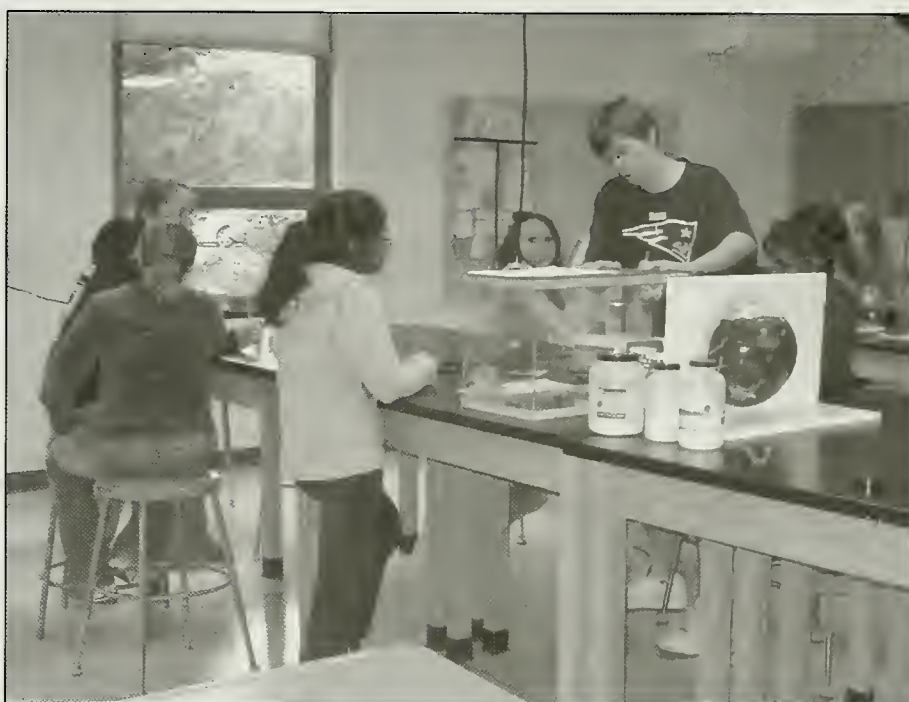
As always, we look to you our community to let us know how we are doing. Our primary obligation is to help our students to become the best that they can be. It is our devoted wish to reach every single student with as much support and encouragement as they need to succeed. We want to help them tell their story and provide them with the skills they need to be able to take their journeys in the world. Together we can do anything. Help us by providing us with feedback and the resources at your disposal. We value your opinions and would be honored to have you visit and see us at work. Thank You for allowing us to serve you and the students of Epping.

Dixie Tremblay, Principal

Director of Special Services

This past school year marks the second year that the Special Services Department of the Epping School District has focused its development on the model of "Response to Intervention" (RTI) to support all students. Past models required intervention based only on a significant failure rate for a student.

As a district we continue to systematically examine the instruction that we are providing to our students; then, measure the efficiency of the programming that we are implementing. This model allows teachers to collaborate on providing intense, efficient intervention at all grade levels.



High School Science Experiment

Within the framework of "Response to Intervention" our teachers continue to develop assessments for two primary purposes: early identification of students who may need interventions and the monitoring of progress to determine if the student's response to intervention is working. These interventions are intensive and time specific. If a student fails to respond to an intervention it is re-evaluated and modified. Interventions are designed for each level of education—Elementary, Middle and High School.

Our professional development has focused this year on providing explicit teaching instruction to teachers, paraprofessionals and parents. All staff members are evaluating the appropriateness of materials to ensure student engagement and motivation. This explicit instruction supports the meaningful inclusion of students who require interventions at all levels. Included in our professional development model have been collaborative learning communities, literacy learning committees, and coaching teachers.

The "Response to Intervention" model has required increased collaboration and communication among all staff members. It has helped teachers begin to examine their philosophy and beliefs

about the challenges we face together as we ensure that all students become active participants in their learning process.

What have we learned from analyzing the data we have to date? Interventions need to be early and intensive. Assessments are vital to the on-going monitoring of student progress. Professional development opportunities are key to developing extensive and on-going balanced literacy/academic training for staff. And finally a most important lesson; as we work with colleagues to continue this journey we need to remember that this road to "Response to Intervention" can be very rewarding. When we see our disengaged, struggling learners come back to the land of possibilities in learning we recognize our persistence and commitment are well worth the effort!

As we face very difficult times in our everyday lives it is important to recognize the committed staff, parents, students, and volunteers who make up our dedicated Epping Education community. Thank you for making Epping a great place to learn and to work.

*Catherine Zylinski
Director of Special Services*

2008 Ballot Results

ABSENTEE OFFICIAL BALLOT ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE MARCH 11, 2008

Robin A. O'Day
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

3 years Vote for not more than 2

SHAWN PATTON 600 ☐

DAVID REINHARD 416 ☐

GREGORY C. DODGE 855 ☐

(Write-in) ☐

(Write-in) ☐

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

3 years Vote for not more than 1

ROBIN O'DAY 1015 ☐

(Write-in) ☐

SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR

3 years Vote for not more than 1

ROBERT GOODRICH 1022 ☐

(Write-in) ☐

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

3 years Vote for not more than 1

JOSEPH FOLEY 1042 ☐

(Write-in) ☐

SCHOOL WARRANTS

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 - 2008 | \$0 |
| 2008 - 2009 | \$367,450 |
| 2009 - 2010 | \$429,197 |

664
YES ☐

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$367,450 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.

NO ☐
569

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

Article 2. 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 Paraprofessional Association NEA-NH and NEA which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

| Year | Estimated Increase |
|-------------|--------------------|
| 2008 - 2009 | \$70,668 |
| 2009 - 2010 | \$50,500 |
| 2010 - 2011 | \$46,121 |

652
YES ☐

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,668 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.

NO ☐
584

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

Article 3. 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 \$15,263,075? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$15,234,587, which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Epping 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.

632
YES ☐
NO ☐
598

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

Article 4. Citizens petition per J. LeDuc, T. Gauthier, J. McGeough, et al. Shall we rescind the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2), as adopted by the Epping School District on March 14, 2000, so that the official ballot will no longer be used for voting on all questions, but only for the election of officers and certain other questions for which the official ballot is required by state law? (3/5 ballot vote required - no tax impact)

275
YES ☐
NO ☐
980

Epping School Calendar 2009–10

Approved 12/18/08, Revised 1/15/09

August/September (16 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | | |

9/8 — First Day for all students

October (20 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | 1 | 2 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |

November (17 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|----|----|---------------------|----|----|
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 23 | 24 | Thanksgiving Recess | | |
| 30 | | | | |

December (17 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|--------------------------------|----|----|----|----|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| Holiday Recess 12/24/09–1/1/10 | | | | |

January (18 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | 1 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |

February (15 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|---------------------------------|----|----|----|----|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| Winter Vacation 2/22/10–2/26/10 | | | | |

March (22 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | | |

April (17 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|---------------------------------|----|----|----|----|
| | | | 1 | 2 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| Spring Vacation 4/26/10–4/30/10 | | | | |

May (20 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 31 | | | | |

June (13 days)

| M | T | W | TH | F |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | | |

6/17 — Last Day for students with no make-up days

6/18 — Graduation Day

Legend: Teacher Workday — No School for students
 No School

Total days for teachers: 188

Total days for students: 175

Nine Professional Development/Conference Days

Two Flexible Conference Days for Teachers

Two Teacher Preparation Day

Ed306.18 School Year Option B:

Elementary—945 hours

Middle—990 hours

High School—990 hours

Five Weather Days

Five Professional Development Days

Professional Development/Conference/Prep Days:

August 31

September 1, 2, 3, 25

October 30

January 15

March 9

June 18, 21, 22

One Fall Flexible Conference Day

One Spring Flexible Conference Day

School Closed:

- September 25.....Teacher In-Service Day
- October 12.....Columbus Day
- October 30Teacher In-Service Day
- November 11 Veterans Day
- November 25, 26, 27Thanksgiving Recess
- December 24 – January 1..... Holiday Recess
- January 15.....Teacher In-Service Day
- January 18.....Civil Rights Day
- February 22-26..... Winter Vacation
- March 9..... Election Day & Teacher In-Service Day
- April 26 – 30Spring Vacation
- May 31..... Memorial Day

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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, 2009 to June 30, 2010

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 within 20 days after the meeting.

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

1/23/2009

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Garry Cohen-Shergett
Paul Stern
Ron J. Giff
Michael Boyd

John D. Scott
Scott Bratt
Amy Randall
Mark Feltz

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
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|-----------|---|---------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Acct.# | PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V) | OP Bud. WARR. ART.# | Expenditures for Year 7/1/07 to 6/30/08 | Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA | School Board's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED | School Board's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year NOT RECOMMENDED | Budget Committee's Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED | Budget Committee's Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year NOT RECOMMENDED |
| | INSTRUCTION (1000-1999) | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 1100-1199 | Regular Programs | 1 | \$3,927,096 | \$4,215,610 | \$4,056,254 | | \$4,056,254 | |
| 1200-1299 | Special Programs | 1 | \$1,917,968 | \$2,148,127 | \$2,096,873 | | \$2,096,873 | |
| 1300-1399 | Vocational Programs | 1 | \$152,628 | \$145,920 | \$117,360 | | \$117,360 | |
| 1400-1499 | Other Programs | 1 | \$264,489 | \$303,203 | \$290,625 | | \$290,625 | |
| 1500-1599 | Non-Public Programs | | | | | | | |
| 1600-1899 | Adult & Community Programs | | | | | | | |
| | SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999) | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 2000-2199 | Student Support Services | 1 | \$823,903 | \$925,489 | \$954,563 | | \$954,563 | |
| 2200-2299 | Instructional Staff Services | 1 | \$827,580 | \$710,213 | \$640,472 | | \$640,472 | |
| | General Administration | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 2310 840 | School Board Contingency | | | | | | | |
| 2310-2319 | Other School Board | 1 | \$107,125 | \$83,923 | \$78,973 | | \$78,973 | |
| | Executive Administration | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 2320-310 | SAU Management Services | 1 | \$286,707 | \$298,753 | \$326,978 | | \$326,978 | |
| 2320-2399 | All Other Administration | 1 | \$152,786 | \$154,573 | \$165,818 | | \$165,818 | |
| 2400-2499 | School Administration Service | 1 | \$811,168 | \$869,377 | \$790,765 | | \$790,765 | |
| 2500-2599 | Business | 1 | | | | | | |
| 2600-2699 | Operation & Maintenance of Plant | 1 | \$992,698 | \$1,108,644 | \$1,233,991 | | \$1,233,991 | |
| 2700-2799 | Student Transportation | 1 | \$461,640 | \$558,082 | \$566,231 | | \$566,231 | |
| 2800-2999 | Support Service Central & Other | 1 | \$2,362,976 | \$2,295,330 | \$2,306,198 | | \$2,306,198 | |
| 3000-3999 | NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES | 1 | | | | | | |
| 4000-4999 | FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION | 1 | \$259,015 | \$1 | \$1 | | \$1 | |

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| Acct.# | PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V) | OP Bud WARR. ART.# | Expenditures for Year 7/1/07 to 6/30/08 | Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA | School Board's Appropriations Ensnling Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED | NOT RECOMMENDED | Budget Committee's Approp. Ensnling Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED | NOT RECOMMENDED |
| OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999) | | | | | | | | |
| 5110 | Debt Service - Principal | 1 | \$480,000 | \$480,000 | \$500,000 | | \$500,000 | |
| 5120 | Debt Service - Interest | 1 | \$541,041 | \$517,541 | \$493,041 | | \$493,041 | |
| FUND TRANSFERS | | | | | | | | |
| 5220-5221 | To Food Service | 1 | \$430,713 | \$427,270 | \$450,064 | | \$450,064 | |
| 5222-5229 | To Other Special Revenue | 1 | \$469,359 | \$459,137 | \$480,000 | | \$480,000 | |
| 5230-5239 | To Capital Projects | | | | | | | |
| 5251 | To Capital Reserves (page 4) | | | | | | | |
| 5252 | To Expendable Trust (page 4) | | | | | | | |
| 5253 | To Non-Expendable Trusts | | | | | | | |
| 5254 | To Agency Funds | | | | | | | |
| 5300-5399 | Intergovernmental Agency Alloc. | | | | | | | |
| | SUPPLEMENTAL | | | | | | | |
| | DEFICIT | | | | | | | |
| | Operating Budget Total | 1 | \$15,048,892 | \$15,701,193 | \$15,548,207 | \$0 | \$15,548,207 | \$0 |

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****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

| 1 Acct.# | 2 PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3, V) | 3 Expenditures for Year 7/1/07 to 6/30/08 | 4 Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA | 5 WARR. ART.# | School Board's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year | | Budget Committee's Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year | |
|-------------|---|--|---|---------------------|--|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| | | | | | RECOMMENDED | NOT RECOMMENDED | RECOMMENDED | NOT RECOMMENDED |
| | NONE | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | SPECIAL ARTICLE RECOMMENDED | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXX | | XXXXXXXXXX | | XXXXXXXXXX |

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be:
1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Leases; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

| 1 Acct.# | 2 PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3, V) | 3 Expenditures for Year 7/1/07 to 6/30/08 | 4 Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA | 5 WARR. ART.# | School Board's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year | | Budget Committee's Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year | |
|-------------|---|--|---|---------------------|--|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| | | | | | RECOMMENDED | NOT RECOMMENDED | RECOMMENDED | NOT RECOMMENDED |
| | NONE | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXX | | XXXXXXXXXX | \$0 | XXXXXXXXXX |

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| Acct.# | SOURCE OF REVENUE | WARR. ART.# | Actual Revenues Prior Year | Revised Revenues Current Year | Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR |
| REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 1300-1349 | Tuition | 1 | \$469,255 | \$66,900 | \$57,803 |
| 1400-1449 | Transportation Fees | | | | |
| 1500-1599 | Earnings on Investments | 1 | \$32,602 | \$25,000 | \$14,000 |
| 1600-1699 | Food Service Sales | 1 | \$196,104 | \$251,707 | \$274,364 |
| 1700-1799 | Student Activities | | | | |
| 1800-1899 | Community Services Activities | | | | |
| 1900-1999 | Other Local Sources | 1 | \$103,331 | \$98,000 | \$109,000 |
| | | | | | |
| REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 3210 | School Building Aid | 1 | \$222,961 | \$216,070 | \$211,896 |
| 3220 | Kindergarten Aid | | | | |
| 3230 | Catastrophic Aid | 1 | \$89,327 | \$54,500 | \$40,000 |
| 3240-3249 | Vocational Aid | 1 | \$18,926 | \$15,000 | \$15,000 |
| 3250 | Adult Education | | | | |
| 3260 | Child Nutrition | 1 | \$4,077 | \$4,063 | \$4,200 |
| 3270 | Driver Education | 1 | \$2,700 | \$5,500 | \$10,000 |
| 3290-3299 | Other State Sources | 1 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 4100-4539 | Federal Program Grants | 1 | \$475,907 | \$459,137 | \$494,400 |
| 4540 | Vocational Education | | | | |
| 4550 | Adult Education | | | | |
| 4560 | Child Nutrition | 1 | \$171,914 | \$171,500 | \$171,500 |
| 4570 | Disabilities Programs | | | | |
| 4580 | Medicaid Distribution | 1 | \$77,333 | \$75,000 | \$60,000 |
| 4590-4999 | Other Federal Sources (except 4810) | | | | |
| 4810 | Federal Forest Reserve | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| OTHER FINANCING SOURCES | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 5110-5139 | Sale of Bonds or Notes | | | | |
| 5221 | Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund | | | | |
| 5222 | Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds | | | | |
| 5230 | Transfer from Capital Project Funds | | | | |
| 5251 | Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds | | | | |

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|-----------------------------------|---|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Acct.# | SOURCE OF REVENUE | WARR. ART.# | Actual Revenues Prior Year | Revised Revenues Current Year | Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR |
| OTHER FINANCING SOURCES CONT. | | | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 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 FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =NET RAN | | | | |
| | Supplemental Appropriation (Contra) | | | | |
| | Voted From Fund Balance | | | | |
| | Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes | | \$353,159 | \$806,554 | \$100,000 |
| Total Estimated Revenue & Credits | | | \$2,217,596 | \$2,248,931 | \$1,562,163 |

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

| | Current Year Adopted Budget | School Board's Recommended Budget | Budget Committee's Recommended Budget |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 3) | \$15,701,193 | \$15,548,207 | \$15,548,207 |
| Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4) | | | |
| Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4) | | | |
| TOTAL Appropriations Recommended | \$15,701,193 | \$15,548,207 | \$15,548,207 |
| Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above) | \$2,248,931 | \$1,562,163 | \$1,562,163 |
| Less: Amount of Statewide Enhanced Education Tax/Grant | \$4,569,116 | \$4,569,116 | \$4,569,116 |
| Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education | \$8,883,146 | \$9,416,928 | \$9,416,928 |

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18:
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

\$17,003,723

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE**(For Calculating 10% Maximum Increase)****(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)****VERSION #1: Use if you have no Collective Bargaining Cost Items or RSA 32:21 Water Costs**LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: Epping School District FISCAL YEAR END 6/30/2010

| | RECOMMENDED AMOUNT |
|--|-----------------------|
| 1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Comm. (See Posted Budget MS7, 27, or 37) | \$15,548,207 |
| LESS EXCLUSIONS: | |
| 2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes | \$500,000 |
| 3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes | \$493,041 |
| 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 2 - 5) | <\$993,041> |
| 7. Amount recommended less recommended exclusion amounts (line 1 less line 6) | \$14,555,166 |
| 8. Line 7 times 10% | \$1,455,516 |
| 9. Maximum Allowable Appropriations (lines 1 + 8) | \$17,003,723 |

Line 8 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.

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

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DEFAULT BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL

OF: EPPING, NH

Fiscal Year From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

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

[Handwritten signatures]

 Susan H. Kimball

 Scott Scott

 Jim Parker

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Default Budget - School District of Epping FY 2010

| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|---|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V) | Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget | Reductions & Increases | Minus 1-Time Appropriations | DEFAULT BUDGET |
| INSTRUCTION (1000-1999) | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| Regular Programs | \$4,215,610 | \$279,918 | | \$4,495,528 |
| Special Programs | \$2,148,127 | \$147,856 | | \$2,295,983 |
| Vocational Programs | \$145,920 | -\$28,560 | | \$117,360 |
| Other Programs | \$303,203 | -\$4,513 | | \$298,690 |
| Non-Public Programs | | | | |
| Adult & Community Programs | | | | |
| SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999) | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| Student Support Services | \$925,489 | \$60,949 | | \$986,438 |
| Instructional Staff Services | \$710,213 | -\$13,858 | | \$696,355 |
| General Administration | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| School Board Contingency | | | | |
| Other School Board | \$83,923 | \$0 | | \$83,923 |
| Executive Administration | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| SAU Management Services | \$298,753 | \$0 | | \$298,753 |
| All Other Administration | \$154,573 | -\$2,316 | | \$152,257 |
| School Administration Service | \$869,377 | -\$35,084 | | \$834,293 |
| Business | | | | |
| Operation & Maintenance of Plant | \$1,108,644 | \$115,002 | | \$1,223,646 |
| Student Transportation | \$558,082 | \$8,149 | | \$566,231 |
| Support Service Central & Other | \$2,295,330 | \$15,007 | | \$2,310,337 |
| NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES | | | | |
| FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION | \$1 | \$0 | | \$1 |
| OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999) | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| Debt Service - Principal | \$480,000 | \$20,000 | | \$500,000 |
| Debt Service - Interest | \$517,541 | -\$24,500 | | \$493,041 |
| FUND TRANSFERS | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| To Food Service | \$427,270 | \$0 | | \$427,270 |
| To Other Special Revenue | \$459,137 | \$20,863 | | \$480,000 |
| To Capital Projects | | | | |
| To Capital Reserves | | | | |
| To Expendable Trust | | | | |

Default Budget - School District of Epping FY 2009

| 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 | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX | XXXXXXXXXX |
| 5253 | To Non-Expendable Trusts | | | | |
| 5254 | To Agency Funds | | | | |
| 5300-5399 | Intergovernmental Agency Alloc. | | | | |
| | SUPPLEMENTAL | | | | |
| | DEFICIT | | | | |
| | SUBTOTAL 1 | \$15,701,193 | \$558,913 | | \$16,260,106 |

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

| Acct # | Explanation for Increases | Acct # | Explanation for Reductions |
|--------|--|--------|--|
| 1100 | personnel contracts | 1300 | reduction in number of students |
| 1200 | contractual per IEP's | 1400 | reduction in program |
| 2100 | personnel contracts & contractual per IEP's | 2200 | non-contract raises removd/acctng change |
| 2600 | contractual & safety (fuel, electricity, etc.) | 2330 | non-contractual raises removed |
| 2700 | contractual and safety | 2400 | non-contractual raises removed |
| 2900 | contractual per CBA's | 5200 | decrease in debt service repayment |
| 5930 | federal funds expense matched by revenue | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |

2009–2010 Warrant Article Information

WARRANT ARTICLE 1

You will note that the school district's warrant has only one warrant article – the school budget. The proposed budget of \$15,548,207 is atypical in that it is \$711,899 less than the default budget. The proposed budget is recommended by the School Board and Budget Committee.

In developing the budget the school district took several factors into consideration.

1. The decreasing enrollment in all three schools,
2. A revenue shortfall due to the return of a large fund balance last year,
3. The Budget Committee direction of a zero increase, and
4. The economic downturn.

To come in at a zero dollar increase the district had to cover \$480,000 in collective bargaining agreements for teachers and paraprofessionals, \$190,000 in proposed facilities cost increases, and \$70,000 in increases in other budget areas. Our first step was to direct administration to come in with lean budgets. Second, equipment and supply lines were reviewed and decreased by \$300,000. Third, the proposed facilities lines were reviewed again and \$60,000 was removed from these lines. Last, the balance was taken in staff after looking at class sizes, course enrollments, special education case loads, and district priorities. Overall, ten full time professional staff positions and three support staff positions were eliminated. Please note that these decisions were not made lightly and difficult choices were made in balancing the needs of the district and taxpayers.

The proposed budget is \$152,986 less than this year's budget. Revenue, on the other hand, is \$633,336 less than this year's budget. This is due to the return of an \$800,000 fund balance in which \$600,000 was due to surplus revenue from interest generated from the bond proceeds and tuition, and \$200,000 in under-expenditure due to special education. The school district will not be able to repeat this return this school year.

If the school district kept things as they are and did not make any budget cuts, the projected tax impact would have been \$2.17.

If voters defeat the proposed budget, thereby approving the default budget, the projected tax impact is \$1.85.

If voters approve the budget article as written the projected tax impact is \$0.73.

2009-2010 Warrant Article Information

WARRANT ARTICLE I

2009-2010 APPROPRIATION, REVENUE, TAX IMPACT SUMMARY

BUDGET COMMITTEE AND SCHOOL BOARD PROPOSED BUDGET

| | | |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|
| Appropriation - Proposed Budget | | |
| 2009-2010 General Fund | \$14,618,143 | |
| 2009-2010 Food Service | \$450,064 | |
| 2009-2010 Grant Funds | \$480,000 | |
| Total | \$15,548,207 | |
| 2009-2010 Proposed Budget | | \$15,548,207 |
| 2008-2009 Approved Budget | | \$15,701,193 |
| Difference | | (\$152,986) |
| Revenue - Proposed Budget | | |
| 2009-2010 General Fund | \$5,201,215 | |
| 2009-2010 Food Service | \$450,064 | |
| 2009-2010 Grant Funds | \$480,000 | |
| Total | \$6,131,279 | |
| 2009-2010 Proposed Revenue | | \$6,131,279 |
| 2008-2009 Approved Revenue | | \$6,764,615 |
| Difference | | (\$633,336) |
| Tax Impact - Proposed Budget | | |
| Appropriation Decrease | | (\$152,986) |
| Revenue Increase | | (\$633,336) |
| | | \$480,350 |
| Tax Impact - PROPOSED BUDGET | | \$0.73 |

APPROPRIATION BY SCHOOL

| | <u>% of Students</u> | <u>% of Funding</u> |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Elementary | 45.9% | 44.4% |
| Middle | 22.9% | 22.7% |
| High | 31.2% | 32.9% |

DEFAULT BUDGET

| | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Appropriation Increase | \$558,913 |
| Revenue Increase | (\$656,130) |
| | \$1,215,043 |
| Tax Impact - DEFAULT | \$1.85 |

*Net Assessed Valuation 658,163,800

2009-2010 Warrant Article Information

WARRANT ARTICLE I 2009-2010 APPROPRIATION

| Fund Account | 2007-2008 ACTUAL | 2008-2009 BUDGET | 2009-2010 DISTRICT APPROVED | BUDGET TO BUDGET VARIANCE |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| 1100 Regular Education | \$3,927,095 | \$4,215,611 | \$4,056,254 | (\$159,357) |
| 1200 Special Education | \$1,917,968 | \$2,148,127 | \$2,096,873 | (\$51,254) |
| 1300 Vocational Education | \$152,628 | \$145,920 | \$117,360 | (\$28,560) |
| 1400 Other Programs | \$264,489 | \$303,203 | \$290,625 | (\$12,577) |
| TOTAL INSTRUCTION | \$6,262,181 | \$6,812,860 | \$6,561,112 | (\$251,748) |
| 2110 Attendance | \$0 | \$1 | \$1 | \$0 |
| 2120 Guidance | \$199,932 | \$215,012 | \$170,233 | (\$44,779) |
| 2130 Health | \$139,005 | \$153,906 | \$161,480 | \$7,574 |
| 2140 Psychological | \$123,340 | \$134,925 | \$134,938 | \$13 |
| 2150 Speech & Audiology | \$237,432 | \$279,265 | \$349,144 | \$69,879 |
| 2160 Physical & Occupational | \$124,193 | \$142,380 | \$138,767 | (\$3,613) |
| 2210 Improvement of Instruction | \$195,117 | \$217,181 | \$203,863 | (\$13,318) |
| 2220 Educational Media | \$432,463 | \$493,032 | \$436,609 | (\$56,423) |
| 2310 School Board | \$107,125 | \$83,923 | \$78,973 | (\$4,950) |
| 2320 Office of Superintendent | \$286,707 | \$298,753 | \$326,978 | \$28,225 |
| 2330 Special Educ Administration | \$152,786 | \$154,573 | \$165,818 | \$11,245 |
| 2400 School Administration | \$811,168 | \$869,377 | \$790,765 | (\$78,612) |
| 2600 Operation of Plant | \$992,698 | \$1,108,645 | \$1,233,991 | \$125,346 |
| 2700 Student Transportation | \$461,640 | \$558,082 | \$566,231 | \$8,149 |
| 2900 Support Benefits | \$2,362,976 | \$2,295,330 | \$2,306,198 | \$10,868 |
| TOTAL SUPPORT | \$6,626,583 | \$7,004,384 | \$7,108,988 | \$59,604 |
| 4000 Facilities | \$259,015 | \$0 | \$1 | \$1 |
| 5100 Debt Service | \$1,001,041 | \$997,541 | \$993,041 | (\$4,500) |
| 5200 Fund Transfers | \$25,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| GENERAL FUND | \$14,173,820 | \$14,814,786 | \$14,663,143 | (\$196,643) |
| 3100 Food Service | \$405,713 | \$427,270 | \$450,064 | \$22,794 |
| FOOD SERVICE FUND | \$405,713 | \$427,270 | \$450,064 | \$22,794 |
| GENERAL & FOOD SERVICE FUNDS | \$14,579,533 | \$15,242,056 | \$15,113,207 | (\$128,849) |
| FEDERAL FUNDS | \$469,359 | \$459,137 | \$480,000 | \$20,863 |
| BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS | \$15,048,892 | \$15,701,193 | \$15,548,207 | (\$152,986) |

2009-2010 Warrant Article Information

WARRANT ARTICLE I 2009-2010 REVENUE

| | ACTUAL 2007-2008 | MS 24 2008-2009 | BUDGET 2009-2010 | NET INC/(DEC) |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| REVENUES: | | | | |
| Capital Project Interest ¹ | \$260,000 | \$344,645 | \$0 | (\$344,645) |
| Capital Project Fund Balance & General Fund Balance ² | \$93,159 | \$461,909 | \$100,000 | (\$361,909) |
| STATE: | | | | |
| State Education Grant ³ | \$3,101,368 | \$3,101,368 | \$3,101,368 | \$0 |
| State Education Tax ³ | \$1,414,316 | \$1,414,316 | \$1,467,748 | \$53,432 |
| School Building Aid | \$222,961 | \$216,070 | \$211,896 | (\$4,174) |
| Vocational Transportation Aid | \$18,926 | \$15,000 | \$15,000 | \$0 |
| Driver Education ⁴ | \$2,700 | \$5,500 | \$10,000 | \$4,500 |
| Catastrophic Aid | \$89,327 | \$54,500 | \$40,000 | (\$14,500) |
| Child Nutrition ⁴ | \$4,077 | \$4,063 | \$4,200 | \$137 |
| Other State Revenues | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| FEDERAL: | | | | |
| Child Nutrition ⁴ | \$171,914 | \$171,500 | \$171,500 | \$0 |
| Federal Grants ⁴ | \$475,907 | \$459,137 | \$480,000 | \$20,863 |
| Medicaid ⁵ | \$77,333 | \$75,000 | \$60,000 | (\$15,000) |
| LOCAL: | | | | |
| High School Tuition | \$438,990 | \$40,000 | \$25,903 | (\$14,097) |
| Summer School Tuition | \$4,375 | \$3,200 | \$3,200 | \$0 |
| Preschool Tuition | \$12,771 | \$8,000 | \$13,000 | \$5,000 |
| After School Tuition | \$3,619 | \$5,700 | \$5,700 | \$0 |
| Driver Education Tuition | \$9,500 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | \$0 |
| Earnings on Investment ⁶ | \$32,602 | \$25,000 | \$14,000 | (\$11,000) |
| School Lunch ⁴ | \$196,104 | \$251,707 | \$274,364 | \$22,657 |
| Rent | \$8,545 | \$8,000 | \$9,000 | \$1,000 |
| Other Local Sources ⁷ | \$94,786 | \$90,000 | \$100,000 | \$10,000 |
| TRANSFERS: | | | | |
| Indirect Costs from Federal Funds ⁴ | \$0 | \$0 | \$14,400 | \$14,400 |
| Transfer to Food Service | \$25,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Bonds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| TOTAL REVENUES: | \$6,758,280 | \$6,764,615 | \$6,131,279 | (\$633,336) |

NOTES:

1. Capital project interest no longer a source of income.
2. Fund balance anticipated to be \$100,000.
3. State grant and tax not yet determined. Left numbers same as current year.
4. Offset by corresponding expense; net zero tax impact.
5. Loss of transportation reimbursement in Medicaid.
6. Anticipated drop in interest rates.
7. Impact fees \$90,000. Newmarket football \$10,000.

Deliberative Session Minutes

February 5, 2009

The Epping School Board held its annual Deliberative Session at the Epping Middle School Gymnasium. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss and amend Articles to be presented on the Official School Ballot on the March 10, 2009 annual Voting Day.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Moderator Bob Goodrich.

In attendance were School Board Members Greg Dodge, Sue Kimball, Shawn Patton and Kelli Killen; Superintendent, Barbara Munsey; Business Administrator, Martha Williamson; Legal Counsel, Maureen Pomeroy; School District Clerk, Robin O'Day.

Also in attendance were Budget Committee members Jeff LeDuc, Amy Randall, Jeff Harris,

Tom Dwyer, Jr., Michelle Cromarty, Sandy Osgood, Mark LeClerc, Tammy Shennett and Rose Colby.

Moderator Goodrich read The Rules of Procedure to the audience and proceeded to read Article 1 on the operating budget.

Article A: To elect by ballot the following School District Officers:

School Board Member 1-Year Term
School Board Member 3-Year Term

Article 1: 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 \$15,548,207? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$16,260,106, which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Epping 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.

Note: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in *ANY* other warrant articles.

There was a Motion by School Board Member Dodge to accept Article 1 as read. Seconded by School Board Member Patton. Moderator Goodrich opened the meeting to discussion on Article 1.

School Board Member Dodge spoke on behalf of this article. Member Dodge stated that this is the only Article that will be presented to the voters this year. He went on to say that the reasoning behind the need for the deep budget cuts was explained in the handouts that were available to the audience. Although the decisions that the Board made were very difficult, the School Board felt this is the best budget to present to the voters in March due to decreased enrollments, revenue shortfalls, the bleak economic situation and direction from the Budget Committee to have a zero increase. (See attached handouts that explain cuts or changes to current positions or programs).

Moderator Goodrich asked the audience if there were any questions regarding Article 1.

Bruce Gatchell explained, in his opinion, the importance of the music program and asked the Board to consider reinstating money that had been cut from this program, in the amount of \$25,000, which would add \$0.04 to the tax rate. Mr. Gatchell made a Motion to amend the budget to increase it by \$25,000. Seconded by Budget Committee Member Dwyer.

School Board Member Kimball spoke on behalf of the amendment and stated her belief that the music program is vitally important to many students and that the band and chorus teachers should continue to be full-time positions. She encouraged voters to keep the music program alive.

Budget Committee Member LeDuc asked what would happen if the \$25,000 was added back into the budget? School Board Member Dodge explained that if

the money was placed back into the budget, it was simply increasing the bottom line by \$25,000 with no guarantee of where the money would be spent. It would be up to the School Board to decide where the money may be most needed.

Mt. Gatchell's amendment was as follows: "I move that the Epping School District budget be increased by \$25,000." Moderator Goodrich asked for a vote on the proposed amendment. Amendment passed to have \$25,000 added to the proposed operating school budget.

There was discussion regarding the media center position cuts and how that would affect both the high school and middle school programs. Superintendent Munsey explained that there would be a floating staff member who would be servicing students from both schools as was done in the past.

It was asked from the audience if the School Board would consider a recommendation to consider user fees for extra curricular activities, i.e. "pay to play" or to obtain sponsors for programs. The Board stated that they would consider looking into the suggestions.

Lisa Roussel asked that the Board put \$100,000 back in the budget to reinstate the full-day kindergarten program. After lengthy discussion on the topic and input from several parents whose children attend the current program, Ms. Roussel made a Motion to amend the Epping school budget by adding \$100,000 to the proposed operating school budget.

The amendment that was presented by Ms. Roussel reads: "I move to add \$100,000 to the school budget."

School Board Member Patton spoke on behalf of the Amendment and stated that making the original cuts to the budget were very difficult for the Board and that by adding \$100,000 to the bottom line does not ensure that the money will be used for the kindergarten program.

Teresa Kucera wanted to know if the Board had given any consideration to

having a principal for the middle school and high school with the decreased enrollment.

School Board Member Kimball stated that the purpose of building the middle school addition was the need to keep the students from each school as separate as possible because the needs of high school and middle school students are very different. She also pointed out that for years, under a shared administrator, the middle school took a "back seat" to the high school. Therefore, it has been a continued priority of the Board to have an administrator dedicated to each level and not to "take a step backward" by having only one principal for both buildings.

There was a question from the audience as to what would happen if the default budget is voted in and how that money would be spent? Superintendent Munsey explained that those questions couldn't be answered until after the March elections and the reorganization of the Board.

Michelle Hughes inquired about where the money for the proposed field would come from and how could we afford that project but not keep certain

positions or programs? Superintendent Munsey explained that the money for the proposed field would come out of a Capital Fund for the middle school building project and that no money would come out of the General Fund. She clarified that a field is being replaced that had been lost during the construction of the middle school building. It was also explained that the district had received a grant from the State and if the fields' project was not completed, those funds would have to be returned.

Budget Committee Member Harris made a Motion to move the question. Seconded by Budget Committee Member Dwyer. Motion passed.

Moderator Goodrich took a vote to add \$100,000 to the budget as amended in Article 1. Amendment passed. School Board Member Dodge requested a hand-count of the vote. After a hand-count was taken, there were a total of 23 in favor of the amendment and 17 opposed. The Amendment passed.

An audience member asked for confirmation that the 2 Amendments combined would result in an increase of

\$0.20 to the tax rate. Business Administrator Martha Williamson stated that was correct.

At the School Board's request, Moderator Goodrich re-read Article 1 to reflect the Amendments which would change the bottom line from \$15,548,207 to \$15,673,207, an increase of \$125,000.

Moderator Goodrich then read Article 2.

Article 2: To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

No discussion followed.

A Motion to adjourn was made by School Board Member Dodge and Seconded by School Board Member Patton. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. with a reminder to vote on March 10, 2009 in the high school gymnasium.

Meeting was adjourned by Moderator Goodrich.

*Respectfully submitted,
Robin A. O'Day
School District Clerk*

Auditor Schedules

EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2008

| | General | Grants | School Construction & Renovations | Other Governmental Funds | Total Governmental Funds |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 834,742 | \$ - | \$ 743,436 | \$ 118,149 | \$ 1,696,327 |
| Receivables: | | | | | |
| Accounts | 94 | - | - | 629 | 723 |
| Intergovernmental | 85 | 181,612 | - | 14,136 | 195,833 |
| Interfund receivable | 614,890 | - | - | - | 614,890 |
| Prepaid items | 593 | - | - | - | 593 |
| Total assets | <u>\$ 1,450,404</u> | <u>\$ 181,612</u> | <u>\$ 743,436</u> | <u>\$ 132,914</u> | <u>\$ 2,508,366</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES | | | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 268,180 | \$ 3,270 | \$ 1,020 | \$ 1,075 | \$ 273,545 |
| Accrued salaries and benefits | 38,118 | 3,191 | - | 2,410 | 43,719 |
| Contracts payable | 233,260 | - | 30,372 | - | 263,632 |
| Retainage payable | - | - | 2,103 | - | 2,103 |
| Interfund payable | - | 168,366 | 344,645 | 101,879 | 614,890 |
| Deferred revenue | - | 6,785 | - | - | 6,785 |
| Total liabilities | <u>539,558</u> | <u>181,612</u> | <u>378,140</u> | <u>105,364</u> | <u>1,204,674</u> |
| Fund balances: | | | | | |
| Reserved for encumbrances | 74,092 | - | 248,810 | 432,725 | 755,627 |
| Reserved for special purposes | 30,000 | - | - | - | 30,000 |
| Unreserved, undesignated, reported in: | | | | | |
| General fund | 806,854 | - | - | - | 806,854 |
| Capital projects funds | - | - | 116,486 | (420,466) | (303,980) |
| Special revenue funds | - | - | - | 15,291 | 15,291 |
| Total fund balances | <u>910,946</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>365,296</u> | <u>27,550</u> | <u>1,303,792</u> |
| Total liabilities and fund balances | <u>\$ 1,450,504</u> | <u>\$ 181,612</u> | <u>\$ 743,436</u> | <u>\$ 132,914</u> | <u>\$ 2,508,466</u> |

EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

| | General | Grants | School Construction & Renovations | Other Governmental Funds | Total Governmental Funds |
|--|--------------|---------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Revenues: | | | | | |
| School district assessment | \$ 8,750,710 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 8,750,710 |
| Other local | 605,286 | 13,582 | 48,460 | 199,332 | 866,660 |
| State | 5,018,771 | 4,300 | - | 5,541 | 5,028,612 |
| Federal | 77,333 | 451,866 | - | 189,872 | 719,071 |
| Total revenues | 14,452,100 | 469,748 | 48,460 | 394,745 | 15,365,053 |
| Expenditures: | | | | | |
| Current: | | | | | |
| Instruction | 6,593,505 | 373,604 | - | - | 6,967,109 |
| Support services: | | | | | |
| Student | 822,357 | 82,073 | - | - | 904,430 |
| Instructional staff | 668,425 | - | - | - | 668,425 |
| Executive administration | 361,340 | - | - | - | 361,340 |
| School administration | 978,813 | - | - | - | 978,813 |
| Operation and maintenance of plant | 1,032,162 | - | - | 2,485 | 1,034,647 |
| Student transportation | 461,640 | - | - | - | 461,640 |
| Other | 2,364,509 | 14,071 | - | - | 2,378,580 |
| Non-instructional services | - | - | - | 405,713 | 405,713 |
| Debt service: | | | | | |
| Principal | 460,000 | - | - | - | 460,000 |
| Interest | 541,041 | - | - | - | 541,041 |
| Facilities acquisition and construction | 259,015 | - | 1,295,757 | - | 1,554,772 |
| Total expenditures | 14,542,807 | 469,748 | 1,295,757 | 408,198 | 16,716,510 |
| Deficiency of revenues under expenditures | (90,707) | - | (1,247,297) | (13,453) | (1,351,457) |
| Other financing sources (uses): | | | | | |
| Transfers in | 344,645 | - | - | 25,000 | 369,645 |
| Transfers out | (25,000) | - | (344,645) | - | (369,645) |
| Total other financing sources and uses | 319,645 | - | (344,645) | 25,000 | - |
| Net change in fund balances | 228,938 | - | (1,591,942) | 11,547 | (1,351,457) |
| Fund balances, beginning | 682,008 | - | 1,957,238 | 16,003 | 2,655,249 |
| Fund balances, ending | \$ 910,946 | \$ - | \$ 365,296 | \$ 27,550 | \$ 1,303,792 |

EPPING SCHOOL DISTRICT 2007-2008

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

REQUIRED PER RSA 32:11-a

| <u>EXPENDITURE</u> | <u>2006-2007</u> | <u>2007-2008</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Instruction | \$2,384,646 | \$2,371,551 |
| Related Services | \$573,972 | \$624,020 |
| Administration | \$174,973 | \$195,162 |
| Legal | \$1,373 | \$3,985 |
| Transportation | <u>\$183,027</u> | <u>\$378,907</u> |
| TOTAL | \$3,317,990 | \$3,573,624 |
| <u>REVENUE</u> | <u>2006-2007</u> | <u>2007-2008</u> |
| Tuition (Local) | \$50,735 | \$22,675 * |
| Adequate Education (State) | \$1,360,393 | \$1,360,393 ** |
| Catastrophic Aid (State) | \$54,629 | \$89,327 |
| Medicaid (Federal) | \$75,571 | \$77,333 |
| Disability Programs (Federal) | <u>\$259,306</u> | <u>\$221,367</u> |
| TOTAL | \$1,800,634 | \$1,771,096 |
| <u>EXPENDITURE</u> | <u>2006-2007</u> | <u>2007-2008</u> |
| MINUS REVENUE | \$1,517,355 | \$1,802,528 |

* Decrease due to Fremont students transitioning to Sanborn.

**State funding formula unchanged for 07-08.

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

| <u>BILINGUAL EDUCATION</u> | <u>2006-2007</u> | <u>2007-2008</u> |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Expenditure | \$58,787 | \$52,468 |
| Revenue | <u>1,578</u> | 0 |
| Expenditure minus Revenue | \$57,209 | \$52,468 |

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



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EPPING, NH 03042**

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