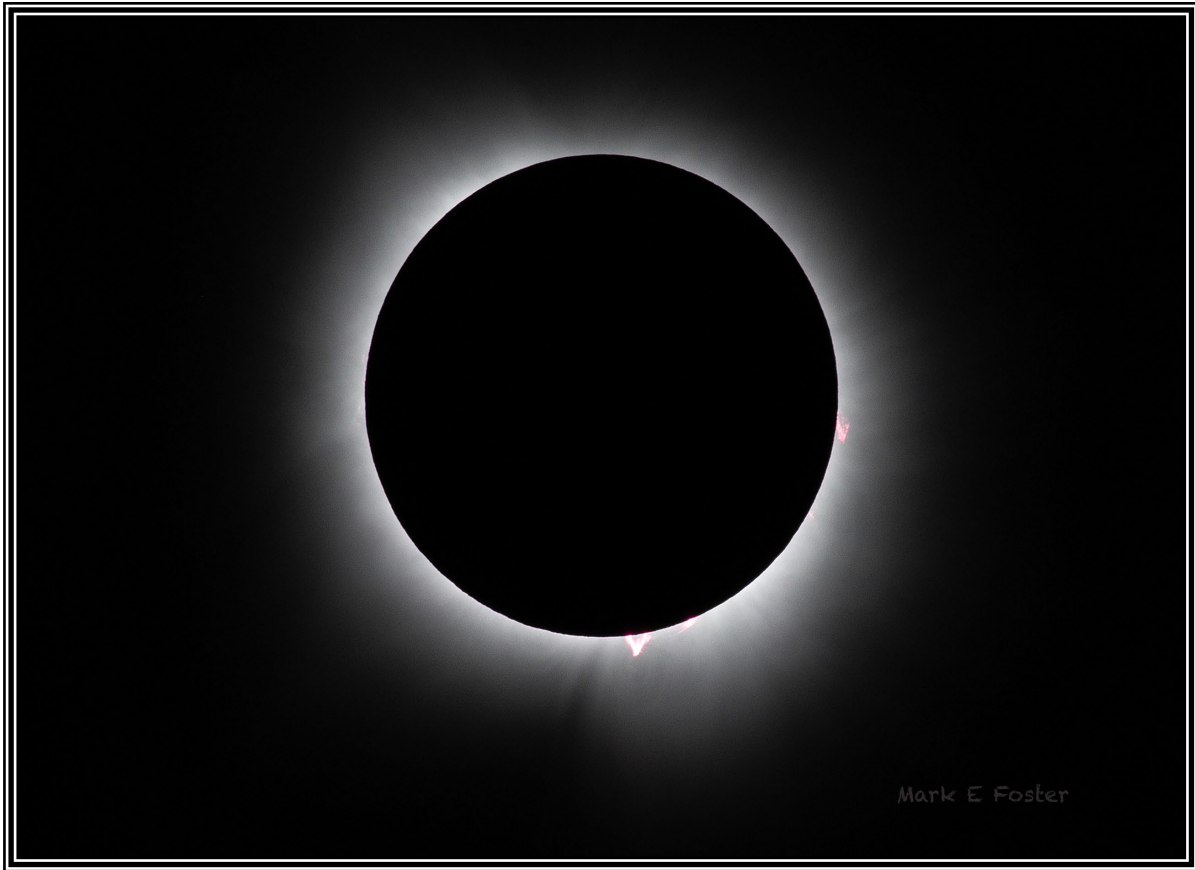


Town of Colebrook

Annual Report



Total Solar Eclipse April 08, 2024

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Year Ending December 31, 2024

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GENERAL INFORMATION FOR COLEBROOK

<i>Emergencies</i>		911
Police Department	<i>pd@colebrooknh.org</i>	(603) 388-2120
Town Offices	<i>http://www.colebrooknh.org</i>	(603) 237-4070
Board of Selectmen	<i>sue.collins825@gmail.com coosgardens@gmail.com gregplacy@gmail.com</i>	
Town Manager	<i>tfstevens@colebrooknh.org</i>	
Tax Collector	<i>mfogg@colebrooknh.org</i>	
Town Clerk	<i>townclerk@colebrooknh.org</i>	(603) 237-5200
Recreation Department	<i>colebrookrecreation@gmail.com</i>	(603) 237-5086
Highway Department	<i>tjrossitto1962@gmail.com</i>	(603) 237-8019
Water & Sewer Department	<i>briansullivan229@gmail.com</i>	(603) 237-5354
Planning Board	<i>mouellet@colebrooknh.org</i>	(603) 331-2159
Library	<i>colebrookpublib@gmail.com</i>	(603) 237-4808
District Court & Family Division		1-855-212-1234
Schools (SAU Offices)	<i>http://www.colebrook.sau7.org</i>	(603) 237-5571
US Post Office		(315) 517-1789
North Country Chamber of Commerce	<i>http://www.chamberofthenorthcountry.com</i>	(603) 237-8939

HOURS OF OPERATION

Town Offices	Monday - Friday	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Transfer Station	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Town Clerk	Monday – Thursday	8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
	Friday	8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

TOWN HOLIDAYS

New Year's Day	Independence Day	Thanksgiving Day
Civil Rights Day	Labor Day	The Day after Thanksgiving
President's Day	Columbus Day	Christmas Day
Memorial Day	Veterans Day	

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ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

Marcel "Mike" Ouellet 2025

PLANNING BOARD

Sandra Riendeau 2025
Robert Murphy 2026
Greg Sipple 2027
Michelle Strasburger 2027

SELECTMEN

Greg Placy 2025
Raymond Gorman 2026
Suzanne Collins 2027

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

William Sambito 2028
Brent W. Lyons 2026
Michael Biron
Appointed on 08/01/2024

TREASURER

Alicia Boire 2026

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Eva Guy 2025
Jodi Smith 2025
Julie Brunault 2026
Teri Rosi 2026
Daniel Lyons 2027

TOWN CLERK

Jolene Martunas 2026

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Kathy Woodard 2025
Eva Guy 2026
Robin Maxwell 2026
Catherine Drucker 2027
Amy C. Patterson 2027

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Wayne Frizzell 2025
Rosemary Mulliken 2026
Resigned 12/31/2024
Pamela A. Bunnell 2027

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS

TOWN MANAGER
(Overseer of Welfare)
Timothy F. Stevens

TAX COLLECTOR

Melanie Fogg

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Joseph Anderson 2025
Robert Beaulieu 2025
Brian LaPerle 2026
[Vacant]
[Vacant]

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Rita Hibbard

AUDITOR

Roberts & Greene, PLLC

DEPUTY TREASURER

Julie Brunault

ASSESSORS

[Vacant]

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Velvet Sweeney
Cindy Ozenich-
Resigned on 02/12/2024

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Joseph Anderson 2026
Wayne Richards 2026
[Vacant]
[Vacant]

ROAD AGENT

Anthony "TJ" Rossitto

NH SCENIC HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Gregory Sipple – Appt. 2015

RECREATION DIRECTOR

Melissa Shaw

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL

REPRESENTATIVE

Gregory Sipple – Appt. 2016

CHIEF OF POLICE

Paul M. Rella

FIRE CHIEF

David Woodard

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER

Jacqueline Thayer

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Jacqueline Thayer

Brad Sheltry, Deputy Director
Resigned on 02/12/2024

Town Warrant
Colebrook, New Hampshire

The Polls will be Open from 8 AM to 6 PM

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Colebrook, in the County of Coös, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Colebrook School Gymnasium, 27 Dumont Street, in said Town of Colebrook, on **Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 7:00 PM** in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1: To bring in your ballots for the selection of Town Officers to be elected by ballot for the Town of Colebrook for the ensuing year.

Selectman	1 Position, Three-Year Term
Moderator	1 Position, Two-Year Term
Trustee of Trust Funds	1 Position, Three-Year Term
Library Trustee	1 Position, Three-Year Term
Planning Board	1 Position, Three-Year Term
Supervisor of Checklist	1 Position, Five-Year Term
Cemetery Trustee	2 Positions, Three-Year Term

Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,483,079** for **General Government**. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Executive	\$135,960
Town Clerk, Voter Registration, Town Meeting, Elections	\$127,455
Financial Administration & Assessing	\$456,300
Legal Expense	\$20,000
Planning & Zoning	\$34,090
General Government Buildings	\$101,740
Advertising and Regional Association	\$2,270
Police Department, Stonegarden, HW Safety Grant	\$861,795
Ambulance	\$326,130
Fire	\$16,200
Emergency Management	\$14,915
Highway Department, Used Oil Grant, Aldrich Road	\$759,400
Street Lighting	\$20,000
Transfer Station & Recycling	\$236,010
Health Agencies	\$29,700

Health Officer	\$1,485
Animal Boarding	\$250
Welfare Administration	\$28,000
Parks & Recreation	\$159,315
Patriotic Purposes	\$6,200
Economic Development	\$2,200
Conservation Commission	\$950
Bond Payment and Tax Anticipation Note Interest	\$142,714
Total Article 2.	\$3,483,079

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$207,500** for the following **Capital Reserve Funds**. This appropriation shall be funded by taxation with the exception of the water and sewer short-lived assets, which will be funded by user fees. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Heavy Equipment	\$80,000
Police Cruiser	\$20,000
Property Re-evaluation	\$10,000
Town Buildings	\$7,500
Road Paving	\$50,000
Water - Short Lived Assets	\$20,000
Sewer - Short Lived Assets	\$20,000
Total Article 3.	\$207,500

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$127,200** for Landfill Closure Expenses and to authorize the withdrawal of **\$50,000** from the **Sanitary Landfill Closure Fund** as offsetting revenue against these expenses. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$103,000** for the purpose of funding a **Solar Panel Project** on the Town Hall with **\$91,000** to come from a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) grant and the balance of **\$12,000** to come from taxation if an Eversource inverter is necessary. Said appropriation will be non-lapsing until December 31, 2030 or until completion, whichever comes first, pursuant to NH RSA 32:7, VI. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$132,000** for the purpose of paving portions of **South Main Street and Titus Hill Road** and to authorize the withdrawal of **\$132,000** from the **Road Paving Capital Reserve Fund**. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required. No tax impact.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$39,200** to replace the **Water/Oil Separator** at the Town Garage and to authorize the withdrawal of **\$39,200** from the **NH Public Deposit Investment Pool State Highway Aid Savings Account**

established for Highway Department projects. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required. No tax impact.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,082,400** for the engineering and construction of the **Pleasant Street Bridge #050/099, State Project #40655** with a projected **\$750,000** federal share, **\$266,400** state share and the withdrawal of **\$66,000** from the **Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund** previously established for this purpose. This appropriation shall be non-lapsing until December 31, 2030 or until the project is constructed, whichever comes first pursuant to NH RSA 32:7, VI. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required. No tax impact.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$624,670** for the **Colebrook Water Department and the Colebrook Sewer Facilities**. Said funds to be offset by user fees. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Water Department	\$316,420
Water & Sewer Truck Savings	\$5,000
	\$321,420
Sewer Department	\$298,250
Water & Sewer Truck Savings	\$5,000
	\$303,250
Article 9.	\$624,670

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$213,485** for support of the **Colebrook Public Library**, **\$191,160** to be raised through taxation and **\$22,325** is to come from other library balance on hand January 1, 2025, book sales, donations, trust funds, non-resident fees, other communities, overdue fines, book resale, copying fees, etc., such funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000** to be added to the previously established **Colebrook Public Library Capital Improvement Fund**. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$116,080** for the operation and maintenance of the **Colebrook Cemeteries**, the sum of **\$109,080** to be raised through taxation and **\$7,000** from burials, cemetery trust funds and other Colebrook Cemetery revenues. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$478,900** for the **Northern Borders Dispatch Center**, with **\$233,326** to come from other participating towns, and **\$245,574** to come from taxation. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000** for the **Northern Borders Dispatch Center Equipment Fund** to be used for future replacement of dispatch equipment with **\$4,000** to come from other participating towns and **\$1,000** to come from taxation. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$29,220** for the town's Master Plan update. This amount is to be reimbursed from Housing Opportunity Grant funds. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required. No Tax Impact.

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to transfer **\$25,000** received in 2024 from the sale of a used plow truck from the 2024 unassigned fund balance and deposit these funds in the **Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund**. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required. No Tax Impact.

Article 17: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and if favorable to the Town, execute a Lease Agreement with Kearsarge Solar LLC for the lease of certain parcels of town land located on Route #3, Tax Map 212 Lot 2, and Skyline Drive, Tax Map 246 Lot 26, in order for Kearsarge to access, develop, design, engineer, construct, install, own, maintain, and operate **solar photovoltaic generating facilities** and/or energy storage facilities. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

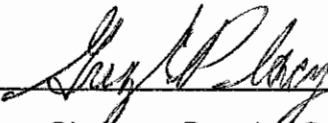
Article 18: To see if the Town will adopt, pursuant to RSA 31:39, the Selectmen's proposed Alarm System Ordinance to regulate the permitting, inspection, use, operation, and penalties for alarm systems within the borders of the Town. A copy of the proposed Ordinance is available for inspection at the Colebrook Town Office during regular business hours. (The Selectmen do recommend passage of this article.) Majority vote required.

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to accept, ratify and confirm the reports of the Agents, Selectmen, Auditors and all other Town Officers.

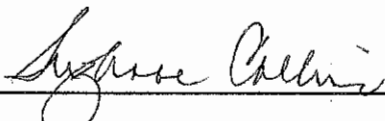
Article 20: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 10th day of February, 2025.


Colebrook Board of Selectmen.



Greg Placy, Chairman Board of Selectmen



Suzanne Collins, Selectman



Raymond Gorman, Selectman

APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET

	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Requested	2024 to 2025 Budget Comparison
Board of Selectmen						
EX Salary	15,000	15,000	15,450	15,540	15,950	500
EX Contracted Services	2,100	500	2,100	720	1,700	(400)
EX Social Security	950	930	950	958	1,000	50
EX Medicare	250	218	250	224	250	-
EX Workers' Compensation	100	103	50	25	50	-
EX Enforcement Services	3,000	2,059	2,000	-	2,000	-
EX Training & Mileage	1,000	644	1,000	165	1,000	-
EX Printing, Dues & Subscriptions	3,000	2,523	2,500	2,737	2,500	-
EX Recognition	3,500	3,499	4,500	3,560	4,000	(500)
Total	28,900	25,476	28,800	23,929	28,450	(350)
Town Administration						
TA Salary	68,200	60,036	80,000	77,212	82,400	2,400
TA Health/Dental	2,000	1,000	5,100	2,968	4,800	(300)
TA Social Security	4,400	3,784	5,200	4,846	5,300	100
TA Medicare	1,000	885	1,200	1,133	1,250	50
TA Retirement	9,700	8,235	11,300	10,447	11,250	(50)
TA Workers' Compensation	100	103	150	137	160	10
TA Training & Mileage	1,000	45	1,500	187	1,000	(500)
TA Pre-Employment	-	128	-	-	100	100
TA Equip Rental, Repairs, Prch	500	20	500	-	500	-
TA Print, Dues & Subscriptions	500	1,307	1,000	223	750	(250)
Total	87,400	75,543	105,950	97,153	107,510	1,560
Town Clerk						
TC Salary	45,500	46,215	45,000	43,798	45,000	-
TC Deputy	20,500	14,897	11,000	6,941	16,000	5,000
TC Health/Dental	32,400	32,856	33,500	31,850	34,500	1,000
TC Social Security	4,100	3,333	3,700	2,636	3,800	100
TC Medicare	1,000	780	900	617	900	-
TC Retirement	6,300	7,103	6,100	5,926	5,900	(200)
TC Workers' Compensation	200	206	100	98	120	20
TC Software Support	5,900	5,588	5,900	5,480	5,900	-
TC Training & Mileage	1,100	1,628	1,400	910	1,500	100
TC Telephone	850	717	750	804	850	100
TC Pre-Employment Requirements	-	264	200	48	100	(100)
TC Equip Rental, Repairs, Prch	1,600	30	750	656	750	-
TC Print, Dues & Subscriptions	750	780	750	1,314	750	-
TC Supplies	3,800	3,609	3,800	3,760	3,800	-
TC Computer Hardware & Software	500	-	500	-	-	(500)
Total	124,500	118,006	114,350	104,838	119,870	5,520
Voter Registration						
EL Employee Wages	2,000	975	3,600	1,886	2,000	(1,600)
EL Social Security	125	65	225	117	125	(100)
EL Medicare	30	15	55	27	50	(5)
EL Print, Dues & Subscriptions	90	67	150	80	100	(50)
EL Office Supplies	50	-	200	75	75	(125)
EL Meals & Mileage	200	-	200	-	100	(100)
Total	2,495	1,122	4,430	2,185	2,450	(1,980)
Town Meeting & Election						
MTG Employee Wages	1,550	1,444	5,600	7,408	1,700	(3,900)
MTG Social Security	100	90	350	459	110	(240)

APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET

	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2024 to 2025
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
MTG Medicare	25	21	90	107	25	(65)
MTG Town Report	2,500	2,118	2,500	2,173	2,500	-
MTG Supplies	100	56	200	144	200	-
MTG Meals & Mileage	600	206	1,500	1,739	600	(900)
Total	4,875	3,935	10,240	12,030	5,135	(5,105)
General Office						
GO Employee Wages	59,700	72,344	71,800	85,904	75,800	4,000
GO Health/Dental	27,900	20,009	30,700	29,364	31,500	800
GO Social Security	3,700	4,485	4,500	5,326	4,700	200
GO Medicare	900	1,049	1,050	1,246	1,100	50
GO Retirement	8,200	9,924	9,800	11,615	10,000	200
GO Workers' Compensation	150	155	130	126	150	20
GO Training & Mileage	500	88	500	696	750	250
GO Telephone	4,500	4,022	4,500	4,552	4,600	100
GO Equip Rental, Repairs & Prch	3,000	4,039	3,000	3,294	4,500	1,500
GO Unemployment	2,250	1,479	2,300	2,278	2,100	(200)
GO Print, Dues & Subscriptions	1,500	1,550	1,500	1,713	1,500	-
GO Supplies	16,000	17,161	17,500	22,972	20,000	2,500
Total	128,300	136,305	147,280	169,086	156,700	9,420
Tax Collection / Financial Admin						
TX Employee Wages	51,700	54,550	49,900	49,632	53,000	3,100
TX Contracted Services	61,000	60,160	57,400	57,136	61,900	4,500
TX Health/Dental	21,300	19,104	24,500	23,510	25,300	800
TX Social Security	3,200	3,047	3,100	2,704	3,300	200
TX Medicare	800	713	750	632	800	50
TX Retirement	7,100	7,526	6,800	6,715	7,000	200
TX Workers' Compensation	150	155	100	91	100	-
TX Audit Services	15,700	14,550	15,700	10,139	15,700	-
TX Training & Mileage	1,400	1,753	1,600	802	1,600	-
TX Recording, Discharge & Mort	750	536	750	775	800	50
TX Equip Rental, Repairs & Prch	1,000	60	500	959	750	250
TX Print, Dues & Subscriptions	700	1,408	500	1,259	1,500	1,000
TX Bank Account Fees	-	604	700	919	700	-
Total	164,800	164,166	162,300	155,273	172,450	10,150
Treasury / Trustees of Trust Funds						
T Salaries	3,950	3,950	4,100	4,070	4,200	100
T Social Security	250	245	250	252	275	25
T Medicare	100	57	100	59	100	-
T Training & Mileage	-	-	-	200	200	200
T Insurance	2,000	2,267	2,400	2,650	3,400	1,000
T Supplies-Trustees	-	-	-	-	200	200
Total	6,300	6,519	6,850	7,231	8,375	1,525
Data Processing						
DP Software Support	12,000	15,926	16,000	18,226	18,500	2,500
DP Software Upgrades	1,500	2,380	1,700	-	5,000	3,300
DP Hardware Upgrades	21,000	16,267	1,000	-	-	(1,000)
Total	34,500	34,573	18,700	18,226	23,500	4,800
Assessing Services						
AS Workers' Compensation	-	-	-	30	50	50
AS Assessing Services	20,000	20,004	13,000	2,689	20,000	7,000
AS Assessing Software	4,950	4,949	5,200	5,127	5,200	-

APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET

	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2024 to 2025
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
AS Tax Map Updates	3,800	3,855	4,300	4,050	4,100	(200)
AS Digitized Maps	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	-
AS PNGTS	6,750	6,750	6,750	6,750	6,750	-
AS Equip Rental, Repairs & Prch	-	-	-	-	1,175	1,175
Total	38,500	38,558	32,250	21,646	40,275	8,025
Assessing Warrant Articles						
2024 Re-evaluation	-	-	55,000	-	55,000	-
Total	-	-	55,000	-	55,000	-
Legal						
LE Town Attorney	20,000	10,977	20,000	14,218	20,000	-
Total	20,000	10,977	20,000	14,218	20,000	-
Planning Board						
PB Salaries	4,200	3,188	4,300	3,504	3,500	(800)
PB Employee Wages	16,700	16,734	17,300	16,812	17,800	500
PB Contracted Services	5,000	402	5,000	-	5,000	-
PB Social Security	1,300	1,235	1,400	1,260	1,350	(50)
PB Medicare	300	289	325	295	300	(25)
PB Workers' Compensation	-	-	30	30	50	20
PB Legal	1,500	330	1,500	-	1,500	-
PB Training & Mileage	250	-	250	-	250	-
PB Recording Fees	50	-	50	44	50	-
PB Equip Rental, Repairs, Prch	1,700	1,589	700	490	500	(200)
PB Print, Dues & Subscriptions	1,500	1,866	1,500	1,201	1,200	(300)
PB Supplies	1,250	993	1,000	579	750	(250)
Total	33,750	26,626	33,355	24,215	32,250	(1,105)
Zoning Board						
ZBA Employee Wages	700	214	700	64	500	(200)
ZBA Social Security	50	13	50	4	30	(20)
ZBA Medicare	10	3	10	1	10	-
ZBA Legal	500	-	500	-	500	-
ZBA Training & Mileage	500	-	500	-	500	-
ZBA Print, Dues & Subscriptions	200	190	200	-	200	-
ZBA Supplies	100	-	100	-	100	-
Total	2,060	420	2,060	69	1,840	(220)
General Buildings						
GB Employee Wages	23,000	10,172	23,700	16,373	23,700	-
GB Social Security	1,450	631	1,500	1,015	1,500	-
GB Medicare	350	147	350	238	350	-
GB Workers' Compensation	300	310	450	434	490	40
GB Pre-Employment Requirements	150	-	150	-	150	-
GB Town Hall Electric	12,000	12,088	12,000	7,680	10,000	(2,000)
GB Heating Oil	13,200	18,072	13,200	8,421	10,000	(3,200)
GB Water & Sewer	750	859	700	574	700	-
GB Equip Rental, Repairs, Prch	6,800	4,727	5,800	6,312	6,000	200
GB Insurance	10,000	11,431	15,500	13,314	17,050	1,550
GB Print, Dues & Subscriptions	-	238	100	-	100	-
GB Supplies	2,500	1,686	2,000	1,619	2,000	-
GB Tax Deeded Prop Expenses	3,000	-	100	-	100	-
GB Improvements	25,000	2,637	18,000	7,724	29,600	11,600
GB Heating System	47,000	36,022	-	-	-	-
GB Energy Audit	6,200	1,550	-	-	-	-

APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET

	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Requested	2024 to 2025 Budget Comparison
GB Solar Panels	-	-	-	-	103,000	103,000
Total	151,700	100,570	93,550	63,704	204,740	111,190
Advertising & Regional						
North Country Council	2,350	2,350	2,500	2,467	2,270	(230)
Total	2,350	2,350	2,500	2,467	2,270	(230)
Police Department						
PD Salary	75,400	74,772	77,700	75,623	81,500	3,800
PD Employee Wages	233,700	220,730	240,200	216,900	245,500	5,300
PD PT Employee Wages	56,500	34,563	46,000	56,305	57,800	11,800
PD Overtime Wages	55,000	46,500	55,000	51,198	55,000	-
PD Resource Officer	46,100	77,137	95,000	70,564	83,400	(11,600)
PD Health/Dental	58,300	68,284	70,700	77,284	82,000	11,300
PD Social Security	11,000	5,473	13,500	6,274	13,700	200
PD Medicare	9,900	6,518	7,500	6,844	7,500	-
PD Retirement	94,700	85,765	93,300	85,894	93,500	200
PD Workers' Compensation	7,700	7,949	8,850	8,807	9,800	950
PD Software Support	5,000	3,722	4,000	2,928	4,000	-
PD Training & Mileage	5,000	2,105	9,400	2,398	9,400	-
PD Telephone	5,500	5,495	5,500	5,825	5,500	-
PD Pre-Employment Requirements	500	-	1,500	48	1,500	-
PD Blood Test	500	210	500	30	500	-
PD Equip Rental, Repairs & Prch	8,500	15,440	8,500	8,138	10,500	2,000
PD Leased Equipment	1,000	953	1,000	953	1,000	-
PD Insurance	7,500	8,359	11,300	9,849	12,500	1,200
PD Print, Dues & Subscriptions	2,000	3,142	2,000	5,307	3,000	1,000
PD Uniforms	4,000	4,008	4,000	1,160	4,000	-
PD Supplies	6,500	9,895	6,500	2,913	5,500	(1,000)
PD Gasoline	12,500	11,721	12,500	10,659	12,500	-
PD Random Drug Testing	300	157	300	400	300	-
PD Information Management	5,000	4,579	5,000	4,958	6,000	1,000
Total	712,100	697,477	779,750	711,259	805,900	26,150
Stonegarden / Warrant Articles						
PD Stonegarden Wages	24,146	21,121	24,146	35,201	30,000	5,854
PD Stonegarden Medicare	350	294	350	493	450	100
PD Stonegarden Retirement	8,181	6,790	8,181	11,007	9,300	1,119
PD Stonegarden Equipment Purch	-	22,843	-	-	-	-
PD Stonegarden Mileage	4,420	-	4,420	-	1,145	(3,275)
PD Border Security Grant	-	-	30,000	22,162	-	(30,000)
PD Border Security Social Sec	-	-	-	70	-	-
PD Border Security Medicare	-	-	-	169	-	-
PD Border Security Retirement	-	-	-	3,341	15,000	15,000
PD Highway Safety Grant	-	-	-	-	-	-
PD Highway Safety Grnt Social Sec	-	-	-	-	-	-
PD Highway Safety Grnt Medicare	-	-	-	-	-	-
PD Highway Safety Grnt Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-
PD Cruiser Expense	-	-	71,000	53,794	-	(71,000)
Total	37,097	51,048	138,097	126,237	55,895	(82,202)
Ambulance						
AM Emergency Medical Services	271,311	271,311	270,800	270,806	326,130	55,330
Total	271,311	271,311	270,800	270,806	326,130	55,330
Fire Department						

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	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2024 to 2025
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
FD Permits	550	1,049	1,000	887	1,200	200
FD Outside Fires	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	-
Total	15,550	16,049	16,000	15,887	16,200	200
Emergency Management						
EM Employee Wages	2,800	2,800	2,900	2,800	2,975	75
EM Social Security	175	174	185	174	190	5
EM Medicare	50	41	45	41	45	-
EM Workers' Compensation	-	-	650	652	730	80
EM Training & Mileage	100	-	100	-	300	200
EM Pre-Employment Requirements	-	-	-	48	-	-
EM Equip Rental, Repairs, Prch	200	-	200	-	200	-
EM Print, Dues & Subscriptions	100	108	250	909	250	-
EM Supplies	100	-	100	28	100	-
EM Pre-Disaster Planning	-	-	-	-	10,125	10,125
Total	3,525	3,123	4,430	4,652	14,915	10,485
Highway Department						
HW Employee Wages	199,900	175,108	207,500	193,459	214,100	6,600
HW Overtime Wages	43,000	45,861	43,000	53,898	45,000	2,000
HW Contracted Services	15,300	16,585	25,800	25,961	26,100	300
HW Health/Dental	46,500	33,515	61,300	51,719	59,800	(1,500)
HW Social Security	15,300	13,636	15,500	15,093	16,100	600
HW Medicare	3,600	3,189	3,700	3,530	3,800	100
HW Retirement	32,600	29,930	33,300	32,895	32,750	(550)
HW Workers' Compensation	5,000	5,162	7,800	7,797	8,750	950
HW Training & Mileage	1,000	-	1,000	919	1,000	-
HW Telephone	1,300	1,392	1,400	1,473	1,400	-
HW Pre-Employment Requirements	300	176	300	138	300	-
HW Highway Garage Electric	6,000	5,116	2,000	898	500	(1,500)
HW Heating Fuel & Propane	14,000	16,255	14,000	5,785	14,000	-
HW Water & Sewer	1,000	936	800	510	800	-
HW Equip Rental, Repairs, Prch	56,000	52,055	46,000	50,625	46,000	-
HW Major Equipment Repair	2,000	1,881	2,000	2,801	-	(2,000)
HW Sidewalk Repairs & Maint	15,000	15,000	5,000	1,841	15,000	10,000
HW Insurance	7,400	8,191	11,100	9,682	12,200	1,100
HW Print, Dues & Subscriptions	750	2,966	1,500	785	1,000	(500)
HW Uniforms	1,000	994	1,300	1,141	1,300	-
HW Supplies	33,000	29,470	33,000	33,241	35,000	2,000
HW Tires	13,200	14,087	9,500	9,631	10,000	500
HW Stone	-	3,000	10,000	9,904	10,000	-
HW Chloride	17,000	15,453	17,000	13,232	15,000	(2,000)
HW Winter Sand	30,000	29,636	32,000	32,965	32,000	-
HW Gravel	35,000	35,032	40,000	39,866	40,000	-
HW Salt	8,500	10,343	11,000	9,276	11,000	-
HW Colby St. Stream Mitigation	3,500	3,500	1,500	1,500	3,500	2,000
HW Gasoline & Diesel	40,000	49,476	45,000	38,459	45,000	-
HW Paving	4,000	3,310	4,000	4,034	5,000	1,000
HW CDL Testing	500	371	500	631	500	-
Total	651,650	621,626	687,800	653,689	706,900	19,100
Highway Warrant Articles						
HW Paving	150,000	124,560	-	-	132,000	132,000
HW Used Oil Grant	-	-	2,500	3,591	2,500	-

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	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2024 to 2025
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
HW Aldrich Road Repair	-	-	65,000	5,955	50,000	(15,000)
HW New Plow Truck	245,500	152,783	152,000	153,491	-	(152,000)
HW Water & Oil Separator	-	-	-	-	39,200	39,200
HW Solar Panels	125,600	82,323	-	-	-	-
Total	521,100	359,666	219,500	163,037	223,700	4,200
Street Lighting						
SL Street Lights & Replacement	28,000	26,061	28,000	22,792	20,000	(8,000)
Street Lights	-	-	64,000	66,716	-	(64,000)
Total	28,000	26,061	92,000	89,508	20,000	(72,000)
Transfer Station						
TS Employee Wages	33,600	22,682	26,900	23,467	30,700	3,800
TS Social Security	2,100	1,406	2,100	1,455	1,900	(200)
TS Medicare	500	329	500	340	450	(50)
TS Retirement	-	11	-	-	-	-
TS Workers' Compensation	1,000	1,032	650	626	750	100
TS Training & Mileage	500	352	500	196	500	-
TS Telephone	1,000	1,145	1,200	1,204	1,200	-
TS Pre-Employment Requirements	250	-	250	-	100	(150)
TS Hauling Services	50,000	54,080	52,000	60,074	65,000	13,000
TS Disposal of Shingles	9,000	5,154	10,000	4,391	12,000	2,000
TS Disposal of Tires	6,000	7,616	6,000	6,023	7,500	1,500
TS Disposal of Electronics	3,500	1,854	3,500	2,727	3,500	-
TS Transfer Station Electric	1,000	955	1,000	859	1,000	-
TS Heating Fuel & Propane	500	496	500	897	600	100
TS Water & Sewer	700	850	700	510	700	-
TS Equip Rental, Repairs, Main	5,000	4,525	5,000	13,028	7,500	2,500
TS Insurance	375	399	550	480	600	50
TS Print, Dues & Subscriptions	1,200	1,212	1,200	1,980	1,200	-
TS Tipping Fees	65,000	74,208	77,000	70,947	77,000	-
TS Uniforms	300	136	300	-	300	-
TS Supplies	750	396	650	526	700	50
TS Gas Removal	1,000	992	500	735	1,000	500
TS Household Hazardous Waste	-	-	5,000	5,568	-	(5,000)
Total	183,275	179,830	196,000	196,033	214,200	18,200
Landfill Closure						
LF Employee Wages	41,400	40,801	42,700	41,799	43,900	1,200
LF Contracted Services	9,500	4,800	8,700	4,000	4,500	(4,200)
LF Health/Dental	2,000	2,000	3,000	2,250	3,000	-
LF Social Security	2,700	2,654	2,900	2,731	2,900	-
LF Medicare	600	621	700	639	700	-
LF Retirement	6,000	5,622	6,200	5,744	6,200	-
LF Workers' Compensation	600	619	800	788	900	100
LF Training & Mileage	300	50	300	50	150	(150)
LF Electricity	8,000	8,982	9,000	7,558	10,000	1,000
LF Heating Fuel	5,500	4,477	5,500	3,292	4,750	(750)
LF Equip Rental, Repairs, Prch	10,000	9,729	7,500	5,817	7,500	-
LF Property Insurance	375	386	550	472	600	50
LF Landfill Annual Report	3,500	960	3,500	-	3,500	-
LF Print, Dues & Subscriptions	100	329	100	72	100	-
LF Uniforms	200	73	200	92	200	-
LF Groundwater Monitoring	26,400	31,790	26,400	26,445	27,000	600

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	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2024 to 2025
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
LF Groundwater Management Perm	-	-	-	-	3,500	3,500
LF Supplies	500	460	500	437	500	-
LF Gas & Diesel	6,000	6,655	6,000	6,230	7,000	1,000
LF Employee Testing	300	226	200	253	300	100
Total	123,975	121,234	124,750	108,669	127,200	2,450
Recycling						
RC Inter Payment to County	19,100	19,074	21,900	21,868	21,810	(90)
Total	19,100	19,074	21,900	21,868	21,810	(90)
Health Agencies						
HE Vershire	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
HE Community Action	5,210	5,210	5,200	5,200	5,200	-
HE CASA	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
HE Food Pantry	1,500	-	1,500	1,500	2,000	500
HE Red Cross	500	500	500	500	500	-
HE Helping Hands Inc.	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
HE Mental Health	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	-
HE Emergency Service	7,600	7,600	7,600	7,600	7,600	-
HE Community Health/Hospice	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	-
HE Health Officer	900	-	900	-	-	(900)
Total	30,110	27,710	30,100	29,200	29,700	(400)
Health Officer						
HO Employee Wages	-	-	-	900	950	950
HO Social Security	-	-	-	56	70	70
HO Medicare	-	-	-	13	15	15
HO Workers' Compensation	-	-	-	-	50	50
HO Training & Mileage	-	-	-	-	200	200
HO Equip Rental, Repairs & Purch	-	-	-	-	100	100
HO Supplies	-	-	-	-	100	100
Total	-	-	-	969	1,485	1,485
Animal Control						
AC Animal Boarding	250	250	250	250	250	-
Total	250	250	250	250	250	-
General Assistance						
GA Training & Mileage	-	-	500	233	500	-
GA Electric	1,000	834	1,500	-	1,500	-
GA Rentals	1,500	4,795	2,500	2,295	2,500	-
GA Heating Fuel	500	92	1,000	-	1,000	-
GA Board & Care	4,000	10,110	4,500	24,215	20,000	15,500
GA Burials	1,500	950	2,000	2,250	2,500	500
Total	8,500	16,781	12,000	28,993	28,000	16,000
Parks & Recreation						
REC Salary	52,800	52,237	58,900	56,331	60,600	1,700
REC Employee Wages	36,000	37,904	43,200	38,169	45,000	1,800
REC Health/Dental	29,100	26,177	33,450	32,131	34,500	1,050
REC Social Security	5,500	5,130	6,400	5,349	6,550	150
REC Medicare	1,300	1,200	1,500	1,251	1,550	50
REC Retirement	7,300	7,197	8,000	7,622	8,000	-
REC Workers' Compensation	1,900	1,962	2,050	2,046	2,300	250
REC Training & Mileage	5	-	5	-	5	-
REC Telephone	800	715	800	804	800	-

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	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2024 to 2025
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
REC Print, Dues & Subscriptions	5	-	5	-	5	-
REC Supplies	-	-	5	248	5	-
REC Adult Programs	5	-	5	-	-	(5)
Total	134,715	132,522	154,320	143,951	159,315	4,995
Patriotic Purposes						
PAT Memorial Day	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	-
PAT Fourth of July	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	5,000	2,000
Solar Eclipse	5,000	1,111	5,000	7,269	-	(5,000)
Total	9,200	5,311	9,200	11,469	6,200	(3,000)
Economic Development						
ED Colebrook Homepage	1,200	1,589	1,000	605	1,000	-
ED North Country Chamber of Com	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	-
Total	2,400	2,789	2,200	1,805	2,200	-
Conservation Commission						
CO Training & Mileage	-	-	-	-	200	200
CO Membership Dues	300	250	250	250	750	500
Total	300	250	250	250	950	700
Debt Service						
DS Debt Service Principal	77,185	77,185	79,325	79,322	81,520	2,195
DS Debt Service Interest	64,527	64,527	62,390	62,390	60,194	(2,196)
DS Debt Service TAN Interest	1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Total	142,712	141,712	142,715	141,712	142,714	(1)
Capital Reserve Funds						
CR Equipment Purchase	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	-
CR Police Cruiser	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	20,000	15,000
CR Bridge Fund	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	-	(75,000)
CR Property Revaluation	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	-
CR GB Repairs Capital Reserve	15,000	15,000	7,500	7,500	7,500	-
CR Highway Paving	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Total	235,000	235,000	227,500	227,500	167,500	(60,000)
Water						
WA Salaries	29,500	29,171	30,300	29,511	31,200	900
WA Employee Wages	33,700	21,907	35,800	36,476	37,700	1,900
WA Overtime Wages	2,000	7,281	3,000	6,143	6,000	3,000
WA Contracted Services	12,000	5,785	6,000	4,746	6,000	-
WA Health/Dental	19,200	13,815	29,300	24,848	26,500	(2,800)
WA Social Security	4,000	3,485	4,300	4,207	4,600	300
WA Medicare	1,000	815	1,000	984	1,100	100
WA Retirement	13,600	8,005	9,400	9,754	9,500	100
WA Workers' Compensation	1,000	1,032	900	866	1,000	100
WA Audit	2,500	1,927	2,500	1,614	2,500	-
WA Engineering	3,800	452	2,000	-	2,000	-
WA Legal Expense	2,500	-	2,000	-	2,000	-
WA Software Support	5,700	5,302	5,700	1,066	5,700	-
WA Training & Mileage	3,000	570	3,000	503	1,500	(1,500)
WA Telephone	900	876	900	1,228	1,200	300
WA Pre-Employment Requirements	150	58	150	-	150	-
WA Insurance	2,500	2,725	3,700	3,244	4,100	400
WA Unemployment	100	66	150	135	120	(30)
WA Print, Dues & Subscriptions	1,000	1,711	1,000	498	1,000	-
WA Supplies	750	444	750	345	750	-

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	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2024 to 2025
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
WA Consortium Services	200	184	200	25	200	-
WA Bond Payment (ARRA)	60,100	60,106	60,100	60,106	60,100	-
WO Flushing Program	50	-	-	-	-	-
WO Leak Detection	50	-	-	-	-	-
WO Electricity	48,000	53,827	48,000	27,340	38,000	(10,000)
WO Heating Fuel	-	174	-	-	-	-
WO Equip Rental, Repairs & Prch	30,000	41,401	40,000	24,321	35,000	(5,000)
WO Hydrants	-	-	17,700	16,988	23,000	5,300
WO Meters & Equipment	500	2,188	300	-	500	200
WO Uniforms	500	70	500	244	500	-
WO Analysis	4,000	3,760	4,500	3,205	4,500	-
WO Chemicals & Op Supplies	2,000	3,398	2,000	2,371	2,000	-
WO Gas & Oil	2,000	3,167	3,000	1,667	3,000	-
WO Pumping Station	10,000	4,993	-	5,010	5,000	5,000
WO Lab Upgrades	7,000	6,994	-	-	-	-
Total	303,300	285,689	318,150	267,445	316,420	(1,730)
Capital Assets						
WO GIS Data Upgrade	26,000	25,945	-	-	-	-
WO Truck Purchase	-	40,650	-	-	-	-
Total	26,000	66,595	-	-	-	-
Capital Reserve Funds						
CR Short Lived Asset 2016	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Water & Sewer Truck	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	5,000	(2,500)
Total	27,500	27,500	27,500	27,500	25,000	(2,500)
Sewer						
SO Salaries	44,100	43,757	43,900	44,266	46,800	2,900
SO Employee Wages	50,500	32,569	53,700	54,714	54,500	800
SO Overtime Wages	3,000	11,227	10,000	9,467	12,000	2,000
SO Contracted Services	22,000	26,376	25,000	32,779	13,000	(12,000)
SO Health/Dental	28,700	20,748	43,900	32,668	39,800	(4,100)
SO Social Security	6,100	5,227	6,700	6,326	6,900	200
SO Medicare	1,400	1,223	1,600	1,479	1,600	-
SO Retirement	13,500	12,019	14,600	14,654	14,700	100
SO Workers' Compensation	1,200	1,239	1,400	1,359	1,525	125
SO Auditing Services	2,500	1,927	2,500	1,614	2,500	-
SO Engineering	3,000	452	2,000	-	2,000	-
SO Legal Expense	-	-	2,000	660	2,000	-
SO Software Support	6,000	5,302	6,000	1,066	5,700	(300)
SO Training & Mileage	2,000	715	2,000	757	2,000	-
SO Telephone	900	876	900	1,228	1,200	300
SO Pre-Employment Requirements	150	58	150	-	150	-
SO Electric	40,000	44,992	45,600	39,410	35,000	(10,600)
SO Propane & Diesel	500	-	500	-	-	(500)
SO Equip Rental, Repairs, Prch	40,000	25,350	40,000	19,639	35,000	(5,000)
SO New Equipment Purchase	-	-	-	-	-	-
SO Insurance	1,800	1,987	2,700	2,352	3,000	300
SO Unemployment Insurance	200	131	200	198	175	(25)
SO Printing, Dues, Subscription	1,250	2,170	1,500	1,057	1,500	-
SO Uniforms	500	70	500	244	500	-
SO Outside Lab Testing	5,000	3,933	5,000	4,958	7,500	2,500
SO Supplies	4,000	3,062	3,000	2,337	3,000	-

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	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Requested	2024 to 2025 Budget Comparison
SO Gravel	5,000	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
SO Gas & Oil	3,000	3,615	3,500	1,730	3,500	-
SO Lab Upgrades	7,000	6,994	-	-	-	-
SO Immunizations	1,000	-	1,000	1,849	1,500	500
SO Consortium Services	200	185	200	25	200	-
Total	294,500	256,204	321,050	276,836	298,250	(22,800)
Capital Assets						
SO GIS Data Upgrade	-	-	-	-	-	-
SO Portable Sewer Pump	-	-	-	-	-	-
SO Truck Purchase	-	40,650	-	-	-	-
Total	-	40,650	-	-	-	-
Capital Reserve Funds						
CR Short Lived Assets 2016	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Water & Sewer Truck	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	5,000	(2,500)
Total	27,500	27,500	27,500	27,500	25,000	(2,500)
Library						
<i>Appropriated Expense</i>						
LA Employee Wages	102,700	82,551	99,800	88,552	101,300	1,500
LA Health/Dental	26,900	12,270	17,000	15,107	19,150	2,150
LA Social Security	6,200	5,104	6,200	5,476	6,450	250
LA Medicare	1,450	1,194	1,450	1,281	1,500	50
LA Retirement	9,400	6,647	9,800	5,442	10,300	500
LA Workers' Compensation	150	155	175	175	200	25
LA Auditing	3,350	2,582	3,350	2,163	3,350	-
LA Pre-Employment Requirements	250	-	250	-	250	-
LA Heating Fuel and Propane	13,200	3,899	10,000	4,080	9,000	(1,000)
LA Property Insurance	1,700	1,914	2,600	2,245	2,900	300
LA Unemployment	200	131	200	190	175	(25)
LA Appropriation	36,260	28,000	37,835	30,000	36,585	(1,250)
LA Building Cap Reserve	-	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	-
LA Trustees Expenses	20,725	-	20,725	-	22,325	1,600
Total	222,485	144,447	214,385	159,711	218,485	4,100
Cemetery						
CE Employee Wages	18,500	11,723	19,000	13,971	19,600	600
CE Social Security	1,150	727	1,200	866	1,250	50
CE Medicare	300	170	275	203	285	10
CE Workers' Compensation	200	206	475	473	530	55
CE Trees & Shrubs	-	208	350	186	350	-
CE Auditing	200	154	200	129	200	-
CE Legal Fees	150	-	100	-	100	-
CE Training & Mileage	-	286	300	539	550	250
CE Pre-employment Requirements	250	85	250	-	150	(100)
CE Electric	300	171	300	135	300	-
CE Water	300	400	325	225	325	-
CE Equip Rent, Repairs & Prch	3,000	739	2,000	767	2,000	-
CE Property Insurance	75	54	75	79	100	25
CE Unemployment	40	26	40	39	40	-
CE Printing, Dues & Subscriptions	350	278	350	187	300	(50)
CE Uniforms	-	55	200	-	200	-
CE Supplies	750	254	750	1,183	1,200	450
CE Fuel	200	15	100	57	100	-

APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET

	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Requested	2024 to 2025 Budget Comparison
CE Opening of Graves	1,500	150	1,000	750	1,000	-
CE Contracted Services	55,000	52,080	55,000	53,950	55,000	-
CE Road Improvements	12,000	12,059	12,000	-	24,000	12,000
CE Monuments	20,000	19,961	7,500	6,600	7,500	-
CE St. Brendans	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Prior year encumbered funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	115,265	100,801	102,790	81,339	116,080	13,290
Dispatch						
DP Employee Wages	186,800	181,344	187,250	160,623	235,900	48,650
DP Part time wages & training	37,300	35,810	40,250	52,424	26,100	(14,150)
DP Overtime Wages	10,000	14,346	15,000	33,884	10,000	(5,000)
DP Health/Dental	41,900	48,218	77,100	52,151	66,800	(10,300)
DP Social Security	14,500	14,363	15,350	14,993	18,500	3,150
DP Medicare	3,400	3,359	3,600	3,519	4,000	400
DP Retirement System	27,300	26,933	29,300	23,506	32,000	2,700
DP Workers' Compensation	350	361	375	415	450	75
DP Auditing	1,700	1,310	1,300	840	1,300	-
DP Legal	500	300	500	-	500	-
DP Training & Mileage	5,000	1,201	5,000	2,871	5,000	-
DP Telephone	1,850	1,636	1,850	1,828	1,800	(50)
DP Pre-employment Requirements	400	131	350	245	2,000	1,650
DP Equip Rental, Repairs & Prc	2,000	9,975	2,000	42,579	5,000	3,000
DP Insurance	300	327	350	390	500	150
DP Unemployment	500	329	350	498	500	150
DP Print, Dues & Subscriptions	1,500	1,866	1,250	2,717	1,000	(250)
DP Special Use Permits	2,000	8,005	2,000	-	2,000	-
DP Supplies	1,500	703	1,000	1,189	1,500	500
DP Consortium	500	227	250	249	250	-
DP Annual Maint Agreement	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,500	500
DP Grant writing Admin	500	-	500	500	500	-
DP Rent	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	-
DP Payroll	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	-
DP Benefits Admin	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	-
DP Ben Young Tower & Cree Ntch Tower	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	-
DP Software Support	10,000	10,142	15,000	10,630	25,000	10,000
DP Trail Maintenance Funding	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	-	(2,000)
DP Equipment PDIP Funds	-	-	23,000	23,000	5,000	(18,000)
Total			462,725	468,851	483,900	21,175
Recreation State Revolving						
REC Special Activities	-	37,677	-	37,123	-	-
RSR Expense	-	12,040	-	11,193	-	-
Total	-	49,717	-	48,316	-	-
Grants						
APP Engineering	-	32,724	-	-	-	-
Water Well Project	-	90,405	-	172,330	-	-
River Walk Grant	-	41	-	-	-	-
TAP Engineering Contract	-	45,460	-	66,183	-	-
Riverwalk Payroll	-	1,012	-	510	-	-
Riverwalk FICA	-	63	-	32	-	-
Riverwalk Medicare	-	15	-	7	-	-
Solar Eclipse	50,000	-	-	-	-	-

APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET

	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2024 to 2025
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
Housing Grant	63,300	45,622	-	17,312	29,220	29,220
CHC Water Main Grant	-	19,097	-	(10,165)	-	-
Bear Rock Bridge	-	116,570	-	437,975	-	-
Harvey Swell Bridge	-	10,003	-	105,666	-	-
Pleasant Street Bridge Project	-	-	-	13,410	1,082,400	1,082,400
NH DWGWT Main St / Mtr	-	761	-	-	-	-
Northern Borders/EDA Grant	-	22,287	-	29,479	-	-
CDBG Planning Grant	-	896	-	-	-	-
ARPA-Town Funds	-	(16,600)	-	106,638	-	-
ARPA-County Funds	-	28,401	-	266,790	-	-
ARPA-DES SRF Planning	100,000	6,852	-	61,293	-	-
Lagoon Project	-	32,855	-	142,659	-	-
Total	213,300	436,464	-	1,410,119	1,111,620	1,111,620
Police Special Detail						
PSD Equip Rental, Repairs, Prc	-	4,960	-	5,830	-	-
PSD Uniforms	-	5,093	-	-	-	-
Police Detail Wages	-	33,990	-	47,506	-	-
Police Social Security	-	317	-	192	-	-
PSD Medicare	-	479	-	664	-	-
PSD Retirement	-	6,079	-	11,140	-	-
Total	-	50,918	-	65,332	-	-
Grand Totals	5,164,150	5,002,292	5,441,277	6,431,631	6,646,734	1,205,457
Other Library Expenses (Paid directly by the Library)						
Adult Books	5,000	4,644	5,000	4,777	4,250	(750)
Bookkeeping	975	975	1,100	1,100	1,100	-
Building and Equipment Repairs	3,500	1,421	3,500	1,536	3,500	-
Children's Books	3,000	3,760	3,000	1,637	2,500	(500)
Computer, Supplies and Repairs	3,300	2,650	3,300	2,650	3,300	-
Electric	5,000	6,957	6,500	7,655	6,500	-
Legal Fees	1,000	-	500	-	500	-
Maintenance	3,000	2,861	3,000	3,146	3,000	-
Media and Tapes	1,200	1,128	1,200	1,240	1,200	-
Newspaper Notices	550	650	550	136	550	-
Postage	200	-	225	246	225	-
Sewer	380	452	380	380	380	-
Supplies	1,550	1,031	1,500	759	1,500	-
Telephone Internet	5,000	5,705	6,200	6,599	6,200	-
Training and Seminars	1,500	646	1,500	745	1,500	-
Water	380	362	380	300	380	-
<i>Trustee Expenses</i>						
Adult Books	4,250	1,115	4,250	2,282	5,000	750
Adult Periodicals	700	154	700	1,365	700	-
Adult Programs	500	-	500	549	500	-
Children's Books	2,500	555	2,500	1,636	3,000	500
Children's Periodicals	125	-	125	-	125	-
Children's Programs	1,750	1,871	1,750	434	1,750	-
Copier Expenses	400	375	400	452	400	-
Genealogy	500	200	500	732	500	-
Media and Tapes	200	43	200	134	200	-
Miscellaneous	-	113	-	221	-	-
Other Trustee Expense	10,500	-	9,600	-	9,600	-

APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET

	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2024 to 2025
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
Postage	200	375	200	141	200	-
Replacement Books	100	22	-	16	100	100
Resale Purchases	250	256	500	237	250	(250)
Tillotson Grant	-	-	20,000	20,000	-	(20,000)
Total:	57,510	38,321	79,060	61,105	58,910	(20,150)

REVENUE BUDGET

	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Requested	2025 to 2024 Budget Comparison
Revenue from Taxes						
Property Taxes - Current Year	-	2,308,123	-	2,475,073	-	-
Land Use Taxes - Current Year	10,000	5,983	2,500	16,546	15,000	12,500
Excavation Tax	300	401	300	459	300	-
Yield Tax - Current Year	10,000	11,880	5,000	21,725	12,000	7,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	27,500	29,704	30,000	31,464	33,000	3,000
Interest and Penalties	75,000	72,205	60,000	57,485	55,000	(5,000)
Total	122,800	2,428,296	97,800	2,602,752	115,300	17,500
Motor Vehicles						
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	550,000	549,645	575,000	564,733	550,000	(25,000)
Total	550,000	549,645	575,000	564,733	550,000	(25,000)
Building Permits						
Building Permits	3,500	4,005	3,500	2,174	3,000	(500)
Total	3,500	4,005	3,500	2,174	3,000	(500)
Other Licenses & Fees						
Town Clerk Monies	12,500	10,677	10,700	9,501	9,500	(1,200)
Total	12,500	10,677	10,700	9,501	9,500	(1,200)
Federal Funds						
StoneGarden	37,097	23,383	37,097	52,165	40,895	3,798
Clean Energy Fund Energy Audit	4,650	-	-	-	-	-
Solar Project Grant	94,200	-	-	75,000	91,000	91,000
Total	135,947	23,383	37,097	127,165	131,895	94,798
Other Governments						
Room & Meals Tax	180,000	197,689	198,000	206,452	198,000	-
State Bridge Aid	-	(49,634)	-	-	-	-
Highway Block Grant	92,000	118,164	92,000	92,289	92,000	-
In lieu of Railroad Tax	600	35	100	56	100	-
Invest NH Demo Grant	-	-	-	3,378	-	-
Diamond Pond Road	4,300	4,335	4,300	4,422	4,300	-
Emergency Plan Reimbursement	-	-	-	-	7,595	7,595
Used Oil Grant	2,500	-	2,500	2,205	2,500	-
Border Security Grant	-	-	30,000	27,245	-	(30,000)
PD Highway Safety Grant	-	-	-	-	15,000	15,000
Total	279,400	270,589	326,900	336,047	319,495	(7,405)
Income from Departments						
TA Discounts from Retailers	500	350	350	811	350	-
TA Refund Prior Yr Exp	-	-	-	3,000	-	-
TA Income from Dispatch	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	-
TA Insurance Claim	-	2,829	-	-	-	-
TA Eclipse	-	-	1,000	4,127	-	(1,000)
TA Misc. Sales	100	787	-	224	100	100
PB Application Fees	3,000	3,356	3,000	2,341	3,000	-
ZBA Application Fees	200	-	100	-	100	-
PD Police Revenues	3,000	8,263	7,500	6,635	7,500	-
PD Restitution	500	2,109	1,000	2,307	2,000	1,000
PD Resource Officer	46,100	103,739	95,000	78,351	83,400	(11,600)
FD Fire Dept Reimbursements	-	-	-	497	-	-
HW Highway Income	500	240	500	450	500	-
REC Recreation Dept Income	11,000	12,669	13,000	14,481	13,000	-
Welfare Reimbursements	-	-	-	3,500	-	-
TS Demo	10,000	16,560	14,000	16,256	15,000	1,000
TS Tire Permits	6,000	7,474	6,000	7,560	7,000	1,000
TS Freon Removal	1,000	1,935	1,500	1,691	1,500	-
TS Shingles	2,000	2,735	2,000	1,315	1,500	(500)
TS Propane Tanks	50	-	50	27	50	-
TS Electronic Permits	2,000	2,585	2,200	2,341	3,500	1,300

REVENUE BUDGET

	2023 Budget	2023 Actual	2024 Budget	2024 Actual	2025 Requested	2025 to 2024 Budget Comparison
TS Fluorescent Bulbs	200	270	200	198	200	-
TS Scrap Metal	6,000	6,005	6,000	8,975	6,000	-
TS Household Waste	-	-	-	339	-	-
TS Misc Income	-	550	200	200	200	-
Total	97,650	177,956	159,100	161,126	150,400	(8,700)
General Buildings						
GB Rental Payments	38,000	39,360	40,800	40,791	40,800	-
Total	38,000	39,360	40,800	40,791	40,800	-
Sale of Town Property						
Sale of Town Property	1,000	-	1,000	26,400	1,000	-
Total	1,000	-	1,000	26,400	1,000	-
Miscellaneous Income						
Bank Interest	4,000	12,627	10,000	42,913	22,000	12,000
Misc. Revenue	-	655	-	60	-	-
Miscellaneous Interest & Penalties	100	17	50	32	50	-
Private Donations	5,000	(20,680)	5,500	8,361	6,000	500
Transfer from NHPDIP	-	-	10,000	9,904	39,200	29,200
Total	9,100	(7,381)	25,550	61,270	67,250	41,700
Capital Reserves						
Capital Reserve Revenue Income	492,500	586,028	343,000	337,187	182,000	(161,000)
Total	492,500	586,028	343,000	337,187	182,000	(161,000)
Water						
Bank Interest	1,100	4,163	3,500	4,029	3,500	-
Water Use Charges	350,700	339,418	338,150	315,089	333,920	(4,230)
Water Interest	4,000	3,023	2,500	2,464	2,500	-
Water Misc. Revenue	1,000	2,354	1,500	2,903	1,500	-
Capital Reserve Revenue Income	-	33,260	-	-	-	-
Total	356,800	382,218	345,650	324,485	341,420	(4,230)
Sewer						
Other State Revenues	13,200	13,206	13,200	13,207	13,200	-
Bank Interest	1,000	3,445	3,000	3,260	3,000	-
Sewer Use Charges	282,800	357,558	313,850	346,758	294,050	(19,800)
Sewer Use Interest	5,000	4,849	3,500	2,717	3,000	(500)
Sewer Misc	20,000	14,888	15,000	8,752	10,000	(5,000)
Capital Reserve Revenue Income	-	33,260	-	-	-	-
Total	322,000	427,206	348,550	374,694	323,250	(25,300)
Library						
Library Revenues	20,725	-	20,725	-	22,325	1,600
Total	20,725	-	20,725	-	22,325	1,600
Cemetery						
Cemetery Revenues	5,000	3,710	1,200	5,160	2,000	800
Trust Fund Monies	20,750	-	-	22,825	5,000	5,000
Total	25,750	3,710	1,200	27,985	7,000	5,800
Dispatch						
DP Communications Equip Grnt	-	-	-	1,092,613	-	-
DP Insurance Claim Reimb	-	-	-	39,140	-	-
Dispatch Operations	196,846	196,846	234,212	234,241	237,326	3,114
DP Bank Interest	-	2,558	-	9,732	-	-
Trans from Gen Fund	-	2,000	-	100,932	-	-
Total	196,846	201,404	234,212	1,476,658	237,326	3,114
Recreation Revolving						
RSR Rec Donations & Fund	-	12,850	-	11,909	-	-
SRS Rec User Fees	-	40,477	-	43,836	-	-
Total	-	53,327	-	55,745	-	-
Grants						
Solar Eclipse	50,000	-	-	-	-	-

REVENUE BUDGET

	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025	2025 to 2024
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Budget Comparison
CDBG CHC Water Main Grant	-	-	-	4,500	-	-
ARPA-Coos County	-	21,167	-	282,833	-	-
ARPA-State of NH DES (Planning)	100,000	-	-	60,834	-	-
Bear Rock Rd Bridge Reimbursement	-	286,133	-	40,996	-	-
Pleasant Street Bridge NHPDIP	-	-	-	25,163	-	-
Pleasant Street Bridge- State	-	-	-	-	1,082,400	1,082,400
Housing Grant	63,300	38,808	-	24,110	29,220	29,220
Main Street Capital Reserve	-	11,788	-	-	-	-
TAP State DOT Roadway Funds	-	47,373	-	39,354	-	-
NBRC/EDA Lagoon (CMA DES)	-	4,374	-	122,570	-	-
NBRC Sludge Removal (NCC)	-	-	-	51,767	-	-
Total	213,300	409,643	-	652,127	1,111,620	1,111,620
Police Special Detail						
Private Revenues	-	57,958	-	79,248	-	-
Bank Interest	-	17	-	6	-	-
Total	-	57,975	-	79,254	-	-
Grand Total	2,877,818	5,618,041	2,570,784	7,260,094	3,613,581	1,042,797

Library (Other Internal Revenue)						
Book Sales	1,210	1,420	1,210	1,151	1,210	-
Copying Fees	800	752	800	1,110	800	-
Donations	820	505	820	582	820	-
Interest and Penalties	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	0	-	99	-	-
Non-Resident Fees	780	687	780	891	780	-
Other Communities	3,735	3,535	3,735	3,960	3,735	-
Overdue Fees	850	238	850	559	850	-
Replacement Books	100	10	100	37	100	-
Resale Sales	500	401	250	183	250	-
Trust Fund Income	930	-	930	-	930	-
Trustee Income - Other	10,500	1,922	12,500	20,000	12,850	350
Total	20,225	9,469	21,975	28,572	22,325	350

Official Town Minutes
Colebrook, New Hampshire
March 12, 2024

Moderator Nathan Lebel called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag. He advised those in attendance to check with the Supervisors of the Checklist to obtain a voting card.

The Moderator asked for a motion to skip over Articles 1-5 temporarily, because the votes were still being counted. Motion was made, seconded, voted on by hand cards and passed.

The Moderator asked for a motion to allow non-residents to speak at the meeting, even though they could not vote. Motion was made, seconded, voted on by hand cards and approved.

Citizen of the Year was awarded to Brad Sheltry.

The Moderator read the town warrant.

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to recognize April 8, 2024, as Total Solar Eclipse Day within the Town of Colebrook, was read. Motion by Sue Collins, seconded by Greg Placy. Sue Collins introduced Tim Stevens, who spoke to the motion, no questions were asked, and vote was taken by hand cards. Motion passed.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,231,927 for General Government, was read. A motion was made by Sue Collins, seconded by Greg Placy. Sue Collins spoke to her motion. A question from the audience on why we do not use actual numbers for budget expenses since they are available instead of projected numbers from budget. Sue Collins answered it was a DRA reporting requirement, but the board can change this for future meetings. No further questions and vote taken by hand cards. Motion passed and Greg Placy called for restrictions to the article, seconded by Ray Gorman, motion to restrict voting by hand cards and passed.

The Moderator read results of ballot articles 2 through 5:

Article 2: Amendment to amend Article III definitions by expanding the meaning of "Accessory Building or Use" to make the rental of one or two guestrooms in a home an allowed accessory use of any owner-occupied dwelling, and to expand the meaning of "Public Accommodations" to include the rental of rooms to those who may be staying in town for longer than a season such as boarding and rooming houses. This article passed with 241 votes for the article and 160 votes against.

Article 3: Amending Article III Definitions and Article IV Zoning Regulations to allow detached accessory dwellings such as maybe in a guest cottage, barn, or garage, provided they are no more than 1,200 square feet with water, no more than 2 bedrooms and are designed to match the main house. This article passed with 252 votes for the article and 150 votes against.

Article 3: Amending Article III Definitions and Article IV Zoning Regulations to add Short-Term Rental as a permitted use of single-family dwellings on individual lots, and of one unit in a two-family dwelling or one unit in a single-family dwelling with an accessory dwelling unit: also including parking, health, and safety requirements. This article passed with 244 votes for the article and 153 against.

Article 4: Amending Article V. Cluster Housing Regulations and Article III Definitions to update and add language regarding several cluster housing requirements and to revise the density bonus to encourage construction of homes 1,200 square feet or smaller. This article passed with 221 votes for the article and 173 against.

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$267,500 for the Capital Reserve Funds which shall be funded by taxation, was read. A motion was made by Ray Gorman, seconded by Sue Collins. Ray Gorman spoke to his motion. A question from the audience regarding the bridge fund for Harvey Swell Road. Those projects are upcoming. No further questions. Motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$127,745 for Landfill Closure Expenses and to authorize the withdrawal of \$50,000 from the Sanitary Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund as offsetting revenue against these expenses, was read. A motion was made by Greg Placy, seconded by Ray Gorman. Greg Placy spoke to the motion. No questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$152,000 for the purpose of purchasing a new replacement highway plow truck with accessories and warranty and to authorize the withdrawal of \$152,000 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose and to permit the Selectmen to dispose of the existing 2015 Terrastar truck by trade in allowance or by sale as deemed in the best interest of the Town was read. A motion was made by Greg Placy, seconded by Ray Gorman. Greg Placy spoke to the motion. No questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$71,000 for the purchase of a police cruiser and to authorize the withdrawal of \$71,000 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund and to permit the Selectmen to dispose of the existing Chevrolet pickup by trade in allowance or by sale as deemed in the best interest of the Town, was read. A motion was made by Sue Collins, seconded by Greg Placy. Sue Collins spoke to the motion. A question from the audience regarding the specifics of the pickup truck, answered by the Chief. No further questions, votes called for by hand cards and passed.

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000 of the total re-evaluation of properties in the Town as required every five years by the Department of Revenue Administration and to authorize the withdrawal of \$55,000 from the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund was read. A motion was made by Greg Placy, seconded by Ray Gorman. Greg Placy spoke to the motion. No questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 for repairs to Aldrich Road caused by heavy rains during the summer of 2023 and to authorize

the withdrawal of \$15,000 from the Disaster Management Capital Reserve Fund as offsetting revenue against these expenses was read. A motion was made by Greg Placy, seconded by Ray Gorman. Greg Placy spoke to the motion. A question from the audience regarding why we did not start the project on Piper Hill Rd where the problem seems to have started, answered by Greg Placy that Aldrich Rd was in worse shape and needed immediate repair. There was a question on if we were putting rock baskets back in again, answered that we aren't. No further questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$654,200 for the Colebrook Water Department and the Colebrook Sewer Facilities, funds to be offset by user fees was read. Sue Collins motioned, and Greg Placy seconded. Sue Collins talked to motion. A question from the audience on the town well answered that we were looking at two sites for new wells. One site has better quality water and better volume, but the second site is closer to existing lines. Greg Placy added that the town was seeking forgiveness on failed well loans. No further questions. Motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$223,385 for support of the Colebrook Public Library, \$202,660 to be raised through taxation and \$20,725 is to come from other library balance on hand January 1, 2024 book sales, donations, trust funds, non-resident fees, other communities, overdue fines, book resale, copying fees, etc., such funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees and Article 16, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the previously established Library Building Repairs and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund for the Library Building Repairs and Replacement were read. A motion was made by Greg Placy, seconded by Ray Gorman. Greg Placy spoke to the motion on article 15. No questions, motion voted on and passed. Article 16 was spoken by Greg Placy. No questions, motion voted on by hand cards and motion passed.

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$102,790 for the operation and maintenance of the Colebrook Cemeteries, the sum of \$101,590 to be raised through taxation and \$1,200 from burials, cemetery trust funds and other Colebrook Cemetery revenues was read. A motion was made by Sue Collins, seconded by Ray Gorman. Sue Collins spoke to the motion. No questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for the Town's anticipated allocation of the Northern Borders Alliance Program created by the State of NH as part of its 2024-2026 state budget, any and all funds expended will be received from the State of NH was read. A motion was made by Sue Collins, seconded by Greg Placy. Sue Collins spoke to the motion. A question from the audience regarding who was in charge of the border, answered that US Customs and Border Protection is in overall charge of the border and this motion is additional help for them. No further questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 19: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to close the Northern Borders Dispatch Center Capital Reserve Funds and any and all interest accrued on said funds, with said funds to be placed in the Town's general fund was read. A motion was made by Sue Collins, seconded by Ray Gorman. Sue Collins spoke to the motion. No questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$437,725 for the Northern Borders Dispatch Center, with \$214,212 to come from participating towns, and \$223,513 to come from taxation was read. A motion was made by Ray Gorman, seconded by Greg Placy. Ray Gorman spoke to the motion. A question from the audience regarding where the dispatch is actually located, answered that it is in Colebrook Town Hall. A question from the audience regarding were other insurance companies asked about prices on employee insurance and was answered that only one company gave a cost, and second company never returned calls, so we had to stick with first company and their 11% rate hike. No further questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for the purpose of funding Northern Borders dispatch Center Trail Maintenance with \$1,600 to come from participating towns and \$400 to come from taxation was read. A motion was made by Ray Gorman, seconded by Sue Collins. Ray Gorman spoke to the motion. No questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,000 for the Northern Borders Dispatch Center Equipment Savings Account to be used for future replacement of dispatch equipment with \$18,400 to come from participating towns and \$4,600 to come from taxation was read. A motion was made by Ray Gorman, seconded by Greg Placy. Ray Gorman spoke to the motion. Questions on do other towns vote on this issue, Sue Collins answered they do not because we have the biggest share of the burden. No questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue Paul Gleason Road in its entirety as a town highway per RSA 231:43 was read. A motion was made by Greg Placy, seconded by Sue Collins. Greg Placy spoke to the motion. A question from the audience regarding why we maintain roads where only one resident lives on, answered that roads are state funded, and residents would not appreciate the town giving up their roads. No further questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to require all regular and special sessions of the board of Selectmen meetings video recorded and live streamed on a platform that is accessible to the public, was read. A motion was made by an audience member, unclear who seconded. The question was asked regarding was not this asked for last year, answered was that it was, and was investigated this year. The cost will be \$4,200 per year plus \$3000 for installation of equipment. A question arose regarding the town's liability if internet service is down. The answer was unknown. An amendment was made regarding availability of internet and seconded to say meetings would be recorded and live streamed when possible. A question was asked regarding extending this to planning board meetings. The original amendment was voted on by hand card and passed. Motion made to extend this to planning board meetings and seconded. Greg Placy commented that we would need to check with vendor, but it will probably be another \$4,200 per year to live stream the planning board meetings. There was no further discussion, amendment voted on by hand card and passed. The vote called for to vote on entire amended article. Vote too close for hand count. No voters asked to keep their hands raised while The Moderator counted, yes voters asked to raise their hands again. The moderator declared that the Article failed to pass.

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to accept, ratify, and confirm the reports of the Agents, Selectmen, Auditors and all other Town Officers was read, motion made by Ray Gorman and seconded by Sue Collins. Sue Collins talked to motion. A question asked regarding solar panels, Sue Collins said extra payment for electrical will go to other town electric bills. Greg Placy said other sites are being considered for solar panels, no further details at this time, it is just a feasibility question at this point. Tim Stevens added that at printing time, we only had two bills that were affected by the solar panels, and therefore not enough data to adjust the electricity cost for town. No further questions, motion voted on by hand cards and passed.

The Moderator received and read the results of the rest of the election:

School election results are:

Moderator: Jonathan Frizzell with 95 votes

Clerk: Mary Jolles with 28 votes

Treasurer: Gaetane Boire with 355 votes

School Board 2 Year: David Brooks with 267 votes

School Board 3 Year: Cayenne Amy with 241 votes and Julie J. Brunault with 276 votes

Town election results are:

Moderator: Jonathan Frizzell with 31 votes

Selectman: Suzanne Collins with 335 votes

Supervisor of Checklist: Mike Ouellet with 332 votes

Cemetery Trustee: Daniel Lyons with 349 votes

Library Trustee: Catherine Drucker with 229 votes and Amy C. Patterson with 330 votes

Planning Board: Gregory A. Sipple with 302 votes and Michelle Strasburger with 242 votes

Trustee of Trust Funds: Pamela A. Bunnell with 369 votes

Article 26: any other business of the Town was read. A question arose regarding more info should have been available for articles 1-5, Sue Collins answered that there were two meetings that were sparsely attended, and that per state law zoning changes needed to be on a ballot.

A question arose about changing the meeting to a Saturday instead of a Tuesday. Greg Placy said it could be done, but a vote last year was to keep it on Tuesday night.

Greg Placy thanked the town employees and volunteers. Sue Collins thanked the voters for approving the budget that the selectmen worked very hard on.

Tim Stevens made the motion for adjournment, seconded by the audience. Motion voted on by hand cards and passed, meeting ended at 8:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Jolene M. Martunas

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The year began with unusually warm winter months of January and February. Late March and the beginning days of April were not so kind. We were suddenly slammed by a couple of snowstorms after folks had begun raking their lawns.

Then came a day we will always remember – April 8th: **Total Solar Eclipse Day**. The sky was brighter than a bluebird's feathers. After planning for this event in Colebrook for nearly 15 months with all bets on clouds, snow and rain, we hit the weather lottery. Thousands of visitors came to visit us in our path of totality. With the assistance of the NH State Travel and Tourism, Town Manager Tim Stevens developed a map and guide of Colebrook's authorized free parking areas, bus & RV parking, and paid parking. It also included designated First Aid and Warming Stations. Many visitors chose to drive to Colebrook instead of through Colebrook due to this guide. And what a wonderful group of visitors they were – kind, cheerful, friendly, and polite. The town provided trash cans at all the free parking areas as well as porta-potties. We are happy to report that all these visitors left the town as clean as they found it. We truly appreciate all the work provided by volunteers that day (both local and from other towns), of town employees and of our local residents and businesses for welcoming these solar eclipse chasers to Colebrook. April 8th was truly an incredible day. At 100% totality which lasted 3 ½ minutes, you could hear the crowds cheer all over town. Colebrook is a special place and we all felt it deeply that day.



After the celestial event, here is our report for the more terrestrial events that followed during 2024.

We continue to move ahead on several capital projects.

NEW WATER SUPPLY: Two favorable drilling locations have been identified for the development of high-yield water supply wells. The NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) gave preliminary approval to drill two 8-inch diameter test/production wells. These wells were drilled and appear to be capable of yielding more than 300 gallons per minute each of good quality water. Long term testing (5 days of continuous pumping) has been scheduled for mid-February to assess what final yields we can permit from each well. Then our consultant (Emery & Garrett) can submit a final hydrogeological report, and a Large Groundwater withdrawal permit to NHDES.

MAIN STREET: Our engineers at CMA are submitting the final plans to the NH Department of Transportation (NH DOT). Delays occurred when Eversource offered to bury the utility lines between Colby Street and Bridge Street requiring additional Right of Way (ROW) survey work, utility relocation coordination with Consolidated Communications and Fibercast, and engineering plan revisions. The utilities will be installing their underground infrastructure this coming spring and summer. We expect the final Main Street design and NH DOT's authorization to advertise this spring and summer.

ROUTE 145 SEWER PROJECT: (Formerly known as the CORLISS LANE/EDWARDS STREET PUMPING STATION PROJECT). As of this writing, this project that connects into the sewer main on Park Street is 99.9% complete. As stated in past reports, this project reduces the Edwards Street Pumping Station running time from 16 hours a day to 8. Coös County grant funding of \$304,000 and the balance of the Town's ARPA funding were the primary sources of funding for this sewer department improvement.

WASTE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY (WWTF) PROJECT: This project is funded by a combination of grants and loans from the Northern Borders Commission/EDA, the State of NH and the Town of Colebrook. This project includes sludge removal from the lagoons. The sludge removal component of this project has been mired in red tape at the Northern Borders Commission where numerous demands on the Environmental Assessment requirements have become impractical and frustrating. We may have to look at pursuing our US Senator and Congresswoman to intervene on the town's behalf. Another unexpected development occurred on November 23, 2024, when an early morning fire destroyed the Wastewater Treatment Plant UV Building (the ultraviolet system is the final disinfection step before lagoon water is discharged to the Connecticut River). Our insurance carrier, Primex, had an adjuster on site hours after the fire. Although it hasn't been determined yet, we remain hopeful that this component of the WWTF will be fully replaced in 2025 at minimal or no cost to the users of the sewer system.

Another component of this project is a Preliminary Engineering Report. The report will be submitted to USDA on or about January 17, 2025, as part of an application for additional funding from that agency.

BEAR ROCK ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT: This project has been completed. The Town received funding from Trout Unlimited and 80% funding from the State of NH. The project close out will determine the Town's share that will be charged against the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund.

HARVEY SWELL ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT: This project is on the drawing boards to be completed in the summer of 2025.

PLEASANT STREET BRIDGE PROJECT: This is the last of the Town's red-listed bridges. A 2025 warrant article seeks the Town's authorization to proceed with this project.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG): The Town is fiscal agent for a \$500,000 grant that is part of a funding package for upgrading eligible utilities, service repair, and upgrades to drainage issues at the Colebrook Homeowners' Cooperative (CHC) Mobile Home Park. In August 2024, bids were opened for the utility replacement project, but a complete, and responsive, bid was not received, so the project was not awarded to a contractor. The project was re-bid with bids opened in October 2024. A single bid was received, but the bid proposal was higher than the construction budget. Since then, CHC has been negotiating with the contractor to get the project within CHC's construction budget.

The Town wrapped up some other projects including

- a completely rebuilt Colby Street Pumping Station;
- 134 new LED streetlights outside of the Main Street corridor which will save on electricity costs;
- a new roof on the Main Pumping Station at the Wastewater Treatment Facility;
- holding a public hearing on October 8, 2024 to accept a grant from the State of New Hampshire, Division of Emergency Services & Communications with an award to Northern Borders Dispatch of \$1,092,613 for the purpose of procuring software and equipment for the upgrade project to the computer aided dispatch software solution;
- the new solar panel installation at the town garage that has virtually eliminated purchasing electricity from Eversource;
- receiving a deed from the Canaan, Vt. School District for a portion of its parcel at 22 Bridge Street that enabled us to add extra parking across from the town hall and protect more of the well radius around the current town wells;
- conducting meetings to determine the most cost-effective health plan for town employees and a decision to switch providers to save tax dollars while offering an equal level of benefits.

We didn't wrap up everything though.

- In accordance with state statutes, Colebrook was due for a 5-year cyclical re-evaluation in 2024. Additionally, the town's contract with its assessors expired on December 31, 2023. The assessor assigned to Colebrook retired on that date. Requests for proposals (RFPs) were issued to every firm approved by the NH Department of Revenue Administration for the re-evaluation and annual pickups. No responses for the cyclical re-evaluation were received. The Bureau of Tax & Land Appeals has been notified, and the town received an extension to 2025. An assessor for the annual pickups of new properties was engaged just in time for the calculation of 2024 property tax bills. Town Manager Tim Stevens is working diligently on fulfilling this requirement this year.
- Aldrich Road damages from flooding in 2023 have not been repaired. There continues to be ongoing discussions with FEMA and analysis of our options with our engineers.

We continue to work for the residents of Colebrook by finding the best solutions to anticipated improvements and unanticipated problems. With the help of dedicated staff, consultants, our volunteers, and your support of our budget at town meeting, we can keep Colebrook a fine place to live and visit – even though eclipse chasers will not be returning for a total solar eclipse until 2079.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Placy, Chairman
Raymond Gorman, Vice-Chair
Suzanne Collins

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

2024 Colebrook was blessed on April 8th by being one of the few towns in New Hampshire to experience the total solar eclipse. While much of the state experienced a partial eclipse, Dalton to Berlin and north were the only places that experienced the total eclipse. To add to the experience, though trending experts predicted early on there was an 80% chance of cloud cover, there was not a cloud in the sky on that day. I am very proud to say that I have received 100s of accolades about our community and the way that such a huge influx in personnel was handled. A big thanks goes out to our 1st responders, town employees, those who planned, participated, and assisted, business owners, and every member of the community who had a positive impact on those visiting. And I would be remiss if I did not mention that those who visited did a phenomenal job ensuring that the area they visited was as clean, if not cleaner, than when they arrived. Overall, it was a flawless event. The picture of the eclipse on the cover of the annual report was taken in Colebrook by photographer Mark E. Foster of Alton Bay, who generously allowed us to use his photo for our cover.

A few projects have been in the works during 2024 that were either finished or are close to completion. Bear Rock Road Bridge is complete and looks phenomenal. Route 145 Water and Sewer lines have been replaced, and the project is near completion. This will take an enormous strain off our Edward Street pumping station. All the old high pressure sodium streetlights have been replaced with LED lights. This is expected to save approximately 60% on our bill and will pay for itself in 4.5 years. The only lights not yet swapped out are those on Main Street, which will be done as part of the Main Street project starting in the spring. The dilapidated Washburn Dam on Diamond Pond Road was removed.

The Town has been successful in filling a few vacancies. The Highway Department hired Eric Dejackome to a full-time position and Charles McCune as our part-time seasonal bobcat operator. Velvet Sweeney was appointed to our Deputy Town Clerk position, assisting Jolene in the Clerk's Office. Jacqueline Thayer has taken on the role of Health Officer and Emergency Management Director.

As many of you know, Colebrook's own Jonathan Frizzell was confirmed as a State Superior Court Judge. As proud of Judge Frizzell as we are, it left Colebrook without its long-serving Town Counsel. That put us on a search for an attorney and Law Firm to fill the gap caused by Judge Frizzell's appointment. The Town selected attorney Chris Boldt of Donahue, Tucker and Ciandella. Attorney Boldt has been doing a wonderful job of fulfilling our legal needs.

For years, all calls to our police department (PD), even routine calls, have been going through the Northern Borders Dispatch center. This has caused a couple of challenges: 1) routine calls to speak with an officer about a non-emergency situation could be coming into the dispatch center the same time as a serious emergency needing the dispatcher's full attention, and 2) all calls going into the dispatch center get added to the total number of calls the town received,

therefore coming at a cost to the town. We have addressed this by publishing a non-emergency number for people wanting to contact the chief, an officer, or the prosecutor. The police department's non-emergency number is **(603) 388-2120**. When this number is called, if an officer is at the police department he/she will answer. If the officer is out patrolling or on a call, the answering machine will pick up and a message can be left for the chief, officer or prosecutor. The town has made up magnets with this non-emergency number that can be conveniently placed on your refrigerator for quick and easy access. For emergencies you still need to call **911**. We appreciate your efforts in our attempt to make this more efficient and less costly.

As of January 1st, 2025, the transfer station no longer collects glass as a recyclable. Glass has, in the past, been separated and handled as a recyclable, but it gets sent to the landfill with all the other trash. By placing it in the construction debris bin, it removes the extra work and cost of separating the glass only to have it land in the same place as other trash. The recycling spot for glass has been removed at the transfer station and we are asking customers to put their glass in the construction and debris bin beside the ramp at the transfer station. We ask that you do not put it in the compactor as glass shatters and gets turned into shards of glass which places an unnecessary strain on the compactor. We appreciate everyone's assistance in this change.

2024 has been a very productive year and 2025 is going to be just as busy as we continue to improve our town and the services we provide. As we are preparing for the Main Street project, I ask all residents and business owners to be patient, and I have been assured by those overseeing the project that there will be minimal disruption to our Main Street businesses and their customers.

Respectfully,

Tim Stevens
Town Manager

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Revenues turned over to the treasurer during 2024:

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS*	\$571,471.00
DOG LICENSES**	2,224.00
FINES INCURRED FOR LATE DOG LICENSES	87.00
STATE VITAL RECORD FEES***	3,971.00
FEES FOR ABSTRACT RECORDS, UNINCORPORATED TOWNSHIP TRANSACTIONS, UCC FEES, VOTER CHECKLIST & MISC. REVENUE	5,142.26
BOAT REGISTRATIONS	2,841.42
TOTAL TURNED OVER TO THE TREASURER:	\$585,736.68

*Of this total \$25,454.00 was turned over to Coos County

**Of the total turned over to the treasurer, \$861.00 was paid to the Department of Agriculture for Animal Control per RSA 466:4.

***Of this total \$3,971.00 collected for State Vital Record Fees is also remitted to the New Hampshire Department of State.

Respectfully submitted,

Jolene M. Martunas

Town Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT

The annual report for the Town of Colebrook provides an opportunity for the taxpayers of Colebrook to see the financial position, performance and changes that the town has undergone throughout the fiscal year. Various reports and statements within this report show a complete financial record of the detailed transactions for the Town of Colebrook for this budget year.

These reports include:

- Bank account balances
- Loan schedule reports
- General budget of revenues and expenditures
- Budget reports for special projects
- Trustee account balances
- Auditor's report

In this fiscal year, we were fortunate once again that the timing of our receipts of tax revenues aligned with the financial obligations that we had for our own budgets as well as the appropriations to Coos County, Colebrook School District, Colebrook Cemetery, Colebrook Public Library and the Colebrook Fire Department. We continued to see strong interest income numbers due to interest rates being favorable for our needs. We continue to hold financial relationships with local banks and the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool to strategize the placement of our funds to receive the most financial benefit for the town as possible.

We were extremely fortunate to receive a grant for the Northern Borders Dispatch through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) and State and Local Recovery Funds (FRF). Funding source: 100% Federal funds. This grant will allow for much-needed infrastructure upgrades to our current dispatch systems. Funding for this upgrade has been received in advance of the project and the funding has been invested with the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool until such time as project work can begin.

If additional information or explanation of any of this financial data is necessary, please do not hesitate to contact myself or the staff at the town hall and we will gladly answer any additional questions you might have.

As always, I would like to extend a huge thank you to Gaetane Boire, treasurer of the Colebrook School District for her cooperation and coordination with the town on our financial obligations to the school. Finally, I wish to thank Julie Brunault for her continued willingness to serve as deputy treasurer.

Respectfully,

Alicia Boire, Treasurer
Town of Colebrook

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

DEBITS				
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>Prior</u>
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year				
Property Taxes		1,979,473.72		1,091.48
Land Use Change Tax				
Yield Taxes		102.21		
Utility Charges				
Interest & Penalties				
Other Charges		85,708.87	3,785.41	180.00
Prepayments		(13,450.02)	(26,078.96)	(209.45)
Taxes Committed this Year				
Property Taxes	6,886,061.00			
Land Use Change Tax		11,376.00	5,170.00	
Yield Taxes	21,724.65			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	458.72			
Utility Charges	524,018.38	147,899.35		
Other Charges				
Overpayment Refunds				
Property Taxes	2,606.29	12,046.24	2,957.04	2,153.09
Utilities	2,795.10			
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	4,571.81	36,013.44	564.64	
TOTAL DEBITS	7,442,235.95	2,259,169.81	(13,601.87)	3,215.12

CREDITS				
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>Prior</u>
Remitted to Treasurer				
Property Taxes	6,234,071.98	1,905,035.68	(20,344.21)	(2,443.29)
Land Use Change Tax		11,376.00	5,170.00	
Yield Taxes	20,580.61	102.21		
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	5,856.80	36,727.55	564.64	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	458.72			
Utility Charges	450,825.47	57,457.32	2,228.14	
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		239,495.75	1,532.10	
Cost Not Liated				
Other Charges				
Abatements Made				
Property Taxes	150.00	2,072.51		
Land Use Change Tax				
Yield Taxes				
Utility Charges	1,637.95	5,687.74	167.54	
Other Charges				
Current Levy Deeded				
Uncollected Taxes End of Year				
Property Taxes	654,445.31			5,649.70
Land Use Change Tax				
Yield Taxes	1,144.04			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges	73,040.06	7,348.24	(10.44)	
Penalty Charges/Interest	25.01			9.42
Prepayments				
Other Charges				
Property Tax Credit Balances		(6,133.19)	(2,909.64)	(0.71)
Utility Credit Balances				
TOTAL CREDITS	7,442,235.95	2,259,169.81	(13,601.87)	3,215.12

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

LIEN DEBITS				
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>Prior</u>
Unredeemed Liens Beg of Year		163,509.46	105,712.00	57,505.85
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	258,633.33			
Interest & Costs Charged	4,351.53	10,356.78	15,025.36	13,601.07
TOTAL DEBITS	262,984.86	173,866.24	120,737.36	71,106.92

LIEN CREDITS				
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>Prior</u>
Redemptions	24,211.39	61,725.60	61,910.34	31,140.41
Interest & Costs Collected	4,351.53	10,336.78	15,025.36	13,577.57
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	882.95			
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance	233,538.99	101,803.86	43,801.66	26,388.94
TOTAL CREDITS	262,984.86	173,866.24	120,737.36	71,106.92

Respectfully submitted by,
 Melanie Fogg
 Certified Tax Collector



POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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Paul M. Rella
Chief of Police

The year 2024 has proven to be another interesting and active year for the Colebrook Police Department. The following are some cases and statistics as of December 2024:

- Motor Vehicle Crashes: **73**
- Motor Vehicle Violations Stops: **1,143** Warnings Issued: **902** Citations Issued: **241**
- Criminal Cases Investigated: **122**
- Thefts: **22**
- Drugs: **32**
- Arrests: **145**

A comparison of increased call volume from 2019 statistics as of December 2024:

- Calls for service: **4,215** *(this is an increase of 15% from 2019)*
- Arrests: **145** *(this has increased from a total of 88 arrests from 2019 to 145 arrests which is an increase of 64%).*
- Driving under the influence (DUI): **22** *(this has increased from a total of 6 DUI's from 2019 to 22 DUI's which is an increase of 266%).*
- Drug Cases: **32** *(this has increased from a total of 8 from 2019 to 32 which is an increase of 300%).*

We continue to arrest people for possession of fentanyl and methamphetamines. I have received feedback from the community regarding their frustration with the repeated offenders not receiving a jail sentence. I can assure you that the police department is frustrated with this as well. It takes an enormous amount of time to prepare these cases for the court and these drugs are extremely dangerous. It is time for the court to start looking at these cases as a crime and not just an addiction.

I applied for and received another New Hampshire Highway Safety Grant totaling \$15,000. These said funds will be utilized for extra motor vehicle enforcements to include driving under the influence (DUI), speeding, distracted driving etc. I was able to purchase two new radar units with this grant money which covered 75% of the cost.

The Colebrook Police Department took delivery of our new 2024 police package Silverado in October from Don Noyes Chevrolet. This vehicle is replacing the aging 2015 currently in use. A big thank you to Don Noyes and Homer Davis for collaborating with the police department to give us an exceptional purchase price utilizing a fleet discount.

Sergeant David Radun will retire from the Colebrook Police Department on January 15, 2025. Sergeant Radun was sworn in as a police officer for the Town of Colebrook on August 25, 2003, and has progressed through the ranks starting out as a Patrol Officer and being promoted to Corporal and then Sergeant. Sergeant Radun will always be remembered for his unwavering skill at calming down any situation that he responded to and his unmatched ability to connect with people no matter who they were. Thank you, Sergeant Radun, for your 22 years of dedicated service to the Town of Colebrook. On behalf of all of us we would like to wish you health and happiness in your well-deserved retirement.

I would also like to thank all the Colebrook Police Officers for working long hours and continuing to put their lives on the line to make Colebrook a safe environment for its residents and for the out-of-town people who visit our great town. The sacrifices that these officers make into achieving this goal does not go unnoticed.

Respectfully,

Chief Paul M. Rella
Colebrook Police Department

WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT REPORT

Two thousand twenty-four was another busy year for the water and sewer departments. We repaired several smaller water leaks and two main leaks on Route 26. We finished the Colby Street sewer pump station rehabilitation. In addition, the department replaced several fire hydrants and repaired two that were struck by vehicles in November.

The department suffered a fire at the Ultraviolet Treatment building at the lagoons, resulting in a total loss of the structure. We were able to get back on-line by using our diesel driven bypass pump and converting to chlorine treatment of the sewer effluent. We hope to have the system replaced this coming year.

The department added a new employee in January; Brian Hays brings the department back to three employees.

The department would like to thank the people of the town, and the selectboard, for their continued support, as well as the other departments for their help, which enables us to perform our jobs.

Respectfully,

Brian Sullivan
Water/Sewer Superintendent

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

In 2024 the highway department was very productive and accomplished many necessary road projects that were important for maintaining the safety of our town streets and roads.

The following are some of the projects completed:

- Ditching 3000 feet of Bear Rock Rd.
- Ditching 2000 feet of Reed Rd.
- Ditching 2250 feet of Bennett Hill Rd.
- Graveled part of Reed Rd, Bennett Hill Rd, Bear Rock Rd, Harvey Swell Rd, Piper Hill Rd, Aldrich Rd, Golf Links Rd, Munn Rd, South Hill Rd, and Harry's Way.
- Replaced 10 culverts.
- Fixed washouts from rainstorms.
- Put down \$10,000 worth of stone during mud season.

Additional Highway Department work included:

- Hauled 5,300 tons of winter sand.
- Added 56 hundred tons of gravel where it was necessary.
- Grading and rock raking all the town roads.
- Applying calcium chloride two to three times.
- Plowing and snow removal.
- Year-round maintenance and repairs to the department, plows, and other equipment.

I sincerely would like to thank my highway crew members for all their hard work and time. The dedication to their job goes on every day, which is sometimes not just the day but also the long nights during storms.

Sincerely,

Anthony T.J. Rossitto
Road Agent

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

In 2024 the Colebrook Planning Board had an interesting year. Application numbers were down, and the board worked to update the Site Plan Ordinances and Rules of Procedure. The board wanted to update them to reflect today's current conditions and to make them simpler and easier for compliance. Many of the regulations have not been updated since the 1980's.

The board continues to work on finding ways to attract and facilitate affordable housing while updating the Town of Colebrook's Master Plan. Much of this work is being done through the grants the board received. Updating the Town's Master Plan will include sending out questionnaires and holding public hearings. This will allow the board to gather information and create direction and vision for the community. We hope everyone in the community will participate.

Michelle Strasburger joined the board this year as a full-time member and Peter Moran joined us as an alternate member. We welcome them.

The board meets the first Monday of the month at the town hall. The public is always welcome!

Zoning Ordinance Certificates	34
New Home or Camp Permits	13
Subdivisions	9
Site Plans	9
Driveways	3

Respectfully submitted,

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RECREATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Colebrook Recreation Department had a very busy year in 2024. The department celebrated its twenty-fifth year as part of the Town of Colebrook. All department programs were run with the assistance of ten high school and college students from the area.

Highlights of 2024

- The second year of Nordic skiing was successfully offered to youth in the Mohawk Falls community.
- Six different summer day camps were available over eight weeks, benefiting 115 local children.
- The performing arts group for middle and high school students, Tilly Players, made a return with support from Colebrook Academy Drama Advisor Elizabeth Griffin. The group successfully staged a production of "The Addams Family" in October.
- The Drama Program for elementary students produced three successful performances in 2024: "The Little Mermaid," "Willy Wonka," and "Frozen."
- The Sticks for Kids Golf Camp experienced continued growth, with 23 participants in attendance this summer. Special thanks to Chris Hebert for his efforts in organizing the program, as well as to the volunteer coaches and support from the Colebrook Country Club, which contributed to its success.
- In the fall, a Recreation League Soccer program was offered to fifty participants in grades PK-4. A co-ed travel team participated in four tournaments and local games, with valuable assistance from Colebrook Academy varsity soccer players.
- This year also saw the introduction of an adult programming initiative, the Yarn Group, which meets bi-monthly at the Tillotson Center.
- The Turkey Trot event raised \$1,500 for the summer camp assistance fund, with sixty-five participants completing a three-mile run before Thanksgiving celebrations.
- User fees were sufficient to cover all program expenses for the year.
- Introduced speed puzzle contests in 2024, which have continued to gain popularity.
- The Jolly Candy Cane Campaign fundraiser was launched during the recent holiday season to support the Summer Camp Assistance Fund. Community members contributed a nominal fee to have plastic candy canes placed in their yards.
- In collaboration with the Tillotson Center, we are pleased to announce a movie-themed event for every Early Release School Day during the 2024-2025 academic year. This program has successfully provided a safe and enjoyable environment for 40 children during the early release time slot.

The Recreation Department was the recipient of a tremendous amount of support in monetary donations and fulfilling our Amazon wish list of supplies from community members and parents. The summer program had adequate supplies thanks to - Jill, Beth, Tina, Pam, Alicia, Rick & Kathy, Karen, and Jackie. Volunteer coaches cannot be thanked enough and often deal with issues that go above and beyond. Your time and commitment are greatly appreciated. Thank you, Chris, Ryan, and Emalie.

What to look forward to in 2025?

- Puzzle contests scheduled throughout the winter.
- Swimming lessons available during the 2025 Summer Camp program
- Nordic skiing equipment is accessible to community members.
- Celebrating the 15th year of the Make Room for Pie Turkey Trot—please save the date: November 27th.
- A variety of youth sports, special events, and adult programs offered throughout the year.

Thank you to the Recreation Advisory Board for assistance in creating, implementing, and conducting programs throughout the year. To stay up to date on all programs check our website at www.colebrookrecreation.weebly.com.

Respectfully submitted,

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PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

Yearly Circulation

Fiction	5,326	Easy	1,158
Non-Fiction	935	Easy Non-Fiction	215
Paperbacks	357	Junior	770
Magazines	212	Junior Non-Fiction	308
CD's	173	Young Adult	87
DVD's	933	Games	5
Puzzles	252	Puzzles	53
Music	22	CD's	7
NH Downloadable Books	2,695	DVD's	9
Misc	2	Puzzles & Magazines	4
Total	10,907	Total	2,563

Total number of people visiting the library: 7,345

Total Materials circulated: 13,470

Children's programs: 149

Attendance: 211

Summer Reading Programs: 15

Attendance: 27

The Colebrook Public Library has a Facebook page, and we have reached over 15,000 people. If Facebook is not your thing, you can check out the library's website at colebrookpubliclibrary.weebly.com.

People say libraries will soon be gone, however, although downloadable books have increased, circulation numbers show that people have returned to borrowing physical books. There is just something about holding a book.

Our Adult Circulation had a 12% increase over last year. The New Hampshire Downloadable Books usage has increased by just 4%.

Various local groups use our meeting room. (Vershire, AARP Tax Prep, North Country Resource Group, and the Community Garden.)

The chess group (which meets on Saturdays at 9:15 am) has two die hard players but are eager to welcome more participants. Any skill level is welcome.

In April, with the help of a \$20,000 Tillotson North Country Foundation Grant, we were able to have the 34-year-old furnace in the library addition replaced. Future projects: replacing the carpeting in the children and adult sections.

Adult Programs included Mike Familant's Big Foot Experience, a Children's Book (Hog Trough Shuffle) signing with Lisa Jeffers and a presentation and signing of the adult book "What's Wild" by Eric Orff. Sandra Riendeau led a workshop on creating holiday centerpieces.

Summer Reading Programs: Steve Blunt and the UNH Marine Docents program. There were nine active readers in the Summer Reading Challenge. The local Masonic Group generously donated two bikes for the Reading Challenge prizes. Kelly Frizzell won the girl's bike and the boy's bike was not given out.

We are always open to suggestions regarding innovative programs, and we would love to speak with anyone with a hobby or talent that they would be interested in sharing with others. Please stop in to let us know.

Respectfully submitted,

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CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Colebrook Cemetery Trustees, consisting of board members Chairman Daniel Lyons, Terrence Rosi, Julie Brunault, Eva Guy, and Jodi Smith, carried out the duties of the management, maintenance, and improvements of our town cemeteries. The cemetery closed for the year on November 15th, 2024.

Yetti Yard Man maintained our cemeteries and are under contract for the 2025 season. Sheila Parkhurst remained as our sexton. Jan Boucher has been assisting with any duties necessary or coverage in the cemeteries as needed. The metal fence at Reed has been fixed by Bianchi Memorials with plans to paint in 2025. The soffit has been painted at the Village Cemetery Building. We voted to encumber our \$12,000.00 in funds we had allotted for paving from our 2024 budget and plan to utilize those funds in 2025 along with the additional funds we have budgeted for 2025 to complete the two additional roads.

There was a total of 27 burials completed this year and eight lots were sold in the Colebrook Village Cemetery. Continued focus has been on the repair and washing of the stones. Sheila has reported that she washed over 400 monuments at the Colebrook Village Cemetery this summer. We were able to accomplish a great deal of improvements this year most notably at the Reed Road Cemetery which as a board we are very proud of.

We are still working to upgrade our cemetery records processing to integrate with the town computer system.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodi L. Smith
Cemetery Trustee/Secretary



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Town Manager and Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Colebrook
Colebrook, New Hampshire

Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Colebrook, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Colebrook as of December 31, 2023 and the respective changes in financial position thereof, and, where applicable, cash flows, and the budget to actual comparisons for the General Fund, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Unmodified Opinions

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 8 and pension and OPEB related information on pages 45 through 48 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Colebrook's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor governmental and individual general fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor governmental and individual general fund schedules are fairly stated in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

February 10, 2025

Roberts & Heune, PLLC

Bank Accounts for The Town of Colebrook

Town Funds

General Fund Bangor Account		General Fund Mascoma Account	
Beginning Balance	1,384,252.55	Beginning Balance	301,686.73
YTD Revenues	12,459,548.07	YTD Revenues	5,558,412.50
YTD Expenditures	(12,804,755.00)	YTD Expenditures	(5,437,876.35)
Ending Balance	1,039,045.62	Ending Balance	422,222.88
Recreation Revolving Fund		River Walk	
Beginning Balance	24,280.01	Beginning Balance	24,700.25
Deposits Made	12,307.09	Interest Earned	60.58
Withdrawals	(11,255.41)	Withdrawals	(1,073.79)
Ending Balance	25,331.69	Ending Balance	23,687.04
Police Detail State Revolving Fund			
Beginning Balance	34,159.80		
Interest Earned	17.08		
Ending Balance	34,176.88		

NHPDIP Funds

Water & Sewer Truck Fund		Dispatch Fund	
Beginning Balance	45,099.20	Beginning Balance NHPDIP	57,642.09
Deposits Made	15,000.00	Transfers in	75,932.40
Interest Earned	2,147.29	Interest Earned	3,345.92
Withdrawals	(6,280.00)	Transfers Out	(91,635.71)
Ending Balance	55,966.49	Ending Balance	45,284.70
Water Fund		Dispatch Trail Maintenance	
Beginning Balance	55,484.35	Beginning Balance	8,808.64
Interest Earned	2,964.92	Deposits Made	2,000.00
Ending Balance	58,449.27	Interest Earned	470.94
		Ending Balance	11,279.58
Sewer Fund		Main Street Enhancement	
Beginning Balance	41,054.37	Beginning Balance	27,445.86
Interest Earned	2,193.81	Interest Earned	1,466.63
Ending Balance	43,248.18	Ending Balance	28,912.49
Tax Reserve Account		State Bridge Aid	
Beginning Balance	255,539.20	Beginning Balance	67,656.78
Deposits Made	2,942,613.00	Transfers In	17,689.74
Interest Earned	24,331.32	Interest Earned	4,214.82
Withdrawals	(2,167,613.00)	Withdrawals	(25,162.60)
Ending Balance	1,054,870.52	Ending Balance	64,398.74
State Highway Aid		Northern Borders Dispatch Equipment	
Beginning Balance	80,446.45	Transfers In	98,932.40
Transfers In	25,651.06	Interest Earned	2,391.82
Interest Earned	5,608.50	Ending Balance	101,324.22
Transfers Out	(9,904.29)		
Ending Balance	101,801.72	DP Communications Equipment Grant	
		Transfers In	1,092,613.00
		Interest Earned	4,172.59
		Ending Balance	1,096,785.59

Town Trustee Accounts

Sanitary Landfill Closure Fund		Equipment Highway Fund	
Beginning Balance	351,639.88	Beginning Balance	253,713.40
Interest Earned	7,051.46	Deposits Made	80,000.00
Withdrawals	(50,000.00)	Interest Earned	5,052.10
Ending Balance	308,691.34	Withdrawals	(153,490.59)
		Ending Balance	185,274.91
Cruiser Fund		Bridge Fund	
Beginning Balance	76,282.78	Beginning Balance	377,895.66
Deposits Made	5,000.00	Deposits Made	75,000.00
Interest Earned	1,490.29	Interest Earned	7,711.69
Withdrawals	(53,794.00)	Ending Balance	460,607.35
Ending Balance	28,979.07		
Property Reassessment		Main Street	
Beginning Balance	55,211.93	Beginning Balance	702,841.93
Deposits Made	10,000.00	Interest Earned	19,123.12
Interest Earned	1,125.72	Ending Balance	721,965.05
Ending Balance	66,337.65		
Digital Mapping		Road Paving	
Beginning Balance	16,777.24	Beginning Balance	141,780.68
Interest Earned	338.92	Deposits Made	50,000.00
Ending Balance	17,116.16	Interest Earned	2,916.02
		Ending Balance	194,696.70
Transfer Station Equipment		Sewer Assets	
Beginning Balance	1,650.18	Beginning Balance	74,255.94
Interest Earned	33.33	Deposits Made	20,000.00
Ending Balance	1,683.51	Interest Earned	1,520.80
		Ending Balance	95,776.74
Town Building		Water Assets	
Beginning Balance	28,009.21	Beginning Balance	145,121.53
Deposits Made	7,500.00	Deposits Made	20,000.00
Interest Earned	573.60	Interest Earned	2,952.34
Ending Balance	36,082.81	Ending Balance	168,073.87
Disaster Management		Emergency Management	
Beginning Balance	41,934.16	Beginning Balance	3,144.81
Interest Earned	842.98	Interest Earned	63.53
Withdrawals	(3,970.00)	Ending Balance	3,208.34
Ending Balance	38,807.14		
Northern Borders Dispatch Center			
Beginning Balance	75,506.04		
Deposits Made	426.36		
Interest Earned	(75,932.40)		
Ending Balance	-		

Library Trust Accounts

Trustees Checking Account		Building Maint & Repairs Savings	
Beginning Balance	22,258.68	Beginning Balance	2,387.85
Income/Deposits	8,572.11	Interest	1.34
Grant	20,000.00	Deposits	449.00
Expenses	<u>(28,199.17)</u>	Ending Balance	2,838.19
Ending Balance	22,631.62		
Memorial Savings		Technology Fund (CD)	
Beginning Balance	2,526.97	Beginning Balance	2,758.51
Withdrawals	(2,000.00)	Interest	0.82
Interest	0.48	Ending Balance	2,759.33
Ending Balance	527.45		
Statement Savings Account		Davis Memorial Fund	
Beginning Balance	7,728.36	Beginning Balance	9,395.47
Withdrawals	(1,033.00)	Interest	56.66
Interest	0.75	Ending Balance	9,452.13
Ending Balance	6,696.11		
Young Adult Program Fund			
Beginning Balance	9,261.38		
Interest	2.56		
Expenses	-		
Ending Balance	9,263.94		
Library Accounts Held by Trustee of Trust Funds			
LJ Cree Sr		IOOF Library Trust	
Beginning Balance	20,652.63	Beginning Balance	9,429.86
Interest	417.20	Interest	190.49
Ending Balance	21,069.83	Ending Balance	9,620.35
Capital Improvement Trust		Memorial Trust	
Beginning Balance	13,749.76	Beginning Balance	74,929.75
Interest	277.76	Transfers from Memorial Savings	2,000.00
Ending Balance	14,027.52	Interest	1,543.04
		Ending Balance	78,472.79
Building Repairs Capital Reserve		Mary Walker/Rolfe	
Beginning Balance	44,754.07	Beginning Balance	1,213.14
Deposits Made	5,000.00	Interest	24.51
Interest	909.26	Ending Balance	1,237.65
Ending Balance	50,663.33		
Nancy Dodge Memorial Fund			
New Funds	46,767.75		
Interest	422.86		
Ending Balance	47,190.61		

Cemetery Trust Accounts

General Cemetery Fund		Cemetery Fence Maintenance	
Beginning Balance	7,011.63	Beginning Balance	5,532.27
Interest Earned	138.19	Interest Earned	111.76
Withdrawals	<u>(186.63)</u>	Ending Balance	5,644.03
Ending Balance	6,963.19		
A Harding & L Woodard Fund		Cemetery Maintenance & Reclamation	
Beginning Balance	1,027.77	Beginning Balance	134,641.80
Interest Earned	20.25	Interest Earned	2,719.87
Withdrawals	<u>(27.77)</u>	Ending Balance	137,361.67
Ending Balance	1,020.25		
Minetta Tibbets		Nellie & Elizabeth Young Fund	
Beginning Balance	969.44	Beginning Balance	8,221.58
Interest Earned	1.65	Interest Earned	162.83
Withdrawals	<u>(971.09)</u>	Withdrawals	<u>(221.58)</u>
Ending Balance	-	Ending Balance	8,162.83
Abner & Laura Bean		Leonard/Forristoll	
Beginning Balance	29,760.08	Beginning Balance	2,158.23
Deposits Made	516.93	Interest Earned	41.68
Withdrawals	<u>(4,560.08)</u>	Withdrawals	<u>(58.23)</u>
Ending Balance	25,716.93	Ending Balance	2,141.68
Perm Cemetery Trust (Plots)		Cemetery Expendable Trust Fund	
Beginning Balance	75,805.58	Beginning Balance	18,487.29
Interest Earned	1,344.45	Deposits Made	3,525.00
Withdrawals	<u>(10,115.58)</u>	Interest Earned	386.24
Ending Balance	67,034.45	Withdrawals	<u>(1,237.29)</u>
		Ending Balance	21,161.24
Tibbetts Memorial Trust Fund		Perm Cemetery Trust (Labor)	
Beginning Balance	15,500.10	Beginning Balance	175,146.17
Deposits Made	971.09	Interest Earned	3,419.79
Interest Earned	303.88	Deposits Made	725.00
Withdrawals	<u>(1,471.19)</u>	Withdrawals	<u>(7,171.12)</u>
Ending Balance	15,303.88	Ending Balance	172,119.84

New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

ARRA Drinking Water SRF Loan Schedule

Lendor:	NH DES	Total Disbursements:	1,885,049.21
Project No:	0481010 ARRA	Principal forgiven:	930,167.34
Term:	20 Years	Interest Rate:	2.720%

	Scheduled Payment Date	Principal payment	Interest payment	Total payment	Loan balance
	Paid to Date:	390,016.39	235,012.61	623,706.00	
14	12/1/2025	48,493.06	11,613.19	60,106.25	378,462.65
15	12/1/2026	49,812.07	10,294.18	60,106.25	328,650.58
16	12/1/2027	51,166.96	8,939.29	60,106.25	277,483.62
17	12/1/2028	52,558.70	7,547.55	60,106.25	224,924.92
18	12/1/2029	53,988.29	6,117.96	60,106.25	170,936.63
19	12/1/2030	55,456.78	4,649.47	60,106.25	115,479.85
20	12/1/2031	56,965.20	3,141.05	60,106.25	58,514.65
21	12/1/2032	58,514.65	1,591.60	60,106.25	-
	Remaining payments:	426,955.71	53,894.29	480,850.00	

United States Department of Agriculture

Main Street Loan Schedule

Lendor:	USDA	Total Disbursements:	\$ 3,825,765.84
Term:	27 Years	Interest Rate:	2.75%

Payment Date	Loan balance	Principal payment	Interest payment	Total payment
	Paid to Date:	\$ 399,576.89	\$ 379,839.11	\$ 779,416.00
2025	2,209,101.13	81,518.33	60,193.67	141,712.00
2026	2,127,582.80	83,775.50	57,936.50	141,712.00
2027	2,043,807.30	86,095.16	55,616.84	141,712.00
2028	1,957,712.14	88,479.06	53,232.94	141,712.00
2029	1,869,233.08	90,928.96	50,783.04	141,712.00
2030	1,778,304.12	93,446.70	48,265.30	141,712.00
2031	1,684,857.43	96,034.15	45,677.85	141,712.00
2032	1,588,823.28	98,693.24	43,018.76	141,712.00
2033	1,490,130.04	101,425.97	40,286.03	141,712.00
2034	1,388,704.07	104,234.36	37,477.64	141,712.00
2035	1,284,469.72	107,120.51	34,591.49	141,712.00
2036	1,177,349.21	110,086.57	31,625.43	141,712.00
2037	1,067,262.63	113,134.77	28,577.23	141,712.00
2038	954,127.87	116,267.36	25,444.64	141,712.00
2039	837,860.50	119,486.70	22,225.30	141,712.00
2040	718,373.80	122,795.17	18,916.83	141,712.00
2041	595,578.63	126,195.26	15,516.74	141,712.00
2042	469,383.37	129,689.48	12,022.52	141,712.00
2043	339,693.89	133,280.46	8,431.54	141,712.00
2044	206,413.42	136,970.88	4,741.12	141,712.00
2045	69,442.55	69,443.00	954.84	70,397.84
	Remaining Payments:	\$ 2,209,101.59	\$ 695,536.25	\$ 2,904,637.84

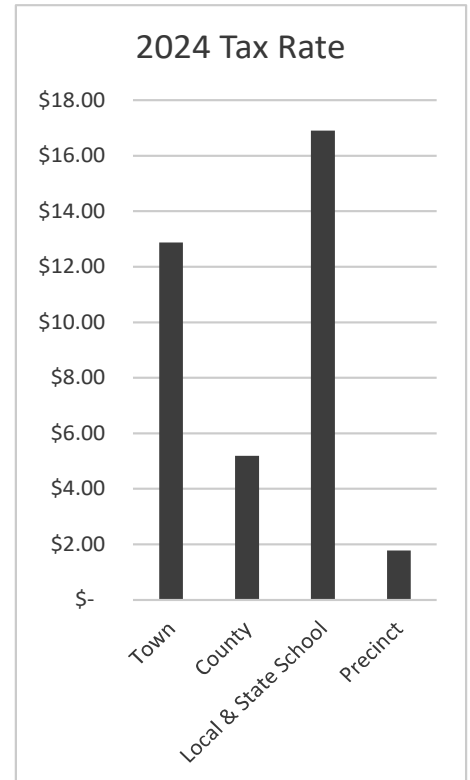
MAIN STREET PROJECT AND WATER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT FUNDING

Warrant article 2 of the 2015 Town Meeting authorized \$6,500,000 for the reconstruction of Main Street from the intersection of South Main Street to the base of Cooper Hill. Funding for this project was split between \$3,000,000 from the issuance of bonds or notes, \$2,700,000 from State and Federal grants, and \$800,000 from the Main Street Capital Reserve Fund. Additionally, the Town received a \$400,000 grant from the Norther Borders Commission and a \$1,150,000 grant from the NH Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund. The following summarizes the activity through December 31, 2024.

	Expenditures		Revenues
Prior Years Activity		Prior Years Activity	
Engineering	1,446,973	Bond Proceeds	2,687,999
Construction	4,706,616	Grant Funds	3,804,863
Meters	503,351	Capital Reserve Funds	206,945
Legal	8,932	Total Prior Years	6,699,807
Advertising	696		
Easements	500		
Traffic Count	3,177		
Energy Audit	7,180		
Administrative	5,192		
Interest on Short-term Financing	32,042		
Miscellaneous	49		
Total Prior Years Activity	6,714,708		
Current Year Activity		Current Year Activity	
Engineering	70,839	Grant Funds	39,354
Construction	-	Capital Reserve Funds	-
Meters	-	Total Current Year	39,354
Administrative	-		
Total Current Year Activity	70,839		

2024 Tax Rate Calculation

	Tax Effort	Tax Rate
Appropriations	5,445,277	
Less Revenues	(2,615,715)	
Fund Balance Voted Surplus	-	
Less Use of Fund Balance	(380,099)	
Add Overlay	27,126	
War Service Credits	21,825	
Net Town Appropriation	2,498,414	
<i>Approved Town Tax Rate</i>		\$ 12.87
Due to County	1,006,531	
Approved County Tax Effort	1,006,531	
<i>Approved County Tax Rate</i>		\$ 5.19
Net Local School Budget	5,311,297	
Less Adequate Education Grant	(2,066,171)	
State Education Taxes	(383,885)	
Approved School Tax Effort	2,861,241	
<i>Approved Local School Tax Rate</i>		\$ 14.75
Net Valuation without Utilities	177,814,926	
State Education Tax	383,885	
<i>Approved State School Tax Rate</i>		\$ 2.16
<i>Out of Precinct Rate</i>		\$ 34.97
Colebrook Village Fire Precinct		
Fire Precinct Valuation	87,837,075	
Net Appropriation	156,350	
Tax Commitment	156,350	
<i>Approved Village District Tax Rate</i>		1.78
<i>Total In Precinct Rate</i>		\$ 36.75
Gross Tax Amount	6,906,421	
Less Tax Credits:	(21,825)	
Late Inventory Penalties:	-	
Net Tax Amount to Collect	6,884,596	



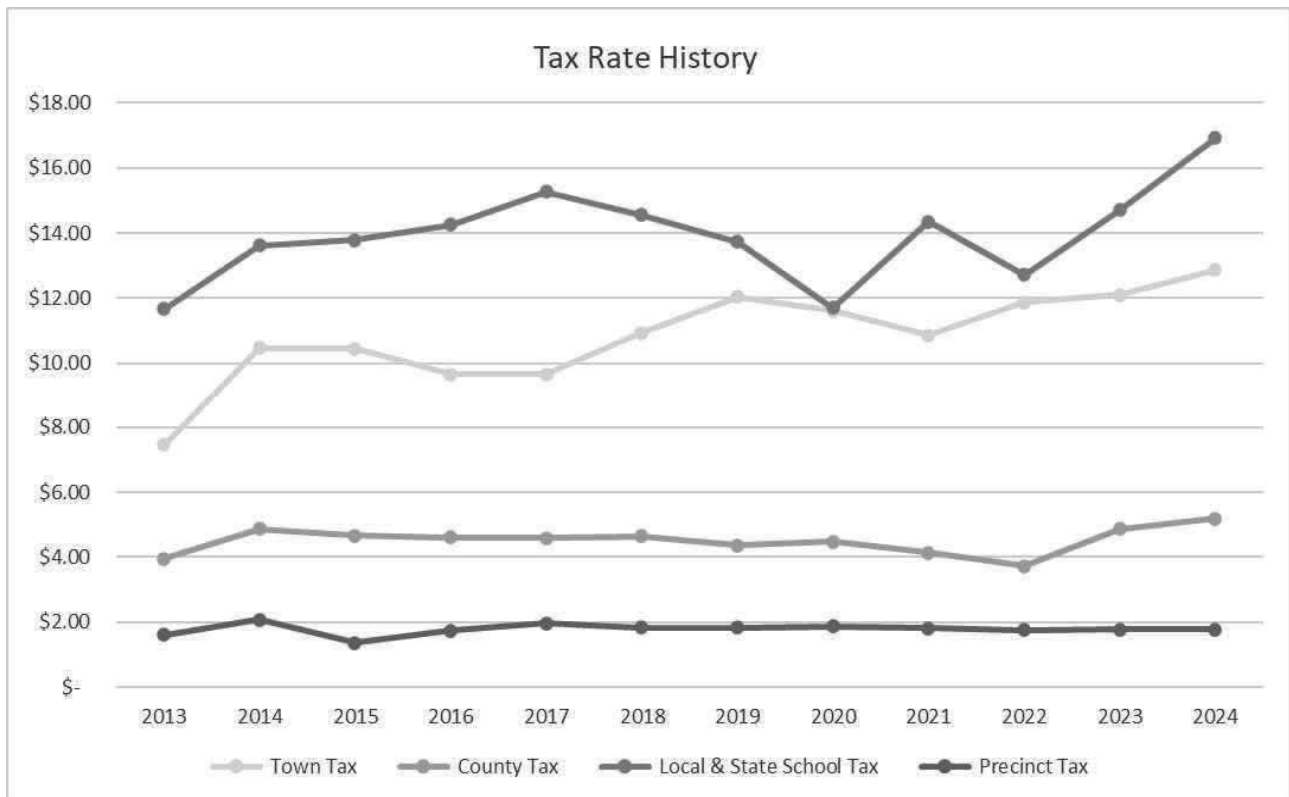
Summary of Valuations

Lands	39,417,098
Buildings	138,594,528
Utilities	16,211,000
Total Valuation	194,222,626
Exemptions off Valuation	(196,700)
Net Valuation	194,025,926

Tax Rate History

Tax Rates For:	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Town Tax	\$ 7.45	\$ 10.47	\$ 10.44	\$ 9.65	\$ 9.65	\$ 10.93
County Tax	3.95	4.86	4.67	4.60	4.58	4.64
Local & State School Tax	11.67	13.62	13.78	14.26	15.26	14.56
Subtotal Tax Rates	\$ 23.07	\$ 28.95	\$ 28.89	\$ 28.51	\$ 29.49	\$ 30.13
Precinct Tax	1.60	2.07	1.36	1.74	1.95	1.83
Total Tax Rates	\$ 24.67	\$ 31.02	\$ 30.25	\$ 30.25	\$ 31.44	\$ 31.96

Tax Rates For:	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Town Tax	\$ 12.04	\$ 11.60	\$ 10.85	\$ 11.87	\$ 12.09	\$ 12.87
County Tax	4.36	4.48	4.13	3.73	4.86	5.19
Local & State School Tax	13.73	11.70	14.34	12.72	14.71	16.91
Subtotal Tax Rates	\$ 30.13	\$ 27.78	\$ 29.32	\$ 28.32	\$ 31.66	\$ 34.97
Precinct Tax	1.83	1.86	1.80	1.75	1.78	1.78
Total Tax Rates	\$ 31.96	\$ 29.64	\$ 31.12	\$ 30.07	\$ 33.44	\$ 36.75



ABATEMENT LIST

Name	Property Tax	Name	Property Tax
Coos Economic Development Corp.	1,328.70	Marquis, Andre	150.00
Linden, Nathan	619.31	Sipple, Gregory	124.50
Total Property Abated			\$ 2,222.51
Name	Tax Lien	Name	Tax Lien
Gray, Sheldon	882.95		
Total Tax Lien Abated			\$ 882.95
Name	Sewer	Name	Sewer
Colebrook Fire Precinct	849.67	Lank, Christine	190.98
Collins, Michael	2,124.67	Samson, Richard	77.37
Dagesse, Tre Dagesse Fam 2021	2,011.20	Shaw, Philip	63.27
Kennett, Jules	190.50	Tallmage, William	95.00
Total Sewer Abated			\$ 5,602.66
Name	Water	Name	Water
Colebrook Fire Precinct	735.13	Tre Dagesse Family 2021 Trust	608.08
Lank, Christine	165.22	Young, Jeffrey	327.54
Shaw, Philip	54.60		
Total Water Abated			\$ 1,890.57

CHARITABLE & NOT FOR PROFIT LISTING

Name	Valuation	Name	Valuation
45th Parallel Emerg. Medical	404,000.00	Methodist Church	513,600.00
American Legion Post # 62	86,988.00	Mohawk Grange	87,100.00
		North Country Community	
Colebrook Community Child Care	128,100.00	Recreation Center	441,000.00
Community Baptist Church	338,800.00	Shallow River Properties	413,900.00
Congregational Church	527,500.00	St. Brendan's Church	520,500.00
Coos Animal Sanctuary, Inc	117,400.00	St. Stephen's Mission Episcopal	183,800.00
Coos Economic Development	57,100.00	Tillotson Center, Inc	408,200.00
Helping Hands North, Inc.	111,884.00	Tri County Community Action	103,900.00
Kingdom Hall Jehovah Witness	316,900.00	UCVH	5,366,800.00
Subtotal	2,088,672.00	Subtotal	8,038,800.00
Total			\$ 10,127,472.00

Taxes for the Charitable & Not For Profit Listing \$ **354,157.70**
Based on the 2024 Tax Rate Out of Precinct

TOWN PROPERTY INVENTORY

Map/Lot	Description	Acres	Land Value	Bldg. Value	Total Value
102-019	L/B Route 3 Cemetery	44.00	27,600.00	17,300.00	44,900.00
103-018-00012	23 Fourth Street	-	-	6,900.00	6,900.00
103-018-00015	13 Fourth Street	-	-	13,400.00	13,400.00
103-018-00034	8 Third Street	-	-	2,800.00	2,800.00
103-018-00063	29 Second Street	-	-	3,000.00	3,000.00
103-018-00065	23 Second Street	-	-	2,800.00	2,800.00
103-018-00068	19 Second Street	-	-	8,400.00	8,400.00
103-018-00070	15 Second Street	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
103-030	L/B Edwards Street Pump House	0.07	5,600.00	-	5,600.00
104-001	L/B 125 Lynch Drive-Sewer Lagoons	22.00	22,500.00	2,500.00	25,000.00
104-006	L/B Main Street Pump House	0.05	4,800.00	1,900.00	6,700.00
105-015	L/O Bill Bromage Drive	0.09	1,900.00	-	1,900.00
106-013	L/B 34 Transfer Street	7.80	25,600.00	230,700.00	256,300.00
106-022-0PUMP	L/O 70 Bridge Street	-	-	14,000.00	14,000.00
106-038	L/B 16 Municipal Drive	2.17	22,800.00	32,000.00	54,800.00
106-048	L/O Lynch Drive	0.52	13,900.00	-	13,900.00
109-002	L/B 126 Main Street	1.29	43,300.00	564,400.00	607,700.00
109-025	L/B 18 Pleasant Street	1.38	28,700.00	218,500.00	247,200.00
109-205	L/B 17 Bridge Street	0.28	25,700.00	398,100.00	423,800.00
112-002	L/B 107 Reservoir Drive	6.17	24,800.00	1,080,000.00	1,104,800.00
212-002	L/B 221 Tr. LGL Memorial Hwy	102.00	90,000.00	31,300.00	121,300.00
214-008	L/O South Hill Road	105.00	99,300.00	900.00	100,200.00
225-007	L/O Reed Road	0.25	1,400.00	-	1,400.00
234-019	L/O Reed Road Cemetery	1.70	21,400.00	-	21,400.00
244-046	L/O Route 26	0.06	1,300.00	-	1,300.00
245-015	400 Route 26	0.60	14,700.00	31,400.00	46,100.00
246-026	L/B 88 Skyline Drive	76.00	109,400.00	63,200.00	172,600.00
250-006	L/O Columbia Road	0.52	7,800.00	-	7,800.00
250-007	L/O Titus Hill Road	8.87	13,000.00	-	13,000.00
250-010	L/B 158 Skyline Drive	23.00	114,100.00	50,400.00	164,500.00
251-013	L/O Titus Hill Cemetery	0.36	10,000.00	-	10,000.00
254-008	L/O Josie Road (Road)	0.26	-	-	-
Totals:		404.44	729,600	2,774,900	3,504,500

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

The year 2024 has been a productive and impactful year for the health and safety of our community. The key achievements for this year were training, inspections, and future plans to ensure the well-being of all Colebrook residents.

I have successfully completed the training and received the State Health Officer Certificate, demonstrating a commitment to maintaining high standards of public health and safety. I have also completed the State Septic Evaluator Course, enhancing my ability to assess and manage septic systems effectively.

Throughout the year, I have conducted thorough health safety inspections of all schools and daycares in town to ensure compliance with health regulations and to promote a safe environment for children. I have also addressed and inspected private complaints related to health and safety concerns, ensuring that all issues were resolved promptly and effectively. I have also performed inspections for new foster care placements in collaboration with the Division for Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) to ensure safe and healthy living conditions for foster children. I have collaborated with the State Health and Human Services Department as needed to address public health concerns and to coordinate efforts for community health initiatives.

I plan to continue professional development and training to stay updated with the latest health and safety practices and regulations and be able to train the public. I aim to review and update health safety protocols to ensure they are current and effective in protecting the health of all Colebrook residents. My focus will be on implementing and promoting community health initiatives to enhance the overall well-being of the town's residents.

Respectfully submitted,



Jacqueline Thayer
Health Officer



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

In 2024, the key activities, training, and future plans to ensure the safety and preparedness of our town has been my goal.

Coordinated Response Exercise (**CoRE**) for pipeline safety training was done in April of 2024. I participated in a comprehensive coordinated response exercise focused on pipeline safety. This training involved collaboration with various agencies to simulate and respond to potential pipeline emergencies. This improved coordination and communication among emergency response teams, enhanced understanding of pipeline safety protocols, and identification of areas for improvement in emergency response plans.

Incident Command System (**ICS**) Certification started in February 2024 and is still ongoing. I am pursuing certification in the Incident Command System (**ICS**), a standardized approach to command, control, and coordination of emergency response. I have gained valuable knowledge and skills in Incident Command System (**ICS**) principles, which will be applied to future emergency management activities to ensure efficient and effective response operations.

In 2025, I will be reviewing the Town of Colebrook's Emergency Management Plan and updating it as necessary. This process will involve assessing current emergency procedures, identifying gaps, and incorporating best practices to enhance the town's preparedness and response capabilities. The goal is to ensure that the Emergency Management Plan is comprehensive, up-to-date, and aligned with the latest standards and guidelines for emergency management.

As the newly appointed Emergency Management Director, I am excited to serve the community and contribute to its safety and resilience. My commitment to continuous improvement and collaboration with local agencies and stakeholders will be key to achieving our emergency management goals,

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jacqueline Thayer".

Jacqueline Thayer
Emergency Management Director

NORTHERN BORDERS DISPATCH

17 BRIDGE ST.

COLEBROOK, NH 03576

(603) 237-4487

Fax: (603) 237-9852

Email: dispatch@colebrooknh.org

911



Northern Borders Dispatch ended 2024 with 9,406 calls, which is 31 more calls than received in 2023.

Seeing day in and day out what the dispatchers here at Northern Borders Dispatch are responding to makes me, as their administrator, extremely proud of my staff who are taking care of our communities. It's not an easy feat; however, the staff handles every call with the time, care, and the attention each call demands.

We have received a \$1,092,613 grant to update our software for all departments to be able to see the calls and locations they are responding to plus simulcasting all the radio towers. We will have the project finished by the end of 2026.

As calls continue to come in, it is imperative that our lines remain open for those in an actual emergency. Calls that continually clog our lines preventing those vital calls from coming through include the following:

- Power outages with no down lines, sparks, or fires.
- Power restoration times.
- Road and Trail conditions.
- Department of Motor Vehicle inquiries for hours, registrations, forms needed, licensing and medical cards.
- Town Clerk questions regarding hours, births, deaths, and marriage certificates, elections, voting, establishing residency and registrations.
- Asking for phone numbers for local businesses, Post Office, FedEx, or UPS.
- Non-emergency Police calls please call Colebrook PD at 603-388-2120 and Pittsburg PD at 603-538-7003

To help reduce costs and the call volume into Northern Borders Dispatch, please share the above with your friends and family. Never hesitate to call us when in doubt as we are always here for you.

We at Northern Borders Dispatch cannot stress the importance of properly numbering your home or business. For a small donation fee, the 45th Parallel will make you a number sign for your home or business. Please call the 45th Parallel at (603) 237-5593 for more details. This simple act will save a life.

Again, I would like to thank the staff at Northern Borders Dispatch for their continued hard work, selflessness, and dedication. Without all of you, Northern Borders would not be what it is today.

I would also like to extend our continued gratitude to Colebrook Police Department, Pittsburg Police Department, Coos County Sheriff's Department, Essex County Sheriff's Department, New Hampshire State Police, Vermont State Police, Colebrook Fire Department, Beecher Falls Fire Department, Pittsburg Fire Department, Errol Fire Department, 45th Parallel EMS, Errol Ambulance as well as our local Border Patrol Agents, New Hampshire and Vermont Fish & Game, Dartmouth Hitchcock Advanced Response Team, Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital, North Country Healthcare, and more who do what it takes, every day, to protect and service our area communities. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Becky Robinson
NBD Administrator

45th Parallel Emergency Medical Services
2024 Annual Report



Proudly serving the Communities of:
Canaan, Clarksville, Colebrook, Columbia, Dixville, Lemington,
Norton, Pittsburg, and Stewartstown

January 2025

It is an honor to present the 2024 Annual Report for the 45th Parallel Emergency Medical Services. The 45th Parallel EMS is a 501-C-3 nonprofit corporation that was founded in 2008 to provide emergency medical services to Beecher Falls, Canaan, Clarksville, Colebrook, Columbia, Dixville, Lemington, Norton, Pittsburg, and Stewartstown. The agency started as a mix of volunteer and paid staff and has steadily grown over the years. The 45th Parallel EMS is now a full-time paramedic level service, offering the highest available Advanced Life Support services to the member towns, and critical care transport services between local hospitals and larger specialty care and trauma centers.

Currently we continue to have ongoing challenges in EMS and healthcare systems nationwide. We still struggle with staffing issues, equipment, and medication shortages, and consequently bed availability at tertiary and specialty care centers. Patients often experience longer waiting times to be seen by their primary care provider, specialists and even the emergency department. For emergency medical services, this means there are fewer ambulances available to respond in systems that are already overstressed. Ambulances that can respond are traveling longer distances to tertiary care.

Ambulance Activity

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
ALS Transports	619	594	666	622	657	636
BLS Transports	265	290	339	392	373	363
Refused Care	85	105	123	145	108	123
DOA	12	21	17	38	24	20
Cancelled	52	41	55	41	55	78
Assisted Other Agencies	9	16	22	20	16	9
Lift Assist, No Transports	13	56	50	108	79	92
Total Calls	1055	1123	1272	1366	1312	1321

Receiving Destinations	29	32	49	42	39	26
Non – Emergent Transports	72	61	120	222	232	343

Equipment

The 45th Parallel EMS currently owns and operates a fleet of four ambulances:

- **45A2** – 2024 AEV Type 1 F-550 4x4
- **45A3** – 2023 Demers Type II Ford Transit AWD
- **45A4** – 2016 AEV Type 1 F-550 4x4
- **45A5** – 2020 Demers Type II Ford Transit

Due to manufacturer delays and supply chain issues, the Type I Crestline Chevy F-550 ambulance ordered in November 2024 is now anticipated to be delivered in June 2025. This valuable addition to the fleet will be replacing and updating 45A5, which is over 258,000 miles.

Personnel

The 45th Parallel EMS strives to provide the highest quality of patient care possible. Maintaining highly educated, skilled, and competent staff is critical to our mission. We currently employ:

- 14 Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT)
- 5 Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians (AEMT)
- 6 Nationally Registered Paramedics (NRP).
- All paramedics have completed either the Certified Intensive Care Provider (CICP) program, or the CCEMT-P Critical Care Paramedic class.

The members of the 45th Parallel EMS would like to extend the invitation to any community members that may be interested in learning about EMS and helping the community.

Education and Training

The 45th Parallel EMS has partnered with Northwoods Center for Continuing Education in Whitefield, NH. We suffered a major loss when Life Safety institute began no longer offering classes last year and closed its doors. Northwoods can assist with EMS education for all levels including renewal license courses for ALS providers. Northwoods uses a combination of online and in person learning making the commute have less of an impact. Northwoods also is possessing all appropriate training tools and SIM manikins for higher learning. Additionally, we continue to hold in-house training every month and extend this invitation to all the area fire and EMS personnel.

Community Education and Involvement

The 45th Parallel EMS offers CPR and First Aid training through the American Heart Association. Classes are available for healthcare workers, daycare providers, and community members. In addition to Basic Life Support (BLS) classes, the 45th Parallel EMS now has instructors being trained to teach Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), and International Trauma Life Support (ITLS). For more information on these classes, please contact or visit our station.

The 45th Parallel EMS continues to improve offerings with the area schools and law enforcement agencies to provide "Stop the Bleed" classes to healthcare professionals and community members. Stop the Bleed is intended to cultivate grassroots efforts that encourage bystanders to become trained, equipped, and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives.

Public Access Defibrillator Program

The 45th Parallel EMS maintains Public Access Defibrillators in local businesses, schools, public buildings, and churches. As part of an Emergency Response Plan, the importance of Public Access Defibrillators cannot be stressed enough.

- Defibrillation within three minutes of sudden cardiac arrest increases the chances of survival to 70 percent. A "shock" delivered within one minute of collapse raises the survival rate to 90 percent.
- Calling 911 remains necessary, but a lot can be done while waiting for first responders. The national average call-to-shock time is nine minutes.

- OSHA now recommends AEDs in the workplace, and recent legislation requires many workplaces to provide them.

The 45th Parallel EMS would like to extend our thanks to **Bangor Savings Bank** and the **Tillotson Foundation** for providing grants to help maintain this program.

911 Signs

Being able to easily identify the address of the incident is of vital importance in an emergency. Having a reflective 911 sign that is clearly visible from the road helps improve our ability to respond. The 45th Parallel EMS can provide you with a 6" x 18" reflective sign to mark your address. These signs are sold by donation, and readily available at our station. **Please help us find you when you need us!**

Board of Directors

As a non-profit organization, the 45th Parallel EMS is governed by a Board of Directors. Members are appointed from every town, the fire department, and Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital. The Board of Directors meets six times a year to oversee the business operation of the company. These positions are perfect for community members that are interested in getting involved.

Steve Young, Chairman	Beecher Falls Volunteer Fire Department
Greg Placy, Vice Chair	Town of Colebrook
Michel Dionne, Treasurer	Town of Clarksville
Mike Collins, Secretary	Town of Columbia
Ed Laverty	At Large Seat
Arnold Gray	Pittsburg Fire Department
Cheryl Shephard	Town of Norton
Scott Cooper	Town of Lemington
Dwayne Covell	Town of Stewartstown
Earl Bunnell	Colebrook Fire Department
Ray Gorman	Town of Dixville
Doug Ahlstrin	Town of Pittsburg
Robert Couture	Town of Canaan
Greg Cook	Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital

Thank you for your continued support. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve this community for another year. For more information on our CPR, First Aid and Stop the Bleed classes, Public Access Defibrillator Program, 911 sign campaign, or to learn how you can get involved, please contact us at (603) 237-5593, or feel free to stop by our station at 46 Ramsey Road, Colebrook, NH 03576.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Tanerillo
Chief Executive Officer
45th Parallel EMS

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Executive Council

JOSEPH D. KENNEY
EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR
DISTRICT ONE



STATE HOUSE ROOM 207
107 NORTH MAIN STREET
CONCORD, NH 03301
(603) 271-3632

In the year of 2024, the hot topics continue to be housing, workforce, and childcare. It was a year where rural broadband projects continue to be built out and implemented throughout the state. The near billion-dollar American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for essential and critical projects around the state have been programmed and many have benefitted District 1. Broken ground has occurred on the Veteran Campus in Franklin, the Laconia State Property was sold to Pillsbury Realty and Development of Londonderry, a ground breaking occurred on a new fish hatchery in New Hampton, the Raymond S. Burton Training Facility started its expansion project in Bethlehem for our firefighters/EMS personnel, purchase of improvement equipment to the North Country Dispatch Center, and the NH INVEST program has created hundreds and hundreds of housings units' opportunities statewide to include: Whitefield, Conway, Franklin, Dover and Rochester.

This Councilor has been an advocate for a northern New Hampshire food warehouse and with cooperation with the NH Food Bank we were able to establish a temporary warehouse in Berlin this year.

Between January to December 2024, the Executive Council confirmed 12 Circuit Court Judges, and 3 Superior Court Judges. Judge Ellen V. Christo was appointed as the Administrative Judge of the Circuit Court in July replacing Judge David D. King who retired.

The Council confirmed a new Office of Professional Licensure and Certification Commissioner, Fish and Game Director, A Special Education Advocate, Public Utilities Commission Commissioner, and a Deputy Adjutant General.

The total contract items reviewed by the Executive Council were approximately 2,842 to include 5 late items over the course of 21 meetings. Of the 236 confirmations of board and commission positions, 47 were from District 1. On August 30th, District 1 hosted an on-the-road meeting at the Wakefield Town Hall in celebration of the town's 250th Anniversary. The Governor and Council traveled into Sanbornville on a Northcoast train from Somersworth to honor the rail history of Wakefield. At noon, the Governor and Council participated in a reenactment of the original incorporation of the town at Copps Farm (now the Denley Farm).

This Councilor's priorities will continue to be economic development, mental health services, childcare and housing.

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of state boards and commissions. If you are interested, please send your resume to Governor Kelly Ayotte, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301; attention to Director of Appointments/Liaison or call at (603) 271-2121. A complete list of all state boards and commissions are available at the NH Secretary of State website: www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm

My office is open to requests for state constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I periodically email my weekly schedule and Wrap Up Newsletter. If you would like to be included on this list, contact me at joseph.d.kenney@nh.gov. I also have an internship program for college students. My office number is (603) 271-3632. I am always available to old and new friends. Please stay in touch.

Serving you,

Executive Councilor
Joe Kenney



2024 Annual Report Colebrook Town Allocation Request: \$9000

North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency (NCHHA), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, proudly provides compassionate home health, hospice, and long-term care services across Coös and Grafton Counties. Serving approximately 76,000 residents across 2,705 square miles, our Mission as a proud affiliate of North Country Healthcare is to improve lives by supporting patients and families through their healthcare journey at home. For many rural residents, we are not just a healthcare provider—we are a lifeline.

In 2024, we made 53,162 visits across our two counties. Across our service area, we experienced an 11% increase in the number of patients served and a 14% rise in total visits, reflecting the growing reliance on our care. In 2024, for Colebrook, we visited 131 patients 2802 times for home health, hospice, and long-term care services. At the same time, the complexity of care has risen, with more patients facing higher-acuity conditions that require advanced clinical expertise. Despite the challenges of rising costs and reduced reimbursements from insurance companies, NCHHA remains steadfast in our commitment to ensuring that no one in need goes without care, and we meet them wherever they might call home.

We provide a continuum of services designed to meet patients where they are in their healthcare journey. Our skilled nursing, rehabilitation, and disease management programs allow individuals to heal and recover in the comfort of their homes, avoiding hospitalizations and staying connected to their loved ones. Hospice care ensures that patients and their families experience comfort and dignity during life's final stages, offering comprehensive support that addresses physical, emotional, and spiritual needs. Our long-term care services assist those who need help with daily tasks like bathing, dressing, and meal preparation, promoting independence while allowing individuals to age safely and comfortably in familiar surroundings. These services not only improve the quality of life for individuals but also reduce the strain on families and local healthcare facilities.

Your support of NCHHA extends far beyond the patients we serve—it strengthens the entire community. Every home we visit in Colebrook represents a neighbor cared for, a family supported, and a community uplifted. By ensuring access to these essential services, you help create a healthier, more resilient town where people of all ages can thrive. Investing in NCHHA is an investment in the well-being and independence of your friends, family, and neighbors.

The steadfast partnership between NCHHA and Colebrook is vital to addressing the unique challenges of rural healthcare. Together, we can meet the growing demand for home-based care, adapt to changing needs, and continue to provide services that foster independence and dignity for all. Your unwavering support ensures that no one is left behind, and that compassionate, high-quality care remains accessible for years to come.

For more information, please visit www.nchha.org or contact Ren Anderson directly at (603) 444-8399. Thank you for partnering with us to improve lives across the North Country.

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Colebrook for the year ending December 31, 2024

*Please Note: RSA's for Vital Records States Mother's Name Only, Not Maiden Name

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Father</u>	<u>Name of Mother</u>
<u>June</u>				
21	Littleton	Hopps, Caleb Andrew		Hopps, Danielle Kristen
29	Littleton	Wheeler, Azlynd Lawrence Michael		Hartlan, Samantha Marie
<u>July</u>				
18	Colebrook	Fogg, Oliver Elwin John	Fogg, Dylan Jon	Fogg, Marion Grace
<u>October</u>				
8	Littleton	Linden, Walker Matthew	Linden, Nathan Hervey	Linden, Elizabeth Therese
12	Littleton	Kennett, Walker Jared	Kennett, Jacob Albert	Kennett, Victoria Rose

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Colebrook for the Year Ending December 31, 2024

<u>Date of Marriage</u>	<u>Name of Bride and Groom</u>	<u>Residence of Each at Time of Marriage</u>
<u>January</u>		
10	Nathan Brian Herrick Lota David Cawaling	Colebrook, NH Madrid, Spain
<u>March</u>		
11	Austin James Valladares Cassidy Janine Maynard	Colebrook, NH Colebrook, NH
<u>July</u>		
27	Dylan Michael Smith Natasha Michael Falconer	Elgin, SC Elgin, SC
<u>August</u>		
17	James Terence Barba Ghislaine Joanne Robinson	Colebrook, NH Colebrook, NH
<u>October</u>		
12	Dalton Asa Dunphy Doryann Marie Gauthier	Lisbon Falls, ME Lisbon Falls, ME
16	Brian Michael Weger Marie Rose Sills	Port Charlotte, FL Port Charlotte, FL
<u>November</u>		
25	Jeremy Marvin O'Keefe Natasha Lynne Newell	Canaan, VT Canaan, VT
<u>December</u>		
28	Tyson George Smith Victoria Katharine Letarte	Colebrook, NH Colebrook, NH

DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Colebrook for the Year Ending December 31, 2024

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Maiden Name</u>
<u>January</u>				
30	Colebrook	Jolles, John Nicolas	Jolles, Matthijs	Reynolds, Hermione
<u>February</u>				
1	Colebrook	Strickland, Aime J	Rouleau, Serge	Sicard, Diane
17	Manchester	Feuerborn, Susan Roberta	Ward, Frank	Thompson, Olive
<u>March</u>				
11	Lancaster	Haney, Inez	Haney, John	Bean, Madeline
15	Colebrook	Fellows, Jeffrey K	Fellows, Keith	Knapp, Sharon
20	Colebrook	Hachez, Scott Ronald	Hachez, Romeo	Kinney, Nancy
23	Lebanon	Biron, Nancy S.	Sims, Rupert	Oakes, Mabel
<u>April</u>				
21	Colebrook	Hansen, Candace Crystal	Hansen, Robert	Barclay, Annamarie
<u>May</u>				
20	Colebrook	Wentworth, Chester Phillip	Wentworth, Roger	Ware-Smith, Dorothy
<u>June</u>				
4	Colebrook	Lanctot, Brenda Lee	Uran Sr., Frank	Foster, Zelma
18	Colebrook	LeClaire, Lorraine Helen	Foss, Stanley	Moulton, Alice
<u>July</u>				
15	Colebrook	Clark, Richard David	Clark, Raymond	Bunnell, Iva
16	Colebrook	Hicks, Lillian Ann	Croteau, Chester	Dobbins, Elizabeth
21	Lebanon	Mahnke, Bennett Bauer	Mahnke, George	Flethcer, Margaret
<u>August</u>				
8	Littleton	Langmaid, Jailynn Keysha Marie	Langmaid, Zacary	Matienzo, Lacey
24	Colebrook	Gilbert, Jeanette Theresa	Mailhot, Paul	Guay, Mildred
30	Lebanon	Wright, Robert Alan	Wright, Alan	Roberts, Virginia
<u>September</u>				
14	Colebrook	Lewis, Miyo Tomari	Tomari, Matsu	Tomori, Kana
27	Colebrook	Britton Jr., Arthur William	Britton, Arthur	Kelley, Louise
<u>October</u>				
11	Lebanon	Emery, Brenda Ann	Emery, Glendon	Thornton, Dorothy
19	Lancaster	Gilbert, Denis	Gilbert, John	Paquette, Rejeanne

DEATHS

Continued

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Maiden Name</u>
<u>November</u>				
5	West Stewartstown	Carpenter, Claudette L	Unknown	Unknown
18	Colebrook	Parry, Charles R	Parry, Charles	Harris, Jesse
<u>December</u>				
12	Colebrook	Ouellet, Jean Louis	Ouellet, Louis	Boulangier, Gertrude
31	Colebrook	Davis, Homer	Davis, Robert	Parker, Joann

Fire Precinct Report

Annual Report of the Colebrook Village Fire Precinct
For the year ended December 31, 2024

Precinct Officers

Moderator

Ronald Patterson

Clerk

Andrew Nolette

Treasurer

Suzanne Gray

Auditor

John Falconer

Fire Wardens

David Woodard	Term Expires 2025
Wayne Frizzell	Term Expires 2026
Earl Bunnell	Term Expires 2027

Members of the Colebrook Fire Department

Chief

David R. Woodard

First Assistant

Bradley Woodard

Second Assistant Chief

Earl Bunnell

Engine No. 1

Jeremy Crawford, Capt.
Andrew Nolette, Lt.
Carter Chapple
Michael Collins
Cody Riff
Eric Hand

Tanker No. 1

Ken Knapper, Capt.
Brian Burrill, Lt.
Zeb Brigham
Aidan Lawton
Ryan Ouimette
Chris Noyes

Quint 6/Rescue 1

Dean Woodard-Neary, Capt.
Ben Adair, Lt.
Zacharie Covill
Murray Duke
Wayne Frizzell
Robert Lawton
Jason Rella
E. H. Roy

Engine No. 3

Arthur Beauchemin, Capt.
Chris Thivierge, Lt.
Brandon Crawford
Ben Kosalek
Nathan Lyons

Fire Precinct Warrant – 2025

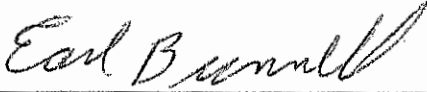
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, County of Coos, to the inhabitants of the Colebrook Village Fire Precinct, qualified to vote on Precinct affairs: you are hereby notified to meet at the Fire Station in said Precinct on March 25th at 7:00 o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following articles:

- ARTICLE 1: To choose by ballot a Moderator for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 2: To choose by ballot a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 3: To choose by ballot a Clerk for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 4: To choose by ballot an Auditor for the ensuing year.
- ARTICLE 5: To choose by ballot a Fire Commissioner for the ensuing three years.
- ARTICLE 6: To choose all other officers and agents for the ensuing year or to authorize the Fire Commissioners to appoint the same.
- ARTICLE 7: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$94,000.00 for General Government for the year 2025.
- ARTICLE 8: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 for outside fire services to be reimbursed by charging for services for the year 2025.
- ARTICLE 9: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,428.00 for debt service for the year 2025.
- ARTICLE 10: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 to transfer to the Equipment Capital Reserve Trust Fund. (The Commissioners recommend this article)
- ARTICLE 11: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be placed in the SCBA/SCBA Filling Station Capital Reserve Fund. (The Commissioners recommend passage of this article)
- ARTICLE 12: To see if the Precinct will vote to authorize the Commissioners to accept money received from the sale of Engine 3 & Rescue 2 to be held in the General Government.
- ARTICLE 13: To see if the Precinct will vote to authorize the Commissioners to borrow money to defray the expenses of the Precinct in anticipation of taxes, for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Precinct will vote to accept and approve the reports of the Fire Commissioners, Treasurer, and Auditors as printed in the Annual Report of the Town of Colebrook for the year ending December 31, 2024.

ARTICLE 15: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

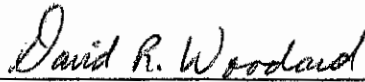
Given under our hands at said, Colebrook, N. H. this 8th, day of February, 2025.



Earl Bunnell, Term Expires 2027



Wayne Frizzell, Term Expires 2026



David R. Woodard, Term Expires 2025

COLEBROOK FIRE PRECINCT

FY 2024

List of Precinct Property

3,000 ft. of 1 3/4" Hose	\$ 6,000.00
3,000 ft. of 4" Hose & Fittings	18,000.00
2,000 ft. of 1 1/2" Hose	2,400.00
2,000 ft. of 2 1/2" Hose	6,000.00
200 ft. of 5" Hose	1,500.00
75 ft. Aerial Ladder & 200 ft. of Ladder	125,000.00
SCBA Air Compressor	40,000.00
Communication Equipment	75,000.00
Engine Number 1	300,000.00
Engine Number 3	25,000.00
Fire Station and Lot	275,000.00
Generator	25,000.00
Ice Rescue Boat	2,500.00
Jaws of Life & Accessories	25,000.00
Misc. Equipment & Supplies	124,000.00
Rescue Sled & ARGO/Trailer/ATV	25,000.00
Rescue Truck	60,000.00
Tank Truck Number 1	206,000.00
Utility Truck	70,000.00
Total Property:	\$ 1,411,400.00

Summary of Receipts

Bangor Savings Account Interest	\$ 24.91
Coos County	3,645.00
Campbell, Stacy & Don (Donation)	100.00
Bradien, Luttie (Donation)	500.00
North Country Firemens Assoc. (Poker Run)	75.00
State of NH-Smith Restitution	69.71
Town of Bloomfield, Vermont	3,755.50
Town of Canaan, Vermont	516.00
Town of Colebrook Outside Fires	15,000.00
Town of Colebrook Raised by Taxes	156,350.00
Town of Columbia, New Hampshire	12,411.50
Town of Lemington, Vermont	2,330.00
Town of Stewartstown, New Hampshire	3,790.50
Family of Douglas Holmes	15,000.00
North Country Health Consortium (Reimb)	750.00
Total Receipts:	\$214,318.12

Care of the Fire Station
(amount raised \$22,000.00)

C. Bean Transport	\$	2,345.85
Consolidated Communications		3,050.15
Eversource		1,986.32
Mohawk Plumbing & Heating		437.00
Northern Human Services		390.00
P.A. Hicks & Sons		28.49
Town of Colebrook Water & Sewer		292.52
Total:	\$	8,530.33

Equipment & Supplies
(amount raised \$20,000.00)

Fire Tech & Safety	\$	2,781.30
IAA Lifting Service		1,915.27
Impact Fire		508.12
Industrial Protection Services		24,226.00
TAC 2 Communications		5,984.93
Total:	\$	35,415.62

Precinct Charges
(amount raised \$27,000.00)

Adair, Ben	\$	548.93
Ben's Uniforms		817.46
Bunnell, Pam		219.96
Colebrook Copy Center		50.00
Cross, Katrina		1,091.70
Everything Engraving		20.00
Green Insurance Assoc.		3,022.00
Hand, Eric		750.00
Industrial Protection		153.00
Knapper, Kenneth		30.00
Laperle's IGA		1,111.59
Lawton, Robert		105.79
NCFMAD		250.00
News & Sentinel		78.00
NH State Firemens Assoc.		756.00
Noyes, Chris		325.00
Ossipee Mountain Electronics		431.65
Nolette, Andrew		76.89
P.A. Hicks & Sons		282.75
Patterson, Ronald		25.00
Penguin Management		1,152.00
Primex		14,501.00

**Precinct Charges
continued**

Roy, E.H.	145.03
US Postmaster	207.00
Yetti Yardman	450.00
Total:	\$ 26,600.75

**Additional Precinct Charges
Gas-Oil-Repairs**

These items are listed separately because they were repaid to the precinct from charges for fires outside of the Precinct

Allegiance Trucks	\$ 631.84
Coos Auto Supply	902.92
Don Noyes Chevrolet	1,608.78
Lemieux Garage	305.73
Lewis & Woodard	4,546.00
Industrial Protection	67.97
P.A. Hicks & Sons	6.35
Treasurer State of NH DOT	1,750.43
Total:	\$ 9,820.02

**Payroll of Firemen & Precinct Officers
(amount raised \$24,000.00)**

Colebrook Fire Assoc.	\$ 260.00
Colebrook Village Precinct	27,241.16
Total:	\$ 27,501.16

Payments on Notes

Bangor Savings Bank-Pumper New Engine	\$ 31,552.07
Bangor Savings Bank-Tanker 1	14,150.20
Total:	\$ 45,702.27

Capital Reserve

SCBA/SCA Equipment & Filling Station	\$ 10,000.00
Trustee of Trust Funds Equipment Fund	50,000.00
Total:	\$ 60,000.00

Miscellaneous Expenses

Cornish Fire Department	\$ 50.00
Total:	\$ 50.00

Grand Total of Expenses:	\$ 213,620.15
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Capital Reserve Fund

Article 15 of the March 25, 1986 Precinct Meeting

It was voted to authorize the Wardens to close the present truck savings account established pursuant to Article 14 of the Warrant for the annual fire precinct meeting of March 29, 1932 by authorizing the Wardens to close out said account and establish a trust fund there from; this trust shall be an expendable trust established to New Hampshire revised statues annotated 31:19a, and the Wardens were appointed as agents to expend sums from the trust fund when an appropriation exists.

Beginning Balance 2024	\$ 70,634.54
Deposits 2024	50,000.00
Withdrawals	(10,144.48)
Interest Earned 2024	1,949.39
Ending Balance 2024	<u>\$ 112,439.45</u>

Article 11 of the March 28, 2017 Precinct Meeting

It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for the creation of a Capital Reserve Fund entitled SCBA/SCBA Filling Station Fund and to name the Commissioners agents to expend.

Beginning Balance 2024	\$36,579.71
Deposits 2024	20,144.48
Interest Earned 2024	1,068.30
Ending Balance 2024	<u>\$57,792.49</u>

Summary of Payment for the Year Ending 2024

	Raised	Spent
Starting Balance	\$ 53,170.48	
Care of the Fire Station	22,000.00	8,530.33
Equipment & Supplies	20,000.00	35,415.62
Payroll-Precinct, Fires & Officers	24,000.00	27,501.16
Precinct Charges	27,000.00	26,600.75
Gas-Oil Repairs		9,820.02
Misc. Expense		50.00
Capital Reserve	50,000.00	50,000.00
SCBA/SCBA Capital Reserve Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00
Outside Fires	50,000.00	
Payment Pumper New Engine & Tanker # 1	45,702.27	45,702.27
Total:	<u>248,702.27</u>	<u>\$ 213,620.15</u>
Less 2024 Ending Balance	(53,868.45)	
Total:	<u>\$ 194,833.82</u>	

Proposed Budget for 2025

General Government		\$ 94,000.00
Care of the Fire Station	\$ 22,000.00	
Equipment & Supplies	21,000.00	
Payroll	24,000.00	
Precinct Charges	27,000.00	
Payment on Pumper New Engine		31,552.07
Payment on Tanker		13,875.82
Equipment Capital Reserve Fund		50,000.00
SCBA/SCBA Filling Station Capital Reserve Fund		10,000.00
Total Proposed Budget:		199,427.89
Less Ending Balance 2024		<u>(53,868.45)</u>
Amount to be Raised by Taxes:		<u><u>\$ 145,559.44</u></u>

The estimated amount of money needed for 2025 is \$145,559.44 as compared to the figure of \$ 145,531.79 for 2024. The actual budget is \$ 27.65 higher than last year.

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