# 249th Annual
# REPORT

*James Kibbey*

# CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

*For the year ending December 31, 2015*

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots. –**

I. In this section:

(a) "Involuntary merger" and "involuntarily merged" mean lots merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes without the consent of the owner.

(b) "Owner" means the person or entity that holds legal title to the lots in question, even if such person or entity did not hold legal title at the time of the involuntary merger.

(c) "Voluntary merger" and "voluntarily merged" mean a merger under RSA 674:39-a, or any overt action or conduct that indicates an owner regarded said lots as merged such as, but not limited to, abandoning a lot line.

II. Lots or parcels that were involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010 by a city, town, county, village district, or any other municipality, shall at the request of the owner, be restored to their premerger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the appropriate registry of deeds, provided:

(a) The request is submitted to the governing body prior to December 31, 2016.

(b) No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. The municipality shall have the burden of proof to show that any previous owner voluntarily merged his or her lots.

III. All decisions of the governing body may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of RSA 676.

IV. Any municipality may adopt local ordinances, including ordinances enacted prior to the effective date of this section, to restore previously merged properties that are less restrictive than the provisions in paragraph I and II.

V. The restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

**VI. Municipalities shall post a notice informing residents that any involuntarily merged lots may be restored to premerger status upon the owner's request. Such notice shall be posted in a public place no later than January 1, 2012 and shall remain posted through December 31, 2016. Each municipality shall also publish the same or similar notice in its 2011 through 2015 annual reports.**

**Source.** 2011, 206:4, eff. July 24, 2011.

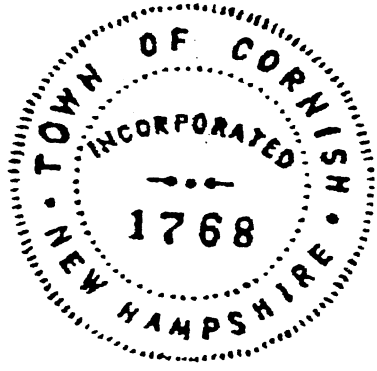
# 249th Annual Report

of the

# Selectmen

and other

# Town Officers




Cornish

New Hampshire

Year Ending December 31, 2015

# NOTICE

## DOG & CAT OWNERS:

- **All Dogs over three months of age must be licensed by May 1st.**
- Failure to license subjects owners to a fine of $50.00 plus $1.00 per month after June 1st. It's the law.
- Legal Rates: Male/ Female - $9.00, Neutered/Spayed $6.50
- Owner over 65, $2.00 for first dog, regular rates for additional dogs.
- **State Law requires all dogs to be vaccinated against Rabies.**
- Rabies certificates are required for licensing.
- **New Hampshire RSA 466 - Owners are liable for free running dogs. Penalties are severe.**

## NEW CONSTRUCTION OR ALTERATIONS:

- The Town requires permits for new construction or exterior alterations to any building. If in doubt, check first with the Selectmen.

## TO THOSE OPERATING IN OR NEAR WETLANDS OR WATERWAYS:

- RSA 438-A State Dredge & Fill applications must be filed with the Town Clerk before beginning work. Fines may be assessed for noncompliance.

## MUNICIPAL REMINDERS

**Deadlines:**

Property Tax Abatements.....December Billing to March 1
Current Use Applications.....April 15
Exemption/Tax Credits.....April 15
Property Tax Due Date.....July 1 and December 1
Vehicle Registration.....Birth Month of Applicant

***Please be sure to let the Town Office know when you change your address.***

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# TOWN OFFICERS OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## ELECTED OFFICIALS

**Town Clerk** – 3 years
Paula Harthan (2016)
Reigh Sweetser, Deputy

**Town Treasurer** – 1 year
Heidi Jaarsma (2016)
William Caterino, Deputy

**Moderator** – 2 years
Gwyn Gallagher (2016)

**Selectmen** – 3 years
Scott Baker (2016)
John Hammond (2018)
Dale Lawrence (2017)

**Tax Collector** – 1 year
Reigh Sweetser (2016)
Paula Harthan, Deputy

**Sexton** – 1 year
Tom Spaulding (2016)

**Supervisors of Checklist** – 6 years
Robin Monette (2016)
Ruth Rollins (2018)
Leland Atwood (2020)

**Trustees of Trust Funds** – 3 years
Linda Fellows (2016)
Heather Meeks (2018)
Richard Simons (2017)

**Trustees of George H Stowell Library** – 3 years
Kathryn Patterson (2016)
Richard Scheuer (2017)
Kate Freeland

**General Assistance & Senior Resources** - 1 year
Pam Annis (2016)
Marie Durusha, Assistant

**Representatives to the General Court**
Andy Schmidt
Virginia Irwin
Lee Oxenham

**State Senator**
David Pierce

**Sullivan County Commissioner**
Jeffrey Barrette

## APPOINTED OFFICIALS

**Highway Agent**
Wayne Gray – By Selectmen

**Fire Chief** – by Selectmen – 3 years
Robert Rice (2017)

**Police Officers** – by Selectmen
E. Douglas Hackett, Chief
Corey Stevens, Sgt
Eric Brann

**Planning Board** - by Selectmen – 3 years
Bill Lipfert, Chairman (2017) – 12 yrs
Heidi Jaarsma, Secretary (2018) – 15 yrs
Gail McKenzie, (2016) – 16 yrs
Scott Baker for Selectmen Ex Officio – 3 yrs
Jay Young (2017) - 6 yrs Alt
Gwyn Gallagher (2016) – 11 yrs
Mary Mancuso (2016) – 9 yrs
David Haseman (2018) – 3 yr Alt

**Zoning Board of Adjustment** – by Moderator – 3 years
Caroline Storrs, Chair (2017)-35 yrs
Jason Bourne, Vice Chair (2015) – 9 yrs
Wm Balch, Clerk (2016) – 38 yrs Alt
James Brown (2018) – 9 yrs
Bruce Tracy (2018) – 17 yrs
Dale Rook, (2016) – 18 yrs Alt
Kate Freeland (2017) – 4 yr Alt
Karim Chichakly (2016) Alt

**Conservation Commission** – by Selectmen – 3 years
Jim Barker, Chair (2016) –8 yrs
Herrika Poor, Vice Chair (2016)- 40 yrs
Bob Bulkeley (2017)
Bill Galagher (2018) – 15 yrs
Dale Rook (2018)
Buz Lord (2017)
Steven Wilkie (2017)
John Berry (2018) Alt
Patrick Clancy (2017) Alt
Paul Dunne (2017) Alt
Frank Parks (2016) Alt – 8 yrs
Jenny Schad (2016) Alt – 6 yrs
John Hammond – Selectboard Rep. 9 yrs

# TOWN OFFICERS OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Finance Committee** – by Moderator – 3 years
William Caterino (2016)
Heidi Jaarsma Ex Officio
Fred Weld (2017)
Christine Heins (2017)
Marcia Clark (2017)

**Town Forest Committee** – by Selectmen
Virginia Prince, Chairman
Loel Callahan
Ed Woodbury
John Hammond, for Selectmen
Jim Fitch

**Capital Equipment Committee** – by Selectmen
Mike Duval
Wayne Gray
Scott Baker
Dan Flynn
Richard Heim
Tom Spaulding
Larry Dingee
Reyer Jaarsma
James Fitch

**Energy Committee** – by Selectmen
Mary Boyle, Chair
Nancy Wightman
Pat Pinkson-Burke
William Cable
Martha Zoerheide
George Edson
Janice Orion

**Wetlands Wildlife Committee**-by Selectmen
Troy Simino
James Fitch
Frank Parks

**Ct. River Resource Committee** – Local River Subcommittee – by Selectmen
Vacant

**Overseers of Covered Bridges** – by Selectmen
Leo Maslan
Richard Thompson

**Surveyors of Wood, Bark & Lumber** – 1 year
Gwyn Gallagher
Leo Maslan
Jim Fitch
Richard Thompson
Reyer Jaarsma
James Neil
Troy Simino
Bill Ladd

**Emergency Office Liaison to 911**– by Selectmen
Dale Lawrence

**Emergency Management Director** – by Selectmen
Vacant

**Spirit Committee** – by Selectmen
Colleen O'Neill
Caroline Storrs
Shelly Brookings
Christine Heins

**Librarian** – by Trustees of the Library
Brenda Freeland

**Fence Viewers** – 1 year
Henry Homeyer
Bill Ladd
Bill Gallagher
Rob Jaarsma
Leo Maslan

**Hog Reeves** – 1 year
Dan & Sara Monette
Corey & Deanna Fitch
Jason & Jen Lizotte
Josh & Angela Bean

**Selectmen's Special Agent** – by Selectmen
John Hammond

**Auditors** – by Selectmen
Rowley & Associates

## STATE APPOINTMENTS

**Health Officer** – Jeff Katchen
**Deputy Health Officer** – Ginny Prince
**Forest Fire Warden** – Robert Rice

**Forest Fire Deputy Wardens**
Leo Maslan
Jim Guy
Leland Atwood
Bill Fitts
Dale Rook

**2016 CORNISH TOWN WARRANT**
**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Cornish, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the School Gymnasium in said Cornish on Tuesday the 8th of March, next at 8:00 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1 of the Warrant will be acted upon at 8:00 am. Voting will be by official ballot and checklist, and the polls will be open for this purpose and will remain open from 8:00 am until 7:00 pm, at which time the polls will close. The business portion of Town Meeting will begin at 12:00 noon. Articles 2 through 30 will be acted upon at that time.

**Article 1:** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 2:** To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town changes for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

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|---|---|
| a) Town Office | 57,691 |
| b) Tax Collector | 12,410 |
| c) Town Clerk | 13,490 |
| d) Election, Vital Statistics | 6,725 |
| e) Audit Town Books | 9,600 |
| f) Revaluation of Property | 7,600 |
| g) Legal Expenses | 5,000 |
| h) Planning Board | 2,727 |
| i) Zoning Board | 450 |
| j) Buildings & Grounds | 26,196 |
| k) Cemeteries & Perpetual Care | 19,600 |
| l) Insurance (Property/Liability) | 40,000 |
| m) Records Preservation | 50 |
| n) Spirit Committee | 500 |
| o) Police Department | 85,427 |
| p) Ambulance | 16,352 |
| q) Fire Department | 46,300 |
| r) Emergency Management | 50 |
| s) Septage | 2,500 |
| t) Recycling | 15,500 |
| u) Hazardous Waste | 1,000 |
| v) Human Services | 17,400 |
| w) Parks & CREA Land | 6,370 |
| x) Memorial Day | 500 |
| y) Conservation Commission | 750 |
| z) Interest-Tax Anticipation Notes | 2,000 |
| za) Library | 13,944 |

**Article 2 (cont.):**

zb) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $574,657 for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges, and snow removal from town buildings and school grounds. The sum of $478,627 shall be raised by taxes for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges (and above mentioned snow removal), and up to $96,030 to be received from the State as Highway Block Grant Funds for special maintenance projects on Class V Highways and Bridges.

**Article 3:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,500 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $55,000 to be placed in the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $35,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,000 to be placed in the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000 to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000 to be placed in the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000 to be placed in the Building Capital Maintenance and Improvement Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000 to be placed in the Cemetery Department Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50,000 to be placed in the Paving Capital Reserve Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to $158,750 for the purpose of purchasing a new Dump Truck with its associated equipment for the Highway Department and

to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw that amount from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose and to further authorize the sale of the 2005 Sterling Dump Truck. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to $30,000 for the refurbishment of the Highway Department 2002 International Dump Truck with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2015 Highway Budget.

**Article 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $105,000 for paving and to allow the Selectmen to withdraw up to $80,000 from the Paving Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose with the remainder to be raised by taxes. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 16:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of $3,100 for the installation of ceiling fans in the Highway Garage with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2015 Highway Budget.

**Article 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of $10,000 for the installation of upgraded lights in the Highway Garage with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2015 Highway Budget.

**Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $7,800 to perform a data verification (list and measure) of our property values and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw the amount from the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to $10,000 for improvements to the building known as Cornish Flat Fire Station, with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance.

**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to $15,050 for the purchase and installation of a generator to supply emergency power to the Town House Road Police/Fire Stations, such building being designated as the Town of Cornish Emergency Operations Center (EOC), with $7,525 to come from the unassigned fund balance and $7,525 to come from a 50% matching grant.

**Article 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to $7,100 to replace the sand screen at the Highway Garage with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the unspent 2015 Highway Budget.

**Article 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to $9,500 for the purpose of replacing four "Welcome to Cornish" signs and purchasing two granite benches for the common in Cornish Flat with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the Kibbey Estate.

**Article 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000 to be placed in the 1985 Veterans' Memorial Trust Fund held by the Trustees of Trust Funds with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. These funds represent a portion of the Kibbey Estate. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $67,921 to create a Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a to be known as the James C. Kibbey Trust Fund for the purpose of providing scholarship funds for up to two Cornish residents per year, by request in writing by the applicants, for the purpose of post-secondary study in the field of music at a public or private accredited post-secondary institution with said funds, representing a portion of the James C. Kibbey Estate, to come from the unassigned fund balance, and furthermore to name the Selectmen agents of said fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 25:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500 to make improvements in the Town Forest and to authorize the expenditure of gifts, grants or timber proceeds for this purchase. No part of this appropriation shall come from tax dollars.

**Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $750 for the repair, maintenance and improvement of Trinity Church and its grounds, with said funds to come from the Trinity Church Special Revenue Fund. (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 27:** By petition, to see if the voters of the Town of Cornish will designate Gap Road a Scenic Road as provided by NH RSA 231:157 and 231:158.

**Article 28:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and to permit the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes as authorized under RSA 80:52a.

**Article 29:** To hear reports of Officers, Agents, Auditors, and Committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote in relation thereto.

**Article 30:** To transact other business that may legally come before this meeting.

**Given under our hand and seal this 5th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Sixteen.**

Scott Baker, Chair

Dale Lawrence

John Hammond

# Cornish, NH

## Town Meeting Minutes
### March 10, 2015

The Cornish Town Meeting was held on Tuesday the 10th of March. Moderator, Gwyn Gallagher, opened the polls at 10:00 AM to begin the voting session of the Cornish Town Meeting. Gwyn Gallagher noted that the Warrant was properly certified and that all Selectboard members' signatures were displayed at the end of the warrant. Gwyn Gallagher then read the Town Warrant in its entirety. Ballot Clerks: Dale Rook, Judy Rook, Lois Fitts, Marion Stone, Kathy Wall, Audrey Jacquier; as well as Supervisors of the checklists: Leland Atwood, Robin Monette , Ruth Rollins, were present. The business portion of the meeting began at 12:00 noon with a prayer lead by Reverend Dale Nicholas followed by the pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Helen Lovell, who will be turning 101 years young this year. Selectboard members present were John Hammond, Scott Baker and Dale Lawrence.

**Article 1:** To Choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Selectman (3 years).....John Hammond -198
Trustee of the Trust Funds (3 years) .....Heather Meeks- 208
Town Treasurer (1 year) .....Heidi Jaarsma -224
Tax Collector (1year)..... Reigh Sweetser -222
Sexton (1 year).....Thomas Spaulding- 199
Library Trustee (1 year)..... Kate Freeland-173
Office of General Assistance (1 year).....Pam Annis -202

**Article 2:** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No 1. as proposed by the Planning Board for the Cornish Zoning Ordnance as follows: The Planning Board's Amendment No. 1 replaces the map titled Cornish Zoning of 1992 with the Cornish, NH, Zoning District Map of 2015. The Cornish, NH Zoning District Map of 2015 is digitized copy of the map titled Cornish Zoning of 1992. Zoning District boundaries if the Cornish, NH Zoning District Map if 2015 remain as shown in the Cornish Zoning of 1992 map.

YES: 213 NO: 14

**Article 3:** To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

(a) Town Office – John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate $56,840. Doug Thayer seconded. John Rand made a motion to increase the Town Clerk's salary by 1.5% Heather Meeks seconded. The amended amount would be $1,817 with the increase. Many people wondered why only certain departments got an increase and not across all departments. Selectman said that different departments did not ask for an increase and so

they stayed the same. People stated it did not seem fair to increase just the Town Clerk as the other departments should be increased as well. The motion was withdrawn. The main motion to raise and appropriate $56,840 was voted in the affirmative.

(b) Tax Collector – Sharon Atwood moved that the Town raise and appropriate $13,058. The motion was seconded by John Hammond, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(c) Town Clerk – Larry Dingee moved that the Town raise and appropriate $12,669. The motion was seconded by John Rand, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(d) Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics – Shirley Bladen moved that the Town raise and appropriate $2,625. The motion was seconded by Nancy Wightman, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(e) Audit Town Books – Bill Caterino moved that the Town raise and appropriate $9,300. The motion was seconded by John Hammond, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(f) Revaluation of Property – Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate $7,500.The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(g) Legal Expenses – John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate $5,000. The motion was seconded by Scott Baker and the vote was in the affirmative.

(h) Planning Board – Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate $1,977. The motion was seconded by Christine Heins, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(i) Zoning Board of Adjustment – Dale Rook moved that the Town raise and appropriate $450. The motion was seconded by Bill Fitts, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(j) Buildings and Grounds – Christine Heins moved that the Town raise and appropriate $24,296. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and the vote as in the affirmative.

(k) Cemeteries and Perpetual Care – Helen Lovell moved that the Town raise and appropriate $18,870. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood. Tom Spaulding made a motion to amend the amount by $2,130 to $21,000 since the cemeteries are in need of additional fence repairs this year. The amendment was seconded by John Rand, and the vote was in the affirmative. Moderator Gallagher called a vote on the main motion to raise and appropriate $21,000 for Cemeteries and Perpetual Care, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(l) Insurance (Property/Liability) – John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate$40,000. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(m)Records Preservation- John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate $50. The motion was seconded by Judy Rook, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(n) Spirit Committee – Shelley Brookings moved that the Town raise and appropriate $500. The motion was seconded by Dale Lawrence, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(o) Police Department – Doug Thayer moved that the Town raise and appropriate $83,361. The motion was seconded by Christine Heins. Doug Hackett stated there was a decrease in salary line because Eric Brann was unable to work the month of January. The motion was voted in the affirmative.

(p) Ambulance – Larry Dingee moved that the Town raise and appropriate $16,352. The motion was seconded by John Hammond, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(q) Fire Department – Helen Lovell moved that the Town raise and appropriate $45,300. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood. John Hammond stated that the increase was due to new gear that needed to be purchased as well as electricity/phone/internet increases. At this time John Hammond stated that the new Fire Chief would be Bob Rice. He thanked Scott Reuthe for his hard work and commitment to the Fire Department as outgoing Fire Chief. Selectboard met with the Officers of the Fire Department with regard to who would be the incoming Fire Chief. It was a task not taken lightly, and the Selectboard felt the best choice was Bob Rice, as did the Officers of the Fire Department. Moderator Gallagher called a vote on the motion to raise and appropriate $45,300, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(r) Emergency Management – Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate $50. The motion was seconded by Shirley Sullivan, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(s) Septage – John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate $2,500. The motion was seconded by Rodney Lovell, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(t) Recycling – Tom Spaulding moved that the Town raise and appropriate $15,000. The motion was seconded by Ricki Poor, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(u) Hazardous Waste – Sharon Atwood moved that the Town raise and appropriate $1,000. The motion was seconded by John Hammond. John noted the decrease was due to townspeople not using this service compared to other years. The vote was in the affirmative.

(v) Human Services – Dan Flynn moved that the Town raise and appropriate $17,225. The motion was seconded by Dan Poor. Larry Dingee mentioned that the Cornish Rescue Squad is celebrating their fortieth anniversary this year. Martha Zoerheide thanked volunteers who delivered Meals on Wheels as well as Volunteers in Action and Neighbor to Neighbor. People have responded well to these services that are offered. The vote was in the affirmative.

(w) Parks and CREA Land – Ricki Poor moved that the Town raise and appropriate $6,370. The motion as seconded by Dan Poor, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(x) Memorial Day – Dan Flynn moved that the Town raise and appropriate $750. The motion was seconded by Heather Meeks, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(y) Conservation Commission Expense – Jim Barker moved that the Town raise and appropriate$750. The motion was seconded by Steve Bobin, and the vote was in the affirmative.

(z) Interest-Tax Anticipation Notes – Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate $2,000. The motion was seconded by Bill Caterino, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 4:** Jim Barker moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $4,500 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund. The motion was seconded by Polly Rand, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 5:** Richard Scheuer moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $13,997 for the support and operation of the Public Library. The motion was seconded by Polly Rand, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 6:** John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $55,000 to be placed in the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by John Rand, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 7:** Jim Lukash moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $35,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Bill Fitts, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 8:** Heather Meeks moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Jim Lukash, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 9:** Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $12,000 to be placed in the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Christine Heins, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 10:** Helen Lovell moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000 to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 11:** John Rand moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $ 10,000 to be placed in the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by John Hammond, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 12:** John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $50,000 to be placed in the Paving Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Fred Sullivan, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 13:** Heidi Jaarsma moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $10,000 to be placed in the Building Capital Maintenance and Improvement Fund. The motion was seconded by Susan Chandler and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 14:** Christine Heins moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $ 4,000 to be placed in the Cemetery Department Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Judy Rook and was a vote in the affirmative.

**Article 15:** John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $555,287 for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges, and snow removal from town buildings and school grounds. The sum of $469,220 shall be raised by taxes for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges (and above mentioned snow removal), and up to $86,067 to be received from State Highway Block Grant Funds for the special maintenance projects on Class V Highways and Bridges. The motion was seconded by Shirley Sullivan.

Steve Jameson made a motion to amend main motion by $20,000 for the purchase of additional sand. The amendment was seconded by Chuck DeAngelis. Steve Jameson stated that the Town roads were in need of more sand this year compared to past years during bad weather. The amendment, by hand vote, was in the affirmative. Moderator Gallagher called the amended main motion, to raise and appropriate the sum of $575,287 for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges, and snow removal from town buildings and school grounds. The sum of $489,220 shall be raised by taxes for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges (and above mentioned snow removal), and up to $86,067 to be received from State Highway Block Grant Funds for the special maintenance projects on Class V Highways and Bridges. The vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 16:** Linda Fuerst moved to see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectman to prohibit hunting or trapping, by the general public, on the town land known as the Cornish Recreation & Education Area (CREA). The motion was seconded by Ricki Poor. This was a petitioned article. Gwyn Gallagher read the agreement that was issued in 1984 regarding how the land was to be used. Linda Fuerst and Jim Barker had issues with the Selectboard about how this was handled. They stated that wording had been omitted and changed in the permanent documents that pertained to the hunting on the CREA land. Linda Fuerst requested that the Selectboard take the management plan off the website until this can be corrected. Leo Maslan mentioned that the Boy Scouts use this land as well as many others and sees continuous recreational use. Mary Boyle uses this area for bird sightings and walks. Merilynn Bourne urged the board for clarification on the CREA property as stated in the deed that was read by Gwyn Gallagher. Fred Sullivan opposed this article stating it should be open for all residents. Moderator Gallagher called the questions, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 17:** Christine Heins moved for the Town to raise and appropriate the sum of up to $43,000 for the purchase of a truck for the Cemetery Department with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. Chuck DeAngelis seconded the motion, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 18:** John Hammond moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,500 for Town Hall and Little Town Hall building maintenance and to authorize the Selectman to withdraw up to $5,500 from the Building Capital Maintenance and Improvement Fund created for that purpose. Dale Lawrence seconded the motion, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 19:** Doug Hackett moved to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,425 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund with said funds to come from the unassigned fund balance. This amount represents the proceeds from the sale of the Durango Police Cruiser. Jim Neil seconded this motion, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 20:** Larry Dingee moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $30,000 for the repair if the abutment under the Chase Hill Bridge and to authorize the withdrawal of up to $30,000 from the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. The motion was seconded by Doug Hackett, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 21:** Christine Heins moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $35,750 for the purchase of a new police cruiser with $4,200 to come from the unassigned fund balance (representing donations collected in the previous year) and furthermore with $31,550 to come from donations and grants received in the current or future year with no moneys to be raised from taxes. This is a non-lapsing article. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 22:** Jim Neil moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $75,000 for paving and to authorize the Selectman to withdraw up to $75,000 from Paving Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The motion was seconded by Fred Sullivan. Steve Jameson moved to amend this amount to $25,000 and was seconded by Heather Meeks. Wayne Gray stated he received quotes from companies that in order to rebuild the paved roads correctly would cost one million dollars per mile. As this is not feasible, all he can do is shim the roads and patch where needed. Troy Simino urged the Selectboard and Road Agent to get a Paving Plan in place. Moderator Gallagher called for a vote on the amendment to Town raise and appropriate the sum of $100,000 for paving and to authorize the Selectman to withdraw up to $100,000 from Paving Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The vote to amend the main motion was in the negative. Moderator Gallagher called for a vote on the main motion, to raise and appropriate the sum of $75,000 for paving and to authorize the Selectman to withdraw up to $75,000 from Paving Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 23:** Polly Rand moved to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500 to make improvements in the Town Forest and to authorize the expenditure of gifts, grants or timber proceeds for this purpose. No part of this appropriation shall come from tax dollars. Jim Fitch seconded the motion, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 24:** Polly Rand moved to raise and authorize the sum of $750 for the repair, maintenance and improvement of Trinity Church and its grounds, with said funds to come from the Trinity Church Special Revenue Fund. Sharon Atwood seconded the motion, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 25:** Jim Lukash moved that the vote and authorize the prepayment of the taxes and to permit the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes as authorized under RSA 80:52a. The motion was seconded by Fred Sullivan, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Article 26:** Doug Thayer moved that the Town hear reports of Officers, Agents, Auditors, and Committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote in relation thereto. The motion was seconded by Jim Lukash, and the vote was in the affirmative.

**Conservation Committee Award:** This year's recipient of the Conservation Award was presented by Jim Barker to the Cornish Energy Commission with project Solarize Cornish/Plainfield. A Plaque was awarded as well as individual certificates for all their hard work.

**Article 27:** To transact other business that may legally come before this meeting.

- Jim Barker mentioned that the Conservation Commission will be having several very interesting speakers this year and encouraged everyone interested to attend.
- Cameron Stevens will be doing his Eagle Scout Project on the repairing of the Little Town hall roof. He will oversee the project. Mr. Stevens gave a summary of the scope of work.
- Richard Scheuer mentioned that the Library now has NH electronic books to download.
- Jenny Shad was concerned about the Cornish Auxiliary and that it has been disbanded due to insurance increases. Nancy Newbold stated that the Auxiliary will continue to operate under the Fire Department due to liability reasons.
- Merilynn Bourne stated that last year's warrant article changing the polling house for all regular state elections was intended to apply to local elections. She requested that next year's Town Meeting polls open at 8 am.
- Jim Neil expressed concern about disrespect and personal attacks on town officials at the meeting.

**Hog Reeves:** moved by Polly Rand, seconded by Helen Lovell, and voted in the affirmative.

Dan and Sara Monette
Corey and Deanna Fitch
Jason and Jen Lizotte
Josh and Angela Bean

**Surveyors of Wood, Bark & Lumber:** moved by John Hammond and seconded by Polly Rand, and voted in the affirmative.

Gwyn Gallagher
Jim Fitch
Reyer Jaarsma
Bill Ladd
Leo Maslan
James Neil
Troy Simino
Richard Thompson

**Fence Viewers:** moved by Larry Dingee, seconded by John Hammond, and voted in the affirmative.

Henry Homeyer
Bill Gallagher
Leo Maslan
Rob Jaarsma
Bill Ladd

**Overseers of Covered Bridges:** moved by John Hammond, seconded by Dale Lawrence, and voted in the affirmative.

Leo Maslan
Richard Thompson

**The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Harthan

## 2016 Budget
## General Fund Balance Sheet 12/31/2015

| | December 2015 | December 2014 |
|---|---|---|
| ASSETS | | |
| Cash & Short Term Investments | 1,864,910 | 1,570,436 |
| Petty Cash | 200 | 200 |
| Uncollected Property Taxes | 237,039 | 277,072 |
| Uncollected Land Use Taxes | 3,400 | 0 |
| Uncollected Yield Taxes | 706 | 570 |
| Unredeemed Taxes | 90,987 | 54,725 |
| Allowance for Refunds and Abatements | (50,453) | (39,546) |
| Deeded Property Held for Resale | 21,577 | 21,577 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 2,168,366 | 1,885,034 |
| LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE | | |
| Deposit Escrow | 100 | 0 |
| Due to School District | 1,234,232 | 1,114,245 |
| Due to Conservation Fund | 2,040 | 8,748 |
| Due to Town Forest | 375 | 498 |
| Due to Trinity Church SRF | 2,484 | 1,765 |
| Due to CREA Bridge Repair | 0 | 1,554 |
| Retirement Withholding | 2,455 | 3,121 |
| Health Insurance Withholding | 0 | 11,471 |
| Deferred Tax Revenue | 9 | 33 |
| Reserve for Deeded Property | 21,577 | 21,577 |
| Fund Balance: | | |
| Assigned: Reserved for Encumberances | 0 | 0 |
| Unassigned: | 905,092 | 722,022 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE | 2,168,366 | 1,885,034 |

## Statement of Revenues 2016 Budget

| | 2015 Final Est. | 2015 Actual | Estimate Over(Under) | 2016 Proposed | Proposed Over(Under) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TAXES** | | | | | |
| Land Use Change Taxes | 0 | 1,360 | 1,360 | 0 | 0 |
| Yield Taxes | 6,000 | 8,467 | 2,467 | 8,000 | 2,000 |
| Paymt in Lieu of Taxes | 16,381 | 15,387 | (994) | 15,387 | (994) |
| Interest & Penalty on Taxes | 32,000 | 31,271 | (729) | 32,000 | 0 |
| Excavation Tax | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES** | | | | | |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 282,000 | 308,888 | 26,888 | 305,000 | 23,000 |
| Building Permits | 525 | 1,035 | 510 | 750 | 225 |
| Dog Licenses and Fines | 1,800 | 1,972 | 172 | 1,800 | 0 |
| Other Permits and Fees | 200 | 335 | 135 | 200 | 0 |
| **STATE OF NH & FEDERAL** | | | | | |
| Shared Revenues-Rooms | 79,154 | 79,154 | 0 | 79,154 | 0 |
| Shared Revenue-BPT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Highway Block Grant | 92,045 | 92,840 | 795 | 96,030 | 3,985 |
| Bridge Aid | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Railroad Tax & Other | 1,091 | 1,091 | 0 | 1,091 | 0 |
| State Grants | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7,525 | 7,525 |
| Other Grants | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| **CHARGES FOR SERVICES** | | | | | |
| Zoning Board Fees | 0 | 215 | 215 | 100 | 100 |
| Planning Board Fees | 0 | 324 | 324 | 500 | 500 |
| Zoning/Subdivision Reg. Sales | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cemetery | 170 | 170 | 0 | 0 | (170) |
| Burial Fees | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Highway Dept. Income | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Police Dept. Income | 10,000 | 16,267 | 6,267 | 9,000 | (1,000) |
| Fire Dept. Income | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Recycling Income | 4,500 | 4,705 | 205 | 4,500 | 0 |
| **MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES** | | | | | |
| Sale of Town Property | 580 | 580 | 0 | 0 | (580) |
| Rental of Town Property | 1,275 | 1,350 | 75 | 1,250 | (25) |
| Interest on Investments | 100 | 113 | 13 | 150 | 50 |
| Insurance Refund/Dividend | 7,322 | 7,322 | 0 | 0 | (7,322) |
| Town Forest | 1,500 | 123 | (1,377) | 1,500 | 0 |
| Other Sources | 1,600 | 2,525 | 925 | 1,600 | 0 |
| Kibby Estate | 0 | 82,821 | 82,821 | 0 | 0 |
| Police Cruiser donation | 31,550 | 8,615 | (22,935) | 0 | (31,550) |
| **OPERATING TRANSFERS IN** | | | | | |
| Special Revenue Fund | 750 | 181 | (569) | 750 | 0 |
| Trust | 1,500 | 1,500 | 0 | 1,500 | 0 |
| Capital Reserve Funds | 110,500 | 96,150 | (14,350) | 246,550 | 136,050 |
| **OTHER FINANCING SOURCES** | | | | | |
| Use of Fund Balance | 49,625 | 49,625 | 0 | 150,146 | 100,521 |
| **TOTAL REVENUES** | **732,168** | **814,386** | **82,218** | **969,483** | 237,315 |

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| | 2015 Final Approp | 2015 Actual Expend | 2015 Over (Under) | 2016 Proposed Budget | 2016 Increase (Decrease) | % Inc (Dec) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **(a) TOWN OFFICE** | | | | | | |
| Salaries | 26,800 | 26,954 | 154 | 27,336 | 536 | 2.0% |
| Salaries - Part Time | 5,000 | 4,524 | (476) | 5,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Salary - Treasurer | 3,000 | 3,000 | 0 | 3,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Salary - Dep Treas | 100 | 100 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| FICA | 2,175 | 2,144 | (31) | 2,220 | 45 | 2.1% |
| Medicare | 515 | 501 | (14) | 520 | 5 | 1.0% |
| Medical Ins. - Town | 7,700 | 7,686 | (14) | 7,965 | 265 | 3.4% |
| Advertising | 250 | 114 | (136) | 250 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Memberships | 1,400 | 1,425 | 25 | 1,400 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Postage | 750 | 712 | (38) | 750 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Software Leases | 2,500 | 2,174 | (326) | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Copier Lease | 600 | 177 | (423) | 600 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Computer Expense | 500 | 94 | (406) | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Office Supplies | 800 | 612 | (188) | 800 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Town Report | 1,800 | 1,953 | 153 | 1,800 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Mileage | 2,200 | 1,860 | (340) | 2,200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Training & Educ | 250 | 56 | (194) | 250 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Registry of Deeds | 100 | 146 | 46 | 100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Web Site | 300 | 144 | (156) | 300 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | 100 | 182 | 82 | 100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **56,840** | **54,560** | **(2,280)** | **57,691** | **851** | **1.5%** |
| **(b) TAX COLLECTOR** | | | | | | |
| Salary | 6,000 | 6,000 | 0 | 6,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Salary - Dep Tax Coll. | 600 | 600 | 0 | 600 | 0 | 0.0% |
| FICA | 500 | 490 | (10) | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Medicare | 120 | 115 | (5) | 120 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Memberships | 25 | 40 | 15 | 25 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Postage | 1,500 | 1,493 | (7) | 1,000 | (500) | -33.3% |
| Software Leases | 1,903 | 1,929 | 26 | 1,965 | 62 | 3.3% |
| Computer Expense | 300 | 391 | 91 | 300 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Office supplies | 400 | 350 | (50) | 400 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Mileage | 310 | 253 | (57) | 100 | (210) | -67.7% |
| Training & Education | 50 | 0 | (50) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Tax Coll Fees & Liens | 1,100 | 1,286 | 186 | 1,100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Registry of Deeds | 200 | 130 | (70) | 200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | 50 | 25 | (25) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **13,058** | **13,103** | **45** | **12,410** | **(648)** | **-5.0%** |

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| | 2015 Final Approp | 2015 Actual Expend | 2015 Over (Under) | 2016 Proposed Budget | 2016 Increase (Decrease) | % Inc (Dec) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **(c) TOWN CLERK** | | | | | | |
| Salary - Clerk | 1,800 | 1,800 | 0 | 1800 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Salary - Dep Clerk | 600 | 600 | 0 | 600 | 0 | 0.0% |
| FICA | 1,000 | 1,022 | 22 | 1000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Medicare | 250 | 239 | (11) | 250 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Memberships | 25 | 20 | (5) | 25 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Postage | 800 | 800 | 0 | 800 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Software Leases | 2,574 | 2,634 | 60 | 2,695 | 121 | 4.7% |
| Computer Expense | 250 | 310 | 60 | 250 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Office Supplies | 300 | 922 | 622 | 1,000 | 700 | 233.3% |
| Dog Licenses | 140 | 140 | 0 | 140 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Mileage | 300 | 300 | 0 | 300 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Training & Education | 200 | 0 | (200) | 200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Veh Reg. Fees | 4,300 | 5,858 | 1,558 | 4,300 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Marriage Lic. Fees | 20 | 0 | (20) | 20 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Title Fees | 20 | (34) | (54) | 20 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Wetland Fees | 20 | 150 | 130 | 20 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Validation Fee | 20 | 5 | (15) | 20 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | 50 | 410 | 360 | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **12,669** | **15,176** | **2,507** | **13,490** | **821** | **6.5%** |
| **(d) ELECTIONS** | | | | | | |
| Salaries | 1,500 | 1,135 | (365) | 5,600 | 4,100 | 273.3% |
| FICA | 280 | 25 | (255) | 280 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Medicare | 70 | 6 | (64) | 70 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Advertising | 100 | 125 | 25 | 100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Postage | 100 | 65 | (35) | 100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Computer Expense | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Office Supplies | 50 | 0 | (50) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Election Expense | 50 | 0 | (50) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Mileage | 75 | 74 | (1) | 75 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | 50 | 0 | (50) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Vitals-State Fees | 300 | (6) | (306) | 300 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Vitals-Town Clerk Fees | 50 | 11 | (39) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **2,625** | **1,435** | **(1,190)** | **6,725** | **4,100** | **156.2%** |
| **(e) AUDIT** | | | | | | |
| Town Audit | 9,300 | 9,300 | 0 | 9,600 | 300 | 3.2% |
| **TOTAL** | **9,300** | **9,300** | **0** | **9,600** | **300** | **3.2%** |
| **(f) REVALUATION** | | | | | | |
| Appraisal Fees | 7,500 | 7,085 | (415) | 7,600 | 100 | 1.3% |
| **TOTAL** | **7,500** | **7,085** | **(415)** | **7,600** | **100** | **1.3%** |
| **(g) LEGAL** | | | | | | |
| Legal Expense | 5,000 | 1,230 | (3,770) | 5,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **5,000** | **1,230** | **(3,770)** | **5,000** | **0** | **0.0%** |

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| **(h) PLANNING BOARD** | | | | | | |
| Salaries | 1,000 | 1,000 | 0 | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| FICA | 62 | 62 | 0 | 62 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Medicare | 15 | 15 | (1) | 15 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Advertising | 400 | 381 | (19) | 1,150 | 750 | 187.5% |
| Postage | 200 | 146 | (54) | 200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Mileage | 50 | 0 | (50) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Training & Educ | 150 | 78 | (72) | 150 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | 100 | 71 | (29) | 100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **1,977** | **1,752** | **(225)** | **2,727** | **750** | **37.9%** |
| **(i) ZONING BOARD** | | | | | | |
| Salaries | 150 | 0 | (150) | 150 | 0 | 0.0% |
| FICA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Medicare | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Advertising | 100 | 133 | 33 | 100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Postage | 150 | 108 | (42) | 150 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Training & Educ | 50 | 0 | (50) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **450** | **241** | **(209)** | **450** | **0** | **0.0%** |
| **(j) BUILDINGS & GROUNDS** | | | | | | |
| Salaries - Town Hall | 750 | 105 | (645) | 750 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Salaries - PT | 4,500 | 3,934 | (566) | 4,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| FICA | 330 | 244 | (86) | 330 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Medicare | 66 | 57 | (9) | 66 | 0 | 0.0% |
| FICA - Town Hall | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Medicare - Town Hall | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Phone - TO & TH | 1,100 | 1,251 | 151 | 1,100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Internet - Town Office | 950 | 926 | (24) | 1,250 | 300 | 31.6% |
| Electric - Town Office | 2,000 | 1,791 | (209) | 2,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Electric - Town Hall | 2,500 | 2,577 | 77 | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Heat - Town Office | 4,000 | 3,464 | (536) | 4,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Heat - Town Hall | 2,500 | 2,538 | 38 | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Trash | 600 | 1,056 | 456 | 600 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | 2,950 | 2,122 | (828) | 50 | (2,900) | -98.3% |
| Maint- Town Office | 1,500 | 1,472 | (28) | 3,100 | 1,600 | 106.7% |
| Maint-Town Hall | 2,500 | 742 | (1,758) | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Cleaning - Town Hall | 750 | 750 | 0 | 750 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Maintenance Supplies | 200 | 48 | (152) | 200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Insurance Reimbursement | (2,900) | (3,563) | (663) | 0 | 2,900 | n/a |
| **TOTAL** | **24,296** | **19,513** | **(4,783)** | **26,196** | **1,900** | **7.8%** |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **(k) CEMETERIES** | | | | | | | |
| Salaries | | 13,565 | 11,629 | (1,936) | 12,565 | (1,000) | -7.4% |
| FICA | | 785 | 721 | (64) | 785 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Medicare | | 185 | 169 | (16) | 185 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Tools | | 500 | 1,764 | 1,264 | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Gasoline | | 100 | 506 | 406 | 600 | 500 | 500.0% |
| Diesel | | 1,500 | 520 | (980) | 600 | (900) | -60.0% |
| Hired Equipment | | 1,065 | 1,000 | (65) | 1,065 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | | 75 | 0 | (75) | 75 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Cemetery Vehicle | | 500 | 1,387 | 887 | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Equipment Repair | | 425 | 897 | 472 | 425 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Maintenance Supplies | | 600 | 0 | (600) | 600 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Perpetual Care | | 1,500 | 185 | (1,315) | 1,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Sanderson Fund | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Burial Expenses | | 200 | 0 | (200) | 200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | **TOTAL** | **21,000** | **18,779** | **(2,221)** | **19,600** | **(1,400)** | **-6.7%** |
| **(l) INSURANCE** | | | | | | | |
| All Non-medical | | 40,000 | 29,774 | (10,226) | 40,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | **TOTAL** | **40,000** | **29,774** | **(10,226)** | **40,000** | **0** | **0.0%** |
| **(m) TOWN RECORDS** | | | | | | | |
| Records Preservation | | 50 | 0 | (50) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | **TOTAL** | **50** | **0** | **(50)** | **50** | **$0** | **0.0%** |
| **(n) SPIRIT COMMITTEE** | | | | | | | |
| Spirit Project | | 500 | 255 | (245) | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | **TOTAL** | **500** | **255** | **(245)** | **500** | **0** | **0.0%** |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **(o) POLICE DEPARTMENT** | | | | | | |
| Salaries | 47,510 | 46,085 | (1,425) | 50,324 | 2,814 | 5.9% |
| Salaries - Special | 7,400 | 7,142 | (259) | 7,400 | 0 | 0.0% |
| FICA | 3,519 | 2,490 | (1,029) | 3,610 | 91 | 2.6% |
| Medicare | 823 | 711 | (112) | 800 | (23) | -2.8% |
| Postage | 30 | 158 | 128 | 30 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Computer Expense | 2,190 | 2,806 | 616 | 2,245 | 55 | 2.5% |
| Office Supplies | 300 | 1,177 | 877 | 750 | 450 | 150.0% |
| Training & Educ | 300 | 261 | (39) | 300 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Telephone | 2,712 | 3,568 | 856 | 2,712 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Internet | 792 | 1,001 | 209 | 792 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Heat | 500 | 619 | 119 | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Uniforms | 750 | 2,777 | 2,027 | 750 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Equipment | 200 | 454 | 254 | 200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Dispatch | 10,035 | 9,979 | (56) | 10,064 | 29 | 0.3% |
| Gasoline | 3,000 | 1,685 | (1,315) | 2,000 | (1,000) | -33.3% |
| Contracted Services | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | 50 | 25 | (25) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Equipment Repair | 400 | 544 | 144 | 300 | (100) | -25.0% |
| Radios | 350 | 0 | (350) | 350 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Building Maintenance | 500 | 341 | (159) | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Vehicle Maintenance | 2,000 | 1,294 | (706) | 1,750 | (250) | -12.5% |
| **TOTAL** | **83,361** | **83,115** | **(246)** | **85,427** | **2,066** | **2.5%** |
| **(p) AMBULANCE** | | | | | | |
| Windsor | 8,767 | 8,767 | 0 | 8,767 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Golden Cross | 7,585 | 7,585 | (0) | 7,585 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **16,352** | **16,352** | **(0)** | **16,352** | **0** | **0.0%** |

| | 2015 Final Approp | 2015 Actual Expend | 2015 Over (Under) | 2016 Proposed Budget | 2016 Increase (Decrease) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **(q) FIRE DEPARTMENT** | | | | | | |
| Memberships | 700 | 690 | (10) | 700 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Mileage | 2,000 | 0 | (2,000) | 1,000 | (1,000) | -50.0% |
| Training & Educ | 2,100 | 160 | (1,940) | 2,100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Telephone | 1,200 | 949 | (251) | 1,200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Internet | 900 | 948 | 48 | 900 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Electricity-Route 120 | 1,400 | 904 | (496) | 1,400 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Electricity-Town House | 2,000 | 1,885 | (115) | 2,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Heat-Route 120 | 3,500 | 2,540 | (960) | 3,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Heat-Town House | 2,500 | 1,514 | (986) | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Fire Equipment | 2,000 | 9,491 | 7,491 | 2,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Pagers | 600 | 650 | 50 | 600 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Hose | 1,000 | 857 | (143) | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Forest Fire | 1,000 | 508 | (492) | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Dispatch | 7,000 | 7,971 | 971 | 8,000 | 1,000 | 14.3% |
| Gasoline | 600 | 341 | (259) | 600 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Diesel | 2,500 | 1,422 | (1,078) | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Misc Expense | 200 | 1,390 | 1,190 | 200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Equipment Repair | 1,000 | 340 | (660) | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Radios | 1,500 | 0 | (1,500) | 2,500 | 1,000 | 66.7% |
| Maintenance-Sta 1 | 2,000 | 389 | (1,611) | 2,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Maintenance-Sta 2 | 2,000 | 731 | (1,269) | 2,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Engine 1 | 800 | 936 | 136 | 800 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Engine 2 | 2,000 | 1,946 | (54) | 2,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Tanker | 1,200 | 506 | (694) | 1,200 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Engine 3 | 800 | 379 | (421) | 800 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Utility Truck | 800 | 495 | (305) | 800 | 0 | 0.0% |
| SCBA | 2,000 | 2,749 | 749 | 2,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **45,300** | **40,693** | **(4,607)** | **46,300** | **1,000** | **2.2%** |
| **(r) EMERGENCY MGT.** | | | | | | |
| | 50 | 30 | (20) | 50 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **TOTAL** | **50** | **30** | **(20)** | **50** | **0** | **0.0%** |

2015 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2016 PROPOSAL
TOWN OF CORNISH

| | 2015 Final Approp | 2015 Actual Expend | 2015 Over (Under) | 2016 Proposed Budget | 2016 Increase (Decrease) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT** | | | | | | |
| Salaries | 185,776 | 166,456 | (19,320) | 189,491 | 3,715 | 2.0% |
| Salaries-Part Time | 1,500 | 0 | (1,500) | 1,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Salaries-Overtime | 18,000 | 14,560 | (3,440) | 18,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| FICA | 12,800 | 11,223 | (1,577) | 13,100 | 300 | 2.3% |
| Medicare | 3,011 | 2,625 | (386) | 3,050 | 39 | 1.3% |
| Retirement | 23,000 | 16,881 | (6,119) | 23,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Medical Ins -Town | 83,850 | 78,677 | (5,173) | 89,066 | 5,216 | 6.2% |
| CDL Random Screening | 350 | 330 | (20) | 350 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Advertising | 100 | 135 | 35 | 100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Training & Educ | 500 | 163 | (337) | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Telephone | 1,150 | 1,316 | 166 | 1,200 | 50 | 4.3% |
| Internet | 0 | 1,226 | 1,226 | 1,500 | 1,500 | n/a |
| Electricity | 2,700 | 3,031 | 331 | 2,700 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Heat | 500 | 1,394 | 894 | 1,000 | 500 | 100.0% |
| Uniforms | 1,500 | 1,400 | (100) | 1,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Permits | 5,000 | 0 | (5,000) | 5,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Gasoline | 650 | 644 | (6) | 2,000 | 1,350 | 207.7% |
| Diesel | 45,000 | 24,630 | (20,370) | 35,000 | (10,000) | -22.2% |
| Oil & Lubricants | 3,000 | 2,338 | (662) | 3,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Cold Patch | 5,000 | 2,867 | (2,133) | 5,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Gravel | 60,000 | 62,270 | 2,270 | 60,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Sand | 60,000 | 55,045 | (4,955) | 50,000 | (10,000) | -16.7% |
| Salt | 3,000 | 5,712 | 2,712 | 5,200 | 2,200 | 73.3% |
| Culverts | 3,000 | 3,709 | 709 | 4,000 | 1,000 | 33.3% |
| Guard Rails | 100 | 0 | (100) | 100 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Road Supplies/Bridge | 2,000 | 3,258 | 1,258 | 2,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Shop Supplies | 5,000 | 7,838 | 2,838 | 5,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Hired Equipment | 12,800 | 13,445 | 645 | 12,800 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Rubbish/Tire Removal | 1,000 | 374 | (626) | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Plows,Chains,Blades | 10,000 | 8,714 | (1,286) | 10,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Sanders | 1,500 | 337 | (1,163) | 1,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 2002 Truck | 3,000 | 2,080 | (920) | 3,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 2005 Truck | 3,000 | 4,037 | 1,037 | 3,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 1999 Loader | 2,500 | 1,872 | (628) | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 2002 Grader | 3,000 | 2,573 | (427) | 3,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 2009 Truck | 3,000 | 6,345 | 3,345 | 3,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| 2012 Ford Truck | 1,500 | 3,717 | 2,217 | 3,000 | 1,500 | 100.0% |
| 2015 Ford F350 | 0 | 210 | 210 | 500 | 500 | n/a |
| 2009 Kia Sorento | 0 | 86 | 86 | 500 | 500 | n/a |
| Kubota Tractor | 1,000 | 203 | (797) | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Backhoe | 1,000 | 716 | (284) | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Vibratory Roller | 1,000 | 840 | (160) | 2,000 | 1,000 | 100.0% |
| Chipper | 500 | 0 | (500) | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Radios | 1,000 | 128 | (872) | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Building Maintenance | 3,000 | 3,031 | 31 | 3,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **Total** | **575,287** | **516,436** | **(58,851)** | **574,657** | **(630)** | **-0.1%** |

| | | 2015 Final Approp | 2015 Actual Expend | 2015 Over (Under) | 2016 Proposed Budget | 2016 Increase (Decrease) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **SANITATION** | | | | | | |
| **(s)** | Septage | 2,500 | 2,460 | (40) | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **(t)** | Recycling | 15,000 | 15,229 | 229 | 15,500 | 500 | 3.3% |
| **(u)** | Hazardous Waste | 1,000 | 784 | (216) | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | **TOTAL** | **18,500** | **18,473** | **(27)** | **19,000** | **500** | **2.7%** |
| **(v)** | **HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES** | | | | | | |
| | Rescue Squad | 4,400 | 4,400 | 0 | 4,400 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | Animal Control | 500 | 847 | 347 | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | VNA & Hospice | 1,000 | 1,000 | 0 | 1,000 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | SW Comm Serv | 500 | 500 | 0 | 500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | Volunteers in Action | 400 | 400 | 0 | 400 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | West Central Services | 1,900 | 1,900 | 0 | 2,000 | 100 | 5.3% |
| | CT Valley Home Care | 2,500 | 2,500 | 0 | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | Sullivan Cty Nutrition | 425 | 425 | 0 | 500 | 75 | 17.6% |
| | General Assistance | 5,600 | 1,311 | (4,289) | 5,600 | 0 | 0.0% |
| | **TOTAL** | **17,225** | **13,283** | **(3,942)** | **17,400** | **175** | **1.0%** |
| | **COMMUNITY & RECREATION** | | | | | | |
| **(w)** | Parks & CREA Lands | 6,370 | 5,288 | (1,082) | 6,370 | 0 | 0.0% |
| **(x)** | Memorial Day | 750 | 248 | (502) | 500 | (250) | -33.3% |
| | **TOTAL** | **7,120** | **5,536** | **(1,584)** | **6,870** | **(250)** | **-3.5%** |
| **(y)** | **CONSERVATION** | | | | | | |
| | Conservation Comm | **750** | **750** | **0** | **750** | **0** | **0.0%** |
| **(z)** | **INTEREST** | | | | | | |
| | Tax Anticipation Notes | **2000** | **0** | **(2,000)** | **2000** | **0** | **0.0%** |
| | **TOTAL** | **961,210** | **866,870** | **(94,340)** | **970,845** | **9,635** | **1.0%** |

2015 SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES w/ 2016 PROPOSED

TOWN OF CORNISH

| | 2015 Final Approp | 2015 Actual Expend | 2015 Over (Under) | 2016 Proposed Budget | 2016 Increase (Decrease) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOWN GOVERNMENT** | | | | | | |
| Town Office | 56,840 | 54,560 | (2,280) | 57,691 | 851 | |
| Tax Collector | 13,058 | 13,103 | 45 | 12,410 | (648) | |
| Town Clerk | 12,669 | 15,176 | 2,507 | 13,490 | 821 | |
| Elections | 2,625 | 1,435 | (1,190) | 6,725 | 4,100 | |
| Audit | 9,300 | 9,300 | 0 | 9,600 | 300 | |
| Appraisal Fees | 7,500 | 7,085 | (415) | 7,600 | 100 | |
| Legal | 5,000 | 1,230 | (3,770) | 5,000 | 0 | |
| Planning Board | 1,977 | 1,752 | (225) | 2,727 | 750 | |
| Zoning Board | 450 | 241 | (209) | 450 | 0 | |
| Buildings | 24,296 | 19,513 | (4,783) | 26,196 | 1,900 | |
| Cemeteries | 21,000 | 18,779 | (2,221) | 19,600 | (1,400) | |
| Insurance | 40,000 | 29,774 | (10,226) | 40,000 | 0 | |
| Records Preservation | 50 | 0 | (50) | 50 | 0 | |
| Spirit Comm | 500 | 255 | (245) | 500 | 0 | |
| **TOTAL** | **195,265** | **172,201** | **(23,064)** | **202,039** | **6,774** | |
| | | | | | | |
| **PUBLIC SAFETY** | | | | | | |
| Police Dept | 83,361 | 83,115 | (246) | 85,427 | 2,066 | |
| Ambulance | 16,352 | 16,352 | (0) | 16,352 | 0 | |
| Fire Dept | 45,300 | 40,693 | (4,607) | 46,300 | 1,000 | |
| Emergency Mgmt | 50 | 30 | (20) | 50 | 0 | |
| **TOTAL** | **145,063** | **140,191** | **(4,872)** | **148,129** | **3,066** | |
| | | | | | | |
| **HIGHWAY DEPT** | | | | | | |
| Class V Roads - Art. 14 | 575,287 | 516,436 | (58,851) | 574,657 | (630) | |
| **TOTAL** | **575,287** | **516,436** | **(58,851)** | **574,657** | **(630)** | |
| | | | | | | |
| **SANITATION** | | | | | | |
| Septage | 2,500 | 2,460 | (40) | 2,500 | 0 | |
| Recycling | 15,000 | 15,229 | 229 | 15,500 | 500 | |
| Hazardous Waste | 1,000 | 784 | (216) | 1,000 | 0 | |
| **TOTAL** | **18,500** | **18,473** | **(27)** | **19,000** | **500** | |
| | | | | | | |

2015 SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES w/ 2016 PROPOSED

TOWN OF CORNISH

| | 2015 Final Approp | 2015 Actual Expend | 2015 Over (Under) | 2016 Proposed Budget | 2016 Increase (Decrease) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **HEALTH and** | | | | | | |
| **HUMAN SERVICES** | 17,225 | 13,283 | (3,942) | 17,400 | 175 | |
| **TOTAL** | **17,225** | **13,283** | **(3,942)** | **17,400** | **175** | |
| | | | | | | |
| **COMMUNITY & RECREATION** | | | | | | |
| Parks & CREA Land | 6,370 | 5,288 | (1,082) | 6,370 | 0 | |
| Memorial Day | 750 | 248 | (502) | 500 | (250) | |
| **TOTAL** | **7,120** | **5,536** | **(1,584)** | **6,870** | **(250)** | |
| | | | | | | |
| **CONSERVATION** | | | | | | |
| Conservation Comm | 750 | 750 | 0 | 750 | 0 | |
| **TOTAL** | **750** | **750** | **0** | **750** | **0** | |
| | | | | | | |
| **INTEREST** | | | | | | |
| Tax Aniticipation Notes | 2,000 | 0 | (2,000) | 2,000 | 0 | |
| **TOTAL** | **2,000** | **0** | **(2,000)** | **2,000** | **0** | |
| | | | | | | |
| **OPERATING TRANSFERS** | | | | | | |
| Conservation -Art. 3 | 4,500 | 4,500 | 0 | 4,500 | 0 | |
| Library Fund - Art. 2za | 13,997 | 13,997 | 0 | 13,994 | (3) | |
| Highway Capital - Art. 4 | 55,000 | 55,000 | 0 | 55,000 | 0 | |
| Fire Capital - Art. 5 | 35,000 | 35,000 | 0 | 35,000 | 0 | |
| Police Capital - Art. 6 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 0 | 4,000 | 0 | |
| Appraisal Capital - Art. 7 | 12,000 | 12,000 | 0 | 12,000 | 0 | |
| Library Capital - Art. 8 | 2,000 | 2,000 | 0 | 2,000 | 0 | |
| Bridge Capital - Art. 9 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 0 | 10,000 | 0 | |
| Capital Bldg Maint - Art. 10 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 0 | 10,000 | 0 | |
| Cemetery Capital - Art. 11 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 0 | 4,000 | 0 | |
| Paving Capital - Art. 12 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 0 | 50,000 | 0 | |
| **TOTAL** | **200,497** | **200,497** | **0** | **200,494** | **(3)** | |
| | | | | | | |
| **TOTAL before ART.** | **1,161,707** | **1,067,367** | **(94,340)** | **1,171,339** | **9,632** | **0.8%** |

2015 SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES w/ 2016 PROPOSED

TOWN OF CORNISH

| | 2015 Final Approp | 2015 Actual Expend | 2015 Over (Under) | 2016 Proposed Budget | 2016 Increase (Decrease) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | |
| **ARTICLES** | | | | | | |
| Art 17 2015 - Cemetery Truck | 43,000 | 39,598 | (3,402) | 0 | 0 | |
| Art 18 2015 - Regular Bldg Maint | 5,500 | 2,163 | (3,337) | 0 | 0 | |
| Art 19 2015 - Sale of Durango | 2,425 | 2,425 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Art 20 2015 - Chase Hill Bridge | 30,000 | 25,981 | (4,019) | 0 | 0 | |
| Art 21 2015 - Police Cruiser | 35,750 | 0 | (35,750) | 0 | 0 | |
| Art 22 2015 - Paving | 75,000 | 68,006 | (6,994) | 0 | 0 | |
| Art 23 2015 - Town Forest | 1,500 | 123 | (1,377) | 0 | 0 | |
| Art 24 2015 - Trinity Church | 750 | 181 | (569) | 0 | 0 | |
| Art 13 2016 - New Dump Truck | | | | 158,750 | | |
| Art 14 2016 - Refurb 02 Dump Truck | | | | 30,000 | | |
| Art 15 2016 - Paving | | | | 105,000 | | |
| Art 16 2016 - Highway Ceiling Fans | | | | 3,100 | | |
| Art 17 2016 - Highway lights | | | | 10,000 | | |
| Art 18 2016 - Data Verification | | | | 7,800 | | |
| Art 19 2016 - Fire Dept Bldg | | | | 10,000 | | |
| Art 20 2016 - Generators | | | | 15,050 | | |
| Art 21 2016 - Screen | | | | 7,100 | | |
| Art 22 2016 - Signs & Benches | | | | 9,500 | | |
| Art 23 2016 - Veteran Trust Fund | | | | 5,000 | | |
| Art 24 2016 - James C. Kibbey TF | | | | 67,921 | | |
| Art 25 2016 - Town Forest | | | | 1,500 | | |
| Art 26 2016 - Trinity Church | | | | 750 | | |
| | | | | | | |
| **TOTAL ARTICLES** | **193,925** | **138,477** | **(55,448)** | **431,471** | **237,546** | |
| | | | | | | |
| **TOTAL EXPENDITURES** | **1,355,632** | **1,205,844** | **(149,788)** | **1,602,810** | **247,178** | **18.2%** |

# SALARIES AND WAGES
# 2015

| | FTE/HRS | WKS | 2015 Wage |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOWN OFFICE** | | | |
| Baker, Scott | | 52 | 1,649.38 |
| Curtis, Mary | 30.5 | 52 | 26,954.43 |
| Hammond, John | | 52 | 1,504.38 |
| Harthan, Paula | | 52 | 16,407.50 |
| Jaarsma, Heidi | | | 4,000.00 |
| Lawrence, Dale | | 52 | 1,370.25 |
| Caterino, William | | | 100.00 |
| Sweetser, Reigh | | 52 | 8,399.75 |
| **CEMETERIES** | | | |
| DeAngelis, Jr., Charles | | | 7,628.30 |
| Spaulding, Tom | | | 7,986.65 |
| **POLICE** | | | |
| Brann, Eric | | | 18,197.07 |
| Hackett, Doug | | | 25,888.55 |
| Stevens, Corey | | | 4,981.08 |
| **HIGHWAY** | | | |
| DeAngelis, Jr., Charles | as needed | | 15,073.83 |
| Gilbert, Roger | 40 | 52 | 39,942.30 |
| Gray, Wayne | 40 | 52 | 46,403.82 |
| McNamara, John | 40 | 52 | 39,679.89 |
| Rheaume, Paul | 40 | 52 | 4,728.63 |
| Witty, Sean | 40 | 52 | 35,187.84 |
| **LIBRARY** | | | |
| Freeland, Brenda | 10 | 52 | 6,292.00 |
| **RECYCLING** | | | |
| Monette, Michael | 5 | 52 | 2,500.64 |
| Spaulding, Tom | 5 | 52 | 2,565.05 |
| **TOTAL** | | | 317,441.34 |

**Budget Summary of Inventory Valuation**
**2015**

| | 2015 Acres | 2015 Assessed Valuation | 2014 Acres | 2014 Assessed Valuation |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Value of Land Only** | | | | |
| In Current Use at | | | | |
| Current Use Values | 22286.5 | $2,700,273 | 22,207.09 | 2,667,229 |
| Conservation Restriction | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Discretionary Preservation | 0.21 | $1,600 | 0.21 | 1,600 |
| Residential | 2813.79 | $56,175,300 | 2890.11 | 56,332,400 |
| Commerical/Industrial | 5.03 | $644,700 | 5.03 | 644,700 |
| **TOTAL OF TAX LAND** | **25105.53** | **$59,521,873** | **25,102.44** | **59,645,929** |
| **Value of Buildings Only** | | | | |
| Residential | | $106,954,637 | | 105,568,837 |
| Manufactured Housing | | $1,971,100 | | 1,966,800 |
| Commerical/Industrial | | $1,698,900 | | 1,704,800 |
| Discretionary Preservation | | $67,463 | | 67,463 |
| **TOTAL OF TAXABLE BUILDINGS** | | **$110,332,100** | | **109,307,900** |
| **Public Utilities - Electric** | | | | |
| Granite State Electric | | $226,900 | | 226,900 |
| New England Power | | $1,965,200 | | 1,965,200 |
| New Hampshire Electric Co-op | | $1,531,300 | | 1,531,300 |
| Public Service of NH & VT | | $1,481,900 | | 1,481,900 |
| Central VT Public Service | | $349,200 | | 349,200 |
| TransCanada Hydro NorhtEast | | $500 | | 500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC UTILITIES** | | **$5,555,000** | | **5,555,000** |
| | | | | |
| **GRAND TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTION** | | **$175,408,973** | | **174,508,829** |
| **Less Exemptions:** | | | | |
| Blind(2) | | ($15,000) | | (15,000) |
| Elderly (12) | | $747,500 | | (1,062,296) |
| Disabled (0) | | 0 | | 0 |
| **NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED** | | **$174,631,473** | | **167,861,533** |
| | | | | |
| **ACRES IN CURRENT USE** | | | | |
| Farm Land | 2533 | $899,588 | 2,508 | 872,877 |
| Forest Land | 19461 | $1,795,466 | 19,405 | 1,789,187 |
| Unproductive Land | 115 | $2,092 | 115 | 2,060 |
| Wetland | 178 | $3,127 | 180 | 3,105 |
| **TOTAL ACREAGE** | **22287** | **$2,700,273** | **22,207** | **2,667,229** |

**Source MS-1**

## Town of Cornish
## 2016 Tax Estimate Computation

| | 2016E | 2015 | 2014 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total Town Appropriations | 1,602,810 | 1,355,632 | 1,242,944 |
| Add: Allowance for Refunds & Abatements | 4,000 | 13,744 | 5,078 |
| War Service Credits: | | | |
| Disabled Veterans @ $1400 | 3,262 | 3,262 | 1,400 |
| All Other Veterans @ $500 | 39,400 | 39,400 | 45,900 |
| Deduct: Non-Property Tax Town Revenues | (969,483) | (732,168) | (603,910) |
| State Shared Revenues | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Town Taxes To Be Raised** | **679,989** | **679,870** | **691,412** |
| Local School Tax Assessment | 3,292,517 | 3,520,333 | 3,354,110 |
| Deduct: Education Grant | (698,752) | (698,752) | (694,516) |
| State Education Taxes | (405,066) | (438,045) | (455,033) |
| **Local School Taxes To Be Raised** | **2,188,699** | **2,383,536** | **2,204,561** |
| **State Education Tax** | **405,066** | **438,045** | **455,033** |
| County Tax Assessment | 498,939 | 498,939 | 573,964 |
| Decduct: State Shared Revenues | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **County Taxes To Be Raised** | **498,939** | **498,939** | **573,964** |
| **TOTAL PROP TAXES TO BE RAISED** | **3,772,693** | **4,000,390** | **3,924,970** |
| Assessed Valuation | 174,631,473 | 174,631,473 | 173,416,533 |
| Assessed Valuation without Utilities | 169,076,473 | 169,076,473 | 167,861,533 |
| **TOTAL TAX RATE PER $1000 OF VALUATION** | **21.68** | **22.99** | **22.72** |
| **TAX RATE BREAKDOWN** | **2016E** | **2015** | **2014** |
| Town Rate Per $1000 of Valuation | 3.89 | 3.89 | 3.99 |
| School Rate Per $1000 of Valuation | 12.53 | 13.65 | 12.71 |
| State School Rate Per $1000 of Valuation | 2.40 | 2.59 | 2.71 |
| County Rate Per $1000 of Valuation | 2.86 | 2.86 | 3.31 |
| **TOTAL RATE** | **21.68** | **22.99** | **22.72** |

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
December 31, 2015

SUMMARY OF TAX LIENS

LIENS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR

| | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 |
|---|---|---|---|
| UNREDEEMED | | $43,885.65 | $10,839.69 |
| LIENS EXECUTED | $86,553.09 | | |
| INTEREST COLLECTED | $1,280.67 | $4,421.60 | $2,976.70 |
| TOTAL LIEN DEBITS | $87,833.76 | $48,307.25 | $13,816.39 |

COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| REDEMPTIONS | $23,941.68 | $15,510.39 | $10,839.69 |
| INTEREST COLLECTED | $1,280.67 | $4,421.60 | $2,976.70 |
| ABATEMENTS | | | |
| LIENS DEEDED TO TOWN | | | |
| BALANCE AT YEAR END | $62,611.41 | $28,375.26 | |
| TOTAL LIEN CREDITS | $87,833.76 | $48,307.25 | $13,816.39 |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE ACCOUNTING IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED,

REIGH H. SWEETSER
TAX COLLECTOR

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT
YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2015

| | 2015 | 2014 |
|---|---|---|
| UNCOLLECTED TAXES-START OF YEAR | | |
| PROPERTY TAXES | | $277,072.11 |
| LAND USE | | |
| YIELD TAX | | $569.75 |
| TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR | | |
| PROPERTY TAXES | $3,958,415.00 | |
| LAND USE CHANGE | $3,400.00 | |
| TIMBER YIELD TAX | $8,467.12 | |
| EXCAVATION TAX | | |
| OVERPAYMENTS | | |
| FROM PRIOR YEAR | $1,444.01 | |
| CREDITS REFUNDED | | |
| THIS YEARS' CREDITS | -$33.37 | |
| INTEREST COLLECTED-ALL TAXES | $3,802.23 | $18,789.33 |
| TOTAL DEBITS | $3,975,494.99 | $296,431.19 |
| COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR | | |
| PROPERTY TAXES | $3,722,795.55 | $198,796.08 |
| USE CHANGE TAX | | |
| TIMBER YIELD TAX | $7,761.38 | $569.75 |
| EXCAVATION TAX | | |
| CONVERTED TO LIENS | | $78,276.03 |
| INTEREST PENALTIES | $3,802.23 | $17,395.33 |
| PENALTIES | | $1,394.00 |
| ABATEMENTS | | |
| PROPERTY TAXES | | |
| LAND USE | | |
| TIMBER YIELD TAX | | |
| DEEDED PROPERTY | | |
| PREPAYMENTS | | |
| PROPERTY TAXES | -$9.37 | |
| UNCOLLECTED AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR | | |
| PROPERTY TAXES | $237,039.46 | |
| USE CHANGE TAX | $3,400.00 | |
| TIMBER YIELD TAX | $705.74 | |
| TOTAL CREDITS | $3,975,494.99 | $296,431.19 |

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE ACCOUNTING IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED,

REIGH H. SWEETSER
TAX COLLECTOR

# TREASURER'S REPORT
# TOWN OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
## Year Ended December 31, 2015

Reconciliation-Cash and Short Term Investments

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Balance 12/31/2014 | | 1,570,436.35 |
| Add Receipts: | | |
| Tax Collector | 4,089,761.08 | |
| Selectmen | 574,925.85 | |
| Town Clerk | 320,878.00 | |
| Total Available | | 6,556,001.28 |
| Less Payments During Year: | | |
| School | 2,701,594.00 | |
| County | 498,939.00 | |
| Town | 1,490,558.73 | |
| Total Payments | | 4,691,091.73 |
| Balance 12/31/2015 | | 1,864,909.55 |
| Bank Statement Balance 12/31/2015 | | 102,042.67 |
| Add Short Term Investments | | 1,776,743.87 |
| Add Uncollected Chargebacks | | 307.00 |
| Add Deposits in Transit | | 19,166.41 |
| Less Outstanding Checks | | -33,350.40 |
| Checkbook Balance 12/31/2015 | | 1,864,909.55 |

Special Funds in Custody of Treasurer-
Invested in NH Public Deposit Investment Pool and Claremont Savings Bank

| | Beginning Of Year | Add Receipts | Less Payments | End Of Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Conservation* | | | | |
| Conservation Fund | 111,131.72 | 13,712.26 | 10,000.00 | 114,843.98 |
| CREA Dev Fund | 6,753.09 | 170.62 | 10.32 | 6,913.39 |
| Rodney Palmer Fund | 14,630.68 | 46.25 | 49.00 | 14,627.93 |
| B Barker Mem Fund | 2,458.70 | 1.66 | 0.00 | 2,460.36 |
| Crea Brdg&Bdwalk Rep | 1,553.57 | 0.00 | 1,553.57 | 0.00 |
| | | | Total | 138,845.66 |
| *Special Revenue* | | | | |
| Trinity Church Fund | 1,765.23 | 900.00 | 180.94 | 2,484.29 |
| *Non-Cap Reserve** | | | | |
| Municipal Building | 7,006.21 | 0.00 | 7,006.21 | 0.00 |

*Transferred to Trustees of the Trust Funds

Respectfully submitted,
Heidi M. Jaarsma
Town Treasurer

# Town of Cornish, NH Trust Funds 2015

| | | | Principal | | | Income | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Created | Fund Name | Purpose | Beginning Balance | New Funds | Ending Balance | Beginning Balance | Income | Expended | Available Balance |
| 1987 | Cornish Welfare | Charitable, Needy | $ 3,518.54 | $ - | **$ 3,518.54** | $ 6,406.15 | 71.98 | | **$ 6,478.13** |
| 1889 | Foss & Kimball | Charitable, Needy | $ 5,096.04 | $ - | **$ 5,096.04** | $ 17,072.59 | 177.37 | | **$ 17,249.96** |
| 1971 | M.J. Kenney | Charitable, Elderly | $ 4,044.61 | $ - | **$ 4,044.61** | $ 8,482.04 | 95.45 | | **$ 8,577.49** |
| 1917 | Stowell Library | Library | $ 10,897.15 | $ - | **$ 10,897.15** | $ 895.55 | 92.80 | $ 300.00 | **$ 688.35** |
| 1902 | Mercer/Aid to Ed. | Scholarship/College | $ 13,214.61 | $ - | **$ 13,214.61** | $ 74,122.20 | 707.71 | $ 2,000.00 | **$ 72,829.92** |
| 1898 | Public School | Scholarship | $ 418.24 | $ - | **$ 418.24** | $ 1,260.74 | 12.01 | | **$ 1,272.75** |
| 1999 | Queneau Scholarship | Scholarship/8th Grade | $ 33,000.00 | $ - | **$ 33,000.00** | $ 2,667.54 | 271.37 | $ 1,500.00 | **$ 1,438.91** |
| 1909 | J. Foss/Flags | Town, Upkeep | $ 1,731.40 | $ - | **$ 1,731.40** | $ 4,512.91 | 49.90 | | **$ 4,562.81** |
| 1902 | Beaman Guide Boards | Town, Upkeep | $ 1,173.06 | $ - | **$ 1,173.06** | $ 200.88 | 10.69 | | **$ 211.57** |
| 1985 | Veterans' Memorial | Town, Upkeep | $ 645.35 | $ - | **$ 645.35** | $ 908.58 | 12.05 | | **$ 920.63** |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| **Various** | **Perpetual Care** | **Cemetery** | $ 89,000.83 | $ 600.00 | **$ 89,600.83** | $ 40,421.79 | 1,022.65 | $ 1,500.00 | **$ 39,944.44** |
| | *Perpetual Care, New* | | | | | | | | |
| 2015 | Baillargeon, Gerald | Comings | | $ 200.00 | | | | | |
| 2015 | Baker, Scott | Chase | | $ 400.00 | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |

*All funds were invested with Lake Sunapee Bank. The information contained in this report is accurate to the best of our knowledge and belief.*
*Prepared by Heather Meeks, Stephen Bobin and Linda Fellows, Trustees of the Trust Funds.*

# Town of Cornish, NH Capital Reserve Funds 2015

| Created | Fund Name | Beginning Balance | New Funds | Income | Expended | Year End Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1985 | Appraisal | $ 14,982.50 | $ 12,000.00 | $109.27 | | **$ 27,091.77** |
| 1995 | Bridges | $ 129,922.22 | $ 10,000.00 | $1,047.63 | $ 25,980.75 | **$ 114,989.10** |
| 1970 | Fire Truck | $ 120,024.40 | $ 35,000.00 | $986.05 | | **$ 156,010.46** |
| 1967 | Highway Equipment | $ 208,439.17 | $ 55,000.00 | $1,716.81 | | **$ 265,155.98** |
| 2000 | Library | $ 65,475.44 | $ 2,000.00 | $527.29 | | **$ 68,002.73** |
| 1982 | Police Cruiser | $ 9,403.38 | $ 6,425.00 | $79.96 | | **$ 15,908.34** |
| 2013 | Cemetery Equipment | $ 6.48 | $ 4,000.00 | $3.08 | | **$ 4,009.56** |
| 2014 | Paving | $ 50,040.63 | $ 50,000.00 | $331.94 | $ 68,005.88 | **$ 32,366.69** |
| 2014 | Building Maint & Impr. | $ 528.13 | $ 10,000.00 | $6.57 | $ 3,571.82 | **$ 6,962.88** |
| 2011 | Muni Bldg Non-Cap Maint. | $ - | $ 7,006.21 | $4.23 | | **$ 7,010.44** |
| 1979 | School Bldg. Site Impr. | $ 18,382.26 | | $126.27 | | **$ 18,508.53** |
| 1986 | School Block Fund | $ 11,696.69 | | $87.53 | | **$ 11,784.22** |
| 2002 | School General Repairs | $ 1,747.67 | | $4.28 | | **$ 1,751.95** |
| 2002 | School HVAC | $ 26,098.56 | | $209.05 | | **$ 26,307.61** |
| 2007 | Spec Ed/HS Tuition | $ 33,536.53 | $ 25,000.00 | $203.27 | | **$ 58,739.80** |
| | **Totals** | $ 690,284.06 | $ 216,431.21 | $5,443.23 | $ 97,558.45 | **$ 814,600.06** |

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*Prepared by Heather Meeks, Stephen Bobin and Linda Fellows, Trustees of the Trust Funds.*

## Marriages Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending DECEMBER 31, 2015

| DATE | PERSON A's NAME | RESIDENCE | PERSON B's NAME | RESIDENCE |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 04/18/15 | Bulkeley, Jonathan A | Cornish | Atwater, Virginia L | Cornish |
| 05/25/15 | Moore, Ronald | Hurst, TX | Sprayberry, Joe | Hurst, TX |
| 06/27/15 | Hewes, Tyler D | Cornish | Elliott, Heather R | Cornish |
| 07/25/15 | Parry, Lyle W | Cornish | Patterson, Kellie L | Cornish |
| 07/25/15 | Sharff, William T | Cornish | Banwell, Larissa R | Cornish |
| 08/08/15 | Mills, Peter | Brunswick ME | Newton, Marissa | Fairfax, VA |
| 08/22/15 | Veverka, Joshua | Galveston, TX | Pierce, Amanda | Galveston, TX |
| 08/29/15 | Krueger, Jonathan | Somerville, MA | Lang, Meredith | Somerville, MA |
| 08/29/15 | Smith, Susan M | Cornish | LaFlam Jr., Robert J | Cornish |
| 09/05/15 | Harthan, Thomas W | Cornish | Collier, Jennifer M | Grantham |
| 09/12/15 | Taft, Kalem | Perkinsville, VT | Palmer, Jessica | Perkinsville, VT |
| 09/26/15 | Holloway, Joseph R | Cornish | Merrill, Jennifer C | Cornish |
| 10/03/15 | Moulton, Eric | Essex Jct, VT | Jones, Amanda | Essex Jct, VT |

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**Deaths Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending DECEMBER 31, 2015**

| DECEDENT's NAME | DEATH DATE | DEATH PLACE | FATHER'S/PARENTS NAME | MOTHER'S/PARENT'S NAME PRIOR TO FIRST MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kumpf, Roseann | 01/23/15 | Claremont | Insull, Benjamin | Arnold, Louise |
| Johnson, Bernice | 04/06/15 | Cornish | Fitch, James | Skinner, Laura |
| Davison, Mildred | 04/26/15 | Cornish | McCarthy, Edward | Chapman, Elsie |
| Clark, Shirley | 08/28/15 | Claremont | Parker, John | Lacount, Irene |
| Overman, Marjorie | 06/16/15 | Claremont | Clark, William | Cherrier, Luella |
| Patterson, Lyle | 07/14/15 | Cornish | Patterson, Clyde | Thomas, Marion |
| Jewell, Milton | 08/12/15 | Cornish | Jewell, Frank | Gage, Edith |
| Kumpf, Robert | 08/30/15 | Cornish | Kumpf, August | Chambers, Clair |
| Whidden, Phillips | 09/27/15 | Claremont | Whidden, Rosewell | Phillips, Lurena |
| Bladen Sr., Robert | 11/19/15 | Cornish | Bladen, Harold | Curtis, Lucille |
| Smith, Sam | 11/20/15 | Cornish | Smith, Roger | Pointer, Rena |
| Parkinson, Jon | 11/24/15 | Lebanon | Parkinson, Clifton | Tashro, June |
| Hahn, Sheryl | 11/27/15 | Lebanon | Hahn, George | Ellis, Jessie |

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## Births Registered in theTown of Cornish for the year ending DECEMBER 31, 2015

| CHILD'S NAME | DATE OF BIRTH | PLACE OF BIRTH | FATHER'S NAME | MOTHER'S NAME |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Locke, Sawyer William | 01/17/15 | Lebanon, NH | Cobb, Troy | Locke, Rebecca |
| Gattie, Jack Bruce | 02/15/15 | Lebanon, NH | Gattie, Marc | Gattie, Stephanie |
| Wilbur, Henry Nicholas | 03/27/15 | Lebanon, NH | Wilbur, Jed | Wilbur, Alexys |
| Pearson, Owen William | 04/18/15 | Lebanon, NH | Pearson, Adam | Pearson, Susan |
| Nordman, Elia Josephine | 05/10/15 | Lebanon, NH | Nordman, Joshua | Nordman, Katie |
| Sprague, Hillel Boojum | 12/12/15 | Swanzey, NH | Sprague III, Raymond | Sprague, Jeanette |
| Adams, Eli Nicholas | 12/22/15 | Lebanon, NH | Adams, Richard | Adams, Hannah |

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## SELECTMEN'S REPORT
## 2015

The Cornish Selectboard remained unchanged in 2015. As the result of an affirmative vote the Town purchased a new F250 truck for the Cornish Cemetery Department. It has been equipped with a plow for limited use by the Highway Department in winter. Also, the Town applied for and was gifted a 2009 Kia Sorento from Transcanada Corporation.

The Highway Department completed the bridge repair on the Chase Hill Bridge. A portion of the Center Road was paved at the northern end. The CREA property was posted with "No Hunting" signs. This was a result of a Town vote.

The Cornish Town Hall had new LED lighting installed. This was accomplished with a cost share from NH Electric. The Cornish Spirit Committee constructed a raised flower bed by the Town Office. It looks great. Upstairs in the Town Office the Historical Society has put up a display on the walls as well as two nice pieces of furniture.

The Cornish Boy Scout 332 has completed 3 Eagle Scout projects that have benefitted the town. Little Town Hall had a new roof, the Fire Station on Town House Road had a fire danger sign built and the Meeting House had a handicap access ramp constructed. All of these projects were completed with minimal expense to the town.

A former resident of Cornish gifted a very generous portion of his estate to the town in his will. James C. Kibbey, a veteran, was interred at the NH Veterans Cemetery. The Selectboard upon learning Mr. Kibbey had a cemetery lot next to his parents made arrangements to have his remains brought home to Cornish and laid to rest next to his parents at Childs Cemetery. The Selectboard plans to establish a fund in his name.

| **2015 Gift from the Estate of James Kibbey: $82,821** | |
|---|---|
| Inscription of date of death on family headstone (2015) | $300 |
| Re-interment (2015) | $100 |
| 2016 Article 21 – Signs & Benches | $9,500 |
| 2016 Article 22 – Veteran's Memorial Trust | $5,000 |
| 2016 Article 23 – Establish James C. Kibbey Trust | $67,921 |
| **Total** | **$82,821** |

The Town of Cornish lost a number of citizens in 2015. Some of these people served on Town boards, and were active in Town affairs.

Bernice Johnson, a lifelong Cornish resident, was active on many boards and organizations. She served as Town Clerk for 19 years. Many folks remember doing Town business on her kitchen table.

Milton Jewell was educated in Cornish schools and worked in town for many years. He loved snowmobiling, trucks and Saturday night dances. His sense of humor and quick wit will be missed.

Bob Bladen was a New Hampshire native and a Stevens High School graduate. Bob actively served many years on the Board of Directors of the Cornish Fair. He operated the Cornish General Store in Cornish Flat and served as the Town Sexton.

Lyle Patterson was born in Windsor and lived for many years in Town. Lyle was a gifted mechanic and "tinkerer". He was a jack of all trades with a great work ethic. He will be greatly missed.

The Town budget of 2015 ended under budget in the amount of $94,000. As a result, we currently have a very healthy fund balance on hand.

As of mid-January the winter has been kind to us in terms of cold and snow. The Board has worked hard to spend town money prudently without sacrificing services and safety. Thank you to all the citizen volunteers and town employees who keep the town running smoothly. We encourage your concerns and opinions. Please come in if you have any.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Selectmen

## AGING IN PLACE
## 2015

Cornish Aging in Place is a local volunteer committee dedicated to providing information and resources to elders who wish to remain in their homes with dignity, comfort and safety for as long as possible.

The Aging in Place movement is nationwide and beyond, as assisted living facilities and nursing homes become more and more expensive, and therefore economically inaccessible to many people. Many neighboring towns have programs up and running and more are on the way. It is anticipated that Aging in Place will be the most effective and economical way to provide services to our growing aging population. However, its effectiveness depends not only upon county and state programs, but upon committed local volunteers as well.

Our Cornish committee is currently working on a resource booklet that will provide a great deal of helpful information to our senior residents and their families. It will list the many services available in our area, and include information on cost-saving prescription drug plans available through local pharmacies. Our goal is to make this booklet available to every Senior in town.

Aging in Place works very closely with our Neighbor to Neighbor organization, a wonderful group of volunteers who continue to assist elders and disabled Cornish residents who need occasional help with simple projects or services. Each year the Neighbor to Neighbor group organizes a winter wood project where several cords of donated wood are cut and split and then given to families in economic need. Those who wish to join our Neighbor-to-Neighbor group should contact Laird Klinger, coordinator, and all are welcome to join us for our breakfast meeting on the first Wednesday of each month. Participation is a wonderful and very rewarding way to help meet the needs of our senior neighbors here in town.

Working together with Neighbor to Neighbor, Volunteers in Action and our General Assistance Department, Aging in Place remains dedicated to providing resources, information and services to individuals who need our help in order to remain in their homes for as long as possible.

It takes many volunteers and caring individuals to successfully accomplish our goals. Our deepest thanks and appreciation to all who willingly give their time, financial support and services to make this possible.

It is this spirit of caring and community that will keep our town vital and strong.

Connie Kousman
Martha Zoerheide
Nancy Newbold
Leigh Callahan
Reigh Sweetser
Carol Rennie
Laura Cousineau
Jan Lord
Liz Gage

**ROWLEY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.**
**CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**
**2015**

We have audited the reports of the Treasurer, Tax Collector and Town Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Management's Responsibility for the Report
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks or material misstatement of the report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the report 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the schedule.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion
In our opinion, the report referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the account balances and activity of the Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Other Matters
The report has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

Rowley & Associates, P.C.

## CORNISH BOY SCOUT TROOP 332
## 2015

Boy Scout Troop 332 has been a tradition in Cornish for over sixty years. As Scouting is a boy led program, I thought it appropriate to have Scouts explain what Scouting means to them.

"If you are looking for a good adventure, Scouts is the place for you. Scouting is about having fun, making friends and learning social skills. Survival skills such as fire building, constructing shelters in the outdoors and administering first aid are learned while scouting. Scouts can prepare you for whatever challenges you may encounter in life."

"Scouts get to experience many things that you can't do elsewhere." Our activities have included Jamborees, competitions at the West Point Military Academy, the Allagash River trip and many others.

"Scouting means helping those in need without the expectation of a reward." Troop 332 performs many hours of community service. Traditions in Cornish include the placing of flags at the graves of military Veterans and Scouting for Food.

As evidenced by the list of Eagle Scout Leadership projects in Cornish, Troop 332 continues to be an active organization in Cornish. If you know of any boys interested in learning about what Scouting has to offer please come and check us out.

Thank you to the Scouts and Adult leadership that make Troop 332 what it is.

Proudly, Leo Maslan, Scoutmaster

| SCOUT | PROJECT |
|---|---|
| Timothy J. Therriault | TJ's Trail - CREA Property |
| Brian Gee | Lean-to - Town Forest |
| Alexander Jameson | Loop Trail - CREA Property |
| Benjamin Healy | Board Walk on Nature Trail - CREA |
| Lucas Jameson | Bridge on Nature Trail - CREA |
| Zachary Kinsman | Wildlife Viewing Platform - CREA |
| Fritz Maslan | Restoration and Repair - Tool Shed/Vault Comings Cemetery |
| Peter Maslan | Fire Danger Rating Sign - Town House Road Fire Station |
| Matthew Thayer | Elm tree planting - different town properties in Cornish |
| John Borchert | Warming hut for skating rink |
| Michael Ackerman | Board Walk on Nature Trail - CREA |
| Kyle Ackerman | Designed & painted games on Cornish School playground |
| Brendan Ackerman | Bulkhead - Little Town Hall |
| Lucas Roper | Town Forest bike trail maps |
| Cameron Stevens | Roof Repair - Little Town Hall |
| Joseph Kibbie | Handicap Access Ramp - Meeting House |
| Shawn Gee | Timber stand improvement - Town Forest |
| Patrick McGlone | Fence Restoration - Town Common |

# CEMETERY DEPARTMENT
# 2015

The Cornish Cemetery Department had another very busy and productive season. While keeping the cemeteries and town properties mowed and trimmed, we worked on a variety of projects to include painting fences at Chase Cemetery, and the Cornish Flat Cemetery on School Street. We also fixed pickets and rails at Chase and straightened stones at all cemeteries.

We would like to say thank you to the Selectmen and tax payers for the new Cemetery Truck.

We would also like to thank Wayne Gray and the Cornish Highway Crew, John McNamara, Roger Gilbert and Sean Witty for all of their assistance this past season.

Also, a big thank you to Mary Curtis, Administrative Assistant, for all of the behind the scenes work, answering questions and helping with the paperwork.

Thank you to Mike Stringer of Stringer Funeral Home, for his expertise and assistance, Leo Maslan and the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts and parents who placed veterans flags in all of the cemeteries.

The Cemetery Department donated $1,000 from their budget toward the purchase of a new compressor at the Highway Garage.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Spaulding, Sexton
Chuck DeAngelis

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION
## 2015

The Cornish and Plainfield Energy committees received the 2015 Annual Cornish Conservation Award at last year's Town Meeting. This award recognized the work done in support of energy independence and the decrease in our communities' carbon footprint by successfully promoting the use of solar energy.

The Monitoring Committee, chaired by Rickey Poor, scheduled and completed monitoring walks on all conserved properties (7) that the Town of Cornish is first easement holder on. No violations of easement terms were found. The Commission continues to appreciate the co-operation of the landowners in scheduling these walks and especially appreciates the number of landowners who accompany us.

Conservation easements were placed on two new properties in 2015. Tim Schad conserved 58 acres, known as the Fox Farm, along East Rd. and Bill and Jenny Lipfert conserved 195 acres (55 acres in Cornish) of the old Bollock's Crossing Farm on Rt. 12A. There are now 3123 acres within the Town with easements in place.

The Commission co-sponsored, with the Upper Valley Land Trust, a well-attended walk on the land recently conserved by the Lipfert's off of Rt. 12A. The group also proceeded to the high point of the Town Forest to enjoy the beautiful views.

Last fall the Commission did maintenance work on all the CREA trails. We appreciate the help given us by non-commission members.

The Education Committee held a spring "Tick Talk" by Frank Parks and collaborated with the Cornish Garden club in sponsoring a talk on invasive species. More talks are being planned for the winter and spring. Again this year the Commission purchased the volunteer program books for the Four Winds Nature Program at the Cornish Elementary School (grades pre-K to 4th).

The Water Committee is finalizing plans for conducting yearly monitoring of select streams within the Town. This summer we will conduct our first tests to be used as a baseline. Future monitoring efforts will then be able to identify any pollution that may be leading to the contamination of our streams or aquifers.

Appointed Members

Jim Barker, Chairman
Bill Gallagher, Vice Chairman
Rickey Poor, Secretary
Jenny Schad
Steven Wilkie
Dale Rook
Bob Bulkeley

Alternates

John Berry
Corey Fitch, Treasurer
Frank Parks
Deanna Fitch

John Hammond, Select Board Representative

## CORNISH ENERGY COMMITTEE (CEC)
## 2015

Mission Statement: The Town of Cornish takes local steps to save energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

After working with Vital Communities in 2014, the Cornish/Plainfield Solarize program ended with 33 households installing PV. Solar Source (the installing company) awarded our towns with an Electric Vehicle Charging Station. In 2015, Bill Cable and Joanna Sharff installed the EV station at Anne's Plainfield Country Convenience Store at 1190 Rt. 12A. It is compatible with all plug-in electric vehicles and is offered free by Anne's Country Store. An inauguration ceremony was held in April.

Some on the Committee attended the 8th Annual Upper Valley Energy Committee Roundtable. Bill Cable and Mary Boyle participated in the Strategic Energy Action Toolkit training for local energy groups to help prioritize projects effectively.

The CEC has joined with the Plainfield Energy Committee to develop a Solarize II program that will increase the residential solar installations in the coming year.

Once again, the CEC has a poster display showing the Town's energy use. Please feel welcome to contact one of the members of our committee with any suggestions you may have to offer. Consider joining us.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Boyle (Chair)
William Cable
George Edson
Janice Orion
Patrick Pinkson-Burke
Joanna Sharff
Nancy Wightman

## CORNISH FAIR ASSOCIATION
## 2015

This was our 66th year in bringing the best and largest dairy fair in the State of New Hampshire. We of course could not have done it without all of the dedicated and hardworking volunteers, our sponsors and our professional services who make it all possible. Thank You!! We've had yet another good year with an about average attendance. Each year the Fair Directors try extremely hard to add something new as well as keep a lot of historic aspects. Our focus is also to provide:

- To provide an activity of education and recreation for the community
- To raise money for educational and other purposes
- To encourage an interest in agriculture and the arts and crafts

There are many things that happen on or around the fairgrounds throughout the year that most people may or may not notice. Each year the all-volunteer Board of Directors work year-round organizing, planning on projects and repairs on the grounds and to the buildings as well as spending numerous hours setting up, during and clean-up after the Fair. Here is a list of this year's changes for 2015:

- New roof on the pig barn
- Replacement/repair of multiple water lines and faucets
- Clearing of trees and brush along Parsonage Road and behind the ball field
- Replaced roof on fair garage
- Showers refurbished
- Added landings in front of stage for better handicapped locations for viewing events
- Added new hard pack through the Midway area
- Added a few new picnic tables

There is always an ever growing list of things that need to be fixed, repaired and/or replaced, but each year we focus on areas that are most critical as well as what as keeping within our respective budgets.

Our entertainment committee tries very hard to acquire great performers and entertainers. And if you have a particular favorite that you'd like to see, please let us know as community input is always greatly appreciated. Here are the Entertainment and Attraction changes for 2015:

- Jamie Lee Thurston
- Jim Libby Band
- The Great American Fiddle Show
- Local Artist in Residence – Gary Hamel
- Llama Show
- Pigs were back

Community Service

This year we had a much greater participation within our Community Service Program. This program allows anyone (especially High School students) to earn community service time by helping the fair. For High School students most require a specified amount of time as part of their graduation requirements. We will be looking to increase our participation with the local schools again. If anyone needs community service time, please contact us.

Volunteers

There is always a need for volunteers in the weeks leading up to the fair, during the fair and the week after the fair. And there are lots of different ways to volunteer and help out your community fair. Contact information is available at our website: www.cornishfair.org .

Scholarships

Each year we provide two (2) $500 scholarships to students either getting ready to attend college. If you are interested and would like to submit for a scholarship, please contact us.

Donations

We would graciously like to thank Leland Atwood for donating a new John Deere Gator that he won while attending the International Fair Association Conference in Las Vegas, NV.

We also received other monetary donations specifically geared towards new improvements. And with that, we have a few things in mind and already lined up for next year. Words cannot describe our deepest gratitude and appreciation for these donations. Thank you!!

As always, we would like to thank all of the Fair Directors, the wonderful volunteers and of course our sponsors that help make the fair happen each year. Please check out our Facebook page as well as our website (www.cornishfair.org ) for information, updates and schedules. Thank you and we hope to see you at the 67th Annual Cornish Fair on August 19, 20 and 21, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted on behalf of the Cornish Fair Association,

Glenn Thornton
Cornish Fair Association Secretary

## FIRE DEPARTMENT
## 2015

As I near the end of my first year as Chief of the Cornish Fire Department, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone. To the Selectboard for their patience and support, guiding me through the budget process. To Mary for contacting me about e-mails, packages, and all the other items pertaining to the Chief's job. To the firefighters who answer calls and attend training every month. To the families of those firefighters who have their plans interrupted by calls. To the past Ladies' Auxiliary, who since their formation, have donated thousands of dollars in equipment to the Fire Department. To the residents of Cornish and other communities who attend and support our fundraising events. To my employer, Larry Dingee, whose support allows me to have my job to perform my duties as Chief.

On the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, training sessions are held. The first Wednesday of each month is Officers' meeting, with the third Wednesday being equipment checks at the fire stations.

As always, the Cornish Fire Department is looking for new members, and we also offer an Explorer program. Please feel free to contact me for further information.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Robert Rice
603-469-3572

## Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The ability to obtain fire permits on line was initiated in 2015. Approximately 120 towns participated in the online system with over 4,000 permits issued. To obtain a permit on line visit www.NHfirepermit.com.The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or www.des.nh.gov for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfl.org.

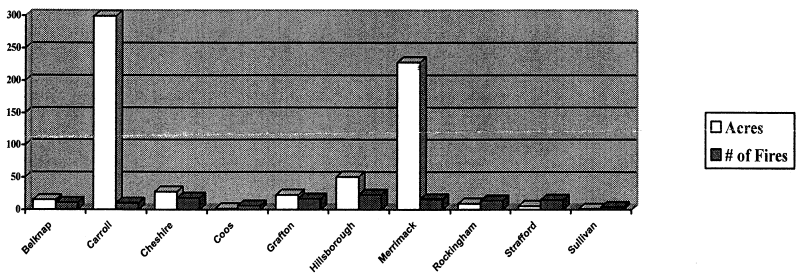
This past fire season burned **661 acres** which was the most recorded since 1989 when 629 acres burned. The fire season began in early April with the first reported fire occurring on April 8th. The largest fire was the 275 acre Bayle Mountain fire in Ossipee. This fire started on May 5th and burned for several days. The Bayle Mt. fire was also the largest individual fire in NH in over 25 years. There were also a number of other sizable fires in May which definitely kept NH's wildland firefighting resources stretched to the limit. These larger fires increased the average wildland fire size to 5.12 acres. As usual our higher fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2015 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

### 2015 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2015)

**(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)**

| COUNTY STATISTICS | | |
|---|---|---|
| **County** | **Acres** | **# of Fires** |
| Belknap | 15.3 | 11 |
| Carroll | 299.5 | 10 |
| **Cheshire** | 27.6 | 18 |
| **Coos** | 1.6 | 6 |
| **Grafton** | 22.6 | 17 |
| **Hillsborough** | 50.6 | 23 |
| **Merrimack** | 228 | 16 |
| **Rockingham** | 9.2 | 14 |
| **Strafford** | 5.5 | 15 |
| **Sullivan** | 1.1 | 4 |




| CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED | | Total | Fires | Total Acres |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Arson | 7 | **2015** | **134** | **661** |
| Debris | 17 | **2014** | **112** | **72** |
| Campfire | 13 | **2013** | **182** | **144** |
| Children | 3 | **2012** | **318** | **206** |
| Smoking | 12 | **2011** | **125** | **42** |
| Railroad | 0 | | | |
| Equipment | 6 | | | |
| Lightning | 5 | | | |
| Misc.* | 71 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.) | | | |

**ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE**

## GARDEN CLUB
## 2015

The Cornish Garden Club, in its 62nd year, had an active season filled with several spring and fall meetings, inspiring summer garden tours, an annual May Silent Auction, July picnic, Autumn Seed Swap, and December Tea Party (with Yankee Swap and collection for a local food pantry).

Meetings featured speakers on a variety of gardening topics:

- Propagation with Tom Petrin of In the Garden in Claremont
- Hostas with Jim Daigle of Plainfield
- Invasive Upland Plant Species of New Hampshire with Douglas Cygan, Invasive species Coordinator NH Dept. of Agriculture
- Floral Mythology and symbolism in the Works of the Sculptor Augustus Saint-Gaudens and from his Gardens, presented by James Haaf, gardener at St. Gaudens. This even was co-sponsored by the Cornish Garden Club and the Cornish Historic Society.
- Arranging with the Last Flowers of Fall with Morgan Perrone, owner of The Valley Flower Co. of White River Jct., VT.

In the spring, members planted flowers at the library, in the pots on the town green, in the newly installed Spirit Garden next to the Town Offices, and in the Bridge Garden across from the Cornish entrance to the covered bridge. The Bridge Garden was replanted in the fall with autumn mums.

The club ran a very successful flower show and raffle in its newly assigned flower and meeting room in the Cornish Elementary School during the Cornish Fair. The club's biggest fundraiser is the raffle featuring a large variety of donated items from local businesses, gardeners and artists. Many fair goers look forward to this raffle every year. This year our club members created and donated Fairy Houses to the raffle. A great success!

Many interesting meetings are planned for 2016.

Anyone interested in more information regarding the club or membership please contact Peggy Ogilvy at 617-680-7528 or pogilvy@comcast.net.

Please join the Cornish Garden Club Facebook page!

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Ogilvy
Gillian Goodwin
Co-Presidents

## GENERAL ASSISTANCE
## 2015

Overall 2015 was a relatively quiet year for General Assistance. Nancy Newbold and Marie Derusha continued to be actively involved as committee members. Due to the quiet year we finished 2015 within our budget

We send our most sincere thanks to local agencies, organizations and individuals who have helped us help others. We equally appreciate that there are many within our community that choose to remain anonymous in their aid. Specific thanks goes out to Reverend Dale and the United Church of Cornish and the food Pantry, Community Resource room and food Pantry in Plainfield, Neighbor to Neighbor, Cornish Elementary School Administration and Volunteers in Action.

This year we visited New Hampshire Health and Human Services and Turning Points to have a broader understanding of referral and assisting organizations.

For the Christmas season the General Assistance group along with Paula Harthan and Dale Lawrence organized a giving tree, gift cards and cash donations to support Cornish families. A large number of people participated in this opportunity. In addition to the above, others participated by donating tickets to enable a family to attend a holiday dinner, provided food for holiday dinner and daily need, and provided a Christmas tree. We are so appreciative of all the involvement and aid that our wonderful community and others provided.

For 2016 we plan to visit the Cornish Food Pantry and Willing Hands to have a better understanding of the process and determine whether there are ways we may be able to assist.

Once again we want to stress the importance of residents planning ahead as much as possible. If you or someone you know find yourself struggling with paying for rent, mortgage, food, fuel, electric or other basic needs connect with us before finding yourself in an extreme situation. Very often there are ways we can assist in helping people get back on their feet and once again regaining their independence.

Much thanks to Nancy Newbold for all the assistance and support she has provided over the last 2 years. Nancy has decided to step down from General Assistance to enable her to have more time to focus on Aging in Place.

Pamela Annis

Nancy Newbold

Marie Derusha

## G.H. STOWELL LIBRARY REPORT
## 2015

Volunteers at the G. H. Stowell library remained constant in 2015. A big thank you goes out to the regular volunteers. Richard, Ginny, Judith and Krista keep us open on Mondays. Caroline, Char, Stephanie, Leigh and Kate help keep us going the rest of the week. There is also a young volunteer donating her time when she can, and we thank her as well. In addition to the regularly scheduled volunteers we have a generous list of substitutes willing to step in when asked. All of these folks provide a valuable contribution to the library.

Leigh Callahan leads the book discussion group on the first Wednesday of every month from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Books are selected by the group and provided by the library to anyone wishing to participate. Thanks to Leigh for the time and effort she puts into leading this group.

We welcomed a new trustee in 2015. Kate Freeland was elected to replace Bernice Johnson. Bernice was a long time library advocate, and she certainly will be missed. A great deal of thanks goes to our current trustees - Kathi Patterson, Richard Scheuer and Kate Freeland - for their support and guidance.

Overdrive, the electronic book service, was launched early in 2015. For the year we recorded 98 book and 13 magazine requests. Patrons availing themselves of this service often mention the convenience of always having access to books and periodicals no matter where they are. Patrons simply need to contact the librarian for access to this service.

In 2015 1,620 patrons visited the library; 1,752 books and audio books were loaned out; 220 movies were borrowed; 61 magazines were checked out; 17 people used the copier; and the computer was used 87 times. The Library continues to be an active member of New Hampshire's inter-library loan system. We regularly lend to and borrow from other libraries in the state.

Thank you to everyone who supported the library by donating time, money, or materials. Any and all of these are sincerely appreciated.

Brenda Freeland, Librarian
January, 2016

## PARK GRANGE #249
## 2015

Park Grange had a wonderful year this year. A breakfast was put on this year and the profit was donated to the Cornish Senior Luncheon. The Grange plans on having a breakfast this year with profits again being donated.

With the profits from our booth at the Cornish Fair, Park Grange bought gift cards from Walmart for families in need at Thanksgiving. A food basket of over $100 worth of food and gifts for a family of 5 was purchased for a family to have at Christmas time.

The Grange donated $480 to the Cornish Police Cruiser Fund from the profit of last year's raffle.

Annually on October 31, our hall on School Street is opened for all to come in to have a wonderful baked good to eat or take, just to relax, or just to get in from the cold. Our hall has been opened for over the past 10 years on this evening and the community members really enjoy this.

The Grange donates to the food pantries in several communities. Members donate hats and mittens for distribution locally, either made or purchased, and if a need is there, the Grange tries to fill it.

The Grange meets on the third Thursday at 6:30 in the Grange Hall on School Street from April to November. From December to March the Grange meets on the second Thursday in the room above the Town Office on Town House Road at 6:30. If you like doing community service, the Grange may be for you. Check the Grange out.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Stone, Master

## HEALTH OFFICER REPORT
## 2015

Fortunately, there have been no major town wide health incidents this past year.

Deputy Health Officer Dr. Virginia Prince and I did our annual inspection of food vendors at the Cornish Fair. No significant health concerns were found.

I continued to receive public health notices from the State of New Hampshire on a regular basis. To date, there have been no significant issues reported.

I urge all residents to maintain a healthy regimen. Eat sensibly; do not smoke; if you consume alcohol, do so in moderation; exercise regularly as you can tolerate; obtain for you and all of your loved ones all recommended immunizations. Please be assured that immunizations save lives and can ease the burden of illnesses. Experts in disease control agree, immunizations do not cause conditions such as autism. On the contrary, preventable illnesses such as measles, mumps, rubella and the like, can cause serious problems and in some cases, even death. Your health care provider can provide further information for you should you have questions.

While all illnesses may not be preventable, individuals can do their best to reduce their risk of contracting them. Please also use good common sense to help avoid the risk of injury.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Jeffrey Katchen, Town of Cornish Health Officer

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
## 2015

The Highway Crew was busy cleaning up from wind storms. We removed trees and chipped brush to open roads around town.

We replaced more culverts this year with more to go buy prioritizing them to when we can and which ones are the worst.

Projects this year were fixing the washout on Leavitt Hill Bridge. The Bridge was repaired with blocks and gravel by renting equipment.

Center Road paving project from Route 120 in ¾ of a mile was shimmed and top coated. We prepped the area by cleaning ditches and removing some brush and ledge for water flow. After paving we built new shoulders to the asphalt with hard pack.

At the Chase Hill Bridge abutment we removed trees and cleared brush. United Construction came in and poured new footings and retaining wall. This removed the bridge from the state red list.

The Highway Department received a 2009 Kia Sorento SUV donated by Transcanada. Thanks to Matthew Cole and Chuck Mekus from Transcanada for working with us.

The Highway Department would like to thank Roger Gilbert, who will be retiring in 2016, for 10 years of service with the department. We wish him the best of luck in retirement. He will be missed here for his knowledge. Thank you Roger.

The Highway Department would like to thank Chuck DeAngelis for filling in while we are down a person for plowing, sanding, etc. It's nice having someone who knows the town and equipment to be available to fill in. It really helps.

And, I would like to thank Roger Gilbert, John McNamara, Sean Witty and Chuck DeAngelis for their great work this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Gray, Road Agent

## CORNISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY
## 2015

The Cornish Historical Society (CHS) experienced a renaissance in 2015. We have organized displays and erected a new sign designating the old Selectman's Office as the History Center. Our collection is documented, catalogued and easily located on line through the town web site (www.cornishnh.net or www.facebook.com/cornishhstoricalsociety). This was made possible through the dedicated efforts of our co-librarians Laird Klingler and Steve Bobin with help from others. All are to be commended. Further, an ongoing display of Cornish memories is available at the Town Office on the second floor. Check it out.

Among several acquisitions, CHS received a significant gift of a Civil War uniform, portrait, and wooden trunk belong to Colonel Champion Spaulding Chase who was born in Cornish. His descendant Sherret Chase was warmly welcomed and thanked at our October meeting. Two additional large family portraits are a part of this acquisition.

CHS continues to support local activities such as the music program at St. Gaudens and Cornish School activities. We have designated $1,000.00 from our grant program to the 8th grade trip to Washington, DC. $1,500.00 remains in the grant program for Cornish residents for use toward a history related purpose. Application for funds should be sent to CHS at 488 Town House Road.

We encourage you to attend our meetings and programs which are held four times a year. We start in 2016 with a May program about New England Stone Walls. In June we have a combined meeting with the Cornish Garden Club. September and October meetings will follow with subjects and times announced on Connect Cornish.

I encourage everyone to visit our exciting collection at the History Center on School Street. We are open most Saturdays 9:00am to noon from April to November or by appointment by calling (603) 675-6448.

Officers include Stu Hodgeman, President; Jim Atkinson, Vice President and Archivist; Dale Rook, Vice President; Carolyn Storrs, Secretary; and Bill Caterino, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
Stu Hodgeman, President

## MEALS-ON-WHEELS
## 2015

History

The Meals-on-Wheels (MOW) program delivered its first meal in Philadelphia, PA in 1954. The program was modeled after a similar program that was started in England to support seniors during World War II. In 1972, the federal government made the program a permanent program through the implementation of the Older American's Act. The act provides a basis for providing meals to seniors (60 years or older) or people with qualifying disabilities. As an integral part of the act, the framework for funding not only involved federal support but also monies from local sources, 15 to 20% to be raised from local support (counties & municipalities) with the balance derived through private donations. Obviously these are general guidelines, but it points out that community participation and personal commitment are key elements.

Sullivan County Nutrition Services (SCNS) started its participation in the Meals-on-Wheels program in 1972, and operated out of a department store's basement in Newport. The initial program served 25 meals per day and had an initial operating budget of $20,000. In 1980, the program established meal sites in Claremont and Charlestown to meet an ever growing need for service. Forty-three years later we are serving over 131,000 meals per year. All but two communities in Sullivan County receive meal services through this program (Plainfield and Langdon). We have not received any requests from these communities. Should there be a request we would make every accommodation to service the request.

Community Support

SCNS requests each community that is being served to support the MOW program. Our request reflects the number of meals and individuals that have been served in your community during the past year and the historical trend that has been experienced. If your community is not served, no money is requested. If your community has few meals and people being served historically, then it is conceivable that your requested support would be reduced. Should your community have an increase in meals served, a modest increase is often requested. The bottom line is that we simply ask for support that is commensurate with the degree of service provided and seldom is equal to the total cost of service. Any difference is raised through private donations, and is consistent with the funding formula that was put forth by the Older American's Act.

SCNS

Sullivan County Nutrition Services is a part of the Newport Senior Center, a 501(c) 3 organization. SCNS operates three congregate meals sites in Newport, Earl Bourdon Center (Claremont) and at the Town Office Complex in Charlestown. We have an annual independent audit performed each year and must comply with all aspects of the program grant guidelines. Oversight is provided by the State of NH Department of Elder and Adult Services. We encourage communities to visit us and to discuss any questions they have about any aspect of the program. Thank you in advance for your support.

## MEETINGHOUSE
## 2015

The Meetinghouse has had a busy year implementing the grants from the Mascoma Savings Bank Foundation and from the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP). The total project was valued at $108,200.00 with $54,100.00 coming from LCHIP. The $7,500.00 grant from the Mascoma Foundation was used to offset a 50% matching grant requirement. Using the Conditions Assessment and Master Plan completed last year, the Trustees were able to address many aspects of Phase 1. This summer and fall, the two chimneys were repointed, the steps were removed and new exterior steps constructed, rotted clapboards and trim were removed and replaced, the slate roof, which was the primary focus of the grant, was repaired, the exterior scraped and painted, and the first floor windows repaired.

We were also fortunate to have Joe Kibbie for his Eagle Scout project design and carry out the construction of a handicapped ramp on the east side of the Meetinghouse so all persons will have access. Leo Maslan, as leader of BSA 332, has been an inspiration to his troop and encouraged them to take on projects which will benefit the community of Cornish. Joe, with the help of his parents and trustees, designed an earthen ramp which meets ADA requirements. He was helped by many generous donations of both time and material; Mike Duval of Hillside Property Maintenance, Lyle Parry of Parry Construction, Kevin McNamara of Mak's Trucking, Lavalley's Building Supply and Robbie Williams and, of course, the Boy Scouts of Troop 332. We appreciate the generosity of spirit of all the people involved and the important improvement to the use and enjoyment of the Meetinghouse.

We also would like to thank Susan Schad for being the Keeper of the Key and Jim Smith who faithfully winds the clock every week.

Caroline Storrs
Chairperson

George Edson
Treasurer

Susan Chandler
Secretary

***Mt. Ascutney Subcommittee Annual Report - 2015***

The Mt. Ascutney Subcommittee of the Connecticut River Joint Commissions consists of two volunteers nominated by each of the following municipalities: Hartland, Windsor, Weathersfield, Springfield, and Rockingham in Vermont; and Plainfield, Cornish, Claremont and Charlestown in New Hampshire.

The Subcommittee meets approximately every two months to discuss and act on a variety of river-related issues. Specific responsibilities include providing advice to NHDES, VANR and municipalities on matters pertaining to the river; reviewing and commenting on proposed permits and plans; and developing and periodically updating a corridor management plan.

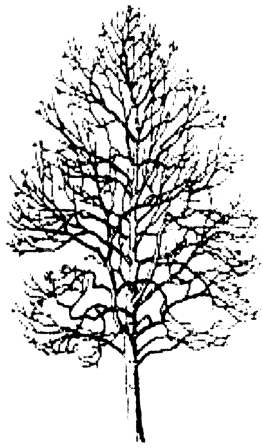
In 2015, activities included:

- Participated in discussions about the relationship between Vermont's new shoreland regulations and the Connecticut River impoundments.
- Held septic system education workshop for homeowners.
- Participated in FERC process for relicensing TransCanada's hydropower facilities in Wilder and Bellows Falls.
- Reviewed and commented on several permit applications.
- Assisted local community with plans for emergency access to the river.
- Reviewed and commented on Conte Refuge Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan.
- Began work on update to the corridor management plan.

There are currently openings on the Subcommittee in several communities. If you are interested in working with volunteers from area communities on river conservation issues, and serving as a liaison to your municipal boards, we encourage you to attend a meeting to learn more. See www.crjc.org for the meeting schedule.

# Cornish Planning Board

488 Town House Road
Cornish, New Hampshire 03745



## 2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Meeting the first and third Thursday of each month, the Cornish Planning Board held one hearing on an application in 2015. The application was approved.

The Planning Board is working on a town-wide survey in order to collect input for the updating of the Town of Cornish Master Plan. We hope to offer the survey online with survey access at the Town offices and library for residents without Internet service. Updating of the Master Plan is required by RSA 674:2 and we have requested an increase in our operating budget to cover these anticipated costs. Also, please see the notice regarding RSA 674:39aa, restoration of involuntarily merged lots, at the beginning of this report. All meetings and hearings are open to the public, and all are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The Planning Board currently has two openings for alternates. Any Cornish resident interested in serving should contact the Board of Selectmen.

## 2015 ACTIONS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Major Subdivision | | |
| Clifton & Patricia Bennett | Town House Road | *approved* |

## 2015 MEMBERSHIP

Bill Lipfert, Chair
Gwyn Gallagher, Vice-Chair
Heidi Jaarsma, Secretary
Mary Mancuso
Gail McKenzie
Jay Young
Scott Baker, Selectboard Representative
David Haseman, Alternate

## POLICE DEPARTMENT
## 2015

The Cornish Police Department handled 914 calls for service during the year 2015, down almost 21%. Our Motor Vehicle Enforcement was down almost 50% this year. Our Driving While Intoxicated arrests rose by 1, however one of the arrests was for a suspect who had 9 previous arrests for Driving While Intoxicated, and was involved in a serious accident. This subject is facing felony level charges at this time.

Our burglaries remained the same this year at 3; and our Thefts, dropped from 15 to 12.

Our domestic disturbances for 2015 decreased by one, from 15 to 14. Domestic Disturbances are one of the most dangerous calls we respond to. One serious domestic occurred on the Route 12A side of town, where an offender came out of the residence armed with a shotgun. Officers ordered the subject to drop the weapon, ending the event, and he was taken into custody. The continued rise in the seriousness of crimes, specifically ones involving deadly weapons is a trend that Cornish is not immune from.

Cornish Police and neighboring departments were taxed with a large underage drinking party in Cornish in June. Cornish PD charged 23 minors with Unlawful Possession of Alcohol. This case from start to finish resulted in approximately 36 hours of time for officers.

We continue to attempt to raise enough money privately to replace our 11-year-old Crown Victoria Cruiser. If you are interested in donating, please make donations to Cornish Cruiser Fund, % Heidi Jaarsma, 488 Townhouse Rd, Cornish NH 03745.

Please remember to report any suspicious activity to the Police Department, and as always, we thank you for your support.

Proudly Serving,

Chief E. Douglas Hackett

Sgt. Corey J. Stevens

Officer Eric Brann

Secretary, Dale Lawrence

# Cornish Police Department
# Call Statistics 2015 vs 2014

| Description | 15 YTD | 14 YTD | % DIFF | Description | 15 YTD | 14 YTD | % DIFF |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | |
| Abandoned Property | 5 | 3 | 66.7% | OHRV Complaints | 8 | 0 | n/a |
| Accident | 47 | 43 | 9.3% | Open Door/Windows | 2 | 4 | -50.0% |
| Alarms | 36 | 39 | -7.7% | Outside Detail | 4 | 1 | 300.0% |
| Alcohol Arrest | 26 | 4 | 550.0% | Parking Problem | 8 | 10 | -20.0% |
| Animal | 38 | 60 | -36.7% | Pistol Permits | 35 | 21 | 66.7% |
| Arson | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | Police Information | 47 | 26 | 80.8% |
| Assault | 1 | 2 | -50.0% | Public Hazards | 14 | 8 | 75.0% |
| Assist Fire Department | 9 | 17 | -47.1% | Request Officer | 37 | 22 | 68.2% |
| Assist Other Department | 25 | 30 | -16.7% | Request Transport | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Bad Checks | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | Restraining Order Violation | 3 | 0 | n/a |
| BOL | 10 | 14 | -28.6% | Ride-A-Long | 0 | 0 | 0.0% |
| Building Checks | 1 | 1 | 0.0% | Serve Paperwork | 11 | 85 | -87.1% |
| Burglary | 3 | 3 | 0.0% | Sex Offender Registration | 5 | 10 | -50.0% |
| Check Well Being | 13 | 17 | -23.5% | Sexual Assault | 0 | 2 | -100.0% |
| Civil Matters | 10 | 15 | -33.3% | Shots Fired | 5 | 0 | n/a |
| Community Service | 6 | 8 | -25.0% | Suicide Attempt | 3 | 2 | 50.0% |
| Court Order Check In | 6 | 0 | n/a | Suspicious Acitivity | 54 | 47 | 14.9% |
| Criminal Mischief | 4 | 3 | 33.3% | Temp Restraining Orders | 3 | 0 | n/a |
| Criminal Threatening | 0 | 4 | -100.0% | Thefts | 12 | 15 | -20.0% |
| Trespass | 0 | 12 | -100.0% | Town Office Requests | 0 | 2 | -100.0% |
| Department Requests | 2 | 0 | n/a | Traces 911 | 4 | 11 | -63.6% |
| Disabled Vehicles | 18 | 24 | -25.0% | Traffic Problems | 4 | 20 | -80.0% |
| Dog Complaints | 31 | 65 | -52.3% | Untimely Death | 1 | 1 | 0.0% |
| Domestic Disturbances | 14 | 15 | -6.7% | Vin Checks | 24 | 13 | 84.6% |
| Driving While Intoxicated | 5 | 4 | 25.0% | Wanted Persons | 4 | 7 | -42.9% |
| Drugs | 7 | 7 | 0.0% | **Total** | **914** | **1151** | **-20.6%** |
| Escorts | 1 | 1 | 0.0% | | | | |
| Fights | 1 | 1 | 0.0% | | | | |
| Fingerprints | 5 | 0 | n/a | | | | |
| Fish & Game Matters | 4 | 5 | -20.0% | | | | |
| Found Property | 9 | 3 | 200.0% | | | | |
| Fraud | 3 | 0 | n/a | | | | |
| Harassment | 6 | 8 | -25.0% | | | | |
| Highway Matters | 8 | 59 | -86.4% | | | | |
| House Checks | 15 | 12 | 25.0% | | | | |
| Illegal Dumping | 4 | 2 | 100.0% | | | | |
| Juvenile Complaints | 8 | 8 | 0.0% | | | | |
| Keep the Peace | 9 | 6 | 50.0% | | | | |
| Licenses/Permits | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | | | | |
| Lockouts | 3 | 3 | 0.0% | | | | |
| Lost Property | 4 | 2 | 100.0% | | | | |
| Manner of Operation | 37 | 2 | 1750.0% | | | | |
| Medical Emergency | 17 | 16 | 6.3% | | | | |
| Message Delivery | 8 | 3 | 166.7% | | | | |
| Missing Adults | 0 | 2 | -100.0% | | | | |
| MV Stops | 164 | 316 | -48.1% | | | | |
| Noise Complaints | 3 | 5 | -40.0% | | | | |

## CORNISH RECREATION AND EDUCATION AREA (CREA)

## 2015

The CREA Committee met in August to accomplish the following:

1. Posting of "No Hunting" signs around the perimeter per vote of the Town at the March 2015 Town Meeting.
2. Check on beaver activity.
3. Check the property for upcoming maintenance.

At the end of November, Jim Barker, Chair of the Cornish Conservation Commission, led a group of volunteers to clean the trails of leaves and branches that had accumulated during the fall. He also moved a portion of an existing trail for safety reasons.

The Committee will meet again in April to discuss what, if any, maintenance will need to be performed in the spring and any other business that may be brought forth at that time.

The date/time of the meeting will be posted as members of the community are always welcome to attend.

The CREA Committee would like to recognize the efforts of Bob Bladen of the Cornish Fair Association for his efforts in keeping things mowed. He will be missed.

Respectfully submitted,

CREA Committee

## RECYCLING

## 2015

Hours are 9 AM – 2 PM every Saturday. The Swap Shop is open every Saturday too.

We had a busy year with the two roll-off dumpsters being switched every two weeks.

Jeff's Rubbish collected 117 tons of trash

We shipped:

- 67 Tons of paper and cardboard
- 26 Tons of plastic bottles and tin
- 20 Tons of scrap metal
- $2,194.84 worth of refundable bottles

Thank you for recycling,

Mike, Tom and Travis

*"Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions"*

Northeast Resource Recovery Association, 2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234
Telephone: (603) 736-4401 or 1-800-223-0150 Fax: (603) 736-4402
E-mail: info@nrra.net Web Site: www.nrra.net

# Town of Cornish, NH

## Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling organization, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

| **Recyclable Material** | **Amount Recycled In 2015** | **Environmental Impact!** Here is only one benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products. |
|---|---|---|
| Paper | 67 tons | Saved 1141 trees! |
| Scrap Metal | 15.2 gross tons | Conserved 15201.6 pounds of coal! |

## CORNISH RESCUE SQUAD

## 2015

Dear Members of the Cornish Community:

We would like to thank you for your support in our fundraising efforts and at your annual Town Meeting. Through your generosity, we were able to:

- replace our auto extrication equipment
- update other equipment such as our suction machine and 02 regulators
- keep medical supplies updated and in stock for personnel and the rescue truck
- pay for operating costs
- register, inspect, insure and maintain our rescue truck

In 2015, our call volume increased by 20% as members of the squad responded to 232 calls.

We are currently 22 members strong and continue to serve the two communities with first responder response prior to the arrival of the ambulance. Along with our medical calls, we provide mutual aid response and support to the Plainfield, Cornish and Meriden Fire Departments. We also provide mutual aid response for other area agencies and coverage for the 3 days of the Cornish Fair.

All members are Nationally Registered at various certification levels and are NH licensed. We are required to recertify every two years and have members at the First Responder, EMT-B, EMT-I and Paramedic Levels.

If you are interested in joining, or if you have questions, please feel free to contact either myself (603)675-2002, or Gary Chilton, Vice President, at (603)448-7688.

If you would like to take a First Responder or EMT class, please contact Jim McCarragher at (603)469-3505 for more information.

Please buckle your seat belts, change your smoke detector batteries at Daylight Savings times, and be safe! If you, or someone you know needs a smoke detector, please contact your local fire department.

**DIAL 911 IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY BE IT MEDICAL, FIRE, OR POLICE RELATED.**

Sincerely,

Dale H. Lawrence, President

## THE AGUSTUS SAINT-GAUDENS MEMORIAL
## 2015

The Trustees of the Saint-Gaudens Memorial have been partners with the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site since 1965, working to ensure the preservation and appropriate development of the park's artistic, historical and natural resources, and to provide a variety of educational programs and activities for visitors to the park.

Last year marked the 50th anniversary of the creation of the National Historic Site and transfer of the property and collection of works from the Memorial to the federal government. The 50th was celebrated in a variety of ways just one of which was the commissioning of photographs of the park by Shellburne Thurber, which were exhibited in the Picture Gallery during the summer.

2016 is the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service and a very special upcoming event will be the dedication of a newly cast bronze of Saint-Gaudens' Standing Lincoln. The Trustees will host the dedication – at 2:00 pm on Sunday, June 26th -- which will include speakers Harold Holzer, 2015 Gilder Lehrman Lincoln Prize winner for his book Lincoln and the Power of the Press, and Metropolitan Museum curator and Trustee Thayer Tolles; music by the 12th New Hampshire Regiment Serenade Band, the formal unveiling and refreshments.

Also this season the Trustees will mount three exhibitions in the Picture Gallery, sponsor ten Sunday afternoon concerts, and partner with the park to provide Sculpture Workshops and an expanded the Sculptural Visions program.

The Trustees continue to look forward to playing an active role in the development and use of Blow-Me-Down Farm. In the late fall, the Memorial submitted a proposal to enter into partnership with the park and other interested groups, to prepare the historic red barn and develop new arts-related programming on this wonderful site. The Trustees are also working to obtain public recognition of the Saint-Gaudens site as a National Park for the Arts.

We are thankful for the excellent staff at the park, including Superintendent Rick Kendall, Deputy Superintendent Christina Marts and Chief of Interpretation Stephanie Kyraizis, all of whom serve jointly at Saint-Gaudens and the Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park across the river; Curator Dr. Henry Duffy and Chief Ranger Greg Schwarz. Thanks also to our Community Liaisons -- Selectman John Hammond, Gwyn Gallagher and Cheston Newbold – who help to keep us informed about ideas from the community of Cornish that touch on the park and our programs.

## SAINT-GAUDENS NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE
## 2015

2015 marked another successful year for Saint-Gaudens NHS. The park received 39,242 visitors in 2015, up roughly 20 percent. A total of 926 students visited the park last year. The park benefitted from the service of 105 volunteers who donated 4,708 hours of work time to the park.

The park held its usual array of events all of which were very successful.

The tenth annual Sculptural Visions event in September, was attended by over 400 people. The event featured a variety of sculptors demonstrating different techniques from stone and wood carving, to working with cast paper and clay, as well as demonstrations of actual bronze casting and performances on a Fire Organ. In addition, there were plenty of hands-on activities for children, including working with clay, creating relief sculptures by embossing foil.

The Park hosted its sixth annual "Star Party" event with the Stellafane organization from Springfield, Vermont. Weather for the event was perfect. The evening began with a presentation in the Bowling Green, which drew a large crowd. People were then treated to views of deep space objects through a number telescopes set up in the field below Aspet.

Working in tandem with our partner organization, the Saint-Gaudens Memorial, the park hosted a full slate of art exhibitions and concerts again last summer. Both the exhibitions and music program remain very popular amongst our visitors and help keep the park a living memorial to Saint-Gaudens and his artistic legacy. This included 10 concerts and three exhibitions, including a retrospective tracing the history of the park's Sculptor-In-Residence program.

Last year marked the 46th season for the Sculptor-in-Residence program, which is the oldest artist residency in the National Park Service. Cliff Page served as our sculptor in residence this year, and offered a full slate of sculpture workshops.

Park staff completed several facilities projects during the year to improve the condition of the buildings and grounds. This year, a new fire suppression system was installed in the Ravine Studio, the top 3 marble steps in front of Aspet were replaced to accommodate the growth of the state champion Honey Locust, and planning work was completed for septic systems and structural upgrades at Blow-Me-Down Farm. This year, the park also hosted a Hands-On-Preservation Experience (HOPE) team that spent three weeks learning about historic preservation while addressing critical preservation work for the Blow-Me Down Farm Casino's historic windows. Our historic preservation team has been busy with needed repairs to Aspet, as well as to the interior of the Saint-Gaudens Farm House. Electrical service was installed in the Caretaker's Garage and the building is being converted into a workshop/classroom space. The Visitor Center received a new coat of paint. A significant amount of hazard tree work was accomplished, as well specimen tree maintenance throughout the park. Volunteers with the Upper Valley High School Trails Corps completed maintenance work on the park's nature trails. The park's gardens and grounds continue to be meticulously maintained.

In the curatorial program, we continue to run an active museum loan program and to update our displays at the park. This year, we created a new exhibit in the Picture Gallery, *When I Was Here...Remembering Our Artists-in-Residence*, which showcased 35 works by 12 former Sculpture-in-Residence artists. We also continued the successful *Raiders of the Lost Art* exhibit that was developed in collaboration with our Facebook on-line community and installed in the exhibit area of the Visitor Center.

Over the summer we continued and expanded a new museum internship program with a team of two interns and a year-long "mentor" working with staff for a comprehensive museum studies experience at the park as well as at several other area museums. The program is gaining regional and national accolades as a model in cultural resource career development for youth, and will be funded again in 2016.

With support from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation Wellborn Ecology Fund, the park, Sullivan County Conservation District, and other community partners have formed a partnership to support local schools and teachers in using park and community resources to support student learning. The park also continues to host a natural resource study, which will examine the mercury levels found in dragonfly larvae. The project involves both Dartmouth College and Stevens High School. This year, our Teacher-Ranger-Teacher was Annemarie Stout who teaches third grade at Hanover Street School in Lebanon, Annemarie developed lesson plans concentrating on classical art and symbolism for use by K- 6 grade classes visiting the park. This National Park Service program brings teachers into parks during the summer to work with rangers on developing educational programs. A significant numbers of invasive plants were removed from the park by SCA volunteers. Students from Stevens HS were back at the park to continue long-term terrestrial salamander monitoring.

Park staff would like to thank the members of the Cornish Police, Fire and Rescue Squads for their continued support this year. We are also thankful for our continued excellent relationship with the Saint-Gaudens Memorial who help enrich visitor experience at the park through their sponsorship of the concert and exhibitions program as well as providing support for the park's interpretive and curatorial programs.

As we start our season in 2016, the park will begin observing the 100th anniversary of the creation of the National Park Service. As part of the Centennial, we hope that you will all join us as we celebrate this milestone this year with the unveiling of the installation of a new Saint-Gaudens sculpture, the Standing Lincoln, on Sunday June 26 and a great line up of events and concerts throughout the season.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns, suggestions or ideas about the park or other areas in which the National Park Service might be of assistance to the community. I can be reached at 603/675-2175 ext. 143 or by email at Rick_Kendall@nps.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Kendall
Superintendent

## SENIOR LUNCHEON
## 2015

2015 marked the 15th year volunteers have been serving a monthly meal to the "over 60" people of Cornish. We serve and average of 40-45 people each month. Many thanks to all our helpers and especially to several originals who are still helping today.

We are able to continue to provide meals for $2.50 per person thanks to donations of food and money. Starting in January of 2016 there will be no charge for folks over 100 of which we have two! Congratulations Helen and Marion!!

During the year we were entertained by music students from Cornish Elementary School and private music students.

Claremont Savings Bank put on a delicious summer barbeque for us in July. They returned in December and provided our annual holiday dinner for over 60 people. Sherwood Moody, CSB President, spoke about the Cornish Branch closing early in 2016 and the many changes in how people bank today. All those in attendance received a small poinsettia from our luncheon funds.

In August many Cornish and Plainfield folks enjoyed a free luncheon cruise on Lake Sunapee thanks in part to funding from the Millar Fund and funds in our individual luncheon accounts. All those attending had a wonderful time.

We were fortunate to again have Becca Rumrill help us as part of her community service work for Windsor High School.

CVHC provides blood pressure/blood sugar clinics before each meal. Julie from Julie's I Care sets up her eyeglass display and tightens any eyeglasses that need attention at no charge.

Please consider joining us for a meal in 2016. It's a great way to catch up with old friends and meet new folks in town. Any questions contact either co-coordinator.

Shirley Bladen 542-4622
Audrey Jacquier 469-3245
Co-Coordinators

## SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.
## 2015

Southwestern Community Services, Inc. (SCS) would like to take this opportunity to thank the residents of the Town of Cornish for their continued support. Our combined efforts to serve the needs of local communities, such as Cornish, count on the support provided by local citizens and the town in which they live.

During the past year, SCS delivered a myriad of social and human services 104 times to Cornish households. The total value of these services exceeded $162,450. Detailed information regarding this assistance has been sent to the town and is available to anyone interested.

Major programs that assisted Cornish residents during the past year included the Women, Infants and Children Nutrition Program (WIC), Fuel Assistance, Weatherization and Housing Stabilization, among others. Additional program information can be obtained by contacting SCS at 352-7512, stopping by our offices located at 96 Main Street in Claremont or by visiting our web site www.scshelps.org.

Local support is a vital component of SCS entire set of programs and services. The local support provided by the Town of Cornish enabled us to continue effective outreach efforts throughout our rural area. SCS welcomes comments and inquiries about our many programs designed to assist the less fortunate of our area. Thank you once again for your generous support.

Sincerely,
Keith F. Thibault, chief development officer
*Southwestern Community Services, Inc.*

## SPIRIT COMMITTEE
## 2015

Our project for 2015 was the Cornish Spirit Flower Box at the Cornish Town Office Property.

A 24' long, 4' wide and about 2' deep flower box was constructed with railroad ties that are pinned together with iron bars. This project involved many steps and could not have been accomplished without the assistance and volunteer spirit of many Cornish residents.

DIG SAFE was contacted in advance of the work then a group of spirited volunteers cleared the area of old flower bulbs and relocated one lilac bush.

Bill Wall coordinated the prep of the area and with several volunteers built the box and filled it with soil material donated by the town. Later Colleen O'Neill and Shelley Brookings added composted material to amend the soil.

The Cornish Garden Club helped us design the choice and placement of plants. Shelley Brookings then obtained and coordinated the planting of the perennials and annuals. With the help of several Cornish volunteers those beautiful perennials and annuals and were settled into the box and mulch was applied. At the same time several Cornish resident volunteers, coordinated by Bill and Kathy Wall, weeded and mulched the many lilac trees on the Town Office Property.

Plants and supplies were purchased with Spirit funds but through generous Cornish resident plant donations we did not need to purchase all of the plants. This allowed for many more beautiful flowers to be planted and spring bulbs added this fall.
Generous donations of plants and supplies also came from the following businesses:
In the Garden, Lamplighter Farm, Longacres, Log Cabin Nursery, and West Lebanon Supply.
Other key members of this project included:

- Cameron Stevens constructed the two wooden toutere towers adding great dimension to the garden box.
- Mike Duval volunteered to deliver the mulch used for the flowerbed and lilac bushes.
- Doug Freeland installed an outdoor faucet. Even though we had plenty of summer rain allowing the perennials to get well established, we are sure it will come in handy in the future.

The Spirit Flower Garden was colorful and attractive all summer and even into the fall. We overwhelmingly received many positive comments. This was a great project as the garden and mulched bushes adds beauty to the Town Office property and welcomes all those who come to the building.

The Spirit Committee will continue to maintain the flowerbed but please feel free to pull a weed or two or give it a drink when you stop by the Town Office. Watch for notices on ConnectCornish for some weeding and mulch workdays later in the spring. If you are interested in being a member of the Spirit Committee please speak with one of us as well.

For 2016, we plan on adding plants to the garden and are looking into creating a seating area near the flowerbed. This project may include the Cornish Conservation Commission and the Cornish Garden Club.

The Spirit Committee says thank-you to all involved. Your participation made for a very successful 2015 Flower Bed Project. Cornish can be proud of the Spirit in our town!

CORNISH SPIRIT COMMITTEE
Shelley Brookings
Colleen O'Neill
Bill and Kathy Wall

*New Hampshire*
*Department of*
*Revenue Administration*

**2015**
**MS-42**

# Statement of County Appropriations and Revenue as Voted

Form Due Date: **September 1 or within 20 days of a vote taken at a Supplemental Meeting**

## Instructions

This form is to be used by the county to report the voted appropriations from any annual or special meeting. The Clerk of the County Convention and the Chairperson must sign the form and file, as required under RSA 24:24, with the Secretary of State.

The completed form must be submitted to the Department of Revenue Administration by September 1 (per RSA 21-J:34) for the Annual Meeting or within 20 days after the vote taken at any supplemental meeting.

**For Assistance Please Contact:**

**NH DRA Municipal and Property Division**
**Phone: (603) 230-5090**
**Fax: (603) 230-5947**
**http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/**

## ENTITY'S INFORMATION

County: Sullivan | Convention Date: 06/23/2015 | FY Ending: 06/30/2016

## PREPARER'S INFORMATION

First Name: Jessie | Last Name: Levine

Street No.: 14 | Street Name: Main Street | Phone Number: (603) 863-2560

Email (optional): jlevine@sullivancountynh.gov

**CERTIFICATE OF VOTE**

This is to certify that the appropriations entered on this form are those voted by the county convention.

Rep. John R. Cloutier
Chairperson Signature

Clerk of County Convention Signature

## APPROPRIATIONS AS VOTED

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

| Account # | Purpose of Appropriations | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|
| 4110 | County Convention Costs | $2,500 |
| 4120 | Judicial | |
| 4122 | Jury Costs | |
| 4123 | County Attorney's Office | $556,660 |
| 4124 | Victim Witness Advocacy Program | $90,311 |
| 4130 | Executive | $429,518 |
| 4150 | Financial Administration | $31,500 |
| 4151 | Treasurer | $5,860 |
| 4153 | Other Legal Costs | $15,000 |
| 4155 | Personnel Administration | $616,561 |
| 4191 | Planning and Zoning for Unincorporated Places | |
| 4192 | Medical Examiner | $10,000 |
| 4193 | Register of Deeds | $311,983 |
| 4194 | Maintenance of Government Buildings | $1,444,702 |
| 4196 | Insurance, Not Otherwise Allocated | |
| 4198 | Contingency | $25,000 |
| 4199 | Other Expenditures: Public Health Network Grants | $389,731 |
| | General Government Subtotal | $3,929,326 |

### PUBLIC SAFETY

| Account # | Purpose of Appropriations | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|
| 4211 | Sheriff's Department | $803,772 |
| 4212 | Custody of Prisoners | |
| 4214 | Sheriff's Support Services | |
| 4219 | Other Public Safety: Grant Funded Programs | $54,368 |
| | Public Safety Subtotal | $858,140 |

## CORRECTIONS

| Account # | | Purpose of Appropriations | | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4230 | | Corrections | | $4,524,441 |
| 4235 | | Adult Probation and Parole | | |
| | | | Corrections Subtotal | $4,524,441 |

## COUNTY FARM

| Account # | | Purpose of Appropriations | | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4301 | | Administration | | |
| 4302 | | Operating Expenditures | | |
| 4309 | | Other County Farm: | | |
| | | | County Farm Subtotal | |

## COUNTY NURSING HOME

| Account # | | Purpose of Appropriations | | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4411 | | Administration | | $1,391,290 |
| 4412 | | Operating Expense | | $11,764,921 |
| 4439 | | Other Health: | Nursing Home Trust Funds | $3,400 |
| | | | County Nursing Home Subtotal | $13,159,611 |

## HUMAN SERVICES

| Account # | | Purpose of Appropriations | | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4441 | | Administration | | $900 |
| 4442 | | Direct Assistance | | $5,322,882 |
| 4443 | | Board and Care of Children | | |
| 4446 | | Diversion Program | | |
| 4447 | | Special Outside Services | | |
| 4449 | | Other Human Services: | Grants to Outside Agencies | $185,000 |
| | | | Human Services Subtotal | $5,508,782 |

## COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICES

| Account # | Purpose of Appropriations | | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4611 | Administration | | $244,142 |
| 4619 | Other Conservation: | Natural Resources | $157,638 |
| | Cooperative Extension Services Subtotal | | $401,780 |

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

| Account # | Purpose of Appropriations | | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4651 | Administration | | |
| 4652 | Economic Development | | |
| 4659 | Other Expenditures: | | |
| | Economic Development Subtotal | | |

## DEBT SERVICE

| Account # | Purpose of Appropriations | | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4711 | Principal Long-Term Bonds/Notes | | $855,000 |
| 4721 | Interest Long-Term Bonds/Notes | | $150,398 |
| 4790 | Other Debt Services Charges: | | |
| | Debt Service Subtotal | | $1,005,398 |

## INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFERS

| Account # | Purpose of Appropriations | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|
| 4800 | Intergovernmental Transfers | |
| | Intergovernmental Transfers Subtotal | |

## CAPITAL OUTLAY

| Account # | Purpose of Appropriations | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|
| 4901 | Land and Improvements | |
| 4902 | Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment | $275,000 |
| 4903 | Buildings | $285,000 |
| 4904 | Improvements Other Than Buildings | $247,550 |
| | Capital Outlay Subtotal | $807,550 |

## INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS

| Account # | Purpose of Appropriations | Appropriations As Voted |
|---|---|---|
| 4912 | To Special Revenue Fund | |
| 4913 | To Capital Projects Fund | |
| 4914 | To Proprietary Funds | $1,500,000 |
| 4915 | To Capital Reserve Fund | $445,000 |
| 4916 | To Trust and Fiduciary Funds | |
| | Interfund Operating Transfers Subtotal | $1,945,000 |

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|---|---|
| TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS AS VOTED | $32,140,028 |

You have reached the end of the Appropriations section. Please review all information for accuracy before proceeding.

## ESTIMATED REVENUES

### ASSESSMENTS/TAXES

| Account # | Source of Revenue | Estimated Revenues (Ensuing FY) |
|---|---|---|
| 3110 | Property Taxes Levied for Unincorporated Places | |
| 3120 | Land Use Change Taxes for Unincorporated Places | |
| 3180 | Resident Taxes for Unincorporated Places | |
| 3185 | Yield Taxes for Unincorporated Places | |
| 3186 | Payments in Lieu of Taxes for Unincorporated Places | |
| 3187 | Payments in Lieu of Taxes | |
| 3189 | Other Taxes | |
| 3191 | Penalties on Delinquent Municipal Assessments | |
| 3200 | Licenses, Permits, and Fees | |
| | Assessments/Taxes Subtotal | |

### FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

| Account # | Source of Revenue | Estimated Revenues (Ensuing FY) |
|---|---|---|
| 3319 | Federal Grants and Reimbursements | $159,000 |
| | Federal Government Subtotal | $159,000 |

### FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

| Account # | Source of Revenue | Estimated Revenues (Ensuing FY) |
|---|---|---|
| 3351 | Shared Revenue for Unincorporated Places | |
| 3352 | Incentive Funds | |
| 3354 | Water Pollution Grants | |
| 3355 | Housing and Community Development | |
| 3356 | State/Federal Forest Land Reim. in Unincorporated Places | |
| 3359 | Other State Grants & Reimbursements: Public Health & Sheriff Grants | $316,587 |
| 3379 | Intergovernmental Revenues | |
| | State of New Hampshire Subtotal | $316,587 |

## CHARGES FOR SERVICES

| Account # | Source of Revenue | Estimated Revenues (Ensuing FY) |
|---|---|---|
| 3401 | Sheriff's Department | $252,717 |
| 3402 | Register of Deeds | $330,000 |
| 3403 | County Corrections | $107,500 |
| 3404 | County Nursing Homes | $14,251,289 |
| 3405 | County Farm | |
| 3406 | Cooperative Extension Service | |
| 3407 | Maintenance Department | |
| 3409 | Other Charges: | |
| | Charges for Services Subtotal | $14,941,506 |

## MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES

| Account # | Source of Revenue | Estimated Revenues (Ensuing FY) |
|---|---|---|
| 3501 | Sale of County Property | |
| 3502 | Interest on Investments | $5,000 |
| 3503 | Rents of Property | $227,973 |
| 3508 | Contributions and Donations | $50,000 |
| 3509 | Other Revenue from Miscellaneous Sources: Human Services Credits | $35,000 |
| | Miscellaneous Sources Subtotal | $317,973 |

## OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES

| Account # | Source of Revenue | Estimated Revenues (Ensuing FY) |
|---|---|---|
| 3912 | Transfers from Special Revenue Fund | |
| 3913 | Transfers from Capital Projects Fund | |
| 3914 | Transfers from Proprietary Funds | |
| 3915 | Transfers from Capital Reserve Fund | |
| 3916 | Transfers from Trust and Fiduciary Funds | |
| 3934 | Proceeds from Long-Term Bonds/Notes | |
| | Other Financial Sources Subtotal | |

| | |
|---|---|
| TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES | $15,735,066 |

You have reached the end of the Revenues section. Please review all information for accuracy before proceeding.

| BUDGET SUMMARY | |
|---|---|
| Total Voted Appropriations | $32,140,028 |
| Estimated Revenue Subtotal | $15,735,066 |
| Fund Balance to Reduce Tax Rate | $2,810,000 |
| Total Estimated Revenues | $18,545,066 |
| Amount Certified to be Raised by Taxes | $13,594,962 |

## SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST
## 2015

Throughout the year we try to be diligent in keeping track of the Cornish voters, which has been a difficult part of our responsibilities as people seem to come and leave more often.

We follow obituaries and home sales printed in newspapers as a source. When we know of those who leave we are required to send a notice that the name will be removed from the voting list.

Publishing and posting meeting dates of public meetings held to make changes and additions are held prior to all school, town and national elections. Following elections, all changes and new information is entered in the state based ElectioNet computer programs by batching, using the official marked checklist during sessions.

The Supervisors are always open to receiving information about residents moving, which would allow us to follow up on that information to help us keep the voter list current.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Rollins, Chair
Leland Atwood
Robin Monette

## TOWN CLERK
## 2015

This year has proved to be a year for transition for the Clerk's office. The State of New Hampshire, with its budget cuts, decided to discontinue paying for NH Towns' Fairpoint internet service as of September 2015. This was announced in April 2015, so Towns would have time to switch over to VPN. This forced us to go to a VPN (Virtual Private Network) system to be connected with the State for registrations. This seems to be working well, but unfortunately this has increased our cable bill as well as other supplies that we use in the office.

Vital statistics is working well in the office. Please come in to obtain birth, marriage, death and divorce certificates.

Last year we registered 443 dogs in the town. This is a state law and requires the rabies vaccination to be up to date in order to license the animal.

In 2015 the State of NH set a new rule that states any motor vehicle year 2000 and newer will need a title forever. (No 15 year rule anymore.)

Remember, you MUST surrender your old registration when transferring your old vehicle to a new vehicle.

Revenue generated from the Town Clerks office was $320,878.00 in 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Harthan, Town Clerk

## TOWN FOREST REPORT
## 2015

The spring meeting and roadside clean up was attended on April 26th by Jim Fitch, Steve Wilke, Ed Woodbury, Bill Palmer, Bill Gallagher and Ginny Prince. Topics discussed included forest inventory, a new trail, invasives, a summer workday, an Eagle Scout project and possible repair of the Root Hill culvert by Bill Lipfert in conjunction with a harvest on his abutting property.

On May 28 Kathy Woodbury's 2nd grade Maple St School class visited the forest and hiked 3 mi.

The June 7th workday saw a major push to clear the new trails. Buffing of the trails continued into the fall by many users. Special thanks for work by Ed, Bill Palmer, Roger Stone and Karl Brewer.

Lucas Roper's Eagle Scout project was the main topic of the summer meeting on Aug 30th. This exciting project consists of making a new map of the town forest starting with GPS mapping and a web friendly format and finishing with trail head information kiosks. Steve Wilkie is assisting with the computerized map making and lent his GPS unit to the project.

At the fall workday on Oct 11 we trimmed edges of the loop road and discussed the culvert at the south end of Root Hill. Our golden opportunity to have Bill Lipfert fix this problem area and make the forest more accessible to cars was sadly stymied because the town of Claremont placed one obstacle after another in the way.

Oct 25, Lucas and a group of scouts and leaders installed the kiosk at the Root Hill Rd entrance. Around 30 people attended the UVLT hike on Nov 7 which toured the Lipferts' newly conserved property as well as hiking to the town forest lookout.

There is a new logbook container at the lookout (a mailbox donated by Nellie and Bill Palmer.) It's fun to read the many entries in the log! Using $122.62 from the town forest kitty (small donations made over time) we purchased markers for the new trail and hog panels to replace the ageing ash pole gates at the power line entrances to the loop road. These gates along with the gate at the Root Hill entrance are closed when the soil is too soft for motor vehicle and horse travel.

Many anonymous friends of the forest perform trail maintenance throughout the year. As a result the trails were in excellent shape once again. Loop road maintenance was performed as usual. The forest continues to be very popular for hunting, mountain biking, hiking, snowshoeing and skiing. The Eagles Ledge lean-to is available for anyone to use. Visit the town forest webpage on cornishnh.net for info about the town forest, current events, maps, and the management plan.

As in past years, the town forest budget includes no tax money. State law requires that spending any funds, donation or payment or otherwise, must be authorized in the warrant, so the committee is requesting permission to spend up to $1500 for trail marking materials and other miscellaneous items for repair and construction of signs, bridges, gates etc.

For more information, if you're interested in youth or community projects or to share thoughts about the town forest contact any committee member:

Ginny Prince, chair: 675.2129 virginiatprince@gmail.com
Jim Fitch fitchfarm@gmail.com
Ed Woodbury edwoodbury@hotmail.com
Steve Wilkie stevendwilkie@yahoo.com
John Hammond, Selectman

# VISITING NURSE & HOSPICE FOR VT AND NH

***Home Health, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Services in Cornish, NH***

The Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

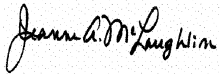
Between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015, VNH made 322 homecare visits to 21 Cornish residents. This included approximately $17,535 in unreimbursed – or charity – care to Cornish residents.

- **Home Health Care:** 297 home visits to 19 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- **Hospice Services:** 19 home visits to 2 residents who was in the final stages of their life.
- **Maternal and Child Health Services:** 16 home visits to a resident for well-baby, preventative and palliative medical care.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots.

Cornish's annual appropriation to the VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



*Jeanne McLaughlin, President & CEO (1-888-300-8853)*

## VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION
## 2015

"Connecting neighbors with needs to people who care"

Volunteers in Action (ViA) has been creating sustainable, positive change since 1997 in Cornish and six neighboring towns. Our programs strengthen our community by making it possible for folks to stay in their homes where they can live in health and dignity. One-on-one service enables our elders/disabled neighbors to remain in their homes and have access to needed services.

ViA has been very busy this past year in Cornish. We would like to thank the very generous and dedicated Cornish residents who gave their time and effort to drive their neighbors to medical appointments, grocery shopping, hair dressers and to a bank so they can live at home in comfort and good health. There are several Cornish residents who depend on these volunteers. This past year eight Cornish volunteers drove over 1670 miles for five of their Cornish neighbors. A total of 11 volunteers have driven many more miles for needy elders in neighboring towns as well as being Meals on Wheels drivers, vigil companions, Lifeline installer, daily phone calls and members of the ViA's Advisory Committee. The have given 452 hours in the past year. We are very grateful for them as well as the support we get from the Town of Cornish. If you need assistance or would like to volunteer please call us at 802-674-5971.

# ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
# 2015

There were two cases brought before the Zoning Board of Adjustment in 2015.

Case # 15-01, The case was a petition for a variance. Petition did not meet set back requirements. The petition was approved.

Case # 15-02, The case was a petition for a variance. Petition did not meet set back requirments. The petition was Approved.

Caroline Storrs (Chairperson)
Jason Bourne (Vice Chairperson)
William Balch (Clerk)
James Brown
Bruce, Tracy
Karim Chichaly (Alternate)
Kate Freeland (Alternate)
Dale Rook (Alternate)

Rare Visitor in Cornish Flat NH: May 2015

About the second weekend in May, a rare visitor appeared in the small beaver dam below the fire pond on Rt. 120 – a Loon!

I have lived in Cornish since 1971, and this is the first time I've ever seen a Loon in Town, and for good reason…there's no pond large enough for them to survive.

They are large black and white birds, with a needle-sharp bill and red eyes. Their legs are towards the back of the body, not in the middle like most birds, so they have trouble walking. For this reason, they build their nests at the water line. They are heavy birds because their bones are solid, not hollow like most other birds. Because of these features, they really need a "runway" to take flight – up to a quarter mile of open water!

The small beaver pond in the Flat does not have enough open water for the Loon to get out. Enter Carla Skinder, who realized the Loon was in serious trouble and called the Loon Center in Moultonborough, NH, for help. John arrived with a canoe and a net, and the two of them proceeded to capture and rescue the Loon…it took about 45 minutes of rowing, walking, and dragging the net in the small area before they succeeded!

She was taken to a rescue place in Lyme, as she was under-weight, and later released up north…a happy ending!

I happened to be walking to the Post Office with camera in hand, and was able to photograph the rescue, with help from Scott Kearns.

*Lois Fitts*

*Common Loon – Cornell Lab of Ornithology*

# ANNUAL REPORT

of the

# Cornish School District

March 2016

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## Officers of the School District

| | |
|---|---|
| Clerk | Kimberly Patterson |
| Treasurer | Lawrence Dingee |
| Moderator | Gwyn Gallagher |

## School Board Members

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|---|---|
| Gregory Clark, Jr. | Term Expires 2018 |
| Holly Taft | Term Expires 2017 |
| Cathy Parks | Term Expires 2017 |
| Justin Ranney | Term Expires 2018 |
| Glenn Thornton | Term Expires 2016 |

## Auditors

Plodzik & Sanderson

# 2016 Annual Report of the School Board

Cornish School Board Goals:

To improve student achievement.
To build a more respectful, cooperative, and save learning environment.
To increase academic rigor.

The past year has been an active one at the Cornish school. This year has seen many changes in personnel. We regrettably saw several staff members move on from the school, and we have seen 8 new staff members hired. Jennifer Prileson Principal, Jennifer Udelhofen, Grades 3-4, Caroline Gray, Math grades 5-8, Stacey Snyder, Science grades 5-8, Jessica Gemmill Art, Jordan Whitaker Physical Education, Patricia Guitar, Learning Specialist, and Marceny Bourne, School Counselor, and Kaitlyn Jones, Library Media Specialist are all new faces you may see in the school.

The board reviewed and updated several board policies to ensure we remain in compliance with the state regulations. The board received updates from Jennifer Prileson ongoing MAP test scores and from the SAU on the new Smarter Balance assessments.

The board continued to deal with the issue of declining enrollment and discuss options to both offer additional programs in an attempt to draw new students to the school as well as reduce spending where possible. The board held a public forum in November to receive input from the town on potential options to sustain the viability of the school, and had a very good turn out and several ideas were brought forward. Ideas such as conducting a marketing study to find out how to draw more residents to Cornish, conducting a cost-benefit analysis of enrollment and operating costs, adding beneficial new programs such as full day kindergarten, providing newsletters to people without children in the school so they too will be kept updated on school events. The board will continue to discuss some of those options going forward and a committee to work on a strategic plan for the school remains a high priority. With the potential of some substantial changes in the governance of our school being discussed, it is very important we have as much information as possible about potential options for our community and our school.

The board spent the end of the year working on both the SAU 6 Budget as well as the Cornish school budget. The Cornish portion of the SAU 6 budget will result in a net reduction in cost from the previous year, and the proposed budget for the Cornish school will also be a reduction from last year's budget if approved.

Respectfully,

Justin Ranney, Chair Cornish School Board.

# Cornish School District Annual Report, March 2016

## A letter from the Superintendent of Schools

This report has been prepared to assist all Cornish residents to remain informed about their community's K-8 school.

The Cornish Elementary School has gone through many transitions during the past few years. Though each of us make adjustments daily as we transition from one event to the next, the transitions that occur in a public school setting when a new school principal is appointed are very important by the manner in which students, staff, parents, and the community are affected.

Mrs. Jennifer Prileson, in April 2015, was nominated and approved as the next Principal of Cornish Elementary School. Weeks prior to her official start date in July Jen formed a team to recruit, and interview, new teachers and staff. Throughout this process, it was very evident this new principal was committed to respecting the history and values of the Cornish community.

The caliber of new employees hired during the summer of 2015 was another indicator to explain this new principal's priorities and expectations involving instruction and learning. To further understand Jen Prileson's priorities, and expectations, as well as the Cornish Elementary School's renewed focus on student achievement and intervention,[1] please read this year's 2015 Cornish Elementary School Principal's Report.

The Cornish School Board is recommending a FY17 school district budget that is more than $200,000.00 less than the current FY16 budget. This reduction is the result of a collaborative effort by the school board members and Jen Prileson evaluating current school programs, and practices. The outcome of this committed work, aside from reducing school district expenditures, represents an intentional effort to improve the school's educational programs, while accepting the reality of New Hampshire's declining student enrollment, and population.

Throughout the 2015-2016 school year, teacher representatives from Cornish, Unity and Claremont have worked to clarify K-12 mathematics and writing skills with Kathleen Bunnell,

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[1] **Examples of Intervention** (Three levels, or "Tiers")

**Tier 1** – Students receive high-quality instruction, differentiated to meet their needs, while being screened on a periodic basis to determine if there is a need for additional support.

**Tier 2** - Students who are not making adequate progress in the core curriculum are provided with increasingly intensive instruction that is matched to their needs for additional support.

**Tier 3** - Students receive individualized, intensive interventions that target each student's skill deficits not only for the remediation of existing problems, but also for the prevention of more severe problems.

SAU #6 Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Coordinator. The result of this work will clarify what all students will be expected to learn, and demonstrate proficiency with, by the end of a school year. By clarifying which mathematics and writing skills should be mastered, we are confident specific skills will be acquired in each grade level.

The safety and security of all children is everyone's first priority. As a result, the Cornish Elementary School will be revising its current School Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). With the assistance, and support, of the New Hampshire Department of Education, New Hampshire Department of Safety and Division of Homeland Security, as well as the Cornish Fire and Police Departments, the revised Cornish Elementary School EOP will be compliant with NIMS and RSA 189:64. [2]

For the past year and a half, and with the support of a many residents (including state representatives, state senators, State Police, New Hampshire School Board Association, and local law enforcement), I have been lobbying to change the New Hampshire law involving criminal history record check information.

New Hampshire's current criminal history records check law restricts superintendents of schools from accessing specific criminal history information of any person who applies for employment. Ironically, most other states, including Maine, Vermont and Massachusetts, do permit superintendents of schools access to this critically important information.

I am hopeful New Hampshire's criminal history records check law will be changed this spring.

In closing, the following paragraph was included in my first Cornish School District Annual Report in 2012:

*Despite fiscal challenges, the Cornish School District will remain on point, and continue to view challenges as opportunities to improve. This approach of "doing business differently" will confront student learning outcomes in a forthcoming and honest manner, avoiding excuses, while always accepting ownership and responsibility.*

As I complete my forty-sixth consecutive year as a public school educator, I have never been more proud of what we have accomplished by confronting student-learning outcomes in a forthcoming manner, together.

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[2] **National Incident Management System (NIMS)** is a standardized approach to incident management developed by the Department of Homeland Security. The program is intended to facilitate coordination between all responders (including all levels of government with public, private, and nongovernmental organizations).

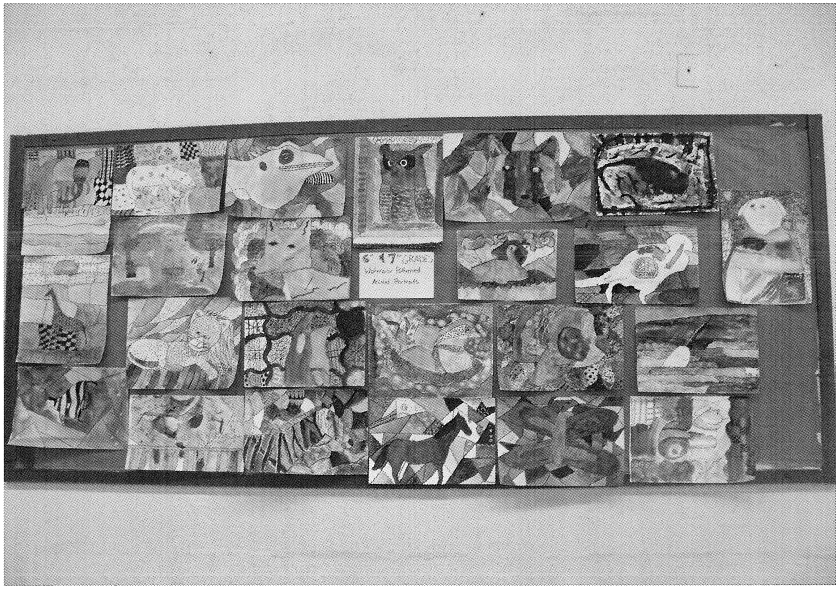
**RSA 189:64** - Every public and nonpublic school shall develop a site-specific school emergency response plan, which is based on and conforms to the Incident Command System and the National Incident Management System. The plan shall be coordinated with local emergency authorities and with the emergency operations plan in the municipality in which the school is located.

On behalf of the Cornish Elementary School students, staff, administration, and School Board, thank you for your sustained support, and commitment, to help prepare Cornish Elementary School students for a bright future.

Yours truly,

Middleton K. McGoodwin, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools

*School improvement must be based on the needs of students.*



**Watercolor Pattern Animal Portraits by the 6th and 7th Graders**

# STUDENT ENROLLMENT

**Elementary School** (2/15/2016)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Pre- Kindergarten | 1 | 4th Grade | 10 |
| Kindergarten | 2 | 5th Grade | 10 |
| 1st Grade | 5 | 6th Grade | 8 |
| 2nd Grade | 10 | 7th Grade | 16 |
| 3rd Grade | 7 | 8th Grade | 12 |
| TOTAL ENROLLMENT: | 81 | | |

## Public High School Enrollments (1/12/2016)

| | Claremont | Hanover | Hartford | Lebanon | Windsor | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9th Grade | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 12 |
| 10th Grade | 1 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 15 |
| 11th Grade | 1 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 16 |
| 12th Grade | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 11 | 16 |
| TOTALS: | 3 | 1 | 13 | 17 | 25 | 59 |

# HIGH SCHOOL

| | 15-16 | Rate $ | Total $ | 16-17 | Rate $ | Total $ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Stevens | 3 | 14,500 | 43,500 | 3 | 14,500 | 43,500 |
| Hartford | 13 | 16,202 | 218,727 | 15 | 16,500 | 255,750 |
| Windsor | 25 | 16,195 | 412,973 | 19 | 17,490 | 323,095 |
| Hanover | 1 | 18,719 | 18,719 | 1 | 19,656 | 19,656 |
| Lebanon | 17 | 14,425 | 245,225 | 19 | 15,146 | 287,774 |
| HACTC | | | 51,300 | | 17,490 | 26,235 |
| Additional Cost | | | 60,359 | | | 38,630 |
| TOTALS | 59 | | 1,050,803 | 59 | | 994,640 |
| | | | | | | |
| Out of State | | | 683,000 | | | 605,080 |
| In State | | | 307,444 | | | 350,930 |

## Principal & Teachers ~ 2015-2016

| | |
|---|---|
| Jennifer Prileson | Principal |
| Linda Coolidge (0.5) | Kindergarten |
| Jennifer Udelhofen | Grade 3/4 |
| Dawn Crary | Grade 1/2 |
| Elizabeth Tilton-Wahlert | 5 & 6 Language Arts & Social Studies |
| Kelsey Dangelo | 7 & 8 Language Arts & Social Studies |
| Caroline Gray | 5 – 8 Mathematics |
| Stacey Snyder | 5 – 8 Science |
| Kaitlyn Jones | Library Media Specialist |
| Rebekah Varga | Reading Specialist |
| Marceny Bourne (0.6) | Guidance |
| Jordan Whitaker (0.6) | Physical Education |
| Jessica Gimmel (0.4) | Art |
| Lois Buchan (0.4) | K-8 Music |
| Patricia Guitar | Special Educator |

## School Support Staff

| | |
|---|---|
| Dale Lawrence | Administrative Assistant |
| Mary Liz Lynch | Nurse |
| Michael Monette | Maintenance/Custodian |
| Everett Strout /Laura Brooks | Part Time Evening Custodians |
| Ruth Schneider | Paraprofessional – Title I |
| Jane Brodeur | Paraprofessional |
| Cheryl Hall Ryan | Paraprofessional |
| Nancy Thornton | Paraprofessional – Special Education |
| Vicki Coffran | Paraprofessional – Special Education |
| Valentina Fusco | Paraprofessional – Special Education |
| Tracey Sivret Hanson | Paraprofessional – Special Education |
| Megan Formichelli | Paraprofessional – Special Education |
| Sandra Redlands | Substitute Coordinator |

## Contracted Support

| | |
|---|---|
| Krystal Trask | O.T.R |
| Stephen Colanero | Speech/Language Pathologist |
| Mary Ann Salvatoriello | School Psychologist |
| Tina Giguere & Mary Page | Café Services |

# Principal's Report 2016

*The mission of the Cornish Elementary School is to educate and inspire each child to reach his or her academic potential, as well as to help each child develop the skills required to be a responsible person.*

Cornish Elementary School's Faculty began the 2015-16 school year focusing on two primary goals: first, to provide the best possible instruction for each of our students; second, to involve students and staff in further developing a positive school climate. By working towards these goals, we plan to achieve the school's overall mission.

We have a group of talented teachers who work hard to raise each individual student's ability to read, write, problem-solve, research, play, draw and think in new and creative ways. We began the year analyzing the Spring 2015 reading and math testing data, identifying each student's areas of strength and looking for areas for each to demonstrate – and then document - individual growth. A new schedule was introduced that includes a 40-minute reading and math intervention period every morning, as well as a daily 50-minute Supported Studies period at the end of the day to provide homework support or enrichment opportunities such as Chorus or French.

During our fall faculty meetings, six highly effective elements of instruction were reviewed for emphasis in the classroom, highlighting research-based teaching strategies for teachers to employ. These are being observed as part of our new teacher evaluation instrument, with detailed feedback on each of 15 performance indicators. We continue to spend faculty meetings in Professional Learning Communities (PLCs), analyzing Fall and Winter testing data and collaboratively planning reading and math interventions.

School specialists are also critical to student success; our school counselor, nurse, special education case manager, Library media specialist, and reading and math specialists each play a crucial role in a child's performance at school, whether providing physical and mental health services or specialized instruction in reading, research, writing and math. In addition, our paraprofessionals reinforce appropriate social and academic learning.

To foster positive school climate, we instituted a monthly assembly to publicly recognize our students and celebrate important events. Students received *'Student of the Month'* award certificates after being nominated by their teachers for academic achievement, effort and improvement. They also received *'Wildcat Way'* awards, after being nominated by classmates as well as faculty, for contributing towards a positive school environment through acts of kindness and generosity. Still other students have been recognized for their creative talents and community service. At our October *Student-of-the-Month* assembly we hosted the Fisher Cats Baseball team representatives, including their mascot '**Fungo**', to initiate a reading promotion for students. And at our December assembly, we celebrated the collection of over 640 pounds of donated food for The Haven, organized by our Student Leadership Team. Each Homeroom offered up a performance, such as haiku poems, math analyses of their donations, readings, skits and songs.

Although many schools across the country have dropped recess time in exchange for academic preparation, Cornish remains committed to providing time for students to refresh and re-energize their learning batteries every day through active play and social time. Playground guidelines were reviewed and updated; adult supervision includes paraprofessionals, teachers and the school principal to ensure appropriate interactions for all.

Technology has played an increasingly important role for teachers and students. Most of our teachers are utilizing interactive SmartBoards and computer tablets to conduct research, participate in online math lessons and practice tests, or improve their writing and editing skills. This year we added 12 computer tablets to support student research, writing and online testing; this was made possible in large part by a grant from the CCPTO. To support an increase in Internet access, the building Wi-Fi is being enhanced by the installation of more access points.

Subject to School Board and Town approval, we plan to assign each Upper Wing student a computer tablet to use throughout the 2016-17 school year, which will facilitate a much more flexible approach to teaching and learning. The school's bandwidth for Internet access will be increased as well to meet the demand for online access. We also anticipate the creation of a 'MakerSpace' in our Library Media Center to encourage all of our K-8 students to tinker, build and experiment with a variety of low and high-tech materials. Finally, we plan to offer an after-school Robotics club with help and support from local STEM-oriented volunteers.

Volunteers make it possible for us to do more with less: French instruction once a week to interested 7th and 8th graders; chaperoning field trips to local Opera House performances, Fort Number 4, the American Precision Museum and the Hulbert Outdoor Center; scheduling and coaching of interscholastic Basketball teams; hosting and chaperoning evening dances; leading hands-on and outdoor environmental science activities in our Lower Wing with the 4 Winds group; coordinating and leading our LIFE ski program; guest teachers in our classrooms; and providing a dance performance for one of our assemblies. In addition, the Cornish Community Parent Teacher Organization (CCPTO) has been actively supporting the school through its fundraising – most notably the Cornish Fair – to provide equipment and underwrite class activities and special field trips. We are so grateful for all of these volunteers who make this possible.

Math in Focus (also known as "Singapore Math") is our K-8 mathematics curriculum; we are in our second year of the program. Teachers will continue to receive professional development expertise during the school year and over the summer. To enhance student success in mathematics, all grade 5 through 8 students recently received licenses for an online math assessment program called IXL. This program provides teachers a way to monitor student progress throughout the year for mastery of specific math concepts and skills. Because it is web-based, students are able to use it at home for additional practice. We anticipate expanding the IXL progress monitoring to grades K-4 for the 2016-17 school year.

Reading Wonders is our new reading program for grades K-6. Teachers are very positive about this new literacy curriculum, especially since it is aligned so closely with national standards. This program also facilitates differentiation of their instruction with broad and deep reading materials at every grade level, accompanied by intervention materials for readers who need more

support. We will continue with Reading Wonders next year, adding professional development where possible so our Reading teachers and Library Media Specialist receive sufficient training in its implementation.
Our 'specials' (Art, Music, P.E. and Library) are led by an equally talented group of faculty who love what they teach. Currently all students receive instruction once a week in Art, Music and Library; and twice a week in P.E. In addition, our school Nurse and Counselor provide instruction for grades 6, 7 and 8 that addresses adolescent issues. Our Counselor also schedules local high school visits for interested 8th graders deciding where they will attend, and offers 'Lunch Bunch' times for various groups of students throughout the year. We are planning a similar program structure for the 2016-17 school year, with significant collaboration between our 'specials' teachers and their academic core content colleagues.

Our teachers have devoted many hours to improving their skill and content knowledge to ensure our students obtain the best possible education from Cornish Elementary School, and remain competitive with other schools in the Upper Valley. This includes visits and consultation with area schools as we study other school's Science, Math and Art curriculum, Full Day Kindergarten programs, Special Education models and combined grade instruction. As a result of these efforts, in combination with significant cuts and targeted, prudent budgeting, we anticipate offering a Full Day Kindergarten program for the 2016-17 school year, subject to School Board and Town approval.

We will continue to pursue our goal of academic excellence in all core content areas to ensure solid instruction and assessment. Over the next two years, we will be conducting a thorough review of our Science and Social Studies curriculum, after which we will update course materials and equipment that support a curriculum aligned with national standards. Through these efforts, our graduating 8th graders will be thoroughly prepared for whichever high school option they select.

We are grateful to all members of the Cornish community for their continued support of our school, and invite everyone to our 8th grade promotion ceremony and celebration, to be held at St. Gaudens National Historic Site on Saturday June 18, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Prileson, Principal

**Artwork by Clem – Grade 5**

## Building and Maintenance Report

This summer should complete the correction plan of violations and deficiencies noted by the NH State Fire Marshal's office (NHFMO), at an inspection of the school for Fire and Life Safety on February 20, 2013. A re-inspection was conducted on December 9, 2013.

The fire alarm system upgrades and new emergency lighting installation went out to bid. Richard Electric of Wilder, VT was awarded the contract. This project is ongoing with two inspections from the NHFMO so far. The NHFMO has required additional devices be added to the system. A voice evacuation system has been installed in the gym. All the additions should be met and a final inspection by the State will occur during April break.

The hallway closets and kitchen doors will be replaced with fire rated doors this summer. The school generator for back-up/emergency power will be relocated away from the school and the overhead power wiring will be buried at this time, which will take care of the last of the Life/Safety violations noted.

The two new classroom unit ventilators are installed and will be controlled by the building management system soon.

The NH Homeland Security conducted an inspection of the school. Several suggestions were made, the school safety committee and the Fire and Police Chiefs are working on this.

This past summer's maintenance consisted of the overall cleaning of all rooms and waxing of floors. The Cornish Fair ended on Sunday, August 23rd and teachers were back on Monday, August 24th thus leaving no time to ready the school for the new school year. Two classrooms were also re-assigned and the stage was re-wired.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Monette

# CCPTO Annual Report

## 2015-2016

CCPTO stands for Cornish Community Parent Teacher Organization. It is named Cornish Community because our mission is to enhance educational and social opportunities while strengthening school and community ties.

The following list represents programs and activities with which the CCPTO has been involved during the 2014-2015 school year.
Open House - provide financial support, host, provide refreshments.
Summer Reading Initiative – sponsor
Cornish Fair – Organize volunteers to work admission gates
Four Winds Science Program – provide financial support
Field Trips and Field Trip Transportation – provide financial support
Graduation Awards – provide financial support
Kindergarten Welcome Kits – finance
Life Program – coordinate/provide financial support
Playground Equipment – finance
Classroom Materials - provide financial support
Cornish School Clothing – coordinate / sponsor
Holiday Shop – coordinate/sponsor
Yearbook – support
Coaches Appreciation Gifts – coordinate/ finance
Inform the Cornish Community of school activities through Connect Cornish, flyers, newsletters, coordinate.
8th Grade Trip to Washington DC – support

**Enrichment:**
Author Visit with Tanner Dow – coordinate/ finance
Staff Appreciation week – coordinate / finance
Provide childcare for annual school board meeting - coordinate / finance
Science Fair Awards and Refreshments – finance
Support Technology- helped to finance purchase of 12 Chrome Books and COW to store/charge them, Dec 2015
Bi-Annual distribution of Cornish phone book starting in 2016/2017

**2014/2015 Fundraisers**
The Cornish Fair – main fundraiser (raised over $5000.00 in 2015)
Box Tops for Education – (raised $433.40 in 2014)
Picaboo Fall Fundraiser (raised $2000.00 in 2015)

Our goals for the 2015/2016 school year include supporting enrichment activities at our school through coordination of programs, events, and fundraising. We would like to experiment with new/different fundraisers and are open to suggestions. We are in desperate need of increasing our membership in the future in order to enable our committee to plan and support the above events and other events that highlight our students and their accomplishments. Please consider joining us. We meet the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm in the school library.

Respectfully submitted,
CCPTO

# Cornish Elementary School Nurse: Annual Report

## School Health and Nutrition/Wellness Programs School Year 2014/2015

| School Health Goals for 2014/15: | Status: |
|---|---|
| Teach CPR/AED to 8th grade students. | *Done* |
| Using the principles of Continuous Quality Improvement, continue program to decrease student injuries. | *Ongoing* |
| Using illness data, continue to evaluate the efficacy of the continued emphasis on hand washing. | *Ongoing* |
| Using the quality improvement process, continue to evaluate BMI percent's. | *Ongoing* |
| Continue to provide education and communications for teachers, paras, & parents regarding health-related issues | Ongoing |
| Attain 100% compliance with NH State Immunization Requirements | *Done* |
| Continue Nutrition/Wellness work with emphasis on National Nutrition Month educational activities | *Ongoing* |
| Upgrade School Health Program, as necessary. | *Ongoing* |
| Continue work with School & SAU Safety Committees. | *Ongoing* |

**Quality Improvement (QI) Program: School Health:**

Analysis of QI Data: Illness & Injury Data:
All students may come to the Health Office with teacher approval to get skin lotion, and Vaseline for chapped lips as needed; these visits are not counted in the Health Office statistics.

The total number of nurse visits were 1485 down from 1701. Per pupil average was 14.5 visits per student. 57% of visits were related to illness, down from 67% and 43% related to injury, up from 34%. The average per student illness related nurse contact was 8.3 visits. This was down from 9.9. Complaints of illness related to the respiratory tract accounted for 26% of all illness related nurse visits, up from 23%.
In a comparison, the average number of per student injury related nurse visits were 6.4 visits per student. This is up from 5.2 visits per student last year.
When analyzing the source of injuries, 29.9% of the reported injuries were playground-related injuries, excluding structure-related.
This represents an increase from last year's 25%. Of note, there was a long, icy period this past winter. Physical Education related injuries are decreased from 15% of all injury related visits to 11.7%.

30.6% of injury-related visits were from other injuries sustained in school not associated with the sources previously mentioned, e.g. paper cuts, tripping in the hall, etc. This is an increase from last year's 24%. Home-related injuries resulted in 16.9% this is down from 23% of nurse visits. This would include falls off bikes, getting injured sledding, etc. And, after school sports related injuries decreased from 7% of injury related visits to 3.4%.

**Follow-up of QI Data**: Continue to analyze injury data by source and type of injury. These data will be presented to the Principal, the PE teacher and the CES safety committee for action. Analyze illness data by type of illness.

**Upgrade School Health Program**:
We succeeded in getting most of the staff trained in Prevention of Exposure to Blood Borne Pathogens and Use of an Epipen.

| **Nutrition/Wellness Goals 2014/15:** | **Status:** |
|---|---|
| - Nutrition: Continue involvement w/Farm to School Program | Ongoing |
| - Education: Educate students regarding healthy diet | Ongoing |
| - Fitness: Stress fitness for life. | Ongoing |

**Nutrition/Wellness Data: (2015-2016)**
Maintaining a healthy food intake vs. exercise balance is important in maintaining good health over the course of a lifetime.
One marker of this balance is the body mass index (BMI). The score is valid for both children and adolescents but it does have some significant limitations. The **limits** of the BMI are:
* It may **overestimate** body fat in athletes and in others, whose body is muscular.
* It may **underestimate** body fat in those who have lost muscle mass.
* It may not be used alone for children and adolescents. Children put on weight prior to growth spurts. When a BMI is calculated during one of these times they may appear to be at risk for obesity or actually obese, when in fact they are in the middle of growing. Graphing the BMI as a **percentage** compared to other children the same age helps to make sense of this process.

A BMI and percent were calculated and graphed for each student. These data were reviewed with Ms. Whitaker, the PE teacher. One of the challenges in comparing data at this point is low numbers.

One student can make the difference between meeting our goals and not meeting them. We continue to pursue involvement in the Farm to School Program. We also continued the March Nutrition Theme.

Regarding the goal of improving fitness, the school and community continue to invest in this goal via an extra day for PE and continued involvement in the LIFE Program.
Follow-up of QI Data: Continue to collect BMI's. Analyze results. Continue to stress healthy eating, limiting screen time, getting exercise an hour of every day and getting enough rest.

Respectfully Submitted:
Mary E. Lynch, R.N.
School Nurse

**Healthy habits for you and your family.**

Healthy habits can protect you and your children. Simple actions can stop germs and prevent illnesses.

**Cover your mouth and nose.** When you cough or sneeze, cover your mouth and nose with your elbow. If you use a tissue when you cough or sneeze, drop it in the trash. Then, wash your hands.

**Keep Immunizations for *all* family members up-to-date**, including Flu vaccinations.

**Wash your hands often.** Hand washing, with soap and warm water, can stop the spread of germs.

**Brush and floss** your teeth, at least twice a day.

**Eat five (5) fruits and vegetables per day.** Make half of your daily grain intake whole grains. Limit soda, fast foods, candy, cookies, chips, and desserts, such as pies and cakes.

**Eat breakfast every day.**

**Exercise every day** for at least 30 minutes, 60 minutes is better and recommended for all children.

**Make certain everyone gets enough rest!** Remove electronics from student's bedrooms.

**Limit students screen time,** TV, video games, PC's, etc., to no more than 2 hours a day. This does not include time spent actually doing homework.

**Remind your children to practice healthy habits.** Model this for them.

**Healthy habits help reduce illnesses and sick days.** Healthy habits may help improve school and work performance.

**Make sure your family has an Emergency Preparedness Kit and a Plan** that is known by each member.

**Remember to check your child's hair periodically for head lice.** Due to the advent of drug resistant head lice, we follow the national standard of care, which has abandoned the "No Nit Policy" for school attendance. This policy was resulting in unusually long absences from school. Head lice are a "social" irritation and not an infectious disease. Children should not share hats, hair decorations, combs, brushes and should try to avoid pressing their heads together.

For more information please go to www.sdc.gov, www.myplate.gov or www.ready.gov/

# One Step Ahead Daycare

**After School Program**

In August of last year One Step Ahead Daycare was asked to run the after school program in Cornish. We gladly accepted and in September of last year we started accepting children into the program. Thanks to the help and support of Cornish's Administration, the program has been very successful.

The after school program runs Monday through Friday from 2:55 PM – 5:30 PM on school days. This is a multi-age program for children in grades one through eight. The cost is $10.00 per day and includes a snack.

The Cornish After School Program provides opportunities for children to; help plan their own activities, time for structured and unstructured play both indoors and outdoors, options for active and quiet activities, and a chance for individual and group experiences both child initiated and staff directed. Some activities offered are crafts, art, board games, free play, playground games, dramatic play, homework time, reading and much more.

One Step Ahead Daycare director, Lisa Lashway, oversees the program. The Cornish program is run by two part time highly qualified site directors. They work together and with the school staff to provide a high quality program to all children and families.

For more information, or to enroll your child in the After School Program, please contact us at info@onestepaheaddaycare.com.

# Technology in the Cornish School District (January 2016)

The Cornish School District has a progressive technology program providing students, staff, and administration with technology tools necessary for innovative instruction and daily work flow. High-speed internet is available throughout the school. Wireless internet access is available throughout the school. We house a computer lab in the upper wing of the building with 21 computers for use by all students, a smaller lab with 6 computers stationed in the library for research and project work. The library also manages a 22 unit mobile laptop station and 38 Chromebooks to ensure student access to technology. Interactive whiteboards are an important aspect to 21st century instruction and our school currently has 10 boards for instruction. We have ongoing initiatives utilizing Google Drive, E-portfolio, Classroom websites, and several other software and online tools to improve access to digital content and online tools for students, parents, and staff. A major initiative planned for Fall 2016 is establishing 1:1 computing for upper grade levels 5-8. Also planned for Fall 2016 is an upgraded phone and intercom system to improve building-wide communication and security.

We actively utilize email District-wide. We also have a school website linked directly from the SAU #6 site to enhance communication to parents and the community. We also use an automated notification system to notify parents and staff of important changes or events. PowerSchool is used extensively to satisfy the evolving requirements of student information reporting.

The Cornish School District enforces an acceptable use policy emphasizing appropriate use of all computer technology. All staff, students, and parents review and sign the Cornish School Board Policy EGA-R to gain access to the District's network and internet resources. Keeping the District compliant with CIPA (Children's Internet Protection Act) is a requirement and a priority.

The Cornish School District has an active Technology Committee. The committee meets regularly to review the needs of the District, assesses progress with the District's technology plan to meet state standards, and recommends budgetary items. The technology program is constantly reviewed for improvements in technology access, utilization, and support.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan LaVanway

# Cornish School District SAU Planning Committee Report

Article III of the 2016 Cornish School District Warrant, SAU Withdrawal, asks Cornish voters whether or not the Cornish School District should withdraw from SAU 6. A 'yes' vote is a vote to withdraw from SAU 6 and become our own single district SAU. A 'no' vote is a vote to remain with SAU 6. The article to withdraw must pass by a 3/5 majority to take effect. The *Cornish School District SAU Withdrawal and Organization Plan* is available at www.cornishnh.net. Paper copies are available at the Cornish Elementary School. Below is a summary of the major points of the SAU Withdrawal Plan:

The state of NH requires that school districts receive SAU services. SAUs ensure that school districts operate smoothly by helping school districts develop an educational mission and curriculum, comply with state and federal laws, negotiate contracts, pay employees, pay bills, organize transportation, write grants, etc. An SAU can provide these services to several districts, or an SAU can be a single school district.

Cornish is one of three school districts in SAU 6 along with Claremont and Unity. SAUs have their own budgets and their member districts each pay a share of the SAU budget to the SAU. Cornish paid $221,000 to SAU 6 for the 2015/16 school year. The total amount paid by all the three SAU 6 districts for 2015/16 was $1,866,730.

The Planning Committee has decided that becoming our own single district (just Cornish) SAU would be the best decision for students, the school, and the community. To become our own single district we need to withdraw, or end our legal relationship, with SAU 6. We feel that Cornish would have a full voice in how we govern our school if we were a single district SAU.

As a small school, a part time Superintendent, Finance Director, and Special Education Director would serve the needs of the Cornish School District. We could either find people willing to work part time, or we could hire people who are already working part time somewhere else and want to increase their time. The Plainfield School District has a part time SAU staff with time available to do contract work for Cornish. The Cornish School District would not hire Plainfield staff individually but through a two to three year contract with the Plainfield's SAU 32. Because SAU 32 (Plainfield) is so similar to Cornish in size, we feel that contracting staff who are familiar with what small schools need will be the best way to meet the needs of our school.

A growing part of every school budget is technology. If Cornish withdraws from SAU 6, we would lose access to the SAU 6 Technology Office. Windsor Southeast Supervisor Union, a larger VT Supervisory Union, has built a computer network that we could join at a price that is much cheaper than the cost of building our own network just for Cornish.

The proposed partnerships with Plainfield and Windsor are based on contracts. **Cornish would**

**not be merging or joining with any district.** The relationship between Cornish and Plainfield or Cornish and Windsor would be like a business contract between separate corporations.

We looked at what we thought Cornish would pay SAU 6 in the 2017/18 school year and what we thought Cornish would spend on its own SAU in that same year. We found that having our own SAU could save the School District some money.

If Cornish leaves SAU 6 in the 2017/18 school year, the two districts remaining (Claremont and Unity) would pay more to SAU 6. The increase for Claremont and Unity could be reduced if SAU 6 chose to trim its budget accordingly for the 2017/18 school year.

**How much do we estimate it will cost Cornish to be our own SAU?**

| POTENTIAL IMPACT OF CORNISH WITHDRAWAL FROM SAU 6 FY18 CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET | ESTIMATED Proposed Cornish SAU FY18 Budget | ESTIMATED SAU 6 FY18 Cornish Assessment | Difference (Cornish Proposed less SAU 6) | Percent Increase/ Decrease | ESTIMATED FY18 Cornish Tax Rate Impact* Inc/(Dec) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SAU Office | $ 212,351 | $ 230,350 | $ (17,999) | -7.81% | |
| Anticipated District Budget Increase/Decrease | $ (22,660) | $ - | | | |
| ESTIMATED FY18 Impact without one-time costs | $ 189,691 | $ 230,350 | $ (40,659) | -17.65% | $ (0.23) |
| ADD: Anticipated one-time costs | $ 22,400 | $ - | | | |
| ESTIMATED FY18 impact (includes one-time costs) | $ 212,091 | $ 230,350 | $ (18,259) | -7.93% | $ (0.10) |
| *Subject to change: ESTIMATED Tax Impact calculate using 2015 valuation | | | | | |

The Committee estimates that a Cornish SAU Office will be an expense of $212,351 in the Cornish School District 2017/18 budget.
There will be some decreases in our School District budget because of the way that we will reorganize our district as our own SAU. The decrease is estimated at ($22,660).
There will also be one-time costs for setting up the new SAU in the 2017/18 school year. The one-time costs are estimated at $22,400.
Taking the decreases and the one-time costs, the Cornish SAU Office is estimated to have a budget impact of about $212,091.
This is $18,259 less than we estimate SAU 6 will cost Cornish in that same year.

**Who decides?**
The Cornish voters will decide at the 2016 School District Meeting. The article to withdraw from SAU 6 must pass by a 3/5 majority of the voters. If the School District votes to withdraw from SAU 6 in March of 2016, the actual withdrawal will not take place until July 1, 2017. The year between is called a transition year. The Committee has found that the School District will need to plan for about $16,767 in legal, business, records transfer and technology transition expenses during the transition year.

**Why go to all this trouble?**

Our committee believes that giving Cornish voters a full voice in the administration, resources, and mission of the Cornish School District will give us the opportunity to provide our students with a school that is educationally and financially sustainable.

Respectfully,
The Cornish School District SAU Planning Committee

Heidi Jaarsma, Chair
Bill Palmer, Vice-Chair
Peter Lynch, Secretary
Sandra Carlson
Justin Ranney
Nicole Saginor
Holly Traft

# Minutes of the Annual Meeting Cornish School District

## March 7, 2015

The annual meeting of the School District of the Town of Cornish, NH, was held on March 7, 2015, at the Cornish Elementary School. School District Clerk Kimberly Patterson swore in Leland Atwood, Robin Monette, and Ruth Rollins as Supervisors of the Checklist. Patterson also swore in Lois Fitts, Melanie Aguiar, Audrey Jacquier, and Jane Walter as Ballot Inspectors.

School District Moderator Gwyn Gallagher opened the business meeting at 8:00AM. After declaring a quorum present, Gallagher opened the polls for voting on Article I by paper ballot.

Gallagher called the business meeting to order at 1:OOPM. After Helen Lovell led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Reverend Dale Nicholas followed with a brief prayer. Gallagher then introduced the Supervisory Union personnel in attendance, the School Board Members, the Supervisors of the Checklist, the District Officers, and the Ballot Clerks.

**Article 1: (Election of Officers)**

There were 397 ballots cast.

**SCHOOL BOARD** -Gregory Clark, Jr. was elected to a three-year term with 240 votes. Justin Ranney was elected to a three-year term with 256 votes. Troy Simino received 173 votes. Michelle Kearns received one write-in vote.

**TREASURER-** Larry Dingee was elected to a one-year term with 274 votes. There were write-in votes for Merilyn Bourne (12), Heather Meeks (15), Heidi Jaarsma (3), Dan Poor (3), Bill Caterino (2), Connie Kousman (1), Roger Gilbert (1), Kyle Fisher (1), Sue Fitch (1), John Rand (1), Marcia Clark (1), Peter Lynch (1), and Shirley Bladen (1).

**MODERATOR** – Gwyn Gallagher was elected to a one-year term with 378 votes.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK-** Kimberly Patterson was elected to a one-year term with 216 votes. Merilyn Bourne received 170 vote.

**Article II: (Hearing of Reports)**

Troy Simino moved that the District accept the reports of agents, committees, or officers chosen (as reported in the *248th Annual Report)* and pass any votes relating thereto. Cathy Parks seconded the motion. Since no votes were required, the motion was passed by a voice vote

**Article Ill: (Main Budget)**

Troy Simino moved that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE MILLION SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE ($3,677,945) for the support of schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, and to authorize the applications against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State of New Hampshire, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes $3,522,445 for the general fund, $65,000 for the school lunch fund, and $90,500 for the federal projects fund and user fees. Cathy Parks seconded the motion.

Jay Young made the motion to amend the main motion and increase the appropriation by $21,474 to $3,699,419. This amount is the funding needed to restore the library media position to .8 hours. Jim Borchert seconded the motion, and it passed on a show of hands vote.

Cliff Thornberry made a motion to amend the amended main motion to reduce the $3,699,419 by $21,474 back to the original appropriation of $3,677,945. Jay Young seconded the motion. The motion to amend failed on a voice vote.

The amended main motion, to raise and appropriate $3,699,419, was then passed by a voice vote

**Article IV: Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund- Tuition and Special Education)**

Glenn Thornton moved that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($25,000) to be added to School District Special Education/High School Tuition capital reserve fund previously established. The motion passed by a voice vote after a second by Troy Simino.

**Article V: (Fire Alarm System Improvements)**

Cathy Parks moved that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FORTY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($41,000) for the purpose of completing fire alarms systems upgrades required to meet life safety codes. Sharon St. Martin seconded the motion. It was passed by a voice vote

**Article VII: (Withdrawal committee)**

Heidi Jaarsma moved that the School District vote to form a planning committee to study the advisability of withdrawing from SAU#6 and pursuing options that could include joining or purchasing services from another SAU, pursuant to RSA 194-C:2 which specifies that the committee will consist of 5 public members appointed by the moderator, 2 School Board members appointed by the School Board, and the Superintendent of Schools as a non-voting member. And, further, to see if the School District will raise and appropriate the sum of SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS ($750) to meet the expenses of said committee as allowed under RSA 194-C.I.7 After a second by Holly Taft, the motion was passed by a paper ballot vote YES-144, N0-21.

**Article VII: Library Media Position Funding (By Petition)**

Jim Lukash moved that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $43,650.36 for the purpose of funding a .8 Library Media Specialist position for the Cornish School, said amount to include retirement benefits. Krista Merrihew seconded the motion. The amended Article Ill appropriation included the funding needed to keep this position at its current level. Discussion between the board and the voters raised concerns as to whether this article could force the school board to fund this position. After Superintendent Middleton McGoodwin explained that funds could not be earmarked for a particular line item such as the library media specialist, Lukash withdrew his motion.

Merilyn Bourne moved that the School District vote to direct the Cornish School Board to fund the 0.8 library media specialist position. The motion was seconded by Krista Merrihew and passed by a voice vote.

**Article VIII: Full Day Kindergarten (By Petition)**

Alicia Simino moved that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 to implement Full Day Kindergarten at Cornish Elementary School following the CEA recommendation #3. Bill Wall seconded.

Nate Cass **moved** to pass over this article. No one seconded so there was no vote.

Samantha Green **moved to amend the main motion** by removing the words "following the CEA recommendation." John Scott **seconded.** The amendment was **passed** by a voice vote.

The **amended main motion,** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 to implement Full Day Kindergarten at Cornish Elementary School, was passed on a **paper ballot** vote YES-95, N0-48

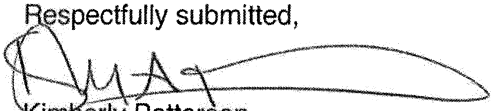
**Article** IX: **(Other Business)**

Lois Fitts **moved** that the School Board look into ways to close the school. The motion **failed** on a voice vote after Bill Fitts **seconded** it.

Jim Borchert **moved** that the School District vote to advise the School Board to allow civil and respectful commentary of questions they get prior to a vote, excluding executive session. After a **second** by Chris Chilton, the motion was **passed** by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Kimberly Patterson
School District Clerk

## Report of the School District Treasurer
Fiscal Year 2014-15

| | |
|---|---|
| **Cash on hand June 30, 2014** | **$47,247** |
| Received from Selectmen | $2,174,561 |
| Received from State/Federal sources & other sources | 1,419,139 |
| **Total Receipts** | **$3,593,700** |
| **Less School Board Orders Processed** | **$3,545,114** |
| **Cash on Hand / Book Balance June 30, 2015** | **$95,833** |

## Cornish School Building Fund
June 30, 2015 Fund Balance

| | |
|---|---|
| Fund Balance as of June 30, 2014 | $6,570,57 |
| Pledges Received | 0.00 |
| Income Earned – interest | 1.38 |
| ***TOTAL June 30, 2015*** | **$6,570.57** |

## Science Room Renovation Fund
June 30, 2015 Fund Balance

| | |
|---|---|
| Fund Balance as of June 30, 2014 | $1,495.29 |
| Pledges Received | 0.00 |
| Income Earned – interest | 0.00 |
| Withdrawal | 0.00 |
| ***TOTAL – June 30, 2015*** | **$1,495.29** |

## Fundraiser Report
2014-2015

| FUNDRAISER | AMOUNT EXPENDED | BALANCE |
|---|---|---|
| | | |
| Class of 2015 | $13,711.34 | $295.58 |
| 3/4 Wreaths | $4,078.30 | $1,403.20 |
| Farm to School | -0- | $1,629.35 |
| Storrs Graduation Award | -0- | $400.00 |
| Life/Ski Program*<br>*Includes Parent Pay | $12,963.00 | $612.53 |

## Debt Payment Schedule

Cornish School District

| | Energy Efficiency Projects | |
|---|---|---|
| Period | Principal | Interest |
| | | |
| 2015-2016 | 51,111 | 6,871. |
| 2016-2017 | 51,111 | 5,359. |
| 2017-2018 | 51,111 | 3,814. |
| 2018-2019 | 51,111 | 2,286. |
| 2019-2020 | --- | 758. |
| | | |

| Cornish French Account | |
|---|---|
| | Scholarship |
| Balance 6/30/2014 | $15,324.00 |
| Interest | $5.26 |
| Donations/Fundraising | $0.00 |
| Withdrawals | $0.00 |
| Balance 6/30/2015 | $15,329.26 |

**James Brewster Fitch Scholarship**

Agricultural/Environmental Scholarship (Original Contribution $6,873.43)

| Beginning Balance 6/30/14 | Contribution | Interest | Withdrawals | Fund Balance 06/30/15 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| $8,995.54 | $0.00 | $2.08 | $0.00 | $8,997.62 |

## Special Endowment Funds

June 30, 2015 Fund Balances

| FUND NAME (original gift/principle amount) | | RESTRICTIONS | BALANCE |
|---|---|---|---|
| James Farley Memorial Fund | ($2,807.93) | Writing Excellence | $ 4,977 |
| Gratia T. Huggins Memorial Fund | ($7,509.83) | Capital Expense | 11,608 |
| Eberhardt Award | ($500) | Art & Music | 570 |
| Ellsworth Atwood Memorial | ($500) | Citizenship | 565 |
| Glen Smith Sportmanship Award | ($250) | Sportsmanship | 277 |
| Harriet Runnals Award | ($1,270) | Multiple Categories | 1,303 |
| Clarence Williams Memorial Fund | ($1,000) | Sports Program | 1,770 |
| Clarence Williams Memorial Fund | ($1,000) | Resource Room Program | 1,770 |
| Science Discovery Fund | ($800) | Science Exploration | 1,544 |
| Doris Morgan McAuley Fund | ($930.94) | Spelling Excellence | 978 |
| **TOTAL ENDOWMENTS – June 30, 2015** | | | **$25,362** |



## Queneau Scholarship Trust

| Principal Amount | Income Bal. Beginning of Year | Income | Expended | Income End Year | Grand Total 2015 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $33,000.00 | $2,667.54 | $271.37 | $1,500.00 | $1,438.91 | $34,438.91 |

# CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Special Education Expenses & Revenue

| Category | Actual 13-14 | Actual 14-15 | Budget 15-16 | Budget 16-17 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Funding: | | | | |
| Catastrophic Aid | 0 | 23,678 | 28,500 | 30,000 |
| Adequate Education Grants- SPED | 59,652 | 63,611 | 64,239 | 64,947 |
| Federal and Grant Funding: | | | | |
| Chap. 1- Tutoring in Reading | 8,724 | 22,514 | 17,400 | 17,400 |
| Medicaid | 17,091 | 26,132 | 11,000 | 11,000 |
| TOTAL REVENUE | 85,467 | 135,935 | 121,139 | 123,347 |
| Total Special Ed. Expenses | 408,736 | 563,304 | 515,976 | 493,292 |
| Net Special Education Expenses Paid From Property Taxes | 323,269 | 427,369 | 394,837 | 369,945 |

## Food Service Report
## CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT

| School Year | Student Totals Lunches | Student Totals Breakfasts | Dalily Average Lunches | Dalily Average Breakfasts |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2010-11 | 12,790 | 2,436 | 71.06 | 13.53 |
| 2011-12 | 15,491 | 1,553 | 86.06 | 8.63 |
| 2012-13 | 10,662 | 2,254 | 59.23 | 12.52 |
| 2013-14 | 17,788 | 2,300 | 98.82 | 12.78 |
| 2014-15 | 20,166 | 2,751 | 113.29 | 15.46 |

| School Year | (Loss) Before General Fund Subsidy |
|---|---|
| 2010-11 | (24,071) |
| 2011-12 | (30,730) |
| 2012-13 | (27,129) |
| 2013-14 | (25,094) |
| 2014-15 | (8,725) |

Percent of Café Services Total Cost:

| 2014-15 | 2012-13 | 2011-12 |
|---|---|---|
| 32.5 | 31.3 | 29.3 |
| 52.3 | 54.5 | 55.2 |
| 8.4 | 6 | 10.2 |
| 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.7 |
| 5.3 | 6.9 | 3.6 |
| 100 | 100 | 100 |

| | 2013-14 | 2012-13 | 2011-12 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost per Lunch Served: | 3.49 | 4.18 | 5.95 |

## School District Warrant

## Cornish School District

## Cornish, New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Cornish in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to attend the Annual District Meeting at the Cornish Elementary School Gymnasium on Saturday, March 5, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. to act upon the articles set forth in this warrant.

Article 1 of the Warrant will be voted upon by official ballot from the checklist and the polls will remain open for this purpose from 8:00 a.m. in the forenoon until 7:00 p.m. in the evening.

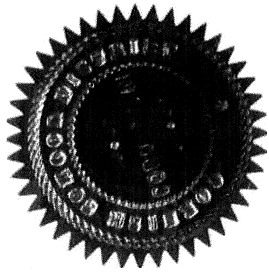
The business session of the School District meeting will commence at 1:00 p.m. in the afternoon at which time the remaining articles will be acted upon.

**Article I Election of District Officials**

To elect a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, each for one-year terms, and one (1) School Board member, for a three (3) year term.

**Article II Hearing of Reports**

To hear reports of Agents, Committees or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.



**Article III SAU Withdrawal**

Shall the Cornish School District accept the provisions of RSA 194-C providing for the withdrawal from a School Administrative Unit involving School Districts of Claremont, Cornish, and Unity in accordance with the provisions of the proposed plan?
(3/5 Majority Vote Required)

**Article IVSAU Withdrawal-Transition Year Costs**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIXTEEN THOUSAND SEVEN-HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SEVEN DOLLARS ($16,767) for the purpose of meeting expenses incurred in the 2016/17 school year which are directly related to the transition of the Cornish School District to a single district School Administrative Unit.
(Majority vote required)

(The School Board Recommends this Article)

**Article V Main Budget**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THREE THOUSAND THIRTY THREE DOLLARS ($3,503,033) for the support of schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, and to authorize the applications against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State of New Hampshire, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes $3,358,533 for the general fund, $94,000 for the school lunch fund, and $50,500 for the federal projects fund.

(Majority vote required)

(The School Board Recommends this Article)

**Article VI Collective Bargaining Agreement**

To see if the School District will approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Cornish School Board and the Cornish Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

| Year 2016-17 | Estimated Increase |
|---|---|
| 2017-18 | $15,184 |
| | $23,661 |

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND ONE-HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR DOLLARS ($15,184) for the 2016-17 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.
(Majority vote required)

(The School Board Recommends this Article)

**Article VII Generator Relocation**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($25,000) for the purpose of meeting the State of New Hampshire Fire Marshall's Office request, for relocation of the generator to be comply with current State of New Hampshire Fire Code Requirements.
(Majority vote required)

(The School Board Recommends this Article)

**Article VIII Appoint Cornish School Board as Agents to Expend**

To see if the School District will vote to appoint the Cornish School Board as agents to expend from the School District Special Education/High School Tuition Capital Reserve Fund established in 2007.

**Article IX Unit Vent Heater Replacement**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($12,500) for the purpose of replacing one additional unit vent heater located in a classroom, in the Cornish Elementary School.
(Majority vote required)

(The School Board Recommends this Article)

**Article X Appropriation to Building Repairs and Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($7,500) to the previously established School Building Repairs and Maintenance expendable trust fund.
(Majority vote required)

(The School Board Recommends this Article)

**Article XI Other Business**

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEAL AT SAID Cornish this 15th, day of February, 2016.

Justin Ranney, Chair

Glenn Thornton

Greg Clark, Jr.

Holly Taft

Cathy Parks

**CORNISH SCHOOL BOARD**

| Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description | Actual 2014-15 | Budget 2015-16 | Proposed 2016-17 | Increase or Decrease | Percent Change |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Health Insurance | 266,422 | 241,490 | 217,043 | (24,447) | -10.1% |
| Total Dental Insurance | 12,951 | 10,480 | 10,308 | (173) | -1.6% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total Health and Dental Insurance** | **279,374** | **251,970** | **227,350** | **(24,620)** | **-9.8%** |
| | | | | | |
| Reg. Inst. Salaries | 411,835 | 439,791 | 405,293 | (34,499) | -7.8% |
| Reg. Inst. Salaries Paras | 60,532 | 33,852 | 34,511 | 660 | 1.9% |
| Reg. Inst. Salaries Substitutes | 21,296 | 30,000 | 31,500 | 1,500 | 5.0% |
| Reg. Inst. Life & Disability | 1,026 | 1,104 | 1,100 | (4) | -0.3% |
| Reg. Inst. Workers Comp | 3,749 | 2,392 | 2,500 | 108 | 4.5% |
| Reg. Inst. Unemployment Insurance | 1,956 | 2,505 | 3,000 | 495 | 19.8% |
| Reg. Inst. Medicare Taxes | 6,838 | 6,127 | 6,834 | 707 | 11.5% |
| Reg. Inst. Social Security Taxes | 29,238 | 30,396 | 29,221 | (1,175) | -3.9% |
| Reg. Inst. Retirement | 56,831 | 66,521 | 58,989 | (7,532) | -11.3% |
| Dist Wide Intermediate Equational Agency Svcs | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Reg. Inst. Staff Development | 15,721 | 15,000 | 15,000 | - | 0.0% |
| Testing | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Reg. Inst. Equip. Repair | 0 | 1,200 | 1,200 | - | 0.0% |
| Reg. Inst. High School Tuition - In State | 322,718 | 306,895 | 350,930 | 44,035 | 14.3% |
| Reg. Inst. High School Tuition - Out of State | 795,540 | 724,485 | 643,710 | (80,775) | -11.1% |

| Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description | Actual 2014-15 | Budget 2015-16 | Proposed 2016-17 | Increase or Decrease | Percent Change |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Reg. Inst. Supplies | 10,724 | 15,950 | 14,950 | (1,000) | -6.3% |
| Reg. Inst. Assessment | 0 | 1,500 | 1,500 | - | 0.0% |
| Reg. Inst. Copiers | 7,936 | 4,860 | 6,600 | 1,740 | 35.8% |
| Reg. Inst. Software | 3,605 | 14,287 | 14,287 | - | 0.0% |
| Reg. Inst. Enrichment | 1,748 | 4,000 | 4,000 | - | 0.0% |
| Reg. Inst. Textbooks | 23,209 | 15,000 | 12,000 | (3,000) | -20.0% |
| Software -Technology Use Only | 1,533 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Reg. Inst. Replacement Equipment | 15,570 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Reg. Inst. Furniture | 420 | 1,000 | 1,000 | - | 0.0% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total Regular Education** | **1,792,025** | **1,716,864** | **1,638,124** | **(78,740)** | **-4.6%** |
| | | | | | |
| Sped. Salaries | 99,990 | 79,766 | 74,025 | (5,741) | -7.2% |
| Sped. Salaries Paras | 87,960 | 89,304 | 33,188 | (56,116) | -62.8% |
| Sped. Tutoring | 200 | 1,000 | 1,000 | - | 0.0% |
| Sped. Life & Disability | 321 | 507 | 350 | (157) | -31.0% |
| Sped. Workers Comp | 0 | 966 | 850 | (116) | -12.0% |
| Sped. Unemployment Insurance | 220 | 282 | 582 | 300 | 106.4% |
| Sped. Medicare Taxes | 2,620 | 2,761 | 1,555 | (1,206) | -43.7% |
| Sped. Social Security Taxes | 11,203 | 11,805 | 6,647 | (5,158) | -43.7% |
| **Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description** | **Actual 2014-15** | **Budget 2015-16** | **Proposed 2016-17** | **Increase or Decrease** | **Percent Change** |
| Sped. Retirement | 23,632 | 26,714 | 12,991 | (13,724) | -51.4% |
| Sped. Speech & Lang. Services | 18,233 | 20,000 | 24,000 | 4,000 | 20.0% |
| Sped. Staff Development | 0 | 100 | 100 | - | 0.0% |
| Sped. Testing | 25,279 | 11,000 | 11,000 | - | 0.0% |
| Sped. Occupational Therapy | 3,837 | 15,000 | 10,000 | (5,000) | -33.3% |
| Sped. Professional Services | 20 | 19,000 | 20,000 | 1,000 | 5.3% |
| Sped. High School Tuition - In State | 122,578 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Sped. High School Tuition - Out of State | 89,978 | 97,400 | 85,000 | (12,400) | -12.7% |
| Sped. High School Tuition - Private | 0 | 187,700 | 155,000 | (32,700) | -17.4% |
| Sped. Elem. Tuition-In State | 30,679 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Sped. Travel | 185 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Sped. Supplies | 1,515 | 700 | 700 | - | 0.0% |
| Sped. Textbooks | 715 | 500 | 500 | - | 0.0% |
| Sped. Workbooks | 0 | 325 | 325 | - | 0.0% |
| Sped. New Equipment | 112 | 400 | 400 | - | 0.0% |
| Extended Year Program Salary | 353 | 3,000 | 3,000 | - | 0.0% |
| Salaries Paras | 1,263 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Extended Year Prog Unemployment | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Extended Year Program Medicare Taxes | 23 | 0 | 44 | 44 | 0.0% |

| Extended Year Program Social Security Taxes | 99 | 230 | 186 | (44) | -19.1% |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description** | **Actual 2014-15** | **Budget 2015-16** | **Proposed 2016-17** | **Increase or Decrease** | **Percent Change** |
| Extended Year Program Retirement | 179 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total Student Services** | **521,191** | **568,460** | **441,442** | **(127,018)** | **-22.3%** |
| | | | | | |
| Life Disb Ins.-Co Curr | 20 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Athletics Salaries | 1,000 | 1,500 | 0 | (1,500) | -100.0% |
| Life Disb Ins.-Athletics | 23 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Athletics Unemployment Insurance | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Athletics Medicare Taxes | 15 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Athletics Social Security Taxes | 62 | 150 | 0 | (150) | -100.0% |
| Athletics Retirement | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Athletics Police/Referees | 700 | 1,400 | 1,400 | - | 0.0% |
| Athletics Supplies | 5,870 | 1,500 | 1,000 | (500) | -33.3% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total Athletics** | **7,689** | **4,550** | **2,400** | **(2,150)** | **-47.3%** |
| | | | | | |
| Guidance Salaries | 20,860 | 21,274 | 38,839 | 17,565 | 82.6% |
| Guidance Life & Disability | 40 | 242 | 250 | 8 | 3.3% |
| Guidance Workers Comp | 245 | 498 | 500 | 2 | 0.4% |
| Guidance Unemployment Insurance | 110 | 141 | 160 | 19 | 13.5% |
| **Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description** | **Actual 2014-15** | **Budget 2015-16** | **Proposed 2016-17** | **Increase or Decrease** | **Percent Change** |
| Guidance Medicare Taxes | 271 | 275 | 563 | 288 | 104.9% |
| Guidance Social Security Taxes | 1,157 | 1,176 | 2,408 | 1,232 | 104.8% |
| Guidance Retirement | 2,326 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Guidance Supplies | 30 | 900 | 900 | - | 0.0% |
| Health Salaries | 35,375 | 33,347 | 35,035 | 1,687 | 5.1% |
| Health Life & Disability | 6 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Health Workers Comp. | 220 | 327 | 350 | 23 | 7.0% |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Health Unemployment Insurance | 110 | 141 | 240 | 99 | 70.2% |
| Health Medicare Taxes | 435 | 402 | 508 | 106 | 26.3% |
| Health Social Security Taxes | 1,860 | 1,720 | 2,172 | 452 | 26.3% |
| Health Retirement | 5,009 | 5,226 | 3,913 | (1,312) | -25.1% |
| Health Supplies | 560 | 400 | 400 | - | 0.0% |
| Health Textbooks | 100 | 50 | 50 | - | 0.0% |
| Health New Equipment | 110 | 300 | 300 | - | 0.0% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total Guidance and Health** | **68,821** | **66,419** | **86,588** | **20,169** | **30.4%** |
| | | | | | |
| Media Salaries | 34,605 | 42,712 | 30,831 | (11,881) | -27.8% |
| Media Life & Disability | 86 | 87 | 150 | 63 | 71.7% |
| Media Workers Comp. | 214 | 183 | 200 | 17 | 9.3% |
| **Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description** | **Actual 2014-15** | **Budget 2015-16** | **Proposed 2016-17** | **Increase or Decrease** | **Percent Change** |
| Media Unemployment Insurance | 110 | 141 | 160 | 19 | 13.5% |
| Media Medicare Taxes | 504 | 298 | 447 | 150 | 50.3% |
| Media Social Security Taxes | 2,155 | 1,273 | 1,912 | 639 | 50.2% |
| Media Retirement | 4,866 | 0 | 3,444 | 3,444 | 0.0% |
| Media Equip. Repair | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Media Supplies | 1,705 | 2,500 | 2,500 | - | 0.0% |
| Media Books | 1,380 | 4,500 | 4,500 | - | 0.0% |
| Media Periodicals | 338 | 350 | 350 | - | 0.0% |
| Information Management Services Stipends | 0 | 1,000 | 0 | (1,000) | -100.0% |
| Information Management Services Contracted Se | 10,875 | 21,160 | 8,800 | (12,360) | -58.4% |
| Telephone | 0 | 2,300 | 2,300 | - | 0.0% |
| Data Communications | 0 | 3,700 | 7,600 | 3,900 | 105.4% |
| General Software | 1,738 | 5,900 | 0 | (5,900) | -100.0% |
| Equipment | 0 | 14,200 | 39,800 | 25,600 | 180.3% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total Library and Media** | **58,576** | **100,303** | **102,993** | **2,690** | **2.7%** |
| | | | | | |
| School Board School District Treasurer | 200 | 0 | 200 | 200 | 100.0% |

| School Board Secretary | 1,200 | 0 | 1,250 | 1,250 | 100.0% |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| School Board District Clerk | 30 | 0 | 30 | 30 | 100.0% |
| **Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description** | **Actual 2014-15** | **Budget 2015-16** | **Proposed 2016-17** | **Increase or Decrease** | **Percent Change** |
| School Board Moderator | 15 | 0 | 15 | 15 | 100.0% |
| School Board Election Officials | 587 | 0 | 600 | 600 | 100.0% |
| School Board Medicare Taxes | 17 | 0 | 18 | 18 | 100.0% |
| School Board Social Security Taxes | 74 | 0 | 78 | 78 | 100.0% |
| School Board Professional Services | 6,628 | 7,750 | 7,750 | - | 0.0% |
| School Board Auditors | 7,918 | 8,000 | 8,500 | 500 | 6.3% |
| School Board Advertising | 154 | 2,200 | 2,200 | - | 0.0% |
| School Board Annual Report | 1,080 | 1,100 | 1,100 | - | 0.0% |
| School Board Supplies | 1,339 | 750 | 750 | - | 0.0% |
| School Board Dues & Fees | 995 | 2,461 | 2,500 | 39 | 1.6% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total School Board** | **20,237** | **22,261** | **24,991** | **2,730** | **12.3%** |
| | | | | | |
| **SAU 6 Services** | **207,900** | **220,814** | **215,680** | **(5,134)** | **-2.3%** |
| | | | | | |
| School Admin. Salaries | 88,414 | 82,588 | 82,580 | (8) | 0.0% |
| School Admin. Secretary Salary | 35,366 | 34,807 | 36,708 | 1,901 | 5.5% |
| School Admin. Life & Disability | 459 | 429 | 475 | 46 | 10.7% |
| School Admin. Workers Comp. | 478 | 1,121 | 500 | (621) | -55.4% |
| School Admin. Unemployment Insurance | 220 | 282 | 320 | 38 | 13.5% |
| **Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description** | **Actual 2014-15** | **Budget 2015-16** | **Proposed 2016-17** | **Increase or Decrease** | **Percent Change** |
| School Admin. Medicare Taxes | 1,688 | 1,612 | 1,730 | 118 | 7.3% |
| School Admin. Social Security Taxes | 7,216 | 6,892 | 7,396 | 504 | 7.3% |
| School Admin. Retirement | 16,459 | 16,829 | 17,041 | 211 | 1.3% |
| TSA | 936 | 936 | 0 | (936) | -100.0% |
| School Admin. Staff Development | 500 | 2,361 | 2,000 | (361) | -15.3% |
| School Admin. Postage | 802 | 1,500 | 1,500 | - | 0.0% |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| School Admin. Advertising | 78 | 1,700 | 1,700 | - | 0.0% |
| School Admin. Printing | 684 | 2,000 | 2,000 | - | 0.0% |
| School Admin. Travel | 890 | 600 | 600 | - | 0.0% |
| School Admin. Supplies | 596 | 500 | 500 | - | 0.0% |
| School Admin. New Equipment | 52 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| School Admin. Replacement Equip. | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| School Admin. Principal's Fund | 481 | 500 | 500 | - | 0.0% |
| School Admin. Dues & Fees | 3,081 | 450 | 450 | - | 0.0% |
| School Admin. Graduation | 398 | 1,400 | 1,400 | - | 0.0% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total School Administration** | **158,798** | **156,506** | **157,399** | **893** | **0.6%** |
| | | | | | |
| Maintenance Salaries | 68,378 | 68,832 | 73,594 | 4,762 | 6.9% |
| Maintenance Life & Disability | 119 | 209 | 225 | 16 | 7.5% |
| **Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description** | **Actual 2014-15** | **Budget 2015-16** | **Proposed 2016-17** | **Increase or Decrease** | **Percent Change** |
| Maintenance Workers Comp | 450 | 3,557 | 1,850 | (1,707) | -48.0% |
| Maintenance Unemployment Insurance | 266 | 339 | 400 | 61 | 18.0% |
| Maintenance Medicare Taxes | 937 | 946 | 1,067 | 121 | 12.8% |
| Maintenance Social Security Taxes | 4,007 | 4,045 | 4,563 | 517 | 12.8% |
| Maintenance Retirement | 5,559 | 4,926 | 5,147 | 221 | 4.5% |
| Maintenance Contracted Services | 12,901 | 12,750 | 13,500 | 750 | 5.9% |
| Maintenance Water & Septic | 3,235 | 1,300 | 3,750 | 2,450 | 188.5% |
| Maintenance Rubbish Removal | 4,542 | 4,000 | 4,500 | 500 | 12.5% |
| Maintenance Lawn Care | 325 | 950 | 1,000 | 50 | 5.3% |
| Maintenance Repairs/Maintenance Services | 45,076 | 34,480 | 38,000 | 3,520 | 10.2% |
| Maintenance Building Improvements | 41,657 | 59,050 | 20,000 | (39,050) | -66.1% |
| Maintenance Internet | 640 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Maintenance Property Insurance | 7,351 | 14,000 | 8,000 | (6,000) | -42.9% |
| Maintenance Telephone | 2,715 | 3,800 | 0 | (3,800) | -100.0% |
| Data Communications-Technology Use Only | 680 | 0 | 0 | - | 0.0% |
| Maintenance Supplies | 9,277 | 11,000 | 11,000 | - | 0.0% |
| Maintenance Electricity | 20,023 | 25,000 | 22,000 | (3,000) | -12.0% |

| Maintenance Propane | 2,250 | 2,550 | 2,500 | (50) | -2.0% |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Maintenance Fuel Oil/Propane | 2,448 | 2,600 | 2,500 | (100) | -3.8% |
| Wood Pellets | 24,491 | 17,955 | 25,000 | 7,045 | 39.2% |
| **Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2016-17 Description** | **Actual 2014-15** | **Budget 2015-16** | **Proposed 2016-17** | **Increase or Decrease** | **Percent Change** |
| | | | | | |
| **Total Building and Grounds** | **257,326** | **272,290** | **238,596** | **(33,694)** | **-12.4%** |
| | | | | | |
| Transportation Field Trips | 4,624 | 5,000 | 5,000 | - | 0.0% |
| Transportation Elementary | 116,246 | 105,000 | 110,000 | 5,000 | 4.8% |
| Transportation SPED High School | 14,110 | 23,500 | 23,500 | - | 0.0% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total Transportation** | **134,980** | **133,500** | **138,500** | **5,000** | **3.7%** |
| | | | | | |
| Debt Service Principal Payment | 51,111 | 51,111 | 51,111 | - | 0.0% |
| Debt Service Interest Payment | 8,398 | 6,871 | 5,359 | (1,512) | -22.0% |
| | | | | | |
| **Total Debt Service** | **59,509** | **57,982** | **56,470** | **(1,512)** | **-2.6%** |
| | | | | | |
| **Fund Transfers Food Service** | **8,726** | **28,000** | **28,000** | **-** | **0.0%** |
| | | | | | |
| **Transfer to Cap. Reserve-Tuition** | **16,000** | **0** | **0** | **-** | **0.0%** |
| | | | | | |
| **Total General Fund** | **3,591,150** | **3,599,919** | **3,358,533** | **-241,386** | **-6.7%** |

## Town Directory and Information

| | |
|---|---|
| Police, Fire Medical Emergencies | 911 |
| Police, Non-emergency | 543-0535 |
| Fire, Non-emergency | 675-2221 |
| Cornish Rescue, Ambulance | 675-2221 |
| Selectmen, Assessing Office | 675-5611 |
| Town Office Fax | 675-5605 |
| Town Clerk | 675-5207 |
| Tax Collector | 675-5221 |
| Highway Garage | 675-2205 |
| Cornish Elementary School | 675-5891 |
| Library | 543-3644 |
| E-mail | townbos@comcast.net |
| | cornishtownclerk@comcast.net |
| | cornishtaxcollector1@comcast.net |
| | cornishtreasurer@comcast.net |

## Meeting Schedules and Hours

Town Boards meet at Town Office Bldg. - School Board meets at School

| | |
|---|---|
| Town Office/Assessing | Monday 12:30-830PM |
| | Tue & Thur 8:30-4:00 PM |
| | Fri 9:30-5:00 PM |
| Selectmen | Monday 6:30-8:30 PM |
| | Friday 3:00-5:00 PM |
| Town Clerk | Monday through Thursday 5:00-7:00 PM |
| | Last Saturday of the Month 9:00-NOON |
| Tax Collector | Thursday 4:30-7:00 PM |
| Planning Board | 1st and 3rd Thursday of each Month 7:00 PM |
| Zoning Board (as needed) | 1st Monday of each Month 7:00 PM |
| Conservation Commission | 4th Wednesday of each Month 7:00 PM |
| Cornish School Board | 3rd Monday of each Month 7:00 PM |
| Cornish Library | Monday and Friday 4:00-6:00 PM |
| Brenda Freeland, Librarian | Wednesday 4:00-8:00 PM |
| | Saturday 10:00-NOON |

## General Assistance & Senior Resources:

| | |
|---|---|
| Pam Annis | 542-3781 |
| Marie Durusha | 558-0391 |

**Cornish Community Food Pantry** is housed at the United Church of Cornish Vestry on Center Rd.
No regular hours. Call Rev. Dale (603) 542-8546 and she will meet you there.

**Willing Hands Fresh Produce** drops off at Rev. Dale's garage at 216 NH Route 120 every Wednesday at 1:00pm. First come, first served. Call above number or email Nicholas.dale231@gmail.com

**TOWN OF CORNISH**
**WHO to see about WHAT and WHEN**

**SELECTMEN** — **Monday 12:30-8:30pm**
**Selectmen's Secretary-Mary Curtis** — **Tue & Thur8:30-4pm**
**Phone 675-5611** — **Fri 9:30-5:00pm**
**Fax 675-5605** — **Closed Weds**

Abatements (Property Tax)
Building Permits
Camping permits
Current Use Applications
Elderly Tax Exemption
Intent to Cut Lumber
Assessing
Pistol Permits
Property Tax Cards
Property Tax Maps
Raffle Permits
Septic Dig Approvals
Subdivision Applications
Veterans Tax Credit

Other Questions – See Selectmen

**TOWN CLERK** — **Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays**
**Paula Harthan** — **& Thursdays 5:00 – 7:00 pm**
**675-5207** — **Last Saturday of Month 9-Noon**

Cemetery Records
Dog Licenses
Vital Statistics
Minutes – Planning Board, Zoning Board & Conservation Commission
Motor Vehicle Permits
Dredge and Fill Permits
Genealogy Information
Marriage Licenses

**TAX COLLECTOR** — **Thursday 4:30 – 7:00 pm**
**Reigh Helen Sweetser**
**675-5221** — Property Tax

**BUILDING PERMITS**

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| New Housing Units | $100.00 |
| Barns, Garages, Additions, Pole Barns | $50.00 |
| Pools: In Ground or Above | $35.00 |
| Decks, Dormers, Sheds, Carports | $50.00 |
| Camping Permits | $10.00 |