

**ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OF RYE  
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31  
2007**



HERE LANDED  
IN THE SPRING OF 1623  
THE FIRST BAND OF ENGLISHMEN  
PIONEERS IN THE PLANTING OF  
NEW HAMPSHIRE  
CONSECRATING THIS SOIL TO THE  
SERVICE OF  
GOD AND LIBERTY

1623 - 1899

**ODIORNE'S POINT  
MONUMENT REDEDICATION  
JUNE 28, 2007**



2007

*The National Society  
of the  
Colonial Dames of America  
in the State of  
New Hampshire  
requests the honor of your presence  
at the Rededication of the Monument  
at Odiorne's Point  
in Commemoration of the Landing  
of the  
First Settlers in New Hampshire,  
Thursday, June twenty-eighth,  
at eleven o'clock  
Odiorne State Park, Rye.*

*recommend walking shoes,  
sun hat and folding chairs.*

**ABOUT THE COVERS:**

**Front:** At the outset of World War II, the federal government took possession of Odiorne Point in order to protect and defend the mouth of the Piscataqua River. Homes were removed, orchards were transplanted to camouflage the newly constructed bunkers and a monument dedicated in 1899, proclaiming the historical significance of the site, was moved to an out of the way location west of Route 1-A for safe keeping. Here the marker rested, out of sight and forgotten by most, until The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of New Hampshire initiated an effort to return the monument to its original location, believed to be the vicinity of David Thompson's first settlement in New Hampshire in 1623. On June 28, 2007, a large gathering, including descendents of some of Rye's earliest families, attended a rededication of the monument now returned to its original 1899 site. The work was accomplished in large measure through the efforts of resident Tom Pearson and our State Representative David Borden. Roger Philbrick was credited with donation of site work.

**Inside back:** Who was David Thompson?

**Back:** Clockwise from top left: Barbara Engelbach, President of the N.H. Chapter of The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America, resident Tom Pearson is recognized for his contribution by Rye/Newcastle Representative David Borden, wording on the reverse of the monument, N.H. Historian James Garvin addressing the gathering, entrance to Odiorne Point State Park and view of the reverse side of the monument.



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**To the inhabitants of the Town of Rye, in the County of Rockingham and in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:**

**You are hereby notified to meet at the Rye Elementary School in said Rye on Tuesday, the 11<sup>th</sup> of March, next at eight o'clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the evening for voting by official ballot on all issues before the Town of Rye under RSA 40:13.**

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As required under Senate Bill 2, the Deliberative Session was held on Saturday, February 2, 2008 at 9:00 AM at the Rye Junior High to review and amend the 2008 Town Warrant.

THE 2007 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF RYE  
IS DEDICATED TO

**William M. Varrell Jr.**  
**September 21, 1936 – July 23, 2007**

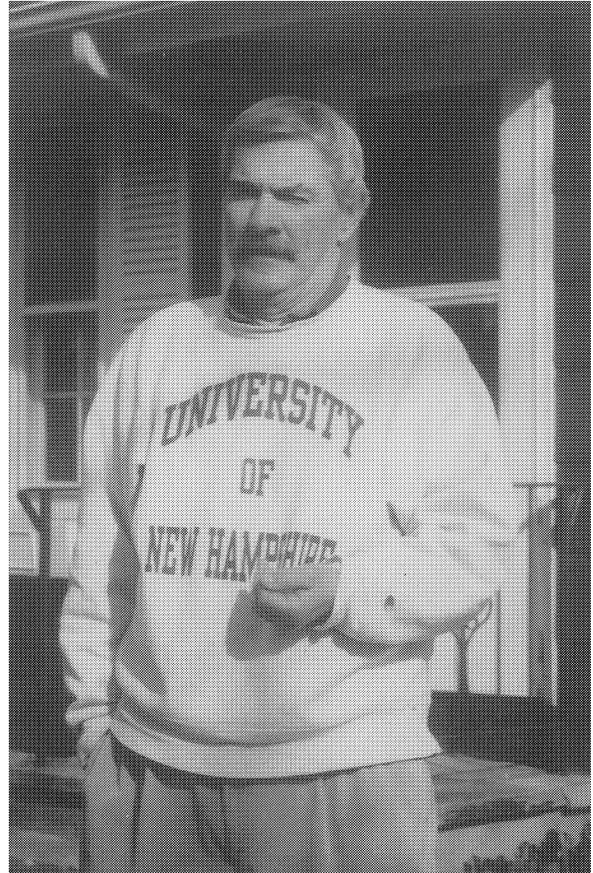
William M. Varrell Jr. was a native son, born to William M. Varrell and Mary (Philbrick) Varrell on September 21, 1936. Known to all as Bill, he grew up on Washington Road about a half mile from Foss Beach where, along with his sister, Cynthia, he once worked in the Salty Breeze snack bar. He was also employed at the Ocean Wave Hotel (current site of Crown Colony), one of the last large wooden Victorian hotels in Rye. The Ocean Wave was destroyed by fire in 1960. Through these early experiences, Bill developed an interest in town history and began gathering stories, newspaper clippings, and images of Rye, which he used as the basis for his first book **“Rye on the Rocks: The Tale of a Town”** published in 1962 when he was 26 years of age.

Bill served four years in the U.S. Air Force following graduation from Portsmouth High School and the University of New Hampshire. It was while studying hotel administration at UNH that his ever-present broad interest in the history of his hometown became focused on the resorts of the Victorian era. Rye holds a prominent place in his second book, **“Summer by the Sea: The Golden Era of Victorian Beach Resorts”**, which was published in 1972.

In 1966, Bill married Martha Walsh of Jamaica Plain, MA. As he was employed by Filenes, Bill and Martha compromised on choice of residence and made their home and raised their family in Ipswich, MA, another historical seaside town, where he later published **“Ipswich”** and **“Ipswich Revisited”** and involved himself in the Ipswich Historical Society. During the 1990s, Arcadia began publishing its *Images of America* series and Bill was asked to write two books including **“Rye and Rye Beach”**, published in 1995.

Rye was never far from his thoughts; and Bill returned many times to give well-attended talks and slide presentations on Rye history. He was present for the opening of the Rye Town Museum in July of 2002. Bill donated many photographs, documents and other Rye related items to the Museum including the large Farragut Hotel sign he had rescued from burial in the landfill. The Historical Society plans to transcribe tapes of his talks to preserve a complete account of the material. His books remain both entertaining reading and important references for those interested in the history of Rye as they build upon, extend and illustrate the information contained within L.B. Parsons 1905 History of Rye, N.H.

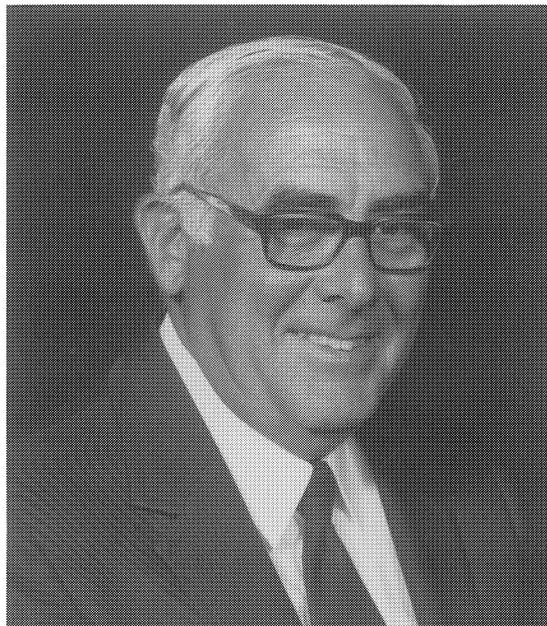
At the time of Bill’s death last July, Alex Herlihy, Chairman of the Historical Society, closed his tribute to Bill with the following words of appreciation, “Bill Varrell gave to his hometown as only a native son can, with all his heart and with all the lore and wisdom he had gained from a lifetime of being a student of Rye history. He unearthed and preserved for us the fabric of life of those who built Rye and he never forgot the village that nurtured him. We are richer for his life and work”.



# In Memoriam

**Richard P. Sherwin**

1923 - 2007



Richard Sherwin was born June 3, 1923, a son of the late James and Catherine (Forde) Sherwin. He was raised in East Boston and graduated from Boston English High School with the class of 1941. He was a veteran of World War II serving in the Army Air Corps, rising to the rank of technical sergeant.

Richard and his wife, Edna, became residents of Rye in 1974 when he transferred to the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard from the Boston Navy Yard in Charlestown, Mass. where he was employed as a systems analyst. He retired from the Portsmouth facility in 1977.

During the early 1980s, Richard Sherwin was appointed as Deputy Building Inspector to assist Rye Building Inspector Joseph May with his increasing workload. Upon Mr. May's resignation, he was appointed Building Inspector.

Mr. Sherwin was active in the Men's Club of St. Theresa Church and enjoyed working on a variety of local charities including local soup kitchens, The Chase Home and Meals on Wheels.

Richard Sherwin died on January 4, 2007. In addition to his wife, he leaves three sons; Richard of Hampton, Edward of Rye, Tom of Newfields, and a daughter, Muriel of Newmarket, and their families. Those of us entering or exiting Rye via the intersection of Washington and Lafayette Roads will miss his carefully tended annual display of red dahlias.

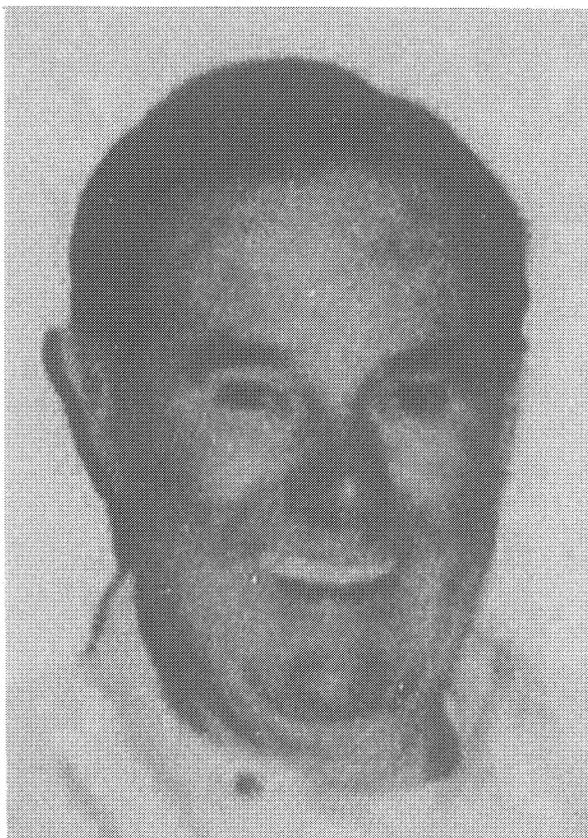
**Dr. Robert V. O'Brien**

1923 - 2007

Robert O'Brien was born November 11, 1923 to John E. and Mary O'Brien of Portland Maine. While an infant, his family moved to Portsmouth, NH. After graduation from St. Patrick School and Portsmouth High School, Bob (as he was known to all in Rye) served in the U.S. Army Air Force from 1942 – 1946. Military service was followed by graduation from the University of New Hampshire and Tufts University where he earned a doctorate of dental medicine degree. Doctor Robert V. O'Brien established a general practice in dentistry in Portsmouth in 1952, serving his patients with care and skill for the next 35 years. In 1953, Bob and his wife, Tina, purchased a home in Rye, raised their family and remained until retirement to Florida in 1997.

For more than half of his eighty-three years, Bob O'Brien called Rye his home. During that time, in addition to devotion to family and despite the demands of his dental practice and avid interest in boating, fishing and golfing, he considered participation in the civic affairs of his town to be an important responsibility. His participation was diverse as he served his community on the Budget Committee from 1962 to 1965, the Recreation Commission (ex officio) 1965 – 1966, and the Planning Board from 1962 to 1966 (as chairman in 1963 and again in 1965). In 1969, Bob was elected to the Rye School Board. He served in that capacity until 1975. All would agree that Bob O'Brien was an eloquent and persuasive speaker for causes in which he believed such as an addition to the school.

Bob died January 12, 2007. In addition to his wife, he leaves a daughter, Kathyleen and two sons, Robert V., Jr. and Jonathan and their families. We remember the constancy of his dedication to his family, his patients and his community.



## Manning L. Remick

1927 - 2007

Manning Leighton Remick was born on September 19, 1927, the son of Albert M. and Ethel (Shapleigh) Remick. A lifelong resident of Rye, he was familiarly known by his middle name, Leighton. He graduated from Hampton Academy and attended Rutgers University and was a United States Navy veteran, having served in both World War II and Korea.

Following in the footsteps of his father, a former Rye Police Chief, Leighton served the Town through the Police Department. He was Chief of Police during the early 1950s, a deputy sheriff for Rockingham County, a Rye volunteer fireman and a member of the Rye Ambulance Corps.

During the 1940s and 50s, he played semi-pro hockey with the Rye Sea Hawks and coached Rye Little League baseball.

Leighton grew up on Locke's Neck and the sea was important throughout his life. He loved fishing, setting up to 300 lobster traps a season. For several years he owned a dragger based out of Gloucester, Mass. For 32 years he was employed in the planning/estimating department of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

Leighton died September 25, 2007. He is survived by his wife, Jane (Brown) Remick, and their family.



## Christopher S. Christo

1923 - 2007



Christopher Christo was a long time resident of Rye, born April 6, 1923, the son of Stephen Q and Tana (Dimitri) Christo. Like so many of his generation, Christopher put his education on hold because of World War II. He left the University of New Hampshire to serve in the U.S. Army Air Corps for five years. Upon leaving the service, he returned to UNH, graduating with the class of 1949 having completed his BA degree in sociology and his master's degree in counseling. He went on to attend Suffolk University Law School.

Mr. Christo, known as Chris to his many friends, broke new ground by being the first male child-welfare worker hired by the New Hampshire Department of Welfare. Following seven years in Cheshire County, he was then hired by the N.H. Probation Department and based in Rockingham County serving as probation officer for Rockingham Superior Court in addition to all District and Municipal Courts in the county. He was promoted to southern district director, supervising both Rockingham and Strafford counties for 25 years. He was Clerk of the Rye Municipal Court from 1960 to 1999.

Chris Christo's volunteer efforts were diverse and far-reaching. During his career he assisted in the establishment of Group Homes for Juvenile Offenders in Salem and Exeter and was involved in the seacoast Big Brother/Big Sister Organizations. He helped to found the Volunteers in Probation program in Rockingham County. Through St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, he chaired the Kosovo Relief Project of Portsmouth that resulted in the sending of more than forty tons of clothing to refugees in Albania.

Chris Christo died July 17, 2007. He is survived by his wife, Julie Mina Christo, his daughter Patricia, son Stephen and their families. Devoted to family, he especially enjoyed backyard barbecues; but, a person of many interests, he managed to find a little time for golf, gardening and the Red Sox.

## Philip S. Drake

1925 – 2007

Philip Drake was an active and generous volunteer in the Rye and Rye Beach communities. He was the Rye Town Moderator, served three terms on the Board of Adjustment (from 1964 to 1972) and was a member of the Conservation Commission from 1965 to 1967. Philip was also a volunteer fireman and a special police officer. For many years he was a Rye Beach Precinct Commissioner.

Philip was born April 15, 1925, the son of Abbot and Charlotte (Davis) Drake. He attended Rye schools, Hampton Academy and the Ballard Academy in New London, Connecticut. At age 17, he joined the U.S. Navy, and was assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Block Island. On May 29, 1944, while on anti-submarine patrol, the Block Island was sunk by German U-boats off the Canary Islands. Philip was rescued and served the remainder of the war aboard the USS Block Island II in the South Pacific.

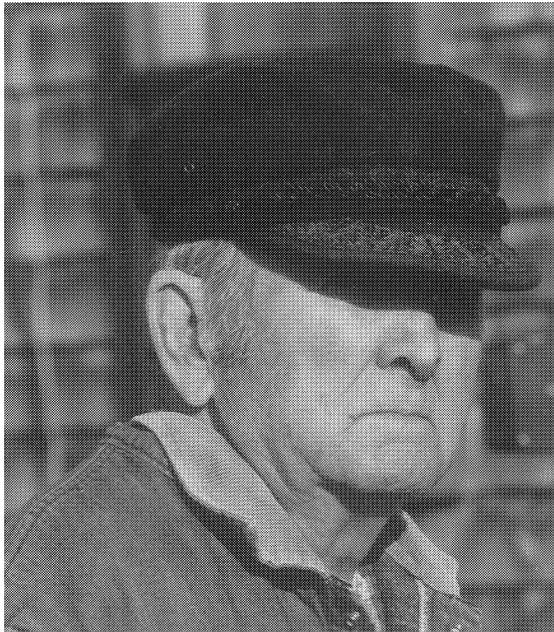
Following his naval discharge, Philip attended Hotel Management School in Washington, D.C. prior to returning to work at the Drake House in Rye Beach. At that time the Drake House was a seasonal hotel, built by his grandfather, Abraham, in 1872 and run by his father, Abbot. Later, Philip took over management of the Drake House. For 25 years he was also the manager of the Rye Beach Club. Philip married Joanne Tonis in 1949 and the Drake House complex was home to their family.

Growing up in Rye, Philip was an avid and skilled sailor as well as a student of nature. He also loved pond skating and was a founding member of the Rye Sea Hawks, a semi-pro hockey team formed after World War II. His knowledge of the history of Rye Beach served the community well. Philip died July 28, 2007. He is survived by his son, Frank, of Rye and his daughter, Victoria, of Lamoine, Maine and their families.



## John O. Widen

1915 – 2007



John Widen was appointed Harbor Master of Rye Harbor in 1968 and remained in that position until his retirement in 1987. His obituary noted that two of the many tasks related to that position were assistance provided to families wishing to disseminate the remains of loved ones at sea and lending a hand during searches for people lost at sea. Over the years, many were grateful for his help.

John was born November 21, 1915 on Belle Isle, New Castle and was 92 years of age at the time of his death on December 30, 2007. Although his early years were spent on a farm on Ocean Road in Portsmouth, he “discovered” Rye Harbor in his early twenties and spent the next seventy years there, interspersed with trips to the rugged north country of New Hampshire to enjoy hunting, fishing and snowmobiling.

Drawn to the ocean, John tried his hand as a lobsterman with his first boat, “The Little Joe”. In 1954, after John and his late wife, Aura (Clark) Widen, had purchased their white cape on Rye Harbor, he built his boat, “The Andrew J.”, and fished with it until he retired in 1978. It is said that John taught three generations to fish the icy waters off the coast of Rye.

From 1974 until it was destroyed by fire in 1985, John and Aura ran Ray’s Seafood & Lobster Restaurant on Ocean Boulevard. Their son, Andrew, succeeded them in running the family business on the same site. John Widen died December 30, 2007 at his Rye Harbor home. In addition to his son, survivors include two daughters, Judith and Susan and their families.

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**\*\*\*TOWN OFFICIALS\*\*\*  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007**

**MODERATOR  
(2-year term)**

Daniel C. Hoefle 2008

**SELECTMEN  
(3-year term)**

Joseph G. Mills, Jr. 2008  
Craig N. Musselman 2009  
Priscilla V. Jenness 2010

**TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR  
(3-year term)**

Jane E. Ireland 2009

**TREASURER  
(3-year term)**

Leon Blaisdell 2009

**CEMETERY TRUSTEES  
(3-year term)**

Roger O. Philbrick 2008  
John W. Patrick 2009  
Frank Drake 2010

**SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST  
(6-year term)**

Madeline Chichester 2008  
Jane Holway 2010  
Sally S. King 2012

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES  
(3-year term)**

Deborah Genestreti 2008  
Sara (Sallie) Ann Mackie 2008  
David S. Brown 2009  
Joan Sweeney 2009  
Victor D. Azzi 2010

**TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS  
(3-year term)**

Jeffrey M. Balboni 2008  
Kerry S. Pope 2009  
Andrew J. Mahoney 2010

**BUDGET COMMITTEE  
(3-year term)**

Robert G. Eaton 2008  
Paul E. Goldman 2008  
Douglas Abrams 2009  
Raymond Jarvis 2009  
Shawn Crapo 2010  
James G. Maheras 2010  
Craig N. Musselman (Selectmen's Representative) 2009

## **PLANNING BOARD**

(3-year term)

Melvin R. Low	2008
William W. Zechel	2008
Donald Cavallero	2009
Jaci Grote	2009
Mark Garvin	2010
Samuel Winebaum	2010
Priscilla V. Jenness (Selectmen's Representative)	2010

## **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

(3-year term)

Shawn Crapo	2008
Frank Drake	2008
Benjamin T. King	2009
Jay Nadeau	2009
Raymond Jarvis	2010

## **HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION**

(3-year term)

Michael A. Mittelman (replaces Jane Holway, who resigned)	2008
Mark Josephs	2008
Thomas King	2009
Jane Hutchinson	2009
Arthur L. Ditto	2009
Paula Merritt	2010
Daryl Kent	2010
Joseph G. Mills, Jr. (Selectmen's Representative)	2008

## **BEACH COMMISSION**

(3-year term)

Dr. Jack M. Panopoulos	2008
Tim Sanborn	2009
Machael Labrie	2010

## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

(3-year term)

James Raynes	2008
Francis Garvan, II	2008
Paula Mahoney	2009
Jeffrey Gardner	2009
Ronnie Werner	2010
Douglas W. Bordewieck	2010
Sally S. King	2010

## **RECREATION COMMISSION**

(3-year term)

Janet Stevens	2008
Stephen J. King	2008
Robert Blanchard	2009
Jim Sullivan	2009
Gregg Milolaities	2010
Paul Mackey	2010
Mark H. Luz (replaces Victoria Loring, who resigned)	2010

**MOSQUITO CONTROL COMMISSION**

(3-year term)

Thomas Aspinwall	2008
Charles Arcidiacono	2009
Craig N. Musselman (Selectmen's Representative)	2009

**SEWER COMMISSION**

(3-year term)

David Kohlhase	2008
Peter G. Kasnet	2009
David Adams	2010

**REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT**

(2-year term)

David A. Borden (Rye)	2008
Otto F. Grote	2008

**RYE WATER COMMISSION**

(3-year term)

Joseph Kenney	2008
Ralph Hickson	2009
John Murtagh	2010

**RYE BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT**

(3-year term)

Frank Drake	2008
Betty Smith	2009
Bradley Richards	2010

**JENNESS BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT**

(3-year term)

Michael Netishen	2008
Robert R. Crapo	2009
Jane Langley	2010

**TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Town Hall**  
**10 Central Road, Rye NH 03870**  
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**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

Alan Gould, Town Administrator

**BUILDING INSPECTOR**

Susan M. Labrie, Building/Planning/Zoning

**HARBOR MASTER**

Leo Axtin

**CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT**

John Coscia

(replaces Edward J. Ireland, who retired)

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**

Alan Gould

**HEALTH OFFICER**

Gail A. Snow, M.D.

**LIBRARIAN**

Kerry E. Cronin

**FINANCE/BENEFITS ADMINISTRATOR**

Cynthia Gillespie

**POLICE CHIEF**

Kevin Walsh

**FIRE CHIEF**

William H. "Skip" Sullivan

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

Everett "Bud" Jordan

**FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

William H. "Skip" Sullivan

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Lee Arthur, Recreation Director

Jonathan Carleton, Program Director

**TOWN HALL STAFF**

**SELECTMEN'S OFFICE**

Nancy Weiand, Executive Secretary

**ASSESSING DEPARTMENT**

Howard Promer, Assessor

Heather Austin, Assessing Clerk

Todd Haywood, Field Appraiser, Granite Hill Municipal Services

Virginia Merrill, Field Appraiser, Granite Hill Municipal Services

**SEWER DEPARTMENT**

Lee Arthur, Administrative Assistant to Sewer Commission

Walter Parenteau, Clerk of the Works, Sewer Commission

**TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE**

Elizabeth M. Yeaton, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Robin Baker, Assistant Town Clerk/Tax Collector

**BUILDING/PLANNING/ZONING OFFICE**

Kimberly Reed, Planning/Zoning Administrator

Susan Dunfey, Building/Planning/Zoning Assistant

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

### **Taxes**

The Rye 2007 tax rate was set in November when we met with a representative of the Department of Revenue Administration for that purpose. Commissioners from the precincts and the water district were also invited to attend. The tax rate was set at \$8.91 per \$1000 of assessed valuation. The Town portion of that rate was set at \$2.25, down 6 cents from our 2006 tax rate.

For the second year, your selectmen decided to adjust the Town tax rate through application of a portion of the budgetary unreserved fund against Town appropriations. We voted to allocate \$875,000 of the unreserved balance to reduce the 2007 Town portion of the tax rate leaving a little more than 1.3 million dollars remaining within that account. The unreserved balance fund is built over time, a combined accumulation of surplus from budgets and excess of revenue. The amount remaining in the unreserved balance account at the close of 2007 complies with State guidelines. You are advised that, while we have been able to "buy down" the Town's portion of the tax rate for several years by using previously accumulated excess reserves; we may not be able to do this as significantly in the future.

While we continue to monitor our expenses closely, there is a financial area over which we have little control. The New Hampshire Supreme Court has ruled unconstitutional part of the State's most recent education-funding formula that had allowed the Town of Rye to dedicate the Statewide Property Taxes raised in Fiscal Years 2006, 2007 and 2008 to funding education within Rye. This new funding formula resulted in a major positive financial impact for Rye after being forced since 1999 to raise an additional \$15,781,033 in Statewide Property Taxes for redistribution to other communities. Following the Supreme Court ruling, the Legislature defined "adequate education" in FY 2007 and began to cost out that definition in early 2008 with an expectation of devising a new education funding formula in the near future. However, it will not be in effect until at least FY2010. The Town of Rye, through its membership in the Coalition Communities, will continue to actively monitor the process. We do not want to see an increase in the Statewide Property Tax or a return to "Donor communities" in the new formula. The Governor believes that a narrow constitutional amendment that will allow the State to target aid is necessary to prevent a return to the "Donor" concept.

### **Personnel**

Following the June resignation of Fire Chief Richard O'Brien, the Board of Selectmen opted to employ an interim chief. Smooth transition of department leadership was accomplished through the timely hiring of former Hampton Fire Chief William H. "Skip" Sullivan as our interim chief. Chief Sullivan's experience enabled him to seamlessly continue the ongoing work of the department to include resolution of violations at Star Island and completion of several grant proposals and then move forward in a proactive manner, devising a plan to strengthen our call fire fighter participation. On November 27<sup>th</sup>, he signed a one-year contract as Rye Fire Chief.

The Town continues to need to fill the position of Assistant Treasurer. We seek an individual interested in being trained in the treasurer's position and able to assume the responsibilities of the Treasurer in the event of illness, vacation or other absence. If you are interested in assisting the Town in this capacity, please contact Town Administrator Alan Gould at 964-5523.

### **Patriots Day Storm (April 15-17) and Water Issues**

During the weekend of April 15-17, storm driven tides wreaked havoc along our coast, especially in the vicinity of Sawyers Beach where the shale piles were flattened and strewn about with each high tide, flooding occurred and the Boulevard was closed for several days. Cost to the Town was \$20,000 and Emergency Management Director Alan Gould later conducted a tour of the storm-ravaged area for FEMA representatives. We later received reimbursement of close to \$11,000.

Because much of Rye is near sea level, low lying areas with historically sluggish drainage, particularly during high tides, will continue to face their current problems. Numerous Department of Environmental Services (DES) permits approved during 2007 to allow beach front residents to reinforce and buttress their seawalls bear witness to concern over climate change and the predicted increasing severity of storms.

Our proposal to draw down ponds along the course of Cedar Swamp Run (as it flows from West Rye to the ocean via Eel Pond) in advance of potentially disastrous rainstorm threats met resistance, primarily from Eel Pond abutters. The discussion during one meeting on this topic also generated some thoughts about the possibility of restoration of Eel Pond to its original status as tidal marsh. Several pond abutters own portions of the land under Eel Pond. Meanwhile, the pond itself appears to be filling with silt allowing areas of phragmites and reeds to expand. Several homes abutting the pond were affected by flooding during the Patriot's Day storm. Relief from the problems associated with Eel Pond will require cooperation of property owners, the Town of Rye and the State of New Hampshire. Some discussions have been held.

Upstream at Burke's Pond, an agreement that included the Town of Rye, dam owner Ferris Bavicchi and the Abenaki Country Club was formulated that allows the Town to exercise control over the dam in emergency situations for flood mitigation purposes.

Cedar Swamp Run flows under Central Road after exiting Burke's Pond. The Mother's Day Storm of 2006 severely damaged the culvert under Central Road and temporary repairs were made at that time to assure safety. With the assistance of Steve Harding of Oest Engineers, a new 40" box culvert was installed during the summer of 2007.

In addition to coastal flooding, the heavy rainfall events of the past two years have also highlighted the most severe flooding problems in other parts of town among them the Douglas Circle portion of Rye Crest. A site walk inspection indicated that repairing and upgrading the system already in place could alleviate the threat of flood repetition there.

Over the year, a number of other sites were visited and improvements were determined and implemented for many.

#### **Cable Road Sidewalk**

Despite the fact that its early 20<sup>th</sup> century origin remains a mystery, the issue of the deteriorating Cable Road sidewalk was finally resolved in 2007. With estimates ranging from \$24,350 to repair to nearly \$100,000 to replace, we chose to repair the sidewalk and cover the cost by postponing an equivalent dollar amount of roadwork scheduled for that neighborhood.

#### **Foyes Corner Roundabout and Seavey Creek Bridge**

The construction of the long awaited roundabout at Foyes Corner was ongoing during 2007. It was declared officially open on November 20<sup>th</sup>. Completion of details such as lighting and grading will occur within the next few months. Most agree that the roundabout is working well and is a great improvement.

The Seavey Creek Bridge on Pioneer Road has also been under consideration for upgrade by the State. We have held public hearings for input and the NH Department of Transportation's revised design concepts appear to be responsive to the Town's input and appropriate to the setting at Seavey Creek. We are awaiting word on project scheduling.

#### **New Committees Formed**

During 2007, two new committees were created by the selectmen. Our current Comcast cable franchise is due to terminate June 27, 2009. In advance of renewal, the first of several public hearings (pursuant to the Federal Cable Act, NH RSA 43 and NH RSA 53-C) was held in February. We then established an ad hoc **Cable Franchise Renewal Committee** composed of the following members: Bob Brown, Rick Lewis, Paul Neiman, Ted Papoutsy, Susan Rizkalla, Mike Schwartz and Town Administrator Alan Gould. The committee has been meeting regularly. Two areas, cost and programming, are beyond our power to negotiate during the franchise renewal process.

The second committee established during the year was the **Rye Energy Committee**, suggested by approval of Warrant Article #21 of the March 13, 2007 ballot "to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions". Steve and Mimi White, Jaci Grote, David Daskocil and Lucy Neiman volunteered to serve on this committee. Through the Town of Rye website, you can keep abreast of their activities, films, speakers and discussion groups (Town/energy). A complete report from this committee may be found with the other 2007 annual reports.

#### **EAST (Estuary Alliance for Sewage Treatment)**

The concern regarding EAST is ongoing. Throughout the year, we have reported on this entity, established through State Senate Bill 481 in 2004, because it has the potential to deliver the treated

wastewater of up to 44 communities to our shores. We reported in the December newsletter that the Great Bay Estuary Commission is seeking communities desirous of full membership in EAST and approval by only two towns will activate EAST legislation **which contains the power of eminent domain, without review, negotiation, or permission from local communities.**

The New Hampshire Seacoast Region Wastewater Management Feasibility Study by Metcalf & Eddy resulted in 4 alternatives: no action, treatment and discharge to the Gulf of Maine, upgrade of existing facilities, and treatment and discharge to land application. The Draft Alternatives Report dated November 2007 and a large amount of related information may be found at [www.coastalclear.org](http://www.coastalclear.org).

At the urging of the Board of Selectmen, a bill (Senate Bill 523) was filed that would allow the taking or holding of land **only** “within the boundaries of municipalities which are members of EAST”. This bill was sponsored by Senator Fuller Clark and Representatives Borden, Grote and Stiles. We will continue to exercise vigilance regarding this legislation.

**At Risk Seniors**

In closing, we include a reminder that we are compiling a list of at risk seniors and those with severe disabilities. This information may be important in the event of power failure, extreme weather, natural disaster or other emergency. To suggest the name of a relative, neighbor, acquaintance or yourself, please call Emergency Management Director Alan Gould at Town Hall (964-5523).

**Volunteers**

Perusal of the annual reports of our many committees and commissions will reveal a portion of the multitude of residents willing to give generously of their time and talents to make our town the remarkable place that it is. We thank each and every one of you. We urge those who may have been hesitant to get involved to give it a try. Volunteering is a wonderful way to meet others that share your interests.

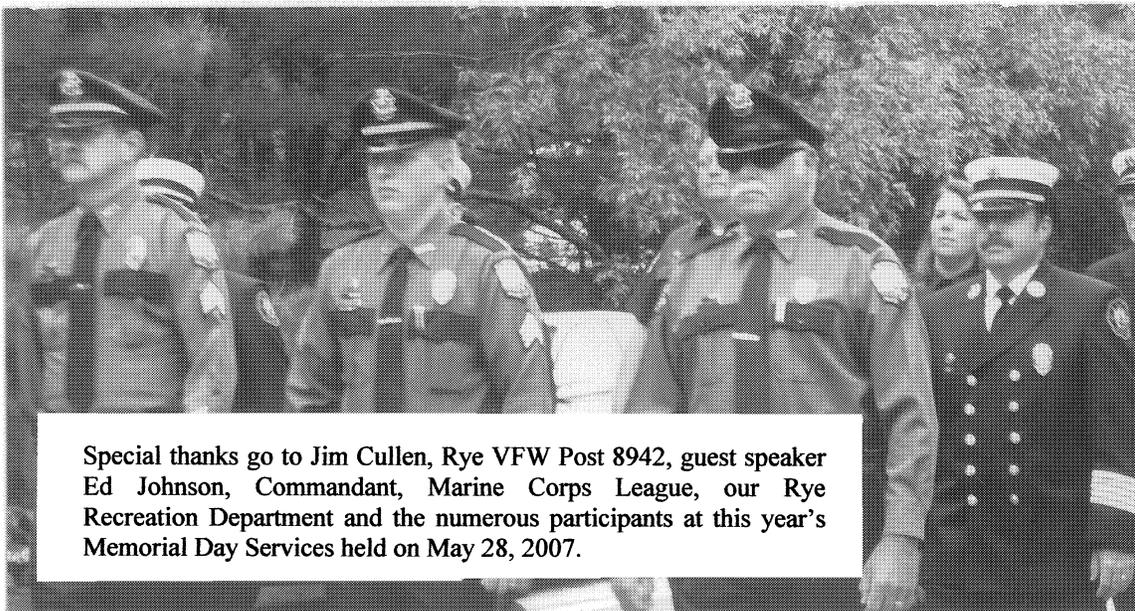
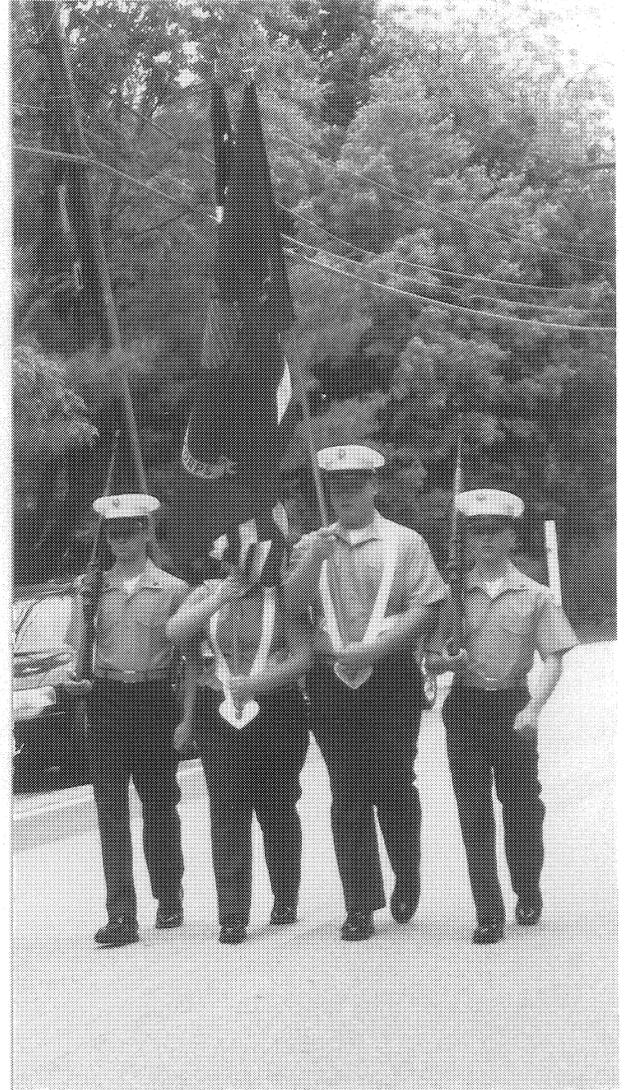
Respectfully submitted,

Joseph G. Mills, Jr., Chairman  
Craig Musselman, Vice Chairman  
Priscilla V. Jenness



# MEMORIAL DAY 2007

## RYE REMEMBERS



Special thanks go to Jim Cullen, Rye VFW Post 8942, guest speaker Ed Johnson, Commandant, Marine Corps League, our Rye Recreation Department and the numerous participants at this year's Memorial Day Services held on May 28, 2007.



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## AROUND RYE IN 2007



**RYE FIRE CHIEF WILLIAM H. "SKIP" SULLIVAN**

Smooth transition of fire department leadership, following the June resignation of Fire Chief Richard O'Brien, was accomplished through the timely hiring of former Hampton Fire Chief William H. "Skip" Sullivan as our interim chief. On November 27<sup>th</sup> he signed a one-year contract as Rye Fire Chief.



### **ONGOING CONCERN: EAST (ESTUARY ALLIANCE FOR SEWAGE TREATMENT)**

Established by SB481 in 2004, this legislation has the potential to deliver the wastewater of up to 44 communities to our shores. (See Selectmen's Report and Conservation Commission's Report)

## AROUND RYE IN 2007



Tranquil and serene above, Eel Pond overflowed during the Patriots Day storm, closing the Boulevard and flooding homes, while ocean surf tore down the Sawyer's Beach shale pile with each tide.



The long awaited roundabout at Foyes Corner officially opened November 20<sup>th</sup>. Final grading and finishing touches will be completed in early 2008. Traffic calming and less pollution are anticipated.



Plans for the upgrading of Seavey Creek Bridge on Pioneer Road, Route 1-A, have been developed by NHDOT with input from the Town. We are awaiting word on project scheduling.

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION**  
**Municipal Services Division**  
**2007 Tax Rate Calculation**

**TOWN/CITY: RYE**

Gross Appropriations	7,573,779
Less: Revenues	3,913,987
Less: Shared Revenues	19,174
Add: Overlay	202,277
War Service Credits	225,500

*Barbara J. Johnson*  
11/2/07

Net Town Appropriation	4,068,395
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	4,068,395
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**TOWN RATE**  
**2.25**

**SCHOOL PORTION**

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)	10,373,503
Regional School Apportionment	0
Less: Adequate Education Grant	0

State Education Taxes	(3,987,295)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	6,386,208

**LOCAL SCHOOL RATE**  
**3.54**

**STATE EDUCATION TAXES**

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	\$2.24
1,780,042,557	3,987,295
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)	
1,798,795,400	
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State	
Pay to State →	0

**STATE SCHOOL RATE**  
**2.22**

**COUNTY PORTION**

Due to County	1,641,267
Less: Shared Revenues	(6,747)

Approved County Tax Effort	1,634,520
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**COUNTY RATE**  
**0.90**

Total Property Taxes Assessed	16,076,418
Less: War Service Credits	(225,500)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	707,013
<b>Total Property Tax Commitment</b>	<b>16,557,931</b>

**TOTAL RATE**  
**8.91**

**PROOF OF RATE**

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax	(no utilities) 1,798,795,400	2.22	3,987,295
All Other Taxes	1,806,142,300	6.69	12,089,123
			16,076,418

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**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION**  
**Municipal Services Division**

**2007 Tax Rate Calculation Cont.**

**TOWN/CITY: RYE**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Net * Appropriation</b>	<b>Valuation</b>	<b>Tax Rate</b>	<b>Commitment</b>
Jenness Beach	64,974	376,862,700	0.18	67,835
Rye Water District	533,405	1,129,269,200	0.48	542,049
Rye Beach Village	96,133	225,882,200	0.43	97,129
	0	0	0.00	0
	0	0	0.00	0
	0	0	0.00	0
0	0	0	0.00	0
0	0	0	0.00	0

**Total Village District Commitment**

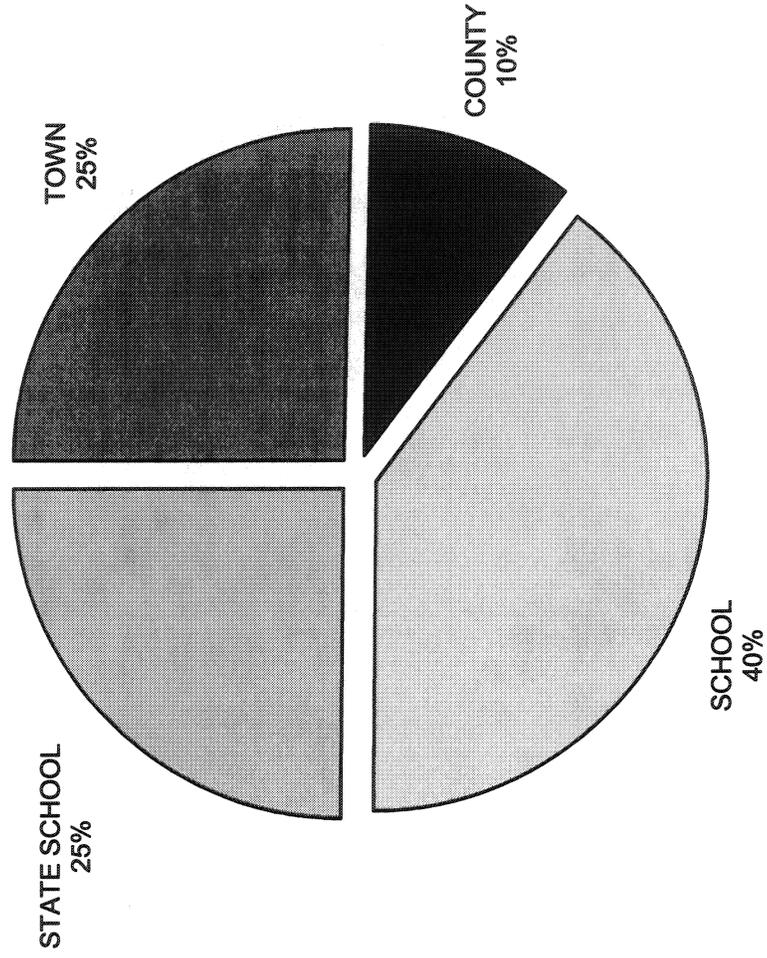
707,013

**\*Net Appropriation = Gross Appropriations - Revenues**

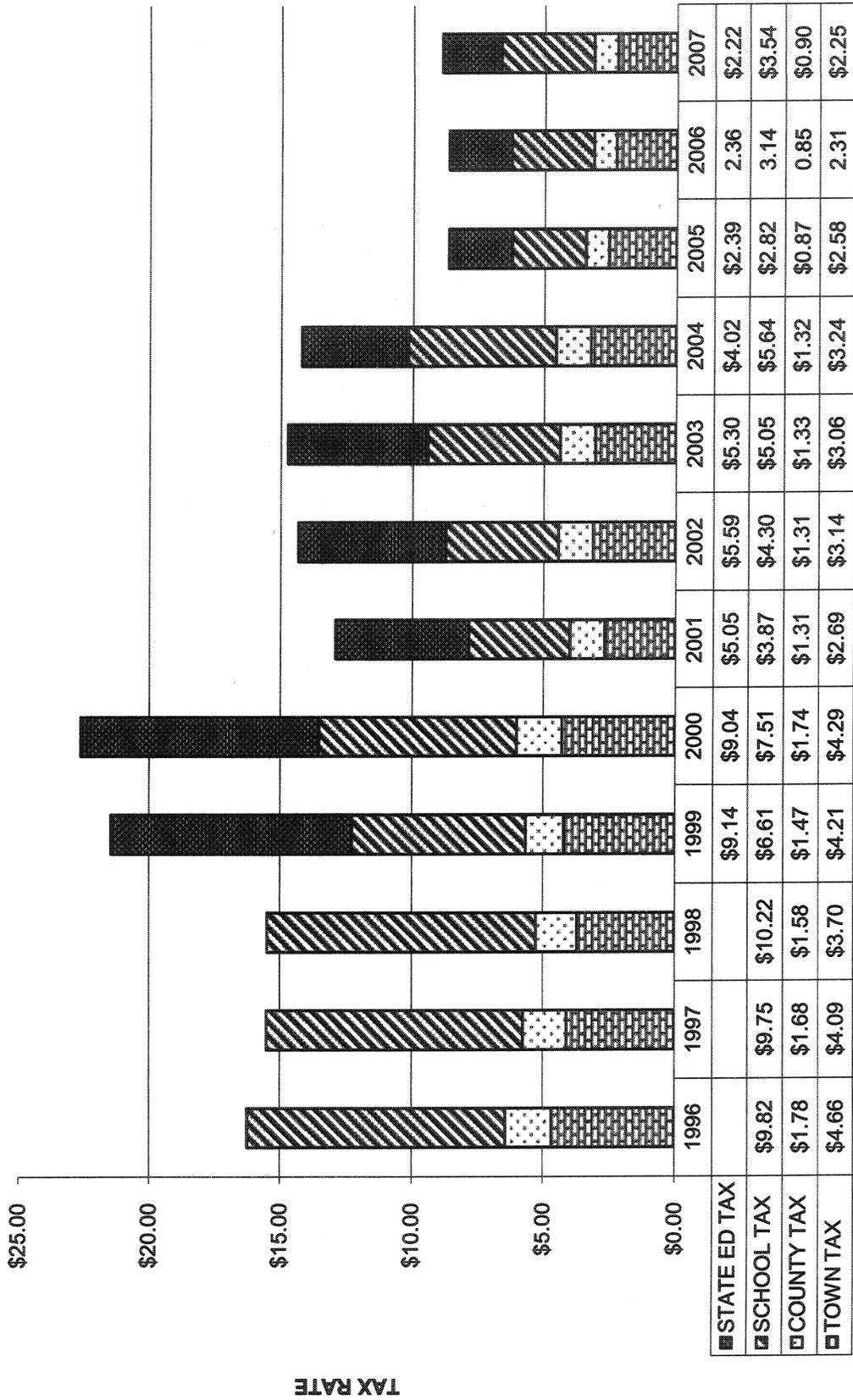
*Paula J. Robinson*  
11/2/07

**TOWN OF RYE, NH  
2007 TAX RATE**

**\$8.91 PER \$1000 OF ASSESSMENT**

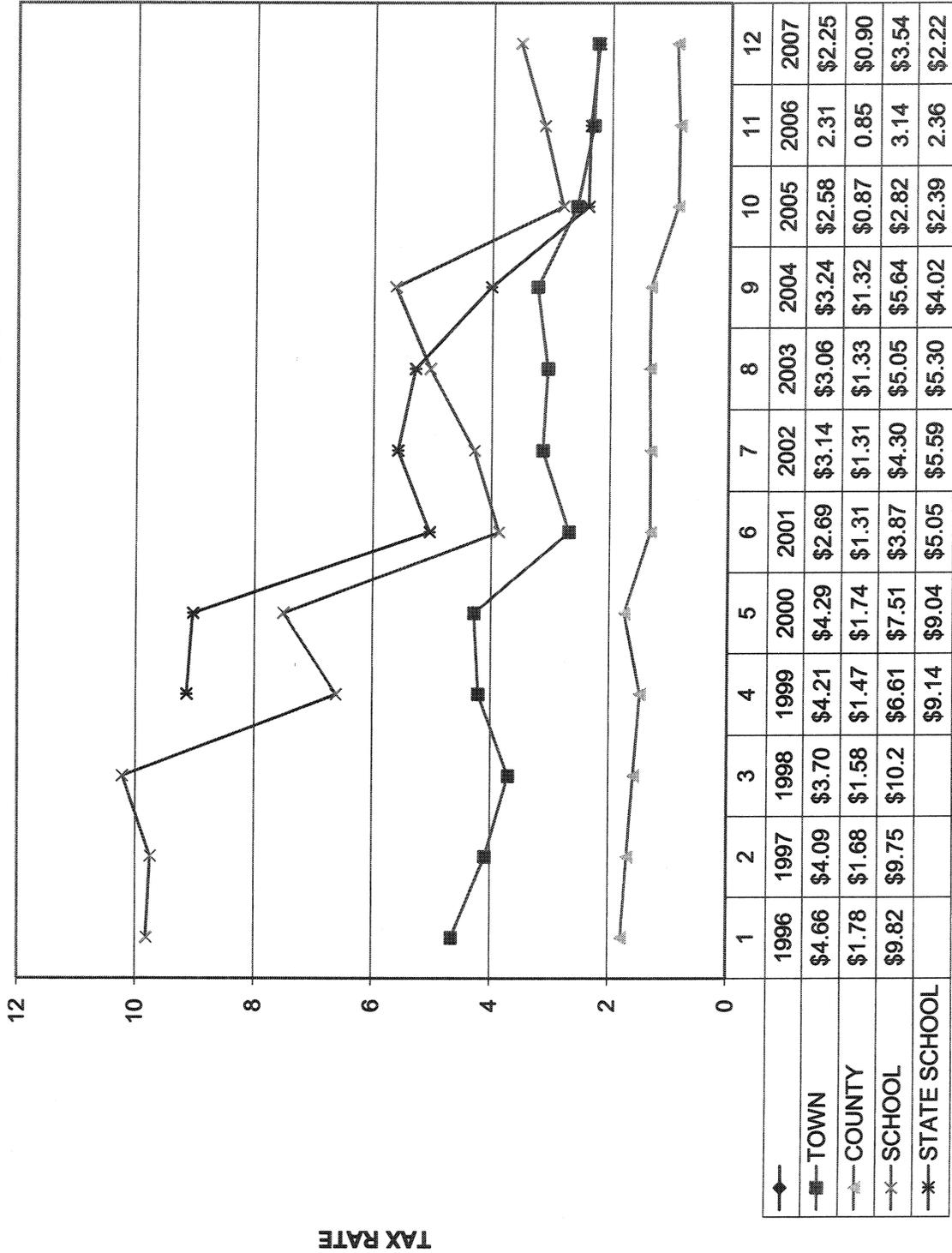


**TOWN OF RYE, NH  
TAX RATE COMPONENTS  
1996-2007**



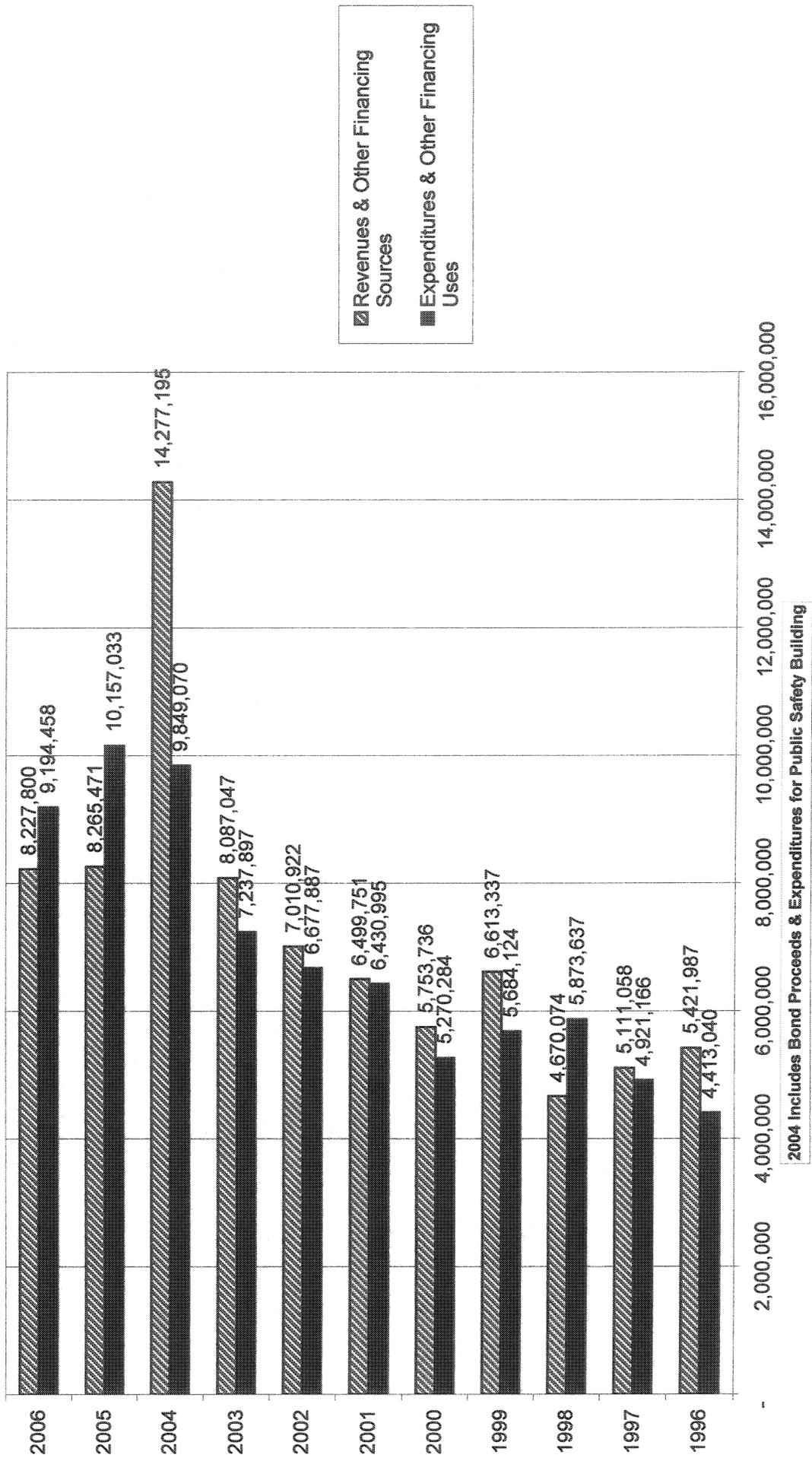
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**TOWN OF RYE, NH  
1996-2007 TAX RATE ANALYSIS**

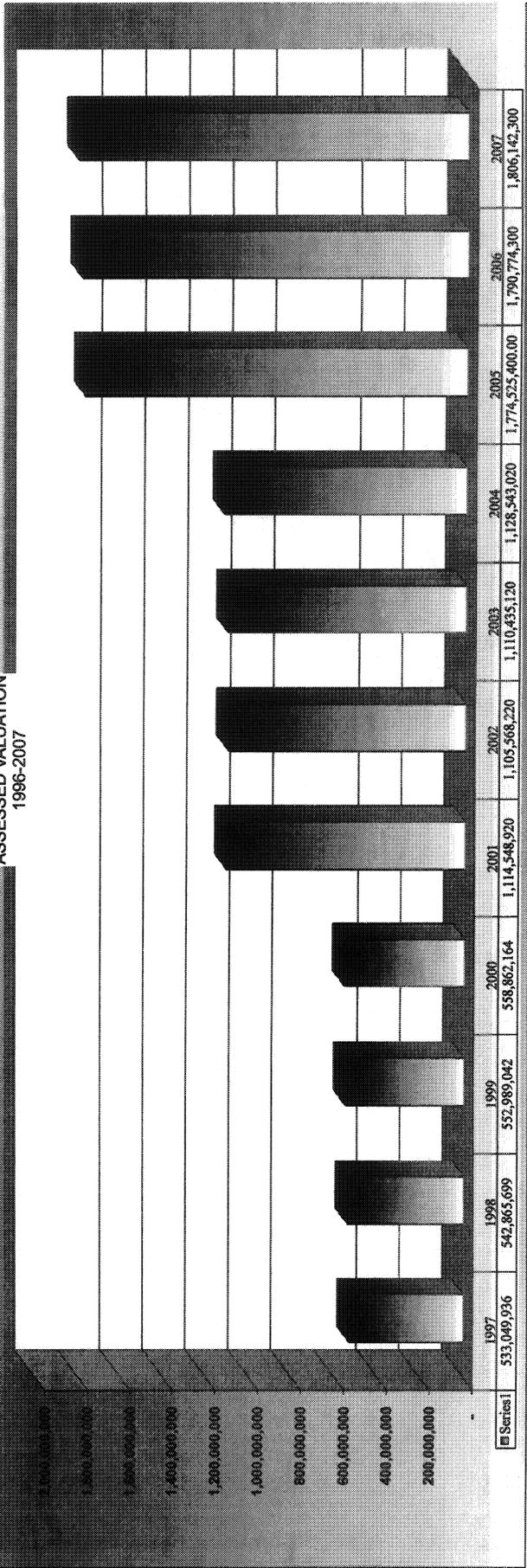


**YEARS**  
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# TOWN OF RYE, NH REVENUES & EXPENDITURES 1996 - 2006



TOWN OF RYE, NH  
 ASSESSED VALUATION  
 1996-2007



TOWN OF RYE, NH  
 TOP TEN TAXPAYERS  
 2007

NAME	ASSESSMENT	TAXES LEVIED
STRASBURG LAURA A TRUST	\$4,549,300	
GALVIN MARK & JENNY	\$4,703,500	
CONDON CLARE K	\$4,735,700	
BLUNTS ISLAND TRUST	\$4,966,700	
RICKERT INVESTMENT REAL EST LLC	\$5,135,200	
DEMAURO ANNETTE B	\$5,295,600	
ARCIDI ALFRED LOUIS & LAURA E	\$5,368,100	
ABENAQUI COUNTRY CLUB INC	\$5,717,200	
MARTIN GERARD M & KATHLEEN R	\$6,359,500	
WBTSCC LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	\$10,258,500	

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY  
RYE CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
LAND**

December 31, 2007

PROPERTY	MAP	LOT	ASSESSED LAND VALUE	CURRENT YR. CHANGES	ACREAGE	ACQUISITION DATE
245 WEST ROAD-EASMENT	3	11	\$148,000.00	PURCHASED FROM SLEEPER	24.9	1/31/2006
230 WEST ROAD EASMENT	4	10	\$2,000.00	PURCHASED FROM SLEEPER	1.54	1/31/2006
0 WEST ROAD	4	16	\$13,900		5	9/10/1999
0 WEST ROAD	4	20	\$12,000		2.47	4/21/1999
0 WEST ROAD	4	21	\$11,300		1.54	3/3/1992
0 SOUTH ROAD	4	22	\$11,100		1.32	4/21/1999
0 SOUTH ROAD	4	23	\$11,200		1.46	10/13/1981
0 SOUTH ROAD	4	24	\$11,700		2	5/19/1989
0 WEST ROAD	4	26	\$26,800	PURCHASED FROM RAND LUMBER	8.06	11/22/2006
33 GROVE ROAD-ESMT.	7	78	\$0	Philbrick Prop. Easmt. Assessed w/008/009	6.5	12/1/2004
0 CENTRAL ROAD	7	86	\$18,600		12.11	2/28/1983
100 GROVE ROAD	7	93	\$84,200		12.45	7/18/2002
96 GROVE ROAD	7	96	\$21,300		29.5	4/21/1999
96 GROVE ROAD	7	96	\$13,900		5	4/21/1999
305 CENTRAL ROAD	8	9	\$66,400.00	Philbrick Property easement	5.55	12/1/2004
0 CENTRAL ROAD	8	16	\$1,900.00	Philbrick Property easement	4.69	12/1/2004
0 CENTRAL ROAD	8	23	\$15,200		7.01	4/28/2000
180 HARBOR ROAD	8	55	\$11,600		0.62	12/23/2002
0 LOCKE ROAD	8	66	\$30,700		2.57	7/18/2002
2029 OCEAN BOULEVARD	8	68	\$26,500		0.68	12/16/1975
14 HUNTERVALE AVENUE	8.1	94	\$217,600		0.34	11/22/1974
2072 OCEAN BOULEVARD	8.4	159	\$17,900		0.09	12/27/2002
0 LAFAYETTE ROAD	10	12	\$17,700		11.97	2/2/1981
6 WHITEHORSE DRIVE	11	2	\$159,700		93.91	3/13/2003
WHITEHORSE DRIVE	11	3	\$8,800		0.12	3/13/2003
0 MOUNTAIN VIEW TERRACE	11	32	\$76,900		8.12	11/19/2003
0 LOCKE ROAD	12	2	\$283,800		12.02	6/10/2004
0 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	80	\$184,250	PURCHASED FROM RAND LUMBER	12.15	11/22/2006
0 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	89	\$15,600		5	12/4/1996
0 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	90	\$13,300		1.96	7/17/1997
1807 OCEAN BOULEVARD	13	2	\$21,400		0.93	N/A
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	13	34	\$9,500		11.9	8/20/1975
0 LAFAYETTE ROAD	14	2	\$15,900		9.25	12/15/1983
0 LAFAYETTE ROAD	14	13	\$20,500		16.4	N/A
0 LAFAYETTE ROAD	14	14	\$18,000		12.53	8/28/1985
0 LAFAYETTE ROAD	14	15	\$16,100		9.5	1981
0 LAFAYETTE ROAD	15	1	\$20,000		14.25	5/28/1980
0 LAFAYETTE ROAD	15	2	\$14,600		5.96	6/5/1905
643 WASHINGTON ROAD	15	8	\$15,000	PURCHASED FROM HAGUE	2	8/24/2006
309 WASHINGTON ROAD	16	129	\$95,700		23.6	1/10/2005
640 LONG JOHN ROAD	16	144	\$137,000.00	PURCHASED FROM YOUNG	22.8	5/17/2007
214 WASHINGTON ROAD	16	170	\$48,500		18	10/16/1996
44 WALLIS ROAD	17	51	\$160,000		24.65	3/29/2004
0 BRACKETT ROAD	17	56	\$13,900.00		5	3/2/1993
0 BRACKETT ROAD	17	58	\$12,100.00		2.55	3/2/1993
0 BRACKETT ROAD	17	60	\$73,500.00		42.53	4/12/1973
0 WALLIS ROAD	17.3	6	\$21,200.00		0.23	10/24/2002
20 WALLIS ROAD	17.3	7	\$26,400.00		2.87	6/19/1996
0 ROCK ORCHARD LANE	18	28	\$25,800.00		20.6	8/29/1988
0 VICTORY LANE	18	32	\$25,400.00		20.03	9/30/1996
329 BRACKETT ROAD	19	37	\$25,300.00		3.33	5/30/2001
0 BRACKETT ROAD	19	99	\$27,800.00		5	6/4/1974
0 PARSONS ROAD	19	100	\$39,300.00		10.84	8/20/1975
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	19	120	\$15,200.00		6.98	2/28/1983
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	19	121	\$12,500.00		3.15	8/20/1975
60 OCEAN VIEW AVENUE	19.4	31	\$28,800.00	PURCHASED FROM POKORNY	2.92	2/6/2006
47 APPLIEDORE AVENUE	19.4	50	\$25,400.00	PURCHASED FROM POKORNY	0.63	2/6/2006
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	19.4	57	\$37,500.00		0.31	3/20/1975
1173 OCEAN BOULEVARD	19.4	58	\$36,800.00		0.24	3/20/1975
4 CARVER STREET	20.2	94	\$15,800.00		0.19	8/24/2005
42 MORGAN COURT	21	2	\$31,700.00	PURCHASED FROM SPINOSA	3.25	5/24/2007
179 PIONEER ROAD-ESMT.	22	74	\$537,100		45.2	2/27/1992
179 PIONEER ROAD-ESMT.	22	74	\$111,800		13.5	2/27/1992
0 BRACKETT ROAD	22	101	\$15,200.00		6.98	6/4/1974
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	8	\$84,900.00		0.87	7/16/1986
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	10	\$120,600.00		16.33	7/17/1997
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	13	\$11,400.00		2.63	6/4/1973
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	14	\$28,100.00		10.05	7/5/1978
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	15	\$0.00		65.45	11/15/1976
0 SAGAMORE ROAD	24	71	\$31,600.00		7.83	12/1/1978
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	25	6	\$9,200.00		0.23	1993
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	25	7	\$11,000.00		1.41	1974
0 PIONEER ROAD	25	9	\$11,900.00		4.3	12/2/1977

TOTAL RYE CONSERVATION LAND

\$3,593,250.00

757.85

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY  
TOWN OF RYE, NH  
LAND**

December 31, 2007

**LAND OWNED BY TOWN OF RYE**

PROPERTY	MAP	LOT	ASSESSED LAND VALUE	ACREAGE	DATE OF ACQ.
2689 OCEAN BOULEVARD	2	1	\$ 438,700.00	0.37	7/30/1985
0 WEST ROAD	4	15	\$ 11,200.00	1.39	7/5/1994
2380 OCEAN BOULEVARD	5	57	\$ 1,080,900.00	1.65	2/3/1972
0 PERKINS ROAD	5.2	12	\$ 28,200.00	0.21	6/12/1991
2025 OCEAN BOULEVARD	8	67	\$ 29,100.00	1.54	12/26/1986
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	8.4	45	\$ 13,300.00	0.03	6/4/1990
0 HARBOR ROAD	9.2	19	\$ 56,200.00	0.47	6/7/2002
10 OLDE PARISH ROAD	12	44	\$ 181,400.00	0.2	9/27/1995
0 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	53	\$ 200,100.00	0.84	2/10/1986
0 LOCKE ROAD	12	69-002	\$ 17,500.00	0.11	1975
1695 OCEAN BOULEVARD	13	8	\$ 369,300.00	0.24	7/27/2000
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	13	35	\$ 33,000.00	4	6/7/1993
50 LANG ROAD	15	15	\$ 19,100.00	12.75	9/26/1984
514 WALLIS ROAD	16	82-001	\$ 8,900.00	0.05	3/18/1954
0 WALLIS ROAD	16	205	\$ 17,500.00	0.11	1932
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	17	83	\$ 17,200.00	9.78	6/19/1996
0 WALLIS ROAD	17	84	\$ 11,800.00	2.26	4/26/2004
0 WALLIS ROAD	17.3	27	\$ 20,500.00	0.15	6/18/1999
76 LIBERTY COMMON	18	116	\$ 242,200.00	1.29	8/12/1991
330 SAGAMORE ROAD	19	69	\$ 21,700.00	2.37	4/30/2003
0 BRACKETT ROAD	19	94	\$ 18,500.00	0.09	7/10/1986
0 PARSONS ROAD	19	99-00A	\$ 20,200.00	0.64	6/4/1974
255 PARSONS ROAD	19	101	\$ 21,700.00	0.33	8/12/1991
245 PARSONS ROAD	19	102	\$ 22,800.00	0.55	6/7/2002
0 MARSH ROAD	19	132	\$ 43,500.00	14.2	8/12/1991
0 OCEAN BOULEVARD	19.4	59	\$ 37,500.00	0.31	4/22/2005
5 NEPTUNE DRIVE	20.2	60	\$ 31,100.00	0.15	6/26/1990
0 NEPTUNE DRIVE	20.2	61	\$ 31,000.00	0.14	6/26/1990
0 BRACKETT ROAD	22	61	\$ 23,000.00	1.78	5/13/2004
0 BRACKETT ROAD	22	69	\$ 17,300.00	10	4/30/2003
0 BRACKETT ROAD	22	98	\$ 14,000.00	5.09	6/12/1991
0 PARSONS ROAD	22	99	\$ 23,700.00	19.91	4/26/2004
0 PIONEER ROAD	25	10	\$ 18,800.00	0.31	3/3/1986
<b>TOTAL LAND OWNED BY TOWN</b>			<b>\$ 3,140,900.00</b>	<b>93.31</b>	

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY  
TOWN OF RYE, NH  
LAND & BUILDINGS**

December 31, 2007

**LAND WITH BUILDINGS**

DESCRIPTION	PROPERTY	MAP	LOT	ASSESSED LAND VALUE	ASSESSED BLDG. VALUE	ACREAGE	DATE OF ACQ.
PUMPING STATION-SEWER	0 CHURCH ROAD	2	63-00A	\$ 100.00	\$ 36,500.00	0	1/1/1991
PUMPING STATION-ABENAQUI	0 CENTRAL ROAD	5	1-001	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	0	1964
OUTER MARKER-PLANES	105 LOCKE ROAD	8	64	\$ 273,600.00	\$ 2,500.00	1.29	7/25/1980
PUMPING STATION-BEACH RD.	0 OLD BEACH ROAD	8.4	175-001	\$ -	\$ 2,900.00	0	1990
HIGHWAY BLDG.	309 GROVE ROAD	11	134	\$ 306,100.00	\$ 344,600.00	7.13	7/10/1981
POLICE DEPARTMENT	37 CENTRAL ROAD	12	38	\$ 186,500.00	\$ 153,000.00	0.28	1925
PUBLIC LIBRARY	581 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	42	\$ 185,100.00	\$ 1,434,600.00	0.25	2000
RYE TOWN OF	575 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	43	\$ 231,300.00	\$ 715,100.00	1.9	6/30/1995
RYE TOWN OF (MUSEUM BLDING)	10 OLDE PARISH ROAD	12	44-00A	\$ -	\$ 109,100.00	0	7/27/1995
TOWN HALL	10 CENTRAL ROAD	12	54	\$ 223,400.00	\$ 372,900.00	1.37	1939
CEMETERY & BUILDING	20 CENTRAL ROAD	12	55	\$ 43,000.00	\$ 23,000.00	16.5	1988
CENTRAL CEMETARY LAND	0 CENTRAL ROAD	12	61	\$ 11,700.00	\$ -	2.01	5/5/1988
JENNESS & PARSONS FIELD	0 RECREATION RD	12	79	\$ 1,130,400.00	\$ 131,100.00	171.02	3/1/1964
FIRE DEPARTMENT	561 WASHINGTON ROAD	16	6	\$ 195,900.00	\$ 4,500.00	0.48	1954
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING	555 WASHINGTON ROAD	16	7	\$ 228,200.00	\$ 3,311,100.00	1.69	4/30/2003
<b>TOTAL LAND W/ BLDINGS.</b>				<b>\$ 3,015,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,642,100.00</b>	<b>203.92</b>	
<b>TOTAL LAND &amp; BLDINGS</b>				<b>\$ 6,156,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,642,100.00</b>	<b>297.23</b>	

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
**SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION**  
**FORM MS-1 FOR 2007**  
**Municipal Services Division**  
 PO BOX 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487 Phone (603) 271-2687  
 Email Address: nduffy@rev.state.nh.us

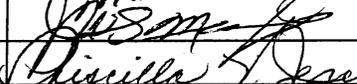
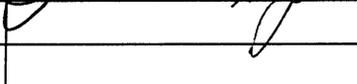
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CITY/TOWN OF Rye IN Rockingham COUNTY

**CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that the information provided in this report was taken from the official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
Rev 1707.03(d)(7)

PRINT NAMES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS	SIGNATURES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS* (Sign in ink)
Craig N. Musselman	
Joseph G. Mills, Jr.	
Priscilla V. Jenness	
Date Signed: <u>9/7/2007</u>	Check one: Governing Body <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>xxxx</b> Assessors <input type="checkbox"/>
City/Town Telephone # <u>603-964-5523</u>	<b>Due date: September 1, 2007</b>

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

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

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

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

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

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

Contact Person: Heather Austin haustin@town.rye.nh.us  
 (Print/type) Email:  
 Regular office hours: Monday - Friday 8 am - 4:30 pm

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

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<b>LAND</b>	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving.	<b>NUMBER OF ACRES</b>	<b>2007 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN</b>
<b>BUILDINGS</b>	Lines 2 A, B, C, & D List all buildings.		
<b>1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4</b>			
A	Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)	1,560.00	\$228,900
B	Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B	64.37	\$4,800
C	Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C	2.77	\$0
D	Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	0.00	\$0
E	Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)	3,885.00	\$919,172,400
F	Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)	546.00	\$40,827,000
G	Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	6,074.00	\$960,233,100
H	Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land	1,629.00	\$60,601,600
<b>2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B</b>			
A	Residential		\$805,282,200
B	Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$2,345,300
C	Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT include Utility Buildings)		\$42,149,800
D	Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	\$0
E	Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)		\$849,777,300
F	Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		\$37,924,500
<b>3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition)</b>			
A	Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.		\$7,346,900
B	Other Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary)		\$0
<b>4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5</b>			
			\$0
<b>5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)</b>			
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			<b>\$1,817,357,300</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a</b>	Total # granted	
	(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)	0	\$0
<b>7</b>	<b>Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b</b>	Total # granted	
		0	\$0
<b>8</b>	<b>Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a</b>	Total # granted	
		0	\$0
<b>9</b>	<b>School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV</b>	Total # granted	
	(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)	0	\$0
<b>10</b>	<b>Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a</b>	Total # granted	
		0	\$0
<b>11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10)</b>			
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			<b>\$1,817,357,300</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Blind Exemption RSA 72:37</b>	Total # granted	
		2	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$15,000	\$30,000
<b>13</b>	<b>Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a &amp; b</b>	Total # granted	
		121	\$11,182,500
<b>14</b>	<b>Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b</b>	Total # granted	
		0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0
<b>15</b>	<b>Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b</b>	Total # granted	
		0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0

<b>16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>17 Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62</b>	Total # granted	3	\$2,500
<b>18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>19 Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>20 TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19)</b>			<b>\$11,215,000</b>
<b>21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY &amp; LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)</b>			<b>\$1,806,142,300</b>
<b>22 Less Utilities (Line 3A) Do NOT include the value of OTHER utilities listed in Line 3B.</b>			<b>\$7,346,900</b>
<b>23 NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 21 minus Line 22)</b>			<b>\$1,798,795,400</b>

**UTILITY SUMMARY: ELECTRIC, GAS, OIL, PIPELINE, WATER & SEWER RSA 83-F**

List by individual company/legal entity the valuation of operating plants employed in the production, distribution, and transmission of electricity, gas pipeline, water and petroleum products. Include **ONLY** the names of the companies listed on the Instruction Sheets. (See Instruction pg 4 & Utilities Tabs)

<b>DOES YOUR MUNICIPALITY USE THE DRA UTILITY VALUES?</b>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>IF YES, DO YOU EQUALIZE IT BY THE RATIO? (please check appropriate box, if applicable)</b>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>

SECTION A: LIST ELECTRIC COMPANIES, GENERATING PLANTS, ETC: (Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See Instructions pg 4 Tab & Utilities)	2007 VALUATION
Public Service Co. of N.H.	\$4,680,000
* FPL Energy Seabrook, LLC	\$265,400
* Hudson Light & Power Department	\$200
* Mass. Municipal Wholesale Electric	\$34,900
* Tauton Municipal Lighting Co.	\$400
* PER REQUESST THESE COMPANIES ARE ASSESSED ONE BILL FOR THE 4 ENTITIES UNDER N. ATLANTIC	\$0
	\$0
<b>A1 TOTAL OF ALL ELECTRIC COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION:</b> (See pg 4 tab for the names of the limited number of companies)	<b>\$4,980,900</b>

GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES	
	\$0
	\$0
	\$0
<b>A2 TOTAL OF ALL GAS, OIL &amp; PIPELINE COMPANIES LISTED:</b> (See page 4 tab for the names of the limited number of companies)	<b>\$0</b>

WATER & SEWER COMPANIES	
Aquarian Water Company	\$2,366,000
	\$0
	\$0
<b>A3 TOTAL OF ALL WATER &amp; SEWER COMPANIES LISTED:</b> (See page 4 tab for the names of the limited number of companies)	<b>\$2,366,000</b>

<b>GRAND TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL A UTILITY COMPANIES (SUM OF A1, A2 AND A3).</b>	<b>\$7,346,900</b>
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SECTION B: LIST OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES (Exclude telephone companies): (Attach additional sheet if needed.)	2007 VALUATION
	\$0
	\$0
	\$0
<b>TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION B:</b> Total must agree with total on page 2, line 3B.	<b>\$0</b>

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TAX CREDITS	LIMITS	*NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS	MAXIMUM TAX CREDITS
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty. RSA 72:35	\$700	0	\$0	\$0
Enter optional amount adopted by municipality	\$2,000	11	\$22,000	\$22,000
Other war service credits. RSA 72:28	\$50	0	\$0	\$0
Enter optional amount adopted by municipality	\$500	407	\$203,500	\$203,500
<b>TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT</b>		<b>418</b>	<b>\$225,500</b>	<b>\$225,500</b>

\* If both husband & wife qualify for the credit they count as 2.

\* If someone is living at a residence such as brother & sister, and one qualifies, count as 1, not one-half.

DISABLED EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:37-b			
INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$0	ASSET LIMITS:
	MARRIED	\$0	
	SINGLE	\$0	
	MARRIED	\$0	

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:39-a						
NUMBER OF FIRST TIME FILERS GRANTED ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR CURRENT YEAR		AMOUNT (\$) PER INDIVIDUAL AGE CATEGORY:	TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS GRANTED			
AGE	#		AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT	TOTAL ACTUAL EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65-74	0	\$75,000	65-74	36	\$2,700,000	\$2,700,000
75-79	1	\$90,000	75-79	26	\$2,340,000	\$2,340,000
80+	0	\$105,000	80+	59	\$6,195,000	\$6,142,500
			TOTAL	121	\$11,235,000	\$11,182,500
INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$40,000	ASSET LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$199,000	
	MARRIED	\$59,900		MARRIED	\$199,000	

CURRENT USE REPORT - RSA 79-A				
	TOTAL NUMBER ACRES RECEIVING CURRENT USE	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CURRENT USE STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND	309.84	\$116,300	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	67.00
FOREST LAND	335.01	\$49,800	REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT YEAR	0.00
FOREST LAND WITH DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	52.23	\$5,500		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	323.55	\$49,200		
WET LAND	559.55	\$8,100	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS IN CURRENT USE	67
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,580.18</b>	<b>\$228,900</b>	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS IN CURRENT USE	86

LAND USE CHANGE TAX				
GROSS MONIES RECEIVED FOR CALENDAR YEAR (JAN. 1, 2006 THRU DEC. 31, 2006).				\$0
CONSERVATION ALLOCATION:	PERCENTAGE	0%	AND/OR	DOLLAR AMOUNT
				\$0
MONIES TO CONSERVATION FUND				\$0
MONIES TO GENERAL FUND				\$0

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORT - RSA 79-B				
	TOTAL NUMBER ACRES RECEIVING CONSERVATION	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND	32.83	\$4,300	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	0.00
FOREST LAND	0.00	\$0	REMOVED FROM CONSERVATION RESTRICTION DURING CURRENT YEAR	0.00
FOREST LAND WITH DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	0.00	\$0		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	31.54	\$500		
WET LAND	0.00	\$0	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>64.37</b>	<b>\$4,800</b>	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	3

DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS - RSA 79-C		
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES IN DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS GRANTED DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS GRANTED: (ie.: Golf Course, Ball Park, Race Track, etc.)
2.77		0 Map 11 Lot 83 Granted to Town of Rye
ASSESSED VALUATION		
\$0		

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DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS - RSA 79-D Historic Agricultural Structures		
TOTAL NUMBER OF STRUCTURES IN DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS GRANTED: (i.e.; Barn's, Silo's etc.) MAP & LOT - PERCENTAGE GRANTED	
0	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
0.00	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
ASSESSED VALUATION	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
\$0 L/O	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
\$0 B/O	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
0	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION
	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS RSA 162-K (See Tax Increment Finance Dist Tab for instructions)	TIF #1	TIF#2	TIF#3	TIF#4
	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy
Date of Adoption				
Original assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Unretained captured assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Amounts used on page 2 (tax rates)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Retained captured assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Current assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

LIST REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAX Amounts listed below should not be included in assessed valuation column on page 2.	MUNICIPALITY	LIST SOURCE(S) OF PAYMENT In Lieu of Taxes	
		Number of Acres	
State & Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land from MS-4, acct. 3356 & 3357.	\$0	0.00	
White Mountain National Forest, Only acct. 3186.	\$0	0.00	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$10,272		RANNIE WEBSTER FOUNDATION
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0		
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0		
<b>TOTALS of account 3186 (Exclude WMNF)</b>	<b>\$10,272</b>	<b>0.00</b>	

\* RSA 362-A:6, which previously allowed for municipalities to enter into payment in lieu of tax agreements with small scale power facilities, was repealed in 1997. No new or amended payment in lieu of tax agreements may be entered into since 1997.

Questions regarding these laws please consult with the DRA Utility Tax Appraiser at (603) 271-2687.

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		RYE BEACH	
LAND	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2007 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
BUILDINGS	Lines 2 A, B, C & D List all buildings.		
<b>1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4</b>			
	A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)	67.78	\$7,800
	B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B	0.00	\$0
	C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C	0.00	\$0
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	0.00	\$0
	E Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)	309.81	\$101,364,000
	F Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)	127.06	\$8,152,300
	G Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	504.65	\$109,524,100
	H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land	6.91	\$4,971,800
<b>2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B</b>			
	A Residential		\$111,497,400
	B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$0
	C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT include Utility Buildings)		\$5,070,700
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	\$0
	E Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)		\$116,568,100
	F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		\$2,445,100
<b>3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) within district</b>			
	A Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.		\$0
	B Other Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary)		\$0
<b>4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5</b>			
<b>5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)</b>			
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			\$226,092,200
<b>6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)			
<b>7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)			
<b>10 Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10)</b>			
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			\$226,092,200
<b>12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37</b>	Total # granted	0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0
<b>13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a &amp; b</b>	Total # granted	2	\$210,000
<b>14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b</b>	Total # granted	0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0
<b>15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b</b>	Total # granted	0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		JENNESS BEACH	
LAND	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2007 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
BUILDINGS	Lines 2 A, B, C & D List all buildings.		
<b>1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4</b>			
	A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)	19.18	\$4,300
	B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B	0.00	\$0
	C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C	0.00	\$0
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	0.00	\$0
	E Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)	317.67	\$242,834,100
	F Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)	2.89	\$1,270,500
	G Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	339.74	\$244,108,900
	H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land	1.97	\$1,333,000
<b>2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B</b>			
	A Residential		\$133,986,200
	B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$0
	C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT include Utility Buildings)		\$1,917,600
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	\$0
	E Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)		\$135,903,800
	F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		\$23,700
<b>3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) within district</b>			
	A Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.		\$0
	B Other Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary)		\$0
<b>4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5</b>			\$0
<b>5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)</b>			\$380,012,700
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			
<b>6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)			
<b>7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)			
<b>10 Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10)</b>			\$380,012,700
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			
<b>12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37</b>	Total # granted	1	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$15,000	\$15,000
<b>13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a &amp; b</b>	Total # granted	33	\$3,135,000
<b>14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b</b>	Total # granted	0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0
<b>15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b</b>	Total # granted	0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		WATER DISTRICT	
LAND	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2007 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
BUILDINGS	Lines 2 A, B, C & D List all buildings.		
<b>1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4</b>			
A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)		1,279.23	\$199,800
B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B		64.37	\$4,800
C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C		2.77	\$0
D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D		0.00	\$0
E Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)		2,964.25	\$549,296,700
F Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)		234.63	\$24,101,300
G Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)		4,545.25	\$573,802,600
H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land		1,074.83	\$27,317,800
<b>2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B</b>			
A Residential			\$533,319,100
B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31			\$39,600
C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)			\$29,322,900
D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	0	\$0
E Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)			\$562,681,600
F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings			\$24,723,200
<b>3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) within district</b>			
A Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.			\$0
B Other Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary)			\$0
<b>4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5</b>			\$0
<b>5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)</b>			
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			\$1,136,284,200
<b>6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)			
<b>7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)			
<b>10 Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a</b>	Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10)</b>			
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			\$1,136,284,200
<b>12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37</b>	Total # granted	1	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$15,000	\$15,000
<b>13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a &amp; b</b>	Total # granted	76	\$6,997,500
<b>14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b</b>	Total # granted	0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0
<b>15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b</b>	Total # granted	0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		RYE BEACH	
16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # granted	0	\$0
17 Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # granted	0	\$0
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	Total # granted	0	\$0
19 Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV	Total # granted	0	\$0
20 TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19)			\$210,000
21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)			\$225,882,200

Rye

VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		JENNESS BEACH	
16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # granted	0	\$0
17 Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # granted	0	\$0
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	Total # granted	0	\$0
19 Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV	Total # granted	0	\$0
20 TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19)			\$3,150,000
21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)			\$376,862,700

Rye

VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		WATER DISTRICT	
16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # granted	0	\$0
17 Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # granted	3	\$2,500
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	Total # granted	0	\$0
19 Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV	Total # granted	0	\$0
20 TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19)			\$7,015,000
21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)			\$1,129,269,200

**TOWN OF RYE EMPLOYEES  
2007**

NAME	POSITION / DEPARTMENT	TOTAL WAGES	BASE WAGE	OVERTIME	OUTSIDE DETAIL**
* Adams, Lee J.	Recycling Attendant	43,874.68	43,026.55	848.13	
Alberico, Mari J.	After School Counselor	3,968.84	3,968.84		
Almon, Abigail	After School Counselor	3,081.75	3,081.75		
* Arthur, Lee C.	Recreation Director	55,715.93	55,715.93		
Arthur, Lee C.	Sewer Commission Secretary	12,780.23	12,780.23		
* Austin, Heather G.	Assessing Clerk	39,311.24	39,311.24		
Baker, Robin L.	Asst. Town Clerk/Tax Collector	12,129.48	12,129.48		
Biron, Jessica L.	Police Special-Summer	3,855.41	3,855.41		
Blais, Benjamin A.	Lifeguard	880.00			
* Blais, William	Patrolman	62,246.57	43,958.72	9,670.85	8,617.00
Blaisdell, Leon C.	Treasurer	15,000.00	15,000.00		
* Blaisdell, Scott R.	Police Sergeant	70,210.24	55,970.98	10,601.26	3,638.00
Blanding, David M.	Police Special	5,075.75	4,013.75		1,062.00
Brown, Janet M.	Election Worker	68.75	68.75		
Brown, Justen M.	Call Personnel	120.00	120.00		
* Bucklin, Alan E.	Recycling Attendant	43,514.33	40,242.82	3,271.51	
Butterworth, Bruce M.	Lifeguard	2,436.00	2,436.00		
Campbell, Kathleen P.	After School Counselor	250.40	250.40		
Carbine, Andrew W.	Call Personnel	1,338.42	1,338.42		
* Carlton, Jonathan R.	Director of Recreation Programs	35,682.40	35,682.40		
Carpentier, Jed L.	Call Personnel	2,644.56	2,644.56		
Castiglioni, Eric W.	Call Personnel	80.00	80.00		
Chang, Te-hsin	After School Counselor	3,831.12	3,831.12		
Chase, James	Library Custodian	14,762.80	14,762.80		
Chichester, Madelin L.	Supervisor of Checklist	500.00	500.00		
Colbath, Derek J.	Planning Intern	937.50	937.50		
* Conlon, Bartholomew T.	Patrolman	50,636.86	43,877.85	2,511.01	4,248.00
* Coscia, John V.	Cemetery Superintendent	16,521.75	16,521.75		
Costello, Wellsley J.	Lifeguard	2,419.00	2,419.00		
* Cots, John M.	Firefighter/EMT-B	52,135.97	41,020.08	11,115.89	
* Cronin, Kerry E.	Library Director	60,008.02	60,008.02		
Dame, Timothy M.	Call Personnel	5,088.38	5,088.38		
Dello Russo, Cara M.	Lifeguard	4,440.00	4,440.00		
DeVaney, Thomas M.	Call Personnel	468.03	468.03		
* Dibartolomeo, Jeffrey M.	Fire Lieutenant	76,691.08	53,847.06	22,844.02	
Dixon, Rebecca A.	After School Counselor	3,036.10	3,036.10		
Doan, Samantha W.	Library Page	448.00	448.00		
* Dodds, David A.	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer	52,605.41	45,449.78	7,155.63	
Dodds, Gary B.	Call Personnel	65.00	65.00		
Doherty, Juliette	Library Assistant-Part Time	10,816.65	10,816.65		
* Doyle, Matthew C.	Patrolman	65,416.07	41,050.10	10,149.97	14,216.00
Dunfey, Susan	Planning/Building Secretary	20,157.78	20,157.78		
* Eslinger, James R	Fire Dept.	9,735.92	9,137.52	598.40	
Fessenden, Michael C.	Call Personnel	146.27	146.27		
* Gallant, Charles A.	Firefighter/EMT-1	65,677.04	47,510.46	17,830.58	336.00
Gallant, Kelley	After School Counselor	9,746.82	9,746.82		
Garrity, Timothy P.	Police Special	3,095.84	2,663.84		432.00
Gaskell, Douglas G.	Cemetery Attendant	4,035.78	4,035.78		
Gaucher, Kenneth I.	Recycling Attendant Part Time	19,152.08	17,751.38	1,400.70	
* Gillespie, Cynthia L.	Finance Administrator	51,135.20	51,135.20		
* Goff, Harriet A.	Police Dispatcher/Secretary	43,564.40	43,564.40		
* Gould, Alan S.	Town Administrator	72,340.32	72,340.32		
Gould, Donna J.	After School Counselor	1,133.00	1,133.00		
Greenwell, William T.	Lifeguard	963.50	963.50		
Hammer, Jr., Paul E.	Town Custodian	9,816.02	9,816.02		
Hansell, Geraldine S.	Lifeguard	1,827.00	1,827.00		
Hansell, Nancy L.	Lifeguard	1,470.00	1,470.00		
Hanskell, Victoria L.	Call Personnel	777.01	777.01		
Healy, Shawna M.	Library Assistant-Part Time	7,007.11	7,007.11		
* Hill, Roy Lee	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer	49,939.69	44,302.81	5,636.88	
* Hirtle, Scott M.	Firefighter/EMT-1	70,337.11	49,526.38	20,810.73	
Hoefle, Daniel	Moderator	250.00	250.00		
Holway, Jane	Election Worker	500.00	500.00		
* Hordon, Ronald A.	Fire Lieutenant	70,219.55	54,004.35	16,087.20	128.00
* Houde, Lisa S.	Librarian - Children Services	32,292.00	32,292.00		
Hutchins, Margaret A.	Library Assistant-Part Time	11,697.40	11,697.40		
* Ireland, Edward J.	Cemetery Superintendent / Retired 9/1/07	61,197.20	61,197.20		
* Ireland, Jane E.	Tax Collector/Town Clerk/Tr Funds	54,194.01	54,194.01		
Ireland, Jane E.	Bookkeeper of the Trust Funds	2,937.00	2,937.00		
Irwin, Julie A.	Police Special-Summer	3,674.25	3,674.25		

\* Denotes full time employees that receive benefits

\*\* Denotes services which are reimbursed to the Town by Outside Agencies

**TOWN OF RYE EMPLOYEES  
2007**

NAME	POSITION / DEPARTMENT	TOTAL WAGES	BASE WAGE	OVERTIME	OUTSIDE DETAIL**
* Jenness, Christopher	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer	53,749.59	47,340.04	6,409.55	
Jenness, Priscilla	Selectman	4,147.08	4,147.08		
* Jones, Martha G.	Librarian - Adult Services	34,205.20	34,205.20		
Jordan , Bruce W,	Call Personnel	1,140.54	1,140.54		
* Jordan Jr., Everett E.	Public Works Director	67,859.20	67,859.20		
Kelly, Tracey M.	Call Personnel	263.39	263.39		
Kendall, Gregory C.	Police Special	8,860.12	8,212.12		648.00
Kendall, Gregory C.	Animal Control Officer	938.81	938.81		
King, Sally S.	Supervisor of Checklist	500.00	500.00		
* Klanchesser, John J.	Firefighter/EMT-B	70,656.99	47,487.94	23,041.05	128.00
* Kornechuk, David C.	Firefighter/EMT-1	63,388.78	49,939.80	12,936.98	512.00
Krakov, Nathan I.	Call Personnel	40.00	40.00		
Krespach, Judy M.	Call Personnel	10.75	10.75		
* Labrie, Susan M.	Building Inspector	55,998.80	55,998.80		
Ladrie, Alan	Call Personnel	1,455.00	1,455.00		
* Laing, Steven J.	Fire Lieutenant	79,397.94	57,217.20	22,180.74	
Larivee, Amanda K.	Police Special-Summer	3,626.12	3,626.12		
Lokis, Christopher J.	After School Counselor	3,333.44	3,333.44		
Low, Jean	Election Worker	68.75	68.75		
Lundgren, Phyllis B.	Asst. Town Clerk/Tax Collector	29.94	29.94		
Maftai, Dan	Lifeguard	1,596.00	1,596.00		
Maloney, Molly K.	Lifeguard	3,192.00	3,192.00		
Martin, Andrew S.	Call Personnel	292.00	292.00		
Maxam, Erica L.	Call Personnel	1,116.42	1,116.42		
* Millett, Frederick	Highway Foreman	55,087.98	53,191.68	1,896.30	
Mills Jr., Joseph G.	Selectman	4,147.08	4,147.08		
Mitrush, Alexander K.	Police Special	6,161.46	2,507.46		3,654.00
Moore, Kyle F.	Lifeguard	5,134.50	5,134.50		
Musselman, Craig N.	Selectman	4,147.08	4,147.08		
Nadeau, Gail C.	Election Worker	68.75	68.75		
* Nolette, Brenda J	Library Assistant	25,736.76	25,736.76		
* Obrien, Duncan J.	Recycling Attendant	41,796.24	37,871.60	3,924.64	
* Obrien, Richard S.	Fire Chief / Resigned 06/29/07	50,421.20	50,421.20		
Olson, Constance M.	Election Worker	77.00	77.00		
* Paradis Jr., Paul H.	Highway Fleet Mechanic	54,971.50	50,227.36	4,744.14	
Parenteau Sr., Walter J.	Sewer, Clerk of Works	15,393.30	15,393.30		
Patrick, John W.	Election Worker	68.75	68.75		
Pease, Jared R.	Lifeguard	9,015.00	8,835.00	180.00	
* Peirce, Jeffrey T.	Police Sergeant	89,181.97	57,254.66	17,921.31	14,006.00
Philbrick, Alden W.	Call Personnel	288.00	288.00		
Pollock, Evan N.	Call Personnel	1,327.75	1,327.75		
* Porciello, Heather J.	Patrolman	52,412.03	44,411.28	4,364.75	3,636.00
Puglisi, Angelo C.	Call Personnel	959.50	959.50		
Putnam-Bailey, Gwen L.	Library Assistant-Part Time	7,690.98	7,690.98		
* Quinn, Patricia R.	Librarian - Associate Director	40,596.64	40,596.64		
* Reed, Kimberly M.	Planning Administrator	39,296.40	39,296.40		
Ruel, Morris J.	Call Personnel	1,467.00	1,467.00		
Santarelli, Amy B.	Recreation Summer Counselor	3,507.00	3,507.00		
Schatvet, Lee J.	Call Personnel	208.00	208.00		
Schwaegerie, Kristen A.	Call Personnel	8.25	8.25		
Scott, Judy E.	After School Counselor	701.12	701.12		
Snow MD, Gail A.	Health Officer	4,700.00	4,700.00		
Spink, Dylan J.	Beach Maintenance	744.15	744.15		
* Sullivan, Scott T.	Patrolman	36,642.72	29,375.52	3,631.20	3,636.00
Sullivan, William H.	Fire Chief	20,600.00	20,600.00		
Swist, Thomas M.	Call Personnel	570.00	570.00		
Tighe, Jane E.	Lifeguard	3,116.00	3,116.00		
Tompkins, Randall B.	Police Special	105.84	105.84		
* Walsh, Kevin P.	Police Chief	70,597.60	70,597.60		
* Webster, Mark D.	Patrolman	84,312.16	49,949.94	16,334.22	18,028.00
* Weiland, Nancy L.	Executive Secretary	44,995.61	44,995.61		
Weintraub, Jeanne G.	After School Counselor	4,043.96	4,043.96		
Whittet, Robert J.	Call Personnel	984.00	984.00		
Williams, Richard V.	Recycling Attendant Part Time	10,139.65	10,028.88	110.77	
* Woods, Pamela E.	Librarian - Adult Services	36,119.26	36,119.26		
* Yeaton, Elizabeth M.	Deputy Tax Collector/Town Clerk	43,281.38	43,281.38		
York, Jeffrey E	Call Personnel	1,496.52	1,496.52		
134 Employees		2,842,298.97	2,507,165.56	258,208.41	76,925.00

\* Denotes full time employees that receive benefits

\*\* Denotes services which are reimbursed to the Town by Outside Agencies

**TOWN OF RYE  
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PACKAGE COSTS - 2008**

BENEFIT	PLAN TYPE	COVERAGE	ANNUAL COSTS	EMPLOYEE SHARE	TOWN'S COSTS
<b>Comp 500 Plan</b>					
Health Insurance	Provided through Anthem Blue Cross of NH	Single Coverage per emp	\$ 7,435		\$ 7,435
		2-Person Coverage/emp	\$ 14,870	\$ 2,974	\$ 11,896
		Family Coverage/emp	\$ 20,074	\$ 4,015	\$ 16,059
Town pays 100% of single coverage - 80% of the 2-person and family plans					
<b>Blue Choice Plan</b>					
Health Insurance	Provided through Anthem Blue Cross of NH	Single Coverage per emp	\$ 7,857		\$ 7,857
		2-Person Coverage/emp	\$ 15,714	\$ 3,143	\$ 12,571
		Family Coverage/emp	\$ 21,213	\$ 4,243	\$ 16,970
Town pays 100% of single coverage - 80% of the 2-person and family plans					
Dental Insurance	Provided through Delta Dental Option 1A	Single Coverage/emp	\$ 451		\$ 451
		2-Person Coverage/emp	\$ 898	\$ 447	\$ 451
		Family Coverage/emp	\$ 1,591	\$ 1,140	\$ 451
Town pays 100% of a single coverage only.					
Life Insurance	Benefit is equal to annual pay with reduction after age 65 Rate is \$0.24 per month for each \$1000 of benefit to a maximum of \$75,000				\$ 6,898 2008 annual
Town pays 100% of this cost					
Short-Term Disability	Benefit is 2/3 of base weekly wage per week for 26 weeks The Rate is \$0.55 per month for each \$10 of weekly benefit				\$ 18,694 2008 annual
Town pays 100% of this cost					
LongTerm Disability	Benefit is 60% of base pay to a maximum of \$5000/mth Benefit commences after 6 months of disability The rate is \$.78 per \$100 of Permanent Base Pay per month				\$ 17,095 2008 annual
Town pays 100% of this cost					
<b>NH State Retirement Plan</b>					
	Police Officers	Town's Contribution	11.84%		
	Fire Fighters	Town's Contribution	15.92%		
	Employees	Town's Contribution	8.74%		
	Police Officers	Employee's Contribution	9.3%		
	Fire Fighters	Employee's Contribution	9.3%		
	Employees	Employee's Contribution	5.0%		

The NH Retirement System sets the employer's percentage bi-annually effective July 1st.  
Retirement Contributions are Based on Gross Wages

\* Full time employees must work a minimum Thirty Five (35) hours per week to be eligible for benefits

## TREASURER'S REPORT

In 2007, \$700,000 of undesignated fund balance was used to offset the tax rate. This amount was transferred from the town's investment funds into the general fund. The lower invested principal combined with a decrease in interest rates resulted in less interest earned during this year over prior years.

In 2007 there were no new bonds or notes required by the town. June of 2008 will see the retirement of the bond for the Public Safety Building Land. The town vote in March 2003 authorized bonding for \$5,000,000 for the purpose of Conservation Land Acquisition. As of December 31, 2007 there is a balance of \$2,000,000 that can be bonded for that purpose.

It seems the town is always in need of good people for board positions, call firefighters etc. The treasurer's office is no exception. Currently the position of town deputy treasurer is vacant. If you have a financial background and are interested in getting involved with your community please contact me or the Town Administrator, Alan Gould at the Rye Town Hall, 964-5523 to apply.

I wish to thank all the boards, commissions and town employees for their cooperation and assistance over the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon C. Blaisdell,  
Treasurer

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS**

January 1,2007 Starting Balance		
Checking Account	4,710,508.02	
Payroll	1,000.00	
NH Public Deposit Pool	405,277.11	
TD Banknorth Pool	2,400,168.61	
Money Market Account	104,753.15	
Citizens Bank Premium Investment	256,563.52	<b>7,878,270.41</b>
Receipts	19,852,089.43	
Interest	260,164.01	20,112,253.44
Disbursements	(20,895,731.00)	(20,895,731.00)
December 31,2007 Ending Balance		
Checking Account	4,429,741.54	
Payroll	1,000.00	
NH Public Deposit Pool	333,633.33	
TD Banknorth Pool	2,220,484.96	
Money Market Account	109,933.02	
Citizens Bank Premium Investment		<b>7,094,792.85</b>

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION GENERAL FUND**

January 1,2007 Starting Balance		10,992.77
Receipts		559.76
Disbursements		-
December 31,2007 Ending Balance		<b>11,552.53</b>

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION LAND ACQUISITION**

January 1,2007 Starting Balance		1,514,817.02
Receipts	(FEMA Grant)	350,000.00
Bond Proceeds		-
Interest		65,201.43
Disbursements		(947,032.00)
December 31,2007 Ending Balance		<b>982,986.45</b>

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION VERNAL POOL**

January 1,2007 Starting Balance		46,926.19
Receipts		2,385.83
Disbursements		-
December 31,2007 Ending Balance		<b>49,312.02</b>

**SEWERAGE OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE FUND**

January 1,2007 Starting Balance		310,451.15
Receipts		345,704.65
Disbursements		(328,657.27)
December 31,2007 Ending Balance		<b>327,498.53</b>

**TOWN OF RYE, ESCROW ACCOUNT**

January 1,2007 Starting Balance		21,246.82
Receipts		9,622.00
Interest		523.38
Disbursements		(5,349.45)
December 31,2007 Ending Balance		<b>26,042.75</b>

**TOWN OF RYE, UMBRELLA ACCOUNT \***

January 1,2007 Starting Balance	82,223.26
Receipts	11,317.33
Disbursements	(10,000.00)
December 31,2007 Ending Balance	<b>83,540.59</b>

\* includes Forest fund, Adams Escrow, Recreation and Surety funds

**TOWN OF RYE, ASSET FORFIETURE ACCOUNT**

January 1,2007 Starting Balance	10,051.09
Receipts	378.73
Disbursements	-
December 31,2007 Ending Balance	<b>10,429.82</b>

Respectfully submitted,

Leon C. Blaisdell  
Treasurer

**TOWN OF RYE, NH**  
**STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT**  
December 31, 2007

<b>ISSUED DEBT</b>	2007	
	Year of Issuance	Outstanding Debt
<b>General Fund</b>		
Library Addition	1999	415,000
Fire Station Land	2003	83,600
Conservation Land	2004	1,315,000
Safety Building	2004	2,310,000
Conservation Land	2006	946,400
<b>Sewer Dept</b>		
Sewer Main Bond	1992	1,100,000
Total Bond Principle Owed 2007		6,170,000

Annual Obligations	Annual Maturities	Principle	Interest	Total Due
	2008	975,000	310,741	1,285,741
	2009	895,000	260,771	1,155,771
	2110	895,000	213,053	1,108,053
	2011	895,000	165,178	1,060,178
	2012	890,000	117,228	1,007,228
	2013	670,000	76,670	746,670
	2014	665,000	43,613	708,613
	2015-2020	285,000	21,375	306,375
		6,170,000	1,208,627	7,378,627

<b>Authorized But Unissued Debt</b>	<b>Year of Issuance</b>	
Conservation Land Acquisition	2003	2,000,000

<b>DEBT MARGIN</b>	
NH R.S.A. 33:4-A	
"Towns shall not incur net indebtedness to an amount at any one time outstanding exceeding 3 percent of their valuation."	
Net indebtedness includes issued debt, as well as authorized but unissued debt.	
Total Indebtedness	8,170,000
Assessed Valuation	1,806,142,300
Maximum allowed debt	54,184,269
Allowed Debt Margin	46,014,269
(the amount of additional debt which can legally be borrowed)	

**TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT  
2007**

Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Telephone (603)964-8562; Fax (603)964-4132

[janei@town.rye.nh.us](mailto:janei@town.rye.nh.us)

During the year 2007 this office registered 7360 vehicles and licensed 1026 dogs. We issued 43 marriage licenses and sold 1838 beach parking permits. Again this year we have experienced a reduction in the amount of money generated by vehicle registrations, even though we processed 216 more registration permits than in the previous year. Our records also show fewer title applications were processed, which translates to fewer *new* cars or trucks entering the system. We'll leave it to those who track financial trends to interpret this phenomenon. On the accompanying pages are the financial reports for the Town Clerk and Tax Collector. All revenues generated from this office are deposited to the town's general fund and help reduce our property tax rate.

Don't forget to license your dog! Every year between January 1 and April 30, all dogs need to be licensed. An up-to-date rabies certificate is required for each dog. The cost for puppies or a spayed or neutered dog is \$6.50; for an unaltered dog the fee is \$9.00. Senior citizens (those over 65 years of age) can license a dog for \$2.00.

Early in 2007 we initiated the municipal agent automation program (MAAP) in our office. As we anticipated, this new vehicle registration system has had plenty of "bugs" to work through. However, after almost a full year's experience, we can now report that it is operating relatively efficiently. MAAP integrates our registration process directly with the State of New Hampshire. When a transaction is completed in our office, the state system immediately recognizes the data and updates its records. Thus, an authorized department such as the N.H. State Police who may need access to this information will always have accurate and timely data available to them. This new system gives our office the ability to issue "moose" plates and vanity plates, and to handle many other transactions previously done only at a motor vehicle substation, thereby improving our service to our residents and saving time and travel for many.

On a personal note, I'd like to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to all the good people with whom I've had the privilege to work over the past twenty six years. It's been my pleasure to serve this community and I will miss the day to day contact with all my friends and neighbors, and with my colleagues. Thank you all.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane E. Ireland  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**  
**Year Ending December 31, 2007**

Summary

Motor Vehicle Registrations

Permits (7360)	\$	1,110,169.34
Title fees (1176)		2352.00
Municipal Agent Fees (6948)		17,369.80
E-reg fees		769.50
Total Motor Vehicle Fees	\$	<u>1,130,660.64</u>

Dog Licenses

Dog Licenses Issued (1026)	\$	6,070.00
Civil Forfeitures (7)		175.00
Total Dog License fees	\$	<u>6,245.00</u>

Miscellaneous

Marriage Licenses	\$	1,935.00
Certified Copies		1,956.00
Wetland Permits		154.00
UCC Filings		1,205.00
Beach Parking Permits		36,760.00
Articles of Agreement		5.00
Town Seal		24.00
Voter Checklist		100.00
Filing Fee		1.00
Pole Licenses		60.00
Total Miscellaneous fees	\$	<u>42,200.00</u>
<b>Remitted to Treasurer</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,179,105.64</b>

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of   Rye   Year ending   12/31/2007  

## DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES-		Levy for Year 2007 of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES		
BEG. OF YEAR*			2006	2005	2003 & Prior
			(PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	569,424.20		
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx			
Land Use Change	#3120	xxxxxx			
Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	xxxxxx			
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx			
		xxxxxx			

## TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110	16,567,438.98	
Resident Taxes	#3180		
Land Use Change	#3120		
Yield Taxes	#3185	2,971.32	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		
Utility Charges	#3189		

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## OVERPAYMENT:

Property Taxes	#3110	30,128.88	18,837.26		
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187				
costs before lien		1130.80	1,414.25		
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	10,945.29	24,391.43		
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>		<b>16,612,615.27</b>	<b>614,067.14</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

\*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

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**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

For the Municipality of Rye

12/31/2007

**CREDITS**

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for this Year 2007	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2006	2005	2003 & PRIOR
Property Taxes	15,854,947.81	442,961.63		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	2,971.32			
Interest (include lien conversion)	10,945.29	24,391.43		
Penalties				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		128,472.25		
Costs not liened	1130.80	1,414.25		
<b>DISCOUNTS ALLOWED</b>				

**ABATEMENTS MADE**

Property Taxes	8,674.50	16,827.58		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
Prepayments				
<b>CURRENT LEVY DEEDED</b>				

**UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080**

Property Taxes	733,945.55			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>16,612,615.27</b>	<b>614,067.14</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Rye 12/31/2007

## DEBITS

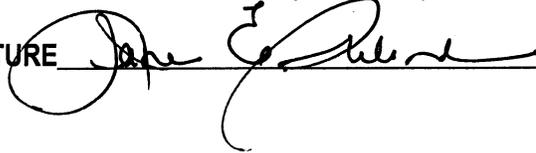
	Last Year's Levy 2006	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2005	2004	2003...
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Year		40,148.93	26,527.58	3,997.37
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	141,099.47			
Interest & Costs Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)	4,435.65	4,708.12	9,425.24	
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>145,535.12</b>	<b>44,857.05</b>	<b>35,952.82</b>	<b>3,997.37</b>

## CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:		Last Year's Levy 2006	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
			2005	2004	2003 & prior
Redemptions		63,441.31	19,071.20	26,116.31	
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	4,435.65	4,708.12	9,425.24	
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes					
Liens Deeded to Municipality					
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	#1110	77,658.16	21,077.73	411.27	3,997.37
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>145,535.12</b>	<b>44,857.05</b>	<b>35,952.82</b>	<b>3,997.37</b>

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? \_\_\_\_\_ yes

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE



DATE \_\_\_\_\_

1/30/2008

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Municipality of Rye

Year Ending 12/31/2007

Sewer only

### DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES-		Levy for Year 2007 of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES	
BEG. OF YEAR*			2006	2005
<small>(PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)</small>				
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx		
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx		
Land Use Change	#3120	xxxxxx		
Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/lyd	#3187	xxxxxx		
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx	44,084.44	
		xxxxxx		

### TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110		
Resident Taxes	#3180		
Land Use Change	#3120		
Yield Taxes	#3185		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/lyd	#3187		
Utility Charges	#3189	315,871.23	

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### OVERPAYMENT:

Property Taxes	#3110			
Resident Taxes	#3180			
Land Use Change	#3120			
Yield Taxes	#3185			
Prepayments (sewer)	#3187			
UTILITY		2639.00	8192.96	
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	151.42	635.20	
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190			
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>		<b>318,661.65</b>	<b>52,912.60</b>	<b>\$</b>

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# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Rye

12/31/2007

## CREDITS

Sewer Only

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for this	PRIOR LEVIES		
	Year	(PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
	2007	2006	2005	
Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Interest (include lien conversion)	151.42	635.20		
Penalties				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges	227,796.13	41,133.73		
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		2,960.86		
<b>DISCOUNTS ALLOWED</b>				

## ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges	3,157.62	8182.81		
<b>CURRENT LEVY DEEDED</b>				

## UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Utility Charges	87,556.48			
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>318,661.65</b>	<b>52,912.60</b>		<b>\$</b>

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROOM'S NAME AND PLACE OF RESIDENCE</u>	<u>BRIDE'S NAME AND PLACE OF RESIDENCE</u>
April 26	Andrea De Benedittis, Italy	Ellen C. Loyd, Rye Beach, NH
May 12	Michael D. Quirk, Rye, NH	Karla M. Ryan, Rye, NH
May 22	Joseph C. Tucker, Rye, NH	Julia A. Cornelio, Rye, NH
June 22	Michael W. Rowe, Rye, NH	Kathleen A. Leary, Rye, NH
June 30	Shawn P. MacDonald, Rye, NH	Kaitlyn B. MacDonald, Rye, NH
August 11	Todd Z. Davis, Rye, NH	Jennifer S. Rouillard, Rye, NH
August 18	Arick J. Dyrdal, Miami, FL	Taryn S. Decker, Rye, NH
August 18	Herbert D Ross, Rye, NH	Sarah R. Baybutt, Rye, NH
August 25	Jeffrey J. Sonneborn, Rye, NH	Katherin A. Martens, Tolland, CT
September 2	Jerid M. Grandinetti, Rye, NH	Tricia L. Smyth, Rye, NH
September 9	Shawn P. Joyce, Rye, NH	Lynne C. Cote, Rye, NH
September 21	Wayne A. Kimball, Rye, NH	Paula B. Hill, Rye, NH
September 29	Mark R. Harrington, Rye, NH	Deborah B. Weissbard, Rye, NH
October 9	Richard W. Morrill, Rye, NH	Darlene M. Pelletier, Rye, NH
October 13	Michael G. Labrie, Rye, NH	Susan M. Whitaker, Hampton, NH
October 27	Stephen F. Howe, Georgetown, TX	Maura L. Rimbach, Rye, NH
November 10	Sean M. Tichy, Rye, NH	Jennifer J. Hall, Rye, NH
December 1	Stephen M. Long, York, ME	Elizabeth A. Keese, Rye, NH
December 14	Ramsey C. Lawrence, Derry, NH	Leigha A. Leary, Rye, NH

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF BIRTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME OF CHILD</u>	<u>NAMES OF PARENTS</u>
January 9	Portsmouth	Maeve Fukiko Honda	Leif and Margaret Honda
January 18	Exeter	Tyler William Christo	William and Celeste Christo
January 21	Portsmouth	Alexander James Nicholas	Patrick and Marni Nicholas
January 26	Portsmouth	Finnegan Thomas Moore	Charles Moore and Michelle Tyminski
January 30	Portsmouth	Maggie Lynn Carson	Kristopher Carson and Alia Page
February 1	Portsmouth	Claire Elizabeth Springsteen	Raymond and Julia Springsteen
February 12	Exeter	Michael Joseph Andrew Duquette	Michael Duquette and Jaime Outhuse
February 27	Portsmouth	Jocelyn Rose Bancroft	Joseph and Jill Bancroft
February 27	Portsmouth	Patrick Thomas Bancroft	Joseph and Jill Bancroft
February 28	Exeter	Erik Gabriel Silveira Tebaldi	Edinaldo and Analia Tebaldi
March 9	Exeter	Julian David Stebbing	Jennifer Stebbing
March 13	Portsmouth	Estella Mary Piela	Christopher and Kim Piela
March 30	Portsmouth	Ryan Edward Thibodeau	Craig and Julie Thibodeau
April 2	Portsmouth	Andrew Beech McMorrow	John and Kimberly McMorrow
April 18	Portsmouth	Miles Daniel Borne	Steven and Amy Borne
April 30	Portsmouth	Kamara Marie Williams	David Williams and Katherine Sponaugle Williams
May 1	Portsmouth	Owen Mitchell Coffey	James and Nancy Coffey
May 25	Portsmouth	Alexander James Scott	Jeffrey and Sarah Scott
June 8	Exeter	Addyson Rebecca Houston-Fields	Caleb and Dawn Houston-Fields
June 14	Portsmouth	Norah Anne Sullivan	Thomas Sullivan and Sarah Walker
June 26	Portsmouth	Karolina Helen Kalogerou	Byron and Kathryn Kalogerou
June 28	Portsmouth	Charley Catherine Looser	George and Julie Looser
July 7	Portsmouth	Tenley Kathleen Bowser	Gary and Shannon Bowser
July 22	Portsmouth	Ty O'Connell Creighton	Kevin and Katelynn Creighton
August 6	Portsmouth	Eveland Pearl Sherman	John and Katy Sherman
August 22	Portsmouth	Nicolas Alexander Davis	Richard and Lisa Davis
September 21	Exeter	Sylvie Blackburn Green	James and Amy Green
October 6	Portsmouth	Madison Elizabeth Kohlhase	David Kohlhase and Meghan Jameson
October 19	Exeter	Grady Curtis Hayes	Richard and Jessica Hayes
October 25	Portsmouth	Lilia Adriana Fecteau	Brian and Chiara Fecteau
October 30	Portsmouth	Abygail Elizabeth Parent	Dany Parent and Suzanne Veilleux
December 3	Dover	Kayla Kingsbury Roskilly	Ryan and Kelly Roskilly

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF DEATHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME OF DECEASED</u>	<u>NAMES OF PARENTS</u>
January 4	Portsmouth	Richard Sherwin	James Sherwin and Catherine Forde
January 15	Portsmouth	Mary Kline	Anthony Butor and Anna Yanik
January 20	Rye	Pearl Greene	Ralph Greene and Viola Forsyth
January 26	Portsmouth	Clyde Dalton, Jr.	Clyde Dalton, Sr. and Edna French
February 1	Rye	Margaret Johnson	Philip Carson and Margaret Mitchell
February 6	Exeter	Shirley Eyer	Ralph Paxman and Helene Durant
February 16	Portsmouth	Mary PirkI	Maurice Connors and Mary Moynihan
February 22	Exeter	Mary Degnan	Edward White and E. McGuire
February 26	Plymouth	Jonathan Morrissey	Michael Morrissey and Anne Morris
March 1	Rye	Charles Sylvester, Jr.	(unknown) and Marguerite Fraser
March 14	Rochester	Arleen Marcotte	Ralph Orrell and Rebeccah Foley
March 18	Portsmouth	Warren Griffin	Thomas Griffin and Elizabeth Durkin
March 21	Portsmouth	Harlan Philbrick	Ervin Philbrick and Mary Philbrook
March 27	Rye	Germaine Hanscom	Aurele Garon and Eulalie Lambert
April 1	Rye	George Hovanesian	John Hovanesian and Eliza Mateian
April 10	Portsmouth	Dorothy Colbeth	William Morrill and Blanche Scott
April 14	Exeter	Hazel Beck	Peter Golden and Rachel Whims
April 26	Rye	Pauline Goldstein	Aaron Goldstein and Rebecca (unknown)
April 28	Rye Beach	Lynda Hamilton	Mark Parmenter and Virginia Natoli
May 2	Rye	Harriet Cochrane-Kirwan	Leon Cochrane and Irene Kowalski
May 10	Rye	Rosanna Degnan	William Murphy and Eva Connell
May 10	Portsmouth	Evangeline MacKenzie	Edward Edgerly and Mary Scruton
June 3	Portsmouth	Kymberlee Lawton	Lee Raven and Helen Shippee
June 4	Portsmouth	Phyllis Woods	Fred Morong and Louise Chase
June 6	Portsmouth	Robert Smith	Charles Smith and Frances Ross
June 8	Portsmouth	Stuart Silloway, Sr.	(unknown) and Lillian Marston
June 9	Rye	Lorraine Gaucher	Isaac Fowler and Edna Maple
June 23	Rye	Jhaimie Dye	John Dye and Susan Beattie
June 28	Rye	Philip Drake	Abbot Drake and Charlotte Davis
July 1	Rye	Myrtle Barnes	John Marsha and Gladys McGrath
July 1	Rye	Ruth Mann	Albert Maynard and Margaret Lawler
July 9	Rye	Glen Bennett	Glen Bennett and Burma Moore
July 24	Portsmouth	Julia Lavigne	Edward Landry and Edmae Bourgeois
August 6	Portsmouth	Thomas Pearson, Jr.	Thomas Pearson, Sr. and Annie McGibbon
August 12	Portsmouth	Frank Emerson, Jr.	(unknown) and S. Price
August 18	Rye	Thomas Houlihan	John Houlihan and Catherine Quinn
August 21	Rye	Norbert Latimer	James Latimer and Emelia Comeau
August 30	Portsmouth	Mary Shannon	James Queenan and Katherine Callahan
September 1	Rye	Dante Caminati	Antonio Caminati and Laura Calisesi
September 25	Portsmouth	Manning Remick	Albert Remick and Ethel Shapleigh
October 7	Portsmouth	Gary MacDonald	Herbert MacDonald and Shirley Ryan
October 16	Portsmouth	John Hayes	Timothy Hayes and Pauline Swain
October 27	Dover	Anna Consilvio	Thomas Hughes and Mary Parsley
October 29	Rye	George Nelson, Jr.	George Nelson, Sr. and Ina Goodrich
November 27	Rye	Margaret Neville	Melvin Armstrong and Ruth Rowe
November 29	Rye	Miriam Boylan	Harry Boardman and Rachel Slingsby
December 9	Rye	Elaine Janava	Raymond Partenheimer and Ruth Chase
December 28	Portsmouth	Marjorie Armstrong	Leslie Scott and Ruth Bailey
December 30	Rye	John Widen	Oscar Widen and Ella Richards

**TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS REPORT  
2007**

The Rye Trust accounts performed in line with the general markets in 2007. The funds principal benefited from holdings in the energy, energy utilities and electric utility sectors but was hurt by investments in the financial sectors. Despite volatility in the capital markets and significant declines in the indexes from the October highs, the Trust accounts posted modest increases in principal over the course of the year.

In aggregate the Trust Funds generated \$195,155.63 in income in 2007 for their beneficiaries, primarily the Rye Cemetery and the Rye Public Library. The Rye Trustees are committed to a conservative investment policy of maintaining inflation-adjusted principal while maximizing available income for beneficiaries.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey M. Balboni  
Andrew J. Mahoney  
Kerry S. Pope  
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

# REPORT OF TRUST AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

\$ 3215968.11

Please insert the total of ALL funds here

Town/City Of: RYE For Year Ended: 12/31/07

### CERTIFICATE

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

Andrew J. Mahoney

Signed by the Trustees of Trust Funds

Jeffrey M. Balboni

on this date 1/31/08

Kerry S. Pope

### REMINDERS FOR TRUSTEES

**1. INVESTMENT POLICY** - RSA 31:32 requires the trustees to adopt an investment policy and review and confirm this policy at least annually.

**2. PROFESSIONAL BANKING AND BROKERAGE ASSISTANCE** - RSA 31:38-a enables you to have a professional banking or brokerage firm assist you in performing your trustee duties. Refer to the law for further information.

Attributable expenses may be charged against the trust funds involved, however, please be advised the fees can be taken from income only and not from principal.

**3. WEB SITE** - A trustee handbook can be down loaded from the web site for the Attorney General's Charitable Trust Division. <http://www.state.nh.us/nhdoj/CHARITABLE/char.html>

**4. FAIR VALUE** - Fold and complete page 4 to disclose the fair value (market value) of principal only. This information may be obtained from financial publications or from your professional banker or broker.

**5. CAPITAL RESERVE FUND** - Must be kept in a separate account and not intermingled with any other funds of the municipality (RSA 35:9).

**6. WHEN and WHERE TO FILE** - By March 1 if filing for a calendar year and by September 1 if filing for optional fiscal year. See addresses on page 4 of this form. If you hold funds for the school, the school business administrator will also need a copy fo

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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF

RYE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

Dec. 31, 2007

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Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND <small>Start with common trust funds</small>	Purpose of Trust	HOW INVESTED <small>Bank, deposits, stocks, bonds, etc.</small>	Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or Losses on Securities	Withdrawals	***PRINCIPAL***			INCOME			Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year
								Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Income During Year %	Amount	Expended During Year	
1	8/10/1907	Cemetery Common Trust	Cemetery	661,314.39	8,900.00	78,209.67		748,424.06	0.00	75,036.04	75,036.04	0.00	0.00	748,424.06
2	8/21/1909	Library Common Trust	Library	267,043.33		32,504.78		299,548.11	1,313.43	17,788.66	18,761.09		341.00	299,889.11
3		Dalton Fund	Cemetery	514,046.61		63,171.84		577,218.45	0.00	24,944.27	24,586.73		357.54	577,575.99
4	12/25/1856	D. Austin Med. Chest	Medicine Chest Savings Acct	100.00				100.00	1,656.94	4.40			1,661.34	1,761.34
5	12/19/1965	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	Fire Truck	15,286.53	67,000.00			82,286.53	0.00	1,015.53			1,015.53	83,282.06
6		Jennie P. Brownell	Cemetery	12,477.56		22.13		12,499.69	52.44	1,730.23	1,688.92		113.75	12,613.44
7	11/1/1966	Cap. Res. Rye Beach Pre	NHPDIP	3,675.96				3,675.96	0.00	187.04			187.04	3,863.00
8	11/20/1984	Cemetery Sale of Lots	Capital Improv						8,584.40	8,949.61	13,604.20		3,929.81	3,929.81
9	3/17/1990	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	Revaluation	4,808.73				4,808.73	423.11	266.16			689.27	5,498.00
10	3/17/1990	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	Record Restor	8,000.00	4,000.00			12,000.00	155.36	429.36			584.72	12,584.72
11	3/17/1990	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	Employee Lea	130,656.99	20,000.00		11,022.81	139,634.18	0.00	6,475.40	6,475.40		0.00	139,634.18
12	3/14/1992	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	Sewer	36,082.80				36,082.80	9,402.61	2,315.34			11,717.95	47,800.75
13	3/12/1994	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	Grove Rd Lan	54,467.32			2,091.36	52,375.96		2,680.98	2,680.98			52,375.96
14	3/12/1994	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	Highway Eqp	86,111.01				86,111.01	8,336.48	4,807.53			13,144.01	99,255.02
15	3/25/1995	Cap. Res. Rye Water Dist	Replaces exist	189,375.85				189,375.85	9,890.05	10,114.21			20,004.26	209,380.11
16	3/30/1996	Cap. Res. Rye Water Dis	Contingency	39,512.69	5,000.00			44,512.69	3,546.91	2,202.10			5,749.01	50,261.70
17	3/16/1996	Foss Graveyard Trust	Graveyard	2,330.88				2,330.88	480.19	143.15			623.34	2,954.22
18	3/16/1994	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	Rec. Bldg	10,333.09				10,333.09		525.90			525.90	10,858.99
19	3/16/1996	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	Ambulance	40,164.29	10,000.00			50,164.29	5,433.07	2,356.43			7,789.50	57,953.79
20	2/4/1987	Manuel Fund	Cemetery	30,383.67				30,383.67		1,560.76			1,560.76	31,944.43
21	2/14/2002	Alms Goodwin Hill	Library	5,000.00				5,000.00		254.62	254.62			5,000.00
22	3/13/2001	School Prop. Mice Fund	School	290,000.00	130,000.00			420,000.00	15,027.43	18,162.88			33,190.31	453,190.31
23	3/13/2001	Cap. Res. Spec. Ed. Fund	School	100,000.00				100,000.00	10,818.04	5,640.61			16,458.65	116,458.65

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF

RYE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DEC.: 31, 2007

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Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND <small>Start with common trust funds</small>	Purpose of Trust	HOW INVESTED <small>Bank, deposits, stocks, bonds, etc.</small>	Balance Beginning of Year	***PRINCIPAL***		Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	INCOME		Balance at End of Year	Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year
					New Funds Created	Cash Gains or Losses on Securities			Income During Year %	Amount		
1	3/12/2002	Fire Sta. Land Acquisition	NHPDIP	4,285.74			4,285.74	377.19	237.43		614.62	4,900.36
2	3/12/2002	Cap. Res. Town of Rye	NHPDIP	9,737.94			9,737.94	926.08	542.89		1,468.97	11,206.91
3	8/25/2000	Alma Hill Expendable Tr	NHPDIP	45,000.00			45,000.00	0	2,292.94	2,292.94	0	45,000.00
4	9/27/2004	Hyder Family Trust	NHPDIP	10,000.00			10,000.00	815.47	550.64		1,366.11	11,366.11
5	3/27/2004	Cap. Res. Rye Water Dist.	NHPDIP	15,000.00			20,000.00	642.39	806.71		1,449.1	21,449.10
6	3/8/2005	Cap. Res. DPW Salt Shed	NHPDIP	50,000.00			75,000.00	1,431.27	2,706.84		4,138.11	79,138.11
7	3/8/2005	Rye Library Expendable Tr	NHPDIP	6,105.50			6,382.26	0.00	291.35	291.35	0.00	6,382.26
8	3/13/2007	Town of Rye Exp. Trust	Mun. Bldg Misc NHPDIP				10,000.00		35.62		35.62	10,035.62
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# of Shares or Other Units	Description of Investment (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) Put by any delisted securities held pursuant to RSA 31:25-a & explain.	**PRINCIPAL**				**INCOME**				Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year	
		Balance Beg. Of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Balance Beg. Of Year	Income During Year		Expended During Year
1	0 AGERE SYSTEMS	0					0				
2	154 AMEREN	3838.09					3838.09				
3	0 AVAYA	9.75			175.00	165.25	0				
4	328 BP AMOCO	16722.71					16722.71				
5	400 BANK OF AMERICA	13052.00	5209.00				18261.00				
6	0 TD BANKNORTH	3359.70			6228.15	2868.45	0.00				
7	600 BRISTOL MYERS	8847.70					8847.70				
8	0 CALIFORNIA WATER	9804.50			13886.74	4082.24	0.00				
9	510 CHEVRON/TEXACO	11369.43					11369.43				
10	400 CITIGROUP	13343.00	5317.00				18660.00				
11	400 DOW CHEMICAL	1944.00					1,944.00				
12	250 DUPONT E I DENOURS	10680.50					10680.50				
13	300 EXXON MOBIL	1981.80			23415.64	22424.74	990.90				
14	700 GENERAL ELECTRIC	10043.00	13339.40				23381.60				
15	350 JOHNSON & JOHNSON	11354.00	9668.00				21022.00				
16	210 KINDER MORGAN ENERGY	8153.90		-711.90			7442.00				
17	300 LUBRIZOL	9812.00					9812.00				
18	800 AT & T	3769.50					3769.50				
19	0 SARA LEE CORP	11383.00			8387.92	-3015.08	0.00				
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1. Name of Bank: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Fees Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

1. Name of Brokerage Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Fees Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Expenses Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

# of Shares or Other Units	Description of Investment (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) <small>Put: by any delisted securities held pursuant to RSA 31:25-a &amp; explain.</small>	***PRINCIPAL***				***INCOME***				Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year		
		Balance Beg. Of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year		Balance End of Year	
1	900 SOUTHERN COMPANY	8711.15					8711.15					1
2	427 VERIZON	9756.25					9756.25					2
3	330 WYETH	1164.90					1164.90					3
4	60 ZIMMER	0.00					0.00					4
5	CASH PISCATAQUA SAVINGS BANK	17081.58					17081.58					5
6	CASH BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE	2060.53		711.90			2772.43					6
8	600 EQUITY RESIDENTIAL	12783.70					12783.70					8
9	0 SAN JUAN BASIN RLTY	10011.50			14310.78	4299.28	0.00					9
10	CASH FIDELITY CORE ACCOUNT	2070.15	367.39			4.76	2442.30					10
11	1000 INGLES MARKETS INC	15008.00					15008.00					11
12	0 HANESBRAND INC (DISTRIBUTION)				1747.19	1747.19	0.00					12
13	21 IDEARC INC (DISTRIBUTION)		0.00				0.00					13
14	13000 US TREAS NOTE 3/31/07	13072.05			13000.00	-72.05	0.00					14
15	13000 US TREAS NOTE 2/15/09	12885.98					12885.98					15
16	13000 US TREAS NOTE 1/15/11	12968.76					12968.76					16
17	350 WACHOVIA		19589.03				19589.03					17
18	6 LSI		0.00				0.00					18
19	400 JP MORGAN CHASE & CO		20896.00				20896.00					19
20	120 DEERE & CO		6746.60				6746.60					20
21	TOTALS	267043.33	81131.42	0.00	81131.42	32504.78	299548.11	1313.43	17788.66	18761.09	341.00	21

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2. Fees Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Expenses Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

Fees and Expenses, If any, paid for Professional Brokerage Assistance: (RSA 31:38-a, IV)

1. Name of Brokerage Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Fees Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

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# of Shares or Other Units	Description of Investment (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) <small>Foot * by any deleted securities held pursuant to RSA 31:25-a &amp; explain.</small>	***HOW INVESTED**				***PRINCIPAL***				***INCOME***				Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year	
		Balance Beg. Of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Balance Beg. Of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year				
1	0	AGERE	0.00								0.00				
2	500	ALLIANT ENERGY	15139.95								15139.95				
3	0	TD BANKNORTH	5097.68			9488.70		4391.02			0.00				
4	0	AVAYA	0.00			752.50		752.50			0.00				
5	328	BP AMOCO	16722.71							16722.71					
6	800	BANK OF AMERICA	17425.00	20820.00						38248.00					
7	0	BELLSOUTH	15718.95			15718.95				0.00					
8	0	CALIFORNIA WATER	9804.50			14110.78		4306.28		0.00					
9	1020	CHEVRON TEXACO	22687.89							22687.89					
10	800	CITIGROUP	17805.00	21280.00						39088.00					
11	0	COLGATE-PALMOLIVE	18140.00					26691.59		8551.59					
12	200	DUPONT E I DENOURS	8530.00							8530.00					
13	1000	EXXON	7071.00							7071.00					
14	CASH	FIDELITY	10782.03	20282.50				6909.89		0.79					
15	670	GENERAL ELECTRIC	21778.70							21778.70					
16	0	H J HEINZ	10365.62					10777.94		0.00					
17	2000	INGLES MKTS	23879.90							23879.90					
18	800	INTEL CORP	15472.71							15472.71					
19	600	JOHNSON & JOHNSON	17033.00	19340.00						36373.00					
20	0	KEYSPAN	9952.98					19530.00		9577.02					
21	460	KINDERMORGAN	18066.90												

21 Fees and Expenses, if any, paid for Professional Banking Assistance: (RSA 31:38-a, IV)

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3. Expenses Paid: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

21 Fees and Expenses, if any, paid for Professional Brokerage Assistance: (RSA 31:38-a, IV)

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		Balance Beg. Of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year			
1	300 LUBRIZOL	9812.00					9812.00						
3	0 MARSH & MCLENNAN	18372.00			12648.68	-5723.32	0.00						
4	400 MERCK & CO., INC	932.00					932.00						
5	1426 AT & T (name change from SBC)	12708.42	15718.95		55509.14	43638.89	16557.12						
6	0 SARA LEE CORP	20458.00			15095.65	-5360.35	0.00						
7	335 SCANA CORP	8963.94					8963.94						
8	500 VECTREN	12553.00					12553.00						
9	1088 VERIZON	10758.05					10758.05						
10	600 WYETH	4283.00					4283.00						
11	1000 ENTERPRISE PRODUCTS	22903.00		-1915.00			20988.00						
12	1000 EQUITY RESIDENTIAL	28819.95					28819.95						
13	0 SAN JUAN BASIN RLTY	10011.50			14369.28	4357.78	0.00						
14	4384 FRANKLIN US GOVT SECURITIES	33990.72					33990.72						
15	CASH BANK OF NH	35906.08	8900.00	3474.40			48280.48						
16	0 US TREAS NOTE 3-31-07	50,225.38			50,000.00	-225.38	0.00						
17	50M US TREAS NOTE 1-15-11	48509.73					48509.73						
18	50M US TREAS NOTE 2-15-09	49828.10					49828.10						
19	0 HANSBRAND (DISTRIBUTION)	0.00			3164.91	3164.91	0.00						
20	54 IDEARC INC (DISTRIBUTION)	0.00					0.00						
	500 Deere & Company		28070.28				28,070.28						
	500 Dow Chemical		22883.00				22,883.00						
	800 JP Morgan Chase		41776.00				41,776.00						
	700 Wachovia		39184.90				39,184.90						
	1000 Wells Fargo		35978.00				35,978.00						
	28 USI Logic Corp		0.00				0.00						
	<b>TOTALS</b>		661314.39	274033.63	0	265133.63	748,424.06	0	75038.04	\$75,038.04			754444.26

1. Name of Brokerage Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

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		Balance Beg. Of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year		Balance End of Year
1	526 AT & T (name change from SBC)	8255.20					8255.20				1.00
2	0 Agere	0.00					0.00				2.00
3	75 Alcatel Lucent	0.00					0.00				3.00
4	500 Alliant	15139.95					15139.95				4.00
5	0 Avaya	0.00			560.00	560.00	0.00				5.00
6	328 BP Amoco	5775.00					5775.00				6.00
7	600 Bank of America	17416.00	10422.00				27838.00				8.00
8	800 Bristol Myers	11175.00					11175.00				9.00
9	0 California Water	9608.00			14065.32	4257.32	0.00				10.00
10	600 Citigroup	17836.00	10638.00				28474.00				11.00
11	0 Colgate-Palmolive	20379.50			30047.04	9667.54	0.00				12.00
12	450 DuPont E I DeNemours	19205.00					19205.00				13.00
13	500 Exxon Mobil	2635.00			3811.40	37793.90	1317.50				14.00
14	920 General Electric	20092.20	10550.00				30642.20				15.00
15	0 H J Heinz	3942.25			7747.57	3805.32	0.00				16.00
16	550 Johnson & Johnson	19870.50	12894.00				32764.50				17.00
17	400 Kinder Morgan	15878.30		-1356.00			14322.30				18.00
18	600 Lubrizol	20179.00					20179.00				19.00
19											20.00
20											21.00

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# of Shares or Other Units	Description of Investment (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) <small>Put in by any detailed securities held pursuant to RSA 3125-a &amp; 3125-b.</small>	***PRINCIPAL***					***INCOME***			Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year	
		Balance Beg. Of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year		Balance End of Year
1	0 Marsh. & McLennan	20694.50			14176.77	-6517.73	0.00				
2	0 Peoples Energy	11750.00			11750.00		0.00				
3	400 Pfizer	1264.00					1264.00				
4	230 Qwest Communications	6343.04					6343.04				
5	0 Sara Lee Corp.	20384.00			15095.65	-5288.35	0.00				
6	379 Scana Corp	10140.14					10140.14				
7	500 Unihl	10561.71					10561.71				
8	800 Vectren Corp	20072.00					20072.00				
9	1441 Verizon	27510.71					27510.71				
10	80 Zimmer Holdings	0.00					0.00				
11	700 Equity Residential	21603.00					21603.00				
12	0 San Juan Basin Realty	10011.50			14351.28	-4339.78	0.00				
13	cash Fidelity	5756.97	10563.28			34.75	16355.01				
14	cash Bank of NH	11670.00		3271.00			14941.00				
15	0 TD Banknorth	4328.14			15919.83	-11491.69	0.00				
16	0 Hanesbrand (distribution)	0.00			3163.79	-3163.79	0.00				
17	1000 Enterprise Products	22823.00		-1915.00			20908.00				
18	1000 Ingeles	14984.00					14984.00				
19	72 Idearc, Inc (distribution)	0.00					0.00				
20	29M US Treas Note 3/31/07	28138.17			28000.00	-136.17	0.00				
21	29M US Treas Note 1/15/11	28721.08					28721.09				
22	29M US Treas Note 2/15/09	28905.74					28905.74				
23	250 Chevron		19483.00				19483.00				
	210 Conoco Phillips		14653.40				14653.40				
	500 Deere & Company		28013.00				28013.00				
	500 Dow Chemical		22659.00				22659.00				
	412 Integy Energy Group		11750.00				11750.00				
	400 JP Morgan Chase		20876.00				20876.00				
	21 LSI		0.00				0.00				
	400 Wachovia		22387.96				22387.96				
	TOTALS	514046.61	194886.65	0.00	194886.65	63171.84	577218.45	24944.27	24586.73	357.54	577575.99

TRUST FUND REPORT FOR LIBRARY COMMON TRUST

DATE.CREATED TRUST.NAME	FUND	GROUP RECORDED..	BEG.PRIN.....	ADD.PRIN.....	GAIN.....	END.PRIN.....	BEG.INC.....	INC.....	EXP.....	END.INC.....
09-28-1998 THEODOSIA WYATT TRUST	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$299.69		\$36.47	\$336.16	\$1.45	\$19.96	\$21.05	\$1.36
08-21-1909 JENNESS, J. DISCO	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$1,015.56		\$123.61	\$1,139.17	\$5.02	\$67.65	\$71.34	\$1.33
02-03-1912 WEBSTER, BENJAMIN F.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$2,468.42		\$300.46	\$2,768.88	\$12.17	\$164.43	\$173.42	\$3.18
07-07-1917 RAND, MARY TUCK	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$900.87		\$109.65	\$1,010.52	\$4.42	\$60.00	\$63.28	\$1.14
11-11-1918 LOCKE, JAMES H.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$2,468.42		\$300.46	\$2,768.88	\$12.17	\$164.43	\$173.42	\$3.18
08-21-1921 DRAKE, JAMES MCEVEN	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$22,293.07		\$2,713.55	\$25,006.62	\$109.84	\$1,485.02	\$1,566.20	\$28.66
10-27-1922 MARDEN, RALPH T.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$450.20		\$54.79	\$504.99	\$2.21	\$29.98	\$31.62	\$1.57
07-06-1925 PARSONS, DR. JOHN	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$2,209.35		\$268.92	\$2,478.27	\$10.90	\$147.17	\$155.21	\$2.86
11-27-1927 GOSS, SUSAN A.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$2,209.35		\$268.92	\$2,478.27	\$10.90	\$147.17	\$155.21	\$2.86
01-31-1933 GARLAND, OLIVER PERRY	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$2,209.35		\$268.92	\$2,478.27	\$10.90	\$147.17	\$155.21	\$2.86
01-22-1941 VARRELL, FORREST CLINTON	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$4,372.60		\$532.24	\$4,904.84	\$21.54	\$291.27	\$307.19	\$5.62
12-17-1941 PHILBRICK, LIZZIE B.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$1,042.40		\$126.88	\$1,169.28	\$5.13	\$69.43	\$73.23	\$1.33
01-02-1949 HILL, GERTRUDE P.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$13,165.59		\$1,602.54	\$14,768.13	\$64.85	\$877.01	\$924.95	\$16.91
10-07-1949 MARDEN, ELIZA PARSONS	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$15,007.27		\$1,826.71	\$16,833.98	\$73.94	\$999.69	\$1,054.34	\$19.29
12-28-1949 CARTER, WILLIAM J.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$2,205.90		\$268.50	\$2,474.40	\$10.88	\$146.94	\$154.97	\$2.85
04-30-1958 WALKER, RALPH	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$4,372.38		\$532.21	\$4,904.59	\$21.57	\$291.26	\$307.18	\$5.65
09-20-1960 HOOK, MARY ISABEL	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$4,372.38		\$532.21	\$4,904.59	\$21.57	\$291.26	\$307.18	\$5.65
05-23-1961 PARSONS, JOHN L. & BLANCHE	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$3,293.13		\$400.84	\$3,693.97	\$16.23	\$219.36	\$231.36	\$4.23
05-23-1961 LOJGEE, GILMAN M & MAYBELLE	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$33,773.81		\$4,111.01	\$37,884.82	\$166.38	\$2,249.80	\$2,372.79	\$43.39
05-11-1971 PHILBRICK, SHIRLEY S./HELEN F.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$19,562.37		\$2,380.97	\$21,943.34	\$94.78	\$1,303.02	\$1,374.25	\$23.55
05-05-1972 DUDLEY, MARTHA	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$58,729.00		\$7,148.73	\$65,877.73	\$289.27	\$3,912.28	\$4,126.16	\$75.39
02-07-1980 SYLVESTER, MARGUERITE FRASER	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$2,915.28		\$354.85	\$3,270.13	\$14.35	\$194.19	\$204.81	\$3.73
12-01-1980 PARSONS, DOROTHY	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$58,353.67		\$7,102.92	\$65,456.59	\$287.47	\$3,887.16	\$4,099.66	\$74.97
01-10-1990 ROPER, HOWARD & LOUISE	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$4,180.48		\$508.78	\$4,689.26	\$19.99	\$278.43	\$293.65	\$4.77
12-31-1992 CORINNE P. MACDONALD	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2007	\$5,172.79		\$629.64	\$5,802.43	\$25.50	\$344.58	\$363.41	\$6.67
			\$267,043.33		\$32,504.78	\$299,548.11	\$1,313.43	\$17,788.66	\$18,761.09	\$341.00

**2007 SALE OF LOTS  
CENTRAL CEMETERY**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOTS</u>	<u>PERPETUAL CARE</u>
Clarence J. Beck Cedar Lawn, C46; 1,2,3,4	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Paul P. Hebert Division 2, A16 (north side)	1200.00	1200.00
Paul E. & Kathleen H. Goldman Division 1, 423, A2	600.00	600.00
Arthur M. Abbott Division 2, A41 (south side)	300.00	300.00
Betty R. Smith Division 3, A33 (north side)	1200.00	1200.00
Daniel S. Riley Division 2, A41 (north side)	300.00	300.00
Susan K. Anderson Division 1, A35; B1	300.00	300.00
Michael P. Lawton Division 3, A57 (north side)	1200.00	1200.00
Robin G. Baker Cedar Lawn, A52; #1	225.00	225.00
William A. & Barbara J. Flynn Division 3, #139A	600.00	600.00
Helen Hoffman Division 3, #139C	300.00	300.00
Elizabeth D. Carlsen Cedar Lawn, C48, 1 & 2	450.00	450.00
Arthur T. Smith Cedar Lawn, E92, 3 & 4	450.00	450.00

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOTS</u>	<u>PERPETUAL CARE</u>
Shirley MacDonald Cedar Lawn, E45, #2	225.00	225.00
Charles J. McCue Cedar Lawn, F2, #3 & 4	450.00	450.00
Jonathan C. & Marcia B. Menes Division 3, #139B	<u>300.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>
Totals	8,900.00	8,900.00

**RESULTS**

**RESULTS OF THE VOTE 2007**

BALLOT 1 OF 3



**ABSENTEE  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 13, 2007**

TOWN CLERK

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice (s) like this: ●  
 B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.  
 C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SELECTMAN</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>PRISCILLA V. JENNESS 797 <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>Victor Azzi (Write-in) 9 <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>VICTOR D. AZZI 433 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>PAT SPALDING 430 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than two</p> <p>SHAWN CRAPO 542 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JAMES G. MAHERAS 416 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>TED PAPOUTSY 388 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>ANDREW J. MAHONEY 778 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PLANNING BOARD</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For one year more than one</p> <p>MELVIN R. LOW 785 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR CEMETERY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>FRANK DRAKE 794 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For one year more than one</p> <p>SARA (SALLIE) ANN MACKIE 781 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PLANNING BOARD</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For two years more than one</p> <p>MARTIN G. ZIVIC 221 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>JACI GROTE 568 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SEWER COMMISSIONER</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>David Adams (Write-in) 39 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Leon Valley 26 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Mark Forsyth 15 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Smattering <input type="radio"/></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For two years more than one</p> <p>JOAN SWEENEY 773 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR PLANNING BOARD</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>MARK GALVIN 402 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ROBERT W GRAY III 370 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>SAMUEL WINEBAUM 579 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOR SEWER COMMISSIONER</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>David Adams (Write-in) 39 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Leon Valley 26 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Mark Forsyth 15 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Smattering <input type="radio"/></p>

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**ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT QUESTIONS**

ARTICLE 3. ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT QUESTIONS :

**Amendment 1.** Proposed by the Rye Planning Board  
 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 1, as follows:  
 To add the following definition to Appendix A - Definitions:

**DWELLING UNIT, SEASONAL:** A dwelling unit not suitable for year round occupancy due to the presence of any one of the following conditions: (1) water supply and/or waste disposal pipes, pumps or other facilities susceptible to freezing; (2) no central year round heating system; (3) NH DES restriction of septic system to seasonal use. If uncertainty exists, the Building Inspector shall determine the seasonal or year-round status of a dwelling unit.

Explanation

The present zoning ordinance contains regulations relative to seasonal dwelling units, but the term "seasonal dwelling unit" is not defined.

755  
 YES   
 NO   
 91

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## ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT QUESTIONS CONTINUED

**Amendment 2.** Proposed by the Rye Planning Board  
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 2, as follows:

To amend the zoning ordinance to provide for the conversion of existing commercial spaces to condominium ownership by conditional use permit granted by the planning board. A new Section 503-A will be added which provides requirements for the condominium conversion of commercial spaces similar to the special exception requirements of Section 503 for the conversion of existing dwelling units to condominium ownership?

556  
YES   
NO   
320

**Amendment 3.** Proposed by the Rye Planning Board  
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 3, as follows:

To amend Section 503 Condominium Conversion [of existing dwelling units] to clarify the intent of the ordinance with respect to the prohibition of condominium conversion of tourist accommodations to dwelling units by adding a new Subsection 503.4 which states that tourist accommodation units are different land uses than dwelling units and have different impact on the land than dwelling units and which sets forth seven (7) findings as to why tourist accommodation units are different than dwelling units?

625  
YES   
NO   
244

**Amendment 4.** Proposed by the Rye Planning Board  
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 4, as follows:

To amend Section 503 Condominium Conversions by adding the following new subsections:

503.5 Accessory Apartments. An accessory apartment approved as a special exception pursuant to Section 506 of this ordinance is required by Section 506 to be a subordinate rental unit. Thus, an approved accessory apartment may not be converted to an ownership unit under the provisions of this section.

503.6 "Grandfathered" In-Law Apartments. In 1998 the enactment of Section 506 providing for Accessory Apartments, revoked and replaced Section 202.7 of the zoning ordinance, which had allowed a property owner to make interior changes to existing buildings or to construct additions for residential use by members of the owner's family (i.e. so called "mother-in-law apartments").

The conversion to condominium ownership of any lawfully existing apartment created prior to March 10, 1998 under Section 202.7 shall include lawfully binding restrictions in the deed and in the condominium documents which permanently restrict ownership, occupancy and use of the apartment to members of the family of the owner of the principal dwelling unit located on the property.

Explanation

*The proposed amendment clarifies how the condominium conversion provisions of the ordinance should be applied to accessory apartments and "grandfathered" in-law apartments.*

641  
YES   
NO   
218

**Amendment 5.** Proposed by the Rye Planning Board  
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 5, as follows:

To amend the zoning ordinance and official zoning map to reclassify the portions of the following parcels which are presently zoned Commercial (C) District to the Single Residence (SR) District:

Four (4) Lots on Whitehorse Drive

Tax Map 11- 15-10                      Tax Map 11- 15-12  
'Tax Map 11- 15-11                      Tax Map 11- 15-13

*Note: A map showing the area proposed to be rezoned is posted with the Warrant at Town Hall and will be posted at the Rye Elementary School for the Municipal Election, March 13, 2007.*

Explanation

*The proposed amendment would make the zoning of the land affected more consistent with the existing development pattern. The land involved was once part of the former Ciborowski Airport tract, which years ago was zoned Commercial District. The old airport has since been subdivided and changed in use. Part of the old airport land became part of the Whitehorse Farms Residential Subdivision. These four lots are developed as residential, even though parts of them lie within the Commercial District. Thus, this amendment is a "housekeeping" measure to make the zoning of these four lots consistent with the residential use.*

711  
YES   
NO   
167

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ARTICLE 4. FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT QUESTION

Amendment 1. Proposed by the Rye Planning Board  
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 1, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Floodplain Development and Building Ordinance in accordance with the recommendation of the Rye Planning Board to include numerous changes in the text of the ordinance which are of a "housekeeping" nature, such as removing references to the old flood zones which were replaced by the Town Meeting's adoption of the new floodplain map in 2005.

Explanation

The changes are intended to keep the ordinance compatible with FEMA's requirements so that properties in the town may remain eligible for the Federal Flood Insurance Program. The ordinance, with the recommended housekeeping changes, is nine pages long. A copy of the full text of the proposed ordinance as amended is posted at the Rye Town Hall. Copies are also available from the Planning and Zoning Administrator at the Rye Town Hall. A copy will be posted at the polling place on Town Meeting day.

826  
YES   
NO   
85

ARTICLE 5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 5, as follows: To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Professional Fire Fighters Association of Rye affiliated with International Association of Fire Fighters Local 4411, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Increase
9 Months 2006	\$26,014
12 Months 2007	\$40,896

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-six thousand nine hundred ten dollars (\$66,910). Such sum represents the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over the appropriation at current staffing levels for 2007, and it also includes retroactive payment of the above stated increase for 2006. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

640  
YES   
NO   
280

ARTICLE 6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 6, as follows:  
Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 5 is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 5 cost items only?

YES 567  
NO 264

ARTICLE 7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 7, as follows:  
To see if the Town will vote to add one (1) full-time fire fighter / Paramedic in the Rye Fire Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-three thousand dollars (\$43,000) to fund the position for the last six months of calendar year 2007. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

Note: The amount of \$43,000 to fund the position for six months in 2007 includes wages and benefits based on present figures plus the required outfitting equipment.  
Note: The cost to fund this position for a full year based on present figures for wages and benefits plus uniform allowance would be \$63,157.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

560  
YES   
NO 359

ARTICLE 8. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 8, as follows:  
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$67,000) to be added to the New Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund established in 1965. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

YES 507  
NO 376

ARTICLE 9. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 9, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund established pursuant to RSA 35:1, by Article 11 of the 2005 Rye Town Meeting, for the purpose of site geo-technical investigation, site permitting, design fees and construction of a salt/sand storage building adjacent to the existing Public Works Facility. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

577  
YES   
NO 335

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<p><b>ARTICLE 10.</b> Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 10, as follows:</p> <p>To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the expendable general fund trust fund known as The Town Employees Accumulated Leave Fund, previously created pursuant to RSA 31:19-a by Article 14 of the 1990 Rye Town Meeting. The Town Employees Accumulated Leave Fund pays severance benefits to town employees in accordance with the Town's Personnel Policy. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)</p> <p>THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p>520 YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>362</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 11.</b> Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 11, as follows:</p> <p>To see if the Town will vote to establish an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of creating a major repairs fund for municipal buildings to be known as The Municipal Buildings Maintenance Fund and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)</p> <p>THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p>608 YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>274</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 12.</b> Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 12, as follows:</p> <p>To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Ambulance Fund established in 1996. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget (Majority vote required.)</p> <p>THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p>600 YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>285</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 13.</b> Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 13, as follows:</p> <p>To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 14 at the 2005 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, as a maintenance fund for the Rye Public Library building. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)</p> <p>THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p>671 YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>210</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 14.</b> Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 14, as follows:</p> <p>To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for Records Restoration established by Article 16 of the 1990 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)</p> <p>THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p>560 YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>311</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 15.</b> Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 15, as follows:</p> <p>(By petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000) for the purpose of funding New Generation Shelter, which houses seven pregnant or parenting women and their children at a time, from Rye and surrounding communities and provides counseling, parenting education, life skills, transportation to partnering agencies and aftercare to all residents. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)</p> <p>THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p>613 YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>276</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 16.</b> Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 16, as follows:</p> <p>(By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) to support the Seacoast Interfaith Hospitality Network (SIHN), an agency that provides shelter, food and case management to families that have become homeless. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)</p> <p>THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p>586 YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>307</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 17.</b> Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 17, as follows:</p> <p>Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling seven million three hundred twenty-one thousand three hundred sixty-nine dollars (\$7,321,369). Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be seven million thirty-eight thousand nine dollars (\$7,038,009) which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required.)</p> <p>NOTE: This warrant article does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.</p>	<p>561 YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>302</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 18.</b> Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 18, as follows:</p> <p>To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to negotiate a lease of the town property at 37 Central Road, Map 12, Lot 38, (formerly the Rye Police Station) to the Rye Water District (RWD) for a rent of one dollar (\$1.00). In addition, the RWD will provide water at no cost to Town Hall, the Public Safety Building, the Recreation Building and the Public Works buildings. If a Lease Agreement is negotiated, it will be presented to the 2008 Annual Town Meeting for ratification by town voters as required by RSA 41:11-a.</p>	<p>744 YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>136</p>

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*John E. Bell*

TOWN CLERK

ARTICLE 19. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 19, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town road the extension of Winslow Way as shown on a plan titled "Stevens Realty Trust, Amended Subdivision Plan," recorded in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. D-34180. This acceptance is conditioned upon the final approval of the Public Works Director, the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board.

YES  575  
NO  302

ARTICLE 20. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 20, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey to the owners of two abutting properties the portions of the discontinued cul-de-sac at the former end of Winslow Way which abut their respective properties, as shown on a plan titled "Stevens Realty Trust, Amended Subdivision Plan," recorded in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds as Plan No. D-34180. Winslow Way has been extended to make the former cul-de-sac unnecessary. The two abutting property owners are John T. Parkhurst, Trustee of the John T. Parkhurst Revocable Trust and Carol J. Parkhurst, Trustee of the Carol J. Parkhurst Revocable Trust, (Map 17, Lot 75-1), and Mark Robert Brann and Anna Maria Frost-Jensen, Co-Trustees of the Brann 2004 Trust, (Map 17, Lot 75-2).

YES  598  
NO  272

ARTICLE 21. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 21, as follows:

(By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change, which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Rye. These actions include (1) Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy and (2) Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment. In addition, for the Town of Rye to encourage New Hampshire Citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities and for the Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy commission to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

YES  717  
NO  204

ARTICLE 22. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 22, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder at public auction, or sealed bid, such surplus Town equipment as is not traded in on new equipment in 2007.

YES  869  
NO  41

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice (s) like this: ●
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

<p align="center"><b>FOR MODERATOR</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not For two years more than one</p> <p><b>KAREN W. OLIVER</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>ROBERT G. EATON</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center"><b>FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than two</p> <p><b>SARA ANN (SALLIE) MACKIE</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>DEBORAH G. GENESTRETI</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center"><b>FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than two</p> <p><b>PAUL GOLDMAN</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR SELECTMAN</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p><b>JOE MILLS</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>ROSALIE POWELL ANDREWS</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center"><b>FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p><b>JEFFREY BALBONI</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center"><b>FOR CEMETERY TRUSTEE</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p><b>ROGER O. PHILBRICK</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p align="center"><b>FOR SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not For six years more than one</p> <p><b>MADLINE L. CHICHESTER</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center"><b>FOR PLANNING BOARD</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than two</p> <p><b>MELVIN R. LOW</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>WILLIAM W. ZECHEL</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p><b>MARTIN G. ZIVIC</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center"><b>FOR SEWER COMMISSIONER</b></p> <p align="center">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p><b>DAVID KOHLHASE</b> <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>

**ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT QUESTIONS**

**ARTICLE 3.** Zoning Ordinance Amendment Questions:

**Amendment 1:** Proposed by the Rye Planning Board  
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 1, as follows:

**YES**

To add an Aquifer Protection District to the zoning ordinance. The Aquifer Protection District is intended to protect groundwater resources by regulating land uses which might contaminate aquifers or reduce the recharge of aquifers. A copy of the proposed amendment establishing an Aquifer Protection District is posted at the town hall and will be posted at the polling place.

**NO**

**Amendment 2:** Proposed by the Rye Planning Board  
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 2, as follows:

To amend Section 401.4 C Re: Frontage Requirement for Retirement Community Development (RCD), as follows:

- C. **Frontage:** An RCD shall have a minimum contiguous frontage on a ***Class V Road or better town road or street*** of 150 feet. Each dwelling within an RCD shall face upon either an existing ***Class V Road or better town road or street*** or on a private way constructed within the RCD.

(Note: Proposed new language in ***italics and boldfaced***. Deleted text is ~~struck through.~~)

**YES**

Explanation

**NO**

*Class V Roads are town roads. Roads better than a Class V Road are state highways or state roads of Class I to IV. The effect of the amendment is to clarify that the requirement for frontage is that the frontage must be on a town road or a town street. The amendment also would allow an RCD to have frontage on a state highway or state road.*

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT QUESTIONS CONTINUED

Amendment 3: Proposed by the Rye Planning Board
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 3, as follows:

To amend the definition of "Garage" found in Appendix A, Definitions, as follows:

GARAGE: An accessory building, joined or attached or entirely separate from the dwelling or main building it serves, and having a garage style door(s), the primary use of which is the storage or parking of not more than three motor vehicles. If the garage is used in conjunction with a multi-unit dwelling, the number of bays shall not exceed the number of units.

(Note: Proposed new language in italics and emboldened.)

Explanation

The amendment clarifies that a garage must have a garage style door. The amendment also allows garages used in conjunction with multi-unit dwellings to have a number of spaces equal to the number of units in the dwelling.

YES [ ]
NO [ ]

Amendment 4: Proposed by the Rye Planning Board
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 4, as follows:

To amend Section 401.4 Requirements for Retirement Community Developments (RCD's) by adding the following new subsection:

P. Bonus for Cluster Layout: The planning board, at its discretion, may approve an RCD of up to twenty (20) dwelling units if the proposal is for a cluster layout of streets and dwellings and if at least 50% of the parcel is preserved as common open space. Recreation and Community Facilities with impervious surfaces, any community buildings and all permanent structures will not be considered as part of the open space calculation for Cluster Layout. The area computation of the open space for the Bonus for Cluster Layout shall not include road rights of way, public or private.

The open space shall be permanently protected using a conservation easement as open space or common land for the purposes of recreation, conservation, park, trails or public easement forestry or agriculture. The Planning Board at its discretion may require that the open space or some portion be publicly accessible via easements.

The open space of an RCD shall be visible from a Town or state road wherever possible. The clustered buildings should not be seen from a town or state road or from a town street.

The planning board may enact amendments to its Land Development Regulations relative to the process and criteria by which the bonus may be awarded.

Explanation

The amendment would encourage developers of RCD's to provide a layout which maximizes open space preservation.

YES [ ]
NO [ ]

Amendment 5: Proposed by the Rye Planning Board
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 5, as follows:

To amend Section 401.4 re: Requirements for Retirement Community Developments (RCD's) by adding the following new subsection:

Q. Recreation and Community Facilities. An RCD may include recreation and community facilities intended for the use and enjoyment of residents and their guests, such as tennis courts, swimming pools, picnic/cookout areas and facilities; outdoor sitting areas; gardens; gazebos; and community buildings. The total surface area of community buildings within an RCD, footprint and any stories above, shall not exceed 100 sq. feet per bedroom.

Based on the scope of the facilities, additional considerations may need to be evaluated, for example, if the number of guests could be substantial, parking calculations and septic loading must be considered with the anticipated use.

YES [ ]
NO [ ]

Amendment 6: Proposed by the Rye Planning Board
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 6, as follows:

To amend Section 303 Historic District, as requested by the Historic District Commission to prohibit "Services By ...." signs (i.e. advertising signs such as "Painting By ....", "Roofing By ....," etc.) in the Historic District and to make several other editing changes to the text of the district. The complete text of the Historic District as changed by the proposed amendment is posted at the town hall and will be posted at the polling place.

YES [ ]
NO [ ]

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING



**ABSENTEE  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
MARCH 11, 2008**

BALLOT 2 OF 3

**SAMPLE BALLOT**  
TOWN CLERK

**ARTICLE 4.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 4, as follows:

To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Rye Town Employees Association affiliated with Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

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THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

YES   
NO

**ARTICLE 5.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 5, as follows:

Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 4 is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 4 cost items only?

YES   
NO

**ARTICLE 6.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 6, as follows:

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THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

YES   
NO

**ARTICLE 7.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 7, as follows:

Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 6 is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 6 cost items only?

YES   
NO

**ARTICLE 8.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 8, as follows:

To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Professional Fire Fighters Association of Rye affiliated with International Association of Fire Fighters Local 4411, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

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THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

YES   
NO

**ARTICLE 9.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 9, as follows:

Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 8 is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 8 cost items only?

YES   
NO

**TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING**

**ARTICLE 10.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 10, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000) to purchase a new rescue ambulance for the Fire Department to replace the existing 1999 ambulance and to authorize the withdrawal of ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) from Special Revenue Fund 14, *The New Ambulance Vehicle Fund* created in 2005 for this purpose and to authorize the withdrawal of fifty eight thousand dollars (\$58,000) from the *Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund* created in 1996 for this purpose. The balance of twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) is to come from general taxation. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES   
NO

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 11.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 11, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty-five thousand eighty dollars (\$125,080) to purchase a new, heavy six-wheel plow/wing/sander truck for the Department of Public Works to replace a 1996 International dump truck and to authorize the withdrawal of eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994 for that purpose. The balance of forty-five thousand eighty dollars (\$45,080) is to come from general taxation. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES   
NO

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 12.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 12, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$67,000) to be added to the New Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund established in 1965. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES   
NO

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 13.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 13, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the purpose of installing and purchasing equipment for a new playground at the Rye Recreation Area, of which thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) will come from withdrawal of funds in the Recreation Commission *Youth Recreational Athletics Account*, which receives monies from fundraising and private donations. The balance of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) is to come from general taxation. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES   
NO

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 14.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 14, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund established pursuant to RSA 35:1, by Article 11 of the 2005 Rye Town Meeting, for the purpose of site geo-technical investigation, site permitting, design fees and construction of a salt/sand storage building adjacent to the existing Public Works Facility. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES   
NO

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 15.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 15, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the expendable general fund trust fund known as The Town Employees Accumulated Leave Fund, previously created pursuant to RSA 31:19-a by Article 14 of the 1990 Rye Town Meeting. The Town Employees Accumulated Leave Fund pays severance benefits to town employees in accordance with the Town's Personnel Policy. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES   
NO

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 16.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 16, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Ambulance Fund established in 1996. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget (Majority vote required.)

YES   
NO

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 17.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 17, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Ambulance Fund established in 1996. (Majority vote required.)

YES   
NO

**ARTICLE 18.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 18, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the expendable trust fund known as The Municipal Buildings Maintenance Fund established in 2007 under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of creating a major repairs fund for municipal buildings. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES   
NO

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING**



**ABSENTEE  
OFFICIAL BALLOT  
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**SAMPLE BALLOT**

BALLOT 3 OF 3



TOWN CLERK

**ARTICLE 19.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 19, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 14 at the 2005 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, as a maintenance fund for the Rye Public Library building. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

**YES**   
**NO**

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 20.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 20, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Fire/Police Station Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund created in 2002. The reason for discontinuing the fund is that the land purchase has been completed. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund. (Majority vote required.)

**YES**   
**NO**

**ARTICLE 21.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 21, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1990 for the purpose of future revaluation. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund. (Majority vote required.)

**YES**   
**NO**

**ARTICLE 22.** (By petition) Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 22, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) to help support Rye Senior SERVE, a local non-profit organized to respond to the needs of Rye seniors. Incorporated in 2004, Rye Senior SERVE, Inc. is dedicated to identifying and responding to the needs of our senior residents. To that end, the focus and efforts are in three different areas identified as being important to our seniors: transportation, communication and living independently in their homes. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

**YES**   
**NO**

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

**ARTICLE 23.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 23, as follows:

Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling seven million six hundred eighty-six thousand six hundred fifteen dollars (\$7,686,615)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be seven million four hundred thousand thirty-five dollars (\$7,400,035) which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required.)

**YES**   
**NO**

**NOTE:** This warrant article does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
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**ARTICLE 24.** (By Petition) Are you in favor of the Adoption of Article 24, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to continue to improve the appearance of the Recycling Center/Transfer Station on Grove Road.

**YES**   
**NO**

**ARTICLE 25.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 25, as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder at public auction, or sealed bid, such surplus Town equipment as is not traded in on new equipment in 2008.

**YES**   
**NO**

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING**



**TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**2008**  
**MINUTES OF THE**  
**DELIBERATIVE SESSION**

**2008**  
**BUDGET**

**STATUS OF THE**  
**2007**  
**AUDITOR'S REPORT**



**REPORT OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
FOR THE TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**February 2, 2008 and March 11, 2008**

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

At 9:05 a.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2008 at the Junior High School gymnasium, Moderator Daniel Hoefle introduced himself as the outgoing, retiring, put-out-to pasture moderator and called to order the Deliberative Session of the Annual Town Meeting. He led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moderator Hoefle read a list of the names of our friends and neighbors who died in 2007. A moment of silence was observed in their memory.

Moderator Hoefle introduced all those seated on the stage: the Board of Selectmen, Joe Mills, Craig Musselman and Priscilla Jenness, Finance Administrator Cyndi Gillespie, Town Administrator Alan Gould, Town Counsel Michael Donovan and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Jane Ireland.

Moderator Hoefle read the list of candidates for Town and School Office for the March 11<sup>th</sup> Election.

Moderator Hoefle then stated his *rules for the meeting*. He read as follows: Even though I, as moderator, set the rules and procedures, this is your meeting and you are free to change those rules. Everyone is invited to speak. Anyone wishing to speak should come to the microphone and identify himself or herself. All comments should be directed to me, as the moderator. Moderator Hoefle said we are here in the spirit of debate and he asked that acrimony be eliminated or kept to a minimum. All amendments need to be in writing. All voters need to be checked in at the checklist table and receive a card. We will vote by a show of hands unless a secret ballot is requested. Five voters present may request a secret ballot by written request. Seven voters present may seek a recount of a voice vote or a hand vote, after the vote is taken. We will follow the articles as they appear on the Warrant unless a request is made to take them out of order. Any ruling made as moderator can be challenged by this Deliberative Session, and any motion anyone wishes to make will be entertained.

Upon determining everyone present had a copy of the Warrant, Moderator Hoefle stated we would start with Article 4.

Selectman Joe Mills asked to interrupt Moderator Hoefle and came forward to speak. Mr. Mills said the Board wanted to show appreciation to Dan Hoefle, who has been the moderator for the past ten years. Following Mr. Mills' brief remarks relating some of Dan's fine qualities as our moderator, Mr. Mills said the Board of Selectmen would like to take this opportunity to thank him for his many years and presented a wooden plaque which encased a gold gavel, and read the

inscription: *“Presented to Daniel C. Hoefle, Esq. who ably served the Town as moderator from 1998 to 2008 by the grateful citizens of the Town of Rye, February 2, 2008”*.

Following a standing ovation, Moderator Hoefle graciously said that if he has been successful at making it fair and impartial it was because most of the people up here had been with him for the past decade and really made him look good.

Moderator Hoefle read Article 4.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Rye Town Employees Association affiliated with Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

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It was **moved** by Joe Mills, seconded by Craig Musselman, to place this article on the floor for discussion.

Selectman Musselman said this is the first of three articles dealing with new contracts. He said the first article for town employees is straight forward. The increases listed there are inflationary increases only. The inflation provision is a minimum of 2% and a maximum of 3 ½ % and with this one the 2008 cost is fixed and known; the 2009 and 2010 costs are listed at 3 ½% but might be less depending upon inflation between now and then.

Upon determining no one else wished to speak to the article, **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 4 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 5.

**ARTICLE 5.** Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 4 is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 4 cost items only?

It was **moved** by Craig Musselman and seconded by Joe Mills, to place this article on the floor for discussion.

No discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 5 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 6.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Rye Town Police Association affiliated with Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

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It was **moved** by Craig Musselman and seconded by Joe Mills to place this article on the floor for discussion.

Selectman Musselman explained the Police move up one grade to maintain parity with other Police Departments in the area but as they move up one grade, which is an increase of a little less than 5%, there is no C.O.L.A. for this year. In trade for that there is a variety of non cost items on the town's side that were agreed upon, one of which involves diminishing seniority as a factor in promotions and allowing performance to be a more predominant factor. In future years the increases are 2 to 3 ½ percent as described for the town employees.

Michael Mittelman asked how the salaries of our Police Department as well as our Fire Department compare with neighboring towns. Mr. Musselman responded they are competitive to a point, depending on what community you compare it to. He noted there is a difference in salaries relating to the size of communities, so you need to compare them to other towns with a population of about 5,000 around the state. Mr. Musselman stated the Board of Selectmen believes we are competitive.

Moderator Hoefle called for further discussion. Hearing none, **he ordered Article 6 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 7.

**ARTICLE 7.** Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 6 is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 6 cost items only?

It was **moved** by Craig Musselman and seconded by Joe Mills to place this article on the ballot as written.

There being no discussion, **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 7 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 8.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Board of Selectmen and the Professional Fire Fighters Association of Rye affiliated with International Association of Fire Fighters Local 4411, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

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It was **moved** by Selectman Musselman and seconded by Selectman Mills, to place Article 8 on the floor for discussion.

Mr. Musselman said this article has the same issues as the Police Department. There is a one grade increase and a C.O.L.A. doesn't apply for this year.

Moderator Hoefle called for further discussion on the article. **Hearing none, he ordered Article 8 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 9.

**ARTICLE 9.** Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 8 is defeated, authorize the Board of Selectmen to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 8 cost items only?

It was **moved** by Mr. Musselman, seconded by Mr. Mills, to place Article 9 on the floor for discussion.

No discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 9 placed on the ballot as written.**

The moderator read Article 10.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000) to purchase a new rescue ambulance for the Fire Department to replace the existing 1999 ambulance and to authorize the withdrawal of ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) from Special Revenue Fund 14, *The New Ambulance*

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THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

It was **moved** by Priscilla Jenness and seconded by Joe Mills, to place Article 10 on the ballot for discussion.

Mrs. Jenness stated the way this will be paid for is laid out in the article. The ambulance vehicle fund is the cell tower revenue. The \$22,000 would be within the tax rate which results in two cents on the tax rate.

There was no further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 10 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 11.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty-five thousand eighty dollars (\$125,080) to purchase a new, heavy six-wheel plow/wing/sander truck for the Department of Public Works to replace a 1996 International dump truck and to authorize the withdrawal of eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994 for that purpose. The balance of forty-five thousand eighty dollars (\$45,080) is to come from general taxation. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
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It was **moved** by Joe Mills, seconded by Craig Musselman to place Article 11 on the ballot as written.

Mr. Mills said this is basically just upgrading of the equipment.

Moderator Hoefle called for further discussion on the article. Hearing none, **he ordered Article 11 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 12.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$67,000) to be added to the New Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund established in 1965. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
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It was **moved** by Craig Musselman and seconded by Joe Mills, to place Article 12 on the floor for discussion.

Mr. Musselman stated this article puts aside \$67,000 toward the purchase of a future fire vehicle. The \$67,000 is the same amount we were paying annually on a loan for the last fire truck we acquired. That loan is paid off and we propose to keep that funding level.

There was no further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 12 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 13.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the purpose of installing and purchasing equipment for a new playground at the Rye Recreation Area, of which thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) will come from withdrawal of funds in the Recreation Commission *Youth Recreational Athletics Account*, which receives monies from fundraising and private donations. The balance of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) is to come from general taxation. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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It was **moved** by Selectwoman Jenness and seconded by Selectman Mills, to place Article 13 on the ballot as written.

Mrs. Jenness explained originally this was put forth as a capital expenditure request but it was the decision of the Board of Selectmen to put it in as a warrant article in order to give the voters a voice in accepting it. If this is approved the additional \$15,000 on the tax rate would result in 1.3 cents.

No further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 13 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 14.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund established pursuant to RSA 35:1, by Article 11 of the 2005 Rye Town Meeting, for the purpose of site geo-technical investigation, site permitting, design fees and construction of a salt/sand storage building adjacent to the existing Public Works Facility. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

It was **moved** by Craig Musselman, and seconded by Joe Mills, to place Article 14 on the floor for discussion.

Mr. Musselman stated the town has been storing road salt at the public works complex for many years in a fashion that results in salt being introduced into the groundwater and it is in an area of our primary water supplies here in Rye. The town has recognized for awhile that that is inappropriate and an appropriate sand/salt storage shed with provisions for loading and storage of salt inside is necessary. For the last three years the town has been setting aside \$25,000 per year toward the capital costs of that. We now have \$79,000 and change in that account. This article proposes an additional \$25,000. The Budget Committee did not recommend this article and there was some discussion there about whether there are alternatives to salt and there was other discussion that this accumulation of funds is different than it is for an ambulance or a fire truck where we have situations where we know we don't need it yet, but we will. In this case we pretty much know we need a facility and discussion also centered on whether or not we should, instead of letting the cost of the facility inflate, whether we ought to go build it with accumulated funds plus either appropriated or borrowed funds in the future. Our hope is the town will continue to appropriate at this rate toward the capital cost of a salt shed which is somewhere in the \$150,000 to \$200,000 range, not pinned down yet. We will gather more information and come back with a plan for next year, probably to do this on a capital basis and build it so that inflation doesn't keep raising it up.

Paul Goldman, Budget Committee Chairman, said he appreciated Craig's comments because he has now provided some new information. Mr. Goldman stated that from an over all objective stand point, the Budget Committee is very much in favor of ensuring that we have safe roads, clear roads, and an appropriate facility. It is not a question of whether we all have the same objective. At the time, the question was about whether there were alternative ways of financing it, like through a bond or something like that. Mr. Goldman further stated that he wanted to clarify the committee made their recommendation based on what they knew at the time.

There was no further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 14 placed on the ballot as written.**

***\*\* Following the adjournment of this Deliberative Session, members of the Budget Committee met and voted to Recommend Article 14. \*\****

The moderator read Article 15.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the expendable general fund trust fund known as The Town Employees Accumulated Leave Fund, previously created pursuant to RSA 31:19-a by Article 14 of the 1990 Rye Town Meeting. The Town Employees Accumulated Leave Fund pays severance benefits to town employees in accordance with the Town's Personnel Policy. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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It was **moved** by Joe Mills, and seconded by Craig Musselman, to place Article 15 on the floor for discussion.

Mr. Mills said this article is just keeping up with the times in order to pay severance packages when employees leave. We try to keep pace each year with a projection of people who may retire.

There was no further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 15 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 16.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Ambulance Fund established in 1996. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
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It was **moved** by Priscilla Jenness, and seconded by Joe Mills, to place Article 16 on the floor for discussion.

Mrs. Jenness stated the ambulance is in its ninth year. That is the approximate time for the turnover of an ambulance for us. We will have depleted the capital reserve fund. We will still be in the contract with the cell tower, with revenue of approximately \$22,000 a year. If we purchase a new ambulance in eight years that figure would be \$176,000, which is approximately what we'll be paying now. Eight years from now a new ambulance won't cost what it will this year. With that in mind, we wanted to place some back into the Capital Reserve fund.

Paul Goldman, Budget Committee Chairman, said he understood the rationale that's been given. He explained that at the time the committee made its decision not to recommend the article, that not knowing how much the cell tower revenue would be, what length of time cell tower contracts would be in place, whether that revenue would increase in the future, etc. this was the conclusion.

There was no further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 16 placed on the ballot as written.**

The moderator read Article 17.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to appoint the selectmen as agents to expend from the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Ambulance Fund established in 1996. (Majority vote required.)

It was **moved** by Craig Musselman, and seconded by Joe Mills, to place Article 17 on the floor for discussion.

Selectman Mills said the Selectmen need permission to remove from the Ambulance Fund the money to purchase the new ambulance, so are seeking permission to remove the money.

There was no further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 17 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 18.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the expendable trust fund known as The Municipal Buildings Maintenance Fund established in 2007 under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of creating a major repairs fund for municipal buildings. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
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It was **moved** by Joe Mills, seconded by Priscilla Jenness, to Place Article 18 on the floor for discussion.

Mr. Mills stated this is just maintenance on the town buildings to keep abreast of normal repairs on town buildings.

There being no further discussion, **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 18 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 19.

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 14 at the 2005 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, as a maintenance fund for the Rye Public Library building. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN  
THIS ARTICLE IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

It was **moved** by Joe Mills, and seconded by Craig Musselman, to place Article 19 on the floor for discussion.

Victor Azzi, Chairman of the Library Trustees said this was to set aside some money in the event that some unforeseen event that would require an expenditure of money that we wouldn't have in the normal operating budget. We felt we should accumulate funds at the rate of \$5,000 a year in order to be prepared for an unforeseen large expenditure. We were looking for a target of about \$40,000. Within the past year we had drainage issues that caused some water to leak into the

building and we spent some of those monies to improve the drainage to remove some carpeting and to remediate the area that had become wet. We decided to replenish that and so proposed the \$10,000. Mr. Azzi said the trustees would be willing to accept \$5,000 this year. He explained the library does not have access to funds such as those set aside in Article 18.

Paul Goldman, Budget Committee Chairman, asked if Mr. Azzi had proposed an amendment to change this to \$5,000. Moderator Hoefle responded that he did not understand it to be that he was making an amendment.

Mr. Goldman sought to clarify the discussion and expectations that were said between the Library Trustees and the Budget Committee. Through the budgeting process, he said, there was give and take and it was the Budget Committee's understanding that there was going to be an amendment to make this \$5,000 based on all the good faith discussion with the Library Trustees. The history is that the Library has operated very effectively at the rate they have been putting into the reserves, which is \$5,000 a year. They had some extenuating circumstances this year with regard to foundation leakage problems, mold problems and in addition to that challenged with regard to securing that the operating budget stays on target. Mr. Goldman said he felt they had a good faith understanding with regard to what was going to happen with this particular warrant article.

Shawn Crapo, Budget Committee member, said after the expenditure from the capital reserve fund, there was approximately a \$5,000 balance. He said it was agreed that \$10,000 was the appropriate funding for this account, so that adding \$5,000 would keep that fund at the \$10,000 level rather than having \$15,000 set aside.

Victor Azzi responded explaining his oversight and by **moving to amend the article to \$5,000**. Bob Eaton seconded his motion to amend Article 19.

Moderator Hoefle restated Article 19 with the proposed amendment, and called for discussion on the amendment.

Michael Mittelman asked with respect to the damage to the library building, didn't insurance cover some or all of it?

Victor Azzi replied that he didn't believe they had insurance for this.

Town Administrator Alan Gould clarified that the town has insurance for the town's buildings but that he was unaware of a claim.

Mr. Mills recalled that there was a problem at the town hall when a hot water heater let go, and the town put in a claim to the insurance company and they replaced all the carpeting on the first floor.

Ray Jarvis wanted to know why we are setting aside money to fix things if we have insurance.

Mr. Azzi said if the town has insurance that covers the library building, then that is something the Library Trustees need to know, and look into. He said he did not have an answer.

Selectman Mills corrected Mr. Azzi's previous assertion to clarify that the town's article was for *maintenance* where the Library's was *damage*.

Betty Anderson said as a member of the School Board, that they set aside money to cover certain issues not covered by insurance. Ms. Anderson said she also sits on the Budget Committee and was the lone vote in favor of the \$10,000.

Frank Drake, Budget Committee member, said there was a general sense on the Budget Committee that \$10,000 set aside in a contingency fund to cover a short term emergency was about right. He said they ought to have some long range plans when they're talking about roofs and boilers and things like that. Mr. Drake said it was represented that they would come forward and immediately amend it to \$5,000 and we would go forward.

**Moderator Hoefle re-stated the amendment and called for any further discussion on it. Hearing none, he called for a *vote* on the amendment to reduce the amount in Article 19 from \$10,000 to \$5,000. Show of Hands. *Amendment carries.***

**Moderator Hoefle called for further discussion on Article 19, as amended. Hearing none, he ordered Article 19 placed on the ballot as amended.**

***\*\* Following the adjournment of this Deliberative Session, members of the Budget Committee met and voted to Recommend Article 19, as amended. \*\****

Moderator Hoefle read Article 20.

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Fire/Police Station Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund created in 2002. The reason for discontinuing the fund is that the land purchase has been completed. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund. (Majority vote required.)

It was **moved** by Joe Mills, seconded by Priscilla Jenness, to place Article 20 on the floor for discussion.

Mr. Mills explained this is doing away with a fund that is no longer needed. He said the balance right now is \$4,900 and that would be put into the General Fund which eventually would be used to reduce your tax rate.

There was no further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 20 placed on the ballot as written.**

The moderator read Article 21.

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1990 for the purpose of future revaluation. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund. (Majority vote required.)

It was **moved** by Joe Mills, seconded by Priscilla Jenness, to place Article 21 on the floor for discussion.

Mr. Mills explained the town would probably never have to do another revaluation as long as we stay up with the programs provided by Vision and the State of NH which automatically revaluates. The balance in this fund is \$5498 and that would go into the General Fund.

There was no further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 21 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 22.

**ARTICLE 22.** (By petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500) to help support Rye Senior SERVE, a local non-profit organized to respond to the needs of Rye seniors. Incorporated in 2004, Rye Senior SERVE, Inc. is dedicated to identifying and responding to the needs of our senior residents. To that end, the focus and efforts are in three different areas identified as being important to our seniors: transportation, communication and living independently in their homes. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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It was **moved** by Joe Mills and seconded by Craig Musselman, to place Article 22 on the floor for discussion.

Margaret Carroll explained that SERVE stood for "supporting elderly residents through volunteer efforts". She said her organization has learned that most elderly in town want to stay in their homes as long as they can, but they know they'll need help, and it is that help that they are trying to work on now.

Following her comments, the moderator ascertained no one else wished to speak. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 22 placed on the ballot as written.**

The moderator read Article 23.

**ARTICLE 23.** Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling seven million six hundred eighty-six thousand six hundred fifteen dollars (\$7,686,615)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be seven million four hundred thousand thirty-five dollars (\$7,400,035) which is the same as last year with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law or the governing body

may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required.)

**NOTE: This warrant article does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.**

It was **moved** by Joe Mills, seconded by Priscilla Jenness, to place Article 23 on the floor for discussion.

Mr. Mills said this is what we need to properly operate the town this year.

Paul Goldman, Budget Committee Chairman, said that although it doesn't state it explicitly here, he wanted everyone to know the Budget Committee does recommend this budget.

Bob Eaton, member of the Budget Committee, said the town department heads, the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee spend many days and many hours of hard work to come up with this budget and we think it is a good budget. Because of that, the Budget Committee voted unanimously to add our recommendation to the operating budget just as it appears with all the other warrant articles. Mr. Eaton said there was a similar topic of discussion with regard to the school budget and for the last four or five years both the Budget Committee's and the School Board's recommendations have appeared on the ballot. He said he realized the Department of Revenue Administration doesn't necessarily recommend that the Budget Committee's recommendation appear because they feel it is redundant because it is *our* budget. We want to make it unequivocally clear that we stand behind the budget.

Mr. Mills inquired of Town Counsel Michael Donovan if it would be proper to amend the article to include the recommendation. Atty. Donovan responded that he believed it would be, but that given the position that DRA has taken he would advise leaving the article alone. Atty. Donovan added that DRA probably does not prohibit it either.

Moderator Hoefle stated the recommendation from Town Counsel is to table this issue for the time being and move on to the next article to give Atty. Donovan some time to do some research on this question.

Paul Goldman said, speaking for himself, he feels they have a really good process working with the Town Administrator, the Board of Selectmen and all the department and commission heads with trying to get the most out of addressing the needs of the town.

Betty Anderson confirmed the School Department attorney has researched this and it is legal.

Paula Merritt wanted to know if the Budget Committee can change their recommendations. Mr. Mills responded that following this meeting the Budget Committee members can have a work session and vote to change their recommendation, which is the way it would then appear on the official ballot.

Jane Ireland made a **motion to Table** Article 23 in order to allow Atty. Donovan the opportunity to research this question. Mr. Mills seconded the motion to Table.

Moderator Hoefle explained the motion to table is non-debatable.

**He called for a vote on the motion to Table Article 23. Show of Hands. Motion carries.**  
Moderator Hoefle stated this Article is Tabled and we will come back to it.

Moderator Hoefle read Article 24.

**ARTICLE 24.** (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to improve the appearance of the Recycling Center/Transfer Station on Grove Road by restoring the green buffer zone that has eroded which surrounded the facility. It will reduce the noise, fumes, debris and standing water from further diminishing the quality of life and health to nearby neighbors. It will also reduce the visibility of trucks, dumpsters and makeshift buildings. The facility serves the largest population of any town facility, and deserves to be properly funded for its restoration and maintenance. Proper upkeep will reflect the town's pride in its neat appearance. In addition, the existing fence should be replaced or repaired, and surround the entire facility. The barrel holding the stop sign should be replaced with something more attractive and the plow should be removed. The plow is sitting on an old historic graveyard.

It was **moved** by Jane Ireland and seconded by Joe Mills, to place Article 24 on the floor for discussion.

Del Record said he was not one of the petitioners.

In response to a query from Frank Drake, Mr. Mills stated that the town has been trying to improve that area. He said if this gets voted down that would tie our hands and we could not make any improvements.

Craig Musselman offered a little bit of background. He said the Selectmen have been attempting to improve the appearance of the recycling facility for a number of years. There was a citizens committee appointed that worked up a plan to improve the front appearance. A landscape architect was retained to bring that concept to a point where we could get a cost estimate for it. The cost was about \$45,000. At that time it was decided not to bring that to a warrant article with the concern that it wouldn't fly due to the financial impact. So the town has been proceeding to improve the appearance using donated fencing and trees. Mr. Musselman said we backed the composting area away from the road and we propose to continue to take steps like that within the town budget, and there is not much in the town budget for recycling facility improvements. There is a plan to continue the wood fence along the front and to work a little bit with the berm in the composting area. The residents want it improved more and quicker and they've made that known to the Selectmen. This petition article has a couple of significant challenges, one being it has no money attached to it. If this article were to be passed, we couldn't do it because we don't have an appropriation.

Mr. Musselman **moved to amend Article 24, "To see if the town would vote to improve the appearance of the Recycling Center/Transfer Station on Grove Road."** and to delete the rest. His motion to amend was seconded by Joe Mills.

Ray Jarvis suggested adding the words “study ways to improve”.

Bob Brown questioned the advisability of amending a petition article, to which Attorney Donovan responded that you can amend this in any way but you cannot NOT put something about this subject matter on the ballot .

Del Record inquired if any of the petitioners were present. In response to his comments, Moderator Hoefle explained we cannot remove the article from the warrant. We can amend the article and there is an amendment on the floor. He stated those are our limitations within the SB2 framework. The moderator restated the amendment.

Mr. Record **moved to amend the amendment** by adding the word “continue”, so the amendment would read “To see if the Town will vote to continue to improve the appearance of the Recycling Center/Transfer Station on Grove Road.”.

Frank Drake seconded the motion to amend the amendment.

There was discussion about whether the word “vote” should be removed from the article and it was agreed it should not.

No further discussion. Moderator called for a **vote on the amendment. Show of Hands. Amendment carries. Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 24 placed on the ballot as amended.**

Moderator Hoefle asked Town Counsel Michael Donovan to give his opinion with regard to the question of recommendations on Article 23.

Atty. Donovan stated there is nothing in the statutes that prohibits the article on the budget from containing the recommendations of the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen. The specific requirement is that the special warrant articles have to have that, and that is what we have always done here. He said his opinion was that if you want to amend the budget article to put the Budget Committee’s and the Selectmen’s recommendation on there, you can do so.

Bob Eaton **moved to remove Article 23 from the table**, seconded by Betty Anderson. **Show of Hands. Motion to take Article 23 off the table is successful.**

Mr. Eaton presented an **amendment** to Moderator Hoefle adding the notation “The Budget Committee Recommends This Warrant Article”. Moderator Hoefle inquired if Mr. Eaton was satisfied with that or did he wish to add the Selectmen’s Recommendation. Mr. Eaton ascertained the Board of Selectmen were in agreement and moved to **amend his amendment** by adding the further notation “This Article is Recommended by the Selectmen”, in either order as the Selectmen prefer. Mr. Mills seconded Mr. Eaton’s amendment. Mr. Eaton then stated he wanted to withdraw his amendment to correct the wording so it would be consistent with the wording as it appears on all the other warrant articles, to say “THIS ARTICLE IS

RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE". Mr. Mills affirmed his acceptance of this change.

Moderator Hoefle ascertained there was no further discussion on the amendment. He called for a vote. **SHOW OF HANDS. Amendment carries.**

**Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 23 placed on the ballot as amended.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 25.

**ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder at public auction, or sealed bid, such surplus Town equipment as is not traded in on new equipment in 2008.

It was **moved** by Joe Mills and seconded by Priscilla Jenness to place Article 25 on the floor for discussion.

Selectmen Mills said this is just authorizing us to have a town auction. He said we haven't had one for two or three years. It's basically lost and found items and surplus equipment.

No further discussion. **Moderator Hoefle ordered Article 25 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Hoefle read Article 26.

**ARTICLE 26.** To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

It was **moved** by Joe Mills, and seconded by Craig Musselman, to place Article 26 on the floor for discussion.

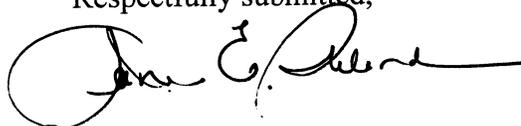
Paul Goldman asked members of the Budget Committee to stay for a few minutes in order to meet.

Ray Jarvis inquired if any of the candidates for town office would be interested in having a Candidates' Night.

Michael Schwartz **moved to adjourn** the Deliberative Session, seconded by Del Record. *Motion to adjourn carries.*

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jane E. Ireland  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

A true record, ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jane E. Ireland". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Jane E. Ireland  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Transcribed from tape



**BUDGET OF THE TOWN  
WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE**

OF: TOWN OF RYE

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

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

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

**IMPORTANT:**

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

- 1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
- 2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
- 3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) \_\_\_\_\_

**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

*Please sign in ink.*

*Paul Goodman*  
*Frank A. Doherty*  
*Raymond J. Jarvis*  
*James E. Mahoney*  
*Robert A. Katz*

*Betty J. Anderson*  
*Shirley Crago*

**THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT**

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 COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION  
 MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU  
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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Appropriations		Actual Expenditures	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
		Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Prior Year		(RECOMMENDED)	NOT RECOMMENDED	Ensuing Fiscal Year	Ensuing Fiscal Year
	Warr. Art.#	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>								
4130-4139	Executive		269,648	254,561	277,621		277,621	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics		14,735	12,625	25,400		25,400	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		442,850	409,407	476,189		471,189	5,000
4152	Revaluation of Property							
4153	Legal Expense		151,650	100,423	145,000		145,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration							
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		109,335	90,869	111,008		111,008	
4194	General Government Buildings		77,688	88,152	86,698		86,698	
4195	Cemeteries		130,000	106,476	83,964		83,964	
4196	Insurance		195,000	178,533	195,200		195,200	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		47,731	47,731	49,677	2,000	49,677	
4199	Other General Government							
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>								
4210-4214	Police		882,422	833,829	919,722		919,722	
4215-4219	Ambulance		92,382	81,795	97,275		95,000	
4220-4229	Fire		803,256	772,012	960,856	7,000	960,856	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		118,080	115,001	127,447	500	127,447	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		8,200	5,074	8,100	-	8,100	
4299	Other (Including Communications)							
<b>AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER</b>								
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>								
4311	Administration							
4312	Highways & Streets		900,748	840,627	922,267		922,267	
4313	Bridges							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS (RECOMMENDED)	NOT RECOMMENDED	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS cont.</b>								
4316	Street Lighting		3,000	2,478	3,000		3,000	
4319	Other							
<b>SANITATION</b>								
4321	Administration							
4323	Solid Waste Collection		215,154	210,854	226,067		226,067	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		166,600	152,636	166,600		166,600	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
<b>WATER DISTRIBUTION &amp; TREATMENT</b>								
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other							
<b>ELECTRIC</b>								
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
<b>HEALTH/WELFARE</b>								
4411	Administration		5,310	5,100	5,310		5,310	
4414	Pest Control		104,652	96,383	104,652		104,652	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other							
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		52,949	61,358	60,000		60,000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations		Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
			Prior Year As Approved by DRA	XXXXXXXXXX		(RECOMMENDED)	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
CULTURE & RECREATION									
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		219,123	XXXXXXXXXX	200,315	221,902	XXXXXXXXXX	221,902	XXXXXXXXXX
4550-4559	Library		509,461	XXXXXXXXXX	505,835	553,983	XXXXXXXXXX	553,983	XXXXXXXXXX
4583	Patriotic Purposes		5,500	XXXXXXXXXX	5,140	6,000	XXXXXXXXXX	6,000	XXXXXXXXXX
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		700	XXXXXXXXXX	454	700	XXXXXXXXXX	700	XXXXXXXXXX
CONSERVATION									
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		31,800	XXXXXXXXXX	23,897	42,300	XXXXXXXXXX	42,300	XXXXXXXXXX
4619	Other Conservation			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
DEBT SERVICE									
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		751,600	XXXXXXXXXX	751,600	843,000	XXXXXXXXXX	843,000	XXXXXXXXXX
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		289,667	XXXXXXXXXX	289,653	270,647	XXXXXXXXXX	270,647	XXXXXXXXXX
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		5,000	XXXXXXXXXX		5,000	XXXXXXXXXX	5,000	XXXXXXXXXX
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
CAPITAL OUTLAY									
4901	Land			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		54,200	XXXXXXXXXX	54,881	70,500	XXXXXXXXXX	70,500	XXXXXXXXXX
4903	Buildings			XXXXXXXXXX		7,000	XXXXXXXXXX	7,000	XXXXXXXXXX
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.		60,000	XXXXXXXXXX	71,700	20,000	XXXXXXXXXX	15,000	XXXXXXXXXX
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT									
4912	To Special Revenue Funds			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
	Sewer		356,184	XXXXXXXXXX	300,183	344,042	XXXXXXXXXX	344,042	XXXXXXXXXX
	Recreation Revolving		158,744	XXXXXXXXXX	117,424	157,963	XXXXXXXXXX	157,963	XXXXXXXXXX
	Outside Detail Revolving		65,000	XXXXXXXXXX	83,936	70,000	XXXXXXXXXX	70,000	XXXXXXXXXX
	Beach Parking		15,000	XXXXXXXXXX	15,725	20,800	XXXXXXXXXX	20,800	XXXXXXXXXX
	Beach Cleaning		8,000	XXXXXXXXXX	3,921	8,000	XXXXXXXXXX	8,000	XXXXXXXXXX
4913	To Capital Projects Funds			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX
4914	To Proprietary Funds			XXXXXXXXXX			XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX



\*\*SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\*

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

1 ACCT #	2 PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	3 Warr. Art.#	4 Appropriations		5 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	7 SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		8 BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
			Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Prior Year As Approved by DRA		(RECOMMENDED)	Ensuing Fiscal Year (NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	Ensuing Fiscal Year NOT RECOMMENDED
01-4915-69-954	FIRE TRUCK CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	12	67,000	67,000	67,000	67,000	67,000	67,000	
01-4915-69-964	SALT/SAND SHED CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	14	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000		25,000
01-4916-70-852	EMPLOYEE ACCUMULATED LEAVE FUND	15	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	
01-4915-69-950	AMBULANCE VEHICLE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	16	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
01-4916-70-855	MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE FUND	18	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	
01-4916-70-858	LIBRARY MAINTENANCE FUND	19	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	10,000
01-4915-69-961	RECORDS RESTORATION CAPITAL RESERVE FUND		4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	
01-4800-60-956	T/E - COLLECTIVE BARGAIN	4				10,801	10,801	10,801	
01-4800-60-958	P/D - COLLECTIVE BARGAIN	6				19,626	19,626	19,626	
01-4800-60-957	F/D - COLLECTIVE BARGAIN	8	66,910	66,910	66,910	16,889	16,889	16,889	
01-4800-60-954	NEW GENERATION SHELTER		2,000	2,000	2,000				
01-4800-60-955	SEACOAST INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK		1,000	1,000	1,000				
01-4800-60-952	RYE SENIOR SERVE INC	22				1,500	1,500	1,500	
	<b>SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED</b>		210,910	210,910	210,910	190,816	190,816	145,816	45,000

\*\*INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\*

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

1 ACCT #	2 PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	3 Warr. Art.#	4 Appropriations		5 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	7 SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		8 BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
			Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Prior Year As Approved by DRA		(RECOMMENDED)	Ensuing Fiscal Year (NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	Ensuing Fiscal Year NOT RECOMMENDED
01-4800-60-952	FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC		43,000	43,000	19,239				
01-4800-60-959	AMBULANCE PURCHASE	10				175,000	175,000	175,000	
01-4800-60-960	PWD PLOW TRUCK	11				125,080	125,080	125,080	
01-4800-60-961	RECREATION PLAYGROUND	13				50,000	50,000	50,000	
	<b>SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED</b>		43,000	43,000	19,239	350,080	350,080	350,080	

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
<b>TAXES</b>					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		3,000	2,971	3,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		10,272		7,320
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		60,000	54,957	60,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		500		500
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>					
			XXXXXXXXXX		
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		1,000	1,205	1,500
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1,130,000	1,104,765	1,130,000
3230	Building Permits		110,000	103,811	110,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		39,000	39,555	40,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		8,000	8,141	9,000
<b>FROM STATE</b>					
			XXXXXXXXXX		
3351	Shared Revenues		28,332	47,506	28,332
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		220,283	220,283	22,283
3353	Highway Block Grant		108,010	108,010	113,002
3354	Water Pollution Grant		79,952	79,952	75,917
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		-		-
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		12,029	12,783	10,000
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		174,710	203,696	200,000
3409	Other Charges				
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property				
3502	Interest on Investments		200,000	222,480	220,000
3503-3509	Other		172,435	173,079	100,000
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>					
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
	Ambulance Vehicle Fund - (Offset)				95,000
	Sewer - (Offset)		276,232	276,232	344,042
	Recreation Revolving - (Offset)		158,744	158,744	157,963
	Outside Detail Revolving - (Offset)		65,000	65,000	70,000
	Beach Parking - (Offset)		15,000	15,000	20,800
	Beach Cleaning - (Offset)		8,000	8,000	8,000
	Public Library - (Offset)		28,488	28,488	

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.			xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Proprietary Funds				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				58,000.00
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		130,000.00	130,000.00	83,964.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE &amp; CREDITS</b>			<b>3,038,987.00</b>	<b>3,064,658.24</b>	<b>2,968,623.00</b>

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

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	7,321,369.00	7,693,890.00	7,686,615.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	210,910.00	190,815.70	145,816.00
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	43,000.00	350,080.00	350,080.00
<b>TOTAL Appropriations Recommended</b>	<b>7,575,279.00</b>	<b>8,234,785.70</b>	<b>8,182,511.00</b>
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	3,038,987.00	2,968,623.00	2,968,623.00
<b>Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised</b>	<b>4,536,292.00</b>	<b>5,266,162.70</b>	<b>5,213,888.00</b>

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: 706,886  
 (See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

STATUS OF THE AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31, 2007

February 15, 2008

To: Rye taxpayers  
From: The Board of Selectmen  
Subject: Status of Audit

Following this memo, you will find a copy of a letter dated August 2007 sent by Plodzick & Sanderson, our auditing firm, to its clients.

For the past several years, we have received most, if not all, of the annual Town audit in time for inclusion in the Annual Report. Towns have grown; auditing requirements have become more complex and standards more stringent over time. In short, until every “i” is dotted and “t” is crossed by Plodzick & Sanderson, the Town will not receive the Auditor’s Report and the deadline for Annual Report text to the printer is today.

The auditors began their work the end of January and spent a week at Town Hall. On February 4, 2008, they provided a balance sheet following a preliminary review of Town funds. This balance sheet is also included here.

The Auditor’s Report will be available as soon as it is received at Town Hall.



August 2007

Dear Members of the Board and Management:

In light of our efforts to keep you informed of changes in auditing and accounting standards in a most timely manner, we are taking this opportunity to let you know that we will not be able to promise that you can have your audit report in time for printing deadlines to be included in the annual Town Report beginning in 2008. The reason is because of another Statement on Auditing Standards, which says that among other things, the audit report must not be dated until all pieces of the financial statements are completed. These would include the completion and our review of the management's discussion and analysis; the single audits and all compliance testing, where applicable; the completion and review of all workpapers; the receipt and review of all attorney's letters, bank confirmations and your certification of responsibility and review of the financial statements. We do not see how this can all be done prior to the Town Meeting deadline in most instances.

For many of you, this will not be a major change, but there are some of you that have been given the audit opinion to print in the Town Report when the audit has been completed, but the financial statements have not been all written up or reviewed. This will no longer be possible.

Another issue involves the confirmations and various letters that we require to complete the audit. We began last year asking that you return all bank confirmations to us for mailing to the banks. This is still not being done by some of our clients. In order to control the confirmations and know which ones we are missing, we must mail them to the banks from our office. We also must have them for all bank accounts, (treasurer's, library's, trustees', student activities funds, etc.) As far as attorneys' and management representation letters, these must carry through and be dated when the audit is substantially complete. We have stopped sending you information to request attorney's letters as part of the preliminary packets; and we will be giving these at the conclusion of fieldwork, or in many cases, at some later date. If the letters are done too early, you will have to get an addendum to cover the subsequent period which could be more costly if the attorneys bill for each response.

As always, thank you for your understanding and attention to these matters, and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely yours,

*Plodzik & Sanderson*

**PLODZIK & SANDERSON**  
*Professional Association | Accountants & Auditors*

**TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**December 31, 2007**

	General
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$4,639,365
Investments	2,258,562
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible:	
Taxes	818,289
Accounts	50,610
Intergovernmental	16,962
Interfund receivable	70,321
Voluntary tax liens	46,031
Voluntary tax liens reserved until collected	(46,031)
Inventory	6,976
Prepaid items	7,220
Total assets	\$7,868,305
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 102,777
Accrued salaries and benefits	61,234
Intergovernmental payable	4,969,662
Interfund payable	483,926
Contingent payable	12,383
Total liabilities	5,629,982
Fund balances:	
Reserved for encumbrances	149,080
Reserved for inventory	6,977
Reserved for special purposes	49,850
Unreserved:	
Designated for contingency	400,000
Undesignated, reported in:	
General fund	1,632,416
Total fund balances	2,238,323
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$7,868,305

**TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances**  
**All Governmental Funds**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007**

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	General
Revenues:	
Taxes	\$ 3,899,314
Licenses and permits	1,274,747
Intergovernmental	535,016
Charges for services	230,022
Miscellaneous	299,528
Total revenues	6,238,627
Expenditures:	
Current:	
General government	1,527,881
Public safety	2,025,026
Highways and streets	892,691
Sanitation	370,706
Health	103,042
Welfare	63,312
Culture and recreation	208,277
Conservation	25,620
Debt service:	
Principal	751,600
Interest	289,653
Capital outlay	126,581
Total expenditures	6,384,389
Deficiency of revenues under expenditures	(145,762)
Other financing uses:	
Transfers out	(617,973)
Total other financing sources and uses	(617,973)
Net change in fund balances	(763,735)
Fund balances, beginning, as restated, see note 2	3,002,058
Fund balances, ending	\$ 2,238,323

**TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Major General Fund**  
**Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007**

	Estimated	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Taxes:			
Property	\$ 3,640,618	\$ 3,832,609	\$ 191,991
Yield	3,000	2,971	(29)
Excavation	500	-	(500)
Payment in lieu of taxes	10,272	7,320	(2,952)
Interest and penalties on taxes	60,000	56,414	(3,586)
Total taxes	<u>3,714,390</u>	<u>3,899,314</u>	<u>184,924</u>
Licenses, permits and fees:			
Business, licenses, permits and fees	1,000	1,205	205
Motor vehicle permit fees	1,130,000	1,130,042	42
Building permits	110,000	103,810	(6,190)
Other	39,000	39,690	690
Total licenses, permits and fees	<u>1,280,000</u>	<u>1,274,747</u>	<u>(5,253)</u>
Intergovernmental:			
State:			
Shared revenue block grant	47,506	47,506	-
Meals and rooms distribution	220,283	220,283	-
Highway block grant	108,010	108,010	-
Water pollution grants	-	32,782	32,782
Other	28,991	34,516	5,525
Federal:			
FEMA	8,000	8,141	141
Total intergovernmental	<u>412,790</u>	<u>451,238</u>	<u>38,448</u>
Charges for services:			
Income from departments	<u>179,772</u>	<u>230,022</u>	<u>50,250</u>
Miscellaneous:			
Interest on investments	200,000	246,406	46,406
Fines and forfeits	6,000	5,513	(487)
Insurance dividends and reimbursements	39,214	33,644	(5,570)
Legal reimbursement	110,600	-	(110,600)
Other	11,559	13,965	2,406
Total miscellaneous	<u>367,373</u>	<u>299,528</u>	<u>(67,845)</u>
Total revenues	5,954,325	<u>\$ 6,154,849</u>	<u>\$ 200,524</u>
Unreserved fund balance used to reduce tax rate	1,175,000		
Total revenues and use of fund balance	<u>\$ 7,129,325</u>		

**TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**General Fund**

**Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)**

**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007**

	Encumbered From Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To Subsequent Year	Variance Positive (Negative)
Current:					
General government:					
Executive	\$ 6,520	\$ 269,668	\$ 263,541	\$ -	\$ 12,647
Election and registration	3,823	14,735	17,002	-	1,556
Financial administration	-	285,403	287,740	-	(2,337)
Revaluation of property	8,350	157,447	138,263	-	27,534
Legal	-	451,650	395,736	-	55,914
Planning and zoning	10,839	109,335	106,804	2,000	11,370
General government buildings	2,475	77,668	87,195	-	(7,052)
Insurance, not otherwise allocated	-	195,000	179,869	-	15,131
Advertising and regional associations	-	47,731	47,731	-	-
Other	-	4,000	4,000	-	-
Total general government	<u>32,007</u>	<u>1,612,637</u>	<u>1,527,881</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>114,763</u>
Public safety:					
Police	-	882,422	853,628	500	28,294
Ambulance	-	92,382	87,149	-	5,233
Fire	-	913,166	878,174	3,592	31,400
Building inspection	-	118,080	117,223	-	857
Emergency management	-	8,200	5,074	-	3,126
Total public safety	<u>-</u>	<u>2,014,250</u>	<u>1,941,248</u>	<u>4,092</u>	<u>68,910</u>
Highways and streets:					
Administration	-	481,626	486,174	-	(4,548)
Highways and streets	52,769	411,122	396,300	42,988	24,603
Street lighting	-	3,000	2,687	-	313
Other	-	8,000	7,530	-	470
Total highways and streets	<u>52,769</u>	<u>903,748</u>	<u>892,691</u>	<u>42,988</u>	<u>20,838</u>
Sanitation:					
Solid waste collection	-	215,154	215,010	-	144
Solid waste disposal	-	166,600	155,696	-	10,904
Total sanitation	<u>-</u>	<u>381,754</u>	<u>370,706</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,048</u>
Health:					
Administration	-	5,310	5,099	-	211
Pest control	-	4,918	1,644	-	3,274
Health agencies and hospitals	-	1,500	1,500	-	-
Mosquito control	-	116,696	94,799	-	21,897
Total health	<u>-</u>	<u>128,424</u>	<u>103,042</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,382</u>
Welfare:					
Direct assistance	-	52,949	63,312	-	(10,363)
Total welfare	<u>-</u>	<u>52,949</u>	<u>63,312</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(10,363)</u>
Culture and recreation:					
Parks and recreation	-	160,843	155,700	-	5,143
Beach commission	-	54,780	45,432	-	9,348
Patriotic purposes	-	5,500	5,140	-	360
Other	-	4,200	2,005	-	2,195
Total culture and recreation	<u>-</u>	<u>225,323</u>	<u>208,277</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,046</u>
Conservation:					
Administration	<u>100,000</u>	<u>31,800</u>	<u>25,620</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>6,180</u>

**TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**General Fund**  
**Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended**

	Encumbered From Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To Subsequent Year	Variance Positive (Negative)
Debt service:					
Principal of long-term debt	-	751,600	751,600	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	-	289,667	289,653	-	14
Interest on tax anticipation notes	-	5,000	-	-	5,000
Total debt service	<u>-</u>	<u>1,046,267</u>	<u>1,041,253</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,014</u>
Capital outlay:					
Ambulance department	-	4,000	3,943	-	57
Town hall computers	-	17,300	17,300	-	-
Police department	-	28,500	28,268	-	232
Fire department	-	4,400	5,370	-	(970)
Infrastructure	-	60,000	71,700	-	(11,700)
Total capital outlay	<u>-</u>	<u>114,200</u>	<u>126,581</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(12,381)</u>
Other financing uses:					
Transfers out:					
Nonmajor funds:					
Special revenue:					
Library operating	-	480,973	480,973	-	-
Expendable trust	-	137,000	137,000	-	-
Total other financing uses	<u>-</u>	<u>617,973</u>	<u>617,973</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total appropriations, expenditures, other financing uses and encumbrances	<u>\$ 184,776</u>	<u>\$ 7,129,325</u>	<u>\$ 6,918,584</u>	<u>\$ 149,080</u>	<u>\$ 246,437</u>

**TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**General Fund**  
**Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007**

Unreserved, undesignated fund balance, beginning, as restated, see Note 2	\$ 2,200,568
Changes:	
Unreserved fund balance used to reduce 2007 tax rate	(1,175,000)
2007 Budget summary:	
Revenue surplus (Schedule 1)	\$ 200,524
Underexpended balance of appropriations (Schedule 2)	<u>246,437</u>
2007 Budget surplus	446,961
Increase in fund balance reserved for inventory	(313)
Increase in fund balance reserved for special purposes	(39,800)
Decrease in fund balance designated for contingency	<u>200,000</u>
Unreserved, undesignated fund balance, ending	<u>\$ 1,632,416</u>



## ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Assessor – Howard Promer, CNHA

Clerk – Heather Austin

Field Appraisers: Todd Haywood, CNHA, Granite Hill Municipal Services

Virginia Merrill, Granite Hill Municipal Services

Our department had a successful upgrade completed this year for our Vision Appraisal Technology version 6 program used for data processing of all assessing functions. This enhancement features both new and expanded programs for processing assessment data, generating statistical analyses and comprehensive reports for many facets of estimating valuation. As is typical whenever change occurs, the new does not always replicate the old. Specifically, in about two percent of properties where no physical alterations had taken place, there were instances of minor valuation differences in approximately 66 parcels out of a total of 3,094 properties in town.

Field appraisers Todd Haywood and his assistant Virginia Merrill have now completed the fourth year of the four-year cycle in which every building in town is re-measured and re-inspected. The results of the program have illustrated how beneficial it is for the property owner to allow the interior inspection. Much of the data in the assessing system has been corrected and updated to the advantage of the taxpayer. If an interior inspection has not been completed by the end of this four-year cycle then the file may be still outdated or inaccurate. When entry was not gained, the data collector may have estimated various interior features including total room count, number of bedrooms and bathrooms, type of heating system, building age and quality, among other factors. If the data collector guessed wrong, those errors could distort the valuation. Listing can be checked at the web address stated below. If an owner finds errors, please call 964-5523 to arrange an inspection appointment.

The values and property information are available to you online. It is updated four times a year. Please visit <http://data.visionappraisal.com/ryenh/> or call the office at 964-5523 if we can help you. By the same token, the staff expresses its gratitude for the cooperation and assistance we receive from the town's residents and visitors.

Respectfully submitted by  
Howard Promer, CNHA- Assessor  
Heather Austin, Assessing Clerk

A glimpse into our past: *History of Rye, N.H. 1623-1903*, L. B. Parsons, 1905

In a chapter of Mr. Parsons book titled SOME STORIES, the following paragraph appears: "An act for the Selectmen of each town & Parish District of this Province to bring in a list of the Poles and Inventory of the Estates belonging to their Respective towns & Districts – Negro, Indian & Milatoe Slaves at 20 pounds each, Women Slaves excluded, and the Value of Ye Trades. Ryes part be ten Pounds & New Castle Island 15 pounds, to make New Castle 25 pounds. Poles be valued at 25 pounds each, all tillage, meadow & marsh land six Shillings pr acre."

No date for the above is provided; but, given the history of our town, it appears that this valuation process must have occurred between 1693, when Newcastle was incorporated, and 1726, when the Parish of Rye was incorporated.

## BEACH COMMISSION'S REPORT

The Beach Commissioners and their excellent crew of life guards were kept hopping this past summer as Mother Nature dished out week after week of gorgeous beach weather accompanied by ocean breezes and fine surf conditions. The life guard contingent was headed up for the first time by Jared Pease who did a commendable job. Jared has been with the town for a few seasons as a guard but agreed this summer to oversee our five guard posts: one on Sawyer's Beach, two on Jenness Beach and two on Wallis Road Extension Beach.

Many Rye residents along with an increasing number of visitors and their pets came to take advantage of our shores. The biggest issues facing the Commission include maintaining safe staff levels as well as refining and implementing policy relative to surfing and beach use by dog owners. In 2006, a new flag system was introduced as a means of safely segregating surfers and swimmers. In 2007, increased pressure by surf related activity required us to look at ways to improve this system. Better communication and possible increased staffing on busy days were discussed. A steady increase in dog visits to the beach continues to spur debate including calls for leashes as well as outright bans. The primary concerns remain lack of control by some owners of their pets as well as disregard for rules requiring cleanup and removal of pet waste. In 2008, look for revamped and increased signage explaining both surf and dog rules in an effort to increase compliance.

Our aim is to maintain a safe and clean beach experience. Your input is welcome. Please direct Beach Commission inquiries or comments to the Selectmen's office at 964-5523

The Beach Commissioners: Michael Labrie, Jack Panopoulos, Tim Sanborn



Mark Whitaker catches a wave at Jenness Beach

## BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

The Board of Adjustment consists of five members who are appointed by the Selectmen for a three-year term. The appointments are staggered in order to insure the continuity of the Board. The qualifications to serve on the Board are the same for those of any other position of trust in a municipality: time, an interest in serving, impartiality, and a willingness to understand the process. The current members are: Frank Drake, Chairman; Benjamin King, Vice-Chairman; Jay Nadeau, Clerk; Raymond Jarvis and Shawn Crapo. The alternates are Paul Goldman, Patty Weathersby and Betty Menson.

We are happy and lucky to have Ms. Weathersby back with us after her temporary move out west.

The power and duties of the Board of Adjustment are prescribed by NH State Law and delineated in the Rye Zoning Ordinance. The Board has the authority to act in four separate and distinct categories: Appeals from Administrative Decisions; Special Exceptions; Variances; and Equitable Waivers of Dimensional Requirements.

**Appeals:** To hear appeals from administrative decisions where it is alleged that the Zoning Officer has incorrectly applied the terms of the Ordinance

**Special Exceptions:** To decide special exceptions to the Ordinance which are specially delineated in the Ordinance. The granting of a special exception is a matter of right, not a privilege, provided that: the request is not injurious or detrimental to the neighborhood; it is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Ordinance; and meets all of the rules and requirements for that exception.

**Variances:** To grant or deny requests for Variances to the terms of the Zoning Ordinance. There are two distinct types of variances: use variances and area (or dimensional) variances. To be granted a variance must meet all of the following requirements:

1. The variance is consistent with the spirit of the ordinance.
2. Substantial justice will be done.
3. The value of surrounding properties will not be diminished.
4. The variance is not contrary to the public interest.
5. Special conditions of the property exist such that literal enforcement of the ordinance results in unnecessary hardship.

**Equitable Waivers of Dimensional Requirements:** The Board may grant an equitable waiver only for existing dimensional non-conformities provided the applicant can meet the required standards as listed in the Zoning Ordinance.

The Board heard 36 Applications this year. Not all applications were formally voted on. Some applicants voluntarily withdrew their applications. Many of the approved applications were the result of the applicants and their architects working diligently to develop reasonable plans reflecting an awareness of the purpose and spirit of the Ordinance and the context of their property within the character of their neighborhood. Several of the granted variances involve making accommodations for septic system improvements on small, previously developed lots.

	Granted	Denied	Withdrawn
Variances:	23	2	1
Special Exceptions:	3	0	1
Appeal from Adm. Decision:	1	0	2
Condo conversions:	0	0	0
Equitable Waiver:	0	0	0
Apartments:	2	0	1

The Board of Adjustment had a 2006 budget appropriation of \$11,700 and revenues of \$5,271.

The members and alternates are to be commended for their consistent participation, attendance and attention to the details of the many petitions presented each year.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Drake, Chairman

## **BUDGET COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

Composition of the Rye Budget Committee includes Elected Members and District Representatives. Current Elected Members are Jim Maheras (Vice Chairman), Bob Eaton (Clerk), Ray Jarvis, Doug Abrams, Shawn Crapo, and Paul Goldman (Chairman). The District Representatives include Frank Drake (Rye Beach), Randy Crapo (Jenness Beach), John Murtagh and Ralph Hickson alternately representing the Rye Water District, and Betty Anderson (Rye School Board). Craig Musselman is the Selectmen's Representative to the Budget Committee.

The budgeting processes for both the Rye Town Budget and the Rye School District have just been completed. For both budgets, bottoms-up, zero-based budgeting is the methodology utilized. This is very detail-oriented and involves reviewing and understanding the justification for each line item for both budgets with appropriate Town Department and Commission Heads, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, the Rye School Board, and the School Administrative Offices. As stated in last year's Budget Committee Report, the Budget Committee believes that this approach continues to be a vital part of overall due diligence and provides the best possible budgeting outcome for the Town.

Key Process Improvement is a continual focus for the Budget Committee. The Budget Committee continued to build on last year's improvements in the key areas of early identification of budgeting issues, early-as-possible issue resolution, early collection of financial information, improved quality of financial information, and better communications and working relationships between the Budget Committee and all related parties involved in Town and School budgeting. As a result, specifically for the Town and School Budgets just completed, it is believed that the correct outcomes have been achieved in terms of a balance between amount of budget increase provided and the needs to be met by these budgets.

An opportunity to be explored is understanding and sharing of best practices of other town budget committees. Some initial contact in this regard has been made.

Once again, I would like to thank all Members and Representatives of the Rye Budget Committee, as well as all Town and School Officials involved, for their invaluable contributions and perseverance during the meetings and work sessions. The result continues to provide a valuable service to the Town. In particular, I would like to thank Jim Maheras for his contributions as Vice Chairman, Bob Eaton, Clerk, for his invaluable contribution of high-quality Minutes, and to Ray Jarvis for an excellent job with all scheduling and logistics arrangements.

The effective operation of the Rye Budget Committee would not be possible without the contributions of both Cyndi Gillespie and Nancy Weiand in the areas of providing the necessary financial information and the scheduling and communication of all required interdepartmental work to be done. Thank you for a job well done.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Goldman  
Chairman – Rye Budget Committee

## BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

The office is open to the public Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Afternoons are reserved for appointments and inspections. The Building Inspector may be conducting inspections during these morning office hours but Sue Dunfey, Building and Planning Assistant is available.

A building permit is necessary if you intend to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, renovate, or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, or anything which is regulated by code, changing the siding, re-roofing, and for any out-buildings, including fences, decks, pools (above and in-ground) and sheds. Electricians and plumbers working on a job must obtain a permit from this office, be licensed in the State of New Hampshire and show proof of such when applying for the permit.

The town is operating under the State Building Code, The International Building Code and Residential Code 2006.

We encourage your questions prior to hiring a contractor or architect, however, it helps if you have your idea on paper for us to review.

**Inspections required:** after the foundation has been damp-proofed, rough framing completed, electrical and plumbing installed, and final inspection, which is done concurrently with the fire department. If there is a concern about the overall height or exact location of the foundation, a survey may be required to verify the structure meets the zoning regulations.

**The fee** is 1% of the total construction cost. Electricians and plumbers need to obtain their own permits and pay a fee of \$50 if the cost of the job is between \$1,000 and \$5,000, and \$100 if the job is more than \$5,000.

The Building Department had a 2007 budget appropriation of \$118,080 and revenues of \$103,435.

We issued 409 permits in 2007 compared to 435 in 2006. This year was busy completing many of the project started last year. The following table does not include the permits issued to electricians, plumbers, septic or other specific jobs; only the major projects.

**Table comparing recent years - Construction Projects:**

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Est. Construction Cost	\$17,177,891	\$14,752,377	
Blg. Permit fees	\$183,813	\$103,550	\$103,435
New Homes	11	12	2
Additions	26	23	18
Demolish and Rebuild Structure	16	17	4

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Labrie (formerly Zarlengo)  
Building Inspector

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION'S REPORT

**The mission of the Conservation Commission remains unchanged.**

This year was extremely busy for the Commission because of the major storm damage on the seacoast; with expedited repair requests needing site walks and reports to be submitted to the wetland board.

The Commission is still working with the U.S. Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) on the invasive species ten-year program and the amendment of the Awcomin contract, to drain the standing water near the recreation area, which will help to eliminate mosquito breeding in that area.

The Open Space mandate started in 2003 is continuing with at least three parcels currently being considered, including the 75 acre LaFrance property off Washington Road. We placed an easement on 25 acres adjoining this land and completed the Marden Woods trail, which is open to the public.

**The following citizen alert is to make everyone in Rye aware of the possibility that the local environment could be drastically effected by pending legislation.**

### **CITIZENS ALERT: Proposed Outfall Pipe raises Specter of Onasis Pipeline**

What is EAST? (The Estuary Alliance for Sewage Treatment)? And what are its implications for Rye and other seacoast towns?

What is a 'regional outfall sewer pipe', and why might it carry a potential environmental menace for Rye, and New Hampshire's seacoast, including marine life?

Pay close attention: Our drinking water, our estuaries, salt marshes and indeed, the Atlantic Ocean in Rye Harbor are at risk from EAST. It is imperative that citizens educate themselves and support the efforts of their Conservation Commission and elected official (i.e. Rye Selectmen)

The Rye Conservation Commission members have been tracking the EAST legislation and the proposed regional outfall pipe for more then four years. In the spring of 2003 Senate Bill 70 established a commission to study recommendations for a regional management plan of the Great Bay Estuary. It sounds benign. It is NOT. The purpose is to look at the feasibility of discharging area wastewater and sewage into the Atlantic by creating a watershed district of 44 towns. The collection, conveyance and discharge of wastewater, treated in varying degrees, are under study. Specifics were put forth in Senate Bill 481-FN-LOCAL in 2004. Prominent among the sponsors of the bill were **Senators Russell Prescott and Richard Green** who were instrumental in hiring the firm of **METCALF & EDDY, Inc.** of Manchester, N.H. This is the firm that was involved in the construction of the pipe into Boston Harbor. Citizens of Rye and other coastal towns must ask:

**WHY WOULD A STATE FUNDED STUDY TO THE TUNE OF \$1 million HIRE THE EXACT FIRM THAT WAS IMPLICATED IN THE BOSTON HARBOR POLLUTION DEBACLE??**

More recently, in 2007, Metcalf & Eddy, Inc. asked the Department of Environmental Services for another \$200,000.

They were granted \$20,000. Again, why is there so little transparency and public review of a proposal that involves 44 towns and is actively considering the discharge of sewage into the ocean within the 3 mile zone wherein state jurisdiction trumps federal jurisdiction and control?

Citizens can check out pertinent facts about the study and the process that is largely occurring out-of-public view on: "<http://www.coastalclear.org>

We must also question why there are no headlines in the Portsmouth Herald about the pipeline and the study commissioned in the enabling EAST legislation. Articles that have appeared intermittently have been buried in back sections of the local newspaper.

Increasingly, the goal of EAST is clear: spend as little as possible on sewage treatment so that what is released into the ocean is minimally treated by the 17 towns currently under pressure from the federal government to upgrade their wastewater treatment plants. Early on, Senator Greg's office indicated that the federal government cannot weigh in on EAST because the proposed discharge would not occur in federal waters. Senator Maggie Hassan (state Senator from Exeter) chairs the Committee exploring the 4 options outlined in the EAST study. She is in a pivotal position, but has not yet revealed where she stands.

Among the most contentious issues in the bill are the stipulation that the 44 municipalities in the regional watershed alliance will work together and that towns with concentrations of industrial and commercial land use (i.e. Rochester; Dover) could have the *power to take* land or rights-of-way in other towns (i.e. Rye; North Hampton) as required by the EAST Act. Is this eminent domain?? Stay tuned. This clearly along with many other land use implications with regard to the proposed pipeline is not yet clear.

Finally, Seacoast fishermen and other various impacted parties have spearheaded the opposition to EAST. But, they have often been precluded from studying the reports issued by Metcalf & Eddy in a timely fashion before public hearings because reports are repeatedly issued right before hearings and public meetings. This has consistently made it difficult for stakeholders such as the Rye Conservation Commission to follow and assess the process inherent in EAST. While the fishermen have been persistently vocal, they seem to stand alone. Where are UNH Marine Researchers? The Seacoast Science Center? And the Isle of Shoals? All of whom have the health of the ocean at the heart of their missions.

In effect, the 17 towns among the 44 communities designated as members of the 'regional watershed alliance', are under pressure to bring their wastewater and sewage treatment facilities into compliance with federal guidelines. The firm of Metcalf & Eddy is recommending alternative ways for these towns to **'share the wealth, or more accurately, to move their minimally treated sewage down rivers and into the ocean.** There will be seepage into ground water and worse. Citizens need to be engaged. Public scrutiny of EAST is critical!

Respectfully submitted,

James S. Raynes, Chairman

Members-Douglas Bordewieck, Jeff Gardner, Mike Garvin, Sally King, Paula Mahoney, Ronnie Werner

Alternates-Christen Keebler, Lee Perrault, Charles Raynes, Lawton Struble

A glimpse into our past: *History of Rye, N.H. 1623-1903*, L. B. Parsons

Probably earlier than 1644, there was a road or pathway that connected Strawberry Banke, along what are now Middle, Peverly Hill and Elwyn Roads, to Rye, "This pathway for most of its extent was a part of the seashore road which in 1644 extended through Rye to Hampton, and it is not extravagance to assume that it is the oldest road in New Hampshire. Certainly all the probabilities point in this direction. And not improbably the first bridge and the first grist mill built by settlers of New Hampshire were built on this road, near the mouth of Seavey's Creek."\*

\* NOTE: This is the same area where currently the Seavey's Creek Bridge is being considered for upgrade by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation.

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Rye's Emergency Management team faced a much quieter year in 2007 than the very busy year of 2006. The lone significant event of 2007 was the April Nor'easter. This storm lasted several days and pounded the coast with very high winds and surf conditions. The sea walls and shale piles that protect Route 1-A from the ocean were flattened and spread across the roadway with each high tide. State crews would then spend the next 11 hours building them back up only to watch them fall again with the next high tide. Town crews were busy keeping our roads clear from flooding and debris deposited by the high winds. We worked with FEMA after the storm in order to help the Town and many property owners recover some of their storm related losses.

The April Nor'easter was the first opportunity we had to coordinate our emergency response function from the new E.O.C. (Emergency Operations Center) located at the Public Safety Building. The E.O.C. worked quite well and it was a definite advantage to have the Police Chief, Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director all under one roof. Communications between emergency responders were definitely enhanced as a result of our new quarters.

Fire Chief and Deputy Emergency Management Director Richard O'Brien left his position in Rye to take the Fire Chief's job in his hometown of Goffstown. He was a great asset to the Emergency Management team and he will be missed. Police Chief Kevin Walsh and our new Fire Chief "Skip" Sullivan are assisting me with many of the Emergency Management responsibilities. One area where we have identified a weakness is in documentation, tracking and organization during and after an event. In order to address that weakness, Planning & Zoning Administrator Kim Reed will be working with us in the E.O.C. when it is activated.

There are three "Seabrook" drills scheduled for 2008 with the final drill being a FEMA graded exercise. These drills provide us with an excellent opportunity to "fine tune" our emergency response for any type of large-scale emergency.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan S. Gould

A glimpse into our past: *Rye on the Rocks*, William M. Varrell, Jr., 1962

### FIRST RYE BEACH HOTEL DESTROYED BY FIRE WHILE OCCUPIED

"1912 had been a good year at the Marden House, which was full with between 50 and 100 guests. Everything would have been quite well indeed had it not been for the fact that the hotel was under unofficial quarantine as a result of many of its younger guests being victims of whooping cough. However, everyone seemed to be making the best of the situation when on the night of Saturday, August 17, gasoline from a car parked in the Marden House Stable became ignited, causing that building to burst into flame. The hotel was a large one, extending from Sea Road to South Road with the stable and guest rooms being located at opposite ends. However, these and a number of smaller buildings were all connected, thus sealing the fate of this summer inn as the flames ate from the stable, into the kitchens and finally into the hotel itself. There being no fire department in Rye Beach, apparatus had to be called from Portsmouth while local volunteers attempted a bucket brigade; but by the time the apparatus arrived it was all they could do to keep the flames from spreading to Drake's and Sawyer's Boarding Houses and Locke's bathing pavilion.\* Although eventual destruction was evident soon after the blaze was discovered, the hotel was of such size as to insure its orderly evacuation.....The survivors are said to have been quickly absorbed by the resort community....."

\* Area of the Rye Beach Club today

## ENERGY COMMITTEE'S REPORT

At the March 2007 Town Meeting, Rye voters approved the Climate Change Warrant Article, which in part directed the Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to reduce our town's carbon footprint. On July 23, 2007, the Selectmen established the Rye Energy Committee and appointed Mimi and Steve White and Jaci Grote to the Committee. In October David Duskocil joined the Committee and in December Lucy Neiman also joined the Committee. In summary, the Selectmen charged the Committee:

1. To assess current energy use by Rye municipal activities.
  2. To evaluate what other towns and governmental agencies are doing/recommending to reduce their carbon footprint.
  3. To recommend actions that the Town and individual residents could take to reduce their carbon footprint.
- The Selectmen limited the work of the Committee to the one year to complete these tasks. At the end of a year, the Selectmen will decide whether or not to continue the Committee with new and different charges.

The Committee's approach to accomplishing the Selectmen's charge has been threefold. First, develop a public awareness and education program about the Committee and its purpose. Second, assess energy use in Town buildings and expand that effort into energy use in Rye homes. And lastly, initiate energy related projects that support the aims of the Committee.

1. The public awareness and education program has consisted of publicity in the Town Newsletter and local press, a bulletin board set up in the Town Hall foyer, a fall lecture series co-sponsored with the Friends of Library, a monthly book discussion group ( Deep Economy by Bill McKibben in progress, Apollo's Fire by Representative Jay Inslee and Bracken Hendricks in April and May), screening of the movies "An Inconvenient Truth" and "The End of Suburbia", and working with students at the Middle School. All this information and more is on the Committee's web site which is linked to the Town web site (click on Rye Energy). The Committee also manned a table at the polls in January and talked to many voters about the work of the Committee. At every event and meeting, the Committee has a sign up sheet for those wishing to receive emails from the Committee about upcoming events and meetings. There are presently 38 people on the email list. Anyone interested in receiving e mails from the Committee 2 or 3 times a month can contact Steve White.

2. The assessment of energy use in town buildings started with the Town Hall. The Town Garage and Recycling Center have also been assessed. A report of findings and recommendations is being finalized as of January and will be discussed with the Director of Public Works and the Town Administrator and then given to the Selectmen. The Energy Committee applied for and received a grant to assess the energy use at the schools. The Jordan Institute will be doing this work. The NH Carbon Challenge (<http://carbonchallenge.sr.unh.edu/>) has a carbon calculator that is easy for home owners to use to calculate the emissions generated by their homes and cars. Information needed for the calculator is the last 12 months energy use (heating oil, propane, electricity) and miles driven. The average home is responsible for about 50,000 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions yearly. There are 31 actions in the calculator that home owners can then take to reduce emissions and the calculator shows the savings of each action. The Challenge is to reduce your emissions by 10,000 pounds. The Committee encourages all residents to take the Challenge.

3. The Committee is soliciting ideas for energy related projects and is working on a Rye Eats Local project. If everyone ate one local meal a week, the country would save 1.1 million barrels of oil each week. This project is being run as a subcommittee with several volunteers as well as Committee members. More than 40 people have expressed interest in Rye Eats Local. The project will include a newsletter and local buying co-op and may eventually expand to a community garden. Composting at the Elementary School and using that compost in a garden is another project the Committee is working on. The Committee is a member the Rockingham/Strafford County Energy Committee Alliance where towns share ideas and support each others activities. Anyone with ideas for energy related projects or interested in working on a project should contact the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve White, Rye Energy Committee

## **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to present the report of the Rye Fire Department for the year 2007, a year that saw a change in the department's administration, another year of successful state and federal grant awards and the first full year in your new public safety building.

June the 29<sup>th</sup> was Chief Richard O'Brien's last day as the head of the Rye Fire Department that he had so capably led for the past Three years. Rich left to head the fire department in the Town of Goffstown and retired Chief William H. "Skip" Sullivan of Hampton was appointed to fill the position on an interim basis.

Thanks to the voters at the 2007 annual town meeting, the department was authorized to add one additional firefighter-paramedic to the full time roster. Once we attain the goal of having a paramedic assigned to each of the four work shifts, the chances of surviving a medical emergency in this town will increase in large measure.

The department lost three of the more active call members to area fire departments where they were appointed as full time firefighters. We will continue the never-ending process of recruiting and training "on call" members of our department to become firefighters and emergency medical technicians and hopefully retain them here in Rye.

The department was the recipient of two grants during 2007. The Assistance to Firefighters program awarded us \$48,000 to replace all of our nozzles and water delivery hardware as well as several hundred feet of fire hose, which will be a great enhancement to our fire suppression capability with limited available personnel. The second grant received thru the State of New Hampshire Homeland Security provided \$50,000 for the installation of a radio transmitter on the Breakfast Hill water tank with a link to the Rockingham County dispatch center in Brentwood.

### **Emergency Activity:**

The two severe weather events of 2006 resulted in a huge spike in department activity for that year, so consequently our incidents were reduced from 980 in 2006 to 762 in 2007.

Medical Emergencies.....	366	Hazardous Condition.....	49
Search & Rescue call.....	3	Fire in a structure.....	6
Chimney fire.....	5	Odor/Smoke investigation.....	23
Water Problem; Public Assist.....	42	Outside/ Brush fire.....	9
Motor Vehicle fire.....	2	Motor Vehicle accident.....	48
Fire Alarm activation.....	92	Wires down.....	16
Mutual aid given; Fire & EMS.....	29	Mutual aid received; Fire & EMS.....	73
Total.....			762

In other departmental non-emergency activity, we performed 122 fire inspections and fire drills, issued 765 permits for outside fires and 87 permits for heating equipment, occupancy and places of public assembly.

Respectfully submitted,  
William H. Sullivan, Chief of Department

**FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER'S REPORT**

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 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 1-800-498-6868 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) 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.

Fire activity was very busy during the spring of 2007, particularly late April into early May. As the forests and fields greened up in later May the fire danger decreased. However, a very dry late summer created very high fire danger again from August into September, with fire danger reaching very high on Labor Day weekend. Even with the dry conditions, the acreage burned was less than half that of 2006. The largest forest fire during the 2007 season burned approximately 26 acres on the side of Wantastiquet Mountain in Chesterfield during the month of May. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. 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 2007 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires can burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their homes. 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](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED		Total Fires	Total Acres
Arson	5	2007	437
Debris	197	2006	500
Campfire	38	2005	546
Children	22	2004	482
Smoking	41	2003	374
Railroad	5		
Equipment	3		
Lightning	7		
Misc.*	119 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

**2007 FIRE STATISTICS**

(All fires reported as of November 8, 2007)

(figures do not include fires on the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	30	95
Carroll	11	53
Cheshire	44	36
Coos	6	15
Grafton	4	30
Hillsborough	61	71
Merrimack	16	73
Rockingham	16	22
Strafford	19	32
Sullivan	5	10

**ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE**

## HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

The year 2007 has been a busy and challenging one. The number of on-site inspections of various buildings, both public and private, continues to increase each year, as do the reasons for them. This year the State of New Hampshire has mandated that local officials inspect the schools using new and in-depth guidelines. Susan Labrie, Rye Building Inspector, and I have been performing these inspections and will continue to do so in 2008. I also have continued to inspect the day care facilities and similar operations as the need arises. I would like to stress that any facility or organization that is aware of the need for an inspection notify me in a timely fashion.

Both Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and West Nile Virus (WNV) continued to represent potential problems to the State of New Hampshire and to our Town. In 2007 there were 3 human cases of EEE in nearby towns: a 13 year old boy in Newfields, a 38 year old in Hampton, and a 69 year old in Newton. None of these people died but some were apparently left with residual medical issues. Also, a horse in Kensington died from this disease and an alpaca in Raymond had to be euthanized because of it. Fortunately, there were no human or animal cases of EEE in Rye and no mosquitoes tested positive in the Town. There were, however, mosquitoes that tested positive in Newton, Fremont, Brentwood, and Kingston. With regards to West Nile Virus, 2 birds tested positive in Rye. Fortunately, no human cases were reported in the State of New Hampshire in 2007. It should be noted that this year nearly 50 towns sent mosquitoes to Concord to be tested on a weekly basis and this included the Town of Rye. As in previous years, I have continued to work closely with the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. George Cushing, and the Mosquito Control Commission concerning when and where to perform supplementary spraying during periods when threat from EEE and WNV were the greatest. I believe that the potential problems posed by both of these disease entities will continue indefinitely in the future. As in the past, I will continue to urge citizens to be proactive in preventing the mosquito-borne viruses. Measures such as using mosquito repellent, wearing long pants and long sleeve shirts and eliminating standing water will greatly improve your chances of not contracting EEE and WNV.

Rabies continues to be a threat to our State and to our Town. Fortunately, there were no human cases of Rabies reported in the State of New Hampshire in 2007. Also, no animals were reported as being positive in the Town of Rye. There were, however, 19 animals that tested positive for this disease in Rockingham County in 2007 (8 raccoons, 5 skunks, 1 grey fox, 1 cat, 2 large brown bats, and 2 woodchucks). A total of 53 animals were positive in all the State of New Hampshire (in 2006, 50 animals were positive). I continue to stress the importance of having all pets vaccinated against Rabies.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, Town personnel, and to the Citizens of Rye for their continued support and cooperation. I look forward to a very productive 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail A. Snow, MD  
Health Officer

## HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION'S REPORT

Rye Historic District extends from the west end of Grange Park at the intersection of Wallis and Washington Roads to the intersection of Central and Washington Roads and within five hundred feet on either side of the centerline of Washington Road. Also included in the Rye Historic District are the State of New Hampshire Isles of Shoals (Star, White and Lunging Islands), the Brackett Road Massacre Site at 605 Brackett Road and the historic Cable House located at 20 Old Beach Road.

The Historic District Commission seeks to preserve the historically, architecturally and culturally significant buildings and structures, which characterize the Town of Rye and to encourage their maintenance and restoration.

Owners of property within the District are required to apply to the Commission for permission to make alterations, restorations or do maintenance work, including the installation of permanent signs.

In the past year, two long time members of the Commission asked to be relieved of their positions. Ellie Stewart was a member for almost 22 years! Jane Holway's long term included six years as Chair. Both of these volunteers will be remembered for their valuable work on the Commission, for their devotion to the Town of Rye and for their fervent belief in the importance and integrity of the Rye Historic District.

Rye Historic District Commission meetings are held in the evening as needed. Currently, there are two openings for alternates. If interested, please contact Town Hall (964-5523) or the Chair.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Merritt, Chair

A glimpse into our past: *History of Rye, N.H. 1623-1903*, L. B. Parsons, 1905

### IT TOOK US A WHILE TO BECOME RYE

#### *The Parish of Rye*

“For a century after the first settlement of white men within its borders - that of David Thompson's party, at Pannaway, - Rye has no history as a town, because as such it did not exist. The settlement at Pannaway has always been treated by historians as the first settlement of Portsmouth, as indeed it was, the peninsular, and the remainder of Rye as well, having been a part of Portsmouth until toward the end of the seventeenth century; but certainly it was no less the first settlement of Rye, for the site of that settlement – the Pannaway of Thompson and the Little Harbor of John Mason – is now in Rye and not in Portsmouth.

.....It was called Sandy Beach for some years, and was connected with Portsmouth until the incorporation of Newcastle, May 30, 1693, and was thenceforth a part of the last named town until separated by an act passed April 30, 1726, and, in connections with portions of Portsmouth and Hampton incorporated as “a parish by the name of Rye”. By this act Rye was to send a representative to the assembly, and the selectmen for that year were to be William Seavey, Jr., Samuel Brackett, Joshua Foss, Richard Goss, Joseph Philbrook, John Garland, Richard Jenness, Lieut. William Lock, and Joseph Lock. The town elected Richard Jenness to the assembly the same year.”

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S REPORT

The first priority of the Rye Historical Society (RHS) has always been to maintain and operate the town museum and try to offer services to residents and others. Toward that end, the past year was a success. We also made improvements to the current exhibit on hotels and boarding houses of the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century and we also floated the idea for the next exhibit – the history of land use in Rye. Anyone interested in helping with this project should contact society chair: [alexherlihy@comcast.net](mailto:alexherlihy@comcast.net).

Our archivist continues to digitize the collection so that we can make our web site user friendly. (To visit the web site, go to [rye.nh](http://rye.nh) homepage; scroll down to “community”.) The biggest event was the Antique Appraisal Day in August, which brought a huge turnout and created traffic jams around the library. Next year, 2008, it will be held in the church vestry. We also sponsored a program on historic gardens, which was well attended.

In order to better serve the people of Rye we offer the following opportunities for you to get involved at your level of interest. These categories are current needs of the society. We have a wonderful asset in the town museum and the society is a solvent organization with a good reputation for fund raising. The main thing we are missing is people....volunteers....interest. We think that Rye people ARE interested in the past and present and future of the town, but have not had a chance to see how the historical society and the museum could meet that interest. Give us a chance; check out the following list and see if there is a niche for you. If you find one, contact the e-mail above or write to us: RHS, PO Box 583, Rye NH 03870. We look forward to hearing from you.

Needs of the Town Museum and historical society: volunteers to staff the museum in two hour shifts on Saturdays 10-2, from May through October; helping to plan the new exhibit on history of land use in Rye; writing and administering grants; working to develop and implement history-based programs in the schools; museum maintenance; computer work of all kinds; serving on the RHS Board; conducting oral histories of older residents; doing research to help update the town history; maintaining and restoring old graveyards of Rye; developing a historic building committee to help Rye's heritage, etc.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alex Herlihy, chair, Rye Historical Society

A glimpse into our past: *History of Rye, N.H. 1623-1903*, L. B. Parsons, 1905

“Although the first meeting house was built before the Sandy Beach district of New Castle was set off as the parish of Rye, it was not until many years later that the first bell was placed in its steeple. At the annual meeting in March, 1763, it was “Voted to raise 500 pounds, old tenor, towards buying a bell.” Apparently this vote failed of being carried into effect, for at the March meeting in 1764 the town again “Voted to raise 500 pounds, old tenor, towards buying a bell”; and this latter vote, or the votes of two meetings conjoined, proved effective, for in 1766 it was “Voted that the three men chosen to buy the bell hire persons to hang it”; and shortly after it had been hung, in the same year, there appeared an article in the warrant for a town meeting “To see if they will stop to ringing the bell at an unusual time on the Lord's day”. From this it may be inferred that, the bell having been procured and hung, some of the people of the town, presumably the younger ones, regarded it as a sort of public toy, to be played at unseasonable times, instead of being reserved to call voters to town meeting, or the populace at large to the solemn duty of listening to almost interminable sermons and prayers.”

Town meeting action was not recorded; but the following, according to L. B. Parsons, is copied from the original document: “To Mr. James Goss, Sir: There is a Complaint against you by Mr. Daniel Philbrick for Ringing the Bell the last Lord's Day. I believe you had better come & pay your fine, other Ways you may be exposed to Court & trouble from ye friend and Servant, Richard Jenness 3d.”

## LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2007 was another active year for the Rye Public Library, marked by an 11% increase in programming for all ages, the acquisition of media in new formats such as downloadable audio books, music, and licensed databases, including: *New England Ancestors*, *Legal Forms*, *Grolier Online*, *Reference USA*, and *Learn-A-Test*, and several significant technological upgrades. Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Rye Public Library, we were able to install a plasma screen television, film projection surface, and a new sound system in the library's Community Meeting room for the enjoyment of all. Additional changes included moving the library's computer network to Comcast, switching our Internet service provider, upgrading our library catalog to include several service enhancements, and launching a new professionally designed web site at [www.ryepubliclibrary.org](http://www.ryepubliclibrary.org).

Many thanks to the library's web advisory group consisting of Trustee, Victor Azzi, resident, Judy Underwood, and staff members, Martha Jones, Lisa Houde, and Gwen Putnam-Bailey who reviewed several noteworthy library websites and made initial design recommendations. Thanks also to local photographers, Don Osborne and Bruce Parsons, who generously granted permission to have their beautiful photographs of the building and local area incorporated into the design. We hope that you will visit the Rye Public Library's new virtual presence often.

The Rye Public Library was able to offer a wide variety of educational programs thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the Rye Public Library. This year's speaker series on the environment, co-sponsored by the Town of Rye's Energy Committee, drew large crowds to hear lectures by Dr. Cameron Wake of U.N.H.'s Climate Change Resource Center, and Julia Dundorf and Denise Blaha of the N.H. Carbon Challenge. The Friends also sponsored a book signing with Stephen Clarkson, musical performances, and multiple computer seminars with instructor Judy Underwood on such timely topics as digital cameras, e-Bay, creating a book with Shutterfly, and using Microsoft Vista. The Friends also sponsored a fall open house to showcase the library's new audiovisual enhancements, and continue to underwrite the expense of the library's popular museum pass program. We are very grateful for their creative ideas and ongoing support, which enables us to offer a multitude of high quality programs.

Statistics for 2007: Number of Patrons 3,534 - Total Number of items circulated 68,183 - Interlibrary loan materials borrowed 1,548 - Materials loaned to other libraries 1,032 - Community Meeting Room Use 398 - Number of library programs 397.

172 readers participated in the N.H. Statewide Summer Reading Program, "*Reading Road Trip U.S.A.*" Summer activities ranged from art classes, to concerts, storytelling, author talks, and a very popular wildlife program. Thanks to Exeter Town Planner, Sylvia von Aulock, who designed 10 regional U.S.A. posters to display in the children's room during the summer. A program highlight included an evening with Professor Snape, in which Youth Services Librarian, Lisa Houde, donned an authentic-looking Professor Snape costume and set the scene for a potions lesson in the "dungeon" classroom. The evening focused on several readings done by Professor Snape as well as a discussion about the upcoming final installment in the Harry Potter series.

317 adult readers also participated in the Rye Public Library's first summer reading program for adults. Many thanks to our program sponsors the Ice House, Lagos Lone Oak, Barone's Steak Shack, the Hungry Horse, the Carriage House, the Potting Shed, and Nature's Outpost for their generosity in donating prizes.

A special thanks to Rye resident, Cindy Baker for conducting our Babbling Books for Babies reading program during the fall, and to all of our wonderful volunteers, who collectively logged 556 service hours.

The Library's outreach to Rye's senior residents has continued with librarian Gwen Putnam-Bailey transporting a total of 257 seniors to the library on Monday afternoons via the SeniorSERVE van to select materials and enjoy fellowship with their peers. The library also continues to deliver materials to homebound residents and acts as a referral service for SeniorSERVE's daily call program.

On March 5<sup>th</sup> Lisa Houde, Margaret Hutchins and I participated as guest readers at the Rye Junior High and Rye Elementary Schools in celebration of NEA's Read Across America Day.

Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ciborowski for donating an external automated defibrillator to the library and to firefighter, Charles Gallant for training nine staff members on its use.

Thanks to the Rye Public Library's Fine Arts Committee for coordinating such a variety of lovely art exhibits throughout the year.

Thank you for welcoming me back to Rye in my first full year as your Library Director. It has been very rewarding to implement several service improvements, and I look forward to additional changes in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kerry E. Cronin, Library Director

## RYE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

This was another exciting and productive year in the long noble history of the Rye Public Library. It has also been a year of further reflection, reappraisal, planning, and the introduction of more new initiatives designed to position the library, its staff, and particularly its patrons, to continue to grow into the twenty-first century.

In March of 2006, the Townspeople had approved a Trustees-initiated warrant article to expand the Board from three to five members, to enable the Trustees to benefit from more participation and input from a broader variety of perspectives. In March of 2007, the Townspeople elected Sallie Mackie and Joan Sweeney for one-year and two-year terms, respectively, to fill those two new seats on a staggered basis. In the same election, incumbent Victor Azzi was re-elected to a new three-year term, allowing him to continue to serve alongside continuing incumbent trustees, David Brown and Debbie Genestreti.

Working with the newly appointed Library Director, Kerry Cronin, and the Staff, new initiatives have been undertaken to plan for the future needs of the RPL and its Patrons, and to better serve the Community at large, based on the results of a comprehensive survey of Rye residents, year-round and seasonal, using the professional services of the University of New Hampshire Survey Center. Our analyses of the results have helped us to develop more focus for our vision and mission of the RPL. A new Mission Statement has been approved and meetings with distinct Focus Groups are planned to receive even more direct and detailed input from the Community.

The Trustees have strived to maintain a consistent level of capable, welcoming, experienced, and dedicated staff whose goals are to serve the expressed needs and desires of our patrons and residents. The Library Staff continues to broaden and optimize the diverse media holdings and programming opportunities available at the RPL. Working with the NH State Library, we are now seeing increased usage of **Downloadable Digital Audio Books**. The RPL continues to grow as the **Community Center**, a cultural center, of the Town of Rye with engaging programs and activities initiated by the Staff, the Friends, and other non-library groups. The increased demand on our facilities, including the **New Hampshire Room** and the **Community Meeting Room (CMR)** is but one tangible measure of this. Through the generosity of the **Friends of the Rye Public Library**, we were able to design and upgrade substantially the audio/video/information technology equipment and infrastructure in the CMR. This allows our Staff, speakers, film series, and many other current and would-be users of the CMR to expand and enhance their popular offerings that occur with ever-increasing frequency in this popular venue.

During the course of the year, we were surprised to learn that we needed to deal with building infrastructure problems caused by water intrusion into the building. Working with excavation and drainage contractors, we determined that the likely cause was a malfunctioning exterior foundation-wall drainage system. We devised and implemented a mitigation plan that included additional catch basins and below-grade drainage lines on the exterior, and limited wall repair and carpeting removal on the lower-level interior, of the building. These fixes appear to be working. Our ability to deal with this situation expeditiously was facilitated because the voters had approved our annual warrant-article requests, for three prior years, to prudently set aside and accumulate limited contingency funds. The understanding and agreement was that this would enable us to respond to costly contingency events that, in probability terms, are likely to arise at some unknown time in some unknown RPL building subsystem. This particular experience reinforces the needs for the RPL to set aside, as a reserve, limited funds in order to respond to emergency events for which funds are not available in the normal yearly RPL operating budget that is designed to cover only normal predictable recurring operating maintenance costs. We thank the voters for their support in approving the funds in the prior years that helped us to effect the solution when and as it became necessary. As we worked to resolve this fix in a timely manner, we found a need to expend funds from other line items in the RPL budget. However, upon receiving a timely and generous gift, we found that we were able to augment the RPL media budget and restore our media-acquisition plans to the level planned for 2007. Thus, through careful budget management and a generous gift, we were able to satisfy our projected budget for the year.

The RPL undertook a major initiative, involving Staff, Trustees, and an outside consultant to design and create a new inviting, welcoming, exciting, useful, and user-friendly web site for the Rye Public Library. The website was launched, is working well, and has been favorably received. However, the major substance of the RPL continues to be, on a daily basis, providing the media, programs, and services that the community needs and wants. We can do this only with our loyal and dedicated Staff, our **Friends of the RPL** and the numerous **Volunteers of the RPL**, through their extensive and priceless support, through their many hours of service, and to a wide variety of special programs and activities, including Speaker Series, Film Series, Music Events and Receptions, and this year's first annual Holiday Open House, that would not be available otherwise.

This was a year of great accomplishment and new beginnings, in no small measure, made possible only with the generous and steadfast support of the taxpayers and patrons, a dedicated staff and director, and a committed and involved Board of Trustees who continue to feel honored to serve the Town and its Residents. Your Library is a *Gem*, indeed. We thank you, again.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victor D. Azzi, Chairman of the Board

## MOSQUITO CONTROL COMMISSION'S REPORT

In retrospect the 2007 mosquito control season was a success. There were fewer complaint calls regarding high mosquito activity and those that were reported were confined to small areas. Most notably, no Rye residents were reported as being infected with Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) or West Nile Virus (WNV). Both are dangerous mosquito-borne diseases that can be fatal. Unfortunately, three NH residents did develop serious illness after becoming infected with EEE.

Consequently, the State of NH Department of Health and Human Services (NH DHHS) is carrying over the Public Health Threat from 2007 to 2008. This includes towns in Rockingham Country and many other high risk towns. As before, these towns will be eligible for reimbursement of up to 25% of the expenses incurred for mosquito control activity. The Town of Rye recently received reimbursement for \$16,962.00 of its 2007 mosquito control expenses. Special mention to fellow RMCC member, Charles Arcidiacano, for all his work preparing this years, and last years, grant applications. Well done, Charlie!

In 2008 the Rye Mosquito Control Commission (RMCC) plans to continue with its proactive approach to mosquito control by emphasizing expanded surveillance, careful monitoring and timely larvaciding of mosquito breeding sites. Controlling mosquitoes in the larval stage is far more cost effective than adulticiding (street spraying). The RMCC is also pursuing non-chemical approaches using marsh management techniques which have proven to result in long term solutions because they reduce or eliminate breeding sites.

The RMCC in conjunction with other interested State Agencies is planning on presenting educational outreach programs for Rye residents and students. Adult programs would include seminars on EEE, WNV, Lyme Disease (ticks) and mosquito control. School programs include marsh ecology and mosquito biology with many live specimens to observe.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Aspinwall, Chairman  
Rye Mosquito Control Commission

A glimpse into our past: *History of Rye, N.H., 1623-1903*, L. B. Parsons

In his chapter titled **Ferries, Bridges and Roads**, L.B. Parsons described the transition from footpath to public road as follows: "In the early days of the province, when roads were laid out there was no thought of fencing them by the town or towns that laid them out, or of compelling the settlers through whose lands the roads passed to be at the labor and expence of fencing their premises on both sides of the roads. Whenever a road cut the fence of a settler he could put up a gate or set of movable bars, or the town did it for him; the traveler, in his use of the highway, had a full right to open the gate or remove the bars, but he had no right to leave open the gate or the bars down; he was obliged to leave them as he found them, and if he did not do this he was responsible for any damage that might result from the straying of cattle, etc., in consequence. As the number of settlers along the line of a road increased, so would the number of gates and bars, and with the increase of travel between one town and another these obstructions would become more and more of an annoyance, and the main highways of communication would be fenced in and the gates and bars along them removed; and then, gradually, the side roads would be similarly improved, and highways subject to gates would generally be changed from mere public rights of way to open and unobstructed public roads."

## PLANNING BOARD'S REPORT

The year was challenging for the Rye Planning Board based on the number and complexity of the applications. They ranged from lot line adjustments to a major subdivision of a parcel over 57 acres in size on Lafayette Road. Related to the 57 acre subdivision was an application for a 22 unit Retirement Community Development (RCD); the RCD zoning was approved by the March 2006 Town vote. The Planning Board approved the Site Plan at the December 11, 2007 meeting. The Special Use Permit still needs to be voted on by the Planning Board and is scheduled for the February meeting. Please check the minutes for the outcome.

Another proposal on Lafayette Road was approved to allow Barone's Steak Shack to be replaced with a permanent building with greater customer amenities. Further south, the seasonal farm stand was formally approved to relieve the proprietor of the burden of renewing annual permits. Many other applications and conceptual consultations were heard by the Planning Board. The 2006 Rye Master Plan was approved in 2007.

Based on the number of proposals relating to properties along Lafayette Road and in accordance with the 2006 Rye Master Plan, an amendment to add an Aquifer Protection Overlay District to the Zoning Ordinance has been proposed for the March 2008 ballot. Rye has substantial water resources on the west side of town recharged by surface water. This zoning amendment is consistent with protections found in the zoning of other nearby communities and has the goal of protecting the water quality of private and Town water wells. Rye is fortunate to have adequate water resources at this point in time. Thoughtful development backed by the proper zoning requirements will go a long way towards preserving our water resources into the future.

Below are the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for the 2008 March ballot under Article 3:

Amendment 1: to add an Aquifer Protection Overlay District;

Amendment 2: to amend Section 401.4 C Re: Frontage Requirement for RCD's;

Amendment 3: to amend the definition of "Garage" found in Appendix A;

Amendment 4: to amend Section 401.4 re: Requirements for Density Bonus for Cluster Layout of RCD's;

Amendment 5: to amend Section 401.4 re: Recreation & Community Facilities in RCD's; and

Amendment 6: to amend Section 303 Historic District, as requested by the Historic District Commission.

Four of the amendments were proposed based on lessons learned from working on the RCD application described above. The complete amendments are available at Town Hall.

Some years there seems to be little turnover in the make up of organizations. This past year was one of transition for the Rye Planning Board. We welcomed Mrs. Jaci Grote, Mr. Samuel Winebaum, and the return of Mr. Mark Galvin. Mr. Robert Brown resigned as a full member and became an alternate; as well as, Mr. Martin Zivic and Mrs. Patricia Weathersby. Over the course of the year, a strong sense of teamwork has developed that will only serve to benefit the citizens of Rye.

The members of the Rye Planning Board are elected to represent the interests of the Town and its residents. Please know that we have been working hard on your behalf to ensure that projects do not result in any unintended consequences. We are also trying to be proactive where possible and to anticipate development trends. This will go a long way towards heading off potential problems before they arise. If you have any questions related to the Planning Board, please feel free to visit us at a meeting, usually the second Tuesday of each month, so that you may get your questions properly answered.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald A. Cavallaro  
Chairman, Rye Planning Board

## POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

The Rye Police Department returned to full staff on April 3, 2007 when Officer Scott Sullivan joined the Department. Scott had been a Vermont State Trooper prior to joining Rye Police.

Due to the volume of calls, the police department is using several hours to complete investigations. For example: On July 14, 2007 the police were dispatched to three motor vehicle accidents, all of which involved the arrest of each of the drivers for Driving While Intoxicated. These accidents and arrests all occurred within twenty-two hours of each other.

There were two fatal motor vehicle accidents, both of which involved alcohol. Many hours are needed to investigate and reconstruct fatal accidents. We also investigated a drive-by shooting. All of these investigations take officers many hours to interview victims and witnesses, write reports and coordinate information for the County Attorney and state and federal agencies

The Rye Police Department has a website, [www.ryepolice.us](http://www.ryepolice.us), designed by one of our officers, Bill Blais. We recently had a family from out of state contact us to let us know a parent has Alzheimer's Disease. We are now working to get a form onto the website so we can be notified if a family member has any dementia issues or anything else a family member might feel emergency personnel should know. If you have any suggestions for improving our website, please let us know.

We continue to emphasize high visibility patrol. Extra patrols including plainclothes and beach patrols were funded by grants totaling \$8,620.14. These extra patrols include alcohol compliance checks on local businesses, speed and DWI enforcement. The DWI enforcement patrols were conducted concurrently with area local law enforcement agencies. The goal is to make greater public awareness of alcohol and drug-impaired driving issues and reduce serious motor vehicle crashes, injuries and deaths.

The Rye Police Department would like to thank the citizens of Rye for supporting us. The following are some of the statistics from the past year:

8,495 calls for service	219 arrests	346 alarm responses
1,931 motor vehicle stops calls	127 accident investigations	391 animal control
110 911 hang-up calls	361 medical aid calls	43 domestics
31 juvenile offenses		

\$23,798.40 in parking fines was collected and \$5,513.13 in court fines was collected.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Walsh  
Chief of Police

# CENTRAL ROAD CULVERT REPLACED



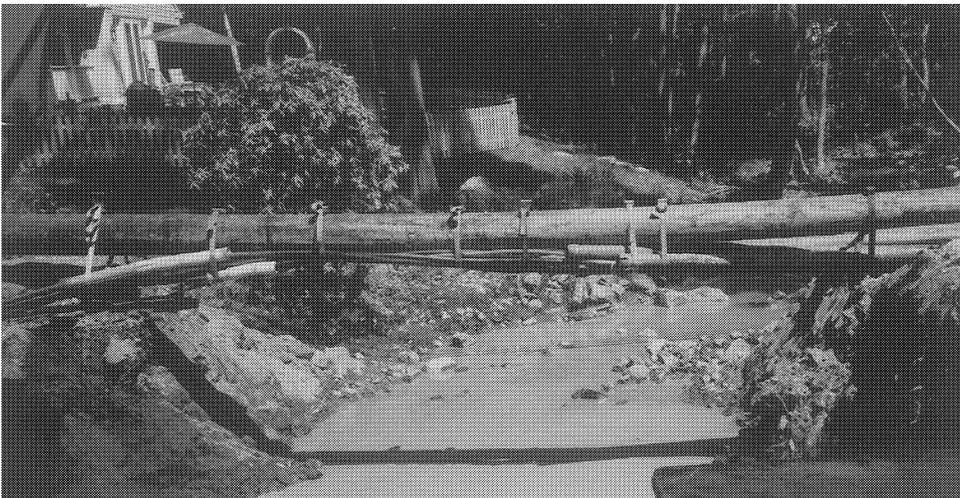
2007

Replacement of the culvert under Central Road, which conducts the flow of Cedar Swamp Run from the Burke's Pond dam outlet on toward Red Mill Lane and Eel Pond, was necessitated by major damage during the 2006 Mother's Day storm.

NEW  
BOX CULVERT  
REPLACED  
THE DAMAGED  
STONE CULVERT.



UTILITIES  
ALSO CROSSED  
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## PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In 2007 we continued our work on a number of roadway improvements and made some additional changes at the recycling center in an effort to maintain our service to the town while being sensitive to the concerns of our immediate neighbors.

Work completed at the recycling center included building a new office for the attendants, a new roof for the oil building, new concrete floor and sides on the green glass bin, and moving the compost pile to the other side of the lot. We also redesigned the fence along Grove Road and placed additional plantings to improve the look from the road. A total of 1,502 tons of trash was processed and we recycled 1,139 tons of materials. This was a minor increase in trash and, thanks to your efforts, a significant increase in recyclables. This activity produced \$73,920 in revenues for the town.

Roadway improvements took place in many different areas of town. We installed 320 feet of drainage, completed shoulder work on Sagamore, Forest Green, Long John, and Central Roads, and installed a box culvert in the area of Red Mill Lane and Central Road. Improvements were also made in Rand's Spring, Powers Ave., Perkins Road and Grove Road.

14,982 feet or 2.84 miles of paving was laid during the year as well as a complete new parking lot and roadway at the Junior High.

At the Public Works Department we take great pride in keeping our roads safe for travel during winter storms. In 2007 we had 13 storms, which required either plowing and/or sanding.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire public works team for all their hard work in 2007 and we would like to thank you for your support and cooperation this past year. We look forward to continuing to serve you in 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett E. "Bud" Jordan, Director  
Public Works Department

## SOUTHEAST REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL DISTRICT 53-B REPORT

The Southeast Regional Refuse Disposal District 53B provides coordination between Waste Management and the District's member towns: Brentwood, Fremont, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, New Castle, North Hampton, Rye, Sandown and South Hampton. In 2007, the District introduced significant operational changes designed to reduce its operating costs and costs to the towns. **Mark your calendar with these dates for the 2008 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days: In Hampton on Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup> and in Brentwood on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup>.**

## RYE RECREATION COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

The Rye Recreation Commission believes that recreation provides a critical foundation for the quality of life that makes Rye unique. Recreation is essential to the health and well being of the individual residents and the community of Rye. Recreation activities and services have far-reaching personal, social, economic and environmental benefits. The role of the Rye Recreation Department is to ensure that a broad range of recreation opportunities is available and accessible for all residents and that these are consistent with the needs and interest of the community and the space and resources available.

In 2007 programs offered included speaker series, swim lessons, indoor tennis lessons, ski and snowboard lessons, track and field program, basketball league, pick-up basketball, basketball clinic, golf lessons, soccer league, yoga, pilates, ballroom dancing, tap dancing, dance fitness, winter day camp, babysitter's course, adult and infant CPR courses, first aid courses, internet safety workshop, Russian nested doll painting workshop, lego robotics workshops, knitting workshops, summertime horyezons day camp, lego robotics camp, baseball camp, basketball camp, soccer camp, golf camp, pottery classes, and paint your own pottery classes. The After School Program is open to grades K-5, 2:40 – 5:50 p.m. daily and continues to prosper.

Rye Art in Bloom has been held for the past seven years and is a successful community event fostering relationships among the Recreation Department, Webster at Rye, Rye Art Study Group and Rye Driftwood Garden Club. Other events sponsored by the Recreation Department in 2007 were the Memorial Day Ceremony, which includes a poster contest for Rye Elementary School students and a poetry contest for Rye Junior High School students, and the Independence Day Celebration.

The Recreation Commission conducted a Rye Recreation Survey in the summer of 2007 to assist with the development of a comprehensive master plan to address the community's future park and recreation needs. The returned surveys totaled 243 representing 685 individuals including the respondents. It is expected the final Recreation Master Plan document will be available in the spring of 2008.

### ***Brief Summary of Survey Results:***

**Question #1.** *Have you or your family visited any of these parks or recreation facilities in the last year? If yes, please rate the parks or facilities on their quality.*

- The ten highest rated facilities were: Parsons Field, Cable Road Extension Beach, Sawyers Beach, Wallis Road Extension Beach, RES Gymnasium, Town Forest Trails, RES K-3 Upper Playground, RES 4-5 Lower Playground, Flash Jenness Memorial Little League Field and Lang Corner Athletic Field.

**Question #2.** *Please rank ten facilities listed below that you would like to see developed or expanded.*

- Top fifteen listed: Biking Trails/Lanes, Walking/Jogging Paths, Public Open Space for walking and wildlife, Outdoor Tennis Courts, Indoor Pool, Outdoor Pool, Outdoor Ice Rink, Community Center, Neighborhood Parks, Improvements to the Recreation Area Playground, Picnic Areas, Running Track, Indoor Tennis Courts, Soccer and Lacrosse Fields and Outdoor Basketball Courts.

**Question #3.** *What Rye Recreation programs listed below have you or any family member participated in over the last 5 years? Please check appropriate space below and rate the program instruction.*

- The highest rated programs were: Memorial Day Ceremony, Babysitting Course, Soccer Camp, Yoga, After School Program, Tennis Lessons, Recreation Basketball, Adult Pick-up Basketball, Basketball Camp, July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration, Rye Art in Bloom, Recreational Soccer League and Pilates. Those with the highest participation included: July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration, Recreational Soccer League, Memorial Day Ceremony, After School Program, Soccer Camp, Tennis Lessons, Summertime Horyezons, Recreational Basketball League, Yoga and Rye Art in Bloom.

**Question #4.** *Please list any other recreation programs that you or any family member would like to see offered in Rye. Include any programs that you are traveling outside of Rye to participate in.*

- Respondents listed over 94 program ideas. The most frequently mentioned programs were: Swim Lessons, Bus Trips, Fitness Opportunities, Kayak Lessons, Surfing Lessons, Senior Activities, Ice Hockey, Toddler Programs, Community Garden, Volleyball Program, and Outdoor Tennis Lessons.

**Question #5.** Please rank [1 being the most important] the types of trails needed in Rye for Recreational purposes.

- The highest ranking was: First, On street (shoulders) bicycle lanes throughout town. Second, Unpaved trails for mountain biking, walking, x-cross country skiing. Third, Paved off street trails for bicycling, mountain biking, walking, in-line skating, etc.

**Question #6.** How do you usually hear about Rye Recreation Programs? [Please check all that apply.]

- Most respondents obtain recreation news from the Town Newsletter: Town Newsletter (204), Flyers distributed through schools/organizations (92), Signs (73), Word of mouth (67), Newspaper (41), Town Website (31), and Stop in or call the Recreation Office (12)

**Question #7.** How would you prefer to register for Rye Recreation programs?

- Online and mail-in registration methods were preferred by most respondents: Register directly on-line (281), Mail in registration information (233), Come into the Recreation Office at Town Hall (123), Use a drop box located outside the Recreation Office (95), Designated Sign-up Night (60), Use a drop box at the Library (6), and Register at the activity (2).

**Question #8.** Please rank [1 being the most important] what would be the most convenient payment process for you.

- The preferences in order from the most popular were: Credit Card, Check, Debit/Bank Card and Cash.

**Question #9.** Do you feel that the programs that you or any family member has participated in are a good value?

- The respondents answered overwhelmingly yes.

**Question #10.** Why do you or any family member not participate more frequently in Rye Recreation programs?

- The top five reasons were: Lack of time, No interest in the programs offered, Lack of information, Program time is not convenient, and the respondent is a member of a private club that fulfills recreation needs.

Many additional comments were shared. The following are a few of the comments offered:

- The Recreation Area needs better drainage, bleachers, playground, basketball court, improved buildings for programs and a Town Forest path map.
- Cable Road Ext. and Wallis Road Ext. Beach areas need parking improvements, accommodation for bicycles and better trash pick-up.
- Parson's Field could be used for plays and concerts with a new bandstand gazebo.
- The school fields need turf improvements; Langs Corner Field could be improved with the addition of portable bathrooms, backstop and seating.
- More advertising for programs and more programs for older children.
- A community center, tennis courts and swimming facilities are needed.
- The Rye Recreation Department was universally praised for excellent service to the community.

The Recreation Commission thanks all residents who responded to the survey. Please contact the Recreation Department or visit the Town of Rye Website for the full survey results and Master Plan as it becomes available.

The Recreation Commission is a voluntary board that meets monthly. Meetings are open to the public and your attendance is welcomed. Current Commissioners are Bob Blanchard, Stephen King, Mark Luz, Paul Mackey, Gregg Mikolaities, Jim Sullivan, and Janet Stevens, Chairman. Full time employees include Lee Arthur, Recreation Director and Jonathan Carleton, Program Director.

This past year we had over 100 volunteers assisting the delivery of programs and services. Their support is greatly appreciated and needed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Stevens, Chairman

## SEWER COMMISSION'S REPORT

The Sewer Commission is responsible for the administration, billing, operation and maintenance of the Rye Sewer District. The District has five hundred and twenty four accounts, which includes three new connections in 2007. The Commission also administers the billing and operation of Adams Mobile Home Park on Lafayette Road in Rye which is connected to the City of Portsmouth sewer system. The Sewer Commission is in the process of renewing the Inter-municipal Sewerage Agreement with the City of Portsmouth.

Inspections at the three pumping stations are performed daily by the Clerk of the Works to insure the system is operating properly. Station maintenance is contracted out to the Town of Hampton. The Sewer Commission is in the process of renewing the Agreement for Treatment and Disposal of Wastewater with the Town of Hampton and currently working on a Collection System Operations and Maintenance Plan required as part of the EPA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit.

The Sewer Commission has a process for abating customers for accessory or incidental water usage that does not enter the public sewer system. A permit is required and customers are responsible for the installation and expense of a secondary meter. The meter is read annually and the customer is abated for the consumption. In 2007, three applications for secondary usage water meters were received.

It is important to note that no person shall discharge or cause to be discharged to the wastewater facilities any unpolluted or polluted waters such as storm water, ground water, roof runoff, or subsurface drainage.

The current Sewer Commission consist of David W. Kohlhase, Chairman; Peter G. Kasnet, Vice Chairman; David M. Adams, Commissioner, Walter J. Parenteau, Clerk of the Works; and Lee Arthur, Administrative Assistant. The Sewer Commission would like to take this opportunity to recognize Leon H. Valley for his dedicated service as a Sewer Commissioner for the Town of Rye from 1993-2007.

The Sewer Commission Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month in the courtroom at Town Hall and the public is encouraged to attend. The Sewer Commission Office is located on the second floor of Town Hall and is opened Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David W. Kohlhase, Chairman  
Rye Sewer Commission

A glimpse into our past: *History of Rye, N. H., 1623-1903*, L. B. Parsons

A ROAD BY ANY OTHER NAME IS STILL A ROAD:

“From the town records we learn that the road from Rye Centre to the present Farragut House (now Central Road) was laid out in 1727, previous to that time there having been only a footpath a portion of the way. In early times that portion of this road from Meeting House hill to the Mill or Harbor road was known as Raghole road, perhaps from the quantity of ragweed that grew on the land there.”

“A petition was circulated in 1783 for a highway to connect Long lane (now Lafayette road) in Portsmouth and the road “which runs by the Rye Meeting House”, an attempt to secure the building of such a road by means of a lottery some years previously having failed. This petition was signed by Joseph Parsons, David Locke, and sixty-three other persons, and succeeded in its object, the court of general sessions ordering the laying out of the road and appointing a committee to lay it out and assess the damages.....” Note: This road was laid out along the property line of Mark Lang, hence Lang Road.

*In November of 2006, Rye entered into a contract with the City of Portsmouth to administer Rye's welfare services. The Portsmouth Welfare Department is fully staffed and has a great deal of experience with providing assistance to eligible residents in need. Perhaps even more important is their experience in helping to transition those who are receiving assistance to a situation where they can be self-sufficient again.*

*A report from Portsmouth Welfare Director Keith Bates follows.*

*Alan Gould, Town Administrator*

## **WELFARE REPORT**

2007 saw a large increase in the general assistance ("GA") cost for the Town of Rye, with the assistance jumping from \$33,560 in 2006 to \$61,770 in 2007. During this time, there was no dramatic increase in rental costs, and the total number of assisted households has remained the same, 28 or 29 each year for the past three years. As hard as it is to anticipate and budget for, this appears to be just a run of bad luck and more expensive, lengthier periods of need for a select few Rye residents. There really is no way to guard against this, by State law GA is provided to "relieve and maintain" those within the Town who are "poor and unable to support themselves". Five households alone accounted for more than \$34,000, or 55%, of the GA expenditure in 2007. These expenditures resulted from a fire, disabling injuries, abandonment by the family breadwinner, and multiple needs in a three-generation household experiencing severe health problems and interruptions in Social Security benefits. In each case, this loss of income resulted in the household's inability to provide for their most basic needs, and so the Town provided rent, utilities, transportation and other assistance while monitoring each household's progress in obtaining benefits from other sources, with the goal of reducing and ultimately eliminating their reliance on Town assistance. 21 of the 28 assisted households in 2007, representing \$44,300 of assistance provided (72% of the total), are no longer actively being seen for assistance and are effectively considered "closed cases". Most of these have relocated from Rye, a few have had their situations corrected while remaining Rye residents. The most expensive case so far, while ongoing, is secured by a lien on the household's long-term Rye home.

Reviewing the attached three-year history of GA, several line items jump out:

- **Food:** The state has experienced a well-publicized reduction in stocks at the NH Food Bank and local food pantries this year, so food expenses were up in Rye, just as we saw in Portsmouth.
- **Personal Goods:** This also resulted in an increase in "personal goods" expenditures - hygiene and cleaning supplies are often also stocked in food pantries.
- **Gasoline:** Gasoline expenses were up, as we wrote vouchers for applicants to be able to drive to work and to medical appointments.

- **Motel:** While we are seeing fewer applicants from the Rosewood Motel, referring whenever possible to Cross Roads House for people who have just landed at the Motel, the Motel does actually provide long-term housing to many households who would be paying more if they were in apartments in town, especially considering their lack of utility payments at the Motel.
- **Prescriptions:** Prescriptions are a wild card, this expense has come down considerably over the past three years, but could go up at any time.
- **Oil:** The jump in oil expense is also being experienced in Portsmouth. Fuel Assistance benefits for winter 2007-2008 had not started by the end December 2007, and we are already seeing people running out of their benefit near the end of January 2008. This expense will continue to rise in 2008.
- **Mortgage:** We have one household we are assisting with mortgage, as referenced above, but we have placed a welfare lien on this home.

## RYE GENERAL ASSISTANCE EXPENDITURES

2005 - 2007

	2005		2006		2007	
	Vouchers	Total	Vouchers	Total	Vouchers	Total
<b>Electric</b>	4	\$636	5	\$476	10	\$2,426
<b>Food</b>	14	\$542	21	\$1,515	38	\$5,506
<b>Gas</b>	0	\$0	7	\$1,763	3	\$839
<b>Gasoline</b>	3	\$75	1	\$25	34	\$1,220
<b>Kerosene</b>	0	\$0	1	\$244	0	\$0
<b>Lot Rent</b>	3	\$990	0	\$0	0	\$0
<b>Medical</b>	1	\$474	0	\$0	0	\$0
<b>Mortgage</b>	0	\$0	0	\$0	4	\$6,163
<b>Motel</b>	23	\$5,441	31	\$8,058	7	\$5,404
<b>Oil</b>	2	\$468	3	\$740	9	\$2,628
<b>Propane</b>	0	\$0	2	\$156	0	\$0
<b>Personal</b>	0	\$0	1	\$35	31	\$1,428
<b>Phone</b>	2	\$268	0	\$0	0	\$0
<b>Rent</b>	14	\$9,348	29	\$19,357	71	\$35,919
<b>Rx</b>	4	\$2,185	4	\$847	1	\$170
<b>Util-Other</b>	1	\$47	3	\$343	1	\$62
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>\$20,474</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>\$33,559</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>\$61,765</b>

Keith Bates, Director  
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January 23, 2008

## TOWN OFFICES AND SERVICES

### HOURS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

<b>Assessor's Office</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Building Inspector:</b>	
<b>Building, Planning, Zoning Office</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. – 12 noon</b>
<b>Afternoons by appointment</b>	
<b>Library:</b>	
<b>Monday, Wednesday, Friday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Public Works Director: Monday – Friday</b>	<b>6:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Recycling Center &amp; Brush (CLOSED MONDAY)</b>	
<b>Recycling Area: Tuesday - Saturday</b>	<b>7:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Brush Dump (TUES. &amp; SAT. ONLY)</b>	<b>7:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.</b>
<b>Recreation Director: Monday – Thursday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Selectmen's Office: Monday - Friday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Sewer Commission: Monday – Friday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. – 12 noon</b>
<b>Town Administrator: Monday – Friday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday – Friday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Treasurer: Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>	<b>10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.</b>

Notices for Selectmen's meetings are posted on the Town bulletin board located at Town Hall and at the Rye Public Library. Notices for other Town Boards, Commissions and Committees are posted at least at two of the following locations: The Town bulletin board, the Rye Post Office bulletin board and/or the Rye Public Library. Notices are posted as a courtesy on the Town website: [www.town.rye.nh.us](http://www.town.rye.nh.us)

## AMBULANCE-FIRE-POLICE EMERGENCY 911

<b>AMBULANCE OR FIRE EMERGENCY.....</b>	<b>911 OR 964-8683</b>
Fire Department – Non Emergency.....	964-6411
Fire Department Fax.....	964-9894
<b>POLICE EMERGENCY.....</b>	<b>911 OR 964-5521</b>
POLICE (ROUTINE CALLS ONLY).....	964-7450
Police Department Fax.....	964-7458

Be sure to give your name and address as well as the nature of your emergency clearly.  
**DO NOT HANG UP** until you are sure that your message has been understood.

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### DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTORY

Assessing Department.....	964-5523
Building/Planning/Zoning Department.....	964-9800
Building/Planning/Zoning Fax.....	964-2964
Cemetery Superintendent.....	964-6777
Library.....	964-8401
Library Fax.....	964-7065
Public Works.....	964-5300
Public Works Director/ <b>EMERGENCY</b> (Home).....	964-8263
Recreation.....	964-6281
Recycling Center (Recycle or Brush).....	964-5300
Selectmen.....	964-5523
Selectmen Fax.....	964-1516
E-Mail: <a href="mailto:nancyw@town.rye.nh.us">nancyw@town.rye.nh.us</a>	
Town Website: <a href="http://www.town.rye.nh.us">www.town.rye.nh.us</a>	
Sewer Commission.....	964-6815
Town Administrator.....	964-5523
Town Clerk / Tax Collector.....	964-8562
Town Clerk / Tax Collector Fax.....	964-4132
Treasurer.....	964-8562
Welfare, Overseer of Public.....	964-5523



TO THEIR PERPETUAL MEMORY  
THE NATIONAL SOCIETY  
OF THE  
COLONIAL DAMES OF AMERICA  
IN THE  
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
DEDICATE THIS STONE  
1899

**ODIORNE'S POINT  
MONUMENT REDEDICATION  
JUNE 28, 2007**





2007

*The National Society  
of the  
Colonial Dames of America*

*in the State of*

*New Hampshire*

*requests the honor of your presence*

*at the Rededication of the Monument*

*at Odiorne's Point*

*in Commemoration of the Landing*

*of the*

*First Settlers in New Hampshire,*

*Thursday, June twenty-eighth,*

*at eleven o'clock*

*Odiorne State Park, Rye.*

*recommend walking shoes,  
sun hat and folding chairs.*

**ABOUT THE COVERS:**

**Front:** At the outset of World War II, the federal government took possession of Odiorne Point in order to protect and defend the mouth of the Piscataqua River. Homes were removed, orchards were transplanted to camouflage the newly constructed bunkers and a monument dedicated in 1899, proclaiming the historical significance of the site, was moved to an out of the way location west of Route 1-A for safe keeping. Here the marker rested, out of sight and forgotten by most, until The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of New Hampshire initiated an effort to return the monument to its original location, believed to be the vicinity of David Thompson's first settlement in New Hampshire in 1623. On June 28, 2007, a large gathering, including descendents of some of Rye's earliest families, attended a rededication of the monument now returned to its original 1899 site. The work was accomplished in large measure through the efforts of resident Tom Pearson and our State Representative David Borden. Roger Philbrick was credited with donation of site work.

**Inside back:** Who was David Thompson?

**Back:** Clockwise from top left: Barbara Engelbach, President of the N.H. Chapter of The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America, resident Tom Pearson is recognized for his contribution by Rye/Newcastle Representative David Borden, wording on the reverse of the monument, N.H. Historian James Garvin addressing the gathering, entrance to Odiorne Point State Park and view of the reverse side of the monument.

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