

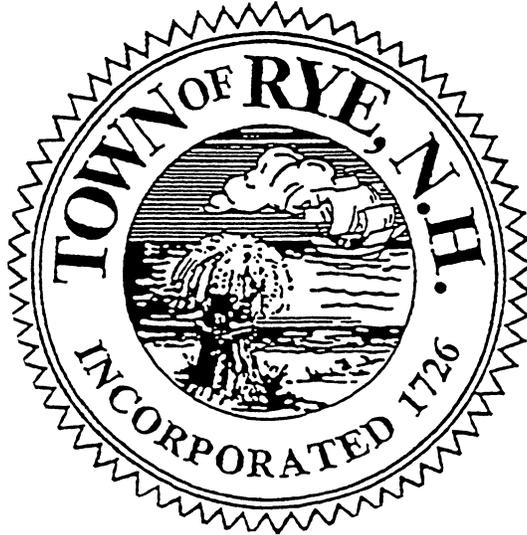
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF RYE

NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

2008





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 10th 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.

As required under Senate Bill 2, the Deliberative Session was held on Saturday, January 31, 2009 at 9:00 AM at the Rye Junior High to review and amend the 2009 Town Warrant.

DEDICATION

TO OUR VOLUNTEERS: PAST, PRESENT and FUTURE

Chapter seven of the Rye Master Plan adopted in May of 2007 describes the civic engagement of those living in our community as follows: “Rye has experienced a spectrum of attitudes toward getting involved in local government. Residents want to maximize the extent to which its local laws, ordinances and regulations reflect their personal views and those that they hold of their community. The only means to that end is citizen involvement”. The Master Plan goes on to demonstrate that, “There are as many venues for getting involved as there are people”.

The memberships of our various committees, commissions and boards are comprised of volunteers drawn from every neighborhood in Rye; but the quality of life here goes beyond town government. The beneficial endeavors of Senior SERVE, (Serving Elder Residents through Volunteer Efforts), the Rye Driftwood Garden Club (whose members annually plant and maintain areas of beautification throughout Rye), Friends of the Rye Public Library, the Historical Society preserving our connection to the past and Rye Lions Club are all perpetuated via volunteer efforts. Leadership of our youth groups such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and sports teams such as Little League, to name a few, requires volunteer investment of time and interest. Our website director is a volunteer diligently updating the site year-round; while other volunteers have assisted residents with income tax preparation on a seasonal basis. The opportunities for community involvement are seemingly endless. Appendix II of the Master Plan lists 50 Rye organizations.

Perusal of those remembered (In Memoriam) in this Annual Report reveals the contributions of a nurse, mechanical engineer, planner, businessman/general contractor and a chemist, each of whom utilized his or her interests, skills and sometimes profession in support of community well being.

Today, in a shrinking world, many volunteer through participation in regional planning organizations, represent Rye (and New Castle) in the New Hampshire Legislature and take part in University of New Hampshire Marine Research. Others contribute to the goals of such organizations as the Red Cross, Families First, the Blue Ocean Society and the Seacoast Land Trust.

While we are all grateful for the caliber of life in Rye attributable in large measure to those who volunteer; the situation is never static. Times change and community needs change. Our newly formed Energy Committee understands the importance of reaching out to youth in order to accomplish change as they work with our Elementary and Junior High School students to encourage reduction of our carbon footprint. Recognizing a “graying” New Hampshire, new ways for volunteering service may present themselves. With a more mobile society than in earlier times, it is also important for each of us to help newcomers acclimate to Rye by extending an invitation to become involved and participate.

Economic downturn characterized the closing months of 2008 and our newly elected president, Barack Obama, has called Americans to service. History reveals that the citizens of Rye have consistently given of their time and talent to community betterment; but we can not rest on our laurels. The challenge lies ahead and we, as a community, have demonstrated that we have the will, the ability and the dedication to meet it.

In Memoriam

Bernard C. Maxam

April 2, 1918 – June 22, 2008



Bernard Maxam was born in Springfield, Massachusetts on April 2, 1918. Following the death of his father in 1920, his family came to New Castle, N.H. and in 1947 he built a home and moved his family to Rye.

He was a graduate of Portsmouth High School and attended UNH and Wentworth Institute. During World War II, Bernard was employed as an architect and draftsman for the U.S. Navy Department and, in 1945, he left that employment to form The Maxam Company, general contractors specializing in building schools, hospitals and banks.

Bernard Maxam was active in community life in Rye, serving on the Board of Commissioners for the Rye Water District from 1953-1989 and was instrumental in establishing Rye's deep-well water supply.

He was a Cub Scout and Boy Scout leader when his son was young and was active in building programs of what is now known as the Rye Congregational Church, first the parish hall and later the church itself following its complete destruction by fire in 1953.

Meanwhile, he participated in development of curriculum for a UNH Thompson School program in light construction serving as faculty member and later as faculty advisor.

He and his family owned Ryemeadow Farm, a Morgan horse breeding and show horse stable which has produced several regional and world-class champion show horses. Bernard Maxam is survived by his daughter, Diane Maxam and granddaughter Erica of Rye. He was predeceased by his wife Agnes and son, David.

Joseph J. Kenny, Jr.

August 2, 1933 – July 2, 2008

Joseph J. Kenny, Jr. was born in Hopkinton, Massachusetts, the son of the late Joseph J. and Dorothy (Landry) Kenney.

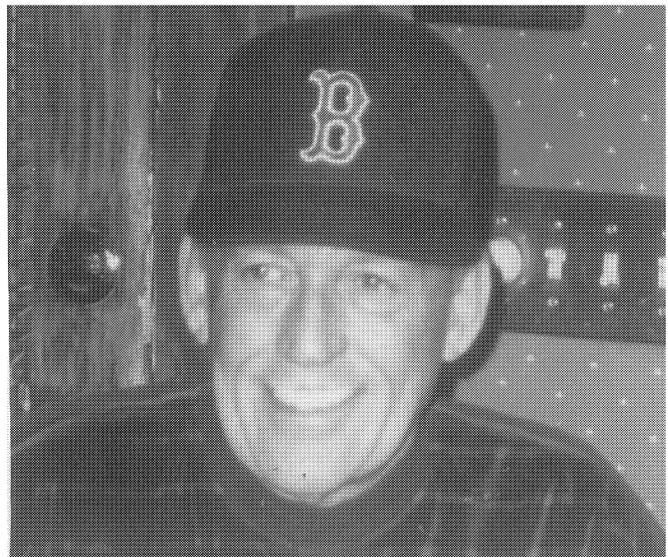
Joe grew up in Hopkinton and graduated from the University of Massachusetts – Amherst in 1955 with a degree in chemistry. He continued his education at Northeastern University.

As a chemist, Joe ran the materials testing laboratory at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

Following his retirement from the Shipyard, Joe became a Commissioner for the Rye Water District serving Rye in that capacity for fourteen years.

For many years, Joe was involved in communities as a Little League coach. He was also an avid golfer.

Joe Kenney is survived by his wife, Carol, of Rye, sons Joseph and Peter, daughters Lizabeth and Christine and five grandchildren.



In Memoriam

Robert S. Barber

December 24, 1924 – May 17, 2008



Robert Speer Barber was born in New Rochelle, New York, the son of George and Isabel (Fox) Barber December 24, 1924.

During World War II, Robert was stationed on Okinawa in the construction battalion known as the Sea Bees. Following time in Japan, he was stationed in Hawaii.

He attended Colorado A & M, now Colorado State University, graduating with a degree in mechanical engineering.

Following employment with Kimball's Department Store in Portsmouth, Robert opened his own home interior decorating business, "The Window Shop", with his wife, Jean, which they operated for many years.

As a resident of Rye, Robert became a volunteer with the Rye Ambulance Corps, serving in that capacity for seven years. For twenty years, 1972 – 1992, he also served the town as a Supervisor of the Checklist.

He is survived by his wife Jean of 60 years and three children, Vicki Kent, Robin Baker of Rye and Jonathan Barber.

Alice K. Provencher

June 28, 1926 – December 22, 2008

Alice Provencher was born in Manchester, N.H. on June 28, 1926 the daughter of James A. and Billie J. (Dennison) Hayes. She was a graduate of Manchester West High School and Mt. St. Mary's of the Sacred Heart Nursing School.

Alice worked for the American Red Cross Blood Mobile, Portsmouth Regional Hospital and, prior to her retirement in 1996, at Hale Hospital in Haverhill, Mass.

Alice will be remembered here in Rye for her years of community service during which she became a founding member of Senior SERVE. Rye Reflections noted that she often "rode shotgun" on the Tuesday shopping trips. Her commitment to the Rye Historical Society included welcoming visitors to the Rye Historical Museum on Saturdays and assisting with refreshments following Memorial Day services. As a member of the Rye Driftwood Garden Club, Alice was often seen about town caring for the RDGC's many beautification plantings throughout Rye. She also volunteered as a hostess at Fuller Gardens, another Garden Club project, and was on the board of Rye Over 55.

In addition to her son John Provencher, his wife Joan and her four grandchildren: Jillian, Jacob, Jeffrey and Jennifer, Alice leaves a town that will miss her dedication to community.



In Memoriam

Brenda Jean Stevens

September 7, 1950 – July 24, 2008

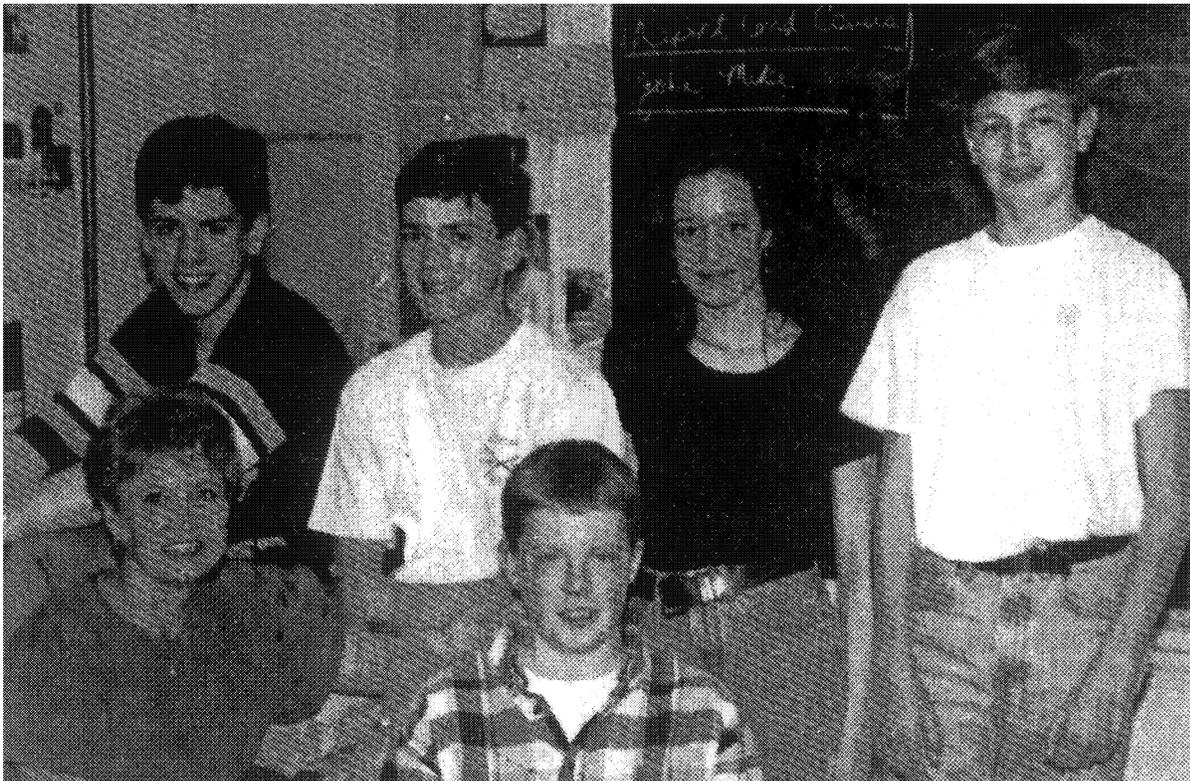
Brenda Jean (Goff) (Semprini) Stevens of Deerfield, New Hampshire died on July 24, 2008 when her lakeside home was destroyed during a storm later confirmed as a tornado. Brenda's husband and grandson were found alive.

The three month old infant was discovered alive in the rubble and Brenda was credited with having saved his life.

Brenda's death shocked and saddened former co-workers at Town Hall as well as her many friends here in Rye. In the 1980s, Brenda had been employed by the Town of Rye as Assistant to Building Inspector Bill Jenness. In that capacity she developed a street file system of the town that remains invaluable. Brenda became a member of the Rye Planning Board and also served as its Chairman. In addition, she volunteered and participated in other community projects.

Colleagues remember her as energetic, outgoing, a ray of sunshine. Jane Ireland, newly retired Town Clerk/Tax Collector, recalls that those coming to the Building Inspector's office always received, "the best of service".

Brenda is survived by her husband Harley Stevens, daughters Lisa Semprini and Kattie Kalil, stepsons Jeremy and Harley Stevens, Jr. and three grandchildren.



Brenda Semprini, lower left, is shown with her Rye Junior High Our Town activity group in 1993. As a community volunteer, she worked with these students on the topic of government, with an emphasis on understanding government at the local level.

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*****TOWN OFFICIALS***
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008**

MODERATOR

(2-year term)

Robert G. Eaton	2010
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SELECTMEN

(3-year term)

Craig N. Musselman	2009
Priscilla V. Jenness	2010
Joseph G. Mills, Jr.	2011

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

(3-year term)

Elizabeth M. Yeaton (replaced Jane Ireland who retired)	2009
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TREASURER

(3-year term)

Leon Blaisdell	2009
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CEMETERY TRUSTEES

(3-year term)

John W. Patrick	2009
Frank Drake	2010
Roger O. Philbrick	2011

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

(6-year term)

Jane Holway	2010
Sally S. King	2012
Madeline Chichester	2014

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

(3-year term)

David S. Brown	2009
Joan Sweeney	2009
Victor D. Azzi	2010
Deborah Genestreti	2011
Sara (Sallie) Ann Mackie	2011

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

(3-year term)

Kerry S. Pope	2009
Andrew J. Mahoney	2010
Jeffrey M. Balboni	2011

BUDGET COMMITTEE

(3-year term)

Edward K. Paul (then a 2 year term to expire 2011)	2009
Douglas Abrams	2009
Raymond Jarvis	2009
Shawn Crapo	2010
James G. Maheras	2010
Paul E. Goldman	2011
Joseph G. Mills, Jr. (Selectmen's Representative)	2011

PLANNING BOARD

(3-year term)

Donald Cavallero	2009
Jaci Grote	2009
Mark Galvin	2010
Samuel Winebaum	2010
Melvin R. Low	2011
Martin G. Zivic	2011
Priscilla V. Jenness (Selectmen's Representative)	2010

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

(3-year term)

Benjamin T. King	2009
Jay Nadeau	2009
Raymond Jarvis	2010
Shawn Crapo	2011
Frank Drake	2011

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Thomas King	2009
Jane Hutchinson	2009
Mae Bradshaw	2009
Paula Merritt	2010
Daryl Kent	2010
Michael A. Mittelman	2011
Mark Josephs	2011
Craig N. Musselman. (Selectmen's Representative)	2009

BEACH COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Tim Sanborn	2009
Machael Labrie	2010
Dr. Jack M. Panopoulos	2011

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Paula Mahoney	2009
Jeffrey Gardner	2009
F. Lawton Struble, III	2010
Douglas W. Bordewieck	2010
Sally S. King	2010
James Raynes	2011
Francis Garvan, II	2011

RECREATION COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Robert Blanchard	2009
Jim Sullivan	2009
Gregg Milolaities	2010
Paul Mackey	2010
Mark H. Luz	2010
Janet Stevens	2011
Stephen J. King	2011

MOSQUITO CONTROL COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Charles Arcidiacono	2009
Thomas Aspinwall	2011
Craig N. Musselman (Selectmen's Representative)	2009

SEWER COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Peter G. Kasnet	2009
David Adams	2010
David Kohlhase	2011

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT

(2-year term)

David A. Borden (New Castle)	2010
Will Smith (New Castle)	2010

RYE WATER DISTRICT

(3-year term)

Arthur Ditto (filled Joe Kenney's seat; next to 2011)	2009
Ralph Hickson	2009
John Murtagh	2010

RYE BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT

(3-year term)

Betty Smith	2009
Bradley Richards	2010
Frank Drake	2011

JENNESS BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT

(3-year term)

Robert R. Crapo	2009
Jane Langley	2010
Michael Netishen	2011

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Michael Farrell, Interim Town Administrator
(replacing Alan Gould, Town Administrator, resigned September 2008)

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Susan M. Labrie, Building/Planning/Zoning

HARBOR MASTER

Leo Axtin

CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT

John Coscia

HEALTH OFFICER

Gail A. Snow, M.D.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Alan S. Gould

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
Paul Penman, Program Director
(replacing Jonathan Carleton)

TOWN HALL STAFF

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

Nancy Weiland, 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

Robin Baker, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector (replacing Elizabeth M. Yeaton)
Donna Decotis, Assistant Town Clerk/Tax Collector (temporary)

BUILDING/PLANNING/ZONING OFFICE

Kimberly M. Reed, Planning/Zoning Administrator
Susan Dunfey, Planning/Zoning Assistant

TREASURER'S OFFICE

Jane E. Ireland, Deputy Treasurer

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Ongoing Concerns: Taxes, Education Funding, "The Big Pipe" and Dogs on the Beach

Taxes:

For the first time in three years, the Town portion of the tax rate rose (to \$2.47, up \$.49, from \$2.25 in 2007) due to a 9.5% drop in revenues while appropriations increased 8.0%, inclusive of all warrant articles. Simultaneously, due to a decrease in the Town's undesignated fund balance, only \$600,000 was available to be applied against the tax rate and you are advised that it is unlikely that we will be able to lower your tax rate by this means in the foreseeable future.

Education Funding:

During 2008, the New Hampshire Legislature at long last defined "adequate" education and determined a base adequacy rate of \$3,450 per pupil with special circumstances such as English Language Learner and special education designations added to that per pupil base. The means to implementation was presented as Senate Bill 539 and the bill included the current transition period. Analysis by the Coalition Communities revealed gross anomalies in this per-pupil funding system that will require an estimated 1.5 to 2 billion dollars.

CACR34, a proposed constitutional amendment to target aid to the neediest communities, passed the State Senate; but it was deemed "inexpedient to legislate" by the House of Representatives. We closed the door on 2008 aware that unless something of significance is passed, specifically a narrow constitutional amendment to target aid, Rye will return to donor town status in July of 2011.

The Big Pipe:

In the September newsletter we reported passage of Senate Bill 523 which limited the broad powers of eminent domain in the EAST (Estuary Alliance for Sewer Treatment) legislation to those municipalities that join EAST. We are grateful to our legislators for their work on this issue.

In addition, the Great Bay Estuary Commission failed to endorse any of the four wastewater disposal strategies on the table, among them Option #2: treatment and discharge to the Gulf of Maine. Often referred to as "The Big Pipe", this was the most expensive proposal at an estimated \$589 million plus.

The 44 Great Bay watershed communities included in this legislation were each requested to name one representative to an EAST ad hoc group for the purpose of discussing alternative regional approaches for septic treatment and handling within the Great Bay watershed.

At that time, the goal was to complete a description of EAST and its function for the purpose of enabling voters in each of the 44 communities to decide at Town Meetings in March of 2009 whether or not to become a member of EAST. We have heard nothing more since then.

Dogs on the Beach:

Over the years, threats to public access, increasing population and ever changing types of recreational use have made beach issues a perpetual concern. Dogs on the beach became a hot topic in 2008 as the result of a dog on dog attack complicated by leash issues. Public input at selectmen's meetings, by phone and by letter ranged from all dogs should be allowed on the beach all the time to no dogs should be allowed on the beach any time. Based on public input and discussion with a number of Rye dog owners, the selectmen prepared a proposed 2009 warrant article designed to offer a workable compromise while also eliminating conflict currently existing in our ordinances related to dogs.

Ongoing Projects

Seavey Creek Bridge:

The Seavey Creek Bridge on Pioneer Road/Route 1-A was closed by the State Department of Transportation for repair and replacement on November 3, 2008. It will remain closed until mid-May 2009 and all traffic must detour as at times there will be a gap in the span.

Shoreline Protection Act Implementation:

On April 1, 2008, RSA 483-B: the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act became effective. It governs the use of land abutting rivers, ponds and coastal shores within 250 feet of the water in many areas of the State. For full details visit the DES Shoreland Website at www.des.nh.gov/cspa.

Pulpit Rock Tower

During the past year a group known as The Friends of Pulpit Rock Tower, chaired by Patricia Weathersby, has been instrumental in working to secure the future of the 1943 observation tower at Pulpit Rock, originally part of the World War II Harbor Defense System.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department acquired the tower from the General Services Administration in 1978 and in 2008 Verizon expressed an interest in using the tower for a cellular installation. Opposition to the Verizon proposal and a willingness on the part of Fish and Game to relinquish ownership coupled with creation of the Friends group has laid the foundation for securing and preserving the tower as a historical site.

Ownership can only be transferred from the State to another government entity such as the Town of Rye. The Town must submit an application to the National Park Service. Such a transfer would place a historic preservation easement on the tower, perhaps with the State Department of Historic Resources named as the easement holder.

Because local, state and federal agencies are involved in this complicated process, it is estimated that transfer may take more than a year to complete. In the end, the matter must come back to our legislative body (Town Meeting) for approval.

Projects Completed: Foyes Corner, and Rye Segment/East Coast Greenway

Foyes Corner Roundabout:

The long awaited changes to Foyes Corner were completed with the opening of the new roundabout. Although a proposal to place a piece of sculpture there as a center piece did not fly, the inner circle of the roundabout has been landscaped with daylilies.

East Coast Greenway:

Under the auspices of the Rockingham Planning Commission, the opening of the Rye Segment of the East Coast Greenway was celebrated as part of an inaugural bike ride from Hampton Beach to Strawberry Banke in Portsmouth on September 20th. Greenway signs mark the route through Rye which was planned to avoid the most congested areas. Work is ongoing to create a pedestrian/bike path from Florida to Maine.

Staff Changes

Town Administrator:

In early September, Town Administrator Alan Gould resigned to take a position in the private sector with Municipal Resources, Inc. The Board was pleased that Alan was willing to remain as our Director of Emergency Management. Michael Farrell was hired as Interim Town Administrator in order to provide a smooth transition during this time of budget preparation and tax setting.

Rye Recreation Program Director:

Effective November 3rd, following a search conducted by the Recreation Commission, the Board of Selectmen appointed Paul Penman to replace Jonathan Carleton as Rye Recreation Program Director.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Deputy:

July 31, 2008 marked the date of retirement for Jane Ireland as Town Clerk/Tax Collector, a position she held for 26 years. Jane's Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Elizabeth (Beth) Yeaton, was appointed to fill Jane's vacated position and a well planned transition ensued with Robin Baker, clerk, appointed to move to Beth's former position as Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

Beth's capabilities were soon tested by preparation for and conduct of the 2008 Primary in September followed closely by the November 4th General Election which included an unprecedented number of absentee ballots (900+) and very heavy Rye voting. We gave her efforts an "A".

Deputy Treasurer

During the year, the Town moved to fill the vacant position of Deputy Treasurer. Although requiring the skills and knowledge of the Treasurer, employment hours are utilized only in the event of the Treasurer's illness or vacation time. Treasurer Leon Blaisdell proposed the name of Jane Ireland, recently retired Town Clerk/Tax Collector, and the Board of Selectmen approved her appointment.

Tree Trimming and Removal/December Weather

Public Service Company has an ongoing program that rotates through New Hampshire communities with the goal of removing trees and limbs deemed a threat to power lines and the uninterrupted flow of electricity. Early last spring, following calls from homeowners alarmed by red flags on some of their trees, your selectmen met with PSNH officials on site in order to strike a balance between the wishes of property owners and PSNH with regard to their roadside tree removal plans.

As a result, trees designated for trimming or removal were flagged, property lists were generated by PSNH, owners were notified in advance of cutting by the Town and agreements were negotiated if necessary.

Early onset of winter 2008 deepened throughout December in southeastern New Hampshire. Amid the snowstorms, an ice storm that severely damaged trees and caused power outages made the period from December 11 – 23 memorable, testing our survival skills and stressing the Public Works budget.

Thanks to Many

If we attempted to enumerate the residents of our town that volunteer their time to make this a special place, we would produce a very long list indeed. Nevertheless, in closing we would like to thank Jim Cullen for once again conducting the Memorial Day services and Fire Fighter David Kornechuk and members of the Rye Fire Department Association for volunteering to organize the Holiday Parade. Unfortunately, the parade had to be cancelled this year due to the weather; but the effort had been made and it was appreciated. In addition, we are fortunate to have a Recreation Department that, under the direction of Lee Arthur, goes above and beyond to make holidays throughout the year moments to remember.

Respectfully submitted,

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

SPEAKING OF DOGS: At a recently held meeting to discuss the issue of dogs on the beach, one speaker asserted that we should be able to settle the matter once and for all, enabling him to relax and no longer be concerned with further proposed changes. Alas, in Rye with regard to dogs, there is nothing more certain than change.

A glimpse into our past:

Excerpts from the **Dog Officer's Report, Town of Rye Annual Report:** "There was a large increase in the number of complaints made this year (187) especially during the summer months when the dog population increased due to all the summer residents.....most were reached so they could be given either a verbal warning (32), written warning (76) or, if needed, a court action (21). Dogs on the beach became quite a problem last summer even though the beaches were well posted." ..."The licensing of dogs dropped off this year partly due to dog owners moving out of Rye."**THE YEAR: 1976**

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Jane Ireland

Retired July 31, 2008

In 1981, Jane Ireland was elected to the position of Town Treasurer. In 1982, she became our Town Clerk, filling out the unexpired term of the previous clerk who was leaving Rye. It was not until the 1990s that the position of Town Clerk was combined with the role of Tax Collector. Jane then served the town as Town Clerk/Tax Collector until July of this year when she retired.

Looking back over a quarter century of continuous evolution in office equipment, Jane recalls her initial year on the job, complete with a refurbished IBM Selectric typewriter, dial phone and calculator. As Rye has grown, office equipment technology has advanced as have the demands for increased accounting and services. Four computers are required today along with specialized programs related to car registration, voting and tax bill preparation, to name a few. Jane kept pace with each innovation as it presented itself and incorporated it to increase overall efficiency.

Last summer, with her retirement approaching, The Portsmouth Herald interviewed a number of people with whom Jane interacted through the responsibilities of her job. The comments, from Town Officials and townspeople alike, contained nothing but praise for the conduct of her office and the high level of service provided by her office.

While town clerk/tax collector day to day operations have always run very smoothly, because Jane was proactive, we enjoyed added benefits. She advised the Selectmen on upcoming changes, both required and desired, well in advance thus enabling better budget planning. She also promoted the methodical preservation of old Town records and, at the end of her tenure, provided a seamless transition to her successor.

The Selectmen were pleased that, following her retirement as Town Clerk/Tax Collector, she was willing to accept the position as Deputy Treasurer. This is a position for which Jane has all the skills but is only utilized in the Treasurer's absence due to vacation or illness.

Thanks and appreciation for twenty six years of dedicated service to the Town of Rye



ELIZABETH YEATON APPOINTED TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR



In July 2008, Elizabeth (Beth) Yeaton was appointed Town Clerk/Tax Collector by the Board of Selectmen to complete the term of Jane Ireland who retired from that position in July. Beth had served the Town as Tax Collector then Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector for eighteen years.

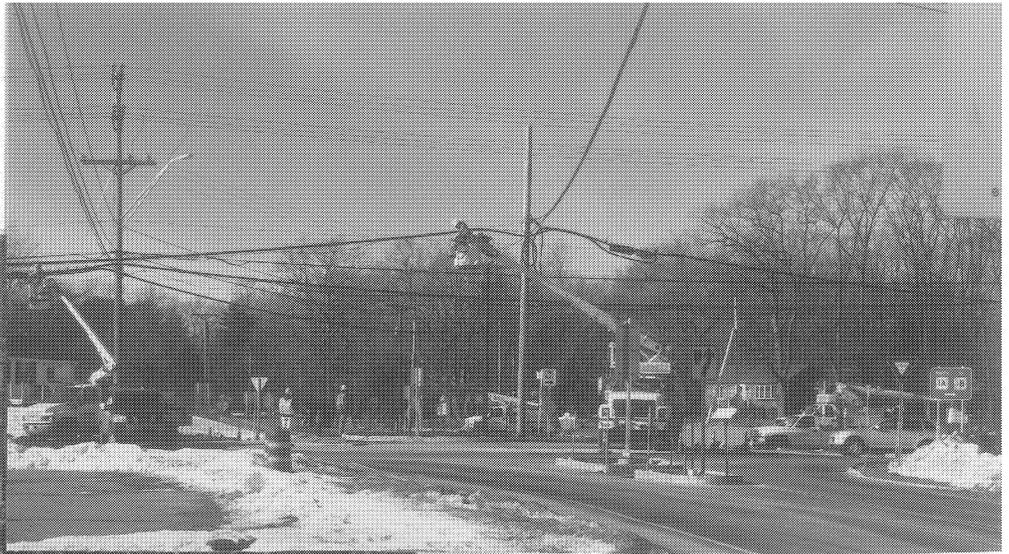
On November 4, 2008 Beth instructed workers at the polls prior to start of voting on this National Election Day.



TOP (l – r): Bob Brown, Frank Drake, BOS Chairman Craig Musselman, Pat Mahoney, Beth and Town Moderator Bob Eaton.
BOTTOM (l – r): Beth directs poll worker Marcie Mills.



AROUND RYE



ROUNDAABOUT AT FOYES CORNER

The N.H. Department of Transportation resumed work at the Foyes Corner roundabout in April. Paving, side-walks, completion of approaches, and lighting (shown above) were completed in June. A bit of the “before” is shown on the left.



The COMPREHENSIVE SHORELAND PROTECTION ACT (RSA 483-B), effective April 1, 2008, governs use of land within 250’ of rivers, ponds and shores in many areas of New Hampshire. Is it too late for a dying Eel Pond, now ringed by phragmites, purple loosestrife and other invasive species?



AROUND RYE

PULPIT ROCK TOWER

The proposal by the Friends of Pulpit Rock Tower as a historical site may be accomplished through transfer of ownership from the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department to the Town of Rye and application to the National Park Service.

The process may take more than a year as local, state and federal agencies are involved and many details are yet to be worked out.

RYE BEACHES 2008

At the close of 2008, the Beach Commission, in a report to selectmen, listed surfer/swimmer separation, dog issues and increasing use of tow-in jet skies as top concerns.





TOWN EVENTS 2008

Memorial Day ceremonies honoring those who sacrificed their lives for our country (upper left), the Bike Rodeo teaching bicycle safety (above) and the Fourth of July celebration (below) commemorating the birth of our nation serve to bring our town together.



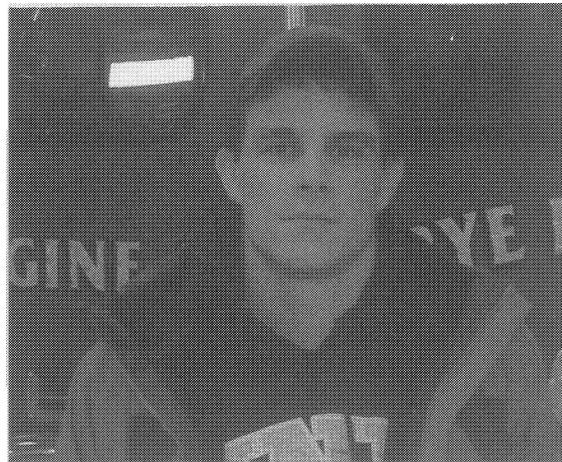
FIRE DEPARTMENT 2008



NEW AMBULANCE: Article #10 of the 2008 Town Warrant was approved by Rye voters enabling purchase of the new ambulance pictured above. At a cost of \$175,000: \$95,000 was available from the dedicated income from the cell tower on Johnson Lane, off Grove Road, \$58,000 from the Ambulance Capital Reserve Account and the remaining \$22,000 from general taxation.

BELOW left: (l – r) Call firefighter/EMTs Dan Eaton, John Davis, and Eric Castigliano

BELOW right: Fulltime firefighter/paramedic Jake MacGlashing, hired March 2008



DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

**Municipal Services Division
2008 Tax Rate Calculation**

TOWN/CITY: RYE

Gross Appropriations	8,222,511
Less: Revenues	3,543,272
Less: Shared Revenues	19,174
Add: Overlay	92,322
War Service Credits	216,000

Barbara Robinson
10/27/08

Net Town Appropriation	4,968,387
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	4,968,387
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**TOWN RATE
2.74**

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)	10,712,967
Regional School Apportionment	0
Less: Adequate Education Grant	0

State Education Taxes	(4,097,284)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	6,615,683

**LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
3.64**

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation(no utilities) x	\$2.14	
1,914,618,869		4,097,284
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		
1,808,307,000		
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State		
Pay to State →		0

**STATE
SCHOOL RATE
2.27**

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	1,775,306
Less: Shared Revenues	(6,747)

Approved County Tax Effort	1,768,559
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**COUNTY RATE
0.97**

**TOTAL RATE
9.62**

Total Property Taxes Assessed	17,449,913
Less: War Service Credits	(216,000)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	682,691
Total Property Tax Commitment	17,916,604

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	1,808,307,000	2.27	4,097,284
All Other Taxes	1,815,653,900	7.35	13,352,629
			17,449,913

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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
Municipal Services Division

2008 Tax Rate Calculation Cont.

TOWN/CITY: RYE

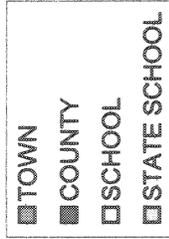
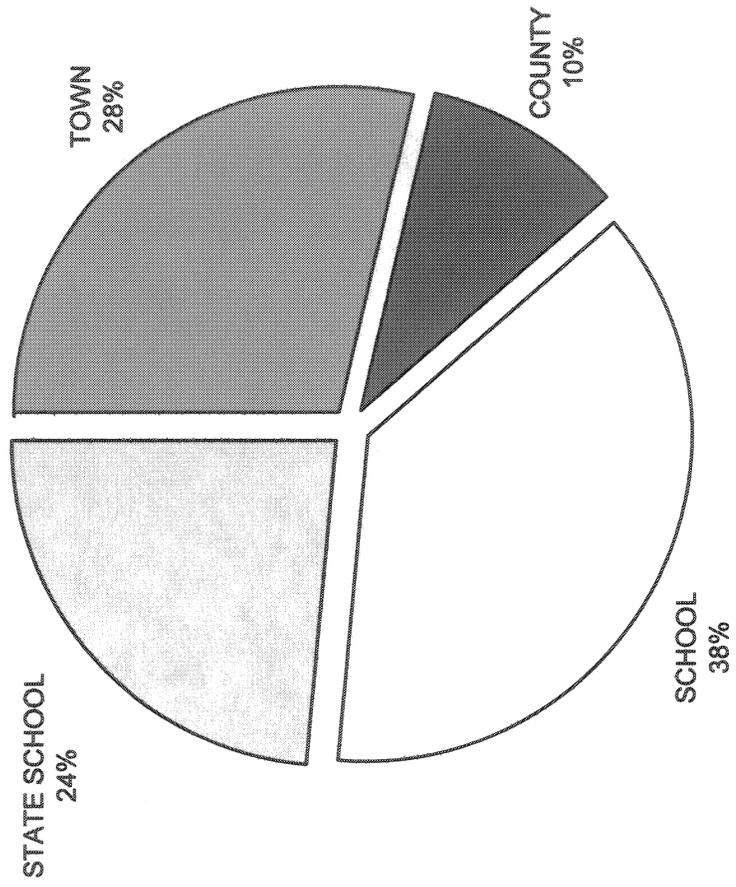
Name	Net * Appropriation	Valuation	Tax Rate	Commitment
Jenness Beach	67,600	379,385,100	0.18	68,289
Rye Water District	538,654	1,131,273,700	0.48	543,011
Rye Beach Village	69,139	230,293,300	0.31	71,391
0	0	0	0.00	0
0	0	0	0.00	0
0	0	0	0.00	0
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0	0	0	0.00	0

Total Village District Commitment 682,691

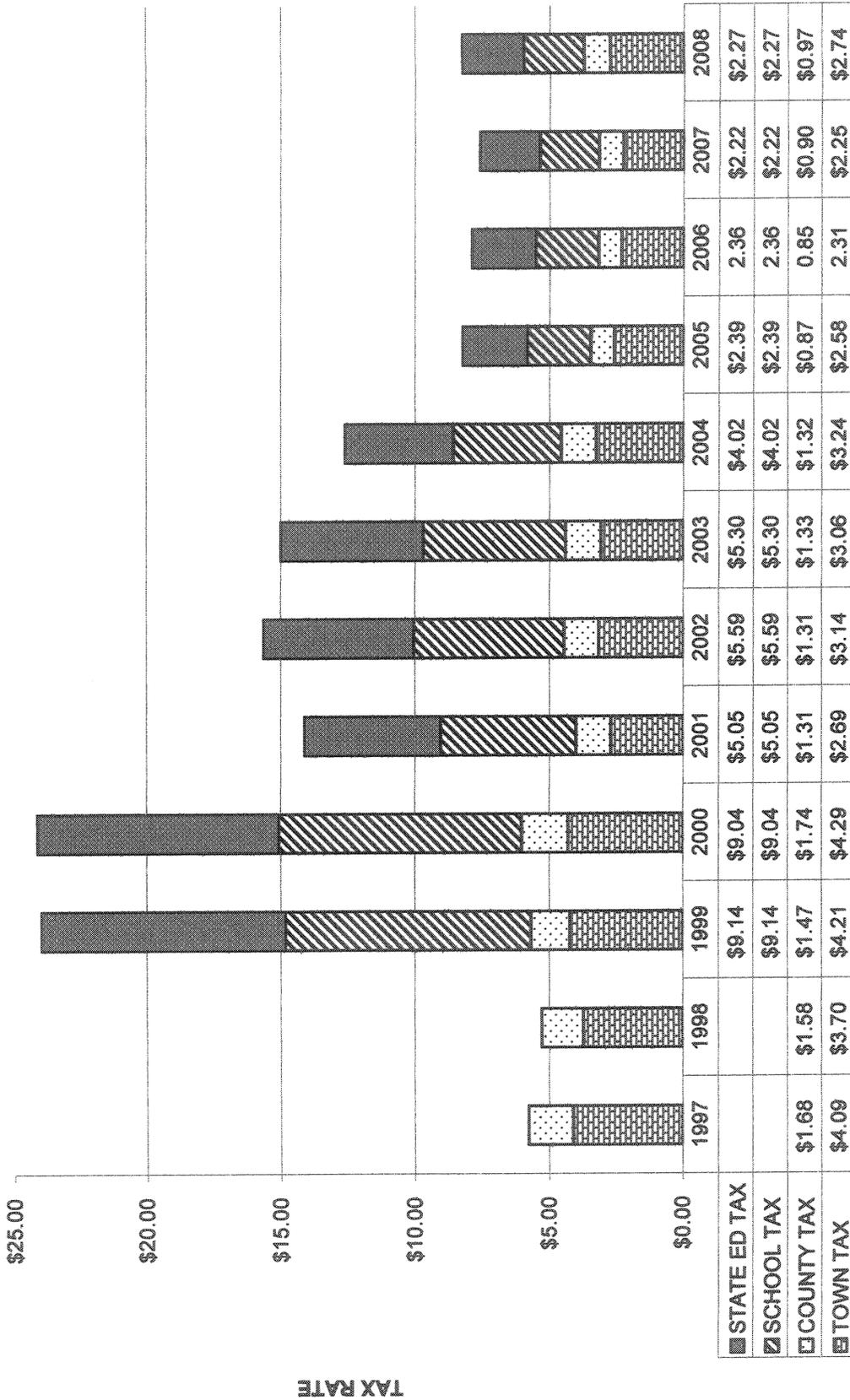
***Net Appropriation = Gross Appropriations - Revenues**

Barbara Johnson
10/27/08

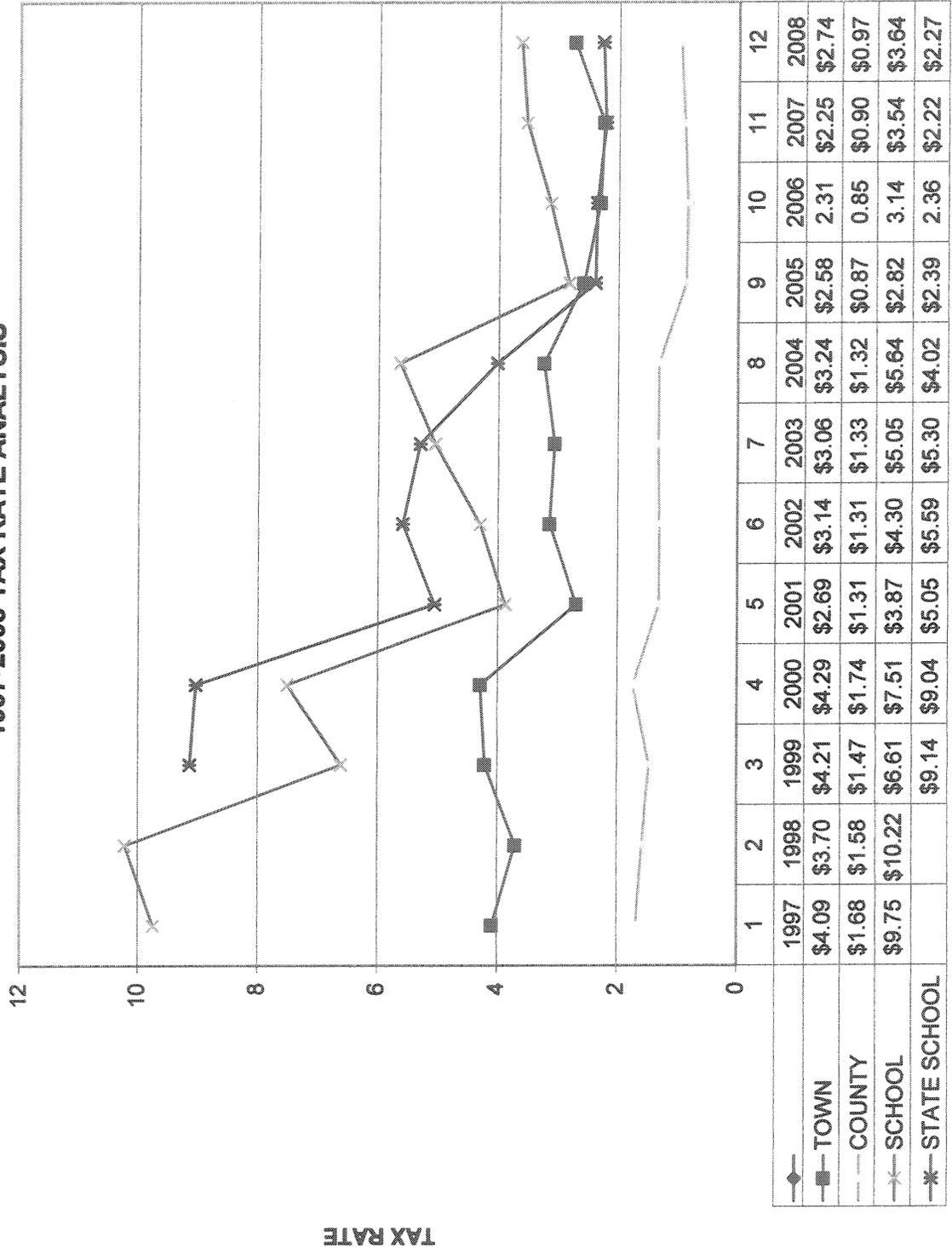
**TOWN OF RYE, NH
2008 TAX RATE**



TOWN OF RYE, NH
TAX RATE COMPONENTS
1997-2008



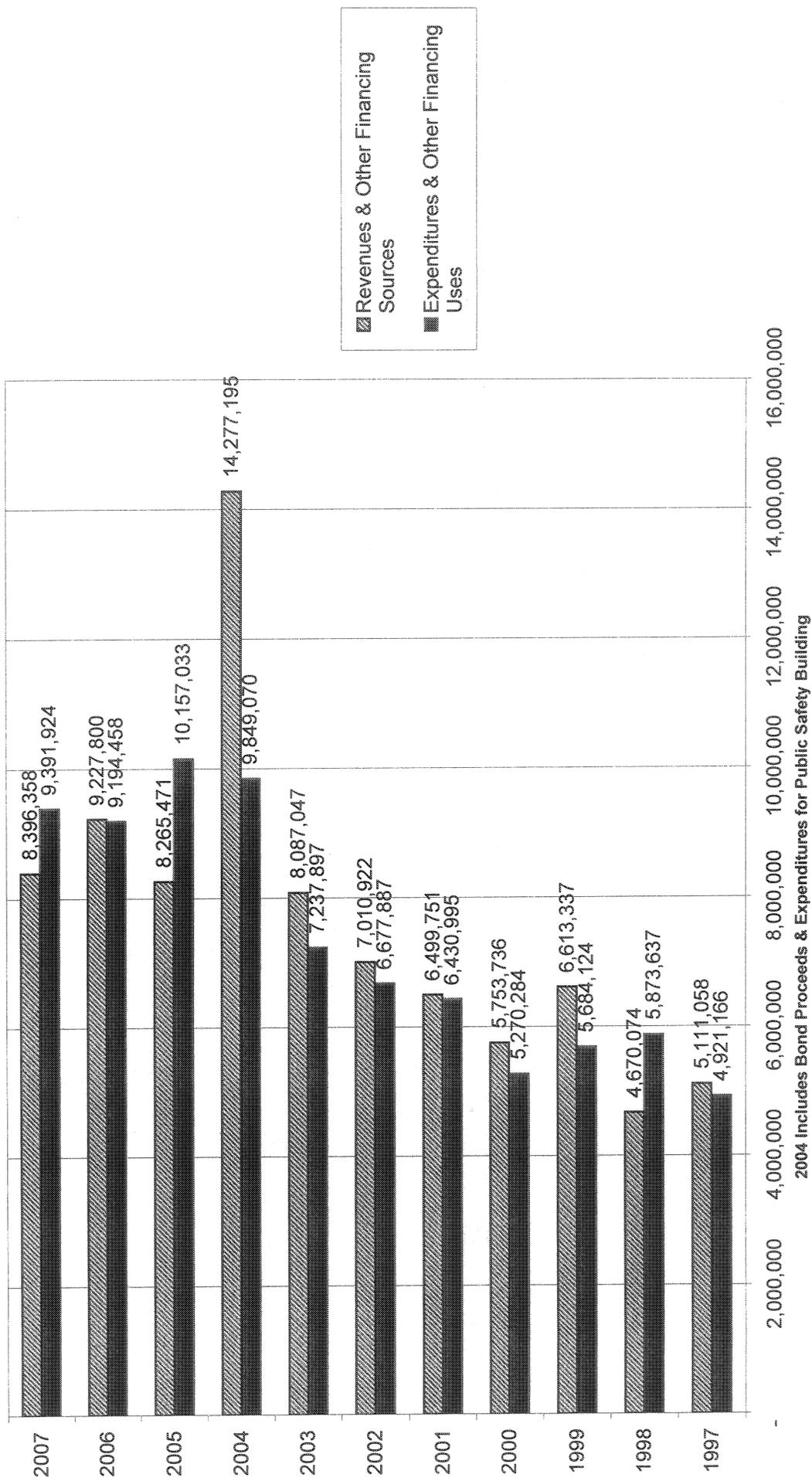
**TOWN OF RYE, NH
1997-2008 TAX RATE ANALYSIS**



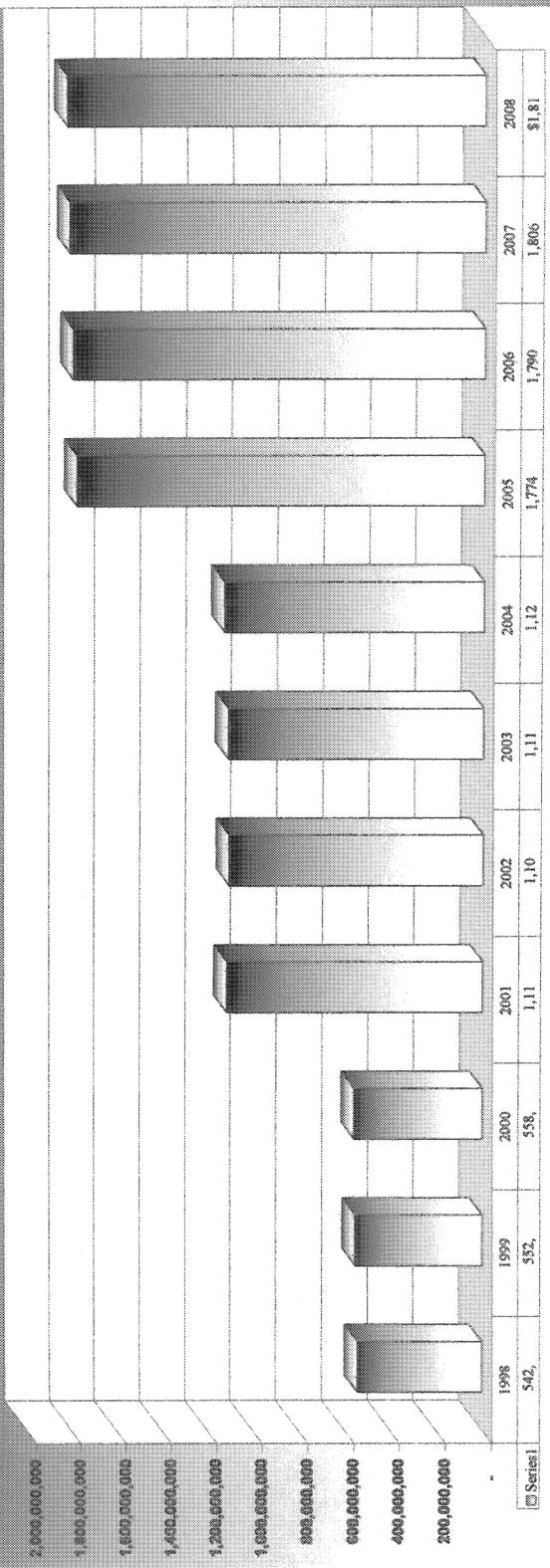
TAX RATE

YEARS

**TOWN OF RYE, NH REVENUES & EXPENDITURES
1997 - 2007**



TOWN OF RYE, NH
ASSESSED VALUATION 1998-2008



TOWN OF RYE, NH
TOP TEN TAXPAYERS
2008

NAME	ASSESSMENT	TAXES LEVIED
BOURNIVAL RICHARD D & ALISSA	\$4,466,300.00	\$44,350.36
STRASBURG LAURA A TRUST	\$4,554,000.00	\$45,947.93
GALVIN MARK & JENNY	\$4,703,500.00	\$47,505.35
BLUNTS ISLAND TRUST	\$4,966,700.00	\$50,163.67
DEMAURO ANNETTE B	\$5,295,600.00	\$52,585.31
ARCIDI ALFRED LOUIS & LAURA E	\$5,368,100.00	\$53,305.23
ABENAQUI COUNTRY CLUB INC	\$5,769,900.00	\$57,295.11
CONDRON CLARE K	\$6,220,100.00	\$60,956.98
MARTIN GERARD M & KATHLEEN	\$6,359,500.00	\$63,149.84
WBTSCC LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	\$10,258,500.00	\$103,610.85

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
TOWN OF RYE, NH
LAND
December 31, 2008

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
553 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
121 PERKINS ROAD	52	12	\$ 28,200.00	0.21	6/12/1991
2025 OCEAN BOULEVARD	8	67	\$ 29,100.00	1.54	12/26/1986
2129 OCEAN BOULEVARD	84	45	\$ 13,300.00	0.03	6/4/1990
154 HARBOR ROAD	92	19	\$ 56,200.00	0.47	6/7/2002
10 OLDE PARISH ROAD	12	44	\$ 181,400.00	0.2	9/27/1995
574 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	53	\$ 200,100.00	0.84	2/10/1986
112 CENTRAL ROAD	12	61	\$ 11,700.00	2.01	5/5/1988
311 LOCKE ROAD	12	69-2	\$ 17,500.00	0.11	1975
1695 OCEAN BOULEVARD	13	8	\$ 369,300.00	0.24	7/27/2000
1589 OCEAN BOULEVARD	13	35	\$ 33,000.00	4	6/7/1993
54 LANG ROAD	15	15	\$ 19,100.00	12.75	9/26/1984
514 WALLIS ROAD	16	82-1	\$ 8,900.00	0.05	3/18/1954
690 WALLIS ROAD	16	205	\$ 17,500.00	0.11	1932
48 WALLIS ROAD	17	83	\$ 17,200.00	9.78	6/19/1996
50 WALLIS ROAD	17	84	\$ 11,800.00	2.26	4/26/2004
11 WALLIS ROAD	173	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
263 BRACKETT ROAD	19	94	\$ 18,500.00	0.09	7/10/1986
270 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
258 PARSONS ROAD	19	132	\$ 43,500.00	14.2	8/12/1991
1167 OCEAN BOULEVARD	194	59	\$ 37,500.00	0.31	4/22/2005
5 NEPTUNE DRIVE	202	60	\$ 31,100.00	0.15	6/26/1990
11 NEPTUNE DRIVE	202	61	\$ 31,000.00	0.14	6/26/1990
155 BRACKETT ROAD	22	61	\$ 23,000.00	1.78	5/13/2004
25 BERRYS BROOK LANE	22	69	\$ 17,300.00	10	4/30/2003
154 BRACKETT ROAD	22	98	\$ 14,000.00	5.09	6/12/1991
158 BRACKETT ROAD	22	99	\$ 23,700.00	19.91	4/26/2004
324 PIONEER ROAD	25	10	\$ 18,800.00	0.31	3/3/1986
TOTAL LAND			\$ 3,152,600.00	95.32	

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
TOWN OF RYE, NH
LAND & BUILDINGS
December 31, 2008

DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	MAP	LOT	ASSESSED LAND VALUE	ASSESSED BLDG. VALUE	ACREAGE	ACQUISITION
SEWER PUMPING STATION	0 CHURCH ROAD	2	63-00A	\$ 100.00	\$ 36,500.00	0	1/1/1991
ABENAQUI PUMPING STATION	0 CENTRAL ROAD	5	1-001	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	0	1964
OUTER MARKER	105 LOCKE ROAD	8	64	\$ 273,600.00	\$ 2,500.00	1.29	7/25/1980
BEACH RD. PUMPING STATION	0 OLD BEACH ROAD	8.4	175-1	\$ -	\$ 2,900.00	0	1990
PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSFER STATI	309 GROVE ROAD	11	134	\$ 306,100.00	\$ 344,600.00	7.13	7/10/1981
POLICE STATION-old	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
PARSONAGE	575 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	43	\$ 231,300.00	\$ 715,100.00	1.9	6/30/1995
TOWN MUSEUM	10 OLDE PARISH ROAD	12	44-00A	\$ -	\$ 109,100.00	0.2	9/27/1995
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		12	61	\$ 11,700.00		2.01	5/5/1988
PARSONS & JENNESS FIELDS	0 RECREATION RD	12	79	\$ 1,130,400.00	\$ 131,100.00	171.02	3/1/1964
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING	555 WASHINGTON ROAD	16	7	\$ 235,400.00	\$ 3,332,100.00	2.17	4/30/2003
Total Land with Buildings				\$ 2,826,600.00	\$ 6,658,600.00	204.12	
TOTAL LAND & BLDINGS				\$5,979,200.00	\$6,658,600.00	299.44	

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

PROPERTY	MAP	LOT	December 31, 2008		CURRENT YR. CHANGES	ACREAGE	ACQUISITION DATE
			ASSESSED LAND VALUE				
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
557 WEST ROAD	4	16		\$13,900		5	9/10/1999
515 WEST ROAD	4	20		\$12,000		2.47	4/21/1999
501 WEST ROAD	4	21		\$11,300		1.54	3/3/1992
519 SOUTH ROAD	4	22		\$11,100		1.32	4/21/1999
505 SOUTH ROAD	4	23		\$11,200		1.46	10/13/1981
509 SOUTH ROAD	4	24		\$11,700		2	5/19/1989
485 SOUTH ROAD	4	26		\$26,800	PURCHASED FROM RAND LUMBER	8.06	11/22/2006
33 GROVE ROAD-ESMT.	7	78		\$0	Philbrick Prop. Esmt. Assessed w/008/009	6.5	12/1/2004
18 GROVE 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	PR3	\$21,300		29.5	4/21/1999
96 GROVE ROAD	7	96	PR4	\$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
416 CENTRAL ROAD	8	23		\$15,200		7.01	4/28/2000
180 HARBOR ROAD	8	55		\$11,600		0.62	12/23/2002
99 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
145 LAFAYETTE ROAD	10	12		\$17,700		11.97	2/2/1981
15 AIRFIELD DRIVE	10	15	2	\$194,300		10.5	3/28/2006
6 WHITEHORSE DRIVE	11	2		\$159,700		93.91	3/13/2003
15 WHITEHORSE DRIVE	11	3		\$8,800		0.12	3/13/2003
44 MOUNTAIN VIEW TERRACE	11	32		\$76,900		8.12	11/19/2003
0 WASHINGTON ROAD	11	83		\$0	PURCHASED FROM MEL LOW	2.77	7/27/2005
200 LOCKE ROAD	12	2		\$283,800		12.02	6/10/2004
75 RECREATION ROAD	12	80		\$1,800	PURCHASED FROM RAND LUMBER	12.15	11/22/2006
1575 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	89		\$15,600		5	12/4/1996
1565 WASHINGTON ROAD	12	90		\$13,300		1.96	7/17/1997
1807 OCEAN BOULEVARD	13	2		\$21,400		0.93	N/A
1555 OCEAN BOULEVARD	13	34	00A	\$9,500		11.9	8/20/1975
129 LAFAYETTE ROAD	14	2		\$15,900		9.25	12/15/1983
24 LAFAYETTE ROAD	14	13		\$20,500		16.4	N/A
28 LAFAYETTE ROAD	14	14		\$18,000		12.53	8/28/1985
32 LAFAYETTE ROAD	14	15		\$16,100		9.5	1981
36 LAFAYETTE ROAD	15	1		\$20,000		14.25	5/28/1980
30 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	1	\$95,700		23.6	1/10/2005
640 LONG JOHN ROAD	16	144	1	\$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
544 BRACKETT ROAD	17	56		\$13,900.00		5	3/2/1993
546 BRACKETT ROAD	17	58		\$12,100.00		2.55	3/2/1993
650 BRACKETT ROAD	17	60		\$73,500.00		42.53	4/12/1973
674 WASHINGTON ROAD	17	62		\$17,800.00	FROM SOUTHEAST	10.4	4/24/2008
12 WALLIS ROAD	17.3	6	1	\$21,200.00		0.23	10/24/2002
20 WALLIS ROAD	17.3	7		\$26,400.00		2.87	6/19/1996
10 WILLIAMS STREET	17.4	25		\$17,900.00	FROM SOUTHEAST	1.42	4/24/2008
33 LIBERTY COMMON	18	28		\$25,800.00		20.6	8/29/1988
6 VICTORY LANE	18	32	6	\$25,400.00		20.03	9/30/1996
329 BRACKETT ROAD	19	37		\$25,300.00		3.33	5/30/2001
285 PARSONS ROAD	19	99		\$27,800.00		5	6/4/1974
259 PARSONS ROAD	19	100		\$39,300.00		10.84	8/20/1975
1055 OCEAN BOULEVARD	19	120		\$15,200.00		6.98	2/28/1983
1045 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 APPLEDORE AVENUE	19.4	50		\$25,400.00	PURCHASED FROM POKORNY	0.63	2/6/2006
1179 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
0 GUZZI DRIVE	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
229 SAGAMORE ROAD	22	9		\$0.00	EASEMENT - STROTT (Kirkpatrick)	30	5/16/1997
179 PIONEER ROAD-ESMT.	22	74	0 PR1	\$537,100		45.2	2/27/1992
179 PIONEER ROAD-ESMT.	22	74	0 PR4	\$111,800		13.5	2/27/1992
176 BRACKETT ROAD	22	101		\$15,200.00		6.98	6/4/1974
701 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	8		\$84,900.00		0.87	7/16/1986
681 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	10		\$120,600.00		16.33	7/17/1997
667 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	13		\$11,400.00		2.63	6/4/1973
663 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	14		\$28,100.00		10.05	7/5/1978
665 OCEAN BOULEVARD	23	15		\$0.00		65.45	11/15/1976
2 SAGAMORE ROAD	24	71		\$31,600.00		7.83	12/1/1978
455 OCEAN BOULEVARD	25	6		\$9,200.00		0.23	1993
445 OCEAN BOULEVARD	25	7		\$11,000.00		1.41	1974
315 PIONEER ROAD	25	9		\$11,900.00		4.3	12/2/1977
TOTAL RYE CONSERVATION LAND				\$3,640,600.00		812.94	

MS - 1

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
FORM MS-1 FOR 2008
Municipal Services Division

PO BOX 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487 Phone (603) 271-2687
Email Address: nduffy@rev.state.nh.us

Original Date:
Copy (check box if copy)
Revision Date:

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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)

Table with columns: PRINT NAMES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS, SIGNATURES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS* (Sign in ink). Includes names: CRAIG N. MUSSELMAN, JOSEPH G. MILLS, JR., PRISCILLA V. JENNESS. Date Signed: 9-9-08. City/Town Telephone #: 603-964-5523. Due date: September 1, 2008.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Contact Person: HEATHER AUSTIN haustin@town.rye.nh.us
(Print/type) Email:

Regular office hours: MONDAY - FRIDAY 8 AM TO 4:30 PM

FOR DRA USE ONLY

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

RYE

LAND BUILDINGS	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving. Lines 2 A, B, C, & D List all buildings.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2008 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4			
A	Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)	1,578.18	\$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)	3,834.53	\$923,133,500
F	Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)	607.34	\$35,297,700
G	Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	6,087.19	\$958,664,900
H	Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land	1,651.66	\$61,005,000
2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B			
A	Residential		\$817,556,700
B	Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$2,357,700
C	Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)		\$40,566,200
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)		\$860,480,600
F	Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		\$37,938,700
3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition)			
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)		
4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5			
			\$0
5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)			
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			\$1,826,492,400
6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a			
(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)		Total # granted	0 \$0
7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b			
		Total # granted	0 \$0
8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a			
		Total # granted	0 \$0
9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV			
(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)		Total # granted	0 \$0
10 Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a			
		Total # granted	0 \$0
11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10)			
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			\$1,826,492,400
12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37			
		Total # granted	3
		Amount granted per exemption	\$15,000 \$45,000
13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b			
		Total # granted	117 \$10,791,000
14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b			
		Total # granted	0
		Amount granted per exemption	\$0 \$0
15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b			
		Total # granted	0
		Amount granted per exemption	\$0 \$0

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16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # granted	0	\$0
17 Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # granted	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)			\$10,838,500
21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)			\$1,815,653,900
22 Less Utilities (Line 3A) Do NOT include the value of OTHER utilities listed in Line 3B.			\$7,346,900
23 NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 21 minus Line 22)			\$1,808,307,000

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

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UTILITY SUMMARY: ELECTRIC, HYDROELECTRIC, RENEWABLE-MISC., NUCLEAR, GAS/PIPELINE, WATER & SEWER
 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)

DOES YOUR MUNICIPALITY USE THE DRA UTILITY VALUES? YES NO

IF YES, DO YOU EQUALIZE IT BY THE RATIO? (please check appropriate box, if applicable) YES NO

SECTION A: LIST ELECTRIC COMPANIES: (Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See Instructions pg 4 Tab & Utilities)	2008 VALUATION
PUBLIC SERVICE CO. OF NH	\$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 REQUEST- THESE COMPANIES ARE ASSESSED ONE BILL FOR THE 4 ENTITIES UNDER -	\$0
N. ATLANTIC	\$0
A1 TOTAL OF ALL ELECTRIC COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION: (See page 4 tab for the names of the limited number of companies)	\$4,980,900

GAS COMPANIES	
Name	\$0
Name	\$0
Name	\$0
A2 TOTAL OF ALL GAS COMPANIES LISTED: (See page 4 tab for the names of the limited number of companies)	\$0

WATER & SEWER COMPANIES	
AQUARIAN WATER COMPANY	\$2,366,000
Name	\$0
Name	\$0
A3 TOTAL OF ALL WATER & SEWER COMPANIES LISTED: (See page 4 tab for the names of the limited number of companies)	\$2,366,000

GRAND TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL A UTILITY COMPANIES (SUM OF A1, A2 AND A3).	\$7,346,900
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SECTION B: LIST OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES (Exclude telephone companies): (Attach additional sheet if needed.)	2008 VALUATION
Name	\$0
Name	\$0
Name	\$0
TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION B: Total must agree with total on page 2, line 3B.	\$0

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TAX CREDITS	LIMITS	*NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS
RSA 72:28 Veterans' Tax Credit / Optional Veterans' Tax Credit \$50 Standard Credit \$51 up to \$500 upon adoption by city or town	\$500	392	\$196,000
RSA 72:29-a Surviving Spouse "The surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States..." \$700 Standard Credit \$701 up to \$2,000 upon adoption by city or town	\$700	0	\$0
RSA 72:35 Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability "Any person who has been honorably discharged from the military service of the United States and who has total and permanent service-connected disability, or who is a double amputee or paraplegic because of service-connected injury...." \$700 Standard Credit \$701 up to \$2,000 upon adoption by city or town	\$2,000	10	\$20,000
0		402	\$216,000

* If both husband & wife/civil union partner 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/CIVIL UNION PARTNER	\$0	SINGLE
			MARRIED/CIVIL UNION PARTNER
			\$0
			\$0

DEAF EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:38-b			
INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$0	ASSET LIMITS:
	MARRIED/CIVIL UNION PARTNER	\$0	SINGLE
			MARRIED/CIVIL UNION PARTNER
			\$0
			\$0

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:39-a						
NUMBER OF FIRST TIME FILERS GRANTED ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR CURRENT YEAR		PER AGE CATEGORY	TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS GRANTED			
AGE	#	AMOUNT PER INDIVIDUAL	AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT	TOTAL ACTUAL EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65-74	4	\$75,000	65-74	35	\$2,625,000	\$2,586,000
75-79	1	\$90,000	75-79	27	\$2,430,000	\$2,430,000
80+	1	\$105,000	80+	55	\$5,775,000	\$5,775,000
			TOTAL	117	\$10,830,000	\$10,791,000
INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$40,000	ASSET LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$199,000	
	MARRIED/CIVIL UNION PARTNER	\$59,900		MARRIED/CIVIL UNION PARTNER	\$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	94.48
FOREST LAND	333.10	\$49,800	REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT YEAR-to Town-exempt	12.15
FOREST LAND WITH DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	52.23	\$5,500		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	323.19	\$49,200		
WET LAND	559.82	\$8,100	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS IN CURRENT USE	67
TOTAL	1,578.18	\$228,900	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS IN CURRENT USE	86

LAND USE CHANGE TAX				
GROSS MONIES RECEIVED FOR CALENDAR YEAR (JAN. 1, 2007 THRU DEC. 31, 2007).				\$0
CONSERVATION ALLOCATION:	PERCENTAGE	0%	AND/OR	DOLLAR AMOUNT
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
TOTAL	64.37	\$4,800	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: (i.e.: Golf Course, Ball Park, Race Track, etc.)
2.77	1	Map 11 Lot 83-Granted to Town (Low) 2.77 ac
ASSESSED VALUATION		DESCRIPTION
\$0		DESCRIPTION
		DESCRIPTION

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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
Date of Adoption/Modification	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy
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	\$7,320		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		
TOTALS of account 3186 (Exclude WMNF)	\$7,320	0.00	

* RSA 362-A:6 was reinstated, effective 4/1/2006. This statute allows municipalities to enter into payment in lieu of tax agreements with small scale power facilities. However, these new PILOT agreements are also taxable under RSA 83-F.

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	2008 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
BUILDINGS	Lines 2 A, B, C & D List all buildings.		
1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4			
A	Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)	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)	324.38	\$105,266,700
F	Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)	112.49	\$4,249,600
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
2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B			
A	Residential		\$115,892,600
B	Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$0
C	Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)		\$5,086,600
D	Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	\$0
E	Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)	0	\$120,979,200
F	Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		\$2,445,100
3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) within district			
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)		
4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5			\$0
5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)			\$230,503,300
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			
6	Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a Total # granted	0	\$0
(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)			
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b Total # granted	0	\$0
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a Total # granted	0	\$0
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV Total # granted	0	\$0
(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)			
10	Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a Total # granted	0	\$0
11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10)			\$230,503,300
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			
12	Blind Exemption RSA 72:37 Total # granted	0	\$0
Amount granted per exemption		\$0	\$0
13	Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b Total # granted	2	\$210,000
14	Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b Total # granted	0	\$0
Amount granted per exemption		\$0	\$0
15	Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b Total # granted	0	\$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)		\$230,293,300

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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	2008 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
BUILDINGS	Lines 2 A, B, C & D List all buildings.		
1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4			
	A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)	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)	318.33	\$243,024,400
	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)	340.40	\$244,299,200
	H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land	1.97	\$1,333,000
2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B			
	A Residential		\$135,861,100
	B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$0
	C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)		\$1,894,800
	D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	\$0
	E Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)	0	\$137,755,900
	F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		\$23,700
3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) within district			
	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)		
4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5			\$0
5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)			
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			\$382,055,100
6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a	Total # granted		
(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)	0		\$0
7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b	Total # granted	0	\$0
8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a	Total # granted	0	\$0
9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV	Total # granted		
(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)	0		\$0
10 Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a	Total # granted	0	\$0
11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10)			
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			\$382,055,100
12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	Total # granted	1	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$15,000	\$15,000
13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b	Total # granted	28	\$2,655,000
14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b	Total # granted	0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0
15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	Total # granted	0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	\$0

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		JENNESS BEACH	
16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # granted		\$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)			\$2,670,000
21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)			\$379,385,100

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		RYE WATER DISTRICT	
LAND	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2008 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
BUILDINGS	Lines 2 A, B, C & D List all buildings.		
1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4			
A	Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)	1,281.23	\$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)	2,899.27	\$549,437,900
F	Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)	311.00	\$22,478,500
G	Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)	4,558.64	\$572,121,000
H	Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land	1,097.80	\$27,721,200
2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B			
A	Residential		\$538,534,800
B	Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$39,700
C	Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)		\$27,750,700
D	Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	\$0
E	Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)	0	\$566,325,200
F	Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		\$24,723,200
3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) within district			
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)		
4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5			\$0
5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)			\$1,138,446,200
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			
6	Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a	Total # granted	\$0
	(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)	0	
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b	Total # granted	\$0
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a	Total # granted	\$0
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV	Total # granted	\$0
	(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)	0	
10	Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a	Total # granted	\$0
11	MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10)		\$1,138,446,200
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			
12	Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	Total # granted	\$30,000
		2	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$15,000	
13	Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a & b	Total # granted	\$7,140,000
		77	
14	Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b	Total # granted	\$0
		0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	
15	Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	Total # granted	\$0
		0	
	Amount granted per exemption	\$0	

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:	RYE 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)		\$7,172,500
21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)		\$1,131,273,700

TOWN OF RYE EMPLOYEES
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NAME	POSITION / DEPARTMENT	TOTAL WAGES	BASE WAGE	OVERTIME	OUTSIDE DETAIL**
* Adams, Lee J.	Recycling Attendant	48,915.96	45,000.83	3,915.13	
* Arthur, Lee C.	Recreation Director	57,525.20	57,525.20		
Arthur, Lee C.	Sewer Commission Secretary	15,200.00	15,200.00		
Atwater, Robert M.	Call Personnel	972.00	972.00		
* Austin, Heather G.	Assessing Clerk	41,601.22	41,601.22		
* Baker, Robin L.	Duty Town Clerk/Tax Collector	25,345.34	25,168.42	176.92	
Baron, Ryan M.	Lifeguard	2,688.00	2,688.00		
Biron, Jessica L.	Parking Enforcement	2,639.00	2,639.00		
Biron, Stephanie L.	Parking Enforcement	1,276.50	1,276.50		
Blais, Benjamin A.	Lifeguard	765.00	765.00		
* Blais, William	Patrolman	58,773.14	46,827.84	6,749.30	5,196.00
Blaisdell, Leon C.	Treasurer	15,000.00	15,000.00		
* Blaisdell, Scott R.	Police Sergeant	71,469.17	59,593.24	8,812.93	3,063.00
Blanding, David M.	Police Special	3,832.22	2,860.22		972.00
Braley Ward, Judith A.	After School Counselor	262.92	262.92		
Brown, Janet M.	Election Worker	397.00	397.00		
Brown, Robert T.	Election Worker	301.75	301.75		
* Bucklin, Alan E.	Recycling Attendant	49,095.02	43,870.46	5,224.56	
Campbell, Kathleen P.	After School Counselor	200.32	200.32		
Carbine, Andrew W.	Call Personnel	1,889.75	1,889.75		
* Carlton, Jonathan R.	Director of Recreation Programs-Resigned 5/02/08	21,082.04	21,082.04		
Castiglioni, Eric W.	Call Personnel	567.00	567.00		
Chase, James	Library Custodian	16,140.80	16,140.80		
Chichester, Madeline L.	Supervisor of Checklist	500.00	500.00		
Colarusso, Kara M.	Lifeguard	3,402.00	3,402.00		
Colbath, Derek J.	Planning Intern	1,330.00	1,330.00		
* Conlon, Bartholomew T.	Patrolman	52,758.39	46,807.36	3,185.03	2,766.00
* Coscia, John V.	Cemetery Superintendent	49,440.00	49,440.00		
Costello, Wellsley J.	Lifeguard	2,150.00	2,150.00		
* Cots, John M.	Firefighter/EMT-B	53,702.98	44,260.10	9,442.88	
* Cronin, Kerry E.	Library Director	60,658.87	60,658.87		
Davis, John F.	Call Personnel	3,244.50	3,244.50		
DeCotis, Donna M.	Town Clerk/Tax Collector Assistant	2,301.17	2,301.17		
Dello Russo, Cara M.	Lifeguard	4,094.00	4,094.00		
Derochemont, Leigh K.	Election Worker	77.00	77.00		
* Dibartolomeo, Jeffrey M.	Fire Lieutenant	68,086.91	51,656.30	16,286.61	144.00
Dixon, Rebecca A.	After School Counselor	12,842.39	12,842.39		
* Dodds, David A.	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer	54,194.10	46,874.46	7,319.64	
Doherty, Juliette	Library Assistant-Part Time	12,048.38	12,048.38		
Donahue, Sarah J.	Lifeguard	1,320.00	1,320.00		
* Doyle, Matthew C.	Patrolman	67,751.02	45,081.07	13,252.95	9,417.00
Drake, Frank A.	Election Worker	216.00	216.00		
Dunfey, Susan	Planning/Building Secretary	22,470.76	22,470.76		
Eaton, Daniel W.	Call Personnel	963.00	963.00		
Fessenden, Michael C.	Call Personnel	275.00	275.00		
Flanigan, Michael J.	Call Personnel	18.00	18.00		
* Gallant, Charles A.	Fire Lieutenant	69,666.00	49,194.76	20,327.24	144.00
Gallant, Kelley	After School Counselor	14,272.80	14,272.80		
Garrity, Timothy P.	Police Special	4,843.99	2,941.99		1,902.00
Gaskell, Douglas G.	Cemetery Attendant/Library Custodian	4,466.00	4,466.00		
* Gaucher, Kenneth I.	Recycling Attendant	32,975.23	30,376.12	2,599.11	
* Gillespie, Cynthia L.	Finance Administrator	54,068.80	54,068.80		
* Goff, Harriet A.	Police Dispatcher/Secretary	45,871.20	45,871.20		
* Gould, Alan S.	Town Administrator - Resigned 9/26/08	72,963.20	72,963.20		
Hammer, Jr., Paul E.	Town Custodian	16,581.10	16,581.10		
Hansell, Geraldine S.	Lifeguard	1,639.00	1,639.00		
Healy, Shawna M.	Library Assistant-Part Time	8,219.28	8,219.28		
* Hill, Roy Lee	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer	52,706.79	47,058.25	5,648.54	
* Hirtle, Scott M.	Firefighter/EMT-1	74,097.24	46,271.04	27,826.20	
Hoefle, Daniel	Moderator	100.00	100.00		
Holway, Jane	Supervisor of Checklist	500.00	500.00		
* Hordon, Ronald A.	Fire Lieutenant	63,533.04	56,601.28	6,931.76	
* Houde, Lisa S.	Librarian - Children Services	33,892.44	33,892.44		
Hussey, Kathleen A.	Call Personnel	1,265.00	1,265.00		
Hutchins, Margaret A.	Library Assistant-Part Time	11,996.00	11,996.00		
* Ireland, Jane E.	Tax Collector/Town Clerk - Retired 7/31/2008	47,521.12	47,521.12		
Ireland, Jane E.	Bookkeeper of the Trust Funds	2,937.00	2,937.00		
Ireland, Jane E.	Deputy Treasurer	170.24	170.24		
Ireland, Janice E.	After School Counselor	13,908.16	13,908.16		
Irwin, Julie A.	Parking Enforcement	4,103.92	4,103.92		

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

TOWN OF RYE EMPLOYEES
2008

NAME	POSITION / DEPARTMENT	TOTAL WAGES	BASE WAGE	OVERTIME	OUTSIDE DETAIL**
* Jenness, Christopher	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer	69,891.43	64,196.69	5,694.74	
Jenness, Priscilla	Selectman	4,147.08	4,147.08		
* Jones, Martha G.	Librarian - Adult Services	30,086.88	30,086.88		
Jordan , Bruce W.	Call Personnel	1,356.50	1,356.50		
* Jordan Jr., Everett E.	Public Works Director	71,175.61	71,175.61		
Joslyn, Lynn J.	Election Worker	79.75	79.75		
Kelly, Tracey M.	Call Personnel	550.00	550.00		
Kendall, Gregory C.	Police Special	13,311.91	8,987.91		4,324.00
Kendall, Gregory C.	Animal Control Officer	2,171.75	2,171.75		
King, Sally S.	Supervisor of Checklist	500.00	500.00		
* Klanchesser, John J.	Firefighter/EMT-B	73,315.84	46,049.54	27,266.30	
* Kornechuk, David C.	Firefighter/EMT-1	60,551.74	52,234.28	7,885.46	432.00
* Labrie, Susan M.	Building Inspector	58,723.21	58,723.21		
Ladrie, Alan	Call Personnel	1,359.00	1,359.00		
* Laing, Steven J.	Fire Lieutenant	84,155.92	60,400.90	23,755.02	
Larivee, Amanda K.	Parking Enforcement	6,140.25	6,140.25		
Lokis, Christopher J.	After School Counselor	1,208.18	1,208.18		
Loring, Victoria R.	After School Counselor	10,006.61	10,006.61		
Low, Jean	Election Worker	388.75	388.75		
Low, Melvin R	Election Worker	14.50	14.50		
MacGlashing, Alyssa A.	Call Personnel	468.00	468.00		
MacGlashing, Jacob R.	Firefighter/Paramedic	51,749.72	34,003.07	17,602.65	144.00
Mahoney, Patricia	Election Worker	259.00	259.00		
Maloney, Molly K.	Lifeguard	3,913.00	3,913.00		
Maxam, Erica L.	Call Personnel	2,244.50	2,244.50		
Miamis, Katrina N.	Lifeguard	168.00	168.00		
* Millett, Frederick	Highway Foreman	63,143.45	56,941.60	6,201.85	
Mills, Joseph G.	Selectman	4,147.08	4,147.08		
Mills, Marcella	Election Worker	187.50	187.50		
Mitrusi, Alexander K.	Police Special	20,862.46	8,283.46		12,579.00
Montalbano, Kathryn	Election Worker	116.00	116.00		
Moore, Kyle F.	Lifeguard	5,474.00	5,474.00		
Muse, Cynthia S.	Election Worker	124.25	124.25		
Musselman, Craig N.	Selectman	4,147.08	4,147.08		
Nadeau, Gail C.	Election Worker	266.25	266.25		
* Nolette, Brenda J	Youth Services - Librarian Asstant	28,140.82	28,140.82		
* Obrien, Duncan J.	Recycling Attendant	43,477.32	39,128.40	4,348.92	
Oliver, Karen	Election Worker	167.75	167.75		
Olson, Constance M.	Election Worker	397.00	397.00		
* Paradis Jr., Paul H.	Highway Fleet Mechanic	58,571.50	51,925.60	6,645.90	
Parenteau Sr., Walter J.	Sewer, Clerk of Works	16,158.24	16,158.24		
Pease, Jared R.	Lifeguard	8,445.00	8,445.00		
* Peirce, Jeffrey T.	Police Sergeant	96,446.21	62,090.98	19,765.23	14,590.00
* Penman, Paul	Director of Recreation Programs	6,243.20	6,243.20		
Philbrick, Alden W.	Call Personnel	228.00	228.00		
Pollock, Evan N.	Call Personnel	981.25	981.25		
* Porciello, Heather J.	Patrolman	64,293.42	51,865.69	5,119.73	7,308.00
Puglisi, Angelo C.	Call Personnel	2,386.00	2,386.00		
Putnam-Bailey, Gwen L.	Library Assistant-Part Time	9,401.26	9,401.26		
* Quinn, Patricia R.	Librarian - Associate Director	44,150.52	44,150.52		
* Reed, Kimberly M.	Planning Administrator	41,092.40	41,092.40		
Ruel, Morris J.	Call Personnel	3,493.50	3,493.50		
Schalvet, Lee J.	Call Personnel	54.00	54.00		
Schwaegerie, Kristen A.	Call Personnel	1,039.50	1,039.50		
Scott, Judy E.	After School Counselor	7,336.72	7,336.72		
Snow MD, Gail A.	Health Officer	4,700.00	4,700.00		
* Sullivan, Scott T.	Patrolman	58,500.89	41,921.94	4,287.95	12,291.00
Sullivan, William H.	Fire Chief	50,880.00	50,880.00		
Swist, Thomas M.	Call Personnel	764.50	764.50		
Tarbell, Julianna K.	After School Counselor	1,862.35	1,862.35		
Tighe, Jane E.	Lifeguard	2,810.00	2,810.00		
Tompkins, Randall B.	Police Special	566.69	566.69		
* Walsh, Kevin P.	Police Chief	79,056.80	78,948.80		108.00
* Webster, Mark D.	Patrolman	83,476.81	53,192.88	17,743.93	12,540.00
* Weiland, Nancy L.	Executive Secretary	48,150.30	48,150.30		
Whittet, Robert J.	Call Personnel	1,392.00	1,392.00		
Williams, Richard V.	Recycling Attendant Part Time	8,021.82	8,021.82		
* Woods, Pamela E.	Librarian - Adult Services	37,977.25	37,977.25		
* Yeaton, Elizabeth M.	Deputy Tax Collector/Town Clerk	50,783.70	50,783.70		
York, Jeffrey E	Call Personnel	383.00	383.00		
134 Employees		3,050,316.29	2,678,379.81	284,016.48	87,920.00

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**TOWN OF RYE
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PACKAGE COSTS - 2009**

BENEFIT	PLAN TYPE	COVERAGE	ANNUAL COSTS	EMPLOYEE SHARE	TOWN'S COSTS
Comp 500 Plan					
Health Insurance	Provided through	Single Coverage per emp	\$ 7,375		\$ 7,375
	Anthem Blue Cross of NH	2-Person Coverage/emp	\$ 14,750	\$ 2,950	\$ 11,800
		Family Coverage/emp	\$ 19,913	\$ 3,983	\$ 15,930
Town pays 100% of single coverage - 80% of the 2-person and family plans					
Blue Choice Plan					
Health Insurance	Provided through	Single Coverage per emp	\$ 7,794		\$ 7,794
	Anthem Blue Cross of NH	2-Person Coverage/emp	\$ 15,588	\$ 3,118	\$ 12,470
		Family Coverage/emp	\$ 21,044	\$ 4,209	\$ 16,835
Town pays 100% of single coverage - 80% of the 2-person and family plans					
Dental Insurance	Provided through	Single Coverage/emp	\$ 468		\$ 468
	Delta Dental Option 1A	2-Person Coverage/emp	\$ 931	\$ 463	\$ 468
		Family Coverage/emp	\$ 1,650	\$ 1,182	\$ 468
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				\$ 10,926 2009 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				\$ 16,978 2009 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				\$ 16,385 2009 Annual
Town pays 100% of this cost					
NH State Retirement Plan					
	Police Officers	Town's Contribution		12.68%	
	Fire Fighters	Town's Contribution		16.05%	
	Employees	Town's Contribution		9.09%	
	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 2008, \$600,000 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 2008 there were no new bonds or notes required by the town. June of 2008 saw 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, 2008 there is a balance of \$2,000,000 that can be bonded for that purpose. The town's total indebtedness as of January 1, 2009 is \$7,195,000. This includes the two million which has not yet been bonded

Upon her retirement as Tax Collector / Town Clerk, Jane Ireland was appointed as the Deputy Treasurer. As well as allowing me a vacation it proves dedication to the town does not retire it only changes titles.

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

GENERAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS

January 1,2007 Starting 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	
		7,094,792.85

Receipts	21,435,979.06
Interest	110,674.14
Disbursements	21,577,575.37

December 31,2007 Ending Balance		
Checking Account	5,071,714.09	
Payroll	1,000.00	
NH Public Deposit Pool	310,246.41	
TD Banknorth Pool	1,680,910.18	
Money Market Account	closed 4-1-08	
		7,063,870.68

CONSERVATION COMMISSION GENERAL FUND

January 1,2008 Starting Balance		11,552.53
Receipts		127,754.01
Interest		2,606.29
Disbursements		-
December 31,2008 Ending Balance		141,912.83

CONSERVATION COMMISSION LAND ACQUISITION

January 1,2008 Starting Balance		17,707.85
Receipts	Donations	910.00
Bond Proceeds		525,000.00
Interest		2,814.81
Disbursements		536,548.07
December 31,2008 Ending Balance		9,884.59

CONSERVATION COMMISSION VERNAL POOL

January 1,2008 Starting Balance		49,312.02
		1,218.23
Receipts		-
Disbursements		3,809.93
December 31,2008 Ending Balance		46,720.32

SEWERAGE OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE FUND

January 1,2008 Starting Balance		327,498.53
Receipts		511,391.55
Interest		4,843.33
Disbursements		479,684.50
December 31,2008 Ending Balance		364,048.91

TOWN OF RYE, ESCROW ACCOUNT

January 1,2008 Starting Balance	26,042.75
Receipts	23,029.50
Interest	495.22
Disbursements	15,829.72
December 31,2008 Ending Balance	33,737.75

TOWN OF RYE, UMBRELLA ACCOUNT *

January 1,2008 Starting Balance	83,540.59
Receipts	200,147.95
Interest	5,308.08
Disbursements	
December 31,2008 Ending Balance	288,996.62

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

TOWN OF RYE, ASSET FORFIETURE ACCOUNT

January 1,2008 Starting Balance	10,429.82
Receipts	
Interest	193.88
Disbursements	
December 31,2008 Ending Balance	10,623.70

Respectfully submitted,

Leon C. Blaisdell
Treasurer

TOWN OF RYE, NH
STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT
December 31, 2008

ISSUED DEBT	2008	
	Year of Issuance	Outstanding Debt
General Fund		
Library Addition	1999	355,000
Fire Station Land	2003	-
Conservation Land	2004	1,125,000
Safety Building	2004	1,980,000
Conservation Land	2006	855,000
Sewer Dept		
Sewer Main Bond	1992	880,000
Total Bond Principle Owed 2008		5,195,000

Annual Obligations	Annual Maturities	Principle	Interest	Total Due
	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
		5,195,000	897,888	6,092,888

Authorized But Unissued Debt

Conservation Land Acquisition	2003	2,000,000
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DEBT MARGIN

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	7,195,000
Assessed Valuation	1,815,653,900
Maximum allowed debt	54,469,617
Allowed Debt Margin (the amount of additional debt which can legally be borrowed)	47,274,617

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT 2008

Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Telephone (603)964-8562; Fax (603)964-4132
bethy@town.rye.nh.us

The year 2008 was a busy one for this office. We registered 7501 vehicles and licensed 1053 dogs. In addition, 52 marriage licenses were issued and 1913 beach parking permits were sold. As the national economy spiraled downward, we experienced a downturn in the revenues collected by this office. Even though 141 more vehicles were registered than last year, we took in less money. It appears our citizens are holding on to their vehicles longer and are purchasing older vehicles which generate less revenue for the town. Property tax collections were also down and we ended the year with 7% of the 2008 levy remaining uncollected. This figure represents a 3% drop over 2007. On the following pages you will find the financial reports for the Town Clerk and Tax Collector. All revenues collected in this office are promptly deposited in the town's general fund and are used to help reduce our property tax rate.

Four elections were held in 2008; the Presidential Primary in January, the Town Election in March, the State Primary Election in September and the General Election in November. The General Election generated a huge 79% turnout and we processed a record breaking 867 absentee ballots. A cooperative effort by the Fire and Police Departments, the Elementary School Staff, Selectmen's Office, Election Workers, Moderator Bob Eaton and this office made for few problems and short lines for our voters.

Please remember to license your dogs! Each year between January 1 and April 30, all dogs need to be licensed. A current rabies certificate is required for each dog. The costs are as follows:

Puppies under 7 months	\$6.50
Spayed or neutered dogs	\$6.50
Unaltered dogs	\$9.00
Senior Citizens (over 65 years of age) may license one (1) dog for	\$2.00

Long time Town Clerk/Tax Collector Jane Ireland retired at the end of July. The town was well served having Jane at the helm for 26 years. Her conscienseness and efficiency were well known. Department heads and the staff at Town Hall knew they could go to Jane with any question. She either had the answer at her fingertip or would quickly conduct a search to find it. We, in this office, were privileged to have her as our mentor. We wish her many years of retirement bliss!

I'd like to express my gratitude to my deputy, Robin Baker, who readily stepped into her new position and quickly gained the skills to handle processing motor vehicles, vital records, taxes and, especially, absentee ballots. Also of great help to this office was Donna Decotis, our temporary assistant. Donna came in to help during our busy election and tax seasons. Many thanks to her for efficiently completing any task assigned to her.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth M. Yeaton
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
Year Ending December 31, 2008

Summary

Motor Vehicle Registrations

Permits (7501)	\$	1,085,756.65
Title Fees (869)		1738.00
Municipal Agent Fees (7154)		18,327.50
E-Reg Fees		811.00
 Total Motor Vehicle Fees	 \$	 <u>1,106,633.15</u>

Dog Licenses

Dog Licenses Issued (1053)	\$	6,221.00
Civil Forfeiture (17)		425.00
 Total Dog License Fees	 \$	 <u>6,646.00</u>

Miscellaneous

Marriage Licenses	\$	2,340.00
Certified Copies		2,172.50
Wetland Permits		240.00
UCC Filings		1,095.00
Beach Parking Permits		38,260.00
Articles of Agreement		5.00
Town Seal		3.00
Voter Checklist		250.00
Filing Fee		9.00
 Total Miscellaneous Fees	 \$	 <u>44,374.50</u>

Remitted to Treasurer	\$	1,157,653.65
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Rye

Year Ending 12/31/2008

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES- BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year 2008 of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES 2007 (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	733,945.55		
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	18,418,304.33	
Resident Taxes	#3180		
Land Use Change	#3120		
Yield Taxes	#3185	188.00	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		
Utility Charges	#3189		

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OVERPAYMENT:

Property Taxes	#3110	18,543.59	26437.63		
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187				
Costs Before Lien		1,329.00			
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	10,258.08	32,297.05		
Costs	#3190		1,873.25		
TOTAL DEBITS		18,448,623.00	794,553.48	\$	\$

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

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Rye

Year Ending 12/31/2008

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for this Year 2008	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2007		
Property Taxes	17,109,240.56	559,885.30		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	188.00			
Interest (include lien conversion)	10,257.95	32,297.05		
Penalties		1,873.25		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		173,887.24		
Costs Not Liened	1,329.00			
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	3,212.53	26,528.95		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED		81.69		

UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	1,324,394.83			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
Interest	0.13			
TOTAL CREDITS	18,448,623.00	794,553.48	\$	\$

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Rye

Year Ending 12/31/2008

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy 2007	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2006	2005	2004
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Year		77,658.16	21,073.73	4,438.64
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	189,880.34			
Interest & Costs Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)	6074.06	10,281.69	7,155.07	
TOTAL DEBITS	195,954.40	87,939.85	28,232.80	4438.64

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:		Last Year's Levy 2007	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
			2006	2005	2004
Redemptions		89,103.65	49,834.05	20,840.08	
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	5,378.06	10,027.44	7,155.07	
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		2,308.64			
Liens Deeded to Municipality			161.11	237.65	4,438.64
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	#1110	99,164.05	27,917.25		
TOTAL CREDITS		195,954.40	87,939.85	28,232.80	4,438.64

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

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE Elizabeth M. Yeston DATE 01/15/2009

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT SEWER ONLY

For the Municipality of Rye

Year Ending 12/31/2008

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES- BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year 2008 of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES 2007		
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx			
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx			
Land Use Change	#3120	xxxxxx			
Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	xxxxxx			
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx	87,556.48		
		xxxxxx			

TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110		
Resident Taxes	#3180		
Land Use Change	#3120		
Yield Taxes	#3185		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		
Utility Charges	#3189	322,863.55	

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OVERPAYMENT:

Property Taxes	#3110				
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187				
Utility		1,064.67	19,112.96		
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	241.57	68602		
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190				
TOTAL DEBITS		324,169.79	107,355.46	\$	\$

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

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT SEWER ONLY

For the Municipality of Rye

Year Ending 12/31/2008

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for this Year 2008	2007	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)	
Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Interest (include lien conversion)	241.57	686.02		
Penalties				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges	256,269.67	83,874.78		
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		3,180.55		
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges	3,337.09	19,614.11		
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED				

UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges	64,321.46			
TOTAL CREDITS	324,169.79	107,355.46	\$	\$

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

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE Elizabeth M. Yeston DATE 01/15/2009

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROOM'S NAME AND PLACE OF RESIDENCE</u>	<u>BRIDE'S NAME AND PLACE OF RESIDENCE</u>
February 26	James G. Hall, Rye, NH	Dawn E. Paradis, Kittery, ME
April 23	Amir Buzimkic, Portsmouth, NH	Jennifer L. Leon, Rye, NH
May 10	James E. Rogers, Hampton, NH	Marcia A. Batal, Rye, NH
June 7	James A. Donlon, Rye, NH	Noreen H. McLean, Rye, NH
June 7	William B. Orum, Greenwich, CT	Sarah T. Gregg, Rye, NH
June 13	Dana F. Leighton, Rye, NH	Irene A. Doole, Rye, NH
July 9	William C. Giles, Rye, NH	Patsy P. Anderson, Rye, NH
July 12	Charles W. Walsh, Rye, NH	Kristin J. Dandison, Rye, NH
July 12	William C. McCann, Rye, NH	Rachel R. Bradt, Rye, NH
July 19	Frederick W. Merrill, Rye, NH	Anne Provost-Desroches, Derry, NH
July 19	Daniel L. Tuohy, Rye Beach, NH	Jennifer L. Stevens, Rye Beach, NH
July 27	Vincent J. Linley, Groton, CT	Libby K. Yeaton, Rye, NH
August 8	Carmen H. Place, North Vancouver, BC	Katherine M. St. Jean, Rye, NH
August 16	Tyler J. Hagstrom, Rye, NH	Sarah J. D'Angelo, Somerset, MA
August 29	Thomas G. Danielson, Boston, MA	Kerry E. Hagerty, Rye, NH
August 31	Darryl H. Dietz, Rye, NH	Jeanne M. Givens, Rye, NH
September 6	Paul J. Cavanaugh, Rye, NH	Kathleen Helder, Rye, NH
September 7	Michael H. Lombard, Rye, NH	Abbey S. Lafreniere, Rye, NH
September 22	David P. McCarron, Rye, NH	Shawn M. Day, Portsmouth, NH
September 27	Shawn W. Bristow, Rye, NH	Elizabeth L. Rubin, Rye, NH
October 18	Robert A. Sawyer, Rye, NH	Muliawati Onggowarsito, Somersworth, NH
October 25	Guy R. Swanson, Rye, NH	Kelly A. Moores, North Hampton, NH
October 25	Jacob R. MacGlashing, Rye, NH	Alyssa A. Bellavance, Rye, NH
November 15	Timothy J. Manning, Rye, NH	Janel Twogood, Pompton Lakes, NJ
December 1	Raymond A. Tweedie, Rye, NH	Alissa M. Blais, Rye, NH

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF CIVIL UNIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PERSON A'S NAME AND PLACE OF RESIDENCE</u>	<u>PERSON B'S NAME AND PLACE OF RESIDENCE</u>
January 1	Ann Kathlyn O'Sullivan, Rye, NH	Ruthann Marie Swaincott, Rye, NH

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF BIRTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME OF CHILD</u>	<u>NAMES OF PARENTS</u>
January 10	Exeter	Dana David Mussulman	Bryan and Kari Mussulman
January 14	Exeter	Edward Kraus Paul	Edward and Nicole Paul
February 14	Dover	Boston Charles-Raymond Brindamour	Charles and Edith Brindamour
February 15	Portsmouth	Ryan David Stoner	Timothy Stoner and Emma Pearson
February 15	Portsmouth	Harper Grace Huskey	Ryan and Jessica Huskey
March 29	Exeter	Isabella Grace Lawrence	Ramsey and Leigha Lawrence
April 23	Exeter	Nina Olivia Cummins	Joseph and Melanie Cummins
May 10	Exeter	Alice Elizabeth Blouin	Donald and Gwendolyn Blouin
May 28	Portsmouth	Dylan Marks	Barry Marks and Cynthia Miller
June 2	Portsmouth	Emily Ann Graham	Daryl and Christina Graham
June 3	Portsmouth	Margo Marie Panek	Raymond and Samantha Panek
June 25	Portsmouth	Abigail Susan Hordon	Ronald and Jennifer Hordon
September 8	Portsmouth	Thatcher Edward Kindstedt	Joseph and Susan Kindstedt
September 10	Exeter	Rose Kennedy Gallagher	John Gallagher and Carolyn Kennedy
October 17	Portsmouth	Sam Ryan Parsi	Farzad and Goli Parsi
November 20	Dover	Zacchais Bruce Israel Barba	Manuel Barba and Carol Macgregor Barba
December 16	Portsmouth	Lucy Rose Broom	James and Kristen Broom

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF DEATHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME OF DECEASED</u>	<u>NAMES OF PARENTS</u>
January 8	Rye	Graceanna Cobb	C. Chick and Marion Ham
January 18	Rye	Anne Moher	John Spillane and Anne Hinton
January 18	Hampton	Shirley Bergeron	Donald Clark Sr. and Ellen Ellis
January 28	Rye	Ruth Bear	Roy Persons and Elsie Graham
February 1	Dover	Ernest Sieg	John Sieg and Elizabeth Kloeckner
February 5	Portsmouth	Margaret Shepard	Harold Chandler and Theresa Woods
February 8	Dover	John Wentzell	Elias Wentzell and Hester Philbrick
February 10	Portsmouth	Irmgard Hoppe	Willy Diekert and Hertha Neubert
February 18	Rye Beach	Edward Jameson	Edward Jameson and Florence Betton
February 19	Rye	Virginia Winslow	William Powell and Lydia Wright
March 7	Rye	William Betton Sr.	Matthew Betton and Amanda Nichols
March 8	Portsmouth	Thomasina Kendall	Guiseppi Cavaretta and Angiolina Romano
March 24	Dover	William Howe	Carl Howe and Florence Marden
April 4	Portsmouth	Beulah Perkins	Walter Flariday and Daisy Balcom
April 8	Rye	Francis Ryan	Frank Ryan and Zelma Jordan
April 16	Rye	William Taylor	Bartlett Taylor and Julia Lewis
April 18	Portsmouth	Bruce Fall	Kenneth Fall and Frances Harton
May 7	Rye	Agnes Sheehan	Edward Callahan and Catherine McHale
May 17	Portsmouth	Robert Barber	George Barber and Isabel Fox
June 1	Dover	David Pike	Bernard Pike and Goldie Young
June 4	Rye	Lucien Levesque Jr.	Lucien Levesque Sr. and Anna Clement
June 16	Portsmouth	Richard Mather	Sydney Mather and Marjorie Mayers
June 21	Rye	Alvin Schwartz	Jeff Schwartz and Katherine Ihre
June 22	Rye	Bernard Maxam	Welcome Maxam and Ida Poole
July 2	Portsmouth	Joseph Kenney Jr.	Joseph Kenney Sr. and Dorothy Landry
July 17	Rye	Mary Head	John Cronin and Catherine O'Neil
July 22	Portsmouth	Frances Sanderson	George Trefethen and Mary Murrey
July 26	Portsmouth	Robert Degnan	Joseph Degnan and Ramona Krauss
August 22	Portsmouth	Harlan Goodwin Jr.	Harlan Goodwin and Doris Fuller
August 27	Rye	Winifred Aiesi	William Ash and Winifred Everly
September 5	Rye	Blanche Bailey	Preston Bailey and Gustie Davis
September 6	Rye	Lester Weiland Jr.	Lester Weiland Sr. and Anna Hagan
September 11	Portsmouth	Joan Dombrowski	William Sheahan and Zada Fitzgerald
September 19	Portsmouth	Betty Trenholm	Harold Smith and Mabel Brightman
September 22	Rye	Edith Pearson	Alexander Stone and Nellie Sterndale
September 23	Rye Beach	Michael Fabiaschi	Anthony Fabiaschi and Betty Buzinski
September 26	Portsmouth	Roger Nelson	Harry Nelson and Miriam Ewen
October 8	Rye	Bernise Herold	Evert Proudfoot and Lucille Umstead
October 14	Portsmouth	James Jameson	Edward Jameson and Florence Betton
October 16	Rye	Lee Roper	Howard Roper and Louise Norcross
November 1	Rye Beach	Charles Malpass	Herbert Malpass and Evelyn McFadden
November 1	Portsmouth	Harry Jarvis	Peter Jarvis and Bessie Fanos
November 10	Rye	Priscilla Flanigan	Wesley Ham and Gladys Brewitt
November 13	Exeter	Mark Stanchfield	Larry Stanchfield and Leona Blanchard
November 28	Rye	Harold Thomas	Urban Taylor and Marcelyn Mills
November 30	Rye	Gloria Hegarty	Angelo Calderone and Laura Decesare
November 30	Rye	Yvette Duberstein	David Lehner and Dorothy unknown
December 22	Rye	Alice Provencher	James Hayes and Billie Dennison

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS REPORT 2008

The Rye Trust Funds were negatively impacted by the third worst stock market performance in recorded history. In 2008 the Dow Jones Industrial average returned a negative 32%, the worst since 1931 (-52.7%), and the third worst in history after 1907's negative 38%. The broader market averages performed even worse with the S&P 500 posting a negative return of 38% in 2008.

Although the Trust Funds were conservatively invested in the highest quality securities, they lost on average just over 20%. Investments in high quality but high yielding financial companies were particularly adversely impacted. Investments in the energy, pharmaceutical and utilities sectors, while providing negative total returns, helped offset substantial losses in financial companies.

Markets in 2009 continue to be negatively impacted by the deleveraging of the global markets and the collapse of the U.S. financial system. Capital continues to seek safe havens, making it increasingly difficult to generate income while preserving principle. For instance, U.S. Treasury Bills, the safest investment available to investors, currently yield well under 1% and recently had a negative yield, investors were willing to pay to insure principle repayment. In light of the current macroeconomic uncertainty, the Trustees intend to maintain a conservative diversified investment approach that will likely reduce current income to the beneficiaries.

Respectfully submitted,

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

REPORT OF TRUST AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

\$ 2,862,761.14

Please insert the total of ALL funds here

Town/City Of: RYE For Year Ended: 12/31/2008

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.

Kerry S. Pope

Jeffrey M. Balboni

Andrew J. Mahoney

Print and sign

Signed by the Trustees of Trust Funds

on this date _____

REMINDERS FOR TRUSTEES

- 1. SIGNATURES** - Print and sign on lines provided above.
- 2. INVESTMENT POLICY** - RSA 31:25 requires the trustees to adopt an investment policy and review and confirm this policy at least annually. A copy of this policy must be filed with the Director of Charitable Trusts (RSA 31:25, 34:5, 35:9).
- 3. 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 fund involved, however, please be advised the fees can be taken from income only and not from principal.
- 4. WEB SITE** - A trustee handbook can be down loaded from the web site for the Attorney General's Charitable Trust Division. www.doj.nh.gov/charitable
- 5. 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.
- 6. CAPITAL RESERVE FUND** - Must be kept in a separate account and not intermingled with any other funds of the municipality (RSA 35:9).
- 7. 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 for the school's financial report.

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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF RYE p. 1 of 2

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Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND Start with common trust funds	Purpose of Trust	HOW INVESTED Bank, deposits, stocks, bonds, etc.	***PRINCIPAL***		
				Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or Losses on Securities
1	8/10/1907 Cemetery Common Fund	cemetery	stocks, bonds	748424.06	29750.00	-3563.25
2	8/21/1909 Library Common Fund	Library	stocks, bonds	299548.11		-5102.27
3		cemetery	stocks, bonds	577218.45		-3578.12
4	12/25/1856 Daniel Austin	Medicine chest	NHPDIP	100.00		
5	12/19/1965 Cap. Res. Fire Truck	Fire Truck	NHPDIP	82266.53	67000.00	
6		Jennie P. Brownell Cemetery	Stocks	12499.69		4.34
7	11/1/1966 Cap. Res. Rye Beach Pre	Beach precinct	NHPDIP	3675.96		
8	11/20/1984 Cemetery Sale of Lots	Cap. Improvment	Money Mkt	0.00		
9	3/17/1990 Cap. Res. Revaluation	Reval	NHPDIP	4808.73		
10	3/17/1990 Cap. Res. Record Restora	Record Restora	NHPDIP	12000.00		
11	3/17/1990 Cap. Res. Employee Leav	Employ. Leave	NHPDIP	139634.18	20000.00	
12	3/14/1992 Cap. Res. Sewer	Sewer	NHPDIP	36082.80		
13	3/12/1994 Cap. Res. Grove Rd Landfill	Landfill	NHPDIP	52375.96		
14	3/12/1994 Cap. Res. Highway Equip.	Highway Equip	NHPDIP	86111.01		
15	3/25/1995 Cap. Res. Rye Water Dept	Replace Exisit	NHPDIP	189375.85		
16	3/30/1996 Cap. Res. Rye Water Dept	Contingency	NHPDIP	44512.69	5000.00	
17	3/16/1996 Foss Graveyard Trust	graveyard	NHPDIP	2330.88		
18	3/16/1994 Cap. Res. Recreation Bldg	Rec Bldg	NHPDIP	10333.09		
19	3/16/1996 Cap. Res. Ambulance	Ambulance	NHPDIP	50164.29	10000.00	
20	2/4/1987 Manuel Fund	Cemetery	NHPDIP	30383.67		
21	2/14/2002 Alma Goodwin Hill	Library	NHPDIP	5000.00		

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 12/31/2008

Withdrawals	***PRINCIPAL***			INCOME			Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year
	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year %	Amount	Expended During Year	Balance at End of Year	
	774610.81	0.00	61892.32	55711.06	6181.26	780792.07	
	294445.84	341.00	18714.55	16680.32	375.23	294821.07	
	573640.33	357.54	27404.38	27279.80	482.12	574122.45	
	100.00	1661.34	37.24		1698.58	1798.58	
	149266.53	1015.53	2090.20		3105.73	152372.26	
	12504.03	113.75	1830.47	1824.85	119.37	12623.40	
	3675.96	187.04	94.90		281.94	3957.90	
		3929.81	29771.03		33700.84	33700.84	
4808.73	0.00	689.27	55.93	745.20	0.00	0.00	
661.79	11338.21	584.72	309.49	894.21	0.00	11338.21	
39436.96	120197.22	0.00	3221.20	3221.20	0.00	120197.22	
	36082.80	11717.95	1175.10		12893.05	48975.85	
4755.95	47620.01	0.00	1260.49	1260.49	0.00	47620.01	
64527.38	21583.63	13144.01	2328.61	15472.82	0.00	21583.63	
86190.99	103184.88	20004.26	3804.75	23809.01	0.00	103184.88	
	49512.69	5749.01	1235.56		6984.57	56497.26	
	2330.88	623.34	72.49		695.83	3028.71	
	10333.09	525.90	268.95		792.85	11125.94	
48860.15	11304.14	7789.50	1350.35	9139.85	0.00	11304.14	
	30383.67	1560.76	785.36		2346.12	32729.79	
	5000.00	0.00	122.97	122.97	0.00	5000.00	

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUNDS INVESTMENTS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF RYE Library - p. 1 of 2

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HOW INVESTED		***PRINCIPAL***				
# 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 & explain.</small>	Balance Beg. of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	
1	154 Ameren	3838.09				
2	800 AT & T	3769.50				
3	328 BP Amoco	16722.71				
4	400 Bank of America	18281.00				
5	600 Bristol Myers	8847.70				
6	510 Chevron Corp	11389.43				
7	Citi group	18860.00			10983.92	
8	400 Dow Chemical	1944.00				
9	250 DuPont E DeNemours	10680.50				
10	500 Enterprise Products		15237.50	-772.50		
11	300 Exxon Mobil	990.90				
12	700 General Electric	23381.60				
13	1000 Ingles Markets	15008.00				
14	400 JP Morgan	20896.00				
15	350 Johnson & Johnson	21022.00				
16	210 Kinder Morgan	7442.00		-816.90		
17	300 Lubrizol	9812.00				
18	900 Southern Co	8711.15				
19	427 Verizon Communications	9756.25				
20	350 Wachovia Corp	19589.03				
21	330 Wyeth	1164.90				

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 12/31/2008

PRINCIPAL					***INCOME***					Grand Total
Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Balance Beg. of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Principal & Income
	3838.09	3838.09								3838.09
	3769.50	3769.50								3769.50
	16722.71	16722.71								16722.71
	18281.00	18281.00								18281.00
	8847.70	8847.70								8847.70
	11389.43	11389.43								11389.43
	0.00	0.00							0.00	0.00
	1944.00	1944.00								1944.00
	10680.50	10680.50								10680.50
	14465.00	14465.00								14465.00
	990.90	990.90								990.90
	23381.60	23381.60								23381.60
	15008.00	15008.00								15008.00
	20896.00	20896.00								20896.00
	21022.00	21022.00								21022.00
	6625.10	6625.10								6625.10
	9812.00	9812.00								9812.00
	8711.15	8711.15								8711.15
	9756.25	9756.25								9756.25
	19589.03	19589.03								19589.03
	1164.90	1164.90								1164.90

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

1. Name of Bank: _____
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: _____
3. Expenses Paid: _____
4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUNDS INVESTMENTS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF RYE Library p. 2 of 2

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HOW INVESTED		***PRINCIPAL***				
# of Shares or Other Units	Description of Investment (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) Put * by any detailed securities held pursuant to RSA 31:26-a & explain.	Balance Beg. of year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	
1	60 Zimmer	0.00				
2	Cash Piscataqua Savings	17081.58				
3	Cash TD Bank North	2772.43		1589.40		
4	600 Equity Residential	12783.70				
5	Cash Fidelity Core Account	2442.30			2088.51	
6	13000 US Treasury Note 2/15/09	12885.98				
7	13000 US Treasury Note 1/15/11	12888.76				
8	0 Deere & Company	8746.60			10241.08	
9	0 LSI	0.00			13.05	
10	0 Fairpoint (spinoff)		0.00		17.67	
11	0 Idearc	0.00			2.00	
12	Cash Fidelity Money Market		2088.51			
13	Cash Fidelity Money Market		20657.72		15237.50	
14						
15						
16						
17						
18						
19						
20						
21	Totals	289546.11	37983.73	0	37983.73	

per: (RSA 31:38-a, IV)

- Name of Bank: _____
- Fees Paid: _____
- Expenses Paid: _____
- Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

12/31/2008

PRINCIPAL		***INCOME***					Grand Total
Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Balance Beg. of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Principal & Income End of Year	
	0.00	0.00				0.00	
	17081.58	0.00	320.04	320.04	0.00	17081.58	
0.40	4382.23	0.00	16019.28	16019.28	0.00	4382.23	
	12783.70					12783.70	
-353.79	0.00	341.00		341.00	0.00	0.00	
	12885.98					12885.98	
	12888.76					12888.76	
3494.48	0.00					0.00	
13.05	0.00					0.00	
17.67	0.00					0.00	
2.00	0.00					0.00	
	2088.51					2088.51	
	5420.22		375.23		375.23	5795.45	
						14.00	
						15.00	
						16.00	
						17.00	
						18.00	
						19.00	
						20.00	
-5102.27	294445.64	341.00	16714.55	16680.32	375.23	294821.07	

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

- Name of Brokerage Firm: _____
- Fees Paid: _____
- Expenses Paid: _____
- Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUNDS INVESTMENTS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF RYE - Cemetery, p.1 of 2

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HOW INVESTED		***PRINCIPAL***			
1	Description of Investment (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) <small>Pur * by any delisted securities held pursuant to RSA 31:25-a & explain.</small>	Balance Beg. of year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales
2	1426 A T & T	16557.12			
3	500 Alliant Energy	15139.95			
4	328 BP Amoco	16722.71			
5	800 Bank of America	38248.00			
6	1020 Chevron Corp.	22687.89			
7	500 Dow Chemical	22683.00			
8	500 DuPont E I DeHouers	8530.00	15579.74		
9	1000 Enterprise	20988.00		-2045.00	
10	1000 Exxon Mobil	7071.00			
11	1000 General Electric	21779.70	10745.47		
12	2000 Ingles Mkts	23679.90			
13	800 Intel Corp	15472.71			
14	800 JP Morgan Chase	41776.00			
15	600 Johnson & Johnson	36373.00			
16	460 Kinder Morgan Energy	16507.50		-1789.40	
17	300 Lubrizol	9812.00			
18	400 Merck & Company	932.00			
19	1000 Pfizer Inc		20156.20		
20	335 Scana Corp	8963.94			
21	350 United Technologies		25207.65		

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

1. Name of Bank: _____
2. Fees Paid: _____
3. Expenses Paid: _____
4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

FOR THE YEAR ENDING Dec. 31, 2008

PRINCIPAL					***INCOME***				
Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Balance Beg. of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year			
	11922.02					11922.02 1			
	16557.12					16557.12 2			
	15139.95					15139.95 3			
	16722.71					16722.71 4			
	38248.00					38248.00 5			
	22687.89					22687.89 6			
	22683.00					22683.00 7			
	24109.74					24109.74 8			
	18943.00					18943.00 9			
	7071.00					7071.00 10			
	32525.17					32525.17 11			
	23679.90					23679.90 12			
	15472.71					15472.71 13			
	41776.00					41776.00 14			
	36373.00					36373.00 15			
	14718.10					14718.10 16			
	9812.00					9812.00 17			
	932.00					932.00 18			
	20156.20					20156.20 19			
	8963.94					8963.94 20			
	25207.65					25207.65 21			

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

1. Name of Brokerage Firm: _____
2. Fees Paid: _____
3. Expenses Paid: _____
4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUNDS INVESTMENTS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF RYE (Dalton Fund - p. 1 of 2)

Please duplicate these pages if you need additional lines.

# 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.	***HOW INVESTED***				***PRINCIPAL***			
		Balance Beg. of year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year
1	528 AT & T	8255.20							
2	0 Alcatel Lucent	0.00			180.24				
3	500 Alliant Energy	15139.95							
4	328 BP Amoco	5775.00							
5	600 Bank of America	27838.00							
6	800 Bristol Myers Squibb	11175.00							
7	250 Chevron	19483.00							
8	0 Citigroup	29474.00			15591.82				
9	210 Conoco Phillips	14653.40							
10	500 Dow Chemical	22658.00							
11	650 DuPont E I DeNemours	19205.00	10389.80						
12	1000 Enterprise Products	20808.00		-2045.00					
13	500 Exxon Mobil	1317.50							
14	920 General Electric	30642.20							
15	1000 Ingles Mkts Inc	14984.00							
16	412 Integrys Energy	11750.00							
17	600 JP Morgan Chase	20878.00	9028.00						
18	550 Johnson & Johnson	32764.50							
19	400 Kinder Morgan Energy	14322.30		-1558.00					
20	600 Lubrizol	20179.00							
21	1400 Pfizer	1284.00	20178.20						

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

1. Name of Bank: _____
2. Fees Paid: _____
3. Expenses Paid: _____
4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 12/31/2008

Gains/Losses from Sales	***PRINCIPAL***				***INCOME***				Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year
	Balance End of Year	Balance Beg. of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year				
	8255.20	8255.20						8255.20	1
180.24	0.00	0.00						0.00	2
	15139.95	15139.95						15139.95	3
	5775.00	5775.00						5775.00	4
	27838.00	27838.00						27838.00	5
	11175.00	11175.00						11175.00	6
	19483.00	19483.00						19483.00	7
-12882.18	0.00	0.00						0.00	8
	14653.40	14653.40						14653.40	9
	22658.00	22658.00						22658.00	10
	29594.80	29594.80						29594.80	11
	18863.00	18863.00						18863.00	12
	1317.50	1317.50						1317.50	13
	30642.20	30642.20						30642.20	14
	14984.00	14984.00						14984.00	15
	11750.00	11750.00						11750.00	16
	29904.00	29904.00						29904.00	17
	32764.50	32764.50						32764.50	18
	12768.30	12768.30						12768.30	19
	20179.00	20179.00						20179.00	20
	21440.20	21440.20						21440.20	21

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

1. Name of Brokerage Firm: _____
2. Fees Paid: _____
3. Expenses Paid: _____
4. Were these fees & expenses paid for totally from income? YES or NO

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUNDS INVESTMENTS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF RYE (Dalton Fund p. 2 of 2)

Please duplicate these pages if you need additional lines.

HOW INVESTED		***PRINCIPAL***			
# of Shares or Other Units	Description of Investment (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) Put * by any detested securities held pursuant to RSA 31:25-a & explain.	Balance Beg. of year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales
2	379 Scana	10140.14			
3	500 Unifil	10561.71			
4	80 Vectren	20072.00			
5	1441 Verizon Communications	27510.71			
6	400 Wachovia	22387.96			
7	600 Wells Fargo	17538.74			
8	80 Zimmer Holdings	0.00			
9	0 Deere & Co.	28013.00			42812.53
10	0 LSI Corp	0.00			65.70
11	29M US Treasury Note 11/15/11	28721.09			
12	29M US Treasury Note 2/15/09	28905.74			
13	Cash Fidelity Core Account	16355.01			16355.01
14	Cash Bank of NH	14941.00		3601.00	
15	700 Equity Residential	21603.00			
16	Cash Fidelity Municipal Money Market		60450.52		57132.74
17	Cash Fidelity Select Money Market		16355.01		1200.00
18	0 Fairpoint (spinoff)		0.00		78.39
19	0 Idearc		0.00		11.79
20					
21	Totals	577216.45	133936.27	0.00	133936.27

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

1. Name of Bank: _____

2. Fees Paid: _____

3. Expenses Paid: _____

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

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

31-Dec-08

PRINCIPAL				***INCOME***				Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year
Gains/Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Balance Beg. of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year			
-5632.99	0.00					0.00	1	
	10140.14	10140.14				10140.14	2	
	10561.71	10561.71				10561.71	3	
	20072.00	20072.00				20072.00	4	
	27510.71	27510.71				27510.71	5	
	22387.96	22387.96				22387.96	6	
	17538.74	17538.74				17538.74	7	
	0.00	0.00				0.00	8	
14599.53	0.00					0.00	9	
65.70	0.00					0.00	10	
	28721.09	28721.09				28721.09	11	
	28905.74	28905.74				28905.74	12	
	0.00	357.54		357.54	0.00	0.00	13	
1.33	18543.33	0.00	26922.26	26922.26	0.00	18543.33	14	
	21603.00					21603.00	15	
0.07	3317.85		482.12	0.00	482.12	3799.97	16	
	15155.01					15155.01	17	
78.39	0.00					0.00	18	
11.79	0.00					0.00	19	
							20	
-3578.12	573640.33	357.54	27404.38	27279.80	482.12	574122.45	21	

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

1. Name of Brokerage Firm: _____

2. Fees Paid: _____

3. Expenses Paid: _____

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

TRUST FUND REPORT FOR LIBRARY COMMON TRUST

DATE	CREATED TRUST NAME	GROUP	RECORDED	BEG. PRIN.	ADD. PRIN.	GAIN	END. PRIN.	BEG. INC.	INC.	EXP.	END. INC.
09-28-1998	THEODOSIA WYATT TRUST	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$336.16	\$0.00	\$-5.73	\$330.43	\$0.36	\$18.75	\$18.71	\$0.40
08-21-1909	JENNESS, J. DISCO	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$1,139.17	\$0.00	\$-19.41	\$1,119.76	\$1.33	\$63.56	\$63.43	\$1.46
02-03-1912	WEBSTER, BENJAMIN F.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$2,768.88	\$0.00	\$-47.17	\$2,721.71	\$3.18	\$154.50	\$154.18	\$3.50
07-07-1917	RAND, MARY TUCK	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$1,010.52	\$0.00	\$-17.22	\$993.30	\$1.14	\$56.38	\$56.27	\$1.25
11-11-1918	LOCKE, JAMES H.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$2,768.88	\$0.00	\$-47.17	\$2,721.71	\$3.18	\$154.50	\$154.18	\$3.50
08-21-1921	DRAKE, JAMES MCEWEN	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$25,006.62	\$0.00	\$-425.95	\$24,580.67	\$28.66	\$1,395.36	\$1,392.50	\$31.52
10-27-1922	MARDEN, RALPH T.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$504.99	\$0.00	\$-8.61	\$496.38	\$0.57	\$28.17	\$28.12	\$0.62
07-06-1925	PARSONS, DR. JOHN	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$2,478.27	\$0.00	\$-42.22	\$2,436.05	\$2.86	\$138.28	\$138.00	\$3.14
11-27-1927	GOSS, SUSAN A.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$2,478.27	\$0.00	\$-42.22	\$2,436.05	\$2.86	\$138.28	\$138.00	\$3.14
01-31-1933	GARLAND, OLIVER PERRY	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$2,478.27	\$0.00	\$-42.22	\$2,436.05	\$2.86	\$138.28	\$138.00	\$3.14
01-22-1941	VARRELL, FORREST CLINTON	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$4,904.84	\$0.00	\$-83.55	\$4,821.29	\$5.62	\$273.68	\$273.12	\$6.18
12-17-1941	PHILBRICK, LIZZIE B.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$1,169.28	\$0.00	\$-19.92	\$1,149.36	\$1.33	\$65.24	\$65.11	\$1.46
01-02-1949	HILL, GERTRUDE P.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$14,768.13	\$0.00	\$-251.56	\$14,516.57	\$16.91	\$824.05	\$822.36	\$18.60
10-07-1949	MARDEN, ELIZA PARSONS	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$16,833.98	\$0.00	\$-286.74	\$16,547.24	\$19.29	\$939.32	\$937.40	\$21.21
12-28-1949	CARTER, WILLIAM J.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$2,474.40	\$0.00	\$-42.15	\$2,432.25	\$2.85	\$138.07	\$137.78	\$3.14
04-30-1958	WALKER, RALPH	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$4,904.59	\$0.00	\$-83.55	\$4,821.04	\$5.65	\$273.67	\$273.11	\$6.21
09-20-1960	HOOK, MARY ISABEL	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$4,904.59	\$0.00	\$-83.55	\$4,821.04	\$5.65	\$273.67	\$273.11	\$6.21
05-23-1961	PARSONS, JOHN L. & BLANCHE	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$3,693.97	\$0.00	\$-62.93	\$3,631.04	\$4.23	\$206.12	\$205.69	\$4.66
05-23-1961	LOUGEE, GILMAN M & MAYBELLE	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$37,884.82	\$0.00	\$-645.31	\$37,239.51	\$43.39	\$2,113.95	\$2,109.62	\$47.72
05-11-1971	PHILBRICK, SHIRLEY S./HELEN F.	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$21,943.34	\$0.00	\$-373.75	\$21,569.59	\$23.55	\$1,224.34	\$1,221.83	\$26.06
05-05-1972	DUDLEY, MARTHA	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$65,877.73	\$0.00	\$-1,121.97	\$64,755.76	\$75.39	\$3,676.07	\$3,668.55	\$82.91
02-07-1980	SYLVESTER, MARGUERITE FRASER	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$3,270.13	\$0.00	\$-55.71	\$3,214.42	\$3.73	\$182.47	\$182.09	\$4.11
12-01-1980	PARSONS, DOROTHY	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$65,456.59	\$0.00	\$-1,114.95	\$64,341.64	\$74.97	\$3,652.45	\$3,644.97	\$82.45
01-10-1990	ROPER, HOWARD & LOUISE	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$4,689.26	\$0.00	\$-79.87	\$4,609.39	\$4.77	\$261.62	\$261.08	\$5.31
12-31-1992	CORINNE P. MACDONALD	LIBRARY	LIBR 12-31-2008	\$5,802.43	\$0.00	\$-98.84	\$5,703.59	\$6.67	\$323.77	\$323.11	\$7.33
				\$299,548.11	\$0.00	\$-5,102.27	\$294,445.84	\$341.00	\$16,714.55	\$16,680.32	\$375.23

**2008 SALE OF LOTS
CENTRAL CEMETERY**

<u>OWNER/LOTS</u>	<u>SALE OF LOTS</u>	<u>PERPETUAL CARE</u>
Estate of Shirley Ann Bergeron Cedar Lawn, Lot E-46, 1 & 2	450.00	450.00
Michael P. Lawton Division IV, Lot 2009	1875.00	1875.00
Michael P. Lawton Division IV, Lot 2010	1875.00	1875.00
Richard R. & Edith T. Femia Division II, Lot 49-B	750.00	750.00
Peter R. & Frances E. Geremia Division IV, Lot 2008	1875.00	1875.00
John & Charlotte Crowley Division IV, Lot 2011	1875.00	1875.00
Charles & Ann Malpass Division I, Lot 508	2250.00	2250.00
Judd & Kathleen Gregg Division IV, Lot 2006	1875.00	1875.00
Marion R. Ryan Cedar Lawn, Lot E91, 1 & 2	550.00	550.00
Corinna Holt Division IV, Lot 2002N	937.50	937.50
Terrence Hemming Division IV, Lot 2003	1875.00	1875.00
David & Donna Allen Division IV, Lot 2016	1875.00	1875.00

<u>OWNER/LOTS</u>	<u>SALE OF LOTS</u>	<u>PERPETUAL CARE</u>
James & Patricia Maheras Cedar Lawn, Lot E94, 1 & 2	550.00	550.00
Steven & Greta Gardner Division IV, Lot 2005	1875.00	1875.00
A. Vaughan & Elizabeth Sanborn Division IV, Lot 2012	1875.00	1875.00
David & Christine Hudlin Division IV, Lot 2015	1875.00	1875.00
Philip & Mae Winslow Division IV, Lot 2013	1875.00	1875.00
George & Norah Predaris Cedar Lawn, Lot E91, 3 & 4	550.00	550.00
Paul & Kathleen Goldman Division IV, Lot 2007S	937.50	937.50
Arthur F. & Judith C. Dionne Division IV, Lot 2007N	937.50	937.50
Evelyn Johnson Cedar Lawn, Lot E27, #4	275.00	275.00
Richard M. Hayden Division IV, Lot 2002S	937.50	937.50
TOTALS	\$29,750.00	\$29,750.00

SAMPL BALLOT

RESULTS OF THE VOTE 2008

1016 BALLOTS CAST
22% TURNOUT
* denotes winner

RESULTS



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

John E. [Signature]
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>FOR MODERATOR</p> <p>Vote for not more than one</p> <p>For two years</p> <p>*KAREN W. OLIVER 374 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>*ROBERT G. EATON 602 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p>Vote for not more than two</p> <p>For three years</p> <p>*SARA ANN (SALLIE) MACKIE 721 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>*DEBORAH G. GENESTRETI 643 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE</p> <p>Vote for not more than two</p> <p>For three years</p> <p>*PAUL GOLDMAN 770 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>Robert Eaton 25 <input type="radio"/> (Write-in)</p> <p>smattering (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>FOR SELECTMAN</p> <p>Vote for not more than one</p> <p>For three years</p> <p>*JOE MILLS 578 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ROSALIE POWELL ANDREWS 383 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>smattering (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</p> <p>Vote for not more than one</p> <p>For three years</p> <p>*JEFFREY BALBONI 778 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>smattering (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>FOR CEMETERY TRUSTEE</p> <p>Vote for not more than one</p> <p>For three years</p> <p>*ROGER O. PHILBRICK 873 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>smattering (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p>FOR SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST</p> <p>Vote for not more than one</p> <p>For six years</p> <p>*MADELINE L. CHICHESTER 826 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>smattering (Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>FOR PLANNING BOARD</p> <p>Vote for not more than two</p> <p>For three years</p> <p>*MELVIN R. LOW 748 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>WILLIAM W. ZECHEL 342 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>MARTIN G. ZIVIC 443 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>FOR SEWER COMMISSIONER</p> <p>Vote for not more than one</p> <p>For three years</p> <p>*DAVID KOHLHASE 806 <input type="radio"/></p> <p>smattering (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:

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.

794
YES
NO
154

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 emboldened*. Deleted text is ~~struck through~~.)

Explanation

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.

724
YES
NO
198

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE R A Y

RESULTS OF THE VOTE 2008

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.

710
YES
NO 224

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.

680
YES
NO 242

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.

687
YES
NO 222

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.

537
YES
NO 395

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE BALLOT

RESULTS OF THE VOTE 2008

BALLOT 2 OF 3



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

John E. Roberts
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:

Year	Estimated Increase
2008	\$10,800.70
2009	\$15,661.60
2010	\$16,447.52

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,800.70 for the 2008 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over the appropriation at current staffing levels in the prior fiscal year. 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

672
YES
NO 304

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?

618 YES
247 NO

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

Year	Estimated Increase
2008	\$ 19,625.81
2009	\$ 17,399.70
2010	\$ 18,900.29

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 19,625.81 for the 2008 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over the appropriation at current staffing levels in the prior fiscal year. 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

645
YES
NO 324

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?

645 YES
279 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:

Year	Estimated Increase
2008	\$ 16,889.44
2009	\$ 18,239.80
2010	\$ 20,898.30

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,889.44 for the 2008 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over the appropriation at current staffing levels in the prior fiscal year. 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

659
YES
NO 312

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?

662
YES
NO 279

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<p>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, <i>The New Ambulance Vehicle Fund</i> created in 2005 for this purpose and to authorize the withdrawal of fifty eight thousand dollars (\$58,000) from the <i>Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund</i> 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.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">643</p> <p>YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">304</p>
<p>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.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">600</p> <p>YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">341</p>
<p>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.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">571</p> <p>YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">359</p>
<p>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 <i>Youth Recreational Athletics Account</i>, 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.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">577</p> <p>YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">358</p>
<p>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.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">567</p> <p>YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">369</p>
<p>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.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">566</p> <p>YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">363</p>
<p>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.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">520</p> <p>YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">411</p>
<p>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.)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">529</p> <p>YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">371</p>
<p>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.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECTMEN THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">671</p> <p>YES <input type="radio"/></p> <p>NO <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: right;">261</p>
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**OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 11, 2008**

John C. Deane
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.)

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

YES 758
NO 221

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 865
NO 100

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 797
NO 146

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.)

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

YES 871
NO 100

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.)

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

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

YES 694
NO 261

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 696
NO 271

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 911
NO 63

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING

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RESULTS OF THE VOTE 2008



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

Sherry A. Sparks
 SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

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

FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Vote for not
 three (3) year terms more than two (2)

*JEANNE M. MOYNAHAN 578

*MICHAEL SCHWARTZ 669

MAGGIE DUFFY-DURKIN 416

(Write-in)

(Write-in)

ARTICLES

Article 1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 1, as follows:

Shall the Rye School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$11,713,178? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$11,311,186, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Rye School District or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required) (NOTE: This warrant article [operating budget] does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.)

YES 692

NO 272

The Rye School Board and Rye Budget Committee recommend the operating budget.

Article 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 2, as follows:

To see if the Rye School District will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Rye School Board and the Rye Educational Support Personnel Association (RESPA) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

YEAR	ESTIMATED INCREASE
2008-09 :	\$30,631
2009-10 :	\$22,294 – \$43,551
2010-11 :	\$18,376 – \$41,105
2011-12 :	\$21,300 – \$45,850
2012-13 :	\$20,377 – \$46,577

The range in years 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, and 2012-13 is a minimum and maximum amount determined by a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,631 (Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Thirty One Dollars) for the upcoming fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. (Majority vote required) (NOTE: This appropriation is in addition to warrant article number 1, the operating budget article.)

YES 679

NO 292

The Rye School Board and Rye Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Article 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Article 3, as follows:

Shall the Rye School District, if article 2 is defeated, authorize the Rye School Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 2 cost items only?

YES 688

NO 273

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING

MODERATOR'S REPORT

The town moderator is charged with overseeing the conduct of all elections (RSA 659:9) and presiding over the town deliberative session (RSA 40:4). 2008 was a busy year for Rye's 4,838 registered voters. There were four elections: (1) the presidential primary on January 8th (63% turnout); (2) the town and school plebiscites on March 11th (22% turnout); the State primary on September 9th (17% turnout); and (4) the general election on November 4th (79% turnout). All elections went smoothly, with waiting times either extremely short or nonexistent. The ease with which the elections proceeded was largely due to our new Town Clerk, Beth Yeaton, and to her predecessor, Jane Ireland. The town clerks and their staff worked tirelessly before, during and after every election. Even then, however, we would not have fared so well were it not for the efforts of our many other election officials and civic-minded volunteers. Also instrumental to our success were RES Principal Lane Richardson, Police Chief Kevin Walsh, and Fire Chief Skip Sullivan. Thank you all.

The 2009 Rye Deliberative Session, the minutes of which are contained elsewhere in this Annual Report, was held on January 31st at Rye Junior High School. Having been elected in March, 2008, this was my first Deliberative Session as your town moderator. I am much indebted to my predecessor, Dan Hoefle, for the wisdom and experience that he shared with me and, most importantly, for the example he set in his ten years serving Rye.

The town warrant contains 17 articles, most of which were placed on the election ballot with little discussion at the Deliberative Session. However, Article 15, which proposes to amend two town ordinances regarding the extent dogs are allowed on the beach during the summer months, and the conditions to be attached to that permission, prompted considerable debate. I congratulate all of you who participated in it for the quality of your discourse, the sincerity with which you engaged in it, and the respectful tone with which you addressed your fellow citizens.

Attendance estimates for the Deliberative Session ranged between 140 and 150, which was up from the 40 to 60 souls who made it to the 2008 Deliberative Session. Much of the increase was no doubt due to the dog debate. However, I hope that, in some small degree, the higher turnout reflected a recognition on the part of Rye residents that these town meetings are important to what makes our town a special place to live – not only does the Deliberative Session have considerable power to amend warrant articles, but also it provides us with the rare opportunity to publicly engage with our friends and neighbors on the issues facing the Town. That engagement is vital to our small-town sense of community, and to the fabric that joins us together. In 2010, I hope to see at least 250 people at the Deliberative Session. So please, come, and bring a friend. You know I'll be there.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Eaton
Town Moderator

SAMPLE BALLOT



ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 10, 2009

BALLOT 1 OF 3

Elizabeth M. Yeaton
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

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- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
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<p style="text-align: center;">FOR SELECTMAN</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>CRAIG MUSSELMAN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than two</p> <p>L. GARRY LAYMAN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>KAREN W. OLIVER <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than two</p> <p>RAYMOND J. JARVIS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>DOUGLAS ABRAMS <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>ELIZABETH M. YEATON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>KERRY S. POPE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR PLANNING BOARD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than two</p> <p>DONALD CAVALLARO <input type="radio"/></p> <p>PATRICIA M. WEATHERSBY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>WILLIAM W. ZECHEL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR TREASURER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>LEON C. BLAISDELL <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR BUDGET COMMITTEE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For two years more than one</p> <p>EDWARD NED PAUL, III <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FOR SEWER COMMISSIONER</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>PETER KASNET <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR CEMETERY TRUSTEE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not For three years more than one</p> <p>KENNETH MOYNAHAN <input type="radio"/></p> <p>ROBERT "MIKE" SARGENT, SR. <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</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:

Amend Section 801.1 Building Permits Required to remove the \$1500 threshold for alterations of building, structures or subsurface waste disposal systems which require building permits and to also provide that alterations costing less than \$1500 do not require a building permit fee?

YES

NO

Explanation

Currently alterations of buildings, structures or subsurface waste disposal systems costing less than \$1500 do not require a building permit. The amendment would require all such alterations to have a building permit but alterations costing less than \$1500 would not require a building permit fee.

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

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:

Amend Section 202.12, A. Adult Establishments, to add adult cabarets, adult arcades and Body Art establishments governed by New Hampshire RSA Chapter 314-A to the list of Adult Establishments which are regulated in Rye? (The amendment also adds definitions of "adult arcade" and "adult cabarets" to the ordinance.)

Explanation

Adult establishments are not permitted within 500 feet of the Single Residence or General Residence Districts; within 500 feet of a mobile home park; or within 1000 feet of another adult establishment. The amendment adds adult arcades, adult cabarets and body art establishments to the list of adult establishments subject to these restrictions.

YES []
NO []

Amendment 3: Proposed by the Rye Planning Board.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 3, as follows:

Add definitions of "Nursing Facility" and "Assisted Living Facility" to the ordinance and amend the special exception provisions of the Single Residence, General Residence, Business and Commercial Districts to replace the terms "convalescent or nursing home" and "home for the elderly" with "nursing facility" and "assisted living facility," as follows: (Note: Proposed new text is in bold italic. Text to be deleted is struck through.)

Uses Allowed by Special Exception.

YES []
NO []

Hospital, convalescent or nursing home facility, assisted living facility, home for the elderly, religious or educational institution?

Explanation

The terms "convalescent or nursing home" and "home for the elderly" are somewhat outdated and are not defined by the zoning ordinance. The amendment replaces these terms with the terms "nursing facility" and "assisted living facility" and defines the new terms in a manner consistent with the definitions of those terms in state statutes.

Amendment 4: Proposed by the Rye Planning Board.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 4, as follows:

Add a new Section 509 Demolition Review which would establish a process for reviewing the proposed demolition of buildings or parts of buildings which are older than 65 years and greater than 500 square feet in gross floor area?

Explanation

The purpose of the amendment is to encourage the preservation of buildings and places of historic, architectural and community value.

The amendment would not prohibit demolitions of buildings or parts of buildings which are subject to the review. It would establish a waiting period before issuance of a Demolition Permit, during which a Demolition Review Committee would review the proposed demolition to determine if it is a potentially significant building. If buildings are determined by the committee to be not potentially significant, a Demolition Permit could be promptly issued, which would result in a waiting period of two weeks or less.

If the building is determined to be potentially significant, the committee would hold a hearing and determine if the building is significant. If the building is determined to be significant, the committee would explore alternatives to demolition and try and work with the owner to avoid demolition. If alternatives cannot be agreed to by the owner, demolition could proceed after the 49 day review period expires.

YES []
NO []

In determining whether a building is significant or potentially significant the Demolition Review Committee would be required to consider whether: (1) the building is of such interest or quality that it would meet national, state or local criteria for designation as an historic, cultural or architectural landmark; (2) the building is of such unusual or uncommon design, texture or materials that it could not be reproduced or could be reproduced only with great difficulty and expense; (3) the building is of such historic, architectural or community value that its removal would be to the detriment of the public interest; (4) retention of the building would help preserve and protect an historic place or area of historic interest.

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SAMPLE BALLOT



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RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 10, 2009

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Elizabeth M. Yeaton
TOWN CLERK

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT QUESTIONS CONTINUED

Amendment 5: Proposed by the Rye Planning Board.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 5, as follows:

Amend the ordinance to allow "Small Wind Energy Systems" in all districts except the Conservation District and to adopt a new Section 508 Small Wind Energy Systems to regulate such systems?

Explanation

The purpose of the amendment is to increase local energy independence, reduce pressure on the local electricity grid and reduce pollutants from traditional forms of energy by providing for small wind energy systems in appropriate locations, while minimizing any adverse visual, safety and environmental impacts of a system.

"Small Wind Energy Systems" consist of: (1) a vertical or horizontal wind turbine and tower, or (2) a horizontal or vertical turbine mounted on a building. The capacity of a system is 60 kilowatts or less, and it must be used primarily for onsite consumption.

State statutes enacted in 2008 prohibit municipalities from unreasonably limiting the installation and performance of renewable energy systems, including small wind energy systems. Rye currently does not regulate small wind energy systems. The proposed amendment requires that all small wind energy systems obtain a Conditional Use Permit from the planning board, which will require a hearing and notice to the public and abutters. The amendment includes extensive regulation of matters such as tower height; setbacks from adjacent properties, roads, wetlands and water bodies; noise levels; visual impact; shadowing; safety and other matters intended to balance the benefits of encouraging small scale power production with mitigation of the impact on neighboring properties and the environment.

YES

NO

Amendment 6: Proposed by the Rye Planning Board.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 6, as follows:

Amend 505.3 Wireless Telecommunications Facilities District, Map, Note 1, as follows: (Note: Proposed new text is in **bold italic**. Deleted text is ~~struck through~~)

Note 1. At site TC-3 towers and other telecommunication facilities are prohibited within the 400 ft. **sanitary** radius exclusion zone of the **Rye Water District** ~~production~~ water wells?

YES

NO

Amendment 7: Proposed by the Rye Planning Board.

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 7, as follows:

Amend Section 901.1 Annual [Building Permit] Limitation to correct a typographic error which incorrectly states the annual building permit limitation as 0.75% of the total dwelling units erected as of December 31 of the prior year rather than the correct limitation of 1.75%? (The amendment also updates the information stated in Section 901.1 which explains how the annual limitation is calculated.)

YES

NO

ARTICLES

ARTICLE 4. Building Code Amendment Proposed by the Rye Planning Board.

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment to the Rye Building Code:

Add a new Section 7.8-A Outdoor Wood-Fired Hydronic Heaters, which regulates such outdoor heaters?

YES

NO

Explanation

Outdoor Wood-Fired Hydronic Heaters are free standing wood burning devices that heat a liquid (water or antifreeze) which in turn is pumped to a residence or other structure to provide heat. The amendment adopts regulations applying to such outdoor heaters including emission levels, permitted fuels, setback, stack height and safety requirements.

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED

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ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) to be added to the Library Building Maintenance expendable trust fund established by Article 14 at the 2005 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a. 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

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ARTICLE 10. (By petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate five hundred dollars (\$500) to help support Great Bay Services, a local non-profit organization, and the services it provides to more than 100 people with developmental disabilities and their families from the New Hampshire Seacoast region, including Rye, and Southern Maine. Great Bay Services provides residential housing, a community center, life management skills programs, school-to-work transition services, employment assessment and placement, nursing services, recreational and educational opportunities and community integration for the people it serves. 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. 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 nine hundred fifty-six thousand seven hundred sixty-seven dollars (\$7,956,767)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be seven million seven hundred forty-five thousand nine hundred seventy dollars (\$7,745,970) 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 THIS ARTICLE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely until special rescission of such authority, the public library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose? Prior to the acceptance of a gift valued at over \$5,000 the public library trustees shall hold a public hearing on the proposed acceptance. (Majority vote required.) YES [] NO []

ARTICLE 13. Shall we permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its income-generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchase of books, supplies and income-generating equipment? (Majority vote required.) YES [] NO []

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE BALLOT



ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 10, 2009

LOT 3 OF 3

Elizabeth M. Yeaton
TOWN CLERK

ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 14. (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor. Resolved: We, the citizens of Rye, NH, believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State Leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the "Pledge", have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes. YES NO

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 11 of Ordinance #1, the Beach Ordinance, and rescind Ordinance #23, the Animal Beach Use and Waste Removal Ordinance, in its entirety as follows. (Note: Deleted text is ~~struck through~~, new text is in **bold italic**)

11. (a) Dogs are not permitted on Town Beaches before ~~6:00 p.m.~~ **7:00 p.m.** or after ~~8:00 a.m.~~ **9:00 a.m.**, from the Saturday before Memorial Day ~~to the first day of October~~ **to the first Saturday after Labor Day**. The only exception will be the area between Wallis Sands State Park and Odiome State Park where dogs and people are allowed between the hours of ~~42 midnight and 6:00 a.m. when the beach is closed~~ **6:00 a.m. and 12 midnight**.

During this part of the year:

- 1. All dogs shall be otherwise under the control of their owner or other custodian.
- 2. The owner or custodian of any dog that defecates on Town of Rye beaches shall immediately remove such defecation from public property and dispose of it on their own property or otherwise properly dispose of same.

**#23
ANIMAL BEACH USE AND WASTE REMOVAL ORDINANCE**

A. Authority

In accordance with the authority granted by New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Chapters 31:30 (b), 47:17 XI, and 466:30, the following ordinance is hereby adopted by the Board of Selectmen and is intended to supplement and be in addition to the provisions of RSA 466:30 a which was duly adopted by the Town of Rye pursuant to Referendum vote November 4, 1980 as required by RSA 466:30 b:

B. Beach Use

- 1. Dogs are not permitted on Town beaches before 6:00 p.m. or after 8:00 a.m. from the Saturday before Memorial Day to the first day of October each year.
- 2. Horses are not permitted on Town beaches at any time from the first day of June to the first day of October each year.

C. Waste Removal

The owner or person having custody of any dog that defecates on Town of Rye beaches shall immediately remove all such defecation and dispose of it on his own property or otherwise properly dispose of same.

D. Penalties

- 1. The owner or custodian of any dog or horse that fails to comply with any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to the following:
 - a. A fine of twenty five (\$25.00) dollars for the first offence and fifty (\$50.00) for each subsequent offense; and
 - b. In the case of a dog, if it is not under the control of its owner or other custodian, the dog may be impounded in which event the owner shall also be responsible for the payment of all costs incurred by the Town in impounding the dog, including, but not limited to all boarding fees due the facility where the dog was impounded.

E. Conflicting Laws

In the event any provision of this ordinance is in conflict with any applicable State law or any other Town ordinance, the law or ordinance that provides the higher duty or greater penalty shall govern. YES NO

Adopted at Town Meeting March 12, 1994
Amended Art. 28, 3/12/02 (Section B, 1)

ARTICLE 16. 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 2009. YES NO

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING

TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

2009
MINUTES OF THE
DELIBERATIVE SESSION

2009
BUDGET

2007
AUDITOR'S REPORT
AND STATUS OF THE 2008 AUDIT

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

January 31, 2009 and March 10, 2009

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

At 9:11 a.m. on the 31st day of January 2009 at the Junior High School gymnasium, Moderator Robert Eaton convened the meeting and led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then introduced himself as the new Town Moderator leading his first deliberative session. He stated he has large shoes to fill in replacing Dan Hoefle who served for 10 years as Town Moderator. He stressed he feels the Deliberative Session is an important event in the annual work of our town government. It is the one chance that we get to come together to discuss all the concerns that affect us as a town and for every one of us to play a role in forming a solution to our common problems. It is also a chance for the citizens to get to know one another. He hopes that next year everyone will bring a friend to take part in the meeting. In being new to the job, he promised to do his best to earn the trust that has been placed in him.

Moderator Eaton read a list of the names of our friends and neighbors who died in 2008. A moment of silence was observed in their memory.

Moderator Eaton introduced all those seated on the stage: the Board of Selectmen: Joe Mills, Craig Musselman and Priscilla Jenness, Finance Administrator/ Assistant Town Administrator Cyndi Gillespie, Town Counsel Michael Donovan and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Elizabeth Yeaton.

Moderator Eaton then stated his rules for the meeting. He read as follows:

1. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and debate the articles on the town warrant. However, because Rye has adopted the SB2 Deliberative Session form of government, this meeting may not exclude articles from the ballot. Up or down voting on an article only occurs at the March election. Nonetheless, this meeting may amend most articles to change how they appear on the ballot.

2. By state law, the Moderator sets the rules and procedures of the meeting. We will not follow Robert's Rules of Order or any other complicated rules of parliamentary procedure. Instead, we will follow my rules. I cannot promise to run a perfect meeting, but I will do my best to run a fair meeting. Ultimately though, this is your meeting. By majority vote, you can change my rules, or overrule any decision I make.

3. I will read each article in the order that it appears on the warrant, unless somebody moves to take an article out of order. After reading each article, I will ask for a motion to move it to the floor for debate. Like all motions, it must be seconded. I will then recognize the article's sponsor. After that, everyone here is invited to speak. If you wish to speak, come to the

microphone and introduce yourself by name and street address. I will try to recognize all people who wish to speak to an article before I permit someone to speak twice. You should address all your comments to me, not to other people here. I am not setting a strict time limit for speaking, but I ask you to use common sense, and keep in mind three to five minutes as a general guideline. Also, I remind you that we are here in the spirit of fair debate. I expect everybody to be civil and courteous, and to avoid bitterness. I will not permit personal attacks on people or their motives. When there is no further discussion on an article, I will order that it be placed on the ballot, either as written or as amended.

4. Any registered voter in Rye can move to amend an article. Amendments should be submitted in writing to me, unless they are very simple. I will read the amendment, and then open the floor for discussion. When you are ready to vote, I will restate the amendment. The only limit to amendments is that they may not add a new subject.

5. If you haven't already done so, you need to check in at the clerk's table, get a yellow voting card, and sign it. To vote, I will ask you to raise your yellow card. However, we will vote by secret ballot if, before voting on an article, five voters present here sign a written request for a secret ballot on that article.

6. A recount will be taken of non-secret ballot votes if seven voters, either orally or in writing, make such a request. Such recounts will be conducted by secret ballot. The recount of a secret ballot will be taken on the request of five voters.

7. Any voter can move to reconsider a vote. You do not need to have been in the majority to make such a motion. However, I will not permit multiple motions to reconsider.

8. You may also move to restrict reconsideration of an article. Such a motion may be made after I order an article to be placed on the ballot. It is not debatable. If the motion carries, this meeting may not reconsider that article later. You can leave without worrying that the article might be taken up again. However, I encourage you to stay until the end of the meeting, to engage in the discussion of the remaining warrant articles, and to listen to your neighbors debate the issues that are important to them, and to the Town.

9. Calling the question is the same as moving to end debate. This motion is not debatable. It requires a two-thirds majority to pass. Also, if anybody is trying to speak when the question is called, I will let them speak before voting on the motion.

10. Occasionally, someone who is not a resident of Rye, or who is not a registered voter, may wish to speak. I will ask if there is any objection. If nobody objects, I will permit that person to speak. If there is an objection, I will call for a vote. The will of the majority will prevail.

11. I remind you that this is your meeting. You may appeal any ruling I make (majority vote overrules), and I will entertain any motion that is made.

Hearing no questions regarding his rules for the meeting, Moderator Eaton stated we would start with Article 5.

Moderator Eaton read Article 5.

ARTICLE 5. 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 Priscilla Jenness, seconded by Craig Musselman, to place this article on the floor for discussion.

Selectwoman Jenness stated that currently, this fund contains \$120,197.22. She explained that if every employee left at once, the liability to the town would be \$398,356.66 as of the end of 2008. The Board of Selectmen has been advised the town should have at least 50% of the liability in this fund.

There being no further discussion on this article, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 5 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 6.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) to be added to the Library Building Maintenance expendable trust fund established by Article 14 at the 2005 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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

Joan Sweeney, Chairwoman of the Library Trustees, spoke to the article. She explained that this money is to be added to the trust so that funds will be available to cover large maintenance expenses not included in the operating budget for any given year.

Gary Terhune asked why these expenses could not be covered in the operating budget. Ms. Sweeney stated that these projects often span more than a one year period of time and therefore could not be included in the regular operating budget.

Upon determining no one else wished to speak to the article, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 6 placed on the ballot as read.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 7.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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

Selectman Mills explained this money covers the cost of replacement for the large equipment used by the Highway Department. Currently, this fund has a \$21,000 balance.

Highway Agent Bud Jordan stated this large equipment is important to the town as it is used to clear the roads during and after winter storms. In addition, if a truck breaks down and is unable to be repaired, the money is there to replace it so as not to create a hardship to the townspeople.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 7 placed on the ballot as read.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 8.

ARTICLE 8. 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 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.)

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

Selectman Musselman explained this money would be added to the fund to cover major repairs to any of the town owned buildings.

There was no discussion on this article. **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 8 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 9.

ARTICLE 9. (By petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) to help support Families First Health and Support Center, the Seacoast's community Health Center, and the services it provides to Rye families and individuals. Approximately 100 Rye residents each year utilize Families First's services, which include affordable primary care, prenatal care and dental care, with a sliding scale for uninsured patients as well as parenting classes and support groups with free child care, family programs and individualized support for families facing particular challenges. Families First is a nonprofit organization located at the Community Campus in Portsmouth. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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It was **moved** by Joe Mills, seconded by Don Osborne, to place Article 9 on the floor for discussion.

Marjorie Wachtel, Communications Director of Families First Health and Support Center, asked to speak to this article. Because she was not a registered voter in the Town of Rye, Moderator Eaton asked if there was any objection to allowing her to speak. Hearing no objection, she was given permission to address the article. She began by stating that Families First was celebrating its 25th anniversary this year and it was the first time it had come to the town to request support. It was her understanding the reason the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee did not originally support this article was the amount of money requested was too high. Families First would willingly reduce its request to \$1,000 if that figure would be more acceptable.

Selectman Mills wanted it understood the Board of Selectmen does not believe Families First was undeserving, but the original request was just too high, especially for a first request.

James Maheras, Vice Chairman of the Budget Committee, said the Budget Committee felt the same way.

Jeff Quinn asked Ms. Wachtel how they computed the amount asked for.

Director Wachtel replied they base the request on \$25 per person served from Rye.

Selectman Mills wanted Ms. Wachtel and those present at the meeting to know the Town of Rye has committed to spending \$52,339 on 25 regional associations.

Mary Ann Sullivan inquired as to how much money the Town contributes toward health care for its citizens.

Selectman Mills was unsure but read off the list of the 25 associations supported by the Town of Rye.

Ms. Sullivan replied it was a commendable list but how much money goes to health care, especially for school aged children?

Selectman Mills stated he was unable to answer the question because he didn't have the information available at the meeting.

Paula Merritt offered an amendment lowering the request to \$1,000. The amendment was seconded by Connie Olson.

Moderator Eaton opened the floor to discussion on the amendment.

Jeff Quinn asked if the Selectmen had a benchmark as to how much money to contribute to these various organizations. To him, \$1,000 or \$2,500 seemed arbitrary.

Selectman Mills said it had something to do with the number of people serviced by the organization.

Selectman Musselman stated they require an annual report from each organization detailing the type of services offered as well as the number of Rye residents receiving services. Typically, organizations making a first request are given a lower amount until some history is attained.

Selectman Mills informed the meeting that only 5 organizations will be receiving more money than was being requested today.

Moderator Eaton 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 9 from \$2,500 to \$1,000. Show of hands. Amendment carries.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 9 as amended. **Hearing no further discussion, he ordered Article 9 as amended placed on the ballot.**

**** Following the adjournment of this Deliberative Session, members of the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee met separately and voted to recommend Article 9 as amended. ****

Moderator Eaton read Article 10.

ARTICLE 10. (By petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate five hundred dollars (\$500) to help support Great Bay Services, a local non-profit organization, and the services it provides to more than 100 people with developmental disabilities and their families from the New Hampshire Seacoast region, including Rye, and Southern Maine. Great Bay Services provides residential housing, a community center, life management skills programs, school-to-work transition services, employment assessment and placement, nursing services, recreational and educational opportunities and community integration for the people it serves. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

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It was **moved** by Priscilla Jenness, seconded by Craig Musselman, to place Article 10 on the floor for discussion.

Selectwoman Jenness spoke to the article. It was her opinion that most people are familiar with the services provided by Great Bay. This is the first request by this organization. Currently, there is one family receiving services by this organization. The \$500 level of request came directly from Great Bay Services.

No further discussion ensued. **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 10 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 11.

ARTICLE 11. 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 nine hundred fifty-six thousand seven hundred sixty-seven dollars (\$7,956,767)? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be seven million seven hundred forty-five thousand nine hundred seventy dollars (\$7,745,970) 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.

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It was **moved** by Craig Musselman, seconded by Joe Mills, to place Article 11 on the floor for discussion.

Selectman Musselman spoke to the fact that Rye's Town Budget is typically Spartan. In September, before the financial crisis really established itself, the Selectmen submitted their budget to the Budget Committee. In November, after the economic downturn, the Selectmen asked all department heads to review their budgets to find areas which could be decreased.

Several line items were found that could be reduced or eliminated. It was also decided to reduce some of the warrant articles that would add funding to some of the Capital Reserve Funds. Typically, the Town adds \$67,000 to the fund that would be used to purchase the next piece of firefighting equipment. Due to the economic times, it was also decided to hold off on another Capital Expense, that of constructing a salt shed at the Highway Department. The result was a 2.6% decrease in the original budget including the warrant articles. In looking at some other towns in NH also dealing with hard financial times, it was noted they would have to resort to layoffs of some of the workforce to keep the budgets level. Here in Rye, we were able to find other areas to lower the overall budget without having to lay off town employees. Our budget has been cut to the bone. The Selectmen have noted in the last few newsletters that several years ago, we were required to raise a significant amount of money to cover the State Education Tax. Later, it was discovered we didn't have to pay out this money. It has been used to reduce the tax rate over the last several years. We must face the fact that the surplus has been reduced down to the amount required by law to be held in reserve. The Selectmen have done their best to reduce the budget but there will still likely be an increase in the tax rate due to the lack of surplus to help offset it.

James Maheras, Vice Chairman of the Budget Committee, read a note from Paul Goldman who is the Chairman of the Budget Committee. He read as follows:

“Hello Board of Selectmen, Town Moderator, Department/Committee/Commission Heads, and Citizens of Rye.

I apologize for not being able to be there this morning, but I wanted to make the following comments regarding the Town Budgeting Process that was just concluded. Given the very tough economic environment we are facing, I want to recognize and thank everyone involved with establishing the 2009 Rye Town Budget. All parties involved worked very hard to strike an appropriate balance between funding essential projects and programs and holding budget increases to an absolute minimum. The result achieved for the Rye Town Budget is a 2.6 % decrease over last year's budget, including operating expenses and Warrant Articles.

With regard to all of the hard work that went into achieving the new budget, I want to express my sincere appreciation to the Rye Board of Selectmen, the Department/Committee/Commission Heads, the Town Finance Department, and especially the Rye Budget Committee.

Sincerely,

*Paul Goldman,
Chairman – Rye Budget Committee”*

After determining there was no one else desiring to speak to this article, Moderator Eaton ordered Article 11 be place on the ballot as written.

Moderator Eaton read Article 12.

ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely until special rescission of such authority, the public library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose? Prior to the acceptance of a gift valued at over \$5,000 the public library trustees shall hold a public hearing on the proposed acceptance. (Majority vote required.)

It was moved by Bill Ladrie, seconded by Jeff Quinn, to place Article 12 on the floor for discussion.

Joan Sweeney, Chairwoman of the Library Trustees, explained that there is a procedure in place that regulates non-monetary gifts donated to the Library. Each year, the Library Director has to file a report with the State of New Hampshire that details all gifts received by the Rye Public Library during the previous year. In the past, a warrant article dealing with such gifts had to be voted on every year. If Article 12 passes, it will mean that the voters will no longer have to deal with the issue every year. The authority to allow the Trustees to accept non-monetary gifts will remain in place indefinitely.

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

Moderator Eaton read Article 13.

ARTICLE 13. Shall we permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its income-generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchase of books, supplies and income-generating equipment? (Majority vote required.)

It was **moved** by Bill Ladrie, seconded by Sallie Mackie, to place Article 13 on the floor for discussion.

Joan Sweeney explained that the Library has some equipment that generates income. As an example, she stated the Library acquired a new copier machine that is used often by the public. In 2008 that machine generated \$2,400. Such money could be used to offset the budget and require less money to be raised by taxes.

Moderator Eaton stated he had been advised by Town Counsel Donovan that the language of this article may not be amended per RSA.

Moderator asked if anyone else wished to speak to this article. **Hearing none, he ordered Article 13 to be place on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 14.

ARTICLE 14. (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor. Resolved: We, the citizens of Rye, NH, believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State Leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the “Pledge”, have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes.

It was **moved** by Ralph Hickson, seconded by Randy Crapo, to place Article 14 on the floor for discussion.

Randy Crapo, one of the signers of the petition, wanted it known this article was not necessarily a support of either a sales tax or an income tax. The authors of the article just wanted to send a message to our representatives at the State not to take the “Pledge” and to consider all options regarding property taxes.

Selectman Craig Musselman stated the Board of Selectmen had decided not to recommend this article (even though no recommendation is necessary because it is not a money article) because it might include gambling in the solution to the problem. They are not in favor of gambling because it affects those least likely to afford it.

Mr. Crapo replied his group does not endorse gambling in particular. They just want all fair options to be considered.

Hearing no further discussion, Moderator Eaton ordered Article 14 placed on the ballot as written.

Moderator Eaton began reading Article 15. He called for a motion to waive the reading of Ordinance #23 which was proposed to be rescinded as part this article. The **motion** was received from Joe Mills and seconded by Priscilla Jenness. **A show of hands showed the motion carried.**

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 11 of Ordinance #1, the Beach Ordinance, and rescind Ordinance #23, the Animal Beach Use and Waste Removal Ordinance, in its entirety as follows. (Note: Deleted text is ~~struck through~~, new text is in ***bold italic***)

11. (a) Dogs are not permitted on Town Beaches before 6:00 p.m. or after ~~8:00 a.m.~~ ***9:00 a.m.***, from the Saturday before Memorial Day to the first day of October each year.

~~The only exception will be the area between Wallis Sands State Park and Odiome State Park, where dogs and people are allowed between the hours of 12 midnight and 6:00 a.m. when the beach is closed.~~

During this part of the year:

1. *Between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. all dogs shall be on a leash under the control of its owner or other custodian.*

2. *Between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. all dogs shall be otherwise under the control of its owner or other custodian, with the exception of the Town owned beach between Wallis Sands State Park and Odiorne State Park where dogs are allowed between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight during any part of the year.*

3. *The owner or custodian of any dog that defecates on Town of Rye beaches shall immediately remove such defecation from public property and dispose of it on their own property or otherwise properly dispose of same.*

#23

ANIMAL BEACH USE AND WASTE REMOVAL ORDINANCE

A. Authority

~~In accordance with the authority granted by New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Chapters 31:39 (b), 47:17 XI, and 466:39, the following ordinance is hereby adopted by the Board of Selectmen and is intended to supplement and be in addition to the provisions of RSA 466:30 a which was duly adopted by the Town of Rye pursuant to Referendum vote November 4, 1980 as required by RSA 466:30 b:~~

B. Beach Use

- ~~1. Dogs are not permitted on Town beaches before 6:00 p.m. or after 8:00 a.m. from the Saturday before Memorial Day to the first day of October each year.~~
- ~~2. Horses are not permitted on Town beaches at any time from the first day of June to the first day of October each year.~~

C. Waste Removal

~~The owner or person having custody of any dog that defecates on Town of Rye beaches shall immediately remove all such defecation and dispose of it on his own property or otherwise properly dispose of same.~~

D. Penalties

- ~~1. The owner or custodian of any dog or horse that fails to comply with any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to the following:~~
 - ~~a. A fine of twenty five (\$25.00) dollars for the first offense and fifty (\$50.00) for each subsequent offense; and~~
 - ~~b. In the case of a dog, if it is not under the control of its owner or other custodian, the dog may be impounded in which event the~~

~~owner shall also be responsible for the payment of all costs incurred by the Town in impounding the dog, including, but not limited to all boarding fees due the facility where the dog was impounded.~~

E. Conflicting Laws

~~In the event any provision of this ordinance is in conflict with any applicable State law or any other Town ordinance, the law or ordinance that provides the higher duty or greater penalty shall govern.~~

~~Adopted at Town Meeting March 12, 1994
Amended Art. 28, 3/12 02 (Section B, 1)~~

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

Selectman Musselman said the issue of dogs on the beach has been the subject of debate here in Rye for many months. There have been several, well attended meetings addressing the issue. The Board has received many letters on the subject of dogs on the beach. One person recently stated the Board of Selectmen was just trying to make everybody happy. Selectman Musselman said they were under no illusion that everyone could be happy about any decision made. Some folks want no dogs on the beach while others want unlimited use of the beaches for their dogs. In his opinion, the ordinance being presented offers more flexibility than the previous one. It offers an additional hour of beach use for dogs in the early morning when there is still little use by people. The leash requirement during the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. allows more control of dogs during those hours when people are still on the beach and property owners might be using their outdoor grills. Ordinance #23 has been removed because it is no longer necessary because the items are included in Article #1 or in State law.

More enforcement had been in place during 2008 and it was found that most violators were not residents of Rye. Of the 53 tickets given out for dog violations, 39 were issued to non-residents. Most dog owners are responsible and it is the few who aren't who cause the problems. Continued enforcement will be in place this summer. It is up to the voters to decide the fate of this warrant article. He stated the Selectmen are just trying to be responsible and do what's best for the town.

Don Perrault, a member of ROMP (Rye Organization Monitoring Pets), was next to speak. This organization has been working with the Town on dog issues. The members are dedicated to helping dog owners be more responsible and not abuse the privileges afforded to them. They were involved in the process that brought this warrant article being considered today. He expressed his gratitude to the Selectmen for conducting the public hearings mentioned earlier and allowing input from the citizens of Rye. Member of ROMP are sympathetic with the article and the concerns of beach goers, beach property owners and the general public. They recognize that there are some incongruities in some of the Town Ordinances. He proposed an amendment which was seconded by Lee Perrault. This amendment would change the hours dogs are

allowed on the beach and would remove sub-paragraph #1 requiring dogs to be leashed from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. In Mr. Perrault's opinion, this amendment would put the responsibility of controlling dogs on the beach on the owners, where it belongs. According to this amendment, Section 11 of Ordinance #1 would now read as follows:

11. (a) Dogs are not permitted on Town Beaches before 7:00 p.m. or after 9:00 a.m., from the Saturday before Memorial Day to the first day of October each year.

During this part of the year:

- 1. All dogs shall be otherwise under the control of its owner or other custodian, with the exception of the Town owned beach between Wallis Sands State Beach and Odiorne State Park where dogs are allowed between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight during any part of the year.***
- 2. The owner or custodian of any dog that defecates on Town of Rye beaches shall immediately remove such defecation from public property and dispose of it on their own property or otherwise properly dispose of same.***

Moderator Eaton opened the floor to discussion of this amendment.

Ken Goldsmith spoke next. He stated he had a new appreciation for the political process in Rye since witnessing the discussions on this subject. He has spoken to other towns to see how they handle it. After speaking with several town residents and reading the minutes of the meetings on dogs, he feels they want to keep the current ordinance but increase the signage and enforcement. Perhaps more enforcement could be considered as well as increasing the revenues from fines to cover the costs of increased enforcement.

Shawn Crapo asked if the article as written would remove the enforcement and fines for offenses. Selectman Musselman replied the ordinance is longer than what appears on the warrant. This article only includes those sections of the ordinance that could be changed if the article is passed at the March election. No changes are being requested to the area of the ordinance concerning enforcement or fines.

Discussion continued with Jeff Hunter stepping up to the microphone. He expressed his concern about horses on the beach and how this article would affect them. He noted that disposal bags and trash cans had been available to beach goers during the summer months. He feels these should be provided all year long. In addition, he thinks the ending date covered under this ordinance should be Labor Day, not the first day of October.

Selectman Musselman advised Mr. Hunter nothing pertaining to horses would change as a result of the vote on this article.

Bill Scott stated he has been taking his dogs to the beach for years and thinks the 7:00 p.m. timeframe would work well during the summertime but the ending date should be earlier than October 1. He has seen a diminishing number of people on the beach during the evenings after Labor Day each year. He suggested an amendment changing the date from the first day of October to the week after Labor Day.

Moderator Eaton requested the amendment be presented in writing.

Town Counsel Donovan advised Moderator Eaton this could be an amendment to the original amendment or they could be handled as separate amendments. It was determined Mr. Scott wanted it treated as an amendment to the original amendment.

It was **moved** by Bill Scott, seconded by many others, to bring the amendment to the amendment to the floor for discussion.

Moderator Eaton called for discussion.

Paula Merritt said she was not in favor of changing the October 1 date to the week after Labor Day.

Selectman Musselman said currently, the language in the ordinance reads that the starting day of the season is the Saturday before Memorial Day. That is a finite date and is easy to enforce. The proposed amendment listing the week after Labor Day as an ending date is too vague. He suggested using the first Saturday after Labor Day would be easier to enforce.

Moderator Eaton asked Mr. Scott if he was amenable to this change. Mr. Scott he had no problem with changing the date. Moderator Eaton asked those who had seconded the amendment if they agreed with Mr. Scott; they replied they did.

Jeff Quinn questioned who had authored this article. He assumed it was the selectmen and was assured he was correct. He believes the Selectmen have worked hard to come up with a fair proposal and he questions the need for any amendments at this time. There is no need to do over what has already been done.

Bob Warner thanked the Selectmen for raising some issues and coming up with the initial proposal. He is a dog owner and he and his dog frequently run on the beach. He believes that leashing dogs on the beach is a self defeating thing that anyone who knows dogs would understand. Extending the time when dogs are not allowed on the beach in the evening seems like a reasonable compromise; he is willing to delay his run until 7:00 p.m. but pushing it until 8:00 p.m. would be unreasonable.

Tom King stated he was one of the draftees of the original amendment and could answer any questions about it. He requests that if the amendment is passed, the Selectmen put their recommendation on the article when it appears in the ballot.

Town Counsel Donovan replied this is not allowed by law. First of all, this is a non-moneyed, non-petitioned article and selectmen's recommendation is not allowed on these types of articles per RSA. When selectmen have, themselves, put an article on the warrant, it becomes inherent that they endorse the article.

Mike Brown feels that people who walk their dogs on the beach are receiving a slap on the wrist. He prefers the current Ordinance #1 be left in place and continue on with rescinding Ordinance #23.

Claudia Hackett, who is a beach walker and user, spoke in support of the original article.

Don Osborne called the question on the amendment to the amendment.

Moderator Eaton called for a vote to end discussion on the amendment to the amendment. The motion to end discussion carried.

Moderator Eaton asked for a show of hands vote on the amendment to the amendment. The amendment to the amendment passed.

Further discussion on the amended amendment followed.

Mike Schwartz called the question which was seconded by Don Perrault.

Since Selectman Mills had been seeking the floor before the question was called, Moderator Eaton allowed him to speak.

Selectman Mills explained that information he had received from the former Town Administrator led him to believe the head of ROMP agreed with the changes and conditions listed in the original article. He stated that he could be wrong, but he believed an agreement had been reached with the lady from ROMP.

Don Perrault was give permission to reply. ROMP is a volunteer organization. Many members of the organization have spoken on this issue. They don't speak as one voice and have many differing opinions. Many members did not agree with some of the provisions in the article. Subsequent to the drafting of the article, ROMP met and came up with the wording of the original amendment. He feels the amendment is a reasonable compromise. He apologized for any misunderstanding that may have existed between the Board of Selectmen and ROMP. He didn't believe that ROMP was ever on record as supporting a period of time when dogs could be on the beach. The members felt the rules presented in this article just wouldn't work.

Selectman Mills wanted to advise Mr. Perrault that the Selectmen had promised to set up a committee to work on the dog problem. When this supposed agreement between the Town Administrator and ROMP was reached, the committee was canceled.

Mike Schwartz called the question and Mr. Perrault seconded it. Moderator called for those in agreement of limiting debate on the amendment to raise their hands. The motion carried.

Moderator Eaton read the article as amended. He then called for a vote on the amendment. **A vote by show of hands showed the amendment carried.**

Selectman Musselman presented a subsequent amendment. The sentence that now begins “All dogs shall be otherwise under the control of its owner...” was poorly drafted when the article was first written. As currently written, it could be interpreted to mean that dogs do not have to be under the control of their owners at the Town owned beach between Wallis Sands State Park and Odiorne State Park. This situation is not what was intended. The proposed amendment would clean up the language. Section 11 of Article 15 would now read:

11. (a) Dogs are not permitted on Town Beaches before 7:00 p.m. or after 9:00 a.m., from the Saturday before Memorial Day to the first Saturday after Labor Day. ~~The only exception will be the area between Wallis Sands State Park and Odiorne State Park, where dogs and people are allowed between the hours 12 midnight and 6:00 a.m. when the beach is closed.~~

During this part of the year:

1. All dogs shall be otherwise under the control of its owner or other custodian. At the Town owned beach between Wallis Sands State Park and Odiorne State Park dogs are allowed between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight during any part of the year.
2. The owner or custodian of any dog that defecates on Town of Rye beaches shall immediately remove such defecation from public property and dispose of it on their own property or otherwise properly dispose of same.

Selectwoman Jenness seconded the amendment.

Moderator Eaton opened the floor to discussion of Mr. Musselman’s amendment.

Police Chief Kevin Walsh had some concerns about rescinding Ordinance #23. He wanted to be sure the existing enforcement language in it regarding animals on the beach was contained in another part of Ordinance #1.

Nancy Weiland, Executive Secretary to the Board of Selectmen, clarified that the enforcement language is covered in Ordinance #1. Section 6 covers beach use for horses and Section 11 covers the dogs. She also offered the suggestion that some wording in Section 1 (regarding the Town beach between Wallis Sands State Park and Odiorne Park) be incorporated in with paragraph (a) by removing the strike outs and correcting the hours when dogs and people are allowed on the beach.

Selectman Musselman agreed that Mrs. Weiland’s suggestions should be part of his amendment, Selectwoman Jenness also agreed.

The new wording would be:

11. (a) Dogs are not permitted on Town Beaches before 7:00 p.m. or after 9:00 a.m., from the Saturday before Memorial Day to the first Saturday after Labor Day. The only exception will be the area between Wallis Sands State Park and Odiorne State Park, where dogs and people are allowed between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 12 midnight..

During this part of the year:

1. All dogs shall be otherwise under the control of its owner or other custodian.
2. The owner or custodian of any dog that defecates on Town of Rye beaches shall immediately remove such defecation from public property and dispose of it on their own property or otherwise properly dispose of same.

Jim Maheras said most of the problems come from visitors not residents. He questioned how the Town can enforce these rules.

Jeff Hunter said he still had questions about horses on the beach. He asked if the fines were being omitted.

Town Counsel Donovan replied that the rest of the Beach Ordinance was still in place and it addresses horses on the beach as well as fines.

Bob Warner, who was a 5th grade teacher, wanted to point out there is a grammatical error in Mr. Musselman's amendment. Subsection #2 refers to "all dogs shall be under the control of its owner". The correct way to phrase this would be "all dogs shall be under the control of their owner". He knew some of his prior students were in the audience and they would never forgive him if he didn't point out the error.

Moderator Eaton asked Selectmen Musselman and Jenness if they agreed with this correction; they both agreed. He then asked if there was any further discussion. Hearing none, he read the wording of the proposed amendment with the changes made. He then asked for a show of hands vote on Mr. Musselman's amendment. **The amendment was approved.**

Hearing no further discussion, Moderator Eaton ordered Article 15 placed on the ballot as amended.

There were cheers from the audience at the conclusion of Article 15.

Don Perrault **moved** to restrict reconsideration of Article 15; there were multiple seconds. A hand vote showed this **motion carried.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 16.

ARTICLE 16. 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 2009.

It was **moved** by Joe Mills, seconded by Priscilla Jenness, to place Article 16 on the floor for discussion.

Moderator Eaton called for discussion on this article. **Hearing none, he ordered Article 16 placed on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 17.

ARTICLE 17. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

It was **moved** by Joe Mills, seconded by Priscilla Jenness, to place Article 17 on the floor for discussion.

Bill Ladrie commented that we are experiencing an extreme winter. He wanted to thank Mr. Jordan and the Highway Department for keeping all the roads clear and, thus, keeping us all safe. A round of applause followed Mr. Ladrie's words.

Deb Armstrong came to the microphone and wanted to ask questions and discuss the Zoning Articles.

Moderator Eaton explained that those zoning articles can't be amended at a deliberative session. It has always been the tradition in Rye not to discuss those articles that cannot be changed. They must be put on the ballot as written.

Town Counsel Donovan explained that all the Zoning Amendments had one, probably two, public hearings before being placed on the Warrant. Those public hearings were the appropriate place to discuss these articles.

Moderator Eaton stated that if it is the will of the people to discuss these articles, he would allow it. He asked Ms. Armstrong if she wanted to make a motion to discuss the article. She replied in the affirmative. He then asked for second to her motion. Seeing none, he advised her that no discussion would be allowed.

Moderator Eaton asked if there was any other business to come before the meeting. Having no reply, he entertained a motion to dissolve the meeting.

Jeff Hunter made a **motion to adjourn**. There were multiple seconds. All approved the motion. Moderator Eaton declared the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth M. Yeaton
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

**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, 2009 to December 31, 2009

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

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

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

BUDGET COMMITTEE

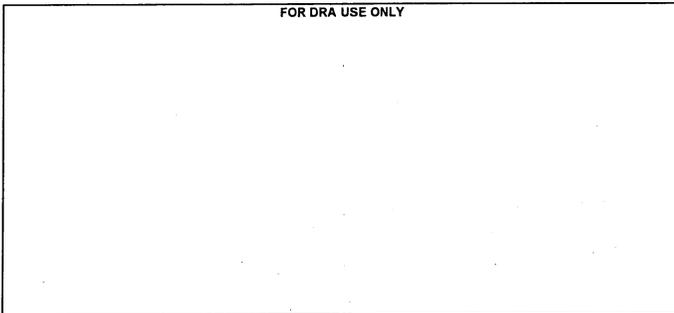
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James R. Maloney
Joseph M. Mayhew
G. Hill
John M. ...

Charles K. Alwer
Frank A. Drake
Stan R. ...
Raymond J. Jarvis

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

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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	Prior Year		(RECOMMENDED)	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
			xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
GENERAL GOVERNMENT									
4130-4139	Executive		277,621	248,270	286,894		286,894		286,894
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		25,400	21,236	16,660		16,660		16,660
4150-4151	Financial Administration		471,189	442,356	474,086	1,000			474,086
4152	Revaluation of Property								
4153	Legal Expense		145,000	287,350	122,000		122,000		122,000
4155-4159	Personnel Administration								
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		111,008	98,770	112,510		112,510		112,510
4194	General Government Buildings		86,698	92,991	103,900	1,800	103,900		103,900
4195	Cemeteries		83,964	77,017	84,903		84,903		84,903
4196	Insurance		195,200	181,411	186,098		186,098		186,098
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		49,677	47,877	52,339	2,250	52,339		52,339
4199	Other General Government								
PUBLIC SAFETY									
4210-4214	Police		919,722	905,926	999,081		999,081		999,081
4215-4219	Ambulance		95,000	101,937	109,795		109,795		109,795
4220-4229	Fire		960,856	876,690	998,800		998,800		998,800
4240-4249	Building Inspection		127,447	118,464	128,184		128,184		128,184
4290-4298	Emergency Management		8,100	7,988	7,600		7,600		7,600
4299	Other (Including Communications)								
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER									
4301-4309	Airport Operations								
HIGHWAYS & STREETS									
4311	Administration								
4312	Highways & Streets		922,267	941,171	1,017,481	41,000	1,017,481		1,017,481
4313	Bridges								

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HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.								
4316	Street Lighting		3,000	2,691	3,300	3,300		
4319	Other							
SANITATION								
4321	Administration							
4323	Solid Waste Collection		226,067	205,422	230,741	230,741		
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		166,600	167,368	174,500	174,500		
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other							
ELECTRIC								
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH/WELFARE								
4411	Administration		5,310	5,100	5,310	5,310		
4414	Pest Control		104,652	101,699	108,202	108,202		
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other							
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		60,000	45,893	60,750	60,750		
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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			xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		221,902	191,704	232,522	232,522	232,522	xxxxxxx
4550-4559	Library		553,983	562,485	592,353	592,353	592,353	xxxxxxx
4583	Patriotic Purposes		6,000	5,198	6,300	6,300	6,300	xxxxxxx
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		700	185	700	700	700	xxxxxxx
CONSERVATION								
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		42,300	18,336	42,300	42,300	42,300	xxxxxxx
4619	Other Conservation							xxxxxxx
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMT & HOUSING							xxxxxxx
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							xxxxxxx
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		843,000	843,000	763,000	763,000	763,000	xxxxxxx
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		270,647	270,652	229,587	229,587	229,587	xxxxxxx
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		5,000		5,000	5,000	5,000	xxxxxxx
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							xxxxxxx
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4901	Land							xxxxxxx
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		70,500	65,834	68,300	60,000	68,300	xxxxxxx
4903	Buildings		7,000					xxxxxxx
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.		20,000		22,500	22,500	22,500	xxxxxxx
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT								
4912	To Special Revenue Funds							xxxxxxx
	Sewer		344,042	324,613	363,097	363,097	363,097	xxxxxxx
	Recreation Revolving		157,963	123,458	221,104	221,104	221,104	xxxxxxx
	Outside Detail Revolving		70,000	97,374	95,270	95,270	95,270	xxxxxxx
	Beach Parking		20,800	19,350	20,900	20,900	20,900	xxxxxxx
	Beach Cleaning		8,000	9,785	10,700	10,700	10,700	xxxxxxx
4913	To Capital Projects Funds							xxxxxxx
4914	To Proprietary Funds							xxxxxxx

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

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

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			Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Prior Year As		(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
01-4800-60-956	T/E - COLLECTIVE BARGAIN	4	10,801	10,801					
01-4800-60-957	F/D - COLLECTIVE BARGAIN	5	16,889	16,889					
01-4800-60-958	P/D - COLLECTIVE BARGAIN	6	19,626	19,626					
01-4800-60-962	RYE SENIOR SERVE INC	22	1,500	1,500					
01-4800-60-963	FAMILIES FIRST HEALTH & SUPPORT CENTER	9			2,500				2,500
01-4800-60-964	GREAT BAY SERVICES	10			500			500	
01-4915-69-850	AMBULANCE VEHICLE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	16	-	-					
01-4915-69-854	FIRE TRUCK CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	12	67,000	67,000					
01-4915-69-857	HWY EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	7			10,000			10,000	
01-4916-70-852	EMPLOYEE ACCUMULATED LEAVE FUND	5	20,000	20,000	20,000			20,000	
01-4916-70-855	MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE FUND	8	10,000	10,000	5,000			5,000	
01-4916-70-858	LIBRARY MAINTENANCE FUND	16	5,000	5,000	16,000			16,000	
	SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		150,816	150,816	51,500	2,500	51,500	51,500	2,500

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.

ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations		Actual Expenditures	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
			Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Prior Year As		(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
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					
01-4800-60-961	RECREATION PLAYGROUND	13	50,000	50,000					
	SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED		350,080	350,080	350,080	-	-	-	-

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES					
			xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
3120	Land Use Change Taxes				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		200	188	200
3186	Payment In Lieu of Taxes		7,320	7,633	7,633
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		70,600	68,643	70,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		-		
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
			xxxxxxxxxx		
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		1,200	1,095	1,200
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1,048,800	1,086,785	1,000,000
3230	Building Permits		130,000	180,956	100,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		40,815	41,729	40,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		19,000	16,962	7,323
FROM STATE					
			xxxxxxxxxx		
3351	Shared Revenues		28,332	54,253	28,332
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		231,201	231,201	231,201
3353	Highway Block Grant		113,002	112,616	117,027
3354	Water Pollution Grant		75,917	75,917	71,882
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		4,418	10,469	10
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		-		
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
			xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
3401-3406	Income from Departments		195,120	228,377	150,000
3409	Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
			xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		4,033	18,034	-
3502	Interest on Investments		90,000	98,480	90,000
3503-3509	Other		41,462	52,446	40,000
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
			xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxx
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
	Ambulance Vehicle Fund - (Offset)	10	95,000	95,000	
	Sewer - (Offset)		344,042	373,232	363,097
	Recreation Revolving - (Offset)		157,963	154,980	221,104
	Outside Detail Revolving - (Offset)		70,000	109,268	95,270
	Beach Parking - (Offset)		20,800	21,962	20,900
	Beach Cleaning - (Offset)		8,000	9,565	10,700

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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				271,000
3914	From Proprietary Funds				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	10/11	138,000.00	138,000.00	
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		83,964.00	83,964.00	89,923.00
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				
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			3,019,189.00	3,271,754.10	3,026,802.00

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	7,686,615.00	7,956,767.00	7,956,767.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	150,815.51	51,500.00	51,000.00
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	350,080.00	-	-
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	8,187,510.51	8,008,267.00	8,007,767.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	3,019,189.00	3,026,802.00	3,026,802.00
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	5,168,321.51	4,981,465.00	4,980,965.00

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: 701,518
 (See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

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

TOWN OF RYE, NH

FISCAL YEAR END 2009

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Comm. (See Posted Budget MS7)	8,007,767
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	763,000
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	229,587
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b	
5. Mandatory Assessments	
6. Total exclusions (Sum of rows 2-5)	992,587
7. Amount recommended less recommended exclusion amounts (line 1 less line 6)	7,015,180
8. Line 7 times 10%	701,518
9. Maximum Allowable Appropriations (lines 1 & 8)	8,709,285

Line 8 is the:

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18:

Please enter this amount on page 8 of the posted MS7 form



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Rye as of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Rye's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Rye as of December 31, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

The Town of Rye has not presented a management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Rye's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. They have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

*Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association*

February 11, 2009

EXHIBIT C-1
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2007

	General	Conservation Land Acquisition	Sewer	Permanent	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,155,440	\$ 17,708	\$ 327,549	\$ 156,950	\$ 568,103	\$ 5,225,750
Investments	2,258,562	965,279	-	2,354,603	1,033,420	6,611,864
Receivables, net of allowances for uncollectible:						
Taxes	818,289	-	-	-	-	818,289
Accounts	50,610	-	87,556	-	11,075	149,241
Intergovernmental	16,962	-	-	-	16,020	32,982
Interfund receivable	69,883	-	-	-	5,852	75,735
Voluntary tax liens	46,031	-	-	-	-	46,031
Voluntary tax liens reserved until collected	(46,031)	-	-	-	-	(46,031)
Inventory	6,976	-	-	-	-	6,976
Prepaid items	7,220	-	-	-	4,715	11,935
Total assets	<u>\$ 7,383,942</u>	<u>\$ 982,987</u>	<u>\$ 415,105</u>	<u>\$ 2,511,553</u>	<u>\$ 1,639,185</u>	<u>\$ 12,932,772</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 97,966	\$ -	\$ 922	\$ -	\$ 4,565	\$ 103,453
Accrued salaries and benefits	36,391	-	-	-	-	36,391
Intergovernmental payable	4,972,458	-	6,559	-	-	4,979,017
Interfund payable	-	20,206	6,284	27,309	21,936	75,735
Contingency payable	12,383	-	-	-	-	12,383
Retainage payable	-	-	-	-	26,525	26,525
Deferred revenue	-	-	69,864	-	4,266	74,130
Total liabilities	<u>5,119,198</u>	<u>20,206</u>	<u>83,629</u>	<u>27,309</u>	<u>57,292</u>	<u>5,307,634</u>
Fund balances:						
Reserved for encumbrances	148,506	-	29,857	-	57,973	236,336
Reserved for endowments	-	-	-	2,082,697	-	2,082,697
Reserved for inventory	6,977	-	-	-	-	6,977
Reserved for special purposes	49,850	-	-	401,547	214,426	665,823
Unreserved:						
Designated for contingency	400,000	-	-	-	-	400,000
Undesignated, reported in:						
General fund	1,659,411	-	-	-	-	1,659,411
Special revenue funds	-	962,781	301,619	-	1,309,494	2,573,894
Total fund balances	<u>2,264,744</u>	<u>962,781</u>	<u>331,476</u>	<u>2,484,244</u>	<u>1,581,893</u>	<u>7,625,138</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 7,383,942</u>	<u>\$ 982,987</u>	<u>\$ 415,105</u>	<u>\$ 2,511,553</u>	<u>\$ 1,639,185</u>	<u>\$ 12,932,772</u>

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C-3
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007

	General	Conservation Land Acquisition	Sewer	Permanent	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:						
Taxes	\$ 3,899,314	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,899,314
Licenses and permits	1,274,747	-	-	-	-	1,274,747
Intergovernmental	530,245	350,000	49,173	-	133,245	1,062,663
Charges for services	224,187	-	328,155	-	280,132	832,474
Miscellaneous	309,350	65,202	5,224	196,713	100,356	676,845
Total revenues	<u>6,237,843</u>	<u>415,202</u>	<u>382,552</u>	<u>196,713</u>	<u>513,733</u>	<u>7,746,043</u>
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government	1,527,535	-	-	115,217	29,785	1,672,537
Public safety	2,025,026	-	-	-	255,665	2,280,691
Highways and streets	892,691	-	-	-	-	892,691
Sanitation	370,706	-	98,176	-	4,772	473,654
Health	103,042	-	-	-	-	103,042
Welfare	63,312	-	-	-	-	63,312
Culture and recreation	208,277	-	-	-	651,905	860,182
Conservation	25,620	32	-	-	-	25,652
Debt service:						
Principal	751,600	-	132,000	-	-	883,600
Interest	289,653	-	48,972	-	-	338,625
Capital outlay	126,581	945,636	31,274	-	44,132	1,147,623
Total expenditures	<u>6,384,043</u>	<u>945,668</u>	<u>310,422</u>	<u>115,217</u>	<u>986,259</u>	<u>8,741,609</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(146,200)</u>	<u>(530,466)</u>	<u>72,130</u>	<u>81,496</u>	<u>(472,526)</u>	<u>(995,566)</u>
Other financing uses:						
Transfers in	-	-	-	-	650,315	650,315
Transfers out	(617,973)	-	-	(24,507)	(7,835)	(650,315)
Total other financing sources and uses	<u>(617,973)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(24,507)</u>	<u>642,480</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	(764,173)	(530,466)	72,130	56,989	169,954	(995,566)
Fund balances, beginning, as restated (see Note 2-J)	3,028,917	1,493,247	259,346	2,427,255	1,411,939	8,620,704
Fund balances, ending	<u>\$ 2,264,744</u>	<u>\$ 962,781</u>	<u>\$ 331,476</u>	<u>\$ 2,484,244</u>	<u>\$ 1,581,893</u>	<u>\$ 7,625,138</u>

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

SCHEDULE 1
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule 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	29,745	754
Federal:			
FEMA	8,000	8,141	141
Total intergovernmental	<u>412,790</u>	<u>446,467</u>	<u>33,677</u>
Charges for services:			
Income from departments	179,772	224,187	44,415
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	23,787	12,228
Total miscellaneous	<u>367,373</u>	<u>309,350</u>	<u>(58,023)</u>
Total revenues	5,954,325	<u>\$ 6,154,065</u>	<u>\$ 199,740</u>
Unreserved fund balance used to reduce tax rate	1,175,000		
Total revenues and use of fund balance	<u>\$ 7,129,325</u>		

SCHEDULE 2
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007

	Encumbered from Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Encumbered to Subsequent Year	Variance Positive (Negative)
Current:					
General government:					
Executive	\$ 6,520	\$ 269,668	\$ 263,195	\$ -	\$ 12,993
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>1,527,535</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>115,109</u>
Public safety:					
Police	-	882,422	853,628	-	28,794
Ambulance	-	92,382	87,149	-	5,233
Fire	-	913,166	878,174	3,518	31,474
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>3,518</u>	<u>69,484</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)
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	<u>100,000</u>	<u>31,800</u>	<u>25,620</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>6,180</u>

(continued)

SCHEDULE 2 (continued)
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2007

	Encumbered from Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	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>1,046,267</u>	<u>1,041,253</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>114,200</u>	<u>126,581</u>	-	<u>(12,381)</u>
Other financing uses:					
Transfers out:					
Nonmajor funds:					
Library operating	-	480,973	480,973	-	-
Expendable trust	-	137,000	137,000	-	-
Total other financing uses	-	<u>617,973</u>	<u>617,973</u>	-	-
Total appropriations, expenditures, other financing uses and encumbrances	<u>\$ 184,776</u>	<u>\$ 7,129,325</u>	<u>\$ 6,918,238</u>	<u>\$ 148,506</u>	<u>\$ 247,357</u>

SCHEDULE 3
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule 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-J)		\$ 2,227,427
Changes:		
Unreserved fund balance used to reduce 2007 tax rate		(1,175,000)
2007 Budget summary:		
Revenue surplus (Schedule 1)	\$ 199,740	
Unexpended balance of appropriations (Schedule 2)	<u>247,357</u>	
2007 Budget surplus		447,097
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>\$ 1,659,411</u>

STATUS OF THE 2008 AUDIT

Our auditors, the firm of Plodzik & Sanderson, began the Rye audit for the year ended December 31, 2008 during the week of February 9 – 13, 2009.

As the Annual Report for the Year Ended December 31, 2008 went to press, the auditing process for 2008 was just being initiated. This process has become increasingly complicated due in large measure to additional federal requirements and regulations.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Assessor – Howard Promer, CNHA
Clerk – Heather Austin
Field Appraisers – Todd Haywood, CNHA & Virginia Merrill

Despite the economy experiencing an on-going recession, this office received minimal inquiry as to the impact on property valuations. The conversations we did have focused on why the assessments had not been reduced. There are several reasons. Sales during the past year reflect price decreases predominantly ranging from five to ten percent of assessed valuation. Lowering the valuations to that level would produce an increase of the same percentage in the tax rate, with a net result of little to no change in the tax payment. There is, surprisingly, another side to the statistics: there were approximately as many sales during the same time span which reflected increases five to ten percent higher than the assessed values. Our staff takes into consideration that the valuation of any property, whether by an assessor or fee appraiser is by definition “an estimate of value” calculated from market data and applicable only to the date specified in a fee appraisal report or to April 1st of the tax year, for statewide assessing purposes. The next town wide update, mandated by the Department of Revenue Administration of the State of New Hampshire will be 2010, based on sales predominantly occurring during 2009. This procedure is a five-year cycle, the last update being 2005.

Field appraisers Todd Haywood and his assistant Virginia Merrill have now completed another years cycle in which 25% of buildings in town are 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 through the last four years 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. If an owner finds errors, please call 964-5523 to arrange an inspection appointment.

As a public service, the values and property information are available to you online and are updated quarterly. Please visit <http://data.visionappraisal.com/ryenh/> or call the office at 964-5523 for further assistance. The staff would like to express our appreciation 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

RYE SHORES: THE USES ARE EXPANDING AND VARIED



TOP: Surfing is popular year-round, regardless of temperature, as long as the surf is up. **BOTTOM:** Addie Sargent enjoys a summer day at the beach with her tube. Over the years, many new types of equipment have been devised for fun at the beach. Rules for use of our beaches must be constantly evaluated and revised to insure safety and fun for all.

BEACH COMMISSION'S REPORT

Another season on Rye's Beaches sees additional complaints and conflicts associated with dogs, surfers and parking. All that aside, the weather, waves and beaches were beautiful again this year.

Entering my third year on the Beach Commission, I recognize that these issues are perennial. Each season they are debated, tweaked somewhat and remain relatively intact perhaps somewhat altered to make it to next season's agenda. The dog issue was center stage for most of the year spurred on by a dog on dog attack at Jenness Beach. The facts of the case arguably have little to do with the resulting push for a leash law, but provided a catalyst for pent up frustrations on the part of beach goers who felt that their rights to enjoy the beach peacefully and without fear have been eclipsed by the interests of an organized lobby of dog owners. Many of these dog owners dismiss the problems as inherent in the freedoms their pets currently enjoy on our beaches and firmly hold that their dog's rights hold parity with our two legged citizens.

An effort was carried out by the Selectmen to reduce the impact to beach goers with the implementation of a leash law. It was felt that this would improve adherence to the requirements in our ordinance to maintain control of one's dog as well as to make it more difficult for the owner to lose sight of the dog's natural activities. Debate ensued during several public hearings as well as conversations between some members of the loosely knit dog lobby and the town administrator. A compromise was crafted which limited the period of time requiring leashing the dogs to between 6 PM and 8PM. In consideration to the dog owners, it allowed that they remain on the beach with their pets until 9AM during the season. This article was to appear on the ballot for the March town wide vote but was weakened by the dog lobby that filled the room with supporters during the deliberative session. They introduced two amendments to the article stripping it of any leash requirements and shortening the restrictive season of dog use of the beach from October 1 to the Saturday after Labor Day. One remaining concession to evening beach goers limits dogs from coming onto the beach prior to 7 PM during the season.

The delineation between swimming and surfing areas through the use of the flag system prompted a meeting between the Selectmen and the Beach Commission. It was felt by some that the swim area was too small in relationship to the area allowed by surfers. The ability of the lifeguards to keep an eye on the swimmers in an expanded area was discussed. After vigorous debate, it was decided that the swim area would be enlarged and that the Commission would consider further expansion as conditions warranted. In the same meeting, parking in the resident parking areas by lifeguards was discussed and it was determined that this practice should be curtailed.

Even in Eden, conflicts can arise. Conflicting interest leads to strain on policy which will undoubtedly continue to evolve.

Michael Labrie, Chairman
Rye Beach Commission

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT'S 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 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 and Patricia Weathersby.

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: Appeal from Administrative Decision; Approval of Special Exception; Grant of Variance; and Grants of Equitable Waivers of Dimensional Requirements.

The Board had 40 applications this year. Some applications had a multitude of requests, including waivers to the building code.

Not all applications were formally voted on. Some applicants voluntarily withdrew their applications. Many of the approved applications were the result of the applicants 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.

The results are as follows:

	Granted	Denied
Variance applications:	30	1
Special Exceptions:	4	0
Appeal from Adm. Decision:	0	2
Condo conversions:	1	
Equitable Waiver:	1	1

Two of the Special Exceptions resulted in two accessory apartments.

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

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

PUBLIC LOTTERIES

“The lottery is now generally regarded as one of the most objectionable and demoralizing forms of gambling, and is under the ban of the national laws, and the laws of many, if not all, of the states. The transmission of lottery tickets, circulars, or other matter pertaining to lotteries through the United States mails is forbidden, and even newspapers.....But this antagonism to lotteries is of comparatively recent date. Up to the early part of the last century the public lottery, duly authorized by legislative action and managed by men of the highest standing in business and social circles, was regarded as legitimate and eminently proper agency for the raising of funds for the effecting of important public improvements; and entries in the Provincial and State papers and various town records show that many towns, and among them Rye, at different times availed themselves of this method of procuring money for the prosecution of some work for which private subscriptions could not be obtained to a sufficient amount. The young man who played cards, though only for amusement, was regarded as moving rapidly along the highway to perdition; but the deacon could invest in the tickets of a lottery, or even assist in conducting one, without detriment to his standing in church or community.”

BUDGET COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Once again, the budgeting processes for both the Rye Town Budget and the Rye School District have just been completed. Standard practice for these budgeting processes includes utilizing bottoms-up and zero-based methodologies. Detailed reviews of departmental-level budgets are held with appropriate Town Department, Commission, and Committee Heads, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, the Rye School Board, and the School Administrative Offices.

This past year has been characterized by a very tough economic environment. The Rye Board of Selectmen, the Rye School Board, and Department, Commission, and Committee Heads are to be commended for the balance struck between funding levels for key programs and concern with the overall economy. The new Town Budget, including Warrant Articles, has actually decreased from last year's budget. The new School Budget, including Warrant Articles, has increased less than one percent.

As indicated in last year's Budget Committee Report, Key Process Improvement remains a continual focus for the Rye Budget Committee. Some progress has been made in the important areas of early identification of budgeting issues, early-as-possible issue resolution, early collection of financial information, and better communications and working relationships between the Budget Committee and all related parties involved with Town and School budgeting. However, there is much more to be accomplished in this regard, and focus will remain on these important areas. Also, there needs to be some benchmarking work performed to better understand best-practices from other New Hampshire Town Budget Committees.

Given the length of time involved and the very tedious nature of the work to be done to arrive at finalized Town and School Budgets, I would like to once again thank all Members and Representatives of the Rye Budget Committee, as well as all Town and School Officials, for their performance and the results achieved during all of the meetings and work sessions. The contributions of everyone continue to provide a valuable service to the Town. Specifically, I would like to thank Jim Maheras for his excellent contributions and counsel to me as Vice-Chairman, and Ray Jarvis, in his role as Clerk, for his contribution of high-quality minutes and excellence with all scheduling and logistics.

There are people outside of the Rye Budget Committee without whose contributions we would not be able to function effectively. Special thanks to Cyndi Gillespie for her expert and proactive provision of financial information to the Rye Budget Committee. Thanks also to Nancy Weiland for her excellent ability to converge many scheduling inputs from so many departments and personnel into an efficient, executable budgeting calendar, and to communicate everything effectively cross-organizationally.

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 scheduled meetings, appointments and inspections.

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 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.

State regulations keep getting more complicated. We assist property owners, contractors, real estate agents etc. through the maze of Federal, State and local permits and regulations. We encourage people to become familiar with the regulations regarding their project to avoid enforcement or costly mistakes.

The Building Department had a 2008 budget appropriation of \$127,447 and revenues of \$180,909.35

We issued 487 permits in 2008 compared to 409 in 2007. We had several house demolitions this year, indicative of residents desiring a safe home built to code. 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>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Est. Construction Cost	\$14,752,377	\$10,712,240	\$19,839,734
Blg. Permit fees	\$103,550	\$103,435	\$180,909.35
New Homes	12	2	4
Additions	23	18	21
Demolish and Rebuild Structure	17	4	24

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Labrie
Building Inspector

CONSERVATION COMMISSION'S REPORT

The mission of the Conservation Commission remains unchanged. The Commission is committed to the protection and proper utilization of Rye's natural resources. The Commission is the Town of Rye's gatekeeper for environmental concerns and acts as Advisor to other municipal boards whenever environmental issues are involved. The Commission is a community resource for gathering and dispersing information about Rye's natural resources and environmental health.

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. This will help eliminate mosquito breeding in that area.

DES finally approved this wetland application with many changes; the work will be completed by the spring of 2009. This project will connect Gammon Brook so it will drain into the ocean, which has not happened since the harbor dredging in 1941. In addition, testing in this area has pointed out the lack of treatment for mosquitoes in prior years.

The Open Space mandate started in 2003 and is continuing with at least three parcels currently being considered. This includes the 75 acre LaFrance property off Washington Road.

The update to the EAST (The Estuary Alliance for Sewage Treatment) citizens' alert in our last year's report is that with the Selectmen and the town attorney, the taking by eminent domain portion of the bill was amended so that only towns that joined EAST could have land taken. Therefore Rye, if we do not join EAST, will not be affected. Rye must remain involved and attend the EAST meetings to make sure this remains as it seems to be now.

Department of Environmental Services is in the process of having regional meetings to review and explain all the changes involved with the recently adopted increase in the Shoreland Protection Buffer to 250 feet, which is RSA 483-B.

As the demand for buildable land in Rye increases, the wetland applications become more complex and our review of the details more comprehensive. We have to ask for more details and monitor what is permitted. This also means that there are more wetland violations, which requires working with the Building Inspector, who is the enforcement agent for the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

James S. Raynes, Chairman

Members: Douglas Bordewieck, Jeff Gardner, Mike Garvin, Sally King, Paula Mahoney, Lawton Struble

Alternates: Christen Keebler, Lee Perrault, Charles Raynes,

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Although many of our residents experienced some significant issues due to flooding and the December ice storm, we should consider ourselves lucky when compared to the devastating floods in the western part of the state and the tornado that took the life of a former Rye resident, just miles from here. These tragedies reinforce your emergency management team's desire to stay prepared.

Every two years we become deeply involved with the region's Radiological Emergency Response Plan (RERP). The RERP is the plan developed by the operator's of the Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant, NH's Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management, FEMA and Rye's public safety officials. 2008 was a "graded exercise" year meaning that we had two RERP drills and then a full exercise that was graded by FEMA officials. These drills are time consuming and relatively expensive but costs to the Town are reimbursed by the operators of the power plant. These drills are valuable to the Town, in that they bring the emergency management team together and allow us to function as we would in any significant emergency event.

Much of the hardware, planning and logistical concerns that we have developed for the RERP were put to use during the December ice storm. This was the first time that the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) had been used for an actual disaster since moving into the new building. Our systems worked as designed and all emergency and public safety functions for the Town were coordinated from the EOC on the lower level of the Public Safety Building. Although this storm brought some significant power outages and damage to our community, it could have been much worse as compared to other communities.

One of the difficulties we face in any widespread emergency is identifying our "at risk" residents. These are residents with special needs, medical or otherwise, and are most likely to require assistance. Identifying these residents is the number one challenge we face. If you are someone that falls into this category, or know someone that does, please notify us so that we can better serve them in an emergency. You can call the Police or Fire Departments with this information but it is best to complete the "postage free" card on the back cover of the *Emergency Public Information Calendar* that was sent by the NH Department of Safety to every home in Town. This information is extremely helpful to us and allows us to deploy our resources most efficiently in an emergency.

Special thanks from me to the rest of Rye's Emergency Management Team including Chief Walsh, Chief Sullivan, Kim Reed, Jack & Diane Spink, Jeanne Moynahan and the members of the Fire, Police and Public Works Departments.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Gould, Emergency Management Director

RYE ENERGY COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The Rye Energy Committee's charge from the Selectmen has been to reduce the carbon footprint of the Town of Rye. Our approach 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 assessing energy use in Rye homes. And lastly, initiate energy related projects that support the aims of the Committee. The Energy Committee received a \$1500 grant in July 2008 from the New England Grassroots Environment Fund to continue this work for the next year.

1. Public Education and Awareness-

The Committee continued the book discussions, movies and lectures in 2008 on various aspects of reducing our carbon footprint. Bill McKibben's book *Deep Economy*, which is about his year of eating foods produced within a 100 mile radius of his home in Vermont, was discussed over several weeks in January and February. This was followed by a two part discussion on *Apollo's Fire*, written by Representative Jay Inslee and Bracken Hendricks, a book about igniting America's clean energy economy. The movie *Escape from Suburbia*, the sequel of *End of Suburbia* which was shown in 2007, was shown in the spring. This movie explores what the future holds for us as worldwide oil production peaks and starts to decline. John Carroll, UNH Professor of Environmental Conservation, gave a talk at the library in March titled *Oil before Food? How to Support Local Food from Local Farms*. In July, we co-sponsored Bill McKibben at the South Church in Portsmouth to speak on local economies. This fall we started a food film series. *The Power of Community*, how Cuba survived peak oil and solved the crisis of how to feed their population. The series continues in 2009 with *King Corn* about the subsidized corn crops and *Eat at Bill's* at California produce market that supports local farmers.

In October, we ran a Forum on Weatherization and Fuel Assistance at the Library. Representatives from PSNH, Rockingham Community Action, and our State Rep. David Borden presented information on what is available in the way of fuel assistance and what we can do in our homes to reduce energy consumption this winter.

Over 150 people attended our 2008 events in Rye.

2. Assessing Energy Use in Buildings-

The Energy Committee received a grant to assess the energy use at the schools. The Jordan Institute did this work and concluded that although our schools compared favorably with other schools nationwide, there was much that could be done to improve energy efficiency. The School Board agreed to proceed with a comprehensive facility analysis and development of energy saving projects for the schools. The Jordan Institute issued a report of their findings in December. Recommendations included tightening up the schools to reduce heat loss, upgrading portions of the heating system with state of the art combined heat and power equipment, upgrading HVAC control systems throughout the schools and upgrading lighting. Implementing the recommendations will save in the neighborhood of 50% of the total energy used at the schools and the payback is estimated to be 4 years. The School Board is reviewing the Jordan Institute report and is determining how best to proceed with the energy saving projects.

For residential energy use, the Committee is encouraging homeowners to use the NH Carbon Challenge (<http://carbonchallenge.sr.unh.edu/>) as a tool to measure their carbon emissions and provide suggestions on ways to reduce those emissions. In the spring, the Committee developed a school challenge where classrooms competed for the highest participation in taking the NH Carbon Challenge. 64 Rye families took the Challenge, preventing 621,664 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions while saving \$70,227 in their energy bills. At the time, this was more than any other town in New Hampshire.

3. Energy Projects-

The Wash Day Project in collaboration with the Seacoast Science Center, The Wash Day Project encouraged Rye residents to save energy by hanging out their clothes. Over 30 Rye households participated in the project. During the summer, more than 20 local artists sought out participating households and painted their clotheslines. The project received media coverage from local newspapers, the Boston Globe and ABC World News with Charlie Gibson. The paintings were exhibited at the Seacoast Science Center for a month following an opening reception there on November 14, 2008. Over 100 people attended the reception. Many paintings were sold during the month they were on display. The exhibit was moved to the Library in January where the unsold paintings were displayed

Rye Eats Local promotes community building, energy savings, and healthier food through eating locally. The Rye Eats Local newsletter currently reaches 165 households. The purpose of the newsletter is to make people aware of sources for local foods, offer recipes with the ingredients sourced to local farmers, and advertise classes, lectures and workshops on eating local. In collaboration with the Rye Conservation Commission, the Energy Committee is pursuing establishment of a Town garden. We are investigating possible sites and are consulting with The US Dept. of Agriculture, UNH Co-operative Extension, local Master Gardeners and organic farmers. The Rye airfield has been offered as a site for the garden and soil improvement is being undertaken. We are looking for a farmer that would be interested in running a CSA on this site.

Anyone with ideas for energy related projects or interested in working on a project should contact the Committee.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

On behalf of the men and women that make up the Rye Fire & Rescue Service, it is with a great deal of pride that I present this report of activity for the year 2008.

In March, the voters at the annual town meeting approved a three year labor agreement for the fulltime members of the department along with a new ambulance to replace a Nine year old vehicle.

Also in March the department welcomed Jake MacGlashing as our newest fulltime firefighter/paramedic. Jake's wife Alyssa, also a paramedic has joined the call force as a part-time member.

Following a competitive examination, Firefighter Charles Gallant was promoted to the rank of Fire Lieutenant. Each of the four shifts now has a Lieutenant assigned. Several new part time firefighters and emergency medical technicians were appointed during the year in an attempt to maintain a sufficient number of active members.

During 2008, the department responded to a total of 742 requests for emergency services. Of this total, 354 were emergency medical or rescue calls. Only one serious structure fire occurred during the year, that being on November 20th at 15 Sagamore Road. The severe ice storm of December 11th and 12th resulted in the department responding to Sixty calls for assistance throughout the community.

Rye Fire & Rescue is an active member of the Seacoast Chief Fire Officers Mutual Aid District and during 2008 we responded out of town for fire and emergency medical calls on a total of 39 incidents and received mutual aid from area departments on 46 occasions.

Training continued throughout the year both in areas of fire suppression and emergency medical care. All of the emergency medical technicians attended monthly training sessions and the required bi-annual refresher training in order to maintain their national certification. Several New Hampshire Fire Standards and Training courses were held here at the public safety building including fire instructor and fire officer certification.

Fire prevention continues to be a high priority for your fire department. In close cooperation with the building inspector's office, local builders and architects, heating system installers and other contractors and maintenance personnel, we strive to keep Rye a safe place in which to live and work. During 2008, a total of 109 fire inspections were performed and a total of 74 permits for various projects were issued.

We will continue in 2009, to provide you with the best fire protection and emergency medical service possible.

William H. Sullivan, Fire Chief

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

While the 2008 year was extremely busy in terms of wildland fires across the state, here in Rye thanks in no small part to the diligence of the residents of the community and the strict permitting process that the fire department adheres to, only Six calls for brush fires were responded to during the year.

A total of 933 permits for open burning were issued by the deputy forest fire wardens here at the public safety building. Of this total, 393 permits were issued for fires on town controlled beaches

Rye residents are reminded of the following rules for open burning.

A permit must be obtained from the Rye Fire Department for any open burning.

No burning is allowed between 9:00am and 5:00pm unless raining or there is significant snow cover at the site of the burn.

Permits are issued only to the landowner or person(s) having written approval from the landowner. Permittee must be 18 years of age or older.

All open fires must have someone in attendance at all times.

Beach fires are allowed on the rocky areas of the beach only. No fires are allowed on the sand. Beach fires are allowed between 5:00 pm and Midnight. All ash and debris must be properly disposed of once completely extinguished.

Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's forest rangers by being wise and fire safe.

Respectfully submitted,

William H. Sullivan,
Forest Fire Warden

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

RYE ROADS

"The roads of Rye are all "natural" or gravel-made roads, as distinguished from macadamized highways, but they will compare favorably with those of any country town, being better than are found in most of such towns, and the excellent condition in which they are kept is a source of just pride to the townspeople, and of approving comment by the many people from other states who annually pass their summers here. Although the cost of keeping them up is so large, even as a business proposition the expenditure pays, the existence of good roads being a strong attraction to that large class of people who like to "go somewhere for the summer", and a great inducement to those who come once to return in succeeding years. Sixteen feet in width is sufficient for the easy and safe passage of two vehicles, and it is better that this width should be kept in good order than that forty feet should be maintained in inferior condition at greater cost."

**VIEW
ACROSS
AWCOMIN MARSH
ON A
MISTY MORNING**

The Rye Conservation Commission continues to work 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 standing water near the recreation area which will help eliminate mosquito breeding in that area.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

2008 has come and gone, probably not to anyone's sorrow. The month of December was particularly memorable due to the ice storm and prolonged power outage throughout the area. In Rye, the Emergency Operations Center, located at the Public Safety Building, was activated and manned around-the-clock during the storm and outages. Two shelters were opened, in Exeter and in Portsmouth, and several Rye residents availed themselves of this emergency service. I monitored the situation, went to the Command Center, and was available should the need have arisen.

As in previous years, West Nile Virus (WNV) and Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) continued to be a concern during the Spring, Summer, and early Fall months. There were eight mosquito pools that tested positive for EEE in Rockingham County which included the towns of Brentwood, Danville, Newfields, Newton, Manchester, Newmarket and Exeter. Also, an Emu tested positive for EEE in Barnstead. There were no mosquitoes or birds that tested positive for either EEE or WNV in the Town of Rye. Also, in 2008, there were no humans or wild birds that were positive for either of these entities in the State of New Hampshire; however that was not the case in neighboring states. Although this data is encouraging we need to continue to be proactive where WNV and EEE are concerned. I believe that they both will continue to pose potential problems to our area for many years to come. I will continue to work closely with the Mosquito Commission and the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. George Cushing, regarding supplementary spraying to control mosquitoes, ticks and other issues. Ticks, incidentally, have been more of a problem this year. Residents should carefully check their pets, children and themselves, after being outdoors in warm weather, for ticks. This will help lessen the chances of developing Lyme disease. Also, I would like to stress the importance of eliminating standing water, using mosquito repellent, and of wearing long pants, and long sleeve shirts outdoors during the warm months as that will go a long way to decrease the chances of contracting West Nile Virus (WNV) and Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE).

In 2008 there were 45 animals that tested positive for Rabies in New Hampshire, with eleven being from Rockingham County (4 skunks, 4 raccoons, 2 foxes, and 1 cat) but none from Rye. There were no human cases reported in Rye or elsewhere in the State of New Hampshire. I would like to emphasize the importance of having all pets vaccinated against Rabies.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Town personnel, and the Citizens of Rye for their continued support and cooperation. I look forward to a very productive 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail A. Snow M.D. Health Officer

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION'S REPORT

The Historic District Commission seeks to preserve the historically, architecturally and culturally significant buildings and structures in the Historic District. Owners of property within the District are required to apply to the Commission for permission for alterations, restorations or maintenance work, including installation of permanent signs

No major changes were made in the Historic District in 2008. This is good news because it means that the center of Rye continues to maintain the beauty and tranquility that residents and visitors admire. During the year the Commission approved a new permanent sign and a replacement roof for Rye Congregational Church, fencing for Rye Jr. High, outside fire stairs for two buildings on Star Island and consulted with the owners of a home who hope to make alterations in 2009. Also, the Chair received numerous phone calls asking if a particular project would require the Commission's approval. For applicants, this is a good procedure to follow in order to avoid disappointment after plans have been made.

Rye Historic District Commission meetings are held in the evening as needed. Currently, there is one opening for a alternate on the Commission. If interested, please call the Chair at 431-7852.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Merritt, Chair

Following are excerpts from a newspaper article dated Sept. 5th, 1900 bemoaning changes to Rye Center brought on by the advent of the Electric Railway. No author's name appeared on the article and the newspaper is unknown.

The reader should be aware that the "old training field" is in large measure the crescent of land in front of the Congregational Church at Rye Center.

RYE TRAINING FIELD

It is Naught But a Pleasant Memory Now

The old Training Field at Rye Center is a thing of the past. The advent of the electric road sounded its death knell, and during the past week employees of that road have been at work grading in front of the Congregational meeting house, putting on a top coat of loam and sowing grass seed, so that it looks as though next summer we will see a beautiful lawn, if a kind Providence will only send some rain to finish up the job in good shape.

Just how, or when, or who gave this land for training field is somewhat in doubt, but a good deal has been said by different individuals as to what right the selectmen had to give the electric road the privilege of taking gravel from it to build their road. It was asserted that it was given to the town for a training field, and that no one had any right to desecrate it. It was brought to mind that fifty or more years ago surveyor on district No.8 put a plough in it to get gravel to repair the highway, and many and vigorous were the protests against spoiling its looks by so doing, and when the plough turned out some human bones, work ceased at once, and never again did any road official dare to take a shovelful of gravel from the spot; and so it remained until last summer, when the electric road came, and it wanted a turnout right by the side of it, and they commenced digging, and the fate of the old field was sealed.

Memory goes back to the training days of old, when the Rye Rifle company and the old "Salt Hay company" used to train in May and October, much to the delight of the boys and the admiration of the girls, as far as the former were concerned, and ridicule from all hands for the poor old "Salt Hays", with no two guns, knapsacks, or clothing alike.

But the Riflemen, with their clean, white trousers (not creased), blue coats, showy knapsacks, high leather caps with red plumes, keeping perfect step to the music of two clarinets, played by Harvey Jenness and Gilman Wedgewood, with Michael Dalton or Samuel Rand beating the tenor drum and Daniel Dalton the bass drum, were immaculate; and when on the great training day, with the music augmented by a bugle played by Samuel Knowles, and a big trombone by Jerry Brown, the company marched to the Plains by Peverly Hill road and took their position on the extreme left of the line, the Rye boys were so proud that they could hardly contain themselves. How few are left of those who were in the ranks at the last general muster at the Plains, which took place somewhere about 1849 or 50.and it may be that the Rye Rifle Co. fired its last volley on that occasion.

The old meeting house stood on the crest of the training field (in Rye) almost in front of the present Congregational church. It was owned by the town, and was abandoned as a place of worship about 1839. The steeple was sold Jona T. Walker, who pulled it down in 1840. The main body of the church was purchased by Capt. Samuel Jenness, who, with others, intended fitting it up and making a Universalist church of it. The scheme didn't work, and the building was moved into the field east of the present church, then owned by Major Joseph L. Locke, where it remained several years, finally being moved to Portsmouth and turned into a stable on the spot now occupies as a residence by Dr. Junkins, when it burned down sometime in

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RYE HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S REPORT

2008 marked the final year of our "Hotels and Boarding Houses" exhibit. We hope it will spend some time at the Seacoast Science Center and other public locations very soon so that others may enjoy it.

To replace this exhibit, we are planning an exciting new "home grown" exhibit which highlights stories of how Rye has lived on and used its land and water over the years. ("Tales of a Town: 400 Years on the Rocks of Rye") One of these stories will focus on the waters in and just off our shores and how they have been used for fishing, recreation, sport, agriculture and even business. Rye's hockey team (1940's to the 1950's, the Seahawks), will be featured in the telling of this story; they are the subject of a new book by Bruce Valley. Another story will describe the Parsons Park Corporation and how it saved Parsons Field and woods for the town in the late 1970's. When the exhibit opens in early May we imagine it will grow larger as other stories come to light. In the meantime, anyone interested in contributing to the exhibit is welcome. Contact RHS chair Alex Herlihy at: alexherlihy@comcast.net

The RHS's intern, Lindsay Burke, has created a new website which will grow dramatically in the coming months. Check it out at: www.ryenhistoricalociety.org

The RHS is working actively with the staff at the junior high on their annual WWII project and has just loaned all of its considerable collection related to that momentous event; the student's project will culminate on March 26th.

The historical society has identified at least 12 tasks/needs that we think will match your interests. These are posted on the web site and you may get a hard copy of them at the library on the coffee counter.

Expect another antique appraisal day, a huge yard sale in May and more public programs co-sponsored with the library. We look forward to your interest and involvement.

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Herlihy, Chair, RHS

(RYE TRAINING FIELD continued from previous page)

the fifties. During the Millerite excitement in 1843 it was used as a place of worship by those who believed the end of the world was coming at that time, and as it was supposed that there would be no need of that or any other building after the end came it was not very expensively filled up, rough seats and a rough pulpit being provided, with an old stove, with a funnel stuck out the window.

Not much was expended in laying a tight floor either, and as there were real bad boys then as well as now, it is not to be wondered at that the outdoor part of the funnel was often stuffed with rags and paper, with the usual result following when a fire was started. Then strange noises could be heard under the floor, and all sorts of tricks were playedMost of those who took part on the inside, and on the outside, of the old meeting house at that time have passed on, but the world wags on as usual, only more so, as, no doubt, the departed would think if they could come back and see vehicles without any visible means of propulsion going by the old training field every half hour.

There was quite a gathering there in the fall of 1852, when through the efforts of Nathan Clough and others a so-called

Liberty pole was raised. This pole was a mast that came from a vessel wrecked on the beach, with the top mast added. When all was ready, Mr. Clough placed a silver quarter of a dollar in the bottom of the pole. And then got on a platform at the top of the mast and went up with it.

After it was firmly secured in position he came down; and then the stars and stripes went up, and as the star spangled banner unfolded it was seen to bear upon its folds the names "Pierce and King" leading the whigs to remark that after all it was an "old Jackson pole" instead of a Liberty pole as would be claimed when a trifle to defray expenses was asked for. In late years the only training done on the field was during presidential campaigns when the boys formed companies and marched by night, carrying torches instead of guns.

If the grass will only grow and carriages keep where they belong, in the well laid out driveway, there seems no reason why this open space in front of the church should not become an ornament to the town; but the old training field is gone forever.

Rye, September 5th, 1900

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Statistics for 2008: Number of Patrons 3,945– Total number of items circulated 71,767 - Interlibrary loan materials borrowed 1,411 - Materials loaned to other libraries 1,346 - Community Meeting Room Use 460 - Number of library programs 406

In 2008 the Rye Public Library achieved many programmatic and outreach successes. The Library significantly increased its outreach efforts to community members through college preparatory programming geared to the teen audience, regularly scheduled visits to Rye's public and private schools, a collaboration with Rye Senior SERVE which enabled 327 senior visitors to travel to the Library on Mondays for books and fellowship, and the presence of staff promoting library services off-site. At the election polls alone, we were able to successfully register 68 residents for new library cards. In partnership with the Friends of the Rye Public Library, we were able to offer a diverse array of educational programs, among which included: computer classes, summer concerts, storytelling, book appraisal, genealogy research instruction, writer's workshops, author events, lectures, movies, and poetry readings. We are also grateful to the Rye Art Study Group for conducting three art history lectures during the summer months and to the New Hampshire Humanities Council, who underwrote the cost of Rebecca Rule's program, "Better Than a Poke in the Eye," and our Halloween lecture on N.H. gravestones with Professor David Watters.

The 2008 summer reading program "*G'Day For Reading*," was enjoyed by all ages. 157 adult readers contributed more than 250 book reviews, which they enjoyed sharing with one another during the August 14th summer reading club finale and ice cream social.

The Rye Public Library received a grant from the Rye Driftwood Garden Club to create a "*Children's Garden of Wonder*" outside the windows of the Youth Department. Our thanks to Rye residents, Pat Ritter and Tracy Ritzo who have instructed this lively group of young gardeners and instilled their appreciation for the outdoors during monthly meetings, to the Potting Shed who offered plants for sale at a reduced rate, and to the many parents and children, who have transformed this area to a most inviting public space.

We have continued to build our collections according to patron preferences. The implementation of an electronic newsletter informing residents of new holdings by genre has been very well received. Due to lack of use, we did not renew our subscriptions to the Reference USA, Legal Forms, and Grolier Online databases. Thanks to the generosity of a private donor we have added Amazon's Kindle, an electronic book reader to the collection. The library staff and Board of Trustees were pleased to offer a fine amnesty month during the month of December to further encourage use of the Library's collections.

The Library facility also received several enhancements, which included both planned maintenance improvements and necessary repairs due to a furnace malfunction which occurred in the spring.

Tricia Quinn and Pam Woods traveled to Spain to attend the Spanish premiere of *Magic Happens*, a library advocacy film, which was filmed at the Rye Public Library and for which both Tricia and Pam had starring roles. Thanks to the generosity of the Spanish filmmaker, Carmela Sainz de Baranda, they were able to attend at no cost to the Rye Public Library or to Rye taxpayers. Upon their return, they shared their experience with several community groups. Lisa Houde also made the library shine by presenting a program on teen reading groups at the New Hampshire Library Association's Annual Conference. I am very fortunate to work with a very dedicated group of colleagues, Tricia Quinn, Pam Woods, Jim Chase, Juliette Doherty, Shawna Healy, Gwen Putnam Bailey, Martha Jones, Lisa Houde, Margaret Hutchins, and Brenda Nolette, who give so much of themselves in service to the community daily. My sincere thanks to our very generous volunteers, Board of Trustees, and Friends of the Rye Public Library, without whom our team would be incomplete.

Kerry Cronin, Library Director

RYE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

In 2008 the Rye Public Library continued to be an active gathering place for Rye townspeople.

The Library staff, Director Kerry Cronin and Trustees worked hard on accomplishing their 2008 goals:

- Increase community awareness
- Improve access and management of computer resources
- Promote early literacy to preschool and school age children
- Increase Library use by teen residents
- Increase outreach to senior residents
- Increase use of library collection

These goals became even more important in 2008 given the significant slowdown in our economy. The national trend indicates during an economic downturn people increasingly use library services.

Rye Public Library has seen that trend first hand as circulation increased by 7.3% over 2007.

The Library also experienced expanded use of:

- Library databases to research educational scholarships, business opportunities and financial analyses
- Circulation for movies and books is up when discretionary spending is being watched closely
- Computer access via free internet access

Increased library usage occurred during a year when we had our building maintenance challenges. During the summer and fall we had a furnace malfunction that required building cleaning, painting and rug replacement. The Library staff continued to ensure that the impact to the patrons was minimal. During the ice storms in December, the Library opened on a Sunday as a refuge for those with no power.

Martha Jones resigned after a 12 week family leave of absence. We will miss her. Our thanks to the Rye Public Library staff, who assumed additional hours and responsibilities during this staffing shortage to ensure the Library was able to maintain its high level of programming and customer service standards.

During the fall, Jim Chase, our invaluable maintenance person, went on medical leave of absence. Many thanks to Maid Brigade and Rye resident Doug Gaskell for filling in during Jim's absence.

The 2008 Library Trustees were:

Joan Sweeney, Chairman	David Brown, Vice-Chairman	Deb Genestreti, Secretary
Sallie Mackie, Treasurer	Victor Azzi, former Chairman	

Deb and Sallie were both elected to a 3-year term in 2008. As a Trustee It is a privilege to share in serving this most important cultural and informational resource for the townspeople of Rye.

President of Rye Public Library Friends, Ann Malpass and all the Friends continued to be a significant partner. The Friends provided both the Library and the townspeople with computer classes, speaker series, museum sponsorship and support of Library programming. The Friends and the Trustees held the first Seacoast Trustees/Friends conference in October with over 50 people in attendance.

We thank all the volunteers who gave over 500 hours of their time. We also recognize and thank those citizens who have made donations to the Rye Public Library.

Whether you come into the Library or join us electronically we look forward to your participation in 2009. Join us on the website www.ryepubliclibrary.org to see the resources available to you.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Sweeney
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

MOSQUITO COMMISSION'S REPORT

The latest financial obstacles and burdens facing most families and individuals across our country in every town and city were created by greed, deceit and incompetence on a global scale. The human race seemingly possesses a limitless imagination along with the unbridled energy to invent new ways to mess up. Well, what does all this have to do with mosquito control?

It relates to a story about a man named Joe that saw his dentist in a busy parking lot. He had just gotten a new set of dentures and wanted to speak to the good doctor. Joe walked briskly towards him and the doctor smiled warmly when he recognized Joe. Joe was not paying attention to the car parking next to him and the driver parked on his foot. Just at that instant the doctor asked him how his new dentures fit. Joe responded stoically by pointing to his trapped foot and saying "compared to that, these teeth don't hurt".

So it is with mosquito control in January as I watch the snow rapidly accumulating outside. Today it is doubtful that anyone in Rye is even remotely "pained" by mosquitoes. However, spring and summer are eventualities that we eagerly anticipate albeit the ubiquitous biting insects. Now is the time the RMCC and the Rye Selectmen must plan for the upcoming year. It is important to appreciate that management is a lengthy process that works best with constructive input from all concerned residents.

The RMCC has been effectively holding down the cost of the mosquito control budget and has not allowed any budget increases over the past three years. The Commission has also successfully applied for reimbursement grants from the State of NH in 2006, 2007 and 2008 to offset Town mosquito control budgets during the declared health threat emergency. For those years, the Town has received a total of \$34,245, which has gone back into the general operating fund. Special thanks to commission member Charlie Arcidiacano for preparing the lengthy grant applications.

The RMCC presently consists of three members, of which one has traditionally been a member of the Board of Selectmen. The Commission is responsible for overseeing the administration of the contract awarded by the Selectmen to a mosquito control contractor. The RMCC's mission is to work in the best interest of the Town to protect the health and property of Rye residents. Well designed projects and healthy marshes breed fewer mosquitoes. Fewer mosquitoes require less chemical control and smaller budgets. Win, win situation for all.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Aspinwall

Chairman, Rye Mosquito Control Commission

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

RYE MEN IN PRIVATEERS

"John Parsons left Rye for Boston on Nov. 27, 1814; sailed from Boston to Cape Ann, and sailed from Cape Ann as surgeon of the private armed ship *Orlando*, of Cape Ann, on a cruise. The *Orlando* after capturing several prizes, arrived back at Cape Ann about the 20th of March, 1815, and Surgeon Parsons, on his return to Rye, was the first to bring news of peace between Great Britain and the United States.

Richard Rand Locke of Rye sailed from Portsmouth in the privateer *Thomas*, which was captured by a British frigate and taken to Halifax, Locke being sent to England and confined in the noted Dartmoor prison, where he was a prisoner one year and nine months. Jonathan Goss of Rye was also captured in the *Thomas* and died in Dartmoor prison of smallpox."

PLANNING BOARD'S REPORT

The year 2008 has brought new challenges for the Rye Planning Board based on New Hampshire State regulations that became law. There were also applications and conceptual consultations that the board addressed. Since the number of applications was less than in 2007, the board worked to be proactive in preparing amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and the Building Code.

Again this year, a number of issues relating to properties along Lafayette Road were addressed. The Aquifer Protection Overlay District added to the Zoning Ordinance approved on March 2008 ballot has allowed the board to better evaluate issues along Lafayette Road, as many parcels fall into the overlay district. The zoning along the Route 1 corridor is also being reviewed as it contains a mix of commercial and residential uses. This effort is being made by the Long Range Planning subcommittee.

Below are six proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and one amendment to the Building Code for the 2009 March ballot:

Amendment No. 2008-1, To amend the special exception provision to the Single Residence, General Residence and Commercial Districts to delete "Home for the Elderly" and "Convalescent Home" and update terms to be more consistent with current definitions.

Amendment No. 2008-2, To amend the section for Wireless Telecommunication Facilities to exclude construction in a protective radius around a Rye Water District well.

Amendment No. 2008-3, Modify the requirements for when a Building Permit is required and when a fee is required.

Amendment No. 2008-4, To adopt a Demolition Review Ordinance to allow exploring alternatives and documentation for historically significant buildings.

Amendment No. 2008-5, To adopt a Small Wind Energy Systems ordinance providing regulations for small wind energy systems based on new State regulations.

Amendment No. 2008-6, To amend the section pertaining to adult businesses to add new terms and definitions.

Change to the Building Code to regulate the use of Outdoor Wood Fired Hydronic Heaters.

Background information relating to the proposed amendments and changes is provided below:

A few substantial projects have been proposed in town that required a decision by the Zoning Board of Adjustment. It had to be determined if "home for the elderly" applied to the project. The zoning amendment deleted this outdated term, and replaced it with a better description along with other updates.

An amendment was proposed to the zoning governing Wireless Telecommunication Facilities. The proposed change ensures that no structures related to the facilities are within a protective radius of the Rye Water District wells.

An amendment was proposed to require building permits for work done on a property. A fee for the associated building permit would only be required if the value of the work meets a threshold of \$1,500.

A Demolition Review Ordinance was proposed to allow time for a Demolition Review Committee to explore alternatives to the demolition of historically significant buildings. Upon review of the ages of buildings that had been demolished over the previous two years, it was determined that a mechanism could be developed to evaluate the historical importance of Rye's buildings. Some of the buildings razed had been built in the 1600's, 1700's and 1800's. As the title states, this is only a review that allows others to become aware of the demolition. As a minimum, the structure can be documented by photographs prior to being demolished. The building could also be renovated, disassembled and moved, or unique architectural features could be removed and reused.

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House Bill 310, Chaptered Law 0357, allows municipalities to regulate small wind energy systems. Currently, structures are regulated by more generic zoning requirements which are not well suited for addressing small wind turbines. With a near infinite number of equipment combinations and installation locations, each wind system will require a site plan review. This will allow the Planning Board and any abutters to comment on the potential impact of a wind energy system. As the wind energy industry becomes more standardized and knowledge is gained on what impacts the systems may have, our zoning can then be adjusted in the future.

Another zoning amendment proposal was to update the list of adult establishments, and add definitions to new terms that were not currently in the zoning. It was realized that the list of adult establishments was not up to date or complete.

An amendment was proposed to regulate the use of Outdoor Wood Fired Hydronic Heaters. These boilers are typically placed in a backyard and heat water for domestic heating use. The proposed amendment's goal is to control the emissions from wood fired heaters so they do not adversely affect other Rye residents.

Along with the above proposed changes, the Planning Board is also addressing other items as summarized below:

Senate Bill 422, Chaptered Law 0269, added an energy section to zoning and planning master plans, as an option. The Long Range Planning Committee, which is a subcommittee of the Planning Board, has approached the Rye Energy Committee to work on this energy component.

Senate Bill 342, Chaptered Law 0299, establishes a mechanism for expediting relief from municipal actions which deny, impede, or delay qualified proposals for workforce housing. In planning organizations, there is much discussion lately concerning "workforce housing" or "inclusionary zoning". Based on state demographic studies, it has been determined that it is becoming increasingly difficult for workers and their families to find housing in New Hampshire. The Planning Board, along with the resources from the Rockingham County Planning Commission, is determining how to modify our zoning to address this new requirement, along with every other town and city in New Hampshire. This item is a challenge, and will require significant effort on the part of the Planning Board, and others, to ensure that it is fair and does not result in any unintended consequences. Due to its complexity, this item was not completed in time to support the 2009 March Town vote. It may require a special vote depending on when the new zoning amendment is prepared.

The Long Range Planning Committee is also working on an evaluation of whether the zoning of the Route 1 Corridor is appropriate. An idea has been suggested that a visioning meeting be held by a professional facilitator along with residents, businesses and abutters, along Lafayette Road, Route 1, to discuss the current zoning and the future of the corridor.

This information only summarizes a fraction of the items that the Planning Board has worked on in 2008. Additional Planning Board actions are documented in the published minutes. The proposed zoning amendments and meeting minutes are available at the Town Hall for review.

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

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

The Rye Police Officers continue to be committed to working with the residents and other public safety agencies to protect our community. Residents are working with the police officers by reporting suspicious activity and concerns in their neighborhoods. Because of the web site, www.ryepolice.us, we are able to receive information from the residents. This web site has become a very valuable tool, allowing us to receive concerns and requests from residents and non-residents. Officer William Blais continues to keep our website current and user friendly.

During 2008 we continued to emphasize high visibility patrols. There were extra patrols on the beaches and in neighborhoods that were funded by grants totaling \$5,604.67. These extra patrols included alcohol compliance checks on local businesses, speed and DWI enforcement. The DWI enforcement patrols were conducted jointly with other local law enforcement agencies. The goals were and are to create a greater public awareness of alcohol and drug-impaired driving issues.

2008 gas prices were high. The officers discussed different ways to save gas. The maintenance officer, Mark Webster, has been regularly checking the tire pressure on all cruisers to ensure we are getting every thing we can and officers are now shutting off the cruisers when running stationary radar in an effort to save gas.

Currently the Rye Police Department and 22 other law enforcement agencies are dispatched by Rockingham County Sheriff's Department. In March 2008, near the end of the school day, the Rye Officers were dispatched to a motor vehicle accident on Sagamore Road in the school zone. The driver was arrested for driving while impaired from drugs, possession of drugs and transporting drugs. During the investigation of the accident, the Rye Officers were unable to contact dispatch by radio due to an armed stand-off in Hampton Falls. Upgraded equipment allowed the Rye officers to communicate with dispatch via a mobile laptop computer. Because of improved communication capabilities, Rye officers were able to investigate the accident, keep vehicular traffic moving and make sure the children got home safely.

The Rye Police Officers would like to thank the citizens of Rye for supporting us. The following are some of the statistics from 2008:

8,637 calls for service	227 arrests	345 alarm responses
2,037 motor vehicle stops	134 accident investigations	459 animal control calls
65 911 hang-up calls	318 medical aid calls	53 domestics
44 juvenile offenses	9 burglary	78 theft reports
\$40,441.80 in parking fines collected.		\$10,140.00 in court fines collected

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Walsh,
Chief of Police

BIRTH OF OUR RECYCLING CENTER

A LOOK BACK TO

APRIL 1980



RYE RECYCLING CENTER — Rye's recycling center at the corner of Washington and Grove Roads is now in operation on a full-time basis. Visiting the center recently to view the recycl-

ing shed which houses the trash compactor, in the background, were, left to right, Selectman Ralph Morang, State Rep. Elizabeth Greenè, Highway Agent

William Jenness, Peter Schiot, Russell Bromfield, Dump Committee Chairman Frances Holway and Selectman David Paterson. (Staff Photo)

Recycling began in Rye in 1980 with the opening of the Recycling Center at the Rye Town Dump under the direction of Highway Agent William Jenness. His enthusiastic Dump Committee was chaired by Frances Holway. In addition to Mrs. Holway, members included Russell Bromfield, Judy Patterson, Peter Schiot, Rick Considine, Ralph Morang and Mel Low. Volunteers from the committee, primarily working Saturdays, built the recycling building to house a compactor and store bales of newsprint and other recyclables. A wood chip pile was initiated as was the "gift shop", known today as the Swap Shop.

Our recycling center was one of the first in the state. An educational campaign was necessary to instruct townspeople on the process, what to recycle and the value of the effort. It has been saving the town money ever since its inception both through sale of our recyclables and by savings resulting from fewer tipping fees (the cost we pay to transport our trash to a landfill).

Over the years, this enterprise has grown along with the population; types of recyclable material have been added to the list and items, such as compost, made available to residents.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Landscaping projects at the Recycling Center continued in 2008 with the construction of a berm on which we planted a number of evergreens. In addition, 130 feet of fencing was refaced with green boards along the Grove Road property line. The overall appearance of the property remains a priority.

This year we processed a total of 1,634.8 tons of trash and 1,105.15 tons of recyclables. This produced \$86,340.09 in revenues for the Town. We thank all of you for your conscientious efforts.

Roadway improvements were conducted in many different areas of town, including Causeway, Cable, Wallis, Church, Colborn, Huntervale and Long John, which involved 2.86 miles of paving by Brox Paving. The Highway Department also added shoulders to these roads and other areas for a total of 540 yards of ground asphalt. This was done to help with storm runoff issues.

The Department also installed 700 feet of repaired or new drainage lines and constructed a stone runoff area on Grove, Wallis and Washington Roads.

2008 was a heavy storm year with 19 storms requiring plowing and/or sanding. The safety of our roads is a high priority and source of pride for the Public Works employees.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire Public Works team for all their hard work in 2008. In turn, the Department of Public Works staff would like to thank the residents for their support and cooperation throughout the year.

We look forward to continuing to serve you in 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett "Bud" Jordan, Director
Public Works Department

DON'T BE A DONKEY: RECYCLE



In the early 1980s, as residents were introduced to the concept of recycling, this float was towed in a parade by Rick Considine using his lawn tractor. Created by members of the Dump Committee, the theme was "Don't be a Donkey: Recycle." Even a Miss Rye Dump contest was suggested as a possible way to draw attention to the new recycling center and the innovative project being started there. Volunteers and a cooperative population have made it a success.

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL DISTRICT 53B

Southeast Regional Refuse Disposal District 53B provides coordination between Waste Management and ten district member towns: Brentwood, Fremont, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, New Castle, North Hampton, Rye, Sandown and South Hampton.

The year 2008 has proven to be a year of change for the District. The Board introduced significant changes designed to reduce operational costs.

The highlights of these changes are as follows:

- The office on Lafayette Road in Hampton was closed with the last months rent paid in October.
- District credit card has been eliminated.
- District telephone has been eliminated.
- There is no longer any full time personnel
All record keeping is being done by an independent contractor on an hourly basis.
- New manifest system for all check payments has been implemented.
- New bookkeeping system has been adopted with standardized financial reports used for all meetings.
- Waste Management is direct billing the member Towns.
- Member Towns are direct paying Waste Management.
- Prior year's audits are complete and a new accountant has been hired.
- All files have been screened and only pertinent information has been retained.
- A complete contact roster has been compiled.

Due to this reorganization the District had a surplus Fund Balance of \$107,950.74 going into its Annual meeting on December 3, 2008. The Board voted at that meeting to retain \$20,950.74 as working and investment capital. The remaining funds of \$87,000 were proportionately refunded back to the member Towns by using their membership percentage in the District. .

Effective April 1, 2009 the Board of Southeast Regional is as follows:

Chairman	Everett Jordan – Rye, NH
Vice Chairman	Robert Larson – Fremont, NH
Treasurer	Bradford Meade – New Castle, NH
Secretary	Alfred Felch – Kensington, NH

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank the retiring members of our current Board for their efforts over the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Everett (Bud) Jordan, Treasurer
Southeast Regional Refusal
District 53B

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 2008 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, know atom science programs, golf lessons, soccer league, yoga, youth fit, mahjong, gymboree play and music classes, babysitter's course, adult and infant CPR courses, first aid courses, internet safety workshop, identity theft workshop, lego robotics workshops, knitting workshops, summertime horyezons day camp, know atom science camp, lego robotics camp, baseball camp, basketball camp, soccer camp, golf camp, surfing camp, and paint your own pottery classes.

The After School Program continues to service a vital need in our community. The program was full at sign-up night in the spring and has a lengthy waiting list. The program moved from the lower level of the Rye Elementary School to the grade 1-2 wing in September. The After School Program is open to grades K-5, 2:40 – 5:50 p.m.

The Recreation Department collaborated with the Rye Police Department, Rye Fire Department, and Safe Routes to School Committee in the development of the 1st Annual Rye Bicycle Rodeo. This bicycle safety clinic featured bike inspections, rules of the road, obstacle course, helmet fitting, bicycle parade, prizes and drawings.

Rye Art in Bloom has been held for the past eight 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 2008 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.

Some site work was completed to make way for a new playground at the Recreation Area. The remainder of the site work and equipment installation has been postponed until 2009 in order to accommodate the Conservations Commissions Marsh Restoration Project.

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, Chairperson. Full time employees include Lee Arthur, Recreation Director and Paul Penman, Programs Director. We extend our appreciation to Jonathan Carleton, our past Programs Director, for his hard work and dedication to the community.

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 nine accounts, which includes one new connection and an account that was split into five condominium units. 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 has requested that the City of Portsmouth renew the Inter-municipal Sewerage Agreement.

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 has requested that the Town of Hampton renew the Agreement for Treatment and Disposal of Wastewater. The cost of treatment increased forty seven percent in 2008 and will be reflected in the Operating and Maintenance Charge (per cubic feet of H₂O consumption) in 2009. A Collection System Operations and Maintenance Plan have been completed as 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. One application for a secondary usage water meter was received in 2008.

Any person, contractor or plumber who will be installing sewer pipes and making sewer connections in Rye must be licensed by the Town. The cost of the Installers License is one hundred dollars (one time fee) and can be obtained at the Sewer Commission Office. In 2008, four installer licenses were issued.

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 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

TOWN OF RYE
GENERAL ASSISTANCE REPORT – 2008

NH state law (RSA165) requires municipalities to “relieve and maintain” those within the city or town who are “poor and unable to support themselves”. This is a broad mandate, tested and re-affirmed repeatedly over the past 200 years, which leaves towns subject to wide variations in cost.

In 2008 we reversed the large increase experienced in 2007, spending a total of \$43,229 on General Assistance (“GA”), a drop of \$18,536, or 30%, from 2007’s total of \$61,770. While we expected increases in some line items (gasoline increased 50%, about \$600; fuel oil increased 140%, about \$3680) other line items decreased significantly – rent assistance was down 37%.

In the FY2007 report we indicated that the large increase experienced in General Assistance was mostly attributable to “just a run of bad luck and more expensive, lengthier periods of need for a select few Rye residents”, adding “there really is no way to guard against this”. Five households alone accounted for 55% of the GA expenditure in 2007. With guidance and successful referrals from this office, these families stabilized during 2008 and became capable of providing for their own needs, but there will always be more families in need, and more emergencies to confront. As long as RSA 165 remains in effect, the Town will always be exposed to this variable of cost liability.

THREE YEAR GENERAL ASSISTANCE HISTORY

	2006		2007		2008	
	Vouchers	Total	Vouchers	Total	Vouchers	Total
Electric	5	476	10	2426	5	901
Food	21	1515	38	5506	45	5461
Gas	9	1919	3	839	0	0
Gasoline	1	25	34	1220	41	1805
Medical	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mortgage	0	0	4	6163	2	1660
Oil	3	740	9	2628	13	6309
Personal	1	35	31	1428	31	1150
Rent	60	27415	78	41323	65	25901
Rx	4	847	1	170	3	42
Util-Other	4	587	1	62	0	0
TOTALS	108	33559	209	61765	205	43229

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January 20, 2009

TOWN OFFICES AND SERVICES

HOURS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Assessor's Office	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Building Inspector:	
Building, Planning, Zoning Office	8:00 a.m. – 12 noon
Afternoons by appointment	
Library:	
Monday, Wednesday, Friday	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday	9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Public Works Director: Monday – Friday	6:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Recycling Center & Brush (CLOSED MONDAY)	
Recycling Area: Tuesday - Saturday	7:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Brush Dump (TUES. & SAT. ONLY)	7:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Recreation Director: Monday – Thursday	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Selectmen's Office: Monday - Friday	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Sewer Commission: Monday – Friday	8:00 a.m. – 12 noon
Town Administrator: Monday – Friday	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday – Friday	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Treasurer: Tuesday & Thursday	10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.

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

AMBULANCE-FIRE-POLICE EMERGENCY 911

AMBULANCE OR FIRE EMERGENCY.....	911 OR 964-8683
Fire Department – Non Emergency.....	964-6411
Fire Department Fax.....	964-9894
POLICE EMERGENCY.....	911 OR 964-5521
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 certain 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/ EMERGENCY (Home).....	964-8263
Recreation.....	964-6281
Recycling Center (Recycle or Brush).....	964-5300
Selectmen.....	964-5523
Selectmen Fax.....	964-1516
E-Mail:	nancyw@town.rye.nh.us
Town Website:	www.town.rye.nh.us
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