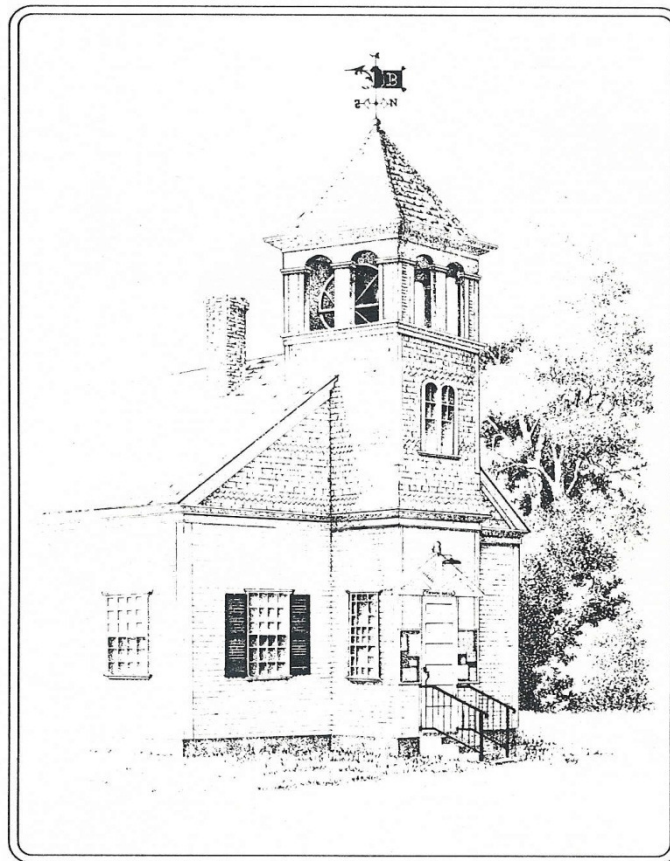


**ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE TOWN OFFICERS  
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2012**



For the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012

Vital Statistics for 2012

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### **2012 Annual Report Dedication**

Our 218th Annual Report is dedicated to Ernest "Ernie" Brown Jr., who served his country in the United States Air Force for 20 years and for over 30 years has given the Town of Brookfield his time, energy, insight, and most importantly his leadership.

During his 20 years in the Air Force, he served in combat with the United States Army, the United States Navy and the United States Air Force in Vietnam during the years 1965 through 1967 and 1970. He served 10 years as an Instructor Pilot, training pilots from South Vietnam, Turkey and the United States. He served two years in VF-96 as an Exchange Pilot with the United States Navy and served a combat cruise aboard the USS America. He has made 157 carrier landings, of which 57 were made at night. Some aircraft he has been privileged to fly are almost all models of the F-4 Phantom, TA-4F, F-15E, AU-23 and AU-24 STOL aircraft, and the L-19 as an ALO/FAC.

He is a proud member of the Order of Daedalians, a military fraternity of pilots. Presently he is the Treasurer for Granite State #53 and previously served in that capacity for Stinson Flight.

As an Elected Official for the last 30 years, Ernie has served as the following:

- 1983 – Elected Auditor Town of Brookfield
  - 1983 – Appointed Planning Board Member
  - 1984 – Elected Planning Board Member
  - 1985 – Appointed Chairman, Planning Board
  - 1986 – Elected School Board Member to Governor Wentworth School District, serving 17 years as a representative for the Town of Brookfield and / or as a Member at Large. Served as the Chairman of the School Board, Budget and Building and Maintenance Committees.
  - 1987 – Elected Trustee of the Trust Funds
  - 1993 – Elected Moderator Town of Brookfield, served 7 years in this position
  - 2005 – Served as a Selectman for the Town of Brookfield for a total of 7 years.
- Served as the Chairman of the E911 Implementation for the Town of Brookfield.

His father was known as "*Mr. Brookfield*" for his many years of dedicated service to the town. Ernie is definitely following in his father's footsteps!

**Selectmen Hours**

*Office* – 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. – 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays

*Meeting* – Tuesday 6:30 P.M. – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays

Town Office Building

**Town Clerk Hours**

Monday 11:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Tuesday 8:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Town Office Building

**Tax Collector Hours**

10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays

Town Office Building

**Assessor Clerk Hours**

Wednesday 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Town Office Building

**Building Inspector / Code Enforcement Officer Hours**

Thursday 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Town Office Building

**Planning Board Meeting**

Second Monday of Each Month 6:30 P.M.

Town Office Building

**Conservation Commission Meeting**

First Wednesday of Each Month 6:00 P.M.

Town Office Building

**Agricultural Commission Meeting**

First Monday of Each Month 6:30 PM

Town Office Building

**Heritage Commission Meeting**

Second Wednesday of Each Month 7:00 PM

Town Office Building

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## Churchill Schoolhouse



This photo shows the Churchill Homestead on the left, and the schoolhouse and shed in position, looking down Mountain Road to the intersection with Governor's Road. Probably around 1900-1910.



The photo was taken September 10, 1905. The teacher is Mabel Burroughs. The first row of little boys sitting is one of the Lampron boys (Almon or Bruno), Dana Cate, Norris Cate, Myron Cate; Second row: Ray Cate, Tracy Willey, Ralph Hanson, the other Lampron boy, John Lang, Annie Smith, Bernice Cate, Abbie Smith, Vera Cate, Anna Brown and Ethel Lang. Third row: Florence Lang, Lottie Hanson, Augusta Brown, Lena Weymouth, Hazel Chamberlain, Georgia Ames and Eva Boston.

In January 1801, at a meeting at Richard Hanson's, the men of the town voted to draw up a petition to find a method of building schoolhouses. The petition was put to a vote on April 6, 1801, at which time the town voted to build four schoolhouses as directed by the selectmen in 1797. The South, Middle and West District schools were to be built by the last day of November 1801, and the Northern District's school within 1 year of that date.

Apparently, the subscribers of the South District (Churchill Schoolhouse District) had held a meeting on January 1 and had voted to build their schoolhouse. They voted to build a school on Nathan Watson's land near Moses Perkin's house. The school was to measure 20 x 25 feet "in bigness with eight and a half feet between joints," boarded with feather-edged boards, shingled, and clapboarded, and to have good double floors. Included were to be seven glass windows, a ceiling made of good clear boards, boarding beneath the windows, and plaster above. The school was bid off to John Willand for \$117.00. The school was to be finished to "the turn of a key" by the following November 1, and no other school sessions were to be held until that time. The schoolhouse was completed at least by March 1802, when the town voted not to hold the town meetings in the schoolhouses.

No mention was made of the curriculum in the school, but each school district was autonomous, deciding when terms would be held, choosing the teachers, and planning for the repair and upkeep of the building. Much attention was given to the "giting the wood to vendue" for the least amount of money.

The penalty for neglecting to provide sufficient wood was \$10.00—a stiff fine to pay! Also made very clear was that the wood was not to be burnt for anything except the good of the South District School. The comfort that a roaring fire provided was one of few in the early schoolhouses, which were notoriously cold and drafty. The boys' job was to keep the fire going. Girls' names were kept on a "sweeping list" and the girls used brooms home-made from hemlock boughs.

By 1822 the town had been divided into five school districts: No. 1 –South was served by the Churchill School; No. 2 West was served by the school on Tumbledown Dick Road; No. 3 Middle was served by Hackett School; No. 4 North was served by Stoneham School. It is uncertain whether a schoolhouse ever existed for District 5. In 1823 District 5 was annexed to District 3.

By 1850 there were seven "common schools" in Brookfield, with 7 teachers and a total of 170 pupils. The first school register for the Churchill School dates from 1859: Sarah Cotton was the teacher for the eight-week summer term and Jasper Warren for the ten weeks in winter. A total of 32 scholars were registered, from Martin Cate, just 4 years old, to George Z. Ricker, age 20. Children brought their own supplies, such as slates and slate pencils, as the school offered few materials for the students' use. As in other schools in previous years, the teachers reported the absence not only of a library in the school but of reference books, mural maps, charts, globe and "other apparatus."

The year 1860 does not appear to have been auspicious for this school. 32 students – 23 boys and 9 girls, including 10 Churchills – were registered for the winter term from December 2 to January 17, under William C. Saunders, schoolmaster. 16 of the students were teenagers. In the seven week term, 108 instances of tardiness were recorded.

Not until the 1870's were efforts made to have teachers attend teachers' institutions and normal schools were promoted as well. Many of the men who taught schools were also farmers and unable to hold school except in the winter months. A report given in 1870 explained that the terms of school were going from four weeks to twelve and that "*female teachers have been employed throughout the town. This is the case in the majority of towns in the state. This plan was partially adopted for purpose of lengthening schools.*" Even then, the schools were not open consistently. Epidemics of whooping cough and scarlet fever closed some schools for weeks at a time.

As the population of the town decreased, so did the school population, with the peak year being 1879. By 1900 three centers of population existed, necessitating only three schools: Brookfield Corner, including Old Governor's Road up to Clark Road, served by Hackett School; along Stoneham Road, served by Stoneham School; and along Governor's Road and up Mountain Road, served by the Churchill School.

From 1920 to 1936, the superintendent, Fred Dudley, spent much of his report in praising the work of the new teacher at the Churchill School, Eva Willey. Mrs. Willey was from Rochester, NY, and was educated at Boston University. After her marriage to C. Tracey Willey of Brookfield, she had intended to enjoy life as a farm wife, but had answered the call of the community when a teacher was needed desperately. Although many fine teachers worked in our early schools, none has been enshrined in the hearts of her pupils as has Mrs. Willey. The Churchill School hummed under the direction of this teacher, who began a number of important school programs. Rural health issues were vital ones, and Mrs. Willey established a hot-lunch program that involved the children preparing the lunch served at noon during the winter months. Each child would bring an item – a potato or a carrot for use in the meal. In the beginning, the children collected and sold scrap and waste paper to finance the program.



Wallace Wright provided the school with his Greathome Milk. Mrs. Willey instituted a dental health program that was praised highly by the superintendent. In 1933, the 22 children attending Churchill School put on an entertainment to raise money to hold a dental clinic. When teacher Eva Willey died on June 6, 1952, at the age of 56, she was mourned by the entire community, but her legacy lives on in the hundreds of lives she touched.

The Churchill and Hackett schools were combined in 1925, and 10 years later Stoneham School, which had averaged 5-6 pupils each year, also was closed. In the late 1930's, Brookfield's elementary teacher told girls that they "should plan to be nurses or teachers", and the boys should be encouraged to go to the University of New Hampshire to study agriculture and farm mechanics. In 1938, electric lights were installed in the Churchill School, and the building's use was extended greatly.

March 13, 1956, the town voted to close the Churchill School and funds were allocated to move the building. The actual moving of the school building didn't take place until 1967 when, at a cost of \$1,803.70, the Churchill School building was moved to its present location behind the Town House. Today the building continues to serve the community as a meeting room.

In 2012, the Heritage Commission provided the townspeople with a questionnaire for the town residents to have a voice in what should be done with the Churchill Schoolhouse. Many things have been suggested over the years by various members of the town – Does the building get moved; torn down and sold; should it be used for an overflow for the town offices? The Heritage Commission will be working on the results during 2013, but we know there is work that needs to be done.

*This information is taken from "Our Yesterdays, The Story of Brookfield, New Hampshire" by Carolyn D. Chase, Editor, published by Queen's Bay Publishing, Brookfield, NH 1999.*



### **Moving the Churchill School House**

*The photos are provided by the Town Archivist, Craig Evans and are from the Town Archives.*

## List of Town Officials

<b>Position</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>Term Expires</b> (E=Elected / A=Appointed)
<b>Selectmen</b>		
	Clifton Camp	2013 – E
	Bill Nelson	2014 – E
	Richard Zacher	2015 – E
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>		
	Jessica Robischeau	A
<b>Agricultural Commission</b>		
	Rick Surette, Chair	2013 – A
	Michael Tsaltas	2014 – A
	Janet Murfey	2013 – A
	Geary Ciccarone	2014 – A
	Art Wheeler	2013 – A
	Richard Zacher, Selectmen's Representative	
<b>Auditors</b>		
	Marilyn Bushman	2014 – E
	John Nelson	2013 – E
<b>Ballot Clerks</b>		
	Frank Frazier	2014 – A
	Rose Zacher	2014 – A
	Douglas Vanderpool	A
	Judy Grey	A
	Jennifer McGowan	A
	Susan Brown	A
	Ernie Brown	A
<b>Board of Assessors</b>		
	Selectmen	
	Avitar Associates of N.E. Inc.	
	Jessica Robischeau, Assessing Clerk	A
<b>Cemetery Trustees</b>		
	Marilyn Bushman, Chair	2015 – E
	Craig Evans	2014 – E
	John Nelson	2013 – E
	Clifton Camp, Selectmen's Representative	

<b>Position</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>Term Expires</b> (E=Elected / A=Appointed)
<b>Code Enforcement Officer</b>	Edward Nason	A
<b>Conservation Commission</b>	Tom Giguere, Chair	2014
	Tom Hill, Vice Chair	2013
	John Nelson	2015
	Dulcie Lavender	2013
	Richard Peckham	2015
	Terry Jones, Alternate	2015
	Jean Jones, Alternate	2015
	Bill Nelson, Selectmen's Representative	
<b>Emergency Management Director</b>	Bradford N. Williamson, Director	A
	Bill Nelson, Deputy Director	A
<b>Forest Fire Wardens</b>	Bradford N. Williamson, Warden	A
	Janet S. Williamson, Deputy Warden	A
	Richard Zacher, Deputy Warden	A
<b>Health Officer</b>	Dr. William Marsh	A
<b>Heritage Commission</b>	Marilou MacLean, Chair	2013 – A
	Dave Proctor	2014 – A
	Clifton Camp, Selectmen's Representative	
	Harriet Wilson	2014 – A
	Patricia Golden, Alternate	2014 – A
	Susan Raban, Alternate	2015 – A
<b>Joint Loss Management</b>	Jessica Robischeau	A
	Ed Nason	A
	Marilou Maclean	A
	Richard Zacher, Selectmen's Representative	
<b>Moderator</b>	Dr. William Marsh	2014 – E

<b>Position</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>Term Expires</b> (E=Elected / A=Appointed)
<b>Newsletter</b>	Susan Jalbert	A
<b>Planning Board</b>	Geary Ciccarone, Chair	2015 – E
	Rick Surette, Vice Chair	2013 – E
	Jim Freeman	2014 – E
	Stephen Michalsky	2014 – E
	Edward D. Nason	2013 – E
	Rob Collins	2015 – E
	Ed Comeau, Alternate	2014 – A
	George Nick, Administrative Assistant	
	Clifton Camp, Selectmen Representative	
<b>Road Agent</b>	T.E.N. Construction	A
<b>Supervisors of Checklist</b>	Adeline Russo, Chair	2018 – E
	Carol Leary	2016 – E
	Cheryl Perry	2014 – E
<b>Tax Collector</b>	Diana J. Peckham	2013 – E
	Rose Zacher, Deputy	A
<b>Town Clerk</b>	Virginia A. McGinley	2013 – E
	Lisa Harris, Deputy	A
<b>Treasurer</b>	Marilou MacLean	2013 – E
<b>Trustees of Trust Funds</b>	Tom Giguere, Chair	2014 – E
	Thomas Lavender	2013 – E
	Richard Nordin	2013 – E
<b>Welfare Officer</b>	Lynn Watts	A

<b>Position</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>Term Expires</b> (E=Elected / A=Appointed)
<b>Webmaster</b>	Virtual Town Hall	A
	Rose Zacher	2013 – A
	Jessica Robischeau	2013 – A
<b>Zoning Board of Adjustment</b>		
	Paul Tremblay, Chair	2014 – A
	Brian Robischeau	2015 – A
	David Dansereau	2015 – A
	Janet Murfey	2014 – A
	Richard Mauser	2013 – A
	Bill Nelson, Selectmen's Representative	
	Jessica Robischeau, Secretary	
<b>Animal Control Officer</b>	Fred Guldbrandsen	
<b>Fire Chief</b>	Todd Nason	
<b>Police Chief</b>	Kenneth Fifield	



**Town House with Carriage Shed**

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**2012 Town Warrant and Results**  
**Town Meeting March 13, 2012**  
State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Brookfield in the County of Carroll is said State qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Offices in said Brookfield on Tuesday, the thirteenth of March, next, to act upon Articles 1 by official ballot.

Polls will be open from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. And you are hereby further notified to meet at the Town House in said Brookfield on the same day beginning at 7:00 pm to act upon the following Articles 2 through 13.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the coming year - By Ballot.
2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Scholastic Recognition Award Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation (Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – *Passed as read.***

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to be added to the Expendable Trust Fund known as the Town Building Office Equipment Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – *Passed as read.***

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the Expendable Trust Fund known as the Town Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.(Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – *Passed as read.***

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000.00 to be added to the Road and Bridge Repair Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – *Passed as read.***

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000.00 for the major repair of Town Roads and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said sum from the Road and Bridge Repair Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – *Passed as read***

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be added to the Conservation Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.(Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – Passed as read.**

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be added to the Heritage Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – Passed as read.**

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,400.00 to be added to the compensation of the Town Treasurer for services performed. This compensation is in addition to the \$3,600.00 included in the operating budget article. If this article passes, \$5,000.00 will be the compensation for the Treasurer in the operating budget in 2012. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – Passed as read.**

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to be added to the compensation of the Trustees of the Trust Funds for services performed. This compensation is in addition to the \$350.00 included in the operating budget article. If this article passes, \$450.00 will be the total compensation for the Trustees of the Trust Funds in the operating budget for 2012. The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation. (Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – Passed as read**

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,000.00 to be added to the Property Re-Evaluation Expendable Trust Fund. The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation. (Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – Passed as read.**

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,250.00 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Town Cemetery Fund. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required.)

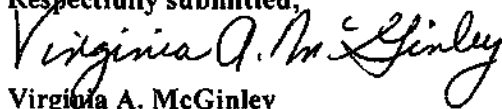
**RESULTS – Passed as read.**

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended sum of \$608,687.00 for the Town Operating Budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed in the Warrant. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required.)

**RESULTS – Passed as read.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm. by the Moderator William Marsh.

Respectfully submitted,



Virginia A. McGinley

Brookfield Town Clerk



**Town of Brookfield**  
**2013 Warrant**  
**Town Meeting March 12, 2013**



*State of New Hampshire*

To the inhabitants of the Town of Brookfield in the County of Carroll in said State qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Offices in said Brookfield on Tuesday, the twelfth of March, next, to act upon Articles 1 thru 6 by official ballot. Polls will be open from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

And you are hereby further notified to meet at the Town House in said Brookfield on the same day beginning at 7:00 pm to act upon the following Articles 7 through 15.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the coming year - By Ballot.
2. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: delete Articles II, A, 1, b and Article III, E regarding home occupations and replace them with new language which allows home occupations and home based businesses as an accessory use to a residential use without site plan approval provided the home occupation or home based business satisfies several criteria. *The Planning Board recommends this amendment. – By Ballot. (Majority Vote Required).*
3. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: amend Article II, A, 3, d regarding setbacks to exempt farm stand structures of 200 square feet or less from the general setback requirements and instead to allow such structures to be constructed no less than 10 feet from the traveled way (but in any event no closer than the stone wall or the right of way) provided the farm stand does not interfere with site distance. *The Planning Board recommends this amendment. – By Ballot. (Majority Vote Required).*
4. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the planning board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: delete Article II, A, 2 and replace it with new language which prohibits any use in the Rural-Agricultural District that is not consistent with permitted uses in that district, including but not limited to animal hospitals and kennels, automobile service or filling

stations and boarding houses. *The Planning Board recommends this amendment. – By Ballot. (Majority Vote Required).*

5. Are you in favor of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town zoning ordinance as follows: the deletion of Article IX, A, 7, 31, 32, 33, 34, including a portion of 29 and Article IX, G6, – and additions, including the following: (1) inserting a definition of “Flood Insurance Study” in Article IX, A, 9, (2) references to the North American Vertical Datum in Article IX, A, 19 and 30, (3) a clarification of water surface elevation in Article IX, A, 23, (4) inserting references regarding Section D and G2b in Article IX, A, 29 and (5) inserting a definition of highway use of a recreational vehicle in Article IX, G4. These amendments are required by FEMA. *The Planning Board recommends this amendment to be placed on Ballot. – By Ballot. (Majority Vote Required).*
6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by petition for the town zoning ordinance, as follows: Add a new Section D in Article II to create a Recreational Resort Campground and Town Beach Access Zone on Brookfield Tax Map 29, Lot 7 and Brookfield Tax Map 28, Lots 28-2 and 28-2A; Section D allows a recreational resort campground on approximately two hundred (200) acres of land located between Tumbledown Dick Road, Kingswood Lake/Cook’s Pond and Meade Dam Road, and provides access for residents of the Town of Brookfield to a lake beach and associated parking and bathroom/changing facilities at a to be designated area in the approved recreational resort campground; Section D requires sites for each cabin or cottage to be not less than one thousand five hundred (1,500) square feet in size and to be located no closer than fifty (50) feet to the lot line of any lot abutting the Recreational Resort Campground and Town Beach Access Zone and further requires that each cabin or cottage have a maximum ground floor area of four hundred (400) square feet; Section D requires internal setbacks of not less than ten (10) feet from any internal road and that cabins and cottages be setback not less than twenty (20) feet from any other cabin or cottage and not less than seventy five (75) feet from any pond, lake, stream, brook, watercourse, marsh, or seasonally wet area; further, Section D provides that the maximum number of sites allowed in the Recreational Resort Campground and Town Beach Access Zone shall be determined in accordance with state septic and water supply rules and regulations. *(By Petition) The Planning Board does not recommend this amendment by a vote of 2-2. – By Ballot (Majority Vote Required).*
7. Per RSA 35:15, to see if the municipality will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Town Cemetery Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2003. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required).*
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise the hourly wage from \$7.25 per hour to \$9.00 per hour for the members of the Supervisor of the Checklist for services performed. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required).*
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 to be added to the Road and Bridge Repair Capital Reserve Fund. *The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).*
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,000 for the major repair of Town Roads and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said sum from the

Road and Bridge Repair Capital Reserve Fund. *The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).*

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to be added to the Conservation Fund. *The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).*
12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 to be added to the Heritage Fund. *The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).*
13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,250.00 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund known as the Town Cemetery Fund. *The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).*
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,000.00 to be added to the Property Re-Evaluation Expendable Trust Fund. *The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).*
15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Selectmen's recommended sum of \$633,719 for the Town Operating Budget. Said sum does not include special or individual articles addressed in this Warrant. *The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority Vote Required).*

Clifton Camp \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

William Nelson \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Richard Zacher \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**Proposed Town Budget 2013**  
(Warrant Articles Included)

Town Account Number	Description	2012 Proposed	2012 Actual	2013 Warrant Article #	2013 Proposed
	<b><i>REVENUE</i></b>				
<b>3110</b>	<b><i>Property Taxes</i></b>				
3110.110	Property Tax		1,757,794		
3110.130	Overpayment Refunds/Abatement		-4,479		
3115.100	Lien Redemptions		37,673		
3110.150	Property Taxes - Other		0		
	<b><i>Total Property Taxes</i></b>		<b>1,790,988</b>		0
<b>3120</b>	<b><i>Land Use Change Tax</i></b>				
3120.100	Land Use Taxes	5,000	0		1,000
	<b><i>Total Land Use Change Tax</i></b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>0</b>		1,000
<b>3185</b>	<b><i>Yield Taxes</i></b>				
3185.100	Yield Taxes/Excavation Taxes	5,000	14,340		10,000
	<b><i>Total Yield Taxes</i></b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>14,340</b>		10,000
<b>3187</b>	<b><i>Excavation Tax</i></b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>3189</b>	<b><i>Other Taxes</i></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>3190</b>	<b><i>Penalties &amp; Interest</i></b>				
3190.100	Yield Tax Interest	100	7		100
3190.110	Property Tax Interest	3,000	8,762		3,000
3190.120	Lien Interest	2,000	8,394		2,000
3190.150	Other Interest & Penalty		0		0
	<b><i>Total Penalties &amp; Interest</i></b>	<b>5,100</b>	<b>17,163</b>		5,100
<b>3220</b>	<b><i>Motor Vehicle Permit Fees</i></b>				
3220.100	Motor Vehicle Permits	99,000	108,689		99,000
	<b><i>Total Motor Vehicle Permit Fees</i></b>	<b>99,000</b>	<b>108,689</b>		99,000
<b>3230</b>	<b><i>Building Permits</i></b>				
3230.100	Building Permits - Construction	1,500	3,805		3,500
3230.110	Other Permits		700		500
	<b><i>Total Building Permits</i></b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>4,505</b>		4,000

<b>Town Account Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>2012 Proposed</b>	<b>2012 Actual</b>	<b>2013 Warrant Article #</b>	<b>2013 Proposed</b>
<b>3290</b>	<b><i>Other Licenses, Permits &amp; Fees</i></b>				
3290.100	Dog Licenses	1,000	1,317		1,000
3290.101	Dog License Fines		242		
3290.110	Land Fill Permits	300	1,825		300
3290.120	Other		350		
	<b><i>Total Other Licenses, Permits &amp; Fees</i></b>	<b>1,300</b>	<b>3,734</b>		1,300
<b>3292</b>	<b><i>Planning &amp; ZBA</i></b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>3351</b>	<b><i>Shared Revenue Block Grant</i></b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>3352</b>	<b><i>Rooms &amp; Meals Tax Dist.</i></b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>31,942</b>		<b>30,000</b>
<b>3353</b>	<b><i>Highway Block Grant</i></b>	<b>28,650</b>	<b>28,522</b>		<b>22,000</b>
<b>3359</b>	<b><i>Other State Grant &amp; Reimbursement</i></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>3501</b>	<b><i>Sale of Municipal Property</i></b>	<b>100</b>	<b>816</b>		<b>100</b>
<b>3502</b>	<b><i>Interest on Investments</i></b>	<b>500</b>	<b>409</b>		<b>300</b>
<b>3503</b>	<b><i>Town Owned Property-Income</i></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>3508</b>	<b><i>Contributions &amp; Donations</i></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,492</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>3509</b>	<b><i>Misc. Income</i></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,046</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>3901</b>	<b><i>Re-Purchase of Conveyed Property</i></b>		<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>3915</b>	<b><i>Transfer from Capital Reserve</i></b>				
3815.400	Road & Bridge Repair	75,000	75,000		43,000
3915.600	Scholastic Fund	750	1,500		750
	<b><i>Total Transfer from Capital Reserve</i></b>	<b>75,750</b>	<b>76,500</b>		43,750
<b>3916</b>	<b><i>Transfer from Trust &amp; Agency</i></b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
	<b><i>Total Revenue</i></b>	<b>255,930</b>	<b>2,082,145</b>		<b>216,551</b>

Town Account Number	Description	2012 Proposed	2012 Actual	2013 Warrant Article #	2013 Proposed
	<b>EXPENSES</b>				
	<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
<b>4130</b>	<b>Executive</b>				
4130.101	Selectmen's Salary	15,000	15,000		15,000
4130.102	Board Admin. Asst. Salary	2,916	4,036		4,000
4130.200	Board Expenses	2,500	1,460		1,600
4130.205	Selectmen's Expenses	0	900		900
4130.210	Office & Computer Supplies & Equipment	2,000	2,245		2,400
4130.300	Public Notices	300	599		300
4130.800	Town Meeting Expenses	2,000	1,625		2,000
4130.350	Town Contracts - IT	2,700	769		2,700
4130.400	Perambulation of Town Lines	900	0		900
	<b>Total Executive</b>	<b>28,316</b>	<b>26,633</b>		<b>29,800</b>
<b>4140-4149</b>	<b>Election, Registration &amp; Vital Statistics</b>				
4140	Registration, Vital Statistics				
4140.101	Salary - Town Clerk	13,000	13,000		13,000
4140.102	Salary - Deputy Town Clerk	1,200	3,053		1,620
4140.200	Expenses	750	1,009		750
4140.210	Software - Clerkworks	258	258		258
4140.270	Mileage	200	1,108		1,000
4140.310	Dues & Workshop	750	705		650
	<b>Total Registration, Vital Statistics</b>	<b>16,158</b>	<b>19,133</b>		<b>17,278</b>
4141	Supervisor of the Check List				
4141.101	Salaries	2,500	1,914	<b>#8</b>	750
4141.200	Expenses	99	108		150
4141.270	Mileage	1	0		200
4141.300	Public Notices	200	424		400
	<b>Total Supervisors of the Check List</b>	<b>2,800</b>	<b>2,446</b>		<b>1,500</b>

<b>Town Account Number</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>2012 Proposed</b>	<b>2012 Actual</b>	<b>2013 Warrant Article #</b>	<b>2013 Proposed</b>
4142	Elections				
4142.101	Salaries-Moderator, Election Officials	900	982		225
4142.200	Expenses	1	0		1
4142.270	Mileage	1	0		1
4142.300	Public Notices	1	0		1
4142.310	Dues & Workshop	20	0		20
	<b>Total Elections</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>982</b>		<b>248</b>
	<b>Total Election, Registration &amp; Vital Statistics</b>	<b>19,881</b>	<b>22,561</b>		<b>19,026</b>
<b>4150-4157</b>	<b>Financial Administration</b>				
4150	Treasurer				
4150.100	Salary - Treasurer	5,000	5,000		5,000
4150.200	Expenses	300	454		475
4150.210	Software	600	326		600
4150.310	Dues & Workshop	450	204		275
	<b>Total Treasurer</b>	<b>6,350</b>	<b>5,984</b>		<b>6,350</b>
4151	Tax Collector				
4151.100	Salary - Tax Collector	12,500	12,500		12,500
4151.102	Salary - Deputy Tax Collector	800	433		800
4151.200	Expenses	1,052	1,058		1,852
4151.210	Software	1,550	1,370		1,370
4151.250	Tax Lien Searches	750	260		750
4151.270	Mileage	351	192		350
4151.310	Dues & Workshop	700	20		700
	<b>Total Tax Collector</b>	<b>17,703</b>	<b>15,834</b>		<b>18,322</b>
4152	Assessor/Assessor Clerk				
4152.100	Salary - Assessor Clerk	3,078	2,714		3,000
4152.200	Expenses	200	82		600
4152.210	Software	1,550	1,319		1,319
4152.270	Mileage	200	0		170
4152.310	Dues & Workshop	150	190		110
4152.320	Tax Map Maintenance	750	1,500		750
4152.350	Assessor Contract (Avitar)	9,060	6,468		9,060
	<b>Total Assessor/Assessor Clerk</b>	<b>14,988</b>	<b>12,272</b>		<b>15,009</b>

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4154	Trustee of the Trust Funds				
4154.100	Salary - Trustee of the Trust Funds	450	450		450
4154.200	Expenses/Dues	50	0		50
4154.310	Dues & Workshop	100	0		100
	<b>Total Trustee of the Trust Funds</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>450</b>		<b>600</b>
4157	Auditing				
4157.100	Salary - Auditing	300	300		300
4157.200	Expenses	25	0		25
4157.350	MS-5	600	585		600
	<b>Total Auditing</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>885</b>		<b>925</b>
	<b>Total Financial Administration</b>	<b>40,566</b>	<b>35,425</b>		<b>41,206</b>
<b>4153</b>	<b>Legal Expenses</b>				
4153.301	Selectmen	4,000	3,790		6,000
4153.302	Planning Board	4,000	87		6,000
4153.303	Zoning Board	4,000	0		5,000
	<b>Total Legal Expenses</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>3,877</b>		<b>17,000</b>
<b>4160</b>	<b>Revaluation of Property</b>				
4160.100	Salary - Revaluation	1	0		1
	<b>Total Revaluation of Property</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>4170</b>	<b>Personnel Administration</b>				
4170.100	FICA	5,000	5,192		5,500
4170.200	Worker's Compensation Insurance	1,409	621		2,054
	<b>Total Personnel Administration</b>	<b>6,409</b>	<b>5,813</b>		<b>7,554</b>
<b>4191-4192</b>	<b>Planning &amp; Zoning</b>				
4191	Planning Board				
4191.100	Salary - Planning Board Admin Asst	5,040	6,573		6,000
4191.200	Expenses	475	40		300
4191.250	Planning & Development	1	0		1
4191.300	Public Notices	500	109		500
4191.310	Dues & Workshop	462	0		150
	<b>Total Planning Board</b>	<b>6,478</b>	<b>6,722</b>		<b>6,951</b>



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4192	Zoning Board of Adjustment				
4192.100	Salary - ZBA Administrative Asst.	400	0		400
4192.200	Expenses	400	0		400
4192.300	Public Notices	300	0		300
4192.310	Dues & Workshop	400	0		400
	Total Zoning Board of Adjustment	1,500	0		1,500
	<b>Total Planning &amp; Zoning</b>	<b>7,978</b>	<b>6,722</b>		<b>8,451</b>
<b>4194</b>	<b>General Government Buildings</b>				
4194.100	Salary - Cleaning Personnel	1,200	1,200		1,200
4194.200	Expenses	200	293		300
4194.210	Repairs to Building & Grounds	15,000	4,200		15,000
4194.230	Building & Ground Maintenance	8,000	1,645		8,000
4194.240	Shoveling Snow/Mowing	1,200	1,200		1,200
4194.401	Fuel	11,000	10,840		11,000
4194.402	Telephone	1,200	1,449		1,000
4194.404	Internet	1,500	1,676		1,700
4194.500	Town Owned Properties	1	0		1
	<b>Total General Government Buildings</b>	<b>39,301</b>	<b>22,502</b>		<b>39,401</b>
<b>4195</b>	<b>Town Cemetery</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>234</b>		<b>200</b>
<b>4196</b>	<b>Insurance</b>	<b>3500</b>	<b>2673</b>		<b>3,000</b>
<b>4197</b>	<b>Regional Association</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>1</b>
<b>4199</b>	<b>Other General Government</b>				
4199.400	Archival - Record Processing	900	110		800
4199.450	Archival Supplies	350	340		100
4199.500	Contingency	1,000	0		1,000
4199.502	Scholastic Recognition	750	1,500		750
	<b>Total General Government</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>1,950</b>		<b>2,650</b>
	<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>				
<b>4210</b>	<b>Public Safety</b>				
4211.300	Fire/Police/Ambulance	171,434	171,434		185,396
	<b>Total Public Safety</b>	<b>171,434</b>	<b>171,434</b>		<b>185,396</b>

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<b>4225</b>	<b>Forestry</b>				
4225.300	Forestry Inspections	1	0		1
4225.301	Forest Fire Control	500	0		50
4225.302	Forest Fire Management	750	0		750
4225.303	Dry Hydrants	1	0		500
4225.500	Truck Maintenance	1,500	261		500
4225.600	Mileage	250	0		250
	<b>Total Forestry</b>	<b>3,002</b>	<b>261</b>		<b>2,051</b>
<b>4240</b>	<b>CEO &amp; Building Inspection</b>				
4240.100	Salary - CEO & Building Inspection	2,000	1,995		5,000
	Salary - Admin Asst. for CEO	2,808	2,410		3,000
4240.200	Expenses	1,250	1,598		1,250
4240.270	Mileage	400	0		200
4240.310	Dues & Workshop	250	0		125
4240.350	Building Inspections - Ind. Contractor	100	0		50
	<b>Total CEO &amp; Building Inspection</b>	<b>6,808</b>	<b>6,003</b>		<b>9,625</b>
<b>4290</b>	<b>Emergency Management</b>				
4290.300	Emergency Management	1,000	2,400		750
	<b>Total Emergency Management</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>2,400</b>		<b>750</b>
	<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>				
<b>4312</b>	<b>Highways &amp; Streets</b>				
	<i>Summer Maintenance</i>				
4312.361	Road Agent Charges	66,000	81,016		70,000
4312.362	Materials	30,000	29,115		30,000
	<i>Snow &amp; Ice Removal</i>				
4312.371	Road Agent Charges	60,000	42,619		55,000
4312.372	Materials	12,000	19,767		15,000
	<b>Total Highways &amp; Streets</b>	<b>168,000</b>	<b>172,517</b>		<b>170,000</b>
	<b>SANITATION</b>				
<b>4323</b>	<b>Sanitation</b>				
4323.350	Solid Waste Disposal	60,782	60,782		60,106
	<b>Total Sanitation</b>	<b>60,782</b>	<b>60,782</b>		<b>60,106</b>

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<b>4415</b>	<b>Health Agencies</b>				
4415.401	Northern Human Services	358	358		358
4415.402	Central NH VNA & Hospice	2,030	2,030		2,000
4415.403	Meals on Wheels	1,250	1,250		1,000
	<b>Total Health Agencies</b>	<b>3,638</b>	<b>3,638</b>		<b>3,358</b>
	<b>WELFARE</b>				
<b>4441-4445</b>	<b>Direct Assistance</b>				
4441 + 4442	Administration & Direct Assistance	10,000	5,851		10,000
	<b>Total Direct Assistance</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>5,851</b>		<b>10,000</b>
	<b>Vendor Payments &amp; Others</b>				
4445.401	Tri-County CAP	4,000	4,000		4,000
4445.402	Food Pantry	2,000	2,000		2,000
	<b>Total Vendor Payments &amp; Others</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>		<b>6,000</b>
	<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>				
<b>4520</b>	<b>Parks &amp; Recreation</b>	<b>4,217</b>	<b>4,216</b>		<b>4,217</b>
	<b>Town Parks</b>				<b>250</b>
<b>4550</b>	<b>Library - Gafney</b>	<b>11,500</b>	<b>11,500</b>		<b>11,500</b>
<b>4583</b>	<b>Patriotic Purposes</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>150</b>
<b>4589</b>	<b>Agricultural Commission</b>				
4589.200	Supplies & Postage	300	0		250
4589.301	Miscellaneous - Signs	100	0		0
4589.310	Dues & Workshop	100	0		50
	<b>Total Agricultural Commission</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>300</b>
<b>4589.500</b>	<b>Heritage Fund</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>#12</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>4589.600</b>	<b>Heritage Commission Expenses</b>				
	Dues	200	150		150
	Miscellaneous	100	225		100
	Workshops & Activities	200	0		100
	<b>Total Heritage Commission Expenses</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>375</b>		<b>350</b>
	<b>Total Agriculture &amp; Heritage Commission</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>875</b>		<b>1,150</b>

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	<b>CONSERVATION</b>				
<b>4611</b>	<b>Conservation Commission</b>				
4611.200	Administration	1	0		1
4611.300	Dues	250	285		275
4611.301	Miscellaneous - Signs	1	0		0
4611.310	Workshops & Activities	100	0		100
	<b>Total Conservation Commission</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>285</b>		<b>376</b>
<b>4619</b>	<b>Conservation Trust Fund</b>				
		<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>#11</b>	<b>500</b>
	<b>Sub-total Operating Budget</b>	<b>611,186</b>	<b>574,653</b>		<b>633,719</b>
<b>4900</b>	<b>Capital Outlay</b>				
4904.500	Repair of Town Roads - 2012	75,000	75,000	<b>#10</b>	43,000
	<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>	<b>75,000</b>	<b>75,000</b>		<b>43,000</b>
<b>4915</b>	<b>Transfer to Capital Reserve</b>				
4915.201	Road & Bridge Repair	65,000	65,000	<b>#9</b>	65,000
4915.410	Scholastic Fund - Warrant Article	500	500		0
4915.455	Town Cemetery Fund	1,250	1,250	<b>#13</b>	1,250
	<b>Total Transfer to Capital Reserve</b>	<b>66,750</b>	<b>66,750</b>		<b>66,250</b>
<b>4916</b>	<b>Transfer to Expendable Trust</b>				
4916.102	Building Maintenance & Grounds Fund	5,000	5,000		0
4916.206	Office Equipment	1,000	1,000		0
	Property Revaluation Fund	8,000	8,000	<b>#14</b>	8,000
	<b>Total Transfer to Expendable Trust</b>	<b>14,000</b>	<b>14,000</b>		<b>8,000</b>
	<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>766,936</b>	<b>730,403</b>		<b>750,969</b>



### **The Board of Selectmen**

2012 was a productive year in terms of fiscal matters as well as property and road maintenance issues. We finished the fiscal year \$36,533 *under budget*. The overall proposed 2013 Town Budget is a decrease of \$15,467 from the 2012 Budget.

This year's tax rate is \$17.14; the increase breaks down as follows:

Town portion increased \$0.53 per thousand.

County Government portion increased \$0.05 per thousand

GWSD – Local portion increased \$0.98 per thousand

GWSD – State portion decreased \$0.09 per thousand

The Town's increase is due to the Town's property values being lower this year, which unfortunately caused the town's portion of the tax rate to go up. The selectmen have worked hard over the past years to control the budget and find ways to trim away any unnecessary expenses. With the help of all of the different commissions, committees, employees, and elected officials, the selectmen continually come in under budget while ensuring that we take care of the town's infrastructure.

The upper portion of Stoneham Road saw repairs and repaving. Road Agent Eddie Nason and his crew did a great job of getting that section of Stoneham Road back into shape. This year we continue the road improvements to upper Moose Mountain Road and a portion of Brice Drive, as well as the town's standard maintenance and upkeep to the rest of the roads.

The Brookfield Town web-site is up and running. Like all 'works in progress', it continues to be improved and has substantially more information available. We thank Jennifer Sonricker, Jessica Robischeau and Rose Zacher for their dedication to this on-going project.

The Selectmen wish to thank all of the volunteers who have given their time and energy to making Brookfield the great town that it is. Because of you, Brookfield continues to be a small, historic, rural New Hampshire farming community committed to improving the quality of life for present and future generations.

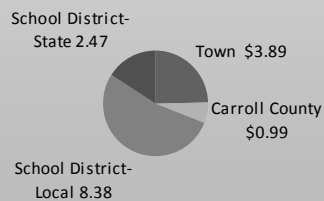
In conclusion, it has been our pleasure to serve the Town of Brookfield as your selectmen. The challenges of small town government are varied, interesting and demanding. We have a good team and I am most thankful to Bill Nelson and Rich Zacher for their continued support and keen insight.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Clifton Camp*, Chairman  
*Bill Nelson*, Vice Chair  
*Rich Zacher*

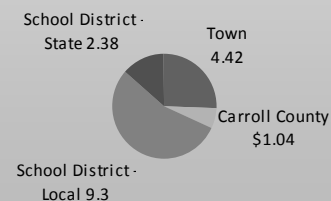
### **Breakdown of Tax Rate**

	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
Town	3.94	3.86	3.89	4.42
County Government	0.97	1.06	0.99	1.04
GW School District – Local	7.07	6.84	8.38	9.30
GW School District – State	<u>2.08</u>	<u>2.44</u>	<u>2.47</u>	<u>2.38</u>
<b>TOTAL TAX RATE</b>	<b>\$14.06</b>	<b>\$14.20</b>	<b>\$15.73</b>	<b>\$17.14</b>

#### **Town of Brookfield - 2011 Tax Rate \$ 15.73**



#### **Town of Brookfield - 2012 Tax Rate \$ 17.14**



## **Agricultural Commission**

The Agriculture Commission meets at 6:30PM on the first Monday of the month in the Town Office. We invite all to attend and have openings for new members.

Brookfield farms and homesteads offer a variety of fresh products for the community. The commission is working to update the list of Brookfield farms and the products produced and offered in Brookfield.

The commission is also looking at ways we can share locally grown product information with the consumer, other New Hampshire farms, and the Micro Farmers of New Hampshire.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Rick Surette*  
Chair

## **Archivist**

As is typical over a year, I assisted several family members doing genealogical research with whatever documentation we could provide on their ancestors. Queries came from as far away as New Zealand from a couple researching the Johnson family and the Goodhue family. They have provided the archives with a great deal of information about the emigrant from Brookfield to New Zealand as well as expressing an interest in helping to care for the graveyard on the property of the former Fletcher Farm.

Another family that had already done quite a bit of research was looking for the grave of a Revolutionary War soldier ancestor. It seems pretty clear that the man lies in an unmarked grave, or there is yet another graveyard to find in Brookfield. Nathaniel Sabine's passing was announced in the *Boston Advertiser* of 17 September 1825 as a Revolutionary War pensioner dying at age 62. On 5 August 1798, he married Mary Clay of Brookfield, NH (the Clays lived in the old Albro-Guttadauro home). They were married by Reverend Asa Piper from Wakefield. While I have been able to find mention of him in the tax records, and his passing was recorded in Charles Colman's early diaries, I have been unsuccessful in finding where the mortal remains of this patriot may lie. He is not mentioned in the research that the local chapter of the DAR did on Brookfield's Revolutionary War soldiers in the 1930s.

Speaking of patriots, probably the outstanding event of the year was the collaboration between several groups and a direct descendant of Col. James Hackett in providing a memorial service and Veterans' Administration issued grave marker in the Hackett graveyard off Old Governor's Road. It was gratifying to see so many people come out for the memorial on a cool and windy April spring day. Ed Comeau did an excellent job of videotaping the entire event, and those DVDs are available from either the Heritage Commission or the Town Archivist for \$5.00. The Boy Scout troop from St. Anthony's Church in Sanbornville provided an honor guard, and a very appropriate memorial was given by historian Tom Kehr. Kathy Mayberry, a direct descendant of the Colonel, has worked for years on having Col. Hackett honored with a marker, and single-handedly got it through the government offices in four to six weeks!

A few more photographs have come to the Archives, and this year we were able to purchase a second set of shelves for storage of the active records of the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer in the vault.

Respectfully submitted,

*Craig F. Evans*

Town Archivist

### **Moderator's Report**

The test of a good system is how it handles the unexpected – when Frank Frazier fell victim to a tree branch just prior to the November election our crew had just such a test, and everyone performed admirably. I want to especially thank Tom Lavender who helped find Democratic inspectors to replace Frank at the last minute, as well as Judy Grey and Jennifer McGowan who volunteered.

We have a very professional crew of election workers, and I hope the whole town joins me in appreciating them. Bob Russo continues to be my Asst. Moderator. Frank Frazier and Rose Zacher serve as Inspectors for their parties, and also as Ballot Clerks. Doug Vanderpool continues as our most experienced Ballot Clerk. And of course I appreciate our Town Clerk Virginia McGinley, and our Supervisors of the Checklist, Adeline Russo, Carol Leary and Cheryl Perry.

The last two Town Meetings have been very smooth; going forward it's going to be hard to live up to that standard. March 12<sup>th</sup> is Town Election and Town Meeting day this year. The rules for the town meeting continue to be posted on our website.

Respectfully submitted,

*William M Marsh*

Moderator

### **Auditor's Report**

This report is completed annually by local elected auditors as required by law. There are 5 parts to this report, each part consisting of 3 sections: general questions, testing, and summary, along with recommendations. These 5 parts are General Ledger, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Trustees and Town Clerk.

For Brookfield, the coordination among town clerk, treasurer, and tax collector is a smooth flowing arrangement. There exists a system of checks and balances among these departments. The Trustees of the Trust Funds have a professional team of individuals who execute the functioning of the accounts. The audit of the accounts of the Town of Brookfield for the year 2012 will be completed in March 2013 and the report will be available for public inspection at the Selectmen's office.

Respectfully submitted,

*John A. Nelson and Marilyn A. Bushman*



## **Tax Collector's Report**

The year 2012 has been a hard year for collections here in Brookfield as well as everywhere else. As we all know our tax rate jumped from \$15.73 to \$17.41 per \$1,000 assessed value adding a hardship to all. My warrant was for \$1,759,635.00; as of the end of the year, \$1,414,814.47 has been collected, this is 89% - congratulations again! Although this sounds very good, the town needs all that is committed to pay the bills. There are still 7 properties unredeemed for 2010 and 19 for 2011. The good news is there were no deedings this past year and I am optimistic the seven for 2010 will be paid prior to deeding time. The selectmen did everything they could to keep the rate down; however, they must make allowances for the delinquencies.

On a happier note, my deputy, Rose Zacher, is working out very well. We work well together and she is a great asset to the town. I am looking forward to a better year in 2013 if the economy improves. As always, I am available to assist you both at my office and at my home. My office hours are every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday 10AM to 2PM or by appointment; the number is 522-3688. My home number is 522-6551 and you can leave a message there and I will return your call as soon as I can. My e-mail address is [tax.collector@brookfieldnh.org](mailto:tax.collector@brookfieldnh.org). I will be running for another three year term as Tax Collector this year. I hope I have satisfied your needs the past 26 years. It has been quite an experience.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Diana Peckham*  
Tax Collector

## **Treasurer's Report**

The reports in this booklet are summaries taken from the books of the Treasurer for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012, and are complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

While attending a Budget Workshop put on by the Local Government Center, I discovered that the Conservation Fund and the Heritage Fund that the Town has established over the last 3 years actually should be under the custody of the Town Treasurer. They were being held by the Trustees of the Trust Funds at the time. At the end of 2011, the money in these funds were transferred to the Town Treasurer per RSA 41:29 and are currently in a money market account at Meredith Village Savings Bank. The current amounts in these accounts are listed under "Cash Book Accounts" in this report.

During 2012, all of the Town's Funds were deposited with Meredith Village Savings Bank and there is no more money in accounts at TD Bank.

During 2012, the Town bought property and yield taxes in the amount of \$ 69,222.61. This amount is not included in the following reports as either revenues or expenditures. Any portions of those liens that have been redeemed are reflected in the reports.

Once again, the Town did not need to borrow any money in anticipation of taxes. This continues to be a great saving to the Town in interest payments and to me and the Selectmen in the form of paperwork.

Respectfully submitted,

*Marilou MacLean*

Town Treasurer

### **Cash Book Accounts**

<b>TD Bank</b>		
Balance - January 1, 2012		\$505,156.76
Deposits	\$6,533.72	
Interest Earned	\$45.35	
		\$6,579.07
Paid by Selectmens' Orders		\$(3,458.63)
Transfers to Meredith Village Savings Bank		\$(508,277.20)
<b>BALANCE - December 31, 2012</b>		<b>\$-00</b>

<b>Meredith Village Savings Bank</b>		
<b>Checking Account:</b>		
Balance - January 1, 2012		\$72,456.37
Transfers from TD Bank		\$508,277.20
Deposits		\$2,005,791.10
Transfer from Savings Account		\$620,000.00
Transfer to Savings Account		\$(1,175,000.00)
Paid by Selectmen's Orders		\$(1,989,179.36)
<b>BALANCE - December 31, 2012</b>		<b>\$42,345.31</b>

### Cash Book Accounts

<b>Savings Account:</b>	
Opening Balance	\$200,000.00
Transfers In from Checking Account	\$975,000.00
Transfers Out to Checking Account	\$(620,000.00)
Interest Earned	\$360.57
<b>Balance December 31, 2012</b>	<b>\$555,360.57</b>

<b>Conservation Commission Fund</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$1,500.00
Deposit - Per Warrant Article #7 - Town Meeting 3/13/2012	\$500.00
Interest Earned	\$0.57
<b>Balance, December 31, 2012</b>	<b>\$2,000.57</b>

<b>Heritage Fund</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$1,500.00
Deposit - Per Warrant Article #8 - Town Meeting 3/13/12	\$500.00
Interest Earned	\$0.61
<b>Ending Balance, December 31, 2012</b>	<b>\$2,000.61</b>

## Cash Book Accounts

<b>Other Cash</b>		
Town Clerk's Petty Cash	75.00	
Planning Board Petty Cash	200.00	
		275.00
<b>TOTAL CASH</b>		<b>\$601,982.06</b>

## Profit & Loss Statement Calendar Year 2012

<b>Income:</b>		
3110	Property Taxes	\$1,790,988.00
3185	Yield Taxes	\$14,340.00
3190	Penalties & Interest	\$17,163.00
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$108,689.00
3230	Building Permits	\$4,505.00
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	\$3,734.00
3352	Room & Meals Tax - State of NH	\$31,942.00
3353	Highway Block Grant	\$28,522.00
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	\$816.00
3502	Interest on Investments	\$409.00
3508	Contributions & Donations	\$1,492.00
3509	Other Miscellaneous Income	\$3,046.00
3915	Transfer from Capital Reserve	\$76,500.00
	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$2,082,146.00</b>

<b>Expenses:</b>		
4130	Executive	\$26,633.00
4140	Town Clerk	\$19,133.00
4141	Elections - Supervisors of Check List	\$2,446.00
4142	Elections - Moderator & Ballot Clerks	\$982.00
4150	Town Treasurer	\$5,984.00
4151	Tax Collector	\$15,834.00

**Profit & Loss Statement**  
**Calendar Year 2012**

4152	Assessor Clerk	\$12,272.00
4154	Trustee of Trust Finds	\$450.00
4157	Auditing	\$885.00
4153	Legal Expenses	\$3,877.00
4170	Personnel Administration	\$5,813.00
4191	Planning Board	\$6,722.00
4192	Zoning Board	\$0.00
4194	General Government Buildings	\$22,502.00
4195	Town Cemetery	\$234.00
4196	Insurance	\$2,673.00
4199	Archival	\$1,950.00
4210	Public Safety	\$171,434.00
4225	Forestry	\$261.00
4240	CEO/Building Inspection	\$6,003.00
4290	Emergency Management	\$2,400.00
4312	Highways & Streets	\$172,517.00
4323	Sanitation	\$60,782.00
4411	Health Agencies	\$3,638.00
4445	Welfare - Vendor Payments	\$11,851.00
4520	Parks & Recreation	\$4,216.00
4550	Library - Gafney	\$11,500.00
4589	Heritage Commission Trust Fund	\$500.00
4589	Heritage Commission	\$375.00
4611	Conservation Commission	\$285.00
4619	Conservation Trust Fund	\$500.00
4900	2012 Capital Outlay	\$75,000.00
4915	Transfer to Capital Reserve	\$66,750.00
4916	Transfer to Expendable Trust	\$14,000.00
4931	Taxes Paid to Carroll County	\$107,825.00
4933	Taxes Paid to School - GWRSD	\$1,154,049.00
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,992,276.00</b>
	<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$89,870.00</b>

## **Vendor Listing**

### **Vendors:**

A-440 Computer Service	769.21	Mike's Lock & Key	55.00
A-440 Performance Sound	250.00	Millennium Roads, LLC	4,200.00
American Security Alarm	360.00	Mitchell Municipal Group	5,743.29
Armand G. Martineau	585.00	Moose Mtn Reg Grnwys	100.00
Aubrey Arender	1,304.65	Mtn View Title Abstracting	260.00
Avitar Associates of NE	9,256.28	NH Assn of Conservation	185.00
Bob Sonricker Electric, LLC	382.96	NH Town Clerks Assn.	120.00
Cardinal & Glidden Oil Co.	1,089.70	NH Preservation Alliance	50.00
Carroll County Registrar	107.12	Nat'l Trust for Hist Preserve	100.00
Cartographic Associates	1,500.00	NH Correctional Industries	654.40
Central NH VNA & Hospice	2,030.00	NH Dept. of State	212.00
Clifton Camp	300.00	NH Electric Co-op	339.00
Cole Swancott	1,500.00	NH Govt Finance Officers	66.91
CPI Printing Services	95.24	NH Assn of Assessing	20.00
Craig F. Evans	449.63	NH Building Officials Assn.	50.00
Crowell's Towing & Repair	217.94	NH Tax Collectors Assn.	20.00
Diana Peckham	999.80	Northern Human Services	358.00
Dame Electric LLC	125.00	Ossipee Aggregates	4,902.65
Dan O'Neill	325.91	Our Town Energy Alliance	70.00
Dead River Company	5,181.89	Palmer Motel	2,231.80
Deloris Thomas	499.00	Pike Industries, Inc.	943.89
Deluxe for Business	292.72	Porter Office Machines	257.26
Dept. of Agriculture, M & F	335.00	Positively Creative Sol.	176.00
DOT Finance & Contracts	12,635.26	Primex	620.73
Eastern Propane	428.71	PSNH	2,806.17
Eleanor DeBow	100.00	Quality Insulation	2,195.00
Emery Mills Energy	421.89	Red Jacket Mtn View Inn	539.55
Ernest Brown	17.94	Rich Zacher	872.94
Evans Brothers, LLC	3,410.00	Robert K. Benson	1,071.24
F.R. Carroll, Inc.	62,376.99	Rocco Rinaudo	57.23
Fairpoint Communications	5,536.37	Rose Zacher	5.50
Foster's Daily Democrat	48.30	Salmon Press, LLC	1,083.00
Gafney Library, Inc.	11,500.00	Scott Brodrick	62.40
Greater Wakefield School	1,154,049.00	Staples	1,035.45
HD Electric Contractors	1,802.13	State of NH-Criminal Records	50.00
Howard P. Fairfield, Inc.	6,945.66	State of NH-UC	13.97
IDS	93.26	State of NH - DMV Records	30.00
International Salt	3,959.59	State of NH-Secy of State	124.00
Interware Development Co.	258.00	Strafford Reg Planning	38.35
Irving Cash Fuels	2,972.16	T.E.N. Construction, LLC	142,832.38

Irving Energy	453.84	Tom Giguere	150.00
J. Jeddrey, LLC	2,500.00	Tom Hill	234.00
Jessica Robischoeu	233.85	Tom Lavender	150.00
John Dansereau	1,200.00	Town & Country Reprographics	924.50
John Nelson	150.00	Town of Brookfield	70,222.61
Judy Brenner	63.50	Town of Wakefield	232,216.00
Katherine Camp	450.00	Town of Wolfeboro	4,216.00
Kingswood Mechanical	135.00	Treasurer, State of NH	695.64
Lakes Region NHC & TCA	70.00	Treasurer, Carroll County	107,825.00
Local Governmane Center	2,916.99	Tri-County Comm Action	4,000.00
Longmeadow Supply	2,258.12	Trustee of Trust Funds-Brkfld	80,750.00
Lynn C. Watts	260.00	U. S. Post Office	179.00
MAPS	2,400.00	Verizon Wireless	1,289.01
Marilou MacLean	196.39	Virginia McGinley	1,379.00
Marilyn Bushman	150.00	Virtual Town & Schools	1,500.00
Market Basket	445.00	Wakefield Food Pantry	2,000.00
Matthew Bender & Co.	427.44	WEDCO	197.00
Meals on Wheels	1,250.00	William Nelson	307.97

#### **Payroll 2012:**

Ernest Brown	1,250.00	Edward J. Nason	1,995.00
Susan Brown	14.50	William Nelson, Sr.	5,000.04
Clifton Camp	5,000.04	George Nick	6,573.00
Alfred Cann	14.50	Diana Peckham	12,500.00
Eleanor DeBow	1,200.00	Cheryl Perry	594.51
Frank Frazier	221.13	Jessica Robischoeu	8,504.16
Pamela Frazier	14.50	Adeline Russo	851.72
Lisa Harris	2,652.01	Jennifer Sonricker	293.63
Carol Leary	576.26	Douglas Vanderpool	315.38
Marilou MacLean	5,000.00	Lynn Watts	655.00
Virginia McGinley	13,000.00	Richard Zacher	3,750.00
Jennifer McKown	43.50	Rose Zacher	317.25



## **Town Clerk**

Well, it finally happened. July 2012 came, and along with it my 25th year as Town Clerk. I can't even imagine where the time went. I started out in my house, then to the Town Hall, and now in our beautiful Office Building. As usual, we had our annual regional Town Clerk meeting in June and our annual conference in October. Unfortunately, the State, in their wisdom, changed their hours of support. As a result, I changed my hours. They were not happy with that so they changed them again. I hope everyone will understand and adjust. I am sorry for the inconvenience it will cause. On a good note, my new deputy, Lisa Harris, is doing really well. I'm looking forward to a better year for all.

January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012

### **Automobile Permits**

Remitted to Treasurer	\$ 105,749.90
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### **Dog Licenses**

Licenses	1,074.50
Late fees & fines	242.00
Remitted to Treasurer	\$ 1,316.50

### **Municipal Agent Fees**

Remitted to Treasurer	\$2,610.00
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### **Miscellaneous**

Vital Statistics	290.00
Marriage Licenses	60.00
Town History	90.00
Landfill Permits	1,825.00
Blue Title Applications	334.00
Tax Copies, Tax Cards, Maps	76.00
Postage, Wet Lands	15.00
Remitted to Treasurer	\$2,690.00

### **TOTAL INCOME**

**\$ 112,366.40**

### **Other Income**

Mailing	5.50
Abs List	6.00
Filing for Office	2.00
Total Other Income	\$13.50

Respectfully submitted,  
*Virginia A. McGinley*  
Town Clerk



## **Vital Statistics – 2012**

### **Births**

<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Father</u>	<u>Name of Mother</u>
04/16/2012	Camp, Claire Katherine		Marissa Camp
08/11/2012	Hughes, Bentley William	William Hughes	Stevanie Antoniello
12/09/2012	McKenna, Jackson Karli	McKenna, Jason	Michelle Cole

### **Deaths**

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Name of the Deceased</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>
01/03/2012	Stapleton, Ronald Sr.	Epsom, NH
05/11/2012	Kurth, Malcolm	Brookfield, NH
06/27/2012	O'Hearn, Joseph	Brookfield, NH
08/05/2012	Bell, Brian	Brookfield, NH
10/05/2012	Cann, Edna	Brookfield, NH
10/13/2012	Dougherty, Thomas	Brookfield, NH

### **Marriages**

<u>Date of Marriage</u>	<u>Location of Marriage</u>	<u>Name of Groom</u>	<u>Name of Bride</u>
06/21/2012	Brookfield, NH	Forbes, John T.	Brittain, Whitney K
08/10/2012	Rochester, NH	Habrial, Joel M	Noddin, Courtney A

I hereby certify that the births, deaths and marriages are correct to the best of my knowledge.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Virginia McGinley*  
Town Clerk



**Flooded Churchill Brook**



**Pike Brook Bridge**

## **Code Enforcement Officer**

Permits issued and inspected for the year of 2012:

New Homes, Additions/Alterations, Outbuildings

<b>Owner</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Estimated Value</b>
David Guttadauro	Add full dormer	\$30,000
P&D Connelly	Erect Shed Row Barn	\$4,000
Brian Robischeau	Erect Chicken coop	\$1,000
David Guttadauro	Rebuild 4 season porch	\$50,000
F&S Raban	Build addition	\$93,015
J&J Realty Trust	Erect Patio Cover	\$3000
Fountain Family Trust	Add addition to woodshed	\$1000
E&S Brown	Extend shed	\$4,000
A&L Velez	Install in-ground pool	\$27,900
Susan Marquis	Gut house & rebuild	\$0.00
Henshaw/Gray	Reroof	\$7,000
J&S Devries	Extend Livingroom/dining	\$23,095
D&D Foss	Add lean-to to garage	\$1,500
Wm Hudson	Replace Roof	\$4,000
Grace Ferguson	Pour garage foundation	\$4,700
Patricia Golden	Erect addition/in law apt	\$47,880
Lofgren/Niewenhous	Addition in rear	\$215,547
J&M Lewis	Replace roofing	\$18,000
Sandra Barnard	Add Mudroom&garage	\$44,820
Scot Kinville	Erect Garage	\$38,400
J&P Dugas	Enclosed Screen Porch	\$2000
Christine Feddern	Erect Covered Porch	\$4000
Megan Murfey	Interior/Exterior Renovations	\$40,000
Judith Gray	Erect Enclosed Porch	\$11,600
Robert Hackett	Build 4x6 roof over steps	\$900
<b>Total Estimate Value</b>		<b>\$677,357</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
*Edward Nason*  
Code Enforcement Officer

## **Cable Committee**

The responsibilities of the Committee have been assumed by the Selectmen. This Committee was discontinued.

## **Joint Loss Management Committee**

The Committee has met its quarterly requirement for 2012. It continues to monitor the Town Office Building and Town House for safety issues and take any necessary action to correct the issues that arise.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Jessica Robischeau*  
Chair

## **Assessor Clerk**

It has been a great year assisting the residents of Brookfield. Please continue to visit and bring your questions. My office hours for all three positions are:

**Assessing** - Wed. 8:30AM-12:30PM

**Administrative Assistant** - 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Friday of the Month 8:30AM-12:30PM

**Code Enforcement** - Thurs. 8:30AM-12:30PM

The Selectmen are your elected assessors for the Town of Brookfield. With the help and knowledge from the Town's contracted assessor, Avitar Associates, the Selectmen are able to make any decisions necessary to meet the needs of the residents. As the Assessor Clerk, I meet with residents during office hours to discuss any tax assessment issues they may have. I work directly with the Selectmen and Avitar on any requests or questions.

Please stop by the office to acquire and review your most recent property assessment card. It is important to make sure all the correct property information is reflected on this card as your taxes are derived from this data. The public computer is set up in the Town Offices to access your assessment card. A copy of your tax card is free for all residents and \$1 for all non-residents. Copies of maps are \$3.00 for all non-residents.

Please note our new website: [www.brookfieldnh.org](http://www.brookfieldnh.org). There is helpful information regarding abatements, exemptions and current use on the Assessing Page as well as other important information.

Feel free to e-mail me (e-mail is checked regularly) at [assessor.clerk@brookfieldnh.org](mailto:assessor.clerk@brookfieldnh.org)

Respectfully submitted,  
*Jessica Robischeau*  
Assessor Clerk

## **Conservation Commission**

The Conservation Commission provides oversight of Brookfield's natural resources. We help residents with conservation easements and to obtain proper permits. Please contact us before beginning any wetlands work such as installing a dock or culvert.

Our members maintained good relations with surrounding conservation groups, attending meetings and events such as a presentation of the new Lakes Region Conservation Plan (now posted on the town website). Here are a few events we worked on in 2012:

On April 21st, the Commission sponsored a Town Cleanup. Held directly after the Selectmen's Earth Day Breakfast, the cleanup was a success. Approximately 25 residents donated a little time cleaning over 90% of town roads. It's a nice way to get a little exercise on a spring day!

As part of Old Home Day on August 11<sup>th</sup>, the Commission led a family-oriented hike up to Mountain Lake. Clear weather gave the hikers beautiful views. Trail guides for other hikes and information about our area was presented on a table outside the Town House. This information is also available on the town website.

As the year came to a close, the Commission researched ramifications to a proposed campground on Kingswood Lake and reported their findings to town leaders.

As spring approaches, here's an idea to cure that cabin fever. Be one of the first to hike a half-mile trail completed by the Boy Scouts on newly conserved land in Milton. Starting at the end of Piggot Road, the trail winds through mixed forests and ends at the old Fish Hatchery on Jones Brook. Don't miss the sign containing a history of the hatchery. And for something more local, join your neighbors at the upcoming Selectmen's Earth Day Breakfast on April 27<sup>th</sup>. While there, consider picking up some free trash bags and gloves to help with our Annual Town Cleanup.

We're always looking for new members! For more information, please see the town website or feel free to attend a Conservation Commission meeting on the first Wednesday of every month at 6:00 PM in the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Thomas Giguere*  
Chair



**Pitch Pine Grove on Moose Mountain.**  
**Photo by Jenn McKown of Conservation**  
**Commission.**

A rare find this far north, these Pitch Pines apparently enjoy the shallow rocky soil on top of Moose Mountain. Their high resin content means rot resistance and made these trees valuable during the days of wooden ships.

### **Emergency Management**

No report

### **Forest Fire Warden**

No report

### **Zoning Board of Adjustment**

There was no activity for the year.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Paul Tremblay*  
Chair

## **Heritage Commission**

The Heritage Commission started the year with a “Cabin Fever Breakfast” in March. We had 37 people attend. This event was held as a fundraiser for TRAC. We raised \$ 148.00 which we donated to them. TRAC stands for Trails Rails Action Committee. They would like to expand the Cotton Valley Trail from its current end in Wolfeboro through Brookfield and into Sanbornville.

On Sunday, April 29, 2012, the Heritage Commission held a reception for the relatives of Col. James Hackett on a day when a grave marker was placed at the Hackett graveyard in Brookfield. Col. Hackett was born in 1739 in Massachusetts to a family of ship builders. From 1757 to 1760, he served in Roger’s Rangers, the forebears of today’s special operations forces. Col. Hackett is best known as a Master Shipbuilder, completing an incomparable list of vessels for the continental navy. With the assistance of his compatriots James Hill and Stephen Paul, he constructed the frigate RALEIGH, the ship which appears on the seal and flag of the State of New Hampshire. He also built the famed sloop of war RANGER, the largest Continental warship of the Revolution. Col. Hackett owned 320 acres of property in Brookfield and died here in 1802.

The 4th Annual Old Home Day was held on Saturday, August 11, 2012. The Heritage Commission held an “Antiques Appraisal” with help from Kippy Carswell and Elaine Miller from Golden Past Antiques in Tuftonboro, giving local residents information on their valuables – we had a good variety of items brought in. This was followed by our annual dinner – we again served over 100 dinners. Dinner was our third Memphis style B-B-Q done in conjunction with the Agriculture Commission. The B-B-Q was cooked by Rick Surette of Sea Brisket fame. Dinner was followed by music from Clearly Related String Band and was a great way to end a wonderful day celebrating the history of our Town. We thank the community for its support.

The main duty of a Heritage Commission in any town is to perform site surveys of the different sites in our town and provide this information to the State. Our town history (“Our Yesterdays”, research done by Carolyn Chase) lists 158 sites in Brookfield. Evidence of many of these sites still exists. Unfortunately, the State does not have a record of any sites for Brookfield. This fall we had a workshop led by two historical archaeologists from the State of New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources to learn how to document these sites. About 15 town residents attended the day long workshop where we visited three sites in town and learned how to document what we saw. If you are aware of a former mill site, a cellar hole for an old house or barn, or other human-made structure on your property, we would like to be informed about it and be able to document it.

A Veterans Day Pot Luck Dinner was held at the Town House. We had approximately 30 people attend and honor our Veterans. We have a new Eagle Scout, Jordan Dansereau of Brookfield that just achieved this high honor this fall. We had a raffle to benefit TRAC and raised another \$60.00.

On Election Day in November, Ed Nason stood out in front of the Town Offices and asked town residents what they would like to see done with the Churchill Schoolhouse by answering a simple questionnaire. There has been talk for many years about possibly separating the School House from the Town House and moving it to another place on the town property; possibly using it for overflow for town offices; possibly maintaining it as a museum. More than 50 questionnaires were returned. The residents who responded would like to see the Churchill School House remain where it is connected to the Town House. They would like to see it maintained as a museum similar to the Little Red School

House in Wakefield. We will be holding a charette in 2013 and hope you will come and give us your views.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Marilou MacLean*  
Chair

### **Parks & Recreation Committee**

I was appointed as Chair of the Parks & Recreation Committee in 2012 with aspirations of creating a place where children in the community could play and not have to travel to get to a park.

If anyone is willing to volunteer or donate any items towards this project, please contact me at the Town Office 603-522-3688 or home 603-522-5122 or send me an e-mail at [assessor.clerk@brookfieldnh.org](mailto:assessor.clerk@brookfieldnh.org)

Respectfully submitted,  
*Jessica Robischeau*  
Parks & Recreation Committee Chair

### **Supervisors of the Checklist**

The Supervisors prepared for, attended, registered new voters, made other corrections to the Voter Checklist for the following elections in 2012:

January 2012	NH Presidential Primary
February 2012	School Deliberative Session
March 2012	Town Election and Town Meeting
September 2012	NH Primary
November 2012	Presidential Election

Currently there are a total of 510 registered voters in Brookfield: 182 Republican, 78 Democrat and 249 Undeclared.

By State law, Supervisors are elected for 6 year terms and those elections are held in even years. We are trained in use of the State database and have to be familiar with both State and Federal law regarding election/voter registration.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Adeline Russo*  
Chair

## **Road Committee**

No report

## **Planning Board**

During the past twelve months, the Planning Board has endeavored to fulfill its duty in maintaining the character of the town and to provide a public forum to address concerns. In an effort to meet its responsibilities the Planning Board has dedicated time to clarifying ordinances and addressing public hearings.

In an effort to clarify the language of town ordinances, requirements have been condensed for Site Plan Review and Subdivisions. Language concerning home-based businesses and farm setbacks is being introduced for voter approval at the Town Meeting. The Planning Board's guiding principle has been and always will be Brookfield's Master Plan.

There have been six public hearings this year: FEMA's proposal to amend floodplain ordinances; farm stand setbacks; and a citizen's proposal for a warrant article are just a few of the requests on which the Planning Board has deliberated. We, the members of the Planning Board, are grateful for the public response and participation that the hearings have provided.

For the foreseeable future the Planning Board will continue to conduct Site Plan Reviews, hearings for subdivisions, provide a Capital Improvement Program, and oversee the permitting process for the recreational area as needed.

Members of the public are always welcome to attend Planning Board meetings.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Geary Ciccarone*  
Chair

## **Cemetery Trustees**

In March, the original town cemetery "gates" were located in a nearby woodshed. The 3 original poles were refurbished and installed again in place by Tom Hill. He also raked up nine bags of sawdust left from the prior autumn's tree removal. The money set aside last year for the purchasing of new gates was not used.

In April, Craig Evans announced the dedication of a grave marker for Col. James Hackett.

Judy Brenner purchased a beautiful blue pot in May, and planted red and white flowers at the town cemetery for Memorial Day.



In October, there was a meeting of the newly formed Cemetery Commission, headed by Selectman Zacher, to find a new town cemetery location. It was a thrill to experience an earthquake at the town offices during this meeting.

We are greatly indebted to Tom Hill for an exceptional job of keeping all of our trusted cemeteries in excellent condition during the spring and summer seasons.

If any of you have been working on cemeteries on your property, kindly let us know so we can acknowledge your efforts.

Again, we still need a location for a new town cemetery. If you have a portion of land that you would like to donate, kindly contact us, or Selectman Zacher.

Volunteers are always encouraged to contact us and help with maintaining our many gravesites in Brookfield. There are over seventy sites; seventeen sites are trusted. Trust monies are set aside by relatives and friends for the upkeep of these graves. There are no monies to maintain the other sites.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn A. Bushman ([brookfieldnh@hotmail.com](mailto:brookfieldnh@hotmail.com), 522-5099)

John A. Nelson

Craig Evans



### **Trustees of The Trust Funds**

Town Funds and Cemetery Trusts remained in very conservative investments during 2012 which included CDs and the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool. As rates continue to fall however, the Trustees have become concerned that our accounts will lose buying power to the effects of inflation. We have identified several alternatives allowed by New Hampshire regulations. Once our analysis is complete, our funds may be moved to a more appropriate location.

The current balances are available in the accompanying table. You will notice the new Park Committee Fund. The money in this account was raised at the Family Farm Day held at Tumbledown Farm in 2006 by the Brookfield Recreation Park Committee. At the time, the funds were deposited into the existing

Parks & Recreation Equipment Fund, but should be in their own account. The money raised, plus interest earned, has now been transferred to the new Park Committee Fund.

For many years, Mr. Roland Delisle maintained an aluminum can collection bin behind the Town Office. He would sell the donated cans, forwarding half the proceeds to the Scholarship Recognition Award. Recently, however, Mr. Delisle has announced his retirement. If you'd like to continue the aluminum can tradition, please contact one of the Trustees.

On behalf of the town, the Trustees thank the Kingswood Lake Association and participants of the Town Craft Fair for their generous donations to the Scholastic Recognition Award. The award, which was established by the town in 1996, is given to the graduating high school senior with the highest grade point average. Congratulations to this year's award recipient, Cole Swancott!

Respectfully submitted,  
*Thomas Giguere,*  
Chair

## Common Fund 1 – Burial Ground Trusts

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	PRINCIPAL						INCOME				
				%	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITH-DRAWAL	BALANCE END YEAR	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL OF PRINCIPAL & INCOME
1926	Lang, R. A.	Burial Ground	Common Fund	2.24%	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	71.60	11.42	(45.00)	38.02	238.02
1927	Dealand, Thomas F.	Burial Ground	Common Fund	0.56%	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	368.85	2.86		371.71	421.71
1944	Robinson, Noah H.	Burial Ground	Common Fund	1.12%	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	599.72	5.71	(20.00)	585.43	685.43
1944	Podrasnik, Joseph N.	Burial Ground	Common Fund	5.59%	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	6,774.90	28.55		6,803.45	7,303.45
1948	Palmer, Jasper T.	Burial Ground	Common Fund	9.77%	873.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	873.08	293.05	49.85	(60.00)	282.90	1,155.98
1950	Garland, Mary	Burial Ground	Common Fund	2.24%	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	341.21	11.42		352.63	552.63
1956	Allen, Samuel	Burial Ground	Common Fund	3.36%	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	485.56	17.13	(20.00)	482.69	782.69
1965	Churchill, Joseph	Burial Ground	Common Fund	3.36%	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	1,785.37	17.13		1,802.50	2,102.50
1970	Wentworth, Walter	Burial Ground	Common Fund	2.24%	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	256.96	11.42		268.38	468.38
1972	Hansen Trust	Burial Ground	Common Fund	3.36%	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	470.99	17.13	(15.00)	473.12	773.12
1974	Franges, Justine C.	Burial Ground	Common Fund	33.56%	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	21,281.55	171.33	(75.00)	21,377.88	24,377.88
1977	Willey Fund	Burial Ground	Common Fund	3.52%	315.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	315.00	938.57	17.99	(60.00)	896.56	1,211.56
1982	Churchill, Thomas	Burial Ground	Common Fund	4.48%	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	400.00	169.25	22.84		192.09	592.09
1987	Lindsay Cate, James	Burial Ground	Common Fund	5.59%	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	726.98	28.55	(25.00)	730.53	1,230.53
1987	(Chamberlain) Cate, Myron	Burial Ground	Common Fund	5.59%	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	809.48	28.55		838.03	1,338.03
1993	(Cate) Syer, Harriet	Burial Ground	Common Fund	2.24%	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	146.40	11.42		157.82	357.82
1995	(Brookfield) Dailey, Louis B.	Burial Ground	Common Fund	11.19%	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	592.25	57.10		649.35	1,649.35
	(Blake)	Burial Ground	Common Fund											
TOTAL				100.00%	8,938.08				8,938.08	36,112.69	510.40	(320.00)	36,303.09	45,241.17
Note: Interest is pro-rated based upon percent of subaccount principal to total principal														

## Common Fund 2 – Capital Reserve Fund

					PRINCIPAL					INCOME				
DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVEST	%	BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR LOSSES	WITH-DRAWAL	BALANCE END YEAR	BAL BEGIN YEAR	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPEND DURING YEAR	BAL END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL
	COMMON TRUST													
3/12/1991	Road & Bridge Repair	Town Roads	PDIP	44.91%	88,361.18	65,000.00		(75,000.00)	78,361.18		94.55		94.55	78,455.73
3/12/1991	Town Road Maint. Equip.	Town Roads	PDIP	25.49%	50,163.35				50,163.35		54.52		54.52	50,217.87
3/12/1991	Parks & Rec Equip (note 1)	Town Parks	PDIP	5.21%	10,244.01			(3,973.48)	6,270.53		10.46		10.46	6,280.99
3/1/1996	Public Scholarship Awd (note 2)	Award	PDIP	15.93%	31,346.32	899.50		(1,200.00)	31,045.82		33.56		33.56	31,079.38
10/1/2000	Town Scholarship Awd	Award	PDIP	4.19%	8,250.23	500.00		(300.00)	8,450.23		8.88		8.88	8,459.11
12/30/2003	Town Cemetery Fund	Burial Ground	PDIP	4.27%	8,393.38	1,250.00			9,643.38		9.32		9.32	9,652.70
10/22/2012	Park Committee Fund	Town Parks	PDIP	0.00%	0.00	3,973.48			3,973.48		0.70		0.70	3,974.18
	COMMON TRUST TOTAL			100%	196,758.47	71,622.98	0.00	(80,473.48)	348,854.93	0.00	211.99	0.00	211.99	188,119.96
	Note 1: \$3,973.48 raised by town Playground committee transferred to separate account													
	Note 2: New scholastic funds: \$468 Craft Fair + \$181.50 aluminum can collection + \$250 Kingswood Lake Assoc = \$899.50													

### Common Fund 3 – Expendable Trust Fund

DATE OF CREATION	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVEST	%	PRINCIPAL					INCOME				
					BAL BEGIN YEAR	NEW FUNDS CREATED	CASH GAINS OR (LOSSES)	WITH-DRAWAL	BALANCE END YEAR	BAL BEGIN YEAR	DURING YEAR AMOUNT	EXPEND DURING YEAR	BAL END YEAR	GRAND TOTAL
	COMMON TRUST													
3/9/1991	Mutual Aid	Town aid	PDIP	17.32%	10,609.80				10,609.80		11.56		11.56	10,621.36
3/12/1991	Town Bldg. & Grd Maint.	Town Buildings	PDIP	51.39%	31,480.71	5,000.00			36,480.71		34.73		34.73	36,515.44
3/11/1997	Records Preservation	Records	PDIP	18.20%	11,146.86				11,146.86		12.12		12.12	11,158.98
3/12/2002	Property Re-Evaluation	Re-evaluation	PDIP	0.77%	472.76	8,000.00			8,472.76		0.57		0.57	8,473.33
3/14/2006	Town Bldg Office Equip.	Equipment	PDIP	12.32%	7,544.66	1,000.00			8,544.66		8.26		8.26	8,552.92
	COMMON TRUST TOTAL			100.00%	61,254.79	14,000.00	0.00	0.00	75,254.79	0.00	67.24	0.00	67.24	75,322.03
	Total all Accounts December 31st, 2012:				308,683.16									

## **Police Department Report** **Brookfield 2012**

### **Year in review:**

This year we have been able to reduce crime and clear more cases. Ultimately, the reported crimes for various categories were reduced while the clearance rate and arrests for the same crimes were increased. We have devoted a considerable amount of time to investigations and are striving to keep patrol cars on the road consistently to deter and detect suspicious activity. One pitfall to this is that our motor vehicle stops were lowered as a result. Our continuing efforts are to keep our community a safe and enjoyable place to live, work, and encourage recreation.

During the last year, we engaged in the management study from MRI. After reviewing our operations, we were in good shape and several positive changes were made. MRI also recommended increasing full-time staff in supervision and reducing the part-time personnel. They also recommended some equipment considerations such as laptop additions to the cruisers. I agree with the recommendations and have made the changes to the 2013 year budget with the least fiscal impact possible.

### **Policing Efforts in 2012:**

- Grant funded patrols – Again we conducted several patrols through cooperative grants: speed patrols, DWI, & area wide DWI patrols, DWI check point, Safe Commuter patrols.
- We continue to offer the SHIELD program at the Paul School and other local crime prevention seminars at the Public Safety Building, including: Fraud, Firearm Safety & Home Defense, and “Hard Targets” property crime protection.
- A Woman’s Self Defense course was established and will be held again.
- The Firearms Safety course was very popular; I support an armed citizenry and the right to self defense. I believe criminals take notice.
- We are looking to start a Public Safety Explorer program.
- DWI arrests were down this year due to less patrol; we will conduct more DWI patrols over the next year.

### **Animal Control:**

- Once again we were able to find homes for every stray dog or cat last year through our adoption program.
- The ACO worked with a few horses and made changes to situations.
- The rabies clinic was successful and will be run again this year.
- The ACO ran 8 cat clinics this year and they serviced over 200 cats.
- Reminder, take control of your dogs, they must be under your control or on a leash. If you lose your dog, call us; it may be in the kennel.

### **Improvements:**

- I am pleased with the improving clearance rates and the reduction to reported crimes; we are able to clear cases with the cooperation of all of you.
- Again we did see a drop in motor vehicle accidents and incidents; I am pleased with this trend, but also we had a reduction in motor vehicle stops which may turn the trend back upward. I feel

the Highway Safety Program has a great deal to do keeping the roads safer but we will also need more motor vehicle patrol.

- We are establishing an emergency notification system (NIXLE).
- We are reviewing and improving security features at the Paul School
- We are looking to establish neighborhood police zones where the cruiser is parked and the officer is able to stay in the area while completing paperwork on the laptop, thus allowing more time in the field and less mileage on the cruisers.

### **Recognition of Earleen:**

As many of you know, Earleen DiPrizio retired this past year; she was a dedicated secretary to the Police Department and loved the officers. We all thank her for her many years of kind service to us and think fondly of her while she enjoys time in Florida. Earleen's replacement is Scott Parsons; feel free to stop in and say hello.

### **Officer of the Year:**

The members of the Police Department have voted for Lieutenant Mark O'Brien as Officer of the Year. Mark is a true professional who tirelessly works to keep everything running. Mark gives his all to the job and he was a good pick for Officer of the Year.

#### Brookfield Reported Cases

Calls for service	1223	Reported cases	45
Fraud & Theft	9	Directed Patrols	42
Trespass & Vandalism	9	Security Checks	116
Burglary or attempted	3	Animal Control Calls	120
Domestic violence related	14	Mental Health related	7
Theft	9	Pistol permits	7
Other		Suspicious activity reports	38

#### Motor Vehicle Activity

Accidents or Incidents	17	With 6 injuries
Total stops	174	
Citations	10	
Speed trailer & Surveys	12	
Speed check enforcement	78	

**Note:** The Police Department conducted 78 speed checks and added specific commuter enforcement patrols; we continued with the reduction in accidents for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year although 6 had reported injuries.

Please call us anytime anything looks suspicious. We still offer the “good morning” program and encourage seniors to take part.

Sincerely,  
*Kenneth G. Fifield*  
Chief of Police

### **Fire/Rescue Department**

2012 showed a slight decrease in calls with a 14% decrease in EMS calls and an 18% decrease in fire calls. We operate 4 fulltime Firefighter/EMT personnel to make up coverage 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 7 days a week; call personnel assist during the day and over 6 p.m. to 6 a.m.

In 2012 we had one of our long time members retire from the Ambulance Crew: Richard Wilson retired after 25 years of service to the town. We would like to thank “Doc” for all those sleepless nights and for the dedication to the people of Wakefield and Brookfield. We wish him the best.

The Wakefield Fire/Ambulance responded to a total of 908 calls in 2012. EMS calls in 2012 were 591. Fire calls in 2012 were 317.

<i>Emergency Calls:</i>			
Motor Vehicle Accidents	79	Storm Damage	2
Cooking Fires	2	Alarm Activations	47
Structure Fires	23	Chimney Fires	12
Car Fires	6	Brush Fires	5
Illegal Fires	17	Mutual Aid	27
Service Calls	34	Spills, Leaks	14
Good Intent	23	Lost Person	1
Power Lines	24	Misc Calls	1
<i>Areas of Town - Total Calls Fire/EMS:</i>			
Calls in Wakefield	772	East Wakefield	86
Union	16	Brookfield	34

Wakefield is a member of the Ossipee Valley Mutual Aid Association, which covers most of the towns in southern Carroll County. We also have mutual aid relationships with our neighbors across the border in Maine and those in Strafford County. Wakefield responded to 27 calls for fire or ambulance to other communities. Wakefield received mutual aid 39 times. These consist of fire calls and paramedic intercepts.



Listed below are the members of the Wakefield fire/Rescue Department. I would like to thank them for their dedication and their families for the support and understanding for the long hours.

Rhodes Haskell, Deputy Chief  
Jerry Rowe, Captain FF  
Sam Morrill, Captain FF/EMT-I  
Steve Petsche, Lieut. FF/EMT-I  
Jason Behrens, Lieut. FF/EMT  
Jane Runnels, Captain EMT  
Patricia Brackett, FF/EMS Admin  
Caitlin Nason, FF/EMT  
Jason Johnson, FF/EMT  
Ken Paul Jr., FF  
Steve Libby, FF  
Dave Silcocks, FF  
Lon Berry Jr., FF  
Dave Cotreau, FF  
Jason Monahan, FF

Janet Williamson, Paramedic  
Derek Chouinard FF/Paramedic  
Andrew Perkins, FF/EMT-I  
Peter Pszonowsky, FF/EMT-I  
Richard Wilson, EMT-I  
Brad Williamson, FF/EMT  
Chris Stevens, FF/EMT  
Courtney Trepanier, FF  
Eric Boggs, FF  
Zack Routhier, FF  
Tom Keane, FF  
Vaun Horn, FF  
Jon Gould, FF  
Garrett Anthony, FF  
Tyler Kingsbury, FF

My thanks and gratitude to the Sanbornville Firemen's Association. All funds raised by the Association go to benefit the department.

I would also like to thank the East Wakefield Volunteers for the support over the years. We were sad to see their association disband. They were an asset to our community.

The officers and members of the Wakefield Fire/Rescue Department want to thank all the town departments and the citizens of Wakefield and Brookfield. We appreciate and value your support. Thank you all.

Check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors! Stay safe and have a healthy 2013.

Respectfully submitted  
*Todd C. Nason, Chief*  
Wakefield Fire Rescue Department

## **Gafney Library**

### **Wakefield-Brookfield Town Report 2012**

A recent Pew Research Center Internet and American Life Project survey determined 60 percent of respondents under 30 used a library in the past year. Seventy-eight percent of Americans had read at least one book in the previous 12 months, with 83 percent among those aged between 16 and 29. Here at the Gafney Library, we experienced a 5 percent increase in the total number of items checked in and out in 2012 over 2011. As our consultant predicted, our circulation has plateaued because of space constraints. For each item purchased, one item is discarded to provide space for the new item. Borrowing from other libraries has continued to be one of our major services. Though we do not have the means to calculate the number library users, staff and volunteers feel that usage is up considerably over the past year. The cramped feeling is tighter and the Pew statistics hold weight.

Of note is the jump in Wakefield's population statistics putting us over the 5,000 mark as a result of the recent census. This put some of our fees, such as the Overdrive subscription for audio/eBooks in a higher cost category.

As a reminder, the Gafney Library is a nonprofit organization, not owned by the towns and so responsible for fundraising to cover expenses. The Towns of Wakefield and Brookfield are approached for operating funds and continue to be the major supporters. The Board of Directors conducts an annual appeal to raise approximately \$12,000. The December wreath sale has become popular and nets about \$1,300 by selling 160 decorated wreaths. Exhibit coordinator Peter Abate initiated the annual July Art at the Gafney, a fundraiser featuring over 50 local artists and raising about \$1,700 each of the last four years.

Brookfield resident and former Board President Jim Murfey continues to offer his services to keep the library's website updated: [www.gafneylibrary.org](http://www.gafneylibrary.org). Several offerings are on the website including Worldbook online for adults, children and research; downloadable audio/eBooks; magazines, professional journals, newspapers, links to resources and many other options worth investigating. A link to the library's catalog of books, movies and audiobooks may be used by anyone to search, and by cardholders to check their accounts, and reserve and renew items. Many of these services are new this year.

The library's knitters "Gafney Knitwits" met weekly, led by staff member Janice King. One of their projects this year was to knit items for the Paul School students needing winter warmth.

Library staff, board members and patrons rallied around the NH State Library this year to ensure that vans for interlibrary loan remained in place after a threat from the State Legislature to consider removing them from the budget. The vans ensure that books we borrow and loan to other libraries are circulated in timely fashion. Many patrons signed a petition that we presented to the State Library and in the end the van system remains in place.

Children's Librarian Diane Cassidy offered a "skywatch" program to the public last year. Over forty residents turned out to view the heavens through telescopes provided by the NH Astronomical Society. As a result, the Society recently donated a telescope that is being processed for library cardholders to borrow and enjoy at home. This year's summer reading program "Dream Big...READ" resulted in 72 children reading 193,000 minutes and 1,049 books and participating in 17 programs and workshops.

The Norman Ng magic show was enjoyed by 58 children and 52 adults at the end of the six week program.

Our literacy program served over 60 individual people who made more than a total of 300 visits and met with GED coordinator Dot Currier and tutors Sharon Norby and Lisa Kimball, and passed over 80 individual GED tests with Examiners Ginny Schweitzer, Dorie Sterndale and Caren Nick. Nine students passed the entire battery of tests to obtain a GED. We were saddened by the death of Examiner Pam Knight this year. Pam was instrumental in guiding many of our residents through the GED testing process and made a huge difference in their lives. She will truly be missed. More than 40 of the participants met with career counselor Rosemary Stewart to update resumés, job search, scholarship search, and hone job interview skills. Most colleges now require an Accuplacer exam to determine competency in certain areas at a cost to the student. Our center is now approved to administer the Accuplacer exam free of charge. Many meetings with administration at Spaulding High School and literacy staff took place at the library to keep abreast of the programs available at Spaulding to keep those under 18 in school.

More library info:

- A check through our automation system administrator revealed 3,063 resident and 488 non resident library cardholders.
- Our loyal volunteers put in a total of 1,057 hours
- Several artist receptions were held to allow the public and the artists to meet and greet.
- The library continues to maintain a Greater Wakefield Chamber of Commerce membership
- The Gafney Library hosted 15 area libraries for a quarterly meeting of the RALI (Rochester Area Libraries) group
- Howie Knight and his AARP Tax prep crew served many residents by preparing tax returns at the library on Mondays in February, March and April
- Work continues on determining the best way to raise funds and expand the library to better accommodate our residents.
- Work on the building will be completed in 2013 addressing the roof, drainage and underground drainage.
- The Friends of Wakefield Libraries, a separate nonprofit organization, continues to fundraise and provide items for the library not included in the budget....newspaper/magazine subscriptions, summer reading program expenses, payments toward the downloadable audio/eBooks and the Worldbook subscription. We are grateful for their support.

We look forward to 2013 and will continue to grow the services we provide to all those who live in the Towns of Wakefield and Brookfield.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Beryl Donovan*  
Library Director

## **Wolfeboro Parks & Recreation**

Hello Residents of Brookfield,

Did you know that Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation welcomes all Brookfield residents to take part in year round programs at discounted “resident” rates? Through a cooperative agreement between the Towns of Wolfeboro and Brookfield, all Brookfield residents, young and old alike, are welcome to enjoy Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation programs and facilities at “resident” rates. These reduced rates apply to everything from Season Passes and Day Passes at Abenaki Ski Area, Pop Whalen Arena to programs such as Summer Day Camp, Soccer, Youth and Adult Sailing, Swim Lessons and much more.

Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation offers four seasons of recreation and beautiful open spaces and parks for all to enjoy: from the Bridge Falls Path, Sewall Woods Bike Path and Abenaki Ski Area, to Pop Whalen Ice Arena and Foss Field, there is something for just about everyone. More information on parks, beaches and programs can be found online at [www.wolfeboronh.us](http://www.wolfeboronh.us) or by picking up a Parks and Recreation Brochure at Brookfield Town Hall and at many locations throughout Wolfeboro. The brochure is published twice annually on April 1 and October 1.

2012 Brookfield Participation in Wolfeboro Parks and Recreation Programs and Facilities:

- 38 resident-rate Season Passes at Pop Whalen and Abenaki
- Hundreds of resident-rate Day Passes at Pop Whalen and Abenaki
- 48 individual resident-rate registrations for programs such as Day Camp, Soccer, Bus Trips, etc...
- Unlimited access to parks, playgrounds, beaches, new tennis courts, new basketball courts, bike paths and more

### **2012 Projects**

- Constructed Bath House at Albee Beach with restrooms, changing areas, outdoor showers and lifeguard headquarters.
- Logged, cleared, graded and seeded Middleton Rd Cemetery expansion site.
- Installed irrigation system at Foss Field Soccer Field.
- Resurfaced the length of the Bridge Falls Path with 4” of stone dust.
- Completed design, engineering and cost estimates for the proposed Parks Maintenance Building to be constructed in 2013.
- Rebuilt Brewster Beach Docks.
- Made improvements and opened Wolfeboro’s newest Park: Bean Park.
- Paved portions of the Pop Whalen/Abenaki parking lot.
- Rebuilt granite sidewalks at Cate Park and a ramp at Clark Park to comply with Federal Americans with Disabilities Act regulations.

Our Maintenance Staff cared for Wolfeboro’s 6 parks, Bridge Falls Path, 40 cemeteries, 3 beaches, Skate Park and conservation areas. They also provide operations support at the Pop Whalen Arena, Abenaki Ski Area, Community Center and landscaping work at the Public Safety Building, Library, Town Hall, Libby Museum, Clark House Museum Complex and Downtown perennial gardens.

In 2012 we started the “Community Sailboat Sharing” program with the NH Boat Museum. Utilizing a donated 24ft sailboat maintained by the NH Boat Museum, we offer “shares” of the boat to 12 individuals, who are trained and tested and can then bring the boat out onto Wolfeboro Bay (with friends and family) throughout the sailing season. By creating and sustaining partnerships with local organizations and businesses, we continue to offer new and exciting programs to the community, including Yoga on the Beach, Paddleboarding, Adult Sailing and Tennis, Golf and more. Our annual special events such as the Granite Man Triathlon, Granite Kid Triathlon and 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks all had record attendance.

Abenaki Ski Area continues to thrive and is the practice mountain for Brewster Ski Team and the Abenaki Ski Team, complete with alpine racing and freestyle divisions. The Pop Whalen Arena has seen increased use and more and more advertising sponsors continue to support our operations.

**2012 program totals (of 100+ programs offered):**

- Total Program Participants in Programs: 4,864 (3,890 in 2011)
- Pop Whalen Ice Arena: 58,500 visitors (58,540 in 2011)
- Abenaki Ski Area: 4,719 skiers/riders (4,100 in 2011)
- Summer Day Camp: 763
- Granite Man Triathlon: 371 (349 in 2011)
- Granite Kid Triathlon: 155 (114 in 2011)
- Turkey Trot 5K: 212 (246 in 2011)
- Hershey Track and Field: 54 (36 in 2011)
- Swim Lessons/Team: 265 (234 in 2011)
- Sailing: 136 (123 in 2011)
- Sailboat Sharing: 5
- Skating Lessons: 53 (74 in 2011)
- Soccer: 132 (197 in 2011)
- Tennis: 119 (148 in 2011)
- Ski and Snowboard Lessons: 61 (74 in 2011)
- Movies in the Park: 650 (450 in 2011)

We hope to see many more of you using our facilities and participating in our programs.

From your neighbors in Wolfeboro,  
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### **Governor Wentworth Regional School District**

This is the first time after three long years that the Kingswood Complex began the school year without major construction on the property. The removal of the portable classrooms this past April was a symbolic event met with enthusiasm by the School Board. The construction project is complete and the students, faculty and community now enjoy a beautiful facility. During homecoming weekend the community celebrated the completion with ribbon cutting ceremonies at the Middle School, High School and Technology Center. School Board members, students, community members and administrators were on hand. Students provided tours for the public, and students from the Lakes Region Technology Center Culinary Arts and Hospitality programs created and served appetizers for the well-attended event.

The District is experiencing the effects of having such a great facility on our curricular and extra-curricular offerings. Our physical education program has been able to diversify by using the weight and dance studio facilities to provide classes in weight training and exercise. These are lifelong activities that have a broader appeal to students. Likewise the Arts Center provides the theater program with new spaces in which to build sets and perform; the set design and quality of the productions have been able to reach new levels as evidenced by winning the State competition this past year. Elementary students have also taken advantage of the “big stage.” These are only a few examples of the many positive effects of the Kingswood Complex on the education of our students.

On a more melancholy note, this year we say goodbye to some long-time board members who have seen the District through many transitions over the years. Don Meader, who has served on the School Board for 27 years, and Jim Rines, with 22 years of service to the District, are not seeking re-election. Don and Jim have provided much valuable expertise on school district operations and on many matters over the years. Their presence on the Board will be greatly missed by all.

After 20 years of service to the School District, Superintendent Jack Robertson is retiring. Jack spent the first 7 years of his tenure in the District as the Assistant Superintendent and the last 13 as Superintendent. He came to our District at a time when capital improvement projects were a priority. During his tenure here, each existing building underwent a major renovation and a number of new buildings were constructed. We have benefited from his astute guidance on countless matters. Jack has

been an exceptionally skilled leader under which the School District has thrived. The Board, staff and community will sorely miss Jack.

The School Board implemented the search process recommended by the New Hampshire School Boards Association. As a result, the current Assistant Superintendent Kathleen Cuddy-Egbert has been hired to assume the position of Superintendent on July 1, 2013. We are confident that the District will continue to thrive under Kathy's leadership as she maintains the positive culture that has been established in our school community.

In closing, and on behalf of the School Board, I want to thank Don Meader, Jim Rines and Jack Robertson for their years of service to the students, staff and community of the Governor Wentworth Regional School District. It is unusual for a School District to have had the advantage the GWRSD has had for so long: the many years of dedicated service from such fine quality people. Many lives have been enriched because of their contributions.

Finally, thanks to all of you. The School Board is always mindful of the support you provide through your time, your tax dollars and your votes. Your contributions live on in the future of each child!

Respectfully submitted,  
*Stacy Trites*  
School Board Chair



## **Transfer Station**

### **Recyclables**

	<i>2011</i>		<i>2012</i>
Antifreeze	100 gallons	Antifreeze	150 gallons
Batteries	4.08 tons	Batteries	2.41 tons
Mixed Paper	315.87 tons	Mixed Paper	268.28 tons
Aluminum Cans	14.55 tons	Aluminum Cans	11.63 tons
Glass	191.90 tons	Glass	157.93 tons
Fluorescent Bulbs	5390 units	Fluorescent Bulbs	6169 units
Used Motor Oil	2500 gallons	Used Motor Oil	1850 gallons
Electronics	11.59 tons	Electronics	16.01 tons
Textiles	18.91 tons	Textiles	14.32 tons
Scrap Metals	211.98 tons	Scrap Metals	178.02 tons

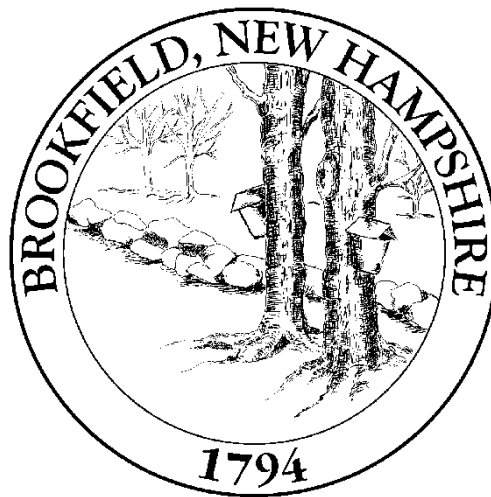
### **High Cost Waste**

Tires	22.37 tons	Tires	9.78 tons
Bulky (Demo)	444.18 tons	Bulky (Demo)	511.73 tons
MSW (Household)	1468.02 tons	MSW (Household)	1382.95 tons

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who recycle.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Warren Winn*  
Transfer Station Manager





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