

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE  
TOWN OFFICERS  
OF**

**MASON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**For The Year Ending December 31**

**2010**

Charlotte N. Hastings, former Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Photo by Kurt Spacht

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## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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As time passes, we inevitably have to say goodbye to people who have lived in Mason and contributed to our town. Charlotte Hastings was an institution. She was a hard worker and a member of a long line of Mason Town Clerks, who distinguished themselves as selfless individuals. Charlotte knew just about everything going on in town and could be counted on to render a candid observation and a hug.

Mark Richardson regretfully resigned as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. A hard decision was made when Donna, his wife was offered the assistant directorship of the Grand Canyon National Park. After careful consideration of six candidates the Board appointed R. Peter McGinnity as Selectman to serve until March 2011. Mr. McGinnity had been active on the Financial Advisory Committee.

Winter weather of 2010 exacted a heavy toll on the roads of Mason and the surrounding towns. Water undermined the asphalt roads and expanded as it froze during last year's frequent freezing and thawing cycles. Frost heaves turned into pulverized asphalt then potholes.

The unexpected resignation of the town's Road Agent sparked a lengthy hiring process ending in Mark Brackett assuming the Road Agent's position. A Roads Committee was commissioned to assist the new Road Agent in his transition and to prioritize work on the neediest roads.

David Baker was named Fire Chief and made a very smooth transition into his new post. He has implemented changes resulting in increased efficiency, and commensurate with his lengthy experience in fire fighting.

The voluntary semi-annual tax bill will become a mandatory responsibility in 2011. Along with breaking the tax billing cycle into two payments, it will decrease the amount needed for the town's tax anticipation note and subsequently reduce note interest payments.

The need for broadband service has become a reoccurring theme. The luxury of broadband has turned into necessity. A Board Band Committee was commissioned to study different possibilities of increasing broadband service to the town. Steve Hoffman and Wolfgang Millbrandt have attended several state sponsored meetings and circulated a survey. They have been exploring different methods of providing broadband service.

Mason's Scout Troop 264 promoted two more scouts to the rank of Eagle Scout. Dan McGuire and Robert Guiry long time friends in scouting elected to have their Court of Honor together. The keynote speaker was David Ruoff Mason's first Eagle Scout, currently a lawyer in private practice.

One of the endearing qualities of in the New Hampshire rural heritage is the sense of community. Jim McCormick, Mason School District's new Superintendent brings a wealth of experience to the district. His philosophy of inclusiveness has seen the school facilities used for a number of community activities including a senior breakfast program.

Respectfully submitted,

*C. Christopher Guiry, DMD, Anne Richards, R. Peter McGinnity*

## **TOWN OFFICE HOURS AND MEETINGS**

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### **SELECTMEN**

Office Hours: Mann House, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Meetings: Mann House 7:30 PM  
Second and Fourth Tuesday of the month.

Telephone: 878-2070 Fax: 878-4892

Email: townofmason@myfairpoint.net

### **TOWN CLERK**

Office Hours: Mann House, Tuesday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Wednesday Evening 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM  
Thursday 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
Last Saturday of the month 10:00 AM - Noon

Telephone: 878-3768 Fax: 878-4892

Email: susan@mason-nh.net

### **PLANNING BOARD**

Meetings: Mann House, 7:30 PM  
Last Wednesday of the month

### **BUILDING INSPECTOR**

Office Hours: Mann House, Tuesday 7:00 PM.  
by appointment  
Telephone: 878-2894

### **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Meetings: Mann House, 7:30 PM.  
Third Monday of the month

### **WILTON RECYCLING CENTER HOURS**

Tuesday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Thursday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Saturday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Sunday 8:00 AM - 11:45 AM

## **ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS**

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### **MODERATOR - 2 Year Term**

Catherine Schwenk March 2012

### **TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR - 3 Year Term**

Susan J. Wagoner March 2012

### **DEPUTY TOWN CLERK**

Dorothy Mitchell, appointed March 2012

Debra A. Morrison, appointed March 2013

### **TREASURER - 3 Year Term**

Debra A. Morrison, resigned March 2012

Suzanne M. Kelly, appointed March 2011

### **DEPUTY TREASURER**

Patricia A. Greene, appointed March 2012

### **SELECTMEN - 3 Year Term**

C. Christopher Guiry DMD March 2012

Anne Richards March 2011

Mark Richardson, Chairman, resigned March 2013

R. Peter McGinnity, appointed March 2011

### **DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR**

Dorothy Mitchell, appointed March 2012

### **SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST - 6 Year Term**

Jeannine Phalon March 2012

Kathy Chapman, resigned March 2014

Charles V. Moser March 2016

Kathleen C. Wile, appointed March 2011

### **DEPUTY SUPERVISOR OF CHECK LIST - 6 Year Term**

Anita Crehan, appointed March 2013

### **LIBRARY TRUSTEES - 3 Year Term**

Lynn McCann March 2012

Elena Kolbenson March 2011

Christine Weiss March 2013

### **TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES - 3 Year Term**

Robert Larochele March 2012

Wallace A. Brown March 2013

Jeannine Phalon March 2011

### **TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS - 3 Year Term**

George Schwenk March 2013

Mark Calderan March 2011

Paul Downey, appointed March 2012

## APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS

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### FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Irene Cook, Chairman	March 2011
Robert Larochelle	March 2011
Pete McGinnity, resigned	March 2011
David Profit	March 2011

### PLANNING BOARD

Pamela Lassen, Chairman	March 2012
Mark McDonald	March 2011
Dorothy Millbrandt	March 2012
Bruce Mann	March 2013
Kenneth B. Wilson	March 2013
Linda Cotter-Cranston, Alternate	March 2012
Joseph McGuire, Alternate	March 2012
C. Christopher Guiry, Ex-officio	

### COMMISSIONERS – NASHUA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Dorothy Millbrandt	July 2011
Charles V. Moser	July 2011

### BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Timothy Kicza, Chairman	March 2012
Tim Kelly	March 2013
Michael Davieau	March 2011
Robert Bergeron	March 2013
Michael Dulong	March 2011
Winthrop Bennett, Alternate	March 2012
Kathy Sheldon, Alternate	March 2012
Patricia Letourneau, Alternate & Clerk	March 2012
Mark Richardson, Ex-officio	

### HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Board of Selectmen

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Robert Larochelle, Chairman	March 2012
Robert Dillberger	March 2011
Anna Faiello	March 2011
Elizabeth Fletcher	March 2011
Charles Lanni	March 2012
Paula Babel	March 2013
Ann Moser	March 2013
Cynthia Hajjar	March 2011
Barbara Devore	March 2013
Robert Doyle, Alternate	March 2013

### FORESTRY COMMITTEE

Curtis Dunn	March 2012
Eric Anderson	March 2011
Matthew LeClair	March 2011
William Downs, Town Forester	
C. Christopher Guiry, ex-officio	

**RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Lynn McCann, Chairman March 2012  
Elena Kolbenson March 2012

**BALLOT CLERKS**

Pauline Bergeron March 2012  
Kenneth Greene March 2011  
Lauren Mann March 2012  
Florence Wilson March 2013

**MASON BROADBAND COMMITTEE**

Stephen Hoffman March 2011  
Bruce Mann March 2011  
Wolfgang Millbrandt March 2011  
C. Christopher Guiry, DMD, ex-officio

**HIGHWAY ROADS EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

Curtis M. Dunn, Chairman March 2011  
Jeffrey Babel March 2011  
Gary Elsworth March 2011  
Edward Fortin March 2011  
Shawn Lawler March 2011  
Peter LeCount March 2011  
Harry Spear March 2011

**HIGHWAY VEHICLE COMMITTEE**

Wallace Brown, Chairman March 2011  
Robert Bergeron March 2011  
Stanley Brown March 2011  
Bernard O'Grady March 2011  
Kenneth Spacht March 2011

**POLICE OFFICERS**

Barry G. Hutchins Police Chief  
Steven Duval Patrolman  
Aaron Thompson Patrolman  
John LeBlanc, Sr. Part Time Police Officer

**EMERGENCY SERVICES**

David Baker Fire Chief/Warden/First Responder  
David P. Cook, resigned Fire Chief/Warden/EMT-D  
Frederick Greenwood 1st Asst. Chief/Deputy Warden/EMT-B  
Robert Bergeron Fire Engineer  
Philip Phalon Captain/Deputy Warden/EMT-B  
Donna Richardson, resigned 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant/Deputy Warden/EMT-B  
Richard Griffin 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant/Deputy Warden  
Kenneth Spacht 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant/EMT-I  
Anne Richards Firefighter  
Mark Richardson, resigned Firefighter  
Christopher Greenwood Firefighter



Benjamin Harrington, resigned	Firefighter/EMT-B
Michael Daly	Firefighter
Paul Alton	Firefighter
Dean Lambert	Firefighter
Kirk Smith	Firefighter
Jim Fowler	Firefighter
Robert Ziemiecki	Firefighter
Kim Vocell	Firefighter
Bradley Gaudet	Firefighter
Mark Arsenault	Firefighter
Mark McDonald	Firefighter
Ernest Sullivan, Jr.	Firefighter
Karl Mann	Firefighter
Josh Olson	Firefighter
Eric Rantamaki	Firefighter
Jason Finch	Firefighter
Cindy Tibbetts	EMT-I
Jeff Partridge	EMT-B
Jeanine Phalon	EMT-B
Kathy Chapman, resigned	EMT-B
Rebecca Wilson	EMT-B
Tabitha Davies	EMT-B
Michelle Alton	EMT-B



Mark Brackett	<b>ROAD AGENT</b>
David P. Cook, resigned	<b>ROAD AGENT</b>
Kenneth B. Wilson	<b>BUILDING INSPECTOR/DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER</b>
Lynn McCann	<b>HEALTH OFFICER</b>
Kenneth B. Wilson	<b>HOUSE NUMBERING AGENT</b>
Jerry Bird	<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR</b>
Don MacIntosh, resigned	<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR</b>
William Downs	<b>TOWN FORESTER</b>
Wallace Brown	<b>SEXTON</b>

**MASON TOWN WARRANT  
The State of New Hampshire**

The polls will be open from 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM at: Mason Town Hall.  
To the inhabitants of the Town of Mason, in the County of Hillsborough, in said State,  
qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to come to the polling place at the Town Hall in Mason at  
11:00 AM on Tuesday, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011 for the election of Town officers  
pursuant to Article 1 of this Warrant, bringing in your ballots for the following:

Selectman	3 years
Selectman	2 years
Treasurer	1 year
Supervisor of the Checklist	3 years

Library Trustee	3 years
Trustee of Cemeteries	3 years
Trustee of Trust Funds	3 years

And to cast your ballots pursuant to Article 2 and Article 3 regarding amending the Town of Mason Planning and Zoning Ordinance Article IXX: Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance: Item IV, Location of Telecommunications Facilities and Item VII, Conditional Use Permits and Article 4 regarding adopting the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2), as petitioned.

The polls will be open continuously until 8:00 PM when they shall close. You are hereby notified also to meet at Mason Elementary School at 9:00 AM on Saturday, the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011, to act upon Articles of this Warrant.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing terms.

Article 2 and Article 3 were reviewed at public hearings on January 26, 2011.

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1, as proposed by the Mason Planning Board for the Town of Mason Planning and Zoning Ordinance, as follows:

AMEND Article IXX: Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance: Item IV, Location of Telecommunications Facilities; to replace "view to \_\_\_\_\_." with "scenic view.", so that the sentence reads "In no case, however, shall such a facility be sited in a location that would impact any scenic view."

The purpose is to clearly state that scenic views shall not be impacted by the location of a telecommunications facility. Approved by the Mason Planning Board.

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2, as proposed by the Mason Planning Board, to the Town of Mason Planning and Zoning Ordinance, as follows:

AMEND Article IXX: Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance: Item VII, Conditional Use Permits; to replace "every 3 years" with "annually", so the sentence reads "Permits shall be renewed annually."

The purpose is to require renewal of Conditional Use Permits annually, to better monitor for changes affecting compliance. Approved by the Mason Planning Board.

Article 4 was reviewed at a public hearing on February 21, 2011.

4. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town. By petition.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One million five hundred sixty-three thousand, six hundred fifty-seven dollars (\$1,563,657) which represents the operating budget. Said sum is exclusive of all Special or Individual Articles addressed.
6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a three year lease/purchase agreement in the amount of thirty nine thousand eight hundred twenty-five dollars (\$39,825) to purchase a pickup truck for the Mason Highway Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen thousand one

hundred nineteen dollars and twenty cents (\$14,119.20) for the first year's payment. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. Recommended by the Selectmen.

7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of Thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000) payable over a term of three years to purchase a new cruiser for the Police Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) for the first year's payment. (Requires 2/3 ballot vote.) Recommended by the Selectmen.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four thousand dollars (\$4,000) for the purpose of equipping the new Police cruiser, or take any other action relative thereto. Recommended by the Selectmen.
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the purpose of chip sealing on Town roads, or take any other action relative thereto. Recommended by the Selectmen.
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of Thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to purchase a truck for the Highway Department, with the funding as follows: Seven thousand five hundred eighty-four dollars (\$7,584) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose and the balance to come from general taxation, or take any other action relative thereto. Recommended by the Selectmen.
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for the purpose of conducting a Statistical Update of property values, as required by the State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue, or take any other action relative thereto. Recommended by the Selectmen.
12. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Police Cruiser and to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Selectmen and the Police Chief as agents to expend from this fund. Recommended by the Selectmen.
13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) to purchase a voting machine, or take any other action relative thereto.
14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize 20% of the Land Use Change Tax collected pursuant to RSA 79-A:25 to be deposited in the existing Conservation Fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5, III as authorized by RSA 79-A:25, II. The remaining 80% of the Land Use Change Tax collected pursuant to RSA 79-A: 25 will be deposited in the Town's General Fund. If adopted this article shall take effect April 1, 2011, and shall remain in effect until altered or rescinded by future vote of the town meeting. (Majority vote required.) Recommended by the Selectmen.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One hundred thirty-three dollars (\$133) to be added to the Cemetery Land Improvement Trust Fund, previously established and to authorize the transfer from the December 31, 2010 Fund Balance of that amount received from the 2010 sale of cemetery lots for this purpose. Recommended by the Selectmen.
16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven thousand five hundred eighty-four dollars (\$7,584) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, previously established and to authorize the use/transfer from the December 31, 2010 Fund Balance of that amount received from the 2010 sale of highway equipment for this purpose. Recommended by the Selectmen.
17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and the Road Agent to sell or dispose of surplus equipment from the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto. This article shall remain in effect until altered or rescinded by future vote of the town meeting.
18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and the Fire Chief to sell or dispose of surplus equipment from the Fire Department, or take any other action relative thereto. This article shall remain in effect until altered or rescinded by future vote of the town meeting.
19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Police Chief to sell or dispose of surplus equipment from the Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto. This article shall remain in effect until altered or rescinded by future vote of the town meeting.

	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>Appropriations</b>				
<b>Charges for Services</b>				
Income from Departments				
4033 · Fees-Police Reports	35			
4035 · Pistol Permits	379			
4042 · Detail Payments	2,175			
4044 · Court Fines	570			
<b>Total Income from Departments</b>	<b>3,159</b>			
<b>Total Charges for Services</b>	<b>3,159</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>	
<b>From Federal Government</b>				
4050 · FEMA	12,831			
<b>Total From Federal Government</b>	<b>12,831</b>			
<b>From State</b>				
4037 · Rooms & Meals Tax Distribution	60,457	45,000	55,000	
4038 · Highway Block Grant	70,182	70,182	78,503	
4039 · State & Federal Forest Land Re.	542	542	542	
4045 · Other PD Grants	4,051		3,700	
<b>Total From State</b>	<b>135,231</b>	<b>115,724</b>	<b>134,045</b>	
<b>Interfund Operating Tr. In</b>				
4070 · from Special Rev. Funds - For. Com	8,000	8,000	0	
4075 · from Capital Reserve Funds	17,745			
4076 · from Trust & Fiduciary Funds	500	500	500	
4077 · Transfers from Con.Com.Funds	21,255	20,519	10,518	
<b>Total Interfund Operating Tr. In</b>	<b>47,500</b>	<b>29,019</b>	<b>11,018</b>	
<b>Licenses, Permits, Fees</b>				
<b>Building Permits</b>				
4024 · Permits, Building	3,021			
4025 · Oil Burner Permits & Others	60			
<b>Total Building Permits</b>	<b>3,081</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>3,500</b>	
<b>Motor Vehicle Permit Fees</b>				
4020 · M. V. fees	225,725			
4021 · Titles	648			
4022 · M/A stickers	5,393			
4023 · Mail-in registrations	495			
<b>Total Motor Vehicle Permit Fees</b>	<b>232,261</b>	<b>215,000</b>	<b>220,000</b>	

	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>Other Licenses, Permits &amp; Fees</b>				
4026-01 · Mail in Dog License	24			
4026 · Dog Licenses	1,987			
4027 · State Dog Fees	912			
4026-02 · Civil Forfeiture	625			
4026 -03 · Late Penalty	87			
4028 · Vital Records	346			
4029 · Fees-BOA	300			
<b>Total 4026-4029</b>	<b>4,281</b>			
4030 · Fees-Planning Board				
4030 · Fees-Planning Board - Other	608			
4031 · Fees-HDC	0			
<b>Total 4030 · Fees-Planning Board</b>	<b>608</b>			
4034 · Fees-Returned Check	120			
4078 · Exaction Fees-lot A-22	0			
<b>Total Other Licenses, Permits &amp; Fees</b>	<b>5,009</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,000</b>	
<b>Total Licenses, Permits, Fees</b>	<b>240,351</b>	<b>248,019</b>	<b>239,518</b>	
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues</b>				
4061 · Interest Income	1,596	2,000	1,500	
4067 · Other Income	35,591	3,000	5,000	
4068 · WCSIP Grant - 2010	1,020			
<b>Total Miscellaneous Revenues</b>	<b>38,207</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>6,500</b>	
<b>Revenue-Taxes</b>				
4000 · Property Taxes	3,376,171			
4001 · Land Use Change Taxes	33,150			
4002 · Timber Taxes	9,255	5,000	4,000	
4005 · Interest & Penalties on taxes	22,628	12,000	13,000	
4006 · Costs on taxes	764	250	250	
<b>Total Revenue-Taxes</b>	<b>3,441,968</b>	<b>17,250</b>	<b>17,250</b>	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>3,919,245</b>	<b>415,712</b>	<b>409,031</b>	

	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>Capital Outlay</b>				
<b>6032 · Machinery, Veh, &amp; Equip.</b>				
6032-13 · WA # 13 Police Vests	2,000	2,000	0	
6032-14 · WA # 12 FD Air Bottles	4,746	5,000	0	
6032-00 · WA #6 HD Pickup(\$39,825 Total)			14,119	
6032-00 · WA #10 HD Trk (\$30,000 total - \$7,584 HWY Cap. Reserve)			22,416	
6032-00 · WA #7 PD Cruiser (\$32,000 total)			14,000	
6032-00 · WA #8 PD Cruiser Equipment			4,000	
6032-0			6,500	
<b>Total 6032 · Machinery, Veh, &amp; Equip.</b>	<b>6,746</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>61,035</b>	
<b>6034 · Imp. Other Than Buildings</b>				
6034-11 · WA #9 Mann House Repairs	23,975	23,975		
6034-12 · WA #11 Forestry Committee Projects	8,000	8,000		
6034-00 · WA #11 Statistical Review			12,000	
6034-00 · WA #9 Hwy Dept. Sealing Projects			50,000	
<b>Total 6034 · Imp. Other Than Buildings</b>	<b>31,975</b>	<b>31,975</b>	<b>62,000</b>	
<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>	<b>38,721</b>	<b>38,975</b>	<b>123,035</b>	
<b>Operating Transfers Out</b>				
<b>6036 · To Capital Reserve &amp; Trust Fund</b>				
6036-09 · WA #10 Hwy Equip. Cap.Reserve	20,000	20,000		
6036-10 · WA #15 Hwy Equip. Cap.Reserve	0	500		
6036-11 · WA #14 Cemetery Funds	0	200		
6036-00 · WA #16 Hwy Equip. Cap.Reserve			7,584	
6036-00 · WA #15 Cemetery Funds			133	
6036-00 · WA #12 Police Cruiser Cap. Res.			9,000	
<b>Total Operating Transfers Out</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>20,700</b>	<b>16,717</b>	
<b>Total Capital &amp; Operating Transfers</b>	<b>58,721</b>	<b>59,675</b>	<b>139,752</b>	<b>134%</b>

	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>Conservation</b>				
6028-01 · Conservation Commission Exp.	12,737	688	688	
6028-02 · CC Railroad Trail Maint.	0	1,312	1,312	
6028-02 · CU Penalty -CC	27,150			
6029-01 · Town Forests	45	1	1	
<b>Total Conservation</b>	<b>39,932</b>	<b>2,001</b>	<b>2,001</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>6024 · Parks &amp; Recreation</b>				
6024-01 · Parks Maint.	1,803	2,000	2,000	
6024-02 · Parks Electricity	59	100	100	
6024-03 · Toilet Facilities	711	600	600	
6024-04 · Activities/Rec.Com.	0	600	200	
6025-01 · Town Common Maint.	7,180	7,000	7,000	
6025-02 · TC Payroll Taxes	618	536	536	
6025-03 · TC Workers' Comp.	156	156	244	
<b>Total 6024 · Parks &amp; Recreation</b>	<b>10,527</b>	<b>10,992</b>	<b>10,680</b>	<b>-3%</b>
<b>6026 · Library</b>				
6026-01 · Library Salaries	32,653	34,805	38,260	
6026-02 · Lib. Payroll Taxes	2,643	2,663	2,927	
6026-00 · Lib. Retirement			1,092	
6026-03 · Lib. Workers' Comp.	157	157	66	
6026-04 · Continuing Education	55	550	300	
6026-05 · Travel	301	375	375	
6026-06 · Telephone	742	900	825	
6026-07 · Technology	365	840	700	
6026-08 · Postage	88	100	100	
6026-09 · Supplies	500	500	500	
6026-10 · Dues & Fees	425	600	600	
6026-11 · Programming	257	300	300	
6026-12 · Books	3,200	3,200	3,200	
<b>Total 6026 · Library</b>	<b>41,386</b>	<b>44,990</b>	<b>49,245</b>	<b>9%</b>
6027 · Patriotic Purposes	600	600	600	0%
<b>Total Culture &amp; Recreation</b>	<b>52,513</b>	<b>56,582</b>	<b>60,525</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>6030 · Debt Service</b>				
6030-01 · Princ. Long Term Bonds & Notes	59,948	63,000	60,436	-4%
6030-02 · Interest Long Term Bonds & Note	17,993	14,768	15,212	3%
6030-03 · Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	11,459	14,000	10,000	-29%
<b>Total Debt Service</b>	<b>89,400</b>	<b>91,768</b>	<b>85,648</b>	<b>-7%</b>



	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>General Government</b>				
<b>6000 · Executive</b>				
6000-01 · Selectmen Salaries	2,925	2,925	2,925	
<b>Total 6000 · Executive</b>	<b>2,925</b>	<b>2,925</b>	<b>2,925</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>6001 · Election, Reg. &amp; Vital Stats.</b>				
6001-01 · Moderator	440	495	280	
6001-02 · Election Expenses	3,316	4,100	3,000	
6001-03 · Town Clerk/Tax Collector	20,600	20,600	20,600	
6001-18 · Municipal Agent Fees*	5,403	4,383	5,403	
6001-05 · TC/TX Deputy	8,715	8,400	9,500	
6001-16 · TC/TX Payroll Tax	2,677	2,554	2,716	
6001-06 · Assoc. Dues	40	55	55	
6001-07 · State Dog Fees	977			
6001-08 · Convention/Education	753	1,000	1,300	
6001-09 · Certification/Training	105	500	300	
6001-17 · TX Registry Fees	67	300	300	
6001-10 · Mileage	394	500	450	
6001-11 · Office Supplies	2,386	2,453	2,403	
6001-12 · Postage	1,960	1,990	1,990	
6001-13 · Software Maint./Update	3,580	3,580	3,580	
6001-14 · Telephone & Internet	908	990	990	
6001-00 · Equipment Replacement			500	
6001-19 · Other Expense	504			
<b>Total 6001 · Election, Reg. &amp; Vital Stats.</b>	<b>52,825</b>	<b>51,900</b>	<b>53,367</b>	<b>3%</b>
*This fee is paid by the State not the Town.				
<b>6002 · Financial Administration</b>				
6002-01 · Treasurer Salaries	550	550	550	
6002-02 · Auditor	7,500	8,500	9,500	
6002-03 · Admin. Salaries	37,138	37,138	37,138	
6002-04 · Part-time Admin.	3,695	5,000	6,500	
6002-05 · Payroll Taxes	3,447	3,490	3,642	
6002-06 · Workers' Comp.	782	782	774	
6002-07 · Retirement Ins.	2,060	2,004	2,060	
6002-08 · Bank Service Charges	206	200	200	
6002-09 · Conferences	185	800	600	
6002-10 · Computer Services	5,132	4,500	5,100	
6002-11 · Software Maint./Update	1,538	1,538	1,538	
6002-12 · Mileage	150	200	225	
6002-13 · Miscellaneous	486	500	500	
6002-14 · Postage	759	900	900	
6002-15 · Registry Fees	45	150	100	
6002-16 · Repairs & Maint.-Equipment	495	492	495	
6002-18 · Office Supplies	1,568	1,500	1,500	
6002-19 · Advertising	165	250	225	
6002-20 · Town Office Equipment	0	800	400	
6002-21 · Telephone	605	725	600	
6002-22 · Town Reports	1,339	1,550	1,400	
6002-23 · Tech Support	2,620	2,300	2,300	
6002-00 · Town Website			1,200	
<b>Total 6002 · Financial Administration</b>	<b>70,465</b>	<b>73,869</b>	<b>77,447</b>	<b>5%</b>

	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>6003 · Revaluation of Property</b>				
6003-01 · Assessing	2,800	5,000	3,000	
6003-02 · Tax Map Update	700	700	700	
<b>Total 6003 · Revaluation of Property</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>5,700</b>	<b>3,700</b>	<b>-35%</b>
<b>6004 · Legal Expenses</b>	<b>7,943</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>6005 · Personnel Administration</b>				
6005-02 · STD & Life Insurance	3,911	4,200	3,000	
6005-03 · Health & Dental Insurance	180,391	183,326	196,795	
6005-04 · Unemployment Taxes	258	258	503	
<b>Total 6005 · Personnel Administration</b>	<b>184,559</b>	<b>187,784</b>	<b>200,298</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>6006 · Planning &amp; Zoning</b>				
6006-01 · PB Advertising	393	600	450	
6006-02 · PB Training	75	80	80	
6006-03 · PB Supplies	161	182	182	
6006-04 · PB Postage	0	400	200	
6006-05 · BOA Salaries	305	660	400	
6006-07 · BOA Advertise	119	420	250	
6006-08 · BOA Postage	0	30	30	
6006-09 · BOA Supplies	137	152	152	
6006-10 · BOA Training	135	200	200	
6006-11 · Historic District Expense	0	110	110	
6006-12 · NRPC Assistant	4,678	5,000	5,000	
<b>Total 6006 · Planning &amp; Zoning</b>	<b>6,003</b>	<b>7,834</b>	<b>7,054</b>	<b>-10%</b>
<b>6007 · Gen. Gov. Buildings</b>				
6007-01 · Custodial Expense	8,392	8,242	8,242	
6007-02 · TB Supplies	1,115	1,100	1,100	
6007-03 · TB Heat	8,822	11,000	11,000	
6007-04 · TB Electricity	4,799	4,700	5,100	
6007-05 · TB Repairs & Maint.	22,399	22,000	22,000	
6007-06 · Records Preservation	1,915	2,000	2,000	
<b>Total 6007 · Gen. Gov. Buildings</b>	<b>47,442</b>	<b>49,042</b>	<b>49,442</b>	<b>1%</b>

	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>6008 · Cemeteries</b>				
6008-01 · Cem. Maintenance	1,968	2,800	2,500	
6008-02 · Cem. Salaries	10,605	10,000	10,000	
6008-03 · Cem. Payroll Taxes	838	765	765	
6008-04 · Cem. Workers' Comp.	157	157	275	
<b>Total 6008 · Cemeteries</b>	<b>13,568</b>	<b>13,722</b>	<b>13,540</b>	<b>-1%</b>
<b>6009 · Insurance</b>				
6009-01 · LGC-PLIT	25,948	26,325	26,325	
<b>Total 6009 · Insurance</b>	<b>25,948</b>	<b>26,325</b>	<b>26,325</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>6010 · Advertising &amp; Assoc.</b>				
6010-01 · NRPC	1,085	1,085	1,128	
<b>Total 6010 · Advertising &amp; Assoc.</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>6011 · Other Gen. Gov.</b>				
6011-01 · LGC Membership	997	997	1,046	
6011-02 · Abatements & Refunds	21,230	0	0	
<b>Total 6011 · Other Gen. Gov.</b>	<b>22,227</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Total General Government</b>	<b>438,491</b>	<b>428,683</b>	<b>443,771</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Health</b>				
6022-01 · Health Officer	0	25	25	0%
6022-02 · Animal Control	1,000	1,000	1,000	0%
6022-03 · Health Agencies, Visiting Nurse	1,500	1,500	1,500	0%
<b>Total Health</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>2,525</b>	<b>2,525</b>	<b>0%</b>

	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>Highways &amp; Streets</b>				
<b>6018 · Highway Town Maintenance</b>				
6018-01 · Road Agent Salary	54,049	53,363	51,000	
6018-02 · Asst. Road Agent Salary	36,190	42,034	42,034	
6018-03 · Equip. Operator I	30,565	40,255	40,041	
6018-04 · Equip. Operator II	40,040	40,041	38,000	
6018-05 · Other Salaries	50,063	52,025	52,025	
6018-06 · Overtime Wages	11,073	21,147	15,000	
6018-07 · Hwy Payroll Taxes	16,905	19,042	18,215	
6018-08 · Hwy Workers' Comp.	8,331	10,000	8,909	
6018-09 · Hwy Retirement	9,441	9,756	7,350	
6018-10 · Hwy Mileage	1,369	500	750	
6018-11 · Drug & Alc. Testing	514	600	600	
6018-12 · Consulting Engineer	135	1,500	1,500	
6018-13 · Paved Road Restoration	90,053	80,000	80,000	
6018-14 · Patch	14,115	7,500	11,250	
6018-15 · Culverts	3,834	4,000	4,000	
6018-16 · Calcium Chloride	4,154	1,000	10,000	
6018-17 · Signs & Rewards	1,401	1,600	2,400	
6018-18 · Plowing	13,263	17,280	17,280	
6018-19 · Salt	11,238	14,000	14,980	
6018-22 · FEMA- Other Salaries	1,676			
6018-32 · Aggregate			10,000	
6018-24 · Hired Equipment			10,000	
6018-27 · Tree Work		1,000	1,000	
6018-28 · Guard Rails		1,000	1,200	
6018-29 · Sweeper	630	1,000	1,000	
6018-30 · FEMA - Paved Road Restoration	5,067			
6018-31 · FEMA - Culvert	1,778			
<b>Total 6018 · Highway Town Maintenance</b>	<b>405,882</b>	<b>418,643</b>	<b>438,534</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>6019 · Hwy Dept. Expenses</b>				
6019-01 · Building Maint.	6,361	6,500	6,500	
6019-02 · Electricity	3,600	4,000	4,500	
6019-03 · Telephone	1,837	2,600	2,100	
6019-00 · Heating Fuel			10,000	
6019-04 · Dues & Education	195	2,000	2,000	
6019-05 · Equip. Maint.	49,691	40,000	40,000	
6019-06 · Edges for Plowing	1,523	5,500	4,000	
6019-07 · Tires	3,601	5,500	5,500	
6019-08 · Chains	884	1,000	1,000	
6019-09 · Chainsaw Repairs	106	350	350	
6019-10 · Radios	740	1,500	1,500	
6019-11 · Welding Equipment	885	1,500	1,500	
6019-12 · Safety Equipment	1,518	1,700	1,700	
6019-13 · Tools	2,787	1,500	1,650	
6019-14 · Vehicle Fuel	26,110	42,000	26,000	
6019-16 · Hwy. Veh. & Equipment	18,245			
6019-17 · FEMA - Equip. Maintenance	4,124			
<b>Total 6019 · Hwy Dept. Expenses</b>	<b>122,207</b>	<b>115,650</b>	<b>108,300</b>	<b>-6%</b>
<b>6020 · Street Lighting</b>	<b>1,353</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>1,425</b>	
<b>Total Highways &amp; Streets</b>	<b>529,441</b>	<b>535,493</b>	<b>548,259</b>	<b>2%</b>

	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>Public Safety</b>				
<b>6012 · Police Department</b>				
6012-20 · Police Chief Salary	54,662	54,693	54,693	
6012-21 · 1st Patrolman Salary	45,846	45,912	45,912	
6012-22 · 2nd Patrolman Salary	36,969	37,183	37,183	
6012-02 · Part-time Salaries	17,119	33,354	33,354	
6012-23 · On Call	10,200	10,400	10,400	
6012-03 · Overtime Wages	21,798	14,000	14,000	
6012-04 · Prosecutor	7,500	7,500	7,500	
6012-05 · Payroll Taxes	3,596	4,908	4,908	
6012-06 · Workers' Comp.	5,375	5,500	4,817	
6012-07 · Retirement	25,526	23,548	23,728	
6012-08 · Detail Expenses	3,239	1	1	
6012-28 · DUI/Traffic Enf. Grant Work	4,051			
6012-11 · Conventions & Dues	629	750	750	
6012-12 · Office Expenses	5,898	5,500	5,000	
6012-12 · Communication Expenses			2,000	
6012-13 · Uniforms	2,610	2,500	2,500	
6012-14 · Equip. & Maint.	3,874	3,500	4,500	
6012-24 · K-9 Maintenance	1,449	1,500	1,500	
6012-15 · Training	865	3,000	3,000	
6012-16 · Cruiser lease	654	654	10,030	
6012-17 · Cruiser Maint.	2,118	4,500	4,500	
6012-18 · Cruiser Fuel	4,952	10,000	10,000	
<b>Total 6012 · Police Department</b>	<b>258,930</b>	<b>268,903</b>	<b>280,276</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>6013 · Ambulance</b>	<b>10,012</b>	<b>10,012</b>	<b>10,513</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>6014 · Fire Department</b>				
6014-01 · Fire Chief's Salary	1,600	1,600	1,600	
6014-02 · FD Stipend	7,463	7,550	10,400	
6014-23 · FD Secretary	380	2,000	1,500	
6014-24 · FD Payroll Tax	29	153	115	
6014-24 · FD Workers' Comp.	782	800	673	
6014-04 · Officers' Expenses	844	2,000	2,400	
6014-05 · Hep.B Vac.	0	350	200	
6014-06 · Insurance	0	250	250	
6014-07 · Training	3,380	2,750	2,750	
6014-08 · Expendables	1,070	1,200	1,200	
6014-09 · Building Maint.	3,700	4,000	4,000	
6014-10 · Electricity	2,240	2,500	2,500	
6014-11 · Heat	1,321	3,000	2,500	
6014-12 · Telephone	1,051	1,400	1,200	
6014-13 · Radio Repair	1,475	2,500	1,500	
6014-14 · Code Books	0	200	400	
6014-15 · Vehicle Maint.	4,475	5,000	5,000	
6014-16 · Fuel	1,322	2,000	2,000	
6014-17 · Equip. Maint.	8,886	6,500	8,000	
6014-18 · FD Tanker Lease	27,510	27,510	0	
6014-19 · EMS Supplies	1,138	2,200	1,500	
6014-20 · EMS Training	1,092	2,000	1,500	
6014-26 · Expense - Offset WC Grant	1,020			
<b>Total 6014 · Fire Department</b>	<b>70,778</b>	<b>77,463</b>	<b>51,188</b>	<b>-34%</b>

	2010	2010	2011	% Change
	Actual	Budget	Budget	2010/2011
<b>6015 · Building Inspection/Code Enforcement</b>				
6015-01 · Bldg. Insp. Salary	9,926	12,360	12,360	
6015-05 · Bldg. Insp. Admin.	2,220	3,000	2,900	
6015-02 · BI Payroll Taxes	905	1,176	1,176	
6015-03 · BI Mileage	730	1,206	1,100	
6015-04 · BI Expenses	748	1,017	1,180	
<b>Total 6015 · Building Inspection</b>	<b>14,530</b>	<b>18,759</b>	<b>18,716</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>6016 · Emergency Management</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>6017 · Other (incl. Comm.)</b>				
6017-01 · Communications	18,194	19,500	17,500	
6017-02 · Waterhole Maint.	0	500	500	
<b>Total 6017 · Other (incl. Comm.)</b>	<b>18,194</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>18,000</b>	<b>-10%</b>
<b>Total Public Safety</b>	<b>372,444</b>	<b>395,237</b>	<b>378,793</b>	<b>-4%</b>
<b>Sanitation</b>				
6021-01 · Wilton Recycling	40,967	41,134	41,134	
<b>Total Sanitation</b>	<b>40,967</b>	<b>41,134</b>	<b>41,134</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Welfare</b>				
6023-01 · Town Poor	0	1,000	1,000	0%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1,565,688</b>	<b>1,554,423</b>	<b>1,563,657</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total Capital &amp; Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1,624,409</b>	<b>1,614,098</b>	<b>1,703,409</b>	<b>6%</b>
<b>Other Assessments</b>				
6037 · School District Assessment	2,408,407			
6038 · Hillsborough County	188,997			
*Not from taxation; from fund balance and/or other funds				

**TOWN OF MASON**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Fund Balance**  
**For the year ended December 31, 2010**

<b>REVENUES:</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Highway Block Grant	70,182	66,550	63,829
Shared revenue	0	0	12,078
Other state revenue	542	30,892	8,847
Property taxes	3,687,765	3,189,544	3,127,893
Yield taxes	9,255	4,504	11,718
Land use change taxes	33,150	0	12,200
Motor vehicle fees	232,261	238,187	239,650
Penalties and interest	23,392	26,325	26,627
Licenses, permits, fees	4,455	6,615	11,240
Interest income	1,596	1,828	7,123
Dog licenses	3,635	3,790	3,306
Detail Payments, Fines & Grants	7,210	11,462	14,980
Rooms & Meals Tax	60,457	60,092	59,466
Conservation Commission	21,255	22,163	237,201
Con Com Bond			80,000
Forestry Committee	8,000	2,630	
FEMA Funds	12,831	70,837	
Sale of Municipal Property		70,968	215,000
Donations (Memorial & Other)			411
Insurance settlement		36,111	
Other	36,968	23,060	16,784
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>4,212,954</b>	<b>3,865,558</b>	<b>4,148,352</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
General government	448,897	388,211	398,597
Cemeteries	13,568	17,020	14,721
Public safety	379,191	419,222	411,597
Highways	549,441	566,394	645,829
Sanitation	40,967	59,217	45,326
Health & Welfare	2,500	2,718	1,500
Education	2,408,407	2,075,029	1,978,109
Culture and recreation	100,445	91,006	616,839
Debt service	89,400	114,189	106,538
County taxes	188,997	177,491	171,618
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>4,221,813</b>	<b>3,910,497</b>	<b>4,390,674</b>
Excess (deficit) of revenues/expend. revenues over expenditures	(8,859)	(44,938)	(242,321)
<b>Other financing sources:</b>			
Interfund transfers	18,245	9,205	41,600
Unexpended encumbrances	0	8,424	14,000
	<b>18,245</b>	<b>17,629</b>	<b>55,600</b>
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expend. over expenditures and other fina	9,386	(27,309)	(186,721)
<b>Fund balance beginning</b>	<b>306,300</b>	<b>333,609</b>	<b>520,330</b>
<b>Fund balance ending</b>	<b>315,686</b>	<b>306,300</b>	<b>333,609</b>

**TOWN OF MASON**  
**Combined Balance Sheet**  
**At December 31, 2010**

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Capital Reserves</b>	<b>Trust Funds</b>	<b>Consrv Comm</b>	<b>Forestry Comittee</b>	<b>All Funds</b>
Cash	\$774,043	\$80,469	\$183,617	\$59,638	\$62,534	\$1,203,956
Prepay Taxes	(\$1,962)					(\$1,962)
Deeded property	\$37,173					\$37,173
Unredeemed taxes	\$99,516					\$99,516
Uncollected taxes	\$309,929					\$309,929
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$1,218,698</b>	<b>\$80,469</b>	<b>\$183,617</b>	<b>\$59,638</b>	<b>\$62,534</b>	<b>\$1,648,612</b>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES**

Accounts Payable	\$0					\$0
Suspense	(\$2,523)					(\$2,523)
Encumbrances	\$9,291					\$9,291
Payroll taxes payable	\$5					\$5
Due to schools	\$896,240					\$896,240
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>\$903,013</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$903,013</b>

<b>Fund balances</b>	<b>\$315,685</b>	<b>\$80,469</b>	<b>\$183,617</b>	<b>\$59,638</b>	<b>\$62,534</b>	<b>\$745,599</b>
<b>Total liabilities and fund balances</b>	<b>\$1,218,698</b>	<b>\$80,469</b>	<b>\$183,617</b>	<b>\$59,638</b>	<b>\$62,534</b>	<b>\$1,648,612</b>

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Cash on hand, January 1, 2010	\$1,036,780
Cash receipts:	
Town Clerk	\$236,358
Tax Collector	\$3,578,259
Selectmen	\$340,287
Interest income TD Banknorth	\$1,508
Interest income NHPDIP	\$48
Interest income Bank of NH PoolPlus	\$40
Tax Anticipation Loans	\$965,000
<b>Total cash available</b>	<b>\$6,158,280</b>
Selectmen's orders paid	\$3,836,696
Payroll disbursements	\$571,082
Tax anticipation loans repaid	\$965,000
Interest on tax anticipation loan	\$11,459
<b>Total monies paid out</b>	<b>\$5,384,237</b>
Cash on hand, December 31, 2010	<b>\$774,043</b>

*Suzanne M. Kelly*  
*Treasurer*



## TOWN OF MASON BONDS

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### Police Station - Principal Muni Bond

Period	Outstanding	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Total Debt Service	Fiscal Debt Service
15-Feb-07				\$7,972.22	\$7,972.22	
15-Aug-07	\$292,000	\$27,000	5.00%	\$7,000.00	\$34,000.00	\$41,972.22
15-Feb-08				\$6,325.00	\$6,325.00	
15-Aug-08	265,000	30,000	5.00%	\$6,325.00	\$36,325.00	\$42,650.00
15-Feb-09				\$5,575.00	\$5,575.00	
15-Aug-09	235,000	30,000	5.00%	\$5,575.00	\$35,575.00	\$41,150.00
15-Feb-10				\$4,825.00	\$4,825.00	
15-Aug-10	205,000	30,000	4.00%	\$4,825.00	\$34,825.00	\$39,650.00
15-Feb-11				\$4,225.00	\$4,225.00	
15-Aug-11	175,000	30,000	4.00%	\$4,225.00	\$34,225.00	\$38,450.00
15-Feb-12				\$3,625.00	\$3,625.00	
15-Aug-12	145,000	30,000	5.00%	\$3,625.00	\$33,625.00	\$37,250.00
15-Feb-13				\$2,875.00	\$2,875.00	
15-Aug-13	115,000	30,000	5.00%	\$2,875.00	\$32,875.00	\$35,750.00
15-Feb-14				\$2,125.00	\$2,125.00	
15-Aug-14	85,000	30,000	5.00%	\$2,125.00	\$32,125.00	\$34,250.00
15-Feb-15				\$1,375.00	\$1,375.00	
15-Aug-15	55,000	30,000	5.00%	\$1,375.00	\$31,375.00	\$32,750.00
15-Feb-16				\$625.00	\$625.00	
15-Aug-16	25,000	25,000	5.00%	\$625.00	\$25,625.00	\$26,250.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$292,000</b>		<b>\$78,122.22</b>	<b>\$370,122.22</b>	<b>\$370,122.22</b>

### Highway Loader - Principal Muni Bond

Period	Outstanding	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Total Debt Service	Fiscal Debt Service
1-May-08	\$161,000	\$23,000	4.00%	\$6,332.67	\$29,332.67	\$29,332.67
1-May-09	138,000	23,000	4.00%	\$5,520.00	\$28,520.00	\$28,520.00
1-May-10	115,000	23,000	4.00%	\$4,600.00	\$27,600.00	\$27,600.00
1-May-11	92,000	23,000	4.00%	\$3,680.00	\$26,680.00	\$26,680.00
1-May-12	69,000	23,000	4.00%	\$2,760.00	\$25,760.00	\$25,760.00
1-May-13	45,000	23,000	4.00%	\$1,840.00	\$24,840.00	\$24,840.00
1-May-14	23,000	23,000	4.00%	\$920.00	\$23,920.00	\$23,920.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$161,000</b>		<b>\$25,652.67</b>	<b>\$186,652.67</b>	<b>\$186,652.67</b>

### CC Land Purchase - Principal Muni Bond

Period	Outstanding	Principal	Coupon	Interest	Total Debt Service	Fiscal Debt Service
7-Jul-09	\$80,000.00	\$6,875.91	5.50%	\$3,642.22	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13
7-Jul-10	\$73,124.09	\$6,496.31	5.50%	\$4,021.82	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13
7-Jul-11	\$66,627.78	\$6,853.60	5.50%	\$3,664.53	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13
7-Jul-12	\$59,774.18	\$7,230.55	5.50%	\$3,287.58	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13

7-Jul-13	\$52,543.63	\$7,628.23	5.50%	\$2,889.90	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13
7-Jul-14	\$44,915.40	\$8,047.78	5.50%	\$2,470.35	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13
7-Jul-15	\$36,867.62	\$8,490.41	5.50%	\$2,027.72	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13
7-Jul-16	\$28,377.21	\$8,957.38	5.50%	\$1,560.75	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13
7-Jul-17	\$19,419.83	\$9,450.04	5.50%	\$1,068.09	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13
7-Jul-18	\$9,969.79	\$9,969.79	5.50%	\$548.34	\$10,518.13	\$10,518.13
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$80,000.00</b>		<b>\$25,181.30</b>	<b>\$105,181.30</b>	<b>\$105,181.30</b>

## SUMMARY OF VALUATION

Improved & Unimproved Land	\$63,053,900.00
Assessed Value of Current Use Land	\$935,542.00
Conservation Restriction Assessment	\$16,803.00
Buildings (Mobile Homes Included)	\$106,833,900.00
Public Utilities (PSNH)	\$1,720,100.00
Valuations Before Exemptions	<u><b>\$172,560,245.00</b></u>

### EXEMPTIONS

Elderly Exemptions	\$820,000.00
Solar Exemptions	\$15,000.00
	<u><b>\$835,000.00</b></u>

### NET VALUE FOR TAX RATE

**\$171,725,245.00**

### NET VALUE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX RATE (LESS UTILITIES)

**\$170,005,145.00**

### WAR SERVICE TAX CREDIT

	Limit	No.	Credits
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed in action.....	\$2,000	2	\$4,000
All Other Qualified Persons.....	\$500	64	\$32,000

### 2010 TAX RATE

Town	\$6.49
County	\$1.10
State Education	\$2.19
School	\$11.86
<b>Total Rate</b>	<b>\$21.64</b>

Summary of Valuation was on page 26, now on 25

## Town Clerk & Tax Collector Report

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It has been our pleasure to serve the residents of Mason this past year. We would like to summarize some of the developments during 2010.

In April, Deputy Clerk Debra Morrison received her certification as a Municipal Agent. She also attended the training for Vital Records and Motor Vehicle Safety.

For 2010 we licensed 466 dogs. As long as we have current rabies information, you may license your dog(s) via mail. Every year there is a rabies clinic scheduled in April, please call this office at 878-3768 for the date.

Now that we are on-line with Vital Records, we are able to assist residents in obtaining copies of any NH vital record copies.

2010 was the first year for semi-annual tax billing. The change was implemented to help the Town save money on the borrowing for the yearly TAN (Tax Anticipation Note). For 2010 only, property owners had the option to pay the entire tax bill in December as usual, or pay in the new, two installments. For 2011, the first tax bill must be paid when due in July and the second bill in December.

Respectfully submitted,

*Susan Wagoner, Town Clerk/Tax Collector*

*Dee Mitchell, Deputy      Debra Morrison, Deputy*

### TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

<b>Cash on hand January 1, 2010</b>	<b>\$50</b>
<b>Cash received:</b>	
Dog Licenses	1,987
State dog fees	912
Civil Forfeiture	625
Late Penalty	83
Mail-In Fees	519
Automobile registrations	225,725
Title fees	648
Returned checks	120
Vital fees	346
Municipal agent fees	5,393
<b>Total cash received</b>	<b>236,358</b>
<b>Cash remitted to Treasurer</b>	<b>236,358</b>
<b>Cash on hand, December 31, 2010</b>	<b>\$50</b>



Respectfully submitted,

*Susan J. Wagoner*

*Town Clerk*

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## REPORT OF THE MASON TRUST FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

	PRINCIPAL			INTEREST			TOTAL	
	Beginning Balance	Fnds Created (Expended)	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Interest Earned	Receipts (Disbursals)	Ending Balance	Fund Balance
<b>TRUST FUNDS</b>								
Boynton School	\$11,063.07		\$11,063.07	\$16,494.20	\$108.96		\$16,603.16	\$27,666.23
Stearns School	\$10,469.36		\$10,469.36	\$15,263.09	\$70.06		\$15,333.15	\$25,802.51
Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$27,078.67	\$333.33	\$27,412.00	\$644.29	\$175.68	(\$500.00)	\$319.97	\$27,731.97
Cemetery Land Improvement	\$4,959.87	\$166.67	\$5,126.54	\$3,302.97	\$57.72		\$3,360.69	\$8,487.23
Ellen Augusta Worcester Wilson	\$25,000.00		\$25,000.00	\$27,887.24	\$193.40		\$28,080.64	\$53,080.64
Whitaker-Locke Library	\$10,808.07		\$10,808.07	\$570.80	\$289.26	(\$250.00)	\$610.06	\$11,418.13
Ephraim & Martha Lucindy Hildreth	\$9,966.62		\$9,966.62	\$8,326.06	\$123.82		\$8,449.88	\$18,416.50
Steinberg/Budrewicz Recreation	\$223.00		\$223.00	\$122.76	\$1.50		\$124.26	\$347.26
Recreation-Playground	\$200.00		\$200.00	\$4.27	\$0.87		\$5.14	\$205.14
K-9 Fund	\$9,325.00	\$900.00	\$10,225.00	\$193.81	\$42.41		\$236.22	\$10,461.22
<b>TOTAL TRUST FUNDS</b>	<b>\$109,093.66</b>	<b>\$1,400.00</b>	<b>\$110,493.66</b>	<b>\$72,809.49</b>	<b>\$1,063.68</b>	<b>(\$750.00)</b>	<b>\$73,123.17</b>	<b>\$183,616.83</b>
<b>CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>								
Highway Capital Equipment	\$500.00	\$27,106.05 (\$17,745.00)	\$9,861.05	\$718.13	\$8.24		\$726.37	\$10,587.42
Fire Equipment				\$3,235.79	\$10.00		\$3,245.79	\$3,245.79
Library Building	\$42,000.00		\$42,000.00	\$20,543.12	\$400.84		\$20,943.96	\$62,943.96
Highway Construction	\$1,569.00		\$1,569.00	\$2,177.52	\$18.29		\$2,195.81	\$3,691.95
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$44,069.00</b>	<b>\$9,361.05</b>	<b>\$53,430.05</b>	<b>\$26,674.56</b>	<b>\$437.37</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$27,111.93</b>	<b>\$80,469.12</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$153,162.66</b>	<b>\$10,761.05</b>	<b>\$163,923.71</b>	<b>\$99,484.05</b>	<b>\$1,501.05</b>	<b>(\$750.00)</b>	<b>\$100,235.10</b>	<b>\$264,158.81</b>

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief:

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

*Paul Downey*  
*Mark Calderan*  
*George Schwenk*



## MASON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

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Many challenges were met and overcome in 2010 for the Highway Department. Still many challenges lie ahead, but what would life be without a challenge.

David Cook resigned from the Highway Department after ten years of service. Roland Theriault one of the part time employees passed away. We also lost one of the full time employees Charles Buttrick who had been here for seven years. With Cook's resignation David Morrison stepped in until a new Road Agent was hired. There were also two committees formed: one to evaluate the roads, another for the evaluation of the equipment.

The Road Committee spent time measuring and evaluating the condition of the roads. They also researched the cost of different methods for repairs. The vehicle committee evaluated the fleet and decided that five trucks were not worth keeping in service. A sixth truck that was questionable was kept for the winter to salt with. A 2003 one ton diesel was purchased this year. We will need to continue building up the fleet after losing so many vehicles. In regards to the roads it will be a few years before we are able to just look at the cost of general maintenance. This will not be a quick fix. Our top priority will be repairing the recently overlaid roads. After preparing these roads a chip seal will be applied to insure we get the maximum amount of life from them. With the other roads we will repair the worst sections and take care of them as soon as possible.

I would like to thank the individuals who participated in these committees for the time and research that they put in. Their suggestions have been noted and I look forward to working with them in the future.

In March heavy rains washed out some of the roads in town. Luckily some of the repair work was funded by FEMA. This work consisted of ditching, culvert work and some paving. A section of Townsend Road was shimmed and over laid during the summer by Brox Industries. The Highway Department did the prep work by ditching and trimming. After paving they shouldered the section. Fred Greenwood was able to make it all around town with the roadside mowing. Before we resume mowing in the fall some repair work will need to be done to the mower. With the grading around town some calcium was used. This year we will be increasing the application rate along with a combination of other materials to improve the quality of our dirt roads. Some culverts were replaced which would be the case again this year along with ditching to get the water off from our roads. This is the only way to successfully repair our roads. There is no sense in upgrading a road without taking care of the water first.

I would like to thank all of the Highway Department workers for their dedication and hard work. Also thanks to the Selectmen for their guidance and Barbara Milkovits for the time and effort that she puts in every year.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mark B. Brackett*

*Road Agent*

## MASON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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2010 proved to be a very busy year for the Police Department. We had an alarming rise in sexual assaults during 2010 with three Aggravated Felonious Sexual Assaults on children being reported and one adult victim reporting a sexual assault as well. The Police Department is also in the process of finalizing one of the largest child pornographic possession cases in the state. Each of these cases accounts for not only hundreds of investigative hours but also a lifetime of recovery for the victims. All suspects are being prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Narcotic and domestic violence related offenses have also increased.

With a continued decline in the economy we have seen an expected increase in residential burglaries. In December a resident reported an individual attempting to enter her home, the suspect then fled in a motor vehicle. The Police Department pursued the vehicle into New Ipswich where the department K9 Akih was used to remove the suspects from the vehicle. The three suspects in the vehicle were also connected to a second attempted home invasion in Mason on the same day. These cases are currently in the prosecution stage.

In addition to the above referenced case, K9 Akih was used several times to clear homes and businesses within Mason due to alarm activations and also to search motor vehicles for narcotics. Cocaine, heroin and marijuana were all seized during 2010 as a direct result of K9 Akih's indicating on motor vehicles. With K9 Akih, I participated in several public demonstrations of his skills throughout the year. Approximately \$900 was received through donations for the K9 program with the State Line Gun Shop being the top donor. All donations are graciously accepted no matter what the size.

I am again asking for the town to fund the purchase of a new police cruiser as the older of our two vehicles is a 2006 with high mileage that I believe is reaching a point of not being safe to use as a day to day emergency response vehicle. I understand that several residents have vehicles that are in excess of 100,000 miles and are driven daily but not in the same manner that the Police Department does. I do understand not wanting to spend money as I am also a taxpayer in Mason but this is an issue that is reaching a point that needs to be resolved.

The Mason Police Department can be reached by the following methods:

**Emergency 911 or non-emergency Dispatch 878-1111.** If you need to discuss a non-criminal issue with me directly, you may reach me through my email of [masonpd181@myfairpoint.net](mailto:masonpd181@myfairpoint.net). Please understand that NO official complaints can be received via email as we need them to channel through our dispatch for proper recording. In closing, thank you for your continued support and cooperation as we could not do our jobs without it.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Police Chief Barry G. Hutchins*

## MASON FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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First I would like to thank David Cook for over 35 years of dedicated service as a member of the Mason Fire Department and First Responders.

This past year we finally got the word out that we needed help and the town responded. Thank you! We have 10 new members and have a waiting list of additional interested individuals. Four of our new members are enrolled in Firefighter Level 1 which is the state required basic firefighting course. Two of our new members came already trained from other states where they resided.

In August I became Chief and with the help and support of everyone the department is ready to respond to calls when needed.

My thanks to all the dedicated men and women of the Fire Department and to the families for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

*David A. Baker Fire Chief*

**Fire Calls 2010**

Medical assist	1	Brush fire	4
Motor vehicle accident	17	Structure fire	1
Pole down	1	Tree on wires	1
Mutual aid given	13	Oil Burner fire	1
Oven fire	1	Smoke investigation	1
Alarm activation	5	Vehicle fire	1
<b>Total Calls: 47</b>	<b>Mutual aid received: 6</b>	<b>Total hours for calls: 707</b>	<b>Total hours for training: 1221</b>

**Mason First Responders**

**W**e are in need of additional First Responders especially during the weekday. If you are interested or would like more information please contact me or any First Responder for more information.

I would like to thank the members of the Brookline Ambulance Service and their Director, Wes Whittier, for their excellent service to the town of Mason.

I especially would like to thank the Mason First Responders for responding to calls at all hours of the day or night and to their families for allowing them to give their time for calls and training.

**EMS Calls 2010**

Motor vehicle crash	17	Stroke	2
Lift assist	1	Dog bite	1
Fall	4	Fainting	2
Seizure	3	Difficulty breathing	1
Cardiac	4	Home illness	5
Poisoning	1	Choking	1
Untimely death	1	Fire standby	1
Behavioral	3	Eye injury	1
Hip pain	1	Ankle injury	1
Laceration	1	Unresponsive	1
Uncontrolled bleeding	2	Hospital transfer	2
Allergic reaction 1		Assault	1
Heat exhaustion	1	Bee sting	1
Hand injury	1	Abdominal pain	2
Back pain	1	<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>64</b>

Respectfully submitted

*David A. Baker Fire Chief*

## PLANNING BOARD REPORT

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It's been a very quiet year, with no new subdivision applications and only one lot line adjustment. Two workforce housing amendments were passed at the March 2010 town meeting, Amendment XX: Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance and Amendment XXI: Multi-Family Housing Overlay District. These bring Mason in compliance with the state Workforce Housing laws. The Planning Board thanks the residents of Mason for their support.

Year 2010 Hearings:

Month	Hearing	Applicant	Type	Outcome
June	10-01	Gerald and Judith Anderson	Lot Line Adj. L-31 L-31-1	Approved

Respectfully,

*Mason Planning Board*

## REPORT of NRPC ACTIVITIES for the TOWN OF MASON

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NRPC embarked on a number of new initiatives and projects in 2010, which promise to have long-term positive impacts for the future of the region and the state. NRPC has played a significant role in the NH Broadband Mapping Program as we began the process of identifying and mapping broadband resources across the state in collaboration with the other eight Regional Planning Commissions. In 2011, we will continue this work with a public outreach and planning component to the project that will engage the region in understanding and planning for broadband services.

Our work on behalf of the Town of Mason includes:

### **TRANSPORTATION**

NRPC as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the region is responsible for developing and maintaining the region's transportation planning program

**Traffic Data Collection** - Conducted 1 traffic count in Mason in the past year. This count was done at the request of the New Hampshire Department of Transportation and is used to support the Federal Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS).

**Transportation Improvement Program** – As the designated MPO for the region, NRPC maintains the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP is a fiscally constrained document required under federal transportation regulations. All federally funded highway improvements must be included in the regions TIP in order to receive federal funding. NRPC is responsible for the development and maintenance of the TIP so that federal highway transportation dollars are available to Mason and the rest of the region.

### **LAND USE AND ENVIRONMENT**

**NRPC Energy Program** – In 2008, NRPC received a 2 year grant from the US Environmental Protection Agency's Healthy Communities initiative to establish the Nashua Regional Energy Program. The Nashua Regional Energy Program works with municipalities to understand community needs and resources, assess current energy consumption within municipal buildings, take action to reduce energy consumption and implement renewable energy projects, and evaluate progress.

Over the past year, NRPC worked with Mason to conduct energy inventories for its municipal buildings, streetlights, and vehicle fleet. NRPC then wrote an Energy Efficiency Action Plan for Mason based on these energy inventory results. The plan contains a community profile,

background on the inventory process, inventory results, energy use by building, costs by building, greenhouse gas emissions by building, energy inventory analysis, and recommendations.

**Development Review and Planning Services**

Part of NRPC’s comprehensive solutions is to offer direct local land use planning assistance. In addition to the services mentioned in the Introduction, the Town of Mason continues to utilize contract planning services to directly assist the Planning Board. Services include assistance to applicants in submitting subdivision or site plan applications, provide written reviews of submissions to the Planning Board, attend hearings and work sessions to assist and answer questions, and support the Board and Town staff in preparing notices draft amendments and warrants for Town Meeting.

**GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)**

The GIS staff at NRPC continues to maintain a diverse collection of spatial databases including local roads, real property parcels, zoning, land use, and environmental conditions. This data is applied extensively to provide mapping and analysis for local and/or regional projects.

Updated and printed multiple copies of the streets and Town Zoning Maps. GIS staff worked closely with the Town Planner to make needed updates. Multiple display size prints were provided as well as an electronic PDF version so that the Town can print additional copies.

**Maintained Standard Map Series** - Updated the Town Zoning map and NRPC Standard Map Library for Mason. These four standard maps show the Town’s Roads and Town Facilities, Environmental and Conservation Areas, Existing Land Use and an Aerial Image of the Town.

**Updated online Google Maps NRPC Traffic Count application.** At the end of the traffic counting season, GIS staff uploaded all current data to Google maps web application, showing the latest 24-hour and hourly counts for every location in Mason and the rest of the NRPC region. This year NRPC worked with the town assessor and the Registry of Deed database to update the town digital parcel map to include all changes to property data. This item is a critical component of many projects conducted in the town and is always available to the town from NRPC free of charge.

Completed regular maintenance tasks and performed updates to the Mason GIS data which is maintained by NRPC, including digitizing new roads, parcels, protected lands, zoning changes, trails, social service or child care providers, land use and other baseline data.

Continued to update and expand the regional annotation layers for improved clarity, accuracy and detail in mapping tasks.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kernie Diers*

Executive Director  
Nashua Regional Planning Commission

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

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Income from land use change tax .....	\$27,150
Income from donations, etc. ....	\$2,000
2010 Budget.....	\$2,000
Expenses .....	\$23,255
Interest .....	\$97
Funds on hand Conservation General Fund 12/31/10 .....	\$11,383
Railroad Trail Maintenance Fund 12/31/10 .....	\$232
Land Protection Fund 12/31/10 .....	\$32,652
Stewardship Fund 12/31/10.....	\$10,344
Rental Fund– 135 Old Ashby Road 12/31/10.....	\$5,027
Total All Funds 12/31/10 .....	\$59,638

We finished the final round of clean-up and site restoration at the former Potter homestead on Greenville Road. The two barrels of oily liquid are gone (with the help of New England Disposal Technologies), the house razed, and the site filled and graded, yielding an overlook we hope will eventually become a nice picnic area once we've dealt with the Japanese knotweed imported in the soil used for fill.

We completed and dedicated two town conservation lands, the Florence Roberts Forest (39 acres) on Valley Road and the Esau "Ace" Stanley Wildlife Refuge (1.9 acres) on Campbell Mill Road. The ceremony for the Florence Roberts Forest marked the completion of the hiking trail and a wonderful bench and kiosk, all complements of Eagle Scouts Chris Elliott, Robert Guiry, and Dan McGuire. Along with numerous residents, Senator Peggy Gilmour attended. The Stanley Wildlife Refuge also sports a small kiosk built by CC members, a short trail, and another Guiry-supplied bench. While smaller in acreage than the other, this area is no less important because of the wetland it protects. The Stanley family was well represented by several generations at the poignant dedication ceremony.

In other land-protection news, we tried but failed to acquire funding for another important land purchase in northeast Mason. Using the Mitchell Brook conservation land (on Mitchell Hill Road) as a match, we put together a prospectus for the property and submitted our funding application to the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP). Unfortunately, LCHIP didn't choose our project for funding this year.

We had some personnel changes this year. Paula Babel withdrew to devote time to other endeavors. We thank her for her service. In her stead, we welcome Barbara DeVore and Rob Doyle as fledgling members. Barbara is our unofficial "PR Department" with her outgoing personality and enthusiasm for public education and participation. Rob brings his passion for wildlife and a strong dislike of the invasive plants encroaching on the town. Continuing her work from the previous year, Barbara put together another fine series of public information programs as part of the ongoing Florence Roberts Memorial Series. Presentations covered a broad set of diverse topics, including the ways of salamanders, dragonflies, ticks, and wolves, hunting mushrooms, landscaping for wildlife, and exploring the Alaskan wilderness. And Rob Doyle turned his passion into action, inspiring us to begin work with the Selectmen and Forestry Committee on a plan to deal with invasive plant infestations. Mason has a large and growing problem with Japanese knotweed and autumn olive (and they are not the only invasives identified in town). We hope to put a mitigation plan into action starting in the spring of 2011.

To accelerate progress on our Natural Resources Inventory (NRI), we formed a subcommittee dedicated to the task and made substantial progress. We have drafts of maps showing important town resources, and the accompanying write-up is underway. Look for a public release of this work sometime in 2011.

In more mundane matters, we funded several upgrades and repairs to the A-frame property on Old Ashby Road (part of the Bronson Potter bequest): furnace repair, a new septic system, and a new well were all called for last year. With labor contributed by our tenant, the rent collected on the property covered all expenses. Our rental arrangement is working well. In addition to all the above, we continue to monitor conservation easements, maintain the railroad trail, and do whatever else is needed to help maintain Mason's rural character.

Respectfully submitted,

*Conservation Commission*

## MASON FORESTRY COMMITTEE

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The Forestry Committee did not do any selective cutting in 2010. Timber prices have not been high enough to justify an appropriate return. The possibility of higher oil prices and the corresponding increase in firewood may be the impetus for cutting some low quality lots. If these lots were to be harvested during a period when firewood was not in demand, the monetary yield would be markedly decreased, offsetting an otherwise well designed selective cut. Next year may become a better opportunity.

The Forestry Committee met with the Conservation Commission to discuss a strategy to deal with the invasive weed species Japanese Knot Weed. Considerable effort has been expended in generating a map identifying this species in town. The survey has shown a large number of infested sites. The Forestry Committee voted to expend some of the railroad bed maintenance funds to run a prototype control program that could, in the future, be applied to the larger infestations around town. The State will be consulted as to the best method or methods to control this tenacious weed.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mason Forestry Committee*

## HOME HEALTHCARE, Hospice & COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.

Report to the Town of Mason  
January 1, 2010- December 31, 2010  
Annual Report

In 2010, Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services continued to provide home care and community services to the residents of Mason. Services included 28 nursing visits, 46 physical therapy visits, 5 occupational therapy visits, 1 medical social visit, and 10 home health aide visits. The cost of service provided with all sources of funding is projected to be \$13,419.00. The following services are available to Mason residents to assist residents to recover at home or to continue to live independently at home:

- Visiting Nurse
- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Pathology
- Personal Care
- Customized Care –homemakers and respite care
- Geriatric Care Management
- Hospice care for patients and bereavement support for family members – in the home, in nursing home and assisted living facilities.

HCS also offers health promotion services:

- Prenatal care and well child services for income eligible families
- “Nurse Is In” clinics check blood pressure and answer questions for everyone
- Foot Care clinics

HCS welcomes inquiries at 532-8353 or 1-800-541-4145 or visit [www.HCSservices.org](http://www.HCSservices.org). Our outreach program is available to talk with seniors and families about home care options at no charge. Thank you for your support of home care services.

## MASON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Mason Public Library remains a vital resource to the community. The MPL provides a diverse selection of new and classic books for all ages as well as a variety of magazines, audio books, and digital/video movies. Through our affiliation with the Hillstown Cooperative, a wide range of audio books, videos and DVD's rotate through our library every 2 months. We have access to all the collections of the State New Hampshire Library System through the Inter Library Loan program. We provide DSL Internet access to the public via our community access computer. The library continues to offer a variety of programming such as Storytime, Noon Book Club, the Summer Reading Program, and the traditional Holiday Greening. We remain the primary library support to the Mason Elementary School by providing individual weekly class visitation of all grades from Preschool through Grade 5.

We are grateful for the efforts of dedicated employees, volunteers, and trustees.  
Respectfully submitted,

*Library Trustees Elena Kolbenson, Lynn McCann, Christine Weiss*

### Mason Public Library Financial Report for 2010

Receipts	Town Budget	Checking Acct
Town Appropriations	\$44,990.00	
Donations		\$110.00
Fundraising (book, bag, and bake sales)		\$305.50
Whitacker-Locke Trust Fund Interest		\$250.00
Fees and Fines		\$148.60
Checking Account Interest		\$10.15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$44,990.00</b>	<b>\$824.25</b>

#### Expenditures

Salaries	\$32,652.95	
Payroll Tax	\$2,643.30	
Worker's Comp.	\$157.00	
Continuing Educ.	\$55.00	
Travel	\$301.20	
Telephone	\$741.64	
Technology	\$364.51	
Postage	\$88.00	
Supplies	\$500.21	\$179.99
Dues & Fees	\$425.00	
Programming	\$257.34	\$143.61
Books	\$3,199.60	\$253.53
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$41,385.75</b>	<b>\$577.13</b>

<b>Return to Town General Fund - appropriations not used</b>	<b>\$3,604.25</b>
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#### Checking Account - Ocean Bank

Beginning Balance - January 1, 2010		\$10,437.72
Ending Balance - December 31, 2010		\$10,685.20
		<b>\$247.12</b>



**Other Accounts held by the library**

Wellington Shields Investment- December 31, 2010	<b>\$8,265.03</b>
Pam Steinberg Memorial Fund People's Bank CD 12/31/10	<b>\$1,235.19</b>
"Friends" Building CD – Dec. 31, 2010	<b>\$615.94</b>
EO Jones Library Fund	<b>\$5,506.14</b>

**REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR**

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There were twenty-nine (29) Building Permits issued during 2010. They were issued for the following, with the total valuation:

6	Permanent Dwellings	\$651,508
5	Decks/Porches Additions to Home	30,827
1	Yurt Deck	11,946
3	Garages	34,622
1	Electrical Service Upgrade	3,000
2	Sheds	17,637
4	Barns	78,258
1	Barn Addition	3,348
4	Septic Repair	12,000
1	House Remodeling (inside)	3,000
1	Shop Remodeling	84,224
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$930,370</b>

Of the six permanent dwellings, two were renewal permits. Of the four barns, two were renewal permits. There have been three Oil Burner and/or Oil Storage Permits issued. A permit is required for installing and operating oil-burning equipment that includes replacement oil burners and/or oil storage tanks.

Some residents do not understand when a Building Permit is required. Please refer to the Town of Mason Planning Ordinance, Article VII. I will be happy to help with any questions.

The House and Waterhole Numbering System is continually being updated and new numbers issued. It would be beneficial if all residents would use their correct house numbers and post the numbers using three-inch high reflective numbers, facing both directions.

Permanent boundary markers have to be checked on lots without an existing dwelling, before a Building Permit can be issued. If the lot has been created by a subdivision, every iron pin, drilled hole and granite bound that is shown on the plat must be checked. This was approved at the March 2004 Town Meeting.

In addition to the Building Inspection duties, I, also, at the Selectmen's request, act in the capacity of code enforcement officer and follow up on zoning issues.

I hold office hours at the Mann House on Tuesday evenings by appointment only. Please call 878-2894 for your appointment or questions.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Kenneth B. Wilson*  
*Building Inspector*

## REPORT OF BUILDINGS and GROUNDS

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The end of April 2010, the top of the chimney on the Mann House was replaced and a stainless steel liner was installed for the boiler. The shingles were replaced and a layer of plywood was added and several soffit and fascia boards were replaced. The roof over the Children's Room was also replaced. The roof over the Library will be replaced in the next few years.

In addition to that repair work, we also replaced the glass doors in the Children's Room. One wall was framed in and a wall mounted air conditioner was installed. We installed two insulated windows in the other two walls. The old light fixtures were replaced with more efficient lighting. The Children's Room is now easier to heat in the winter and cooler in the summer. The rest of the year was spent doing some painting on the Mann House and the Town Hall and general upkeep.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Wallace A. Brown*  
*Buildings and Grounds Manager*

## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

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This past year was a very typical year for the cemeteries. During the spring, we fertilized and spread some lime. During the summer we cut brush and painted fences. We also added loam to many areas of Prospect Hill Cemetery. In the fall, leaf clean-up went very well and was completed.

Residents of Mason interested in purchasing cemetery lots at Prospect Hill Cemetery may contact  
Wallace A. Brown, Sexton, at 878-1481 for details.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Cemetery Trustees*  
*Wallace A. Brown*  
*Robert Larochelle*  
*Jeanne Phalon*

### Resident DEATHS for the TOWN of MASON for the year ending December 31, 2010

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>
Jan. 25	Roy McClellan	Manchester, NH
Mar. 2	Roland Theriault	Mason, NH
Mar. 9	Cynthia Guiry	Mason, NH

Apr .4	Margaret S. Schuster	New Hartford, NY
Sept. 29	Linda Ruggiero	Nashua, NH
Oct. 17	Charles Phelps, Jr.	Mason, NH

**BURIALS in the TOWN of MASON  
for the year ending December 31, 2010**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>
Oct. 27	Bertrand J. Therrien
Oct. 27	David B. Therrien
Nov. 11	Alton Harry Williams
Nov. 27	Charlotte Hastings

**TOWN of MASON RESIDENT MARRIAGES  
for the year ending December 31, 2010**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Residence</b>
Feb. 20	John T. Cunney Joan M. Ingram	Mason, NH Mason, NH
Jul. 31	Gregory M. Pugliese Kathleen E. Greenwood	Mason, NH Mason, NH
Aug. 7	Mark E. LeClair Kimberly E. King	Mason, NH Mason, NH
Aug. 20	Jeremy C. Stinson Coriann Lanni	Milford, NH Mason, NH
Nov. 11	Lom U. Dombayev Madina B. Bigaieva	Mason, NH Mason, NH

**BIRTHS in the TOWN of MASON  
for the year ending December 31, 2010**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Place of Birth</b>	<b>Parents</b>
Apr. 24	Landon William DeFranco	Nashua, NH	Frank DeFranco Denise DeFranco
Oct. 12	Brynn Marie Sabotka	Milford, NH	Jason Sabotka Heather Sabotka
Nov.6	Christopher Frederick Greenwood, Jr.	Nashua, NH	Christopher Greenwood

Christine Greenwood

Dec. 29 Evin Louis Gillman

Peterborough, NH Matthew Gillman  
Meredith Gillman



## TOWN of MASON ELECTION MARCH 9, 2010

The Moderator, Catherine Schwenk, called the Town Election to order. The polls were declared open at 11:03 AM. Twenty nine absentee ballots were opened by the Moderator at 1pm. Checklist total was 990 (981 plus 9 newly registered voters). The polls were closed at 7:09 PM after 522 had voted.

The moderator administered the oath to the following ballot counters:  
George Schwenk, Douglas Whitbeck, Mary McDonald, Lauren Mann, Anne Richards, Dee Mitchell, Jim DeMarco, Florence Wilson, Barbara Milkovits, Mark Richardson, Wolfgang Millbrandt, Dorothy Millbrandt, John Lewicke, Patricia Cross, Kathy Chapman, Nancy DeMarco, Linda Cotter-Cranston, Gary Wolpert, Kenneth Green, Jeannine Phalon and Joan Losee

The results of the Town Election on Article 1 were as follows:

Selectmen for 3 years: Mark Richardson 337  
Alfred Stauble 133

Town Moderator for 2 years: Catherine Schwenk 436

Supervisor of the Checklist for 6 years: Charles Moser 411

Trustee of Cemeteries for 3 years: Wallace Brown 457

Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years: George Schwenk 433

Library Trustee for 3 years: 34 write-in vote for Christine Weiss

### Zoning Questions:

The results of **Article 2** – Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 1, as proposed by the Mason Planning Board, to the Town of Mason Planning and Zoning Ordinance, as follows:

ADD new Article XX: Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance; to permit by special exception, a second dwelling unit that is secondary and accessory to the principal single-family dwelling unit. The owner must occupy one of the dwelling units, which must be within or attached to the principal dwelling unit. The purpose is to provide expanded rental opportunities, provide flexibility in household arrangements, and address workforce housing. Approved by the Mason Planning Board

Yes 371 No 139

The results of **Article 3** – Are you in favor of the adoption of amendment No. 2, as proposed by the Mason Planning Board, to the Town of Mason Planning and Zoning Ordinance, as follows:

ADD new Article XXI: Multi-Family Housing Overlay District Ordinance; to permit multi-family

dwelling on lots within the GRAF district that take frontage on New Hampshire Route 31. Individual structures may contain 2-5 dwelling units located on lots of at least one acre per unit, not including wetlands, steep slopes and rock outcroppings. The purpose is to provide a reasonable opportunity for affordable multi-family housing as required by the workforce housing statute. Approved by the Mason Planning Board.

Yes 290 No 220

The results of **Article 4** – To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 466:30-a which make it unlawful for any dog to run at large, except when accompanied by the owner or custodian, and when used for hunting, herding, supervised competition and exhibition or training for such.

Yes 246 No 268

The results of **Article 5** – To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town. By petition. (By ballot, requires 3/5 vote)

Yes 303 No 211 308 Needed to pass. Article failed

**Mason School District Results:**

School Board Member 3 Years – Robert Hemmer 356  
Dr. Christopher Guiry 132

There were 4 write-ins

The results of **Article 2** – Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the School District on the second Tuesday of March (3/5 majority ballot vote required). (By Petition)

Yes 316 No 202 Needed 311 to pass. Article passed

*Susan J. Wagoner, Town Clerk*

**MASON TOWN MEETING MARCH 13, 2010 at  
the Mason Elementary School, 13 Darling Hill Road**

At 9:00AM Moderator Catherine Schwenk came to the microphone and expressed the general assembly's excitement at holding the first Town Meeting in the new Mason School hall. She thanked the School Board and general contractor, Sullivan, for the hard work in getting the Mason Elementary School multi-purpose hall at 13 Darling Hill Road ready for Town Meeting. Mark Richardson thanked David Cook, Fire Chief, and Ken Wilson, Building Inspector, for working with the contractors to approve the occupancy for the Town Meeting.

The Moderator then requested that non voters should wear non voter credentials and sit in the first row to the Moderator's left. There was no request for interpretive services. She then indicated the fire and emergency exits, acknowledged all those who were involved in the election, and introduced those who were sitting at the head table: Selectmen - Anne (Nancy) Richards, Mark Richardson, and Dr. Christopher Guiry; and Susan Wagoner, Town Clerk. She also acknowledged the former Town Clerk of Mason, Charlotte Hastings.

The Moderator reviewed the procedures for voters: Voters wishing to speak should use the microphones and address any questions to the chair; all amendments and substantive motions

must be in writing and signed by the maker and seconder; every voter is entitled to speak on a debatable motion unless the body by a two-thirds vote has ordered discussion stopped; a voter is entitled to speak a second time on the same question provided all voters who wish to speak have spoken. Five voters may request a ballot vote on any article.

Appreciation was given to Wally Brown and Rick Griffith for setting up the election facilities, Steve Tamulonis for setting up the sound system, the dedicated election workers, the Town Clerk and Deputy, the Supervisors of the Checklist, Selectmen, and Barbara Milkovits, Selectmen's Assistant.

There were 137 voters and 5 non voters.

The Moderator announced the results of the Town elections and the school district. Total votes cast were 522 out of a total of 990. She declared the winning candidates elected to their respective office.

Selectmen for 3 years: Mark Richardson 337  
Alfred Stauble 133

Town Moderator 2 years: Catherine Schwenk 436

Supervisor of the Checklist 6 years: Charles Moser 411

Trustee of Cemeteries for 3 years: Wallace Brown 457

Trustee of Trust Funds 3 years: George Schwenk 433

Library Trustee for 3 years: Christine Weiss 34 write-in votes

The following articles were voted on at the polls on Tuesday March 9, 2010

**Results of the Zoning Questions:**

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Yes 290 No 220

The results of **Article 4** – To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 466:30-a which make it unlawful for any dog to run at large, except when accompanied by the owner or custodian, and when used for hunting, herding, supervised competition and exhibition or training for such.

Yes 246 No 268

The results of **Article 5** – To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town. By petition. (By ballot, requires 3/5 vote)

Yes 303 No 211 308 Needed to pass. Article failed

### **Mason School District Results:**

School Board Member 3 Years – Robert Hemmer 356  
Dr. Christopher Guiry 132

There were 4 write-ins

The results of **Article 2** – Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the School District on the second Tuesday of March (3/5 majority ballot vote required). (By Petition)

Yes 316 No 202 Needed 311 to pass. Article passed

The Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Catherine Schwenk at 9:06 AM.

The Boy Scouts of America are celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. The colors were presented by the following members of the Mason Boy Scout Troop #264: Jack McGuire, Nathan O'Brien, Nicholas Calderan, Josh McDugall and Robbie Anderson.

It was a distinct pleasure by the Moderator to present Katie Atkinson who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Katie is a highly motivated, dedicated young woman. She has continually excelled at some of the most demanding courses, including advance courses and College courses at Franklin Pierce University. She is a member of the National Honor Society and serves as its secretary.

Dr. Christopher Guiry spoke briefly congratulating Bob Hemmer for winning the School Board member race and also made note that Representative Peggy Gilmour sent her regards, since she was unable to attend due to personal reasons.

There was no objection to waiving the reading of the warrant.

On motion of Mark Richardson it was VOTED unanimously to accept the reports of agents, auditors, committees and officers as printed in the annual report.

Five voters (Christine Weiss, William Weiss, Robert Ziminsky, Paula Babel and Jeff Babel) presented a written request to have a ballot vote on all articles.

**Article 6:** Mark Richardson moved and it was seconded that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long term lease/purchase agreement not to exceed the amount of One hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) payable over a term of seven years to purchase a new backhoe for the Mason Highway Department and to negotiate the first year's payment of this lease to occur in 2011. (Requires 2/3 ballot vote.)

Dave Cook, Road Agent, moved to amend and it was seconded the article to strike out the \$125,000 (one hundred twenty five thousand) and insert \$90,000 (ninety thousand dollars). The amendment carried. The motion as amended carried.  
The polls for the amended article were opened at 9:18AM and closed at 10:20AM.  
There were 129 votes cast. 86 were needed to pass.  
Yes 58 No 71 The article failed.

**Article 7:** Nancy Richards moved and it was seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One million five hundred fifty-four thousand, four hundred twenty-three dollars (\$1,554,423) which represents the operating budget. Said sum is exclusive of all Special or Individual Articles addressed.

There was much discussion related to salaries and benefits. Shawn Jodoin presented an amendment "that all employee salary increases be approved by a majority ballot vote". The Moderator discussed the request with the Selectmen and determined that this request could not be accomplished as the dollar amounts were imbedded in multiple line items throughout the budget. This amendment failed.

Leland Craig moved the question which was seconded and passed by a 2/3 vote. This stopped all discussion on the budget. Although highly unusual, Mike Bromberg moved and it was seconded to reconsider stopping the debate on the budget. This amendment carried. Discussion continued.

The polls were opened at 10:50AM and closed at 11:22AM.  
There were 134 votes cast.

Yes 104 No 30 The article passed.

**Article 8:** Dr. Christopher Guiry moved and it was seconded that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of Thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000) payable over a term of three years to purchase and equip a new cruiser for the Police Department and to negotiate the first year's payment of this lease to occur in 2011. (Requires 2/3 ballot vote.)

The Moderator read RSA40:4-a and noted that a request for a ballot vote must be made prior to each article. They had submitted a blanket request which was not acceptable.

After much discussion the polls were opened at 11:22AM and closed at 12:24PM. There were 130 votes cast. 87 were needed to pass.  
Yes 85 No 45 The article failed.

**Article 9:** On motion of Mark Richardson it was VOTED unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-three thousand nine hundred seventy-five dollars (\$23,975) for the following purposes: replace shingles on the Mann House roof, roof the sunroom and rebuild the chimney from the roof line up, or take any other action thereto.

**Article 10:** Nancy Richards moved and it was seconded that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve, previously established, or take any other action relative thereto.  
Prior to voting, the Moderator received a ballot vote request on Article #10 from Carol Iodice, Jeff Babel, Paula Babel, Robert Ziminsky and Christine Weiss.  
The polls opened at 10:40AM and closed at 11:21AM.



There were 127 votes cast. Yes 77 No 50 The article passed.

**Article 11:** On motion of Dr. Christopher Guiry it was VOTED unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) for the following purposes: research bounds of Town land, lot G-61, removal of dangerous trees and RR Trail maintenance, replacement tree planting, sponsor lectures regarding wood lot ice storm damage and subsequent selective cutting, and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum from the Forest Maintenance Fund, previously established or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 12:** On motion of Mark Richardson it was VOTED unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to purchase five new air bottles for the Fire Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 13:** On motion of Anne Richards it was VOTED unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for the purchase of ballistic vests for the Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

**Article 14:** On motion of Dr. Christopher Guiry it was VOTED unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two hundred dollars (\$200) to be added to the Cemetery Land Improvement Trust Fund, previously established. This sum to come from the December 31, 2009 Fund Balance (surplus) being monies received from the 2009 sale of cemetery lots, and no amount to be raised from taxation.

**Article 15:** On motion of Mark Richardson it was VOTED unanimously that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Five hundred dollars (\$500) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. This sum to come from the December 31, 2009 Fund Balance (surplus) being that amount received from the 2009 sale of highway equipment, and no amount to be raised from taxation.

**Article 16:** Anne Richards moved and it was seconded to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and the Road Agent to sell or dispose of surplus equipment from the Highway Department.

Jeff Babel made a motion and it was seconded to amend the article to state "all surplus will be sold at public bid with all proceeds to be added to general fund to offset taxes". The amendment failed.

Next, Jeff Babel made a motion and it was seconded that the article read "to be advertised in the Mason Grapevine – all surplus". The amendment failed.

The article passed unanimously as originally written.

**Article 17:** On motion of Dr. Christopher Guiry it was VOTED unanimously that the Town authorize the Selectmen and the Fire Chief to sell or dispose of surplus equipment from the Fire Department.

**Article 18:** On motion of Mark Richardson it was VOTED unanimously that the Town authorize the Selectmen and the Police Chief to sell or dispose of surplus equipment from the Police Department.

While waiting for the results of the last ballot vote, Barbara Devore spoke about upcoming Conservation Committee programs. Steve Hoffman also spoke about the possibility of Mason being included in a Google grant to bring high speed Internet to the town.

The Moderator thanked all those who set up the chairs in the hall for the Town Meeting, including the Richardson children and other children. The Moderator also thanked everyone for recycling,

since this is a new green building.

The Moderator acknowledged the members of the building committee for all their hard work on the new Mason Elementary School – Robert Bergeron, Robert Hemmer, Fred Greenwood, Mary McDonald, Sheila Bergeron-Dunn and Bernie O'Grady.

On motion of Michael Bromberg, and seconded by many voices, the meeting was adjourned Sine Dai at 12:24 PM.

*Susan J. Wagoner, Town Clerk*

## **NEW HAMPSHIRE State Primary Election September 14, 2010**

The Moderator, Catherine Schwenk, declared the polls open at 11:00AM. The total number of voters on the checklist was 978. There were 6 walk-in new voters and 25 absentee voters. 78 Undeclared voters voted Republican and 31 Undeclared voters voted Democrat. A total of 225 residents voted: 138 Republicans and 87 Democrats.

The ballot clerks were Pauline Bergeron, Florence Wilson, Lauren Mann, and Kenneth Greene.

Since the Selectmen decided to hold a special hearing regarding the condition of the roads in Mason, per RSA 669:58 they appointed three proxy Selectmen: Joseph McGuire, Wolfgang Millbrandt and Susanne Wolpert. The oath of office was administered by the Moderator.

The Moderator installed the following ballot counters: Pam McGinnity, James DeMarco, Garth Fletcher, Gary R. Wolpert, Patricia Cross, George Schwenk, Douglas Whitbeck, Linda Cotter-Cranston, Mary McDonald, and Dorothy Millbrandt.

### **The State of New Hampshire Primary Election Results are as follows:**

#### **Republican:**

Governor	Jack Kimball Jr	43
	John Stephen	112
	Karen Testerman	36
	Frank Robert Emiro Sr	10
US Senator	Ovide Lamontagne	52
	Tom Alciere	1
	Kelly Ayotte	91
	Gerard Beloin	0
	Jim Bender	30
	Bill Binnie	39
	Dennis Lamare	1
US Representative	Joseph G. Reilly	5
	Wesley M. Sonner Jr	9
	Charles Bass	72
	Robert J. Giuda	21
	Jennifer Horn	101
Executive Council	Dave Wheeler	159

State Senate	Jim Luther	51
	John Lewicke	151
State Representative	Carolyn Gargas	91
	Jim Belanger	112
	Richard Drisko	98
	Jack Flanagan	94
Sheriff	James Hardy	156
County Attorney	Dennis Hogan	155
County Treasurer	Robert Burns	153
Register of Deeds	Pamela Coughlin	154
Register of Probate	Bob Rivard	157
County Commissioner	Carol Holden	153
Delegate to State Convention	John Diefenbach	153
Total Write-ins	6	

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**Democratic:**

Governor	Timothy Robertson	5
	Frank Sullivan	2
	John H. Lynch	70
US Senator	Paul Hodes	68
US Representative	Katrina Swett	26
	Ann McLane Kuster	49
Executive Council	Debora Pignatelli	66
State Senator	Peggy Gilmour	69
State Representative	Georjean Shrager	40
	John F. Dunn	38

	Melanie Levesque	61
	Brian Rater	36
Sheriff	No Candidate	
County Attorney	Robert M. Walsh	57
County Treasurer	Christopher Pappas	57
Register of Deeds	Louise Wright	30
	Susan Ladmer	26
Register of Probate	Wyatt Fore	57
County Commissioner	Shannon Bernier	57
Total Write-ins	20	

The Moderator declared the polls closed at 7:04 PM. Ballot counting ended at 11:45PM. The Town Clerk, Susan Wagoner, entered the results into the Statewide Election Database System (ElectionNet).

*Susan J. Wagoner, Town Clerk*

*Dorothy (Dee) Mitchell, Deputy Town Clerk Debra Morrison, Deputy Town Clerk*

## **NEW HAMPSHIRE State General Election November 2, 2010**

The Moderator, Catherine Schwenk, declared the polls open at 7:04 AM. The total number of voters on the checklist was 994. There were 16 walk-in new voters and 34 absentee voters. A total of 604 residents voted:

The ballot clerks were Pauline Bergeron, Florence Wilson, Lauren Mann, and Kenneth Greene. The Supervisors of the Checklist were Jeannine Phalon, Charles Moser, Kathy Wile and Deputy Anita Crehan. The Moderator installed a new Deputy Supervisor of the Checklist, Bill Weiss.

The Moderator installed the following ballot counters: James DeMarco, Garth Fletcher, George Schwenk, Douglas Whitbeck, William Weiss, Florence Wilson, Pauline Bergeron, Linda Cotter-Cranston, Kathy Wile, Charles Moser, Debra Morrison, Lauren Mann, Ken Greene, Mary McDonald, Dee Mitchell, Dr. C.Christopher Guiry, R. Peter McGinnity, Wolfgang Millbrandt and Dorothy Millbrandt.

### **The State of New Hampshire General Election results are as follows:**

#### **Republican:**

Governor	John Stephen	343
US Senator	Kelly Ayotte	406
US Representative	Charles Bass	342

Executive Council	Dave Wheeler	382
State Senate	Jim Luther	372
State Representative	Carolyn Gargasz	308
	Jim Belanger	341
	Richard Drisko	313
	Jack Flanagan	321
Sheriff	James Hardy	362
County Attorney	Dennis Hogan	315
County Treasurer	Robert Burns	371
Register of Deeds	Pamela Coughlin	372
Register of Probate	Bob Rivard	329
County Commissioner	Carol Holden	376

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**Democratic:**

Governor	John H. Lynch	239
US Senator	Paul Hodes	163
US Representative	Ann McLane Kuster	198
Executive Council	Debora Pignatelli	192
State Senator	Peggy Gilmour	206
State Representative	Georjean Shrager	123
	John F. Dunn	153
	Melanie Levesque	196
	Brian Rater	139
Sheriff	James A. Hardy	160

County Attorney	Robert M. Walsh	143
County Treasurer	Christopher Pappas	173
Register of Deeds	Louise Wright	169
Register of Probate	Wyatt Fore	129
County Commissioner	Shannon Bernier	163

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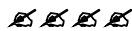
**Other:**

Governor	John Babiarz, Libertarian	14
US Senator	Chris Booth, Independent	17
	Ken Blevens, Libertarian	12
US Representative	Howard Wilson, Libertarian	29
	Tim vanBlommesteyn, Independent	25
State Representative	Betty Hall, Independent Moderate	103
County Attorney	Richard Pennington, Independent	89
Register of Probate	Nancy Dabilis, Independent	80

There were a total of eight (8) write-ins for various offices. The Moderator declared the polls closed at 7:07 PM. Ballot counting ended at 9:45PM.

*Susan J. Wagoner, Town Clerk*

*Dorothy (Dee) Mitchell, Deputy Town Clerk Debra Morrison, Deputy Town Clerk*



**PLODZIK AND SANDERSON 2009 AUDIT**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major general fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Mason as of and for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2009, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major general fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Mason as of December 31, 2009, and the respective changes in

financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Plodzik & Sanderson Professional Associates*

## 1810 History Highlights

There were three marriages performed by Rev. William Eliot.  
There were nine marriages performed by Rev. Ebenezer Hill  
Births – from December 31, 1809 to December 31, 1810 – 30  
Deaths – There were 20 deaths; ranging in age from two days old to seventy-five years old.  
By the United States Census there were 1,077 residents in Mason. This was a sharp decrease from 1809 “owing to the active emigration, then tending to the new lands in Vermont and Western New York.”

Moderator	Timothy Dakin
Town Clerk	John Blodgett
Selectmen	John Blodgett
	Joses Bucknam
	Samuel Smith, Jr.
Treasurer:	Selectmen
Representative:	Deacon R.W. Weson

The above information came from **The History of the Town of Mason, N.H. from the First Grant in 1749, to the Year 1858** by John B. Hill.

**Footnote:** For many years the information for the **History Highlights** was researched and provided by Peg Schuster. Peg passed away in 2010 and is missed by many of us who appreciated her friendship, kindness and love for the history of Mason.