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IN MEMORIAM

Joseph J. D'Agostino Jr.
Hampden School Committee
Recreation Association, President

Henry P. Baush
Board of Assessors
Board of Registrars

Nola Foley
School Committee
RAH

Helen Kennedy
Historical Society

Catherine M. Mackey
Historical Society

Dalton Philpott
Board of Appeals
Council on Aging
Town Moderator
Hampden Housing Authority
Parks and Recreation Commission
Senior Center Building and Fund Raising Committees
INFORMATION FOR NEW RESIDENTS

POPULATION OF HAMPDEN

Federal Census 1/1/91 4,709
State Census 1/1/85 4,762
Town Census 1/1/00 4,998

GEOGRAPHIC AREA

19.64 square miles

COUNTY

Hampden County

TAX RATE

$18.87 for Fiscal Year 2001

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Last Monday in April at 7:00 p.m.

ANNUAL ELECTION TOWN OFFICERS

First Monday in May, 8am-8pm

GOVERNOR

Argeo Paul Cellucci
Office of the Governor
Boston, MA 02133
Phone: 617-727-9173

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OR
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Boston, MA 02203
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John F. Kerry
U.S. Senate
Russell Senate Bldg. Room 421
Washington DC 20510
Phone: 202-224-2742
OR
145 State Street, Room 504
Springfield, MA 01103
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Springfield, MA 01103
Phone: 413-785-0325

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OR
District Office: 527 Main Street
Indian Orchard, MA 01151
Phone: 413-543-2167

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Mary S. Rogeness, 2nd Hampden District
State House, Room 237
Boston, MA 02133
Phone: 617-722-2800
Residence: 22 Warren Ter, Longmeadow
Phone: 413-567-5480
INFORMATION FOR HAMPDEN RESIDENTS
BUSINESS HOURS OF TOWN OFFICES & COMMITTEES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm
Meet every Monday at 7:00pm
Phone: 566-2151,2152

ADVISORY COMMITTEE
2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7pm each month

TOWN CLERK - Rita A. Vail
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-1pm
Phone: 566-3214

TOWN TREASURER - Donna Easton-Vicalvi
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-1pm
Phone: 566-2401

TAX COLLECTOR - Rita A. Vail
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-1pm
Phone: 566-2206

BOARD OF ASSESSORS
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-3pm
Meet 2nd Tuesday 7:30pm to 9:00pm
Phone: 566-3223

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meet 2nd Monday at 7:00pm
Phone: 566-2206

PLANNING BOARD
Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7:00pm
Phone: 566-2403,566-8591 for appointment

WATER COMMISSION COMMITTEE
1st Thursday of every month

RIDGELINE & HILLSIDE COMMITTEE
Meet 2nd Wednesday each month at 7:00pm

PARK COMMISSION
Meet 2nd & 4th Thursday at 7:00pm
Office Hours: Call 566-4950

Memorial Park Hours: 8am-9pm, Apr1-Oct31

BOARD OF APPEALS
Meet 4th Tuesday at 7:30pm
Applications available from Town Clerk

VETERANS' SERVICES – Arthur A. Booth Jr.,
Phone: 267-4140

HAMPDEN-WILBRAHAM
REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Meet 1st & 3rd Tuesday
Phone: 596-3884

CEMETERY COMMISSION
Meet 2nd Tuesday of January, April, July & October at 7:30pm
Phone: 566-3304, 3357, 3963

COUNCIL ON AGING
Office Hours: Mon-Friday, 8:30am-4:00pm
Meet 2nd Monday of month at 9:00am
Phone: 566-5588

HAMPDEN HOUSING AUTHORITY
Meet 3rd Thursday each month, 8:30am at Centennial Commons.
Phone: 566-8157

BUILDING INSPECTOR
Office Hours: Every Wed 6-8pm
Phone: 566-2204

HAMPDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES
Meet 3rd Wednesday each month
Phone: 566-3047

HAMPDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS
Monday, Tuesday-12:00am - 8:00 pm
Wednesday-12:00am - 8:00 pm
Thursday-12:00am - 6:00pm
Saturday - 10:00am - 3:00 pm
CLOSED ON Saturdays during August

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
Monday-Friday, 7:30am-4:00pm
Phone: 566-8842

SANITARY LANDFILL
Saturday: 7:00am-5:00pm, Tuesday, 1pm-6pm

LAUGHING BROOK HOURS
Tuesday-Saturday, 10:00am—5:00pm
Phone: 566-8034, 566-8035

LAUGHING BROOK HOURS
Tuesday-Saturday, 10:00am—5:00pm
Office: 200 Main Street, Monson
HAMPDEN CULTURAL COUNCIL
Meet as Posted
ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS – 2000

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
Mark Casey, Chairman 2001
Austin G. McKeon, Chairman Health 2002
James D. Smith 2003

Administrative Assistant to
Board of Selectmen/Health
Katharine D. Ashe

Secretary to Board of Selectmen/Health
Doreen M. Rauch

MODERATOR
Richard Patullo 2001

TOWN CLERK
Rita A. Vail 2001

TOWN TREASURER
Donna Easton-Vicalvi 2001

COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Rita A. Vail 2001

BOARD OF ASSESSORS
Stanley Witkop, Chairman 2001
Richard Jalbert 2002
Mary Lou Majkut 2003

Clerk to Assessors
Susan Rauscher

HAMPDEN-WILBRAM REGIONAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE
Ronald Thomson 2003
Mary Anne Morris 2003

TRUSTEES, HAMPDEN PUBLIC LIBRARY
Beth E. Burger, Chairman 2002
Kathleen Hutchison 2001
Elaine Kingsbury 2003

HAMPDEN HOUSING AUTHORITY
William G. Joy, Chairman 2001
Miles Hapgood, Vice Chairman 2004
Mildred E. (Betsy) Grant 2003
Aline Burt 2005

CONSTABLES
George K. Stone Jr. 2001
Miles M. Hapgood, Jr. 2002
Arthur A. Booth, Jr. 2003

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS
Henry D. Dunwoody, Chairman 2001
Renate Oliver 2003
David Quill 2002

PLANNING BOARD
John D. Flynn, Chairman 2004
Joseph Kruzel, Vice Chairman 2005
Duane Mosier 2001
Joseph Dolben 2003
Joseph Mascaro 2002

Park Commission
Pioneer Valley Planning Commission
Representative, Duane Mosier
Alternate-Joseph A. Dolben
Clerk to Planning Board
Judith M. Jackson

PARK COMMISSIONERS
James Morris, Chairman 2001
Kathleen Duquette 2003
Thomas Crogan 2003
Glennice Flynn 2002
Honor Takorian 2002
Cynthia Coughlin, Director
### Appointed Town Officers -- 2000

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<td>Thomas Poulin</td>
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<td>Shelly Sears</td>
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<td><strong>Acting Civil Defense Director</strong></td>
<td>Mark Casey</td>
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<td><strong>Town Counsel</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Board of Appeals</strong></td>
<td>Richard Patullo, Chairman</td>
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<td><strong>Board of Appeals Alternates</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Hampden Cultural Council</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Board of Water Commissioners</strong></td>
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APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS -- 2000

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Bonnie Geromini, Co-Chair 2003
Camilla J. Desmarais, Co-Chair 2002
Richard Gouvan 2002
Jack Matthews 2001
Wayne Meisner 2002

Patricia Smith, Clerk

CONSERVATION, ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
Michael Raimer
Patricia Smith 2003
Peter Choquette 2003

COUNCIL ON AGING
Brian MacLeod, Chairman 2002
Rita Vail, Vice Chairman 2002
Albert L. Ouimet, Treasurer 2003
Virginia Schneider, Secretary 2001
William T. Olmstead 2003
Patricia Clark 2001
George Lavallee 2003
Diane Hildreth 2001
Arlene Fisher 2004
George Ingles, Hampden Rep to Board of Directors, Greater Springfield Senior Services Inc.

COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR
Carolyn Breneman 2003

ELECTRIC COMMITTEE
George K. Stone, Jr. 2001
Richard Hatch 2001
Raymond Shankel 2001
Guy Bartolucci 2001

ENERGY COMMISSION
Walter Johnson 2001
Brian McQuillan 2001
Toi Graham 2001
Al Perusse 2001

BOARD OF REGISTRARS
Arthur A. Booth, Jr. 2001
Elizabeth M. Wells 2001
Janet M. Redin 2001
Rita A. Vail, Clerk

POLICE DEPARTMENT, CHIEF
Philip J. Adams 2001

SERGEANTS
James Collins 2001
Jeff Farnsworth 2001
Anna Mascaro 2001

POLICE OFFICERS
Scott Trombley 2001
Michael J. Cooney 2001
William Joy 2001
Todd Ely 2001
Joseph Henry 2001
John DiMaio 2001

DISPATCHERS (full-time)
Laurie Ryder 2001
Verna Cenev 2001
Radcliffe Kenison 2001
Linda J. Ely 2001

POLICE MATRON
Verna Cenev 2001
Linda Ely 2001
Laurie Ryder 2001

RESERVE OFFICERS
Avery Church 2001
Mark Galarneau 2001
Christopher Eck 2001
Luke Lessard 2001
Keith Timme 2001
Harlan Cross 2001
Laurie Ryder 2001
Robert Robinson 2001
Thomas Messier 2001
Gary Courtney 2001
Thomas Cortis 2001
Brett Purchas 2001

DISPATCHERS (part-time)
Stephen Matroni 2001
Brett Purchas 2001
Robert Robinson 2001
Thomas Messier 2001
Mark Galarneau 2001
Luke Lessard 2001
Keith Timme 2001
Thomas Cortis 2001
Derek Antl 2001
Christopher Eck 2001
Avery Church 2001

SECRETARY TO POLICE DEPT.
Kathy Zanetti
**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS -- 2000**

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**Auxiliary Firemen**

Daniel Isham, Jr.
Michael Maserati
Jason McCarthy
Mike Hatch
Andy Netherwood
IN RECOGNITION FOR THEIR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF HAMPDEN THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN WISH TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEIR APPRECIATION TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS

Bruce Clarkin, Town Counsel
Yorke P. Phillips, Advisory Committee
Arthur Thiboutot, Conservation Commission
David Markham, Fire Department
Gordon Casey, Fire Department
Howard Cutting, Fire Department
Robert Short, Fire Department
Irving Witkop, Fire Department
Leo McMullen, Constable
Peter Murray, Parks and Recreation
PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING A BUILDING PERMIT

The following is an outline of the steps that must be taken in order to secure a building permit, including the necessary supplementary permits or approvals, as may be required. The Board of Selectmen hopes that this procedure will eliminate confusion, which might otherwise arise. Specific questions or a more in-depth review of a particular department’s requirements may be discussed with each inspector.

1. Application to Building Department: Complete the building permit application and submit to the Building Inspector with 2 sets of site plans prepared by a Professional Engineer or Registered Land Surveyor, along with the application fee, in accordance with Zoning Bylaw 8.1.3. If you have questions, contact Mark Feeney 566-2204.

2. Planning Board: The application and plot plan will be submitted to the Planning Board. Petitioner will verify that this is a registered lot, with the proposed building meeting all zoning requirements (which may include application to the Ridgeline & Hillside Committee, Zoning Bylaw 7.12). Contact the clerk to be placed on the agenda of the next meeting: Judy Jackson: 566-8591. (Home).

3. Highway Department: If the driveway requires the crossing of an open ditch, contact the Highway Superintendent for sizing and proper installation of the culvert. When any new driveway is installed (entering off of a paved roadway), the builder will be required to pave an apron from the edge of the pavement back to the front property line (usually 7-10 feet) at the driveway entrance. If you have questions, contact Dana Pixley at 566-8842.

4. Conservation Commission: Verify with this Board if you are near or part of your property is in or near the Wetlands Area. If you have questions contact the clerk, Pat Smith 566-2206.

5. Percolation Test: Year round testing. The owner/engineer arranges appointment for percolation with the Board of Health Agent and pays fee. Percolation test is valid for two (2) years from date of issue.

6. Well Permit: Well installer submits to the Board of Health a permit and plan of property with well, septic system and house shown, at the time of application and with the permit fee.

7. Well Installation: After the well is installed the installer must file a Well Water completion report with the Board of Health. Property owner must then have the water tested with results sent to the Board of Health before a building permit will be issued.

8. Septic Application: All septic design applications to the Board of Health, signed stamped and with the fee paid. A septic permit, which is approved, shall expire three years from the date of issue unless construction of the approved system is begun before the expiration date.

9. Septic Installation: Septic Installer must be licensed by the Town of Hampden and must advise Board of Health before installation starts. Installation must be inspected by Board of Health Agent and Design Engineer before system is covered.

10. Septic Compliance: Engineer and installer must sign Certificate of Compliance after the final inspection.

11. Building Department: Building plans must be submitted for review by the Building Inspector. A building permit will not be issued until all prior steps have been successfully completed. The permit is valid for three (3) years from date of issue. Construction work must begin within six months of receiving building permit and work must be finished within three years. If you have questions contact: Mark Feeney 566-2204.

12. Electrical, Plumbing, Gas, Oil Burner, Smoke Detector and Wood Stove Permits: Requests for the above permits are to be submitted to the Building Department, with the necessary Building Permit fee. The applicant contacts the appropriate inspector with the inspection request. An Occupancy permit will be issued only after the Building Inspector checks with other inspectors to make sure all the above procedures have been completed as well as insuring that the house number is permanently found on the property and easily readable from the street.

If you have questions or if the Board of Selectmen may be of service, please contact us at the Town House 566-2151. ALL FEES ARE PAYABLE TO THE TOWN OF HAMPDEN.
# TOWN OF HAMPDEN
## FEES FOR BUILDING, ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING, GAS, FIRE & HEALTH PERMITS

### BUILDING PERMITS—MARK FEENEY—566-2204
- Application for Building Permit: $10
- Commercial/industrial Building ($100 minimum): 10 cents/sq.ft.
- New House ($60 minimum): 10 cents/sq.ft.
- In the event of more than one unit per building, an additional fee of $4 per unit will be charged in addition to normal fee for new house.
- Alterations/Additions/AccessoryBuildings ($25min): 10 cents/sq.ft.
- Swimming Pool: $20
- Solid Fuel Stoves: $15

### GAS PERMITS – MICHAEL FORD – 566-5578
- All Gas Permits: $20
- In the event of multiple occupancy or multi-unit dwelling, the charge will be $20 per meter up to five fixtures; above that the fee will be $2 per fixture.

### SOLAR PERMIT
- Permits for solar installations will be based on the categories.
- Contained in the columns for Building, Electrical & Plumbing.

### ELECTRICAL PERMITS – Robert Lague—566-8472
- Commercial/industrial Building Additions: $60
- New House: $40
- In the event of more than one unit per building, an additional fee of $4 per unit will be charged, in addition to normal fee for new house.
- Alterations, Re-wiring Existing Structure: $40
- Alterations, Change of Service, Temporary Service: $20
- Additions-added rooms, breezeway, garage, etc.: $20
- Swimming Pool, appliance: $20

### PLUMBING PERMITS --MICHAEL FORD-566-5578
- Commercial/Industrial Building: $75
- New House: $50
- An additional fee of $2 per fixture over 10 fixtures will be charged, in addition to the normal fee of $50 per building.
- Additions-additional charges as above: $30
- Swimming Pool: $20
- Any swimming pool with a permanent plumbing connection is subject to a permit fee

### FIRE PERMITS – THOMAS POULIN – 566-3314
- Smoke Detector Inspection (New House): $15
- Smoke Detector Inspection (Real Estate transfer): $15
- Oil Burner Inspections: $15
- Blasting Permit- Fire Chief: $10
- Renewal of Smokeless Powder (Fire Chief): $5
- LP Gas Storage Permits (Fire Chief): $15
- Underground Storage Tank Installation (Fire Chief): $10
- Underground Storage Tank Removal (Fire Chief): $40
- Tank and Burner Inspection: $15

### CALL-BACK FEES
- Call-back fees for Electrical, Plumbing, Building and Fire Inspectors: $15

### BOARD OF HEALTH- LORRI MCCOOL-566-2151
- Well Permit: $20
- Percollation test Permit: $100
- Septic Tank Installation Permit (new or repair): $100
- includes one revision, each additional revision: $50
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen herewith submit the following “State of the Town” report:

The Board of Selectmen and the Town of Hampden have had a busy year during 2000. Many positive accomplishments have been made throughout the town, most with major input and effort from Volunteers. They are a key to making things happen and deserve our recognition, respect and thanks. If you are interested in volunteering at any level please contact our office.

With the hard work of the Friends of the Seniors, the Council on Aging and a large crew of Volunteers, the completion and opening of the Hampden Senior Center was accomplished. This solid building will serve the community for many years.

The Selectman’s office is truly the financial and policy “Balance Point” of the community. On one side are reasonable requests for an increase in amenities and education, while on the other side there is responsible pressure to keep the tax rate down.

Many of you followed the “growing pains” of our education system. On a positive note, as the year progressed, local receipts unexpectedly exceeded estimates. In finality for the year, the funding for school district demands was kept within the estimated tax rate that had been proposed to the voters at the Annual Town Meeting.

Comparisons revealed that Hampden’s non-bargained personnel were being compensated at a rate far below the area averages. A salary survey and subsequent action at the Annual Town Meeting took action towards correction of these inequities. Arising out of the salary survey, a compensation policy has been put in place. It will be a tool to promote equity, and a step toward a comprehensive personnel policy for non-bargained town employees in the future.

Open space is a major concern of town residents. The Hampden Land Project has obtained 92 acres on the north slope of Mt. Minnechaug. If a Town Meeting vote approves the use of approximately $25,000 from the existing Town Conservation Fund, the Hampden Land Project expects to convey this land to the town with little or no additional cost to the taxpayers. The land project has received favorable comments from state officials responsible for approving a 64% grant. The remainder of the funds are being raised through public donations.

After two years of wrangling with the state over funding, the Somers Rd. bridge reconstruction bid has been awarded and work is scheduled to begin in March or April of 2001.

Memorial Day, Tree Lighting and Adopt-a-Road programs enjoy continued annual success under the experienced guidance of both our Administrative Assistant, Kate Ashe and, Selectmen’s and Board of Health Secretary, Doreen Rauch.

The duties and demands upon the Selectmen’s office continue to increase every year. The complexity of state and federal regulations and the time cost for legal and contractual negotiations have become a major part of each Selectmen’s week. This Board remains a “Working Board” with significant time required on a weekly schedule and, more often than not, on a daily basis. The Board will be vigilant in guiding and considering plans for the future changes in the way town government is structured as Hampden maintains its moderate, but steady growth.

Going forward with a “Balance” theme, this Board is dedicated to open and fair government. Indeed, the basic reason and purpose for government’s existence lies in the issue of fairness and equity among citizens. Our meetings are open and are held most Monday nights at 7 PM.
Meetings during the summer months are held every other week. The upcoming agenda is posted outside the Selectman’s office late Friday afternoon prior to the Monday meeting. If you have a brief issue to discuss, the time from 7:00 to 7:30PM is generally reserved for town residents without appointments. For issues that may take a longer time, call the office at 566-2151 to schedule an appointment. Please join us.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mark Casey, Chairman
Austin G. McKeon
James D. Smith

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<td>Fire Department smoke alarm inspections, oil burner permits, etc.</td>
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*This includes $2,625.00 reimbursement for a Mutual Aid Response to Monson.
| Town Clerk Fees                                                            | $ 5,882.35 |
BOARD OF HEALTH

As the Town activities increase, the requirements put on the Board of Health grow. From across the Commonwealth we are hearing concerns from local boards about the complexity and scheduling of the Board of Health responsibilities. Due to the dedication of our staff and with help from numerous volunteers we are in better shape than many communities.

In August, we had our first audit of the Municipal Water Supply by the DEP and passed in every category with flying colors. With the installation of the telemetry components, the requirements for the Water District were completed and the system turned over to an appointed Board of Water Commissioners. This Board will handle the operation, maintenance and testing requirements of the system.

Due to an early shortage of vaccine, it was necessary to operate two flu clinics this year. Though this caused some rescheduling problems we were able to provide enough vaccine to cover the requests received. Thanks to all those involved in the rescheduling and the volunteers who worked to make the program successful.

West Nile Virus appeared at the end of the mosquito season and the board will continue to monitor efforts to control the Town's exposure to this disease. Last summer the board twice applied larvicide to all the Town catch basins and maintained contact with the State authorities who were coordinating municipal reporting and monitoring efforts. The disease appears later in the season than the friend we are all familiar with. This mosquito also requires a different formulation of larvicide. Mosquito briquettes of both types were available for sale to residents and we expect this program to continue this year.

Our annual water-testing program was carried out again this year. We continue to see improved results as people become more familiar with the testing procedure and correct problems when found.

Through the efforts of Kate Ashe, we received a DEP grant for residential composting units. These will be available for sale in 2001.

A regional household hazardous waste collection day was held, as well as, two bulk collection days. Recycling was expanded to include TV's and computers.

Going forward, we have seen a 66% increase in the hauling charges at the transfer station. This increase puts the current sticker price at risk. The board is presently looking for alternative revenue sources to stabilize the sticker price and expand our recycling efforts. The sanitation system at Green Meadows is being updated and problems corrected with a Federal grant secured by the HWRSD Business Manager, Rick Scortino.

The Board of Health thanks the volunteers who make possible the flu and rabies clinics and the water-testing program. Lori McCool, our Board of Health agent, is a resource for the Town whose contribution cannot be overstated. Kate Ashe and Doreen Rauch in our office continue to make the wheels turn. Their efforts are greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Austin McKeon
Mark Casey
James D. Smith
SCANTIC VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

The Board would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen and all those who have assisted in the construction and implementation of the Massachusetts and DEP mandated Scantic Valley Water District. The board would also like to recognize the water district operator Michael S. Framarin for his fine efforts in insuring the town’s compliance with the strict Massachusetts and DEP guidelines and maintaining our system to ensure minimal cost to the entire town.

During 2000, The Scantic Valley Water District (SVWD) pumped 609,110 gallons of water from two wells located on Massachusetts Audubon Society property, off Main Street, Hampden. Currently, ten water services supply eight residential homes and two Laughing Brook properties. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) sampling schedule for SVWD for 2000 was accomplished and the required water samples were analyzed. They included 12 Coliform samples, 10 Lead, 10 Copper, 2 Nitrate, and 4 Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC). All sampling results were within the acceptable standards for drinking water in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The DEP conducted a Comprehensive Compliance Evaluation of the SVWD on August 18,2000. The system passed the evaluation easily. The only item that needed attention was the installation of telemetry for the pump house alarms and that has since been accomplished.

We look forward to serving the best interest of the Town of Hampden and the Scantic Valley Water District in the upcoming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Majkut, Chairman
George Bouchard
Austin McKeon
### Annual Activities provided by the Board of Health

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Newspaper  
Combined cardboard, plastic, tin cans, glass bottles & jars, metal and white goods  
Bulk item Collection  
Hazardous Collection  
Total tons  

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Board of Health Telephone Number: 566-2151  
Board of Health Hours: 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

### LANDFILL

Hours are Saturday, 7AM to 5PM  
Tuesday, 1PM to 6PM  
Recycling is the second and fourth Saturday of each month.

### PERCOLATION TESTS

Perc Season  
Year Round testing.  
Percolation tests require an appointment with the Board of Health agent and the property owner's engineer performing the test.
HAMPDEN RECYCLES!!!!!!

2nd & 4th Saturday of each month at Transfer Station, 7AM to 5PM.

Paper:
- Newsprint only, tie papers in bundles of approx. 6", or place in grocery bags
- Flyers, glossy circulars, magazines, phonebooks

Cardboard:
- Corrugated, Cereal Boxes, Detergents, Etc.
- No Waxed Cardboard, (i.e. frozen food containers)

Aluminum:
- Soda & Beer Cans, Lawn Chairs (minus webbing), Storm Doors (minus glass and screens), Gutters, Foil Containers

Plastic Bottles:
- Soda, Milk, Orange Juice, Detergent, Fabric Softener, Shampoo, (# 1 to 7)

Steel Cans:
- Soups, Vegetable, Juices, Pet Foods, etc.

Glass Jars & Bottles:
- Redeemable Bottles (all colors)
- Non-redeemable Bottles (green, brown, clear) remove paper & caps separate colors from clear

All containers must be washed so there is no residue left inside. NO containers that held hazardous material will be accepted.

Tires:
- All tires must have rims removed.
- Car tire - $2.00 each
- Truck tire - $4.00 each
- Double charge for tire on rim

Clean Metal:
- Pipes (up to 6 ft.), file cabinets, lawn mower, (less fuel, oil, and tires)
- $0.10/lb (estimated) - minimum $5.00

White Goods:
- $17.00 Large-such as chest-type freezer, large stoves, riding mower, etc.
- $12.00 Regular-such as refrigerator, washing machine, dryer, air conditioner, lawn mower (less fuel), stove.
- $10.00 Small-apartment-size refrigerator, small lawn mower

CASH ONLY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

NO HAZARDOUS ITEMS ARE ALLOWED.

DUMP STICKERS ARE REQUIRED.

In the event of inclement weather, a cancellation notice will be broadcast over radio stations WHYN, WMAS, WSPR, and on TV stations WGGG TV-40 and WWLP TV-22.

A sign will also be posted at the entrance to the Transfer Station.

RECYCLE EYE GLASSES—drop in Lion's Club's yellow boxes around town

** Computers, TV's - Small $5.00 - Large $10.00
REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Case -1 Special Permit, Section 6.5.2.3, to allow an auto repair business to move to another address in the Commercial District. Grant

Case - 2 Special Permit, Section 6.5, to allow the holding of used cars on site until delivered to dealers throughout New England. Grant

Case - 3 Special Permit, Section 7.8 to renew permit to remove earth to improve land for agriculture. Grant

Case - 4 Special Permit Section 6.5.3, to build an addition onto a Commercial building allowed in 1988. Grant

Case - 5 Special Permit Section 4, to add a garage to a preexisting house built on a corner lot in 1956. Permit gave relief of the frontage setback on the street where the garage was to be added. Grant

Our hearts were saddened by the illness and eventual death in July of our longtime "Zoning Expert" Dalton E. Philpott.

The following are members of the Board of Appeals with the officers elected on September 26, 2000

Richard E. Patullo, Chair
M. Chris Cesan, Vice Chair
James E. Stone, Clerk
Kenneth E. Lefebvre
L. Jed Berliner

Alternates:
Francis Kotomski
David R. Scott
Richard P. Jones

Respectfully submitted, Hampden Board of Appeals

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

This year, at the Hampden Memorial Day Celebration, the Historical Society sold Hampden t-shirts. This sale was a big success! We still have some available if you are interested.

The Historical Society joined with the Hampden Library in a wonderful quilt show. Many beautiful and interesting old quilts were on display.

This year, all members were mailed a flyer providing information on our upcoming programs. If you would like one of these brochures please leave a message on our machine with your name and address.

We have had excellent programs this year. Examples of a few of them are the following: An Early 1800's Health Fair, General Custer, Rebecca Johnson and A Union Soldier and the Civil War.

We always welcome new members and researchers. We appreciate the donation of old Hampden items for our museum. These items will be on display along with other items in our wonderful museum collection.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Krawiec, President
Nancy Ayers, Secretary
REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

We are now in our second year as the municipal agency representing the Town in matters relating to the preservation of Hampden’s historic places.

The purpose of our work is to plan and implement programs for identifying, evaluating and protecting our town’s historic resources. We work with other boards and commissions within the Town to achieve our goals. We are responsible for commenting on environmental review statements at the local level. We are also mandated to alert state and federal agencies to local preservation issues.

We are highly pleased that the Town accepted the amendments and new by-laws prepared by the Planning Board’s Zoning Bylaws Task Force. Many of the new by-laws will help to preserve some of the rural character of our town and encourage the preservation of historic sites and structures. We are happy to have played a part in this process, as it gives us the opportunity to work with others in the community who are committed to Hampden’s well being.

Our “West Side Survey” is progressing with a good deal of the photographs needed for documentation taken and we have interviewed many past and present residents of the West Side for information on their homes.

We recently prepared a report for the Massachusetts Historical Commission on the historic assets of Minnechaug Mountain. This information was needed by the Hampden Land Project to apply for a grant from the Massachusetts Division of Conservation Services to purchase property on Minnechaug Mountain. The report has received a favorable reply.

This year we cooperated with the Library in presenting an exhibit on “Hampden Barns”. The glass case in the front hall of the Town House was filled with recent and vintage photos of local barns. Also included was information on the maintenance and reuse of barns and a number of math problems relating to barns. Local residents and the Hampden Historical Society loaned photos for the exhibit. The Library devoted display space to books on barns for both young and mature readers. Both the books and the exhibit proved so popular we are planning more exhibits on barns and farming in the future.

We wish to thank all Town officials and employees, as well as the Townpeople, for their interest, help and enthusiasm for our work. The Massachusetts Historical Commission has given us tremendous technical support and encouragement.

Our meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month. We welcome your attendance and hope you will tell us of any preservation issues you wish us to address.

Our concerns are not just old buildings and archeological sites. We are also concerned about maintaining our rural heritage through preservation of farmlands, scenic roads, conservation protection and smart growth. WE WORK IN THE PRESENT TO PRESERVE THE PAST FOR THE FUTURE.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Chapin Witt, Chairman
Dorothy Bradway Hill, Secretary
Nancy Quill, Cemetery Coordinator
Chincey Cesan, Archeology Coordinator
Noreen Couture, Publicity/Computer Coordinator
REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER

BUILDING PERMITS & INSPECTIONS

Swimming Pool: 22
Dwelling: 21
Additions: 15
Garage: 4
Sheds: 3
Alterations: 6
Barns: 3
Stove permits: 3
Demolition: 2
Communication Tower: 1
Business: 2
Deck: 2
Porch: 1
Pavilion: 1
HIC Ramp: 1
TOTAL 87

TOTAL PERMITS & INSPECTIONS

Building 87
Electrical 107
Plumbing & Gas 109

Respectfully submitted,
Mark J. Feeney, Building Commissioner

HAMPDEN LAND PROJECT

Now in its 9th year, Hampden Land Project, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit land trust, works to permanently protect critical areas of open space in the Town of Hampden. This has been an exciting year, with our “Save Minnechaug Mountain” campaign now in progress. When a 93-acre parcel in the north slope of Minnechaug Mountain was in imminent danger of development, Hampden Land Project secured an emergency loan to purchase the land. Our intention is to turn this land over to the Town of Hampden, with your vote at the annual town meeting. Once this land is town-owned, we are eligible for major funding from state grants, and from existing funds in the conservation fund. With the help of private donations and other grants, we can acquire this land at no cost to the taxpayer, and thus preserve the scenic beauty and rural character of our town.

It has been predicted that in the next decade, all land that is not protected will be developed. All land trusts must work pro-actively to select and protect the most critical areas of open space. If you know of land that defines the scenic beauty of our town, is of important environmental concern, has potential for public use, or is of special significance, please contact us, or become involved in Hampden Land Project, P.O. Box 456, Hampden, MA.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Himmelstein, Secretary
The Hampden Senior Center on Allen Street is now the beautiful new home of the Council on Aging, the Congregate Meal Site (Lunch Bunch), the Scantic Senior Citizen’s Club and the Friends of Hampden Seniors, Inc.

Collectively our objectives are to identify the needs of the elders in Hampden, provide services and programs to meet those needs and secure funding to support those programs.

Sixty to one hundred people are utilizing the Senior Center on a daily basis. A vibrant, homey and friendly atmosphere welcomes each participant and visitor. As anticipated, participation and usage of programs and services has shown a dramatic increase. Below is a sampling of increases:

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The building of the Senior Center not only centralized accessible programming but it also gave us the ability to provide more activities, enhancing the lives of hundreds of elders in our community.

**PROGRAMS THAT WE OFFER INCLUDE:**
- **Counseling** for caregivers and individual older adults
- **Case Management** assistance for frail elderly persons to help them remain in control of their own lives.
- **Geriatric care management** for elderly individuals whose relatives live out of town or who are alone
- **Caretaker support group** for those caring for an older adult
- **Assistance with health insurance** – (SHINE) counseling for those faced with confusing choices regarding health insurance coverage
- **Congregate Meal Site** (Lunch Bunch) providing nutritious meals at the Senior Center and **Home Delivered Meals** for homebound elders
- **Fuel Assistance** for families of all ages and individuals who are having difficulty paying their heating bills.
- **Recreation/Game Room/Crafts/Hobbies/Arts** for seniors enjoying life! Over 16 programs offered weekly.
- **Health education**, wellness clinics, health screenings, exercise and fitness programs
- **Tax Assistance** – free tax preparation
- **Durable medical loan closet** – free loan closet available to any town resident

**New Programs:**
- **Weekend Home Delivered Meals**: Through the generosity of Mary Lyon Nursing Home and Hampden volunteers, frail elders now receive weekend meals. Mary Lyon Nursing Home provides this service free of charge.
- **Blue Light Special** – Once a month, our Senior Resource Officer Gary Courtney delivers meals to our home meal clients. This is a part of a cooperative relationship between the Council on Aging and the Hampden Police Department.
Intergenerational programming initiative – The Council on Aging is pleased to be working with Thornton Burgess Middle School and Green Meadows School on numerous projects bringing students and seniors together.

The Council on Aging is working diligently to meet the needs and demands of the fastest growing population group in our town. A Senior Center has been built and innovative programs and services have been implemented that maintain independence, enhance quality of life and most importantly allow Hampden Elders to access these programs in Hampden.

It is evident, however, that staffing a 6,800 square foot building to manage the many activities and programs cannot be done adequately with one full time Director and various grant supported part-time staff and volunteers. The COA will be asking the voters to support additional funding for our Custodian and our Clerk. While volunteers are able to help, they are not in a position to respond to the wide variety of requests and needs that arise daily.

Presently the COA is utilizing over 135 volunteers. If the Town were to pay these volunteers at fair market value, it would cost over $80,000 dollars per year. The Council on Aging extends appreciation and gratitude to these volunteers.

One of our biggest supporters passed away in 2000. Dalton Philpott served as Vice Chairman of the COA and was a dedicated volunteer. 25 years ago, Dalton was involved in the formation of the Hampden Council on Aging and continued to faithfully carry out its mission. His wisdom, love and availability will be greatly missed.

Arlene Fisher joined the Board this winter bringing with her an artistic touch and a sidekick named George. Arlene was very helpful in creating the cozy atmosphere with the many beautiful decorations and furnishings.

The Hampden Senior Center is open every weekday from 8:30 until 4 PM and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:30 – 8:30 PM. All are welcome to stop in anytime and see for themselves why one Boston official “unofficially” rated the Hampden Senior Center as “one of the top 10 Centers in the state of Massachusetts.”

Respectfully submitted by:
Carolyn F. Brenner, Executive Director
Brian MacLeod, Chairman
Rita Vail, Vice Chairman
Al Quijmet, Treasurer
Virginia Schneider, Secretary
Patricia Clark
Arlene Fisher
Diane Hildreth
George Lavallee
Bill Olmstead

Council on Aging Staff:
Asst. to the Director, Helena Nossal
Tiny Burt, Senior Aide
Lissa Fontaine, Outreach Coordinator
Janis DeGrandpre, Meal site Manager & Activities Coordinator

Affiliations: Greater Springfield Senior Services, National Council on the Aging, Mass Association of Council on Aging & Senior Center Directors & Western Mass Association of Councils on Aging

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GREATER SPRINGFIELD SENIOR SERVICES, INC. (GSSSI)

Our booming economy and Congress' 1997 Balanced Budget Amendment are restricting the supply of home-care workers. These are the employees of the vendors contracted by GSSSI to enable its clients to stay at home rather than enter the much more expensive nursing homes or do without needed care. This adverse result applies to care workers in general, in nursing homes, hospitals and child-care centers. It's caused by salaries and wages in other fields rising more to attract workers from the care field.

There's no "Quick Fix". GSSSI holds annual "legislative breakfasts" to take all long term care needs of the elderly to our state senators and representatives. Last year these legislators responded by providing more money for care workers, but even more is needed.

Nationally, this problem is more complex and will take time to resolve. Congress is divided on how to distribute the still increasing surplus among the national debt, excessive costs of prescription drugs, short and long term funding of Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, defense, tax reduction and other issues.

Hampden has not escaped this problem. GSSSI's list of clients awaiting services shows three Hampden residents; at this writing one is still waiting. Additional services requested by existing clients are delayed. A replacement for a current care worker for Hampden has not yet been found. Other services paid for by Medicare/Medicaid are delayed.

GSSSI is making all possible efforts to meet these needs. In any contacts you may have with State or Federal representatives, please express your concerns.

Respectfully submitted, George W. Ingle
Hampden's Representative to the GSSSI Board of Directors.
HAMPDEN HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Hampden Housing Authority meets on the third Thursday of each month in the Community Building at 26 Springmeadow Lane. Meetings are usually held at 8:15 A.M. All meetings are posted with the Town Clerk and are open to the public.

Elected members of the Authority are as follows:
William Joy, Chairperson, Miles Haigood, Treasurer, Mildred Grant, Assistant Treasurer, Aline Burt, Secretary. Unfortunately, Dalton Phitelott, State Appointee passed away this year after years of dedicated service. Housing Authority Staff members are: Christine Evans, Executive Director, Carole Robert, Site Manager, Gary DePace, Fee Accountant, Frank Hull, Maintenance Supervisor.

As has been the case since its inception, the mission of the Authority continues to be to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing to our residents at a rate which is based on 30% of their household net income. Admission is accomplished following an application process. Applications are available by mail or in person at our office at 26 Springmeadow Lane. Maximum net income limits are currently as follows: 1 Person - $26,100, 2 Persons - $29,800. Maximum allowable Contract Rents are as follows: 1 Bedroom - $403, and 2 Bedrooms - $464.00. All eligibility and occupancy standards are in keeping with the Department of Housing & Community Development and HUD guidelines. Our agency is subject to state audit every two years by the Office of the Auditor of the Commonwealth.

As always, we express our thanks to the Police, Fire and Highway Departments who are always ready and willing to assist our residents and staff in keeping our environment here safe and secure.

The Hampden Housing Authority office hours are Monday – 9:00AM – 12:00 Noon, Tuesday – 8:00AM – 2:00PM, Wednesday – 9:00AM – 11:00AM, Thursday – 8:00AM – 2:00PM. The office is closed on Fridays. The telephone number is 566-8157.

Respectfully,

Christine Evans
Executive Director

TENANTS ORGANIZATION

2000 begins our twenty-third year here at Centennial Commons and there are still a few of us left who came early in the spring of 1978.

The Tenants Organization was off and running in 1979 and has been active ever since. Our agenda hasn’t changed. We meet quarterly to enact new and old business with a well rounded group of tenants.

Our community is a very safe and pleasant place to live, as attested to by those who live here. Many a happy occasion takes place in the dining area of the community room. Tenants have enjoyed birthday parties, card games, bingo, Thursday night cards, Monte Carlo Whist, showers and a host of other activities, tag and bake sales, Tuesday and Friday morning exercise class, and last, but not least, the Christmas Party and Dinner.

Even though we try to keep busy with activities, we do miss the companionship of town folks from the meal site now that it has moved to the new Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted, Aline Burt, Secretary
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Town of Hampden Conservation Commission currently sits with five full time members and three associate members. We hold regularly scheduled meetings on the second Monday of every month, and “special” meetings when required. Our purpose is to protect the natural wetland and flood plain resource areas in town from abuse and over-development. The guidelines used are the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, the Massachusetts Rivers Protection Act and the Town of Hampden Wetland Protection By-laws.

This past year the commission held twelve regular meetings and three special meeting as well as numerous site inspections. We received filings for ten Requests for Determinations, three Notices of Intent, and two Requests for Partial Certificates of Compliance. We also issued six Enforcement Orders resulting from complaints received about possible violations. The violations included logging operations being conducted without approved plans and unlicensed loggers performing work. Please ensure your loggers are properly licensed and follow the procedures set by the state forester.

Of special note, the commission approved plans presented by the Girl Scouts for a nature trail through the woods between the new Senior Center on Allen Street and Thornton W. Burgess School on Willbraham Road. These plans included a 100-foot walkway with an overlook area.

The Council on Aging Senior Center, Sprint, the Federated Community Church, South Ridge Estates and the Town of Hampden Highway Department as well as individual homeowners appeared before the Commission this year requesting approval prior to doing work within the resource areas or within 100 feet of a resource area.

The Conservation Commission endorses the purchase of land on the east side of Minnechaug Mountain by the Hampden Land Trust. We also support the efforts of the Mill River Watershed group.

We need proactive people interested in preserving our Town’s natural resources and we currently have many positions available for members, as well as associate members. We are always anxious to meet people interested in joining the commission. Please contact our clerk, Pat Smith, at the Town House, if you have any questions or to find out how to join.

Respectively submitted for the commission,

Bonnie L Geromini
Camilla J. Desmarais
Co-Chairpersons
THOMAS J. O’CONNOR
Regional Dog Control Center
701 Center Street
Chicopee, MA 01013
Tel. 781-1484

The year 2000 was one of continued growth and positive improvement at the Center, but also presents us with one of our biggest challenges yet: finding a new location. We have been recently notified that our existing location will be the new home for a women’s jail. Although this will be a difficult challenge, we also see it as an opportunity to construct a new larger and more efficient facility.

Some of the highlights of the past year include expanded service hours for adoption and return to owners, a lower euthanasia rate, and an increase in adoptions and returns to owners. We also developed a relationship with Tufts University in Grafton, MA that allows us to have dogs spayed or neutered free of charge. Finally, we added the following communications improvements: internet access which allows us to receive E-Mail from the public at www.animalcontrol@rcnp.com, and a voice messaging service allowing us to be more accessible to the public.

The year 2000 also brought a reorganization of staff that includes: Robert Larocque: Director, Michelle Downie: Assistant Director, Dr. Gerald Cutting: Contractual Veterinarian, Felix Lizorno: Veterinarian Technician, Sarah Kiely: Assistant Kennel Manager, Christine Higgins: Office Assistant, Pedro Cardona: Maintenance, Nick Dominik: Dog Officer, George Roberts: Dog Officer, Richard Hartnett: Dog Officer, Mike Girard: Night Dog Officer.

The following list indicates duties conducted for the Town of Hampden by the staff of the Thomas J. O’Connor Regional Dog Control Center for the period of January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000:

| Investigation of loose dog complaints: | 12 |
| Investigation of barking dog complaints: | 15 |
| Stray dogs captured and impounded at the Center: | 1 |
| Dog bite investigations: | 5 |
| Vicious/loose dog complaints: | 2 |
| Stray dogs brought to the Center from Hampden: | 0 |
| Stray dog complaints: | 22 |
| Sick and or injured dogs: | 1 |
| After - hour emergency calls: | 8 |
| Impounded dogs: | 13 |
| Returned to owners: | 10 |
| Adopted: | 2 |
| Dogs euthanized: | 1 |
| Transported to Rowley Animal Hospital: | 1 |
| Follow - up calls: | 20 |
| Licenses sold at Center: | 4 |
| Board of Selectman’s meetings: | 4 |
| District Court appearances: | 0 |

The staff of The Thomas J. O’Connor Regional Dog Control Center is very appreciative of Hampden’s continued support and involvement in this program, and we look forward to serving your community in 2001.

Submitted by
Robert C. Larocque, Director
ANIMAL INSPECTOR

As the Animal Inspector for the Town of Hampden, I would like to report the following for 2000.

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There were three domestic animals quarantined due to wildlife encounters and six dog bites to humans reported.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Sears,
Animal Inspector
HAMPDEN CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Hampden Cultural Council is responsible for distributing funds allocated by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. Applications for funds are submitted to the local council in October of each year. The council then meets to consider those requests. The applicants who are rejected are given time to appeal and under the new streamlined granting process, those who are approved are notified by the local council of their approval in December following a brief review by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. The actual funds to approved applicants are then available for distribution by the end of January pending budget passage by the state legislature.

Local groups or individuals who would like to request funds can get more information and the grant applications from the Selectman’s office. It should be noted that the council gives preference to projects sponsored by town organizations or residents. Due to limited funds, requests are rarely granted in full.

In the spring of 2000, the Hampden Cultural Council participated again in the Matching Fund Incentive program sponsored by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. Our local council raised funds through the Business Friends of the Hampden Cultural Council Program by contacting business owners who either reside in town or conduct their business in town and asking them for a donation. This program was successful, as it has been in the last few years, and we would like to publicly thank the following businesses and business owners:

Dr. John Hennessy
Bilton’s Orchard
Hampden Discount Liquors
Village Food Mart
The Bagel Nook

Council members also collected donations at Town Hall on Election Day. This and our other fundraisers were all very successful and the Hampden Cultural Council would like to publicly thank the many individual contributors for their generosity. We are pleased to announce that a total of $551.84 was collected. This was added to our budget for 1999-2000 and the Massachusetts Cultural Council matched $500 of this amount in addition to our yearly allocation of $3,300.00. The local council also had $792 of unencumbered money remaining from the 1999-2000 fiscal year, giving us a total of $4592 to have available for granting in year 2000-2001.

Projects and activities that have been awarded grants for 2000-20001 include:
* A 4th grade art contest to be sponsored by our local HCC
* A presentation by a local sculptor to grades 4-8
* A presentation of "Life in the Country" co-sponsored by the Hampden Historical Society
* A presentation by an author/illustrator to grades K-6
* A trip to Symphony Hall for 3rd graders
* A Music Matters program for 4th graders
* Several music concerts to be co-sponsored by the Library, the Parks & Recreation Department, and the Council on Aging for various town events
* A hip-hop dance performance to delight the teens & others in town
* Support for the Senior Woodworking Shop
* Support to the Hampden Public Library summer reading program

We have experienced great pleasure and satisfaction in being able to support these cultural events and hope to continue to support cultural education and enjoyment of town residents of all ages.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather G. Beattie, Chairperson
Carol Winters Smith
Virginia Blake
Carolyn Siano
Judith Moriarty

Barbara McKenzie
James McEwan
Carol Gauthier
Hermine Weston