

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF RYE
NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31
2022





(View of the lobby inside the Town Hall Annex)

FRONT COVER

TOWN HALL ANNEX

In February 2021, the Town of Rye acquired the former TD Bank building located at 500 Washington Road in Rye, NH. The acquisition was made to solve the decades long space needs issue of the Rye Town Hall. Since this acquisition, the building has been renovated to accommodate the following offices: The Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Assessing Department, Asst. Town Administrator/Finance Director, and the Supervisors of the Checklist.

INSIDE BACK COVER

Pictures of the new salt storage facility at the Department of Public Works

BACK COVER

Clockwise from upper left:

A candlelight stroll was held in the center of town after the Holiday Parade as a kickoff to the Rye 400th anniversary celebration.

Photo by Andy Stecher

October 2022: Rye Health Officer, Dr. Gail Snow receiving the lifetime achievement award from the NH Public Health Officer Association.

Photo by Fire Chief Mark Cotreau

The Select Board with Rye resident Cole Struble who won a gold medal in golf at the Special Olympics.

Photo by Becky Bergeron

Police Chief Kevin Walsh holding the proclamation presented to him by the Select Board that the week of November 14, 2022 was known as Chief Kevin Walsh week.

Photo by Matt Scruton

Public Works employee, Dan Barron helped to distribute bottled water at the Rye Public Safety Building during the boil water order.

Photo by Fire Chief Mark Cotreau

FRONT COVER PHOTOGRAPH: Town Hall Annex, taken by Matt Scruton
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To the inhabitants of the Town of Rye, in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Rye Elementary School in said Rye on Tuesday, the 14th of March next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the evening for voting by official ballot on all issues before the Town of Rye under RSA 40:13.

As required under Senate Bill 2, the Deliberative Session was held on Saturday, February 4, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the Rye Junior High School to review and amend the 2023 Town Warrant.

DEDICATION

The 2022 Annual Report of the Town of Rye
Is dedicated to

Mae Bradshaw and Jane Holway



Mae Bradshaw has dedicated an immense amount of her time to the betterment of Rye in her forty-five years as a Rye resident and practicing attorney. She has provided a leadership role in over eight of Rye's boards, commissions, and committees.

She was a charter member and past Chair of the Rye Heritage Commission, Chair of the Capital Improvements Program (CIP), and Chair of the Historic District Commission. She has also served as a Selectboard member and elected member of the Budget Committee.

Always willing to share her talents on behalf of Rye, she also volunteered on the Rye Town Hall Committee, Town Center Committee, the Rye Library Strategic Planning Committee and was a founding member of the Save Rye Harbor group. Mae was the driving force in obtaining Rye's membership in the Certified Local Government Program which qualifies Rye for State and National grants to fund programs beneficial to Rye and Rye taxpayers. She further provided the leadership to obtain the registration for the Rye Town Hall on the State of New Hampshire Register of Historic Places and further for the Town Hall building, originally built in 1839, to be honored by the United States Secretary of the Interior with placement on the National Register of Historic Places.

In 2020 Mae was recognized as the recipient of the Louise Tallman Historic Preservation award for her work in getting the Rye Town Hall on the Historic Register and with her help to the NH Division of Parks and Recreation on development of the granite obelisk on Ragged Neck which commemorates Captain John Smith's exploration of the Isles of Shoals in 1616.

In whatever Mae did, she did from the heart and with vigor and enthusiasm. She set an example for many to follow to set aside time to give back to the Town of Rye. Never to be dissuaded, she persevered to deliver on the objectives at hand.

We thank Mae for all of her dedication, hard work and successes on behalf of the Town of Rye and its residents.



Jane Holway's involvement with the Town began in 1954, when she gave swimming lessons for the PTA at the Red and White Bridges, as they were known then, at Rye Harbor. Jane was also among the first beach lifeguards in Rye. In the 1960's, Jane's commitment to volunteerism began when she became one of the initial Rye Ambulance Corps members. In the 1970s, she was a charter member

of the Parsons Park Corp, which organized the conservation effort for preserving what is now Parsons Field and the Town Forest as Open Space. Jane showed her personal deep commitment to land preservation and preserving Rye's semi-rural character when she and her nephew protected their own family held land with a conservation easement.

Jane was on the Parsonage Property Usage Committee, which recommended leasing the Parsonage to the Housing Partnership, providing affordable housing to a generation of residents in the center of Rye. Jane was active in many other civic activities. She devoted many years to Rye Senior SERVE as a helper on the senior van. Other activities and interests include her participation in the Historic District Commission as a member as well as chair, the Town Museum, Rye Civic League, and Driftwood Garden Club

Jane has been a fixture at Town elections for the last two decades as a Supervisor of the Checklist. For her work and longevity in that capacity she was awarded a Resolution of Congratulations by the NH State Senate. As a former public-school teacher, she was especially eager to register first-time voters, and to contribute to the American democratic process. After retiring as an elected official Jane continues to volunteer at elections because of her social nature and tradition of involvement in town activities.

As a member of a family which has lived in Rye for several generations, Jane has always cared deeply about making a positive difference for the town. Whether presiding over voter registration, holding court at the Beach Club, or attending countless town meetings where she courageously and steadfastly voiced her opinion concerning town affairs, Jane has helped make Rye what it is today. We are grateful for her impressive and continuous seventy years of service to the Town of Rye.

In Memoriam

Jean C. Barber

September 27, 1926 - July 17, 2022



Jean C. Barber, age 95, passed away at the family home in Rye on July 17, 2022. Jean was born September 27, 1926 in New Rochelle, New York. She was a graduate of Skidmore College, in Saratoga Springs, New York. Jean had a degree in Art which she put to use in the interior decorating and design company, that she and her husband Robert started and ran, for twenty-five years.

Jean was a resident of Rye for fifty-seven years. She volunteered for the Rye Ambulance Corps, serving the town for many years.

She was predeceased by her husband of sixty years Robert S. Barber in May of 2008. She is survived by her daughters Vicki Kent of Rye, Robin Baker of North Hampton, her son John Barber of York, Maine, and many nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Joan Clark Walsh

January 19, 1929 - March 6, 2022



Joan Clark Walsh passed away on March 6th peacefully at home with her daughters at her side. Joan was born on January 19, 1929, the daughter of the late Dolores and James A. Clark of Albany, New York. Joan was predeceased by her younger brother Jim as well as her husband of almost 38 years, Jack, in 1990. After Jack passed away, Joan moved to Newmarket and later Rye, NH.

Joan enjoyed being with her great friends from Rye Senior Serve for which she served on the Board. She was also involved with the Rye Garden Club, Rye Art Study, Friends of the Rye Library, and a member of the Rye Congregational Church.

Joan is survived by her daughters, Lisa Walsh of Newburyport, MA; Wendy Meyer and her husband Tom of Old Lyme, CT; and Nancy Splaine and her husband Arthur of Rye, NH. She is also survived by her beloved grandchildren, Kelsey Splaine of Rye, NH; Jay Meyer and his wife Caitlin of Scarborough, ME; Colby Splaine of Kittery, ME; and Annie Wadsworth and her husband Blake and their daughter Lydia Joan of Oakdale, CT as well as many nephews and their families.

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Representative Dennis Malloy

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Representative Peggy Balboni

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*****TOWN OFFICIALS*****
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

MODERATOR

(2-year term)

Robert G. Eaton	2024
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SELECTMEN

(3-year term)

Philip D. Winslow	2023
Tom King	2024
Bill Epperson	2025

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

(3-year term)

Donna M. DeCotis	2023
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TREASURER

(3-year term)

Jane E. Ireland	2024
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CEMETERY TRUSTEES

(3-year term)

Roger O. Philbrick	2023
Kenneth Moynahan	2024
Frank Drake	2025

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

(6-year term)

Sally King	2024
Madeline Chichester	2026
Karen Oliver	2028

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

(3-year term)

Christine LeBlond	2023
Michael Moody	2023
JoAnne Hodgdon	2024
Jeffrey Ross	2024
Victor D. Azzi	2025

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

(3-year term)

Jeffrey M. Balboni	2023
Kerry S. Pope	2024
R. Christopher Nee	2025

SEWER COMMISSION

(3-year term)

David Kohlhase	2023
Susan Labrie	2024
John E. McCune Jr.	2025

BUDGET COMMITTEE

(3-year term)

Jaci Grote	2023
Jeff Ross	2023
Douglas Abrams	2024
Dania Seiglie	2024
Suzanne Barton	2025
Scott Marion	2025
Tom King (Selectmen's Representative)	2024

PLANNING BOARD

(3-year term)

James Finn	2023
JM Lord	2023
Stephen Carter	2024
Kevin Brandon	2024
Robert Wright	2024
Patricia Losik	2025
William MacLeod (Alternate)	2023
Kathryn Garcia (Alternate)	2024
Vacant (Alternate)	2024
Bill Epperson (Selectmen's Representative)	2025

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

(3-year term)

Jennifer Madden	2023
Shawn Crapo	2023
Patrick Driscoll	2024
Chris Piel	2024
John Tuttle	2025
Gregg Mikolaities (Alternate)	2023
Patti Weathersby (Alternate)	2025
Robert Patten (Alternate)	2025
Sandra Chororos (Alternate)	2025
John Mitchell (Alternate)	2025

DEMOLITION REVIEW COMMITTEE

(3-year term)

David Choate	2023
Elizabeth Sanborn	2024
Frank Lagana	2025
Jennifer Madden (Alternate)	2023
Vacant (Alternate)	2024
Jay Longtin (Alternate)	2025

MOSQUITO CONTROL COMMISSION

(3-year term)

James Farrelly	2023
Mark Troy	2024
Timothy Sanborn	2025

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Kaitlyn Coffey	2023
James Teheder	2023
Stacey Smith	2024
David Choate	2024
Karen Stewart	2025
Lydia Tilsley	2025
Katharine Brown (Alternate)	2023
Vacant (Alternate)	2023
Mae Bradshaw (Alternate)	2024
Vacant (Alternate)	2025
Vacant (Alternate)	2025
Tom King (Selectmen's Representative)	2024

BEACH COMMITTEE

(3-year term)

Mary-Ann Sullivan	2023
Mary Connolly-Mitchell	2024
Anne Baker	2025
Cybele Grier	2025
Joan Zofnass	2026
Vacant (Alternate)	2023
Vacant (Alternate)	2024
Bill Epperson (Selectmen's Representative)	2025

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Heather Reed	2023
Francis (Mike) Garvan, II	2023
Danna Truslow	2024
Jaci Grote	2024
Suzanne McFarland	2025
Sally S. King	2025
Susan Shepcaro	2025
Jeffrey Gardner (Alternate)	2023
Karen Oliver (Alternate)	2025

RECREATION COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Steven King	2023
Joseph Persechino	2023
Marlene Veloso	2024
Brett Mulvey	2024
Corey Belden	2025
Vacant	2025
Vacant	2025

RECYCLING EDUCATION COMMITTEE

(1-year term)

Pamela Helfrich	2023
Alex Herlihy	2023
Cynthia Bogert	2023

HERITAGE COMMISSION

(3-year term)

Gail Hughes	2023
Frank Lagana	2023
Beverly Giblin	2024
David Choate	2024
Peter White	2025
Alex Herlihy	2025
Elizabeth Sanborn (Alternate)	2023
Karin Nelson (Alternate)	2023
Vacant (Alternate)	2023
Mae Bradshaw (Alternate)	2024
Tim Durkin (Alternate)	2025
Bill Epperson (Selectmen’s Representative)	2025

ENERGY COMMITTEE

(unlimited term)

Howard Kalet	Tom Pfau
Lisa Sweet	Carl Nicolino
Frank Melanson	Silas Proft
Rob Spork	

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLANNING COMMITTEE

(unlimited term)

Kevin Brandon	William Roach IV
Mae Bradshaw	Matt Curtin
Ralph Hickson	Phil Winslow (Selectmen’s Representative)

**** RYE WATER DISTRICT ****

(3-year term)

Arthur Ditto 2023
Ralph Hickson 2024
Scott Marion 2025

**** RYE BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT ****

(3-year term)

Frank Drake 2023
Becky Franz 2024
Garry Layman 2025

**** JENNESS BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT ****

(3-year term)

Michael Netishen 2023
Robert R. Crapo 2024
Bill Christo 2025

REPRESENTATIVE TO ROCKINGHAM PLANNING COMMISSION

Phil Winslow
Jaci Grote

**** REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT ****

(2-year term)

Jaci Grote (Rye) 2024
Dennis Malloy (Greenland) 2024
Peggy Balboni (Rye) 2024

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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Matthew Scruton

FINANCE DIRECTOR/ASST. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

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RECREATION DIRECTOR

Dyana Martin

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Milon "Chuck" Marsden
Vincent Bauer, Deputy

HEALTH OFFICER

Gail A. Snow, MD

CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT

John Coscia

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Andrew Richmond

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Kevin Walsh
Alan Gould, Deputy

FIRE CHIEF

Mark Cotreau

POLICE CHIEF

Kevin Walsh
Scott Blaisdell, Deputy Chief

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Mark Cotreau

HARBOR MASTER

Leo Axtin

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Jason Rucker

*****TOWN HALL STAFF*****

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

Janice Ireland, Executive/Finance Assistant

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT

Ed Tinker, Assessor**
Joanne Drewniak, Assessing Clerk
**Municipal Resources, Inc.

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Lee Arthur, Sewer Director

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Amy Thibodeau, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Lindsay Murphy, Assistant Town Clerk/Tax Collector

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Victoria Loring, Administration & Program Assistant

PLANNING/ZONING OFFICE

Kim Reed, Planning Administrator
Kara Campbell, Land Use Assistant

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Sandy Dufresne, Administrative Assistant

TREASURER'S OFFICE

Constance Abell, Deputy Treasurer

Selectmen's Report

Town Hall Annex: In February 2021, the Town of Rye acquired the former TD Bank building (now known as the Town Hall Annex) located at 500 Washington Road in Rye, NH. The acquisition was made to solve the decades long space needs issue of the Rye Town Hall. A Town Hall Facility Needs Assessment Committee was chartered in 2012. Since this time, over the span of more than ten years, there have been many different proposals and fourteen separate warrant articles that have attempted to address the space needs that have existed. Since this acquisition, the building has been renovated to accommodate the following offices: The Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Assessing Department, the Finance Director/Assistant Town Administrator, and the Supervisors of the Checklist. Staff began moving into the Town Hall Annex in December of 2022. The building includes modern features that help support town employees and benefit the public. One of the most noticeable features of the Annex is that all offices are at ground level and ADA compliant. The building also includes a drive-through to make it easier for many residents to conveniently perform transactions at the Town Clerk's Office. The Annex budget, as approved by both the Select Board and Budget Committee, totaled \$650,000 which was funded through the following two sources: \$250,000 from the Municipal Buildings Construction and Renovation Capital Reserve Fund and \$400,000 from the ARPA funds received. We appreciate all the work and time spent on the project by Finance Director/Assistant Town Administrator Becky Bergeron, who served as clerk of the works on the project. With only a few items left to complete phase one of the project, at the end of 2022, the project remains under budget and is on track to stay under budget. We also thank the Rye Department of Public Works, town staff, residents, and everyone else that has assisted with and contributed to the project.

Cell Tower Status: Expanding cell coverage has been an ongoing challenge in the seacoast area including Rye. It remains a priority for the Select Board going forward. Several years ago the town created a wireless overlay district which can be seen in our ordinances (190 5.5) which listed a number of locations around Rye which was felt accommodated the "dead" zones around town. As of 2022 none of these have met the criteria required by the various cellular companies. Rather, with over a year of negotiations we identified a parcel of town owned land adjacent to Port Way that was suitable for Verizon to construct a tower, which has been in service since February 2022. Following that installation AT&T has now placed an additional antenna at that location. The result has been better Verizon reception in the northern part of town towards Foyes Corner and west along a short portion of RT-1. Many AT&T customers are also seeing similar improvement along the same routes. Other towers including: Grove Road, Rye Congregational Church steeple and the water tower on the west side of RT-1 serves parts of town as well. The zones which are under served are along the beach and center of town. It's estimated that at least two additional towers will be necessary for full town coverage. Several potentially promising locations have been identified and we are in process of vetting these for possible cell tower sites. Every effort is being made to locate town owned land as the revenue would be financially beneficial to the town. However, the overarching issue is coverage not only for better voice and digital coverage but safety as well. Every quarter the town publishes a town newsletter. As details on new towers is gathered look for updates.

Staff Changes: 2022 brought a number of staff changes. Following several years of searching for a new Finance Director, Becky Bergeron agreed to take up the position of Finance Director and also serve as the Assistant Town Administrator. This role enables her to use her strong financial and analytical skills to ensure the continued financial strength and control of our Town's financial resources. Police Chief Kevin Walsh, agreed to temporarily serve as the interim Town Administrator while the Select Board did an expanded search to fill that position. Following multiple interviews of candidates, we were pleased to hire Matthew Scruton, the prior Greenland Town Administrator, as our new Rye Town Administrator. Matthew brings with him a strong background in municipal government, having also previously served as chair of the Board of Selectmen and on multiple town boards and committees in other towns. He has a masters in business administration from UNH and has prior service as a NH State Representative.

Following the retirement of Dennis McCarthy, our prior Director of Public Works, we conducted a broad-based search for his replacement and were pleased to have hired Jason Rucker who officially took over that position in January of 2022. Jason came from the Town of Exeter where he was the General Foreman for their Public Works, Highway Department. In addition to his 14+ years of experience in equipment operations, winter maintenance, solid waste disposal, and general road maintenance, Jason is also a State Certified Culvert Maintainer, Salt Applicator, and a Master Road Scholar. Prior to his municipal

Work, Jason spent thirteen years as a wilderness guide in Alaska prior to opening his own outdoor center in Denali National Park.

After a particularly arduous search the Recreation Commission and the Select Board were very pleased to hire Dyana Martin to fill the position of Recreation Director left open by Lee Arthur who moved to head up the Sewer Department. Dyana previously served as the Hampton Recreation Director for 22 years. In addition to her 33 years as a member of the National Recreation and Parks Association she is also a 30-year member of the NH Recreation and Parks Association, a Certified Parks and Recreation Professional, and a lifeguard. We were very pleased to find such a qualified candidate for this important position.

Kara Campbell joined Rye mid-year in 2022 to fill the new Town's Land Use Assistant position. Kara brings her strong administrative talents to Rye and comes to the Town of Rye with a wealth of planning, zoning, and conservation experience. She has worked for municipalities in three states: Massachusetts, South Carolina, and New Hampshire. Her most recent experience was next door, in the Town of Hampton. She specializes in issues facing coastal communities, including wetlands regulations, flooding, sea level rise, storm damage, and exponential population growth. She enjoys working with the public especially in a small community like Rye.

Lang Road US 1 Intersection reconfiguration finally completed: After six years of funding applications, engineering, easement negotiations, bidding, and site work the intersection of Lang Road exiting onto US was finally completed in the summer of 2022. The purpose of the work is to protect vehicles entering US 1 from Rye along Lang Road thereby making accessing US 1 safer particularly for south bound US1 traffic.

Traffic going west on Lang Road, out of Rye, which intend to travel north on US 1 will find no change except for a slight curve in the road prior to reaching US 1. Traffic intersecting from Lang onto US 1 will only be allowed to take a right onto US 1. Westbound traffic on Lang Road with intentions on travelling south on US 1 will follow Lang to the intersection of Longmeadow Road which in turn intersects with US 1 at the Ocean Road traffic light. This offers a protected safe left turn onto US 1 and safe access onto Ocean Road for those proceeding into Greenland.

Department of Transportation rules do not allow for a traffic signal at the corner of Lang Road and US 1 thereby requiring this new intersection configuration. This now allows protected access from Rye onto US 1 on another key exit point from Town. Outbound traffic from Rye now offers protected left turns onto US 1 from Elwyn Road, Washington Road, and now Lang Road. A long time coming but a much-needed major safety improvement now completed.

Pease Cargo Facility: At their January 2022 meeting, the Pease Development Authority (PDA) approved giving a 180-day option to Procon/Kane on two parcels of land at Pease: Hanger 227 at the end of Aviation Avenue and on property adjacent to the airports north apron (40 acres of undeveloped land). These sites would potentially house over 724,000 sq feet of air cargo warehouse space. At the Rye March election, a group of Rye residents maned a table with details on the impact of this project on the residents of Rye. Rye is directly on the flight path for runway 34 which is used by 80% of all flights coming into and out of Pease. Aircraft enter Rye over Straws Point and fly directly over the center of Town at normally 1,200 to 1,800 feet high. As the majority of air freight aircraft fly at night, the noise from these aircraft would easily awaken residents in that area of Town. In addition to the night time noise, such a facility would result in vastly increased heavy truck traffic and would most certainly change the quality of life for many seacoast residents. Both the aircraft and heavy truck traffic would also generate substantially increased environmental pollution.

At the March election nearly 500 residents signed a petition to "Say No To Pease Cargo" and subsequently the petition has been signed by over 1,000+ seacoast residents. Responding to the request by a myriad of Rye residents, the Select Board submitted a letter to the PDA Board expressing our concerns, on behalf of these residents, and objected to the cargo facility plans. The Town of Durham has also submitted a similar letter. Select Board members also attended and spoke at PDA meetings throughout 2022. Many letters to the editor of the Portsmouth Herald have been also submitted by Rye and seacoast residents objecting to the plans for the cargo facility. At the May 19th PDA Board Meeting we were

pleased to hear representatives from ProCon/Kane announce that they have decided not to pursue an air cargo facility at Pease. They expressed their interest now to work with other types of aeronautical research and development companies as well as potential advanced manufacturing end users.

That said, another development company, East West Aeronautical announced that they are committed to bring an air cargo proposal to the PDA Board. Per an interview by Roger Woods, associate publisher at “In Depth NH”, with Eric Anderson President of East West Aeronautical, Mr. Anderson made it clear that his company was moving forward with a plan to create a Cargo Facility at Pease. As of December 31, 2022 no further applications to construct a cargo facility have been presented. Your Select Board have continued to speak at PDA Board Meetings against any air cargo facility applications at Pease. The Select Board also continues to follow the PDA meeting agendas and application schedule closely and will update Rye residents on any plan to expand cargo facilities at Pease.

An ironic experience occurred during the Rye Tree Lighting Ceremony this December which made it clear to everyone there what it would be like if an air cargo facility were to be built at Pease. Immediately following the tree lighting, the choir began to sing “Silent Night” just as a C-17 aircraft, flying into Pease, flew directly over the ceremony at about 1,200 ft and completely drowned out the singing—all that you could hear and see were the roar of the aircraft engines and the mouths of the choir members opening and closing. Needless to say, it was not “a silent night” in Rye on that December evening. It was however a good example of what would happen multiple times a day and night if an air cargo facility was operating at Pease. 80% of all flights into and out of Pease follow runway 34 approach which bring the aircraft directly over the center of Rye at normally between 1,200 and 1,800 ft.

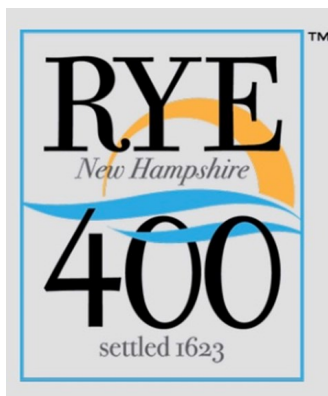
Regional Association Review Committee: Did you know that the Town receives requests for monetary donations annually from Regional Association organizations (i.e., Cross Roads House and the American Red Cross) that have been previously approved by warrant article? Once approved by town vote, these organizations stay on the approved list indefinitely, applying annually for a specific amount. Over several decades the number has increased to 21 organizations totaling approximately \$56,000 annually. The Select Board determined that this is an appropriate time to review these requests to ensure our tax dollars are being spent appropriately and efficiently. Therefore, the Select Board created a Regional Association Review Committee to analyze all funding requests received from Regional Association organizations and evaluate each request in terms of relevance, proportionality, and benefit to the residents of Rye. The Committee, consisting of Chair Linda Toumpas, along with Susan Cole Ross, Suzanne Barton, Valerie Fagin and Ronnie Werner, all with extensive knowledge of the social services industry, met several times during the year and made suggestions which allowed for improved data collection for next year. The Select Board looks forward to the final report and recommendations in 2023.

Rye Town Center Committee: In 2019, Rye sponsored a town wide Charrette to create a comprehensive vision for the Town Center. Recommendations were proposed to create sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and a lighted crosswalk. The Select Board chartered the Rye Town Center Committee (RTCC) to take these proposals and implement a TAP (Transportation Alternatives Program) Grant application for funding, which was submitted in 2020. It took over two years for this grant to receive final approval and funding. In late 2022, the Select Board split these duties and chartered a new committee to advise on technical aspects of the project (TAP Grant Committee) and amended the RTCC charter to again focus on the overall vision of the Town Center as the TAP Grant project, Library Common, and other potential projects proceed to ensure harmonization and recommend potential improvements over the life of this project. Along with this change, long time members Karen Stewart and Funi Burdick left the committee, while members Kaitlyn Coffey, John Loftus, Victor Azzi, Lydia Tilsley and John Mitchell continue to serve with the new charter. This was a long, arduous endeavor and we thank them all for successfully obtaining state funding for this important project.

TAP Grant: Rye’s TAP (Transportation Alternatives Program) Grant received final approval in 2022. To recap: Rye’s TAP grant application calls for the construction of sidewalks, bicycle lanes, road shoulder expansion, cross walks, and lighting for 1,900 linear feet of Washington Road in the center of Rye. It is designed to improve pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular safety in Rye’s center. This project begins just north of the Rye Junior High School and ends just past the Library. Rye’s TAP proposal was approved by the voters in July of 2021 with a commitment of \$300,000 of Town funds. In conjunction with the approval of the funds an application to the State of NH was approved for funding in late summer of 2022

by the State Department of Transportation (DOT). The application requested \$1,040,000 with \$300,000 coming from Rye and \$740,000 funded by the State. Multiple meetings with the Rockingham Planning Commission as well as with Executive Councilor Janet Stevens and DOT Commissioner Victoria Sheehan helped to pave the way for the final DOT approval. Although approved by State DOT, the funding process required that the project be vetted by the State Executive Council, submitted to the State Legislature for funding, and then provided as part of the State Annual Budget for signature by the Governor. Funding was finally approved in the fall of 2022.

The genesis for the Town Center sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and lighted cross walks proposal came from recommendations made during the Town wide Charrette held in May/June of 2019 on a comprehensive vision for the Town Center. Following the Charrette, the Select Board chartered a Rye Town Center Committee (RTCC) to take the input from the Charrette and to come up with a proposal that could be implemented in a timely fashion. Now that all approvals have been obtained, the Select Board split the duties of the RTCC and chartered a new committee, named the TAP Grant Committee, to plan and prepare for implementation of the project. It will advise on the technical aspects of, and contractor recommendations for, the initial engineering phase of the project. This committee will begin work in 2023. Meanwhile, the RTCC, as described above, will continue to focus on the strategic vision of the Town Center.



Rye 400th Anniversary: The Town of Rye, NH, is celebrating its 400th Anniversary in 2023 since first settlement by English merchants in 1623. The Rye Select Board decided to partner with the Rye Historical Society (RHS) as the lead agency to help organize many events to celebrate this great occasion. As an officially recognized non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, RHS can receive tax deductible donations. The RHS organized the Rye400 committee which created the logistical framework required to support sponsors and event partners. This committee, which is led by Rye resident Andy Stecher, also created a trademarked logo, an event website, marketing materials and a fundraising effort. As of the day of this report around 45 different events have already been scheduled. Town administration including Public Works, Police and Fire Departments will assist with the coordination of any logistical and organizational requirements.

The Rye400 fundraising committee has reached out to our community, both residents and businesses, for contributions to help pay for event expenses over and above the \$20,000 which became available due to the generosity of Rye residents via a warrant article in March of 2022. The Rye Select Board greatly appreciates the Rye Historical Society leading the 400th Anniversary celebration effort. This celebration is designed to be an all-inclusive effort. All community groups are invited to participate by creating, sponsoring, and partnering in events. We also challenged all town boards, committees, and commissions to become engaged. Our motto is “do what you do”. We hope organizations, groups and individuals continue to step forward to create or include their events and activities under the Rye400 umbrella. All current information regarding past and forthcoming events can be found at www.RyeNH400.org.

A few events have already occurred: In October 2022, Rye400 banners were affixed to telephone poles in various locations around town to create excitement and provide awareness of the celebration. The kick-off event for the anniversary celebration occurred on Sunday, December 4th, as a combined holiday parade, candlelight stroll through Town Center and a tree lighting ceremony at Parsons Field. Numerous residents volunteered in this effort, along with the Historic District Commission, which put luminaries along both sides of Washington Road in the town center, the Fire Department, which strung the lights on the tree, and the Police Department, which kept everyone safe! The Congregational Church choir led the candlelight stroll to Parsons Field, where the tree lighting occurred as the choir sang. A festive beginning to our 400th Anniversary!

Salt Shed: On November 14, 2022, the Town of Rye Public Works Department held a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the completion of construction of the Rye Salt Storage Facility. The vision for the salt shed began in 2005 when a Salt/Sand Storage Building Capital Reserve Fund was established by the Town. Over the years, additional warrant articles were approved by the town allowing for the design work, planning, and ultimately the construction of the facility. Some of the major objectives of the project were to:

- Protect the town’s water supply by maintaining all salt storage and handling under cover.
- Protect the town’s water supply by maintaining all salt storage and handling on an impervious surface.
- Minimize the potential for groundwater contamination by winter deicing materials and water runoff.
- Increase the salt storage capacity from 250 tons to 750 tons (roughly half of the town’s yearly salt supply). Having a large reserve on site helps when regional demand for salt peaks and local salt supplies are reduced and salt deliveries are typically delayed.
- Ensure uninterrupted road deicing operation by securing an adequate and available salt supply.
- Replace the structurally inadequate and undersized storage shed which is over 30 years old.

Special thanks and appreciation to the residents for supporting this project and to: former DPW Director Dennis McCarthy, current DPW Director Jason Rucker, the Rye Select Board, present and past Town Administrators, the Budget Committee, the Capital Improvements Program Committee, the Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Adjustment, the Building Department, the Finance Department, the Public Works Department, Buildings and Grounds Division, the Select Board’s Office, Iron Horse Construction, Regan Electric and Continental Paving, Hoyle Tanner Associations Inc., Northern Tree Service, Eversource Electric, DBU Construction CMA Engineers.

Water District Boil Water Order: 2022 provided a wakeup call on the importance of drinking water for those in the Rye Water District. Beginning on October 12th and continuing for 25 days Rye Water District uses were under a “boil water mandate”. This was due to water test results which showed an unacceptable level of coliform in our drinking water. While the water district staff worked long hours to resolve the issue, we at home fretted over boiling water, teaching young children (and even older members of our family) to brush their teeth with bottled or previously boiled water, to wash dishes with boiled water, and in some cases find out that we had a sanitize setting on our dishwasher that we had never used.

Many of us were informed of the boil water order via a reverse 911 call within hours of the order going into effect while some never knew about the order until days later. The key to being a recipient of the reverse 911 call was to have signed up on line for the NH Alert system---a simple process of googling NH Alert and following the prompts to sign up. We highly encourage everyone to sign up thereby ensuring that you are promptly notified of any future emergency alerts on incidents impacting the seacoast. The Rye Emergency Management Team along with the Select Board and Water District began providing free cases of bottled water days after the alert was issued. Police, Fire, and Public Works personnel along with help from the Rye Lions Club worked long hours to provide the water and we want to thank them for their efforts.

The Rye Select Board, the Rye Water District, Rye Emergency Management Team, and NH DES conducted a public session on Sunday, November 6th at the Rye Junior High to provide an update on the Boil Water Mandate and to answer questions from the public. Many good questions were asked of the Water District Commissioners and representatives of the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES). Although the Rye Water District staff are continuing to search for the source of the coliform NH DES tells us that over 50% of the time coliform sources are never found. The most impactful question at the meeting was “is our water safe to drink” to which the DES representative unequivocally stated that Rye water is now absolutely safe to drink

Rye Select Board,
 Phil Winslow, Chairman
 Tom King, Vice-Chairman
 Bill Epperson, Selectman



Tax Rate Breakdown Rye

Municipal Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Municipal	\$6,743,093	\$3,244,252,900	\$2.07
County	\$2,173,417	\$3,244,252,900	\$0.67
Local Education	\$10,365,744	\$3,244,252,900	\$3.20
State Education	\$3,344,277	\$3,226,604,800	\$1.04
Total	\$22,626,531		\$6.98

Village Tax Rate Calculation			
Jurisdiction	Tax Effort	Valuation	Tax Rate
Jenness Beach	\$84,917	\$707,639,800	\$0.12
Rye Beach Village	\$111,138	\$383,233,100	\$0.29
Rye Water District	\$840,820	\$2,050,781,500	\$0.41
Total	\$1,036,875		\$0.82

Tax Commitment Calculation	
Total Municipal Tax Effort	\$22,626,531
War Service Credits	(\$146,500)
Village District Tax Effort	\$1,036,875
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$23,516,906

 Sam Greene Director of Municipal and Property Division New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration	11/14/2022
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Appropriations and Revenues

Municipal Accounting Overview

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Total Appropriation	\$11,897,834	
Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)		(\$4,379,320)
Fund Balance Voted Surplus		\$0
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		(\$973,326)
War Service Credits	\$146,500	
Special Adjustment	\$0	
Actual Overlay Used	\$51,405	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$6,743,093	

County Apportionment

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net County Apportionment	\$2,173,417	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$2,173,417	

Education

Description	Appropriation	Revenue
Net Local School Appropriations	\$14,987,916	
Net Cooperative School Appropriations	\$0	
Net Education Grant		(\$1,277,895)
Locally Retained State Education Tax		(\$3,344,277)
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$10,365,744	
State Education Tax	\$3,344,277	
State Education Tax Not Retained	\$0	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$3,344,277	

Valuation

Municipal (MS-1)

Description	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$3,244,252,900	\$2,204,844,000
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$3,226,604,800	\$2,192,250,300
Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$0	\$0
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities, Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption	\$3,244,252,900	\$2,204,844,000

Village (MS-1V)

Description	Current Year
Jenness Beach	\$707,639,800
Rye Beach Village	\$383,233,100
Rye Water District	\$2,050,781,500

Rye

Tax Commitment Verification

2022 Tax Commitment Verification - RSA 76:10 II

Description	Amount
Total Property Tax Commitment	\$23,516,906
1/2% Amount	\$117,585
Acceptable High	\$23,634,491
Acceptable Low	\$23,399,321

If the amount of your total warrant varies by more than 1/2%, the MS-1 form used to calculate the tax rate might not be correct. The tax rate will need to be recalculated. Contact your assessors immediately and call us at 603.230.5090 before you issue the bills. See RSA 76:10, II

Commitment Amount	
Less amount for any applicable Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIF)	
Net amount after TIF adjustment	

Under penalties of perjury, I verify the amount above was the 2022 commitment amount on the property tax warrant.

Tax Collector/Deputy Signature:	Date:
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Requirements for Semi-Annual Billing

Pursuant to RSA 76:15-a

76:15-a Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes in Certain Towns and Cities - I. Taxes shall be collected in the following manner in towns and cities which adopt the provisions of this section in the manner set out in RSA 76:15-b. A partial payment of the taxes assessed on April 1 in any tax year shall be computed by taking the prior year's assessed valuation times 1/2 of the previous year's tax rate; provided, however, that whenever it shall appear to the selectmen or assessors that certain individual properties have physically changed in valuation, they may use the current year's appraisal times 1/2 the previous year's tax rate to compute the partial payment.

Rye	Total Tax Rate	Semi-Annual Tax Rate
Total 2022 Tax Rate	\$6.98	\$3.49
Associated Villages		
Jenness Beach	\$0.12	\$0.06
Rye Beach Village	\$0.29	\$0.15
Rye Water District	\$0.41	\$0.21

Fund Balance Retention

Enterprise Funds and Current Year Bonds	\$905,307
General Fund Operating Expenses	\$26,875,965
Final Overlay	\$51,405

DRA has provided a reference range of fund balance retention amounts below. Please utilize these ranges in the determination of the adequacy of your municipality's unrestricted fund balance, as currently defined in GASB Statement 54. Retention amounts, as part of the municipality's stabilization fund policy [1], should be assessed dependent upon your governments own long-term forecasts and special circumstances. Please note that current best practices published by GFOA recommend, at a minimum, that "...general purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than two months of regular general fund operating revenues or regular general fund operating expenditures." [2],[3]

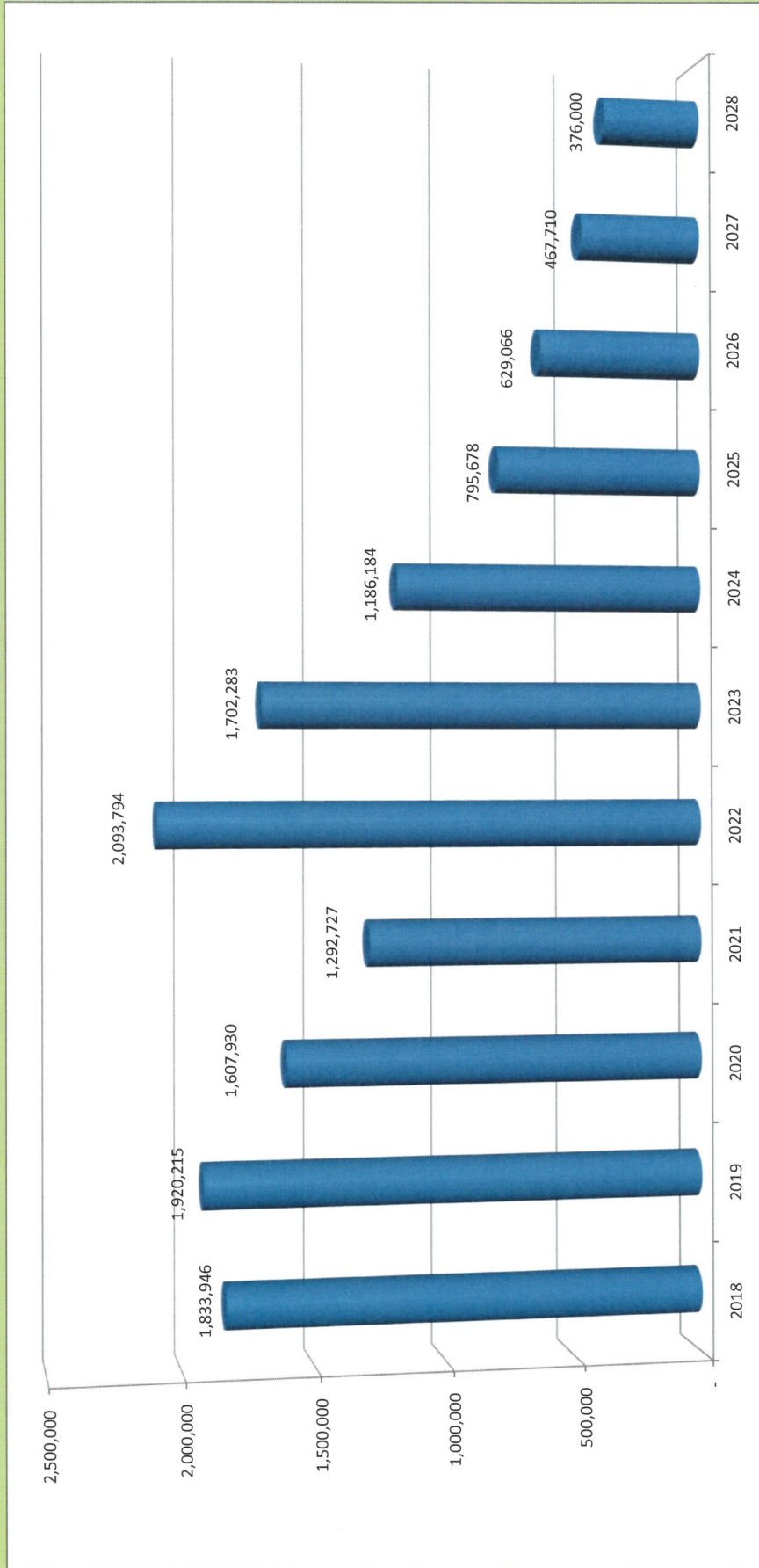
[1] The National Advisory Council on State and Local Budgeting (NACSLB), (1998), *Framework for Improved State and Local Government Budgeting: Recommended Budget Practices (4.1)*, pg. 17.
 [2] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2015), *Best Practice: Fund Balance Guidelines for the General Fund..*
 [3] Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), (2011), *Best Practice: Replenishing General Fund Balance.*

2022 Fund Balance Retention Guidelines: Rye	
Description	Amount
Current Amount Retained (11.40%)	\$3,065,104
17% Retained (<i>Maximum Recommended</i>)	\$4,568,914
10% Retained	\$2,687,597
8% Retained	\$2,150,077
5% Retained (<i>Minimum Recommended</i>)	\$1,343,798

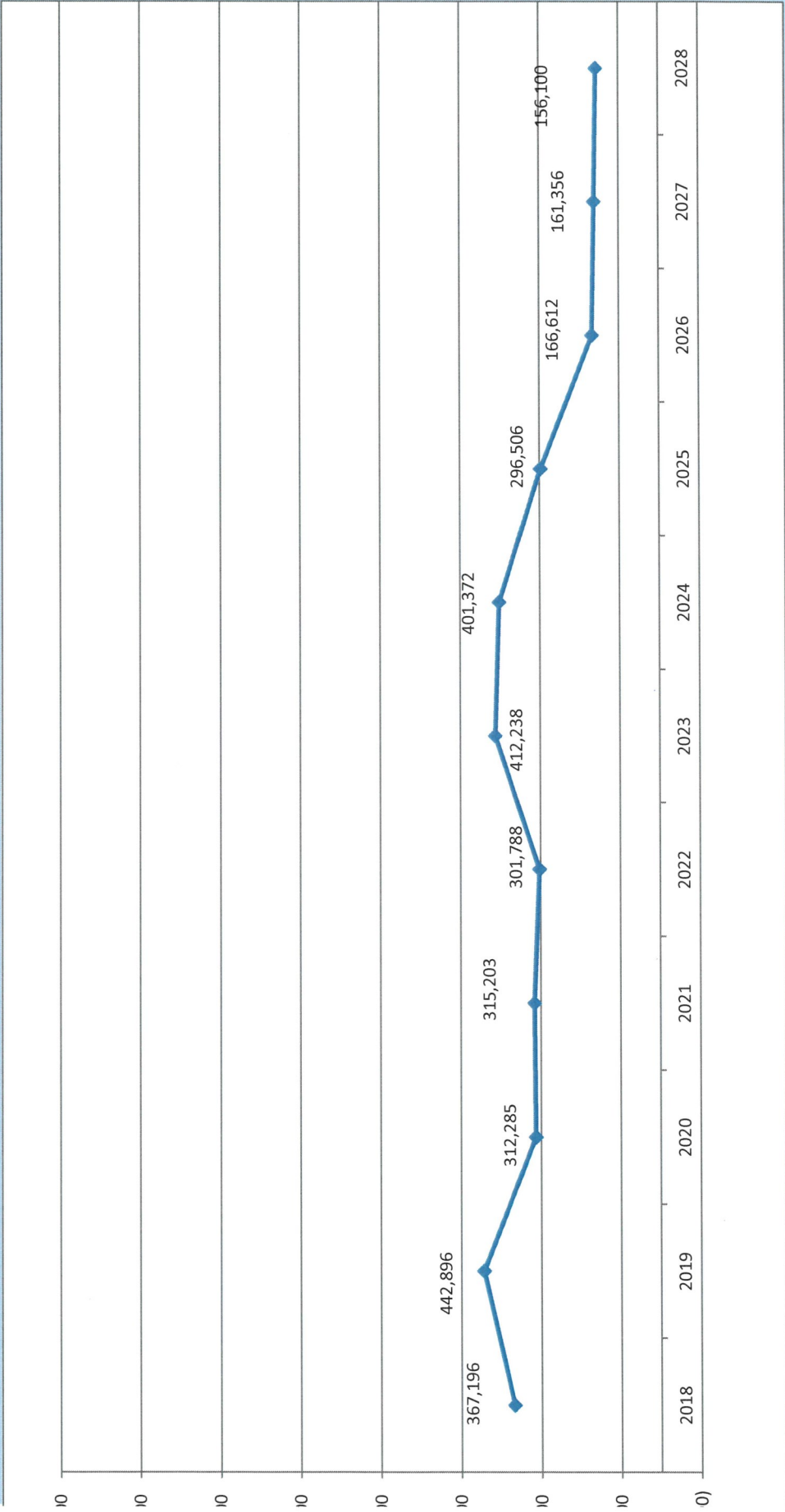
**Town of Rye
Tax Rate History
2022**

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
per 1,000											
TOWN	\$3.44	\$3.12	\$3.68	\$2.96	\$3.00	2.85	\$3.01	\$2.98	\$3.10	\$2.80	\$2.07
COUNTY	\$1.07	\$1.12	\$1.14	\$1.11	\$1.11	1.01	\$1.01	\$1.08	\$0.97	\$0.98	\$0.67
SCHOOL	\$4.27	\$4.29	\$4.20	\$4.37	\$4.08	4.04	\$3.88	\$3.98	\$3.88	\$4.34	\$3.20
STATE											
SCHOOL	\$2.44	\$2.44	\$2.53	\$2.46	\$2.49	2.21	\$2.21	\$2.18	\$2.27	\$2.10	\$1.04
TOTAL	\$11.22	\$0.00	\$10.97	\$11.55	\$10.90	\$10.68	\$10.11	\$10.11	\$10.22	\$10.22	\$6.98
2-RYE											
BEACH	\$0.40	\$0.30	0.41	\$0.25	\$0.27	0.25	\$0.49	\$0.27	\$0.34	\$0.41	\$0.29
3-											
JENNESS											
BEACH	\$0.20	\$0.23	0.24	\$0.24	\$0.29	0.26	\$0.17	\$0.19	\$0.16	\$0.12	\$0.12
4-RYE											
WATER	\$0.51	\$0.62	0.54	\$0.58	\$0.57	0.45	\$0.49	\$0.57	\$0.54	\$0.65	\$0.41
2-RYE											
BEACH	\$11.62	\$11.27	\$11.96	\$11.15	\$10.95	\$10.36	\$10.60	\$10.49	\$10.56	\$10.63	\$7.27
3-											
JENNESS											
BEACH	\$11.42	\$11.20	\$11.79	\$11.14	\$10.97	\$10.37	\$10.28	\$10.41	\$10.38	\$10.34	\$7.10
4-RYE											
WATER	\$11.73	\$11.59	\$12.09	\$11.48	\$11.25	\$10.56	\$10.60	\$10.79	\$10.76	\$10.87	\$7.39
5-											
UTILITY										\$8.12	\$5.94
RATIO											
2004	67.90%	2009	101.20%	2014	90.40%	2019	86.40%				
2005	100%	2010	99%	2015	90.80%	2020	78%				
2006	95.70%	2011	97.30%	2016	86.60%	2021	71.70%				
2007	97%	2012	95.70%	2017	95.50%						
2008	96.40%	2013	94.11%	2018	87.60%						

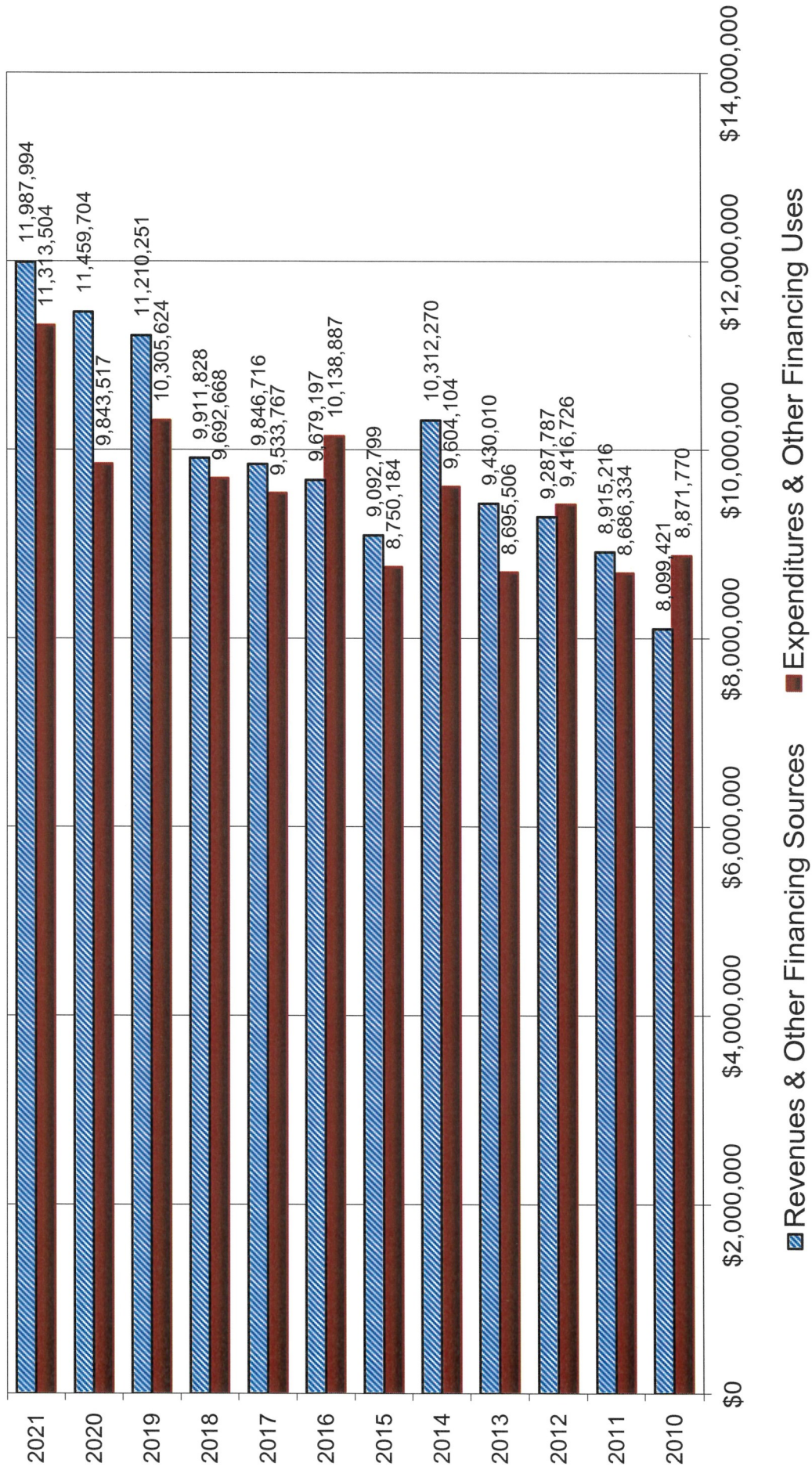
OUTSTANDING LONG TERM DEBT
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 2018 - 2028



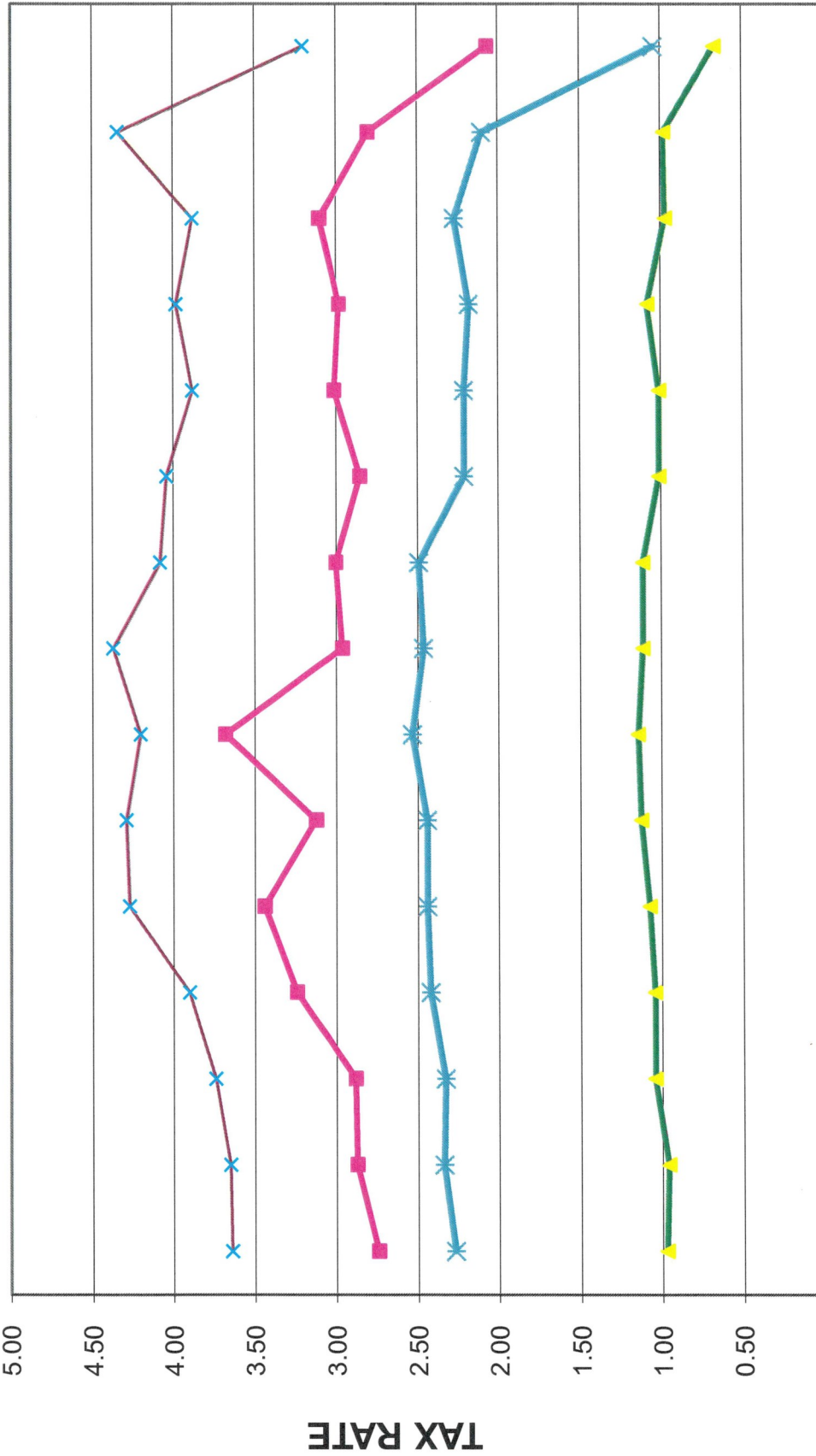
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2018 - 2028**



TOWN OF RYE, NH REVENUES & EXPENDITURES 2010-2021



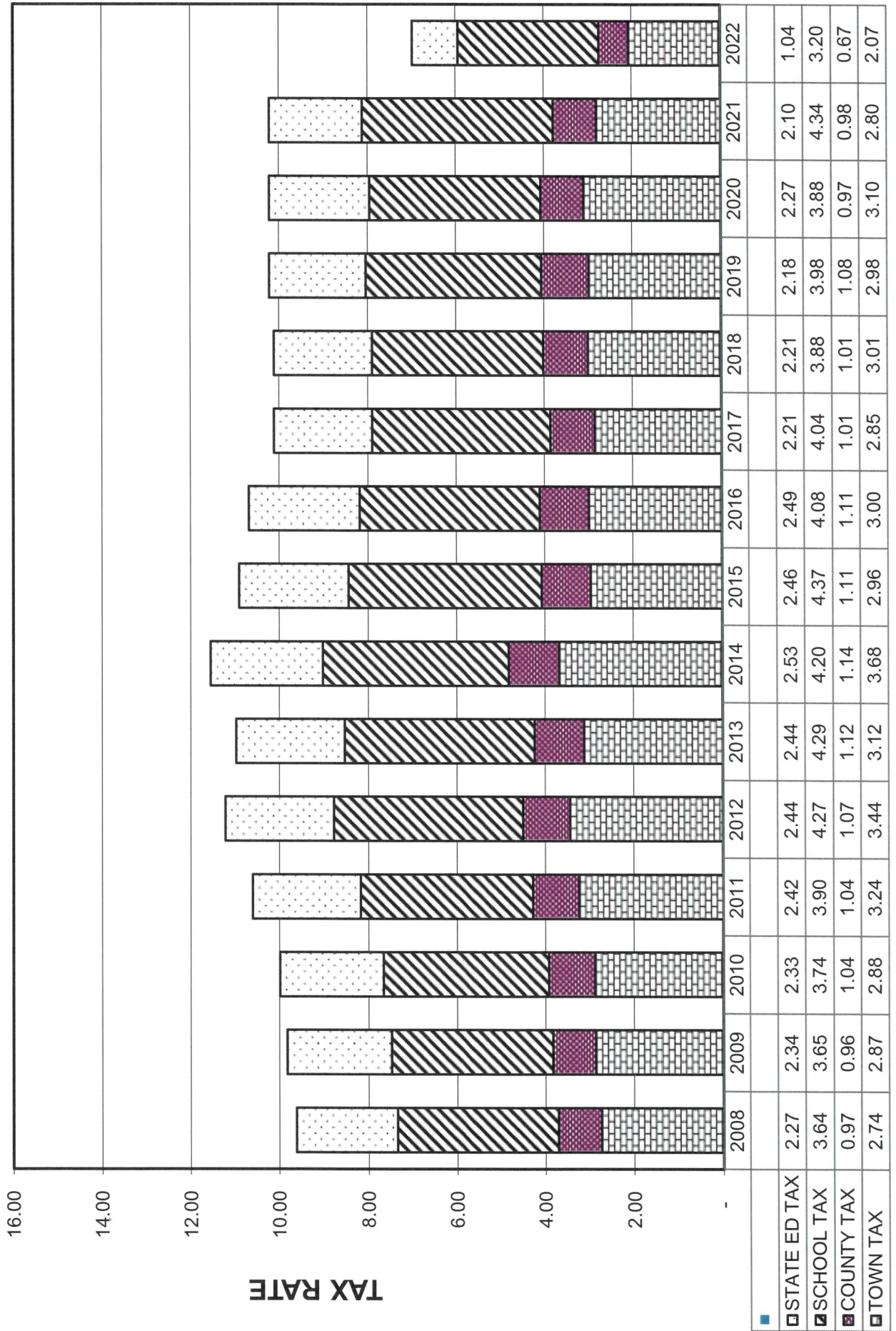
TOWN OF RYE, NH 2008-2022 TAX RATE ANALYSIS



	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
TOWN TAX	2.74	2.87	2.88	3.24	3.44	3.12	3.68	2.96	3.00	2.85	3.01	2.98	3.10	2.80	2.07
COUNTY TAX	0.97	0.96	1.04	1.04	1.07	1.12	1.14	1.11	1.11	1.01	1.01	1.08	0.97	0.98	0.67
SCHOOL TAX	3.64	3.65	3.74	3.90	4.27	4.29	4.20	4.37	4.08	4.04	3.88	3.98	3.88	4.34	3.20
STATE ED TAX	2.27	2.34	2.33	2.42	2.44	2.44	2.53	2.46	2.49	2.21	2.21	2.18	2.27	2.10	1.04

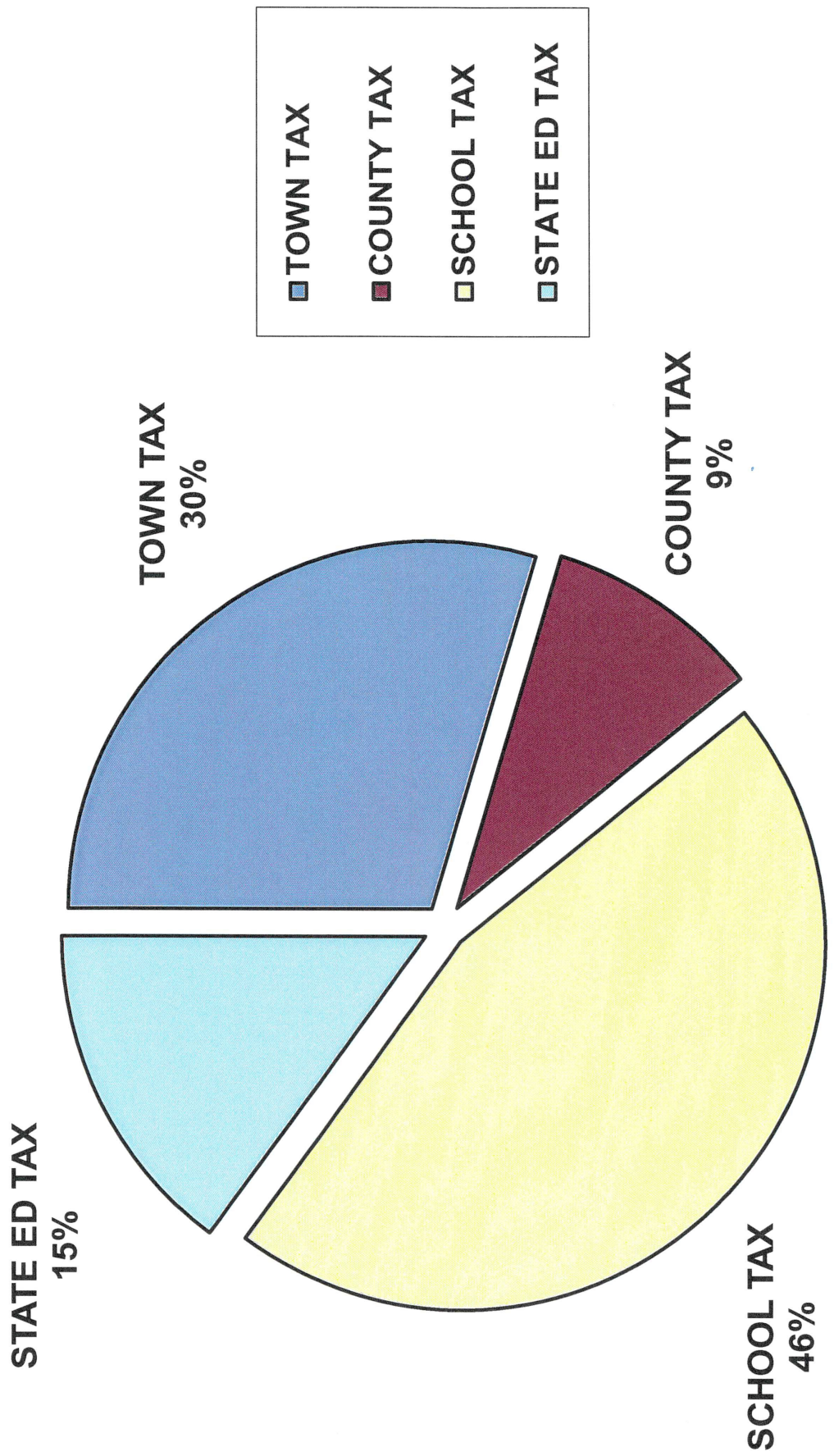
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**TOWN OF RYE, NH
TAX RATE COMPONENTS
2008-2022**

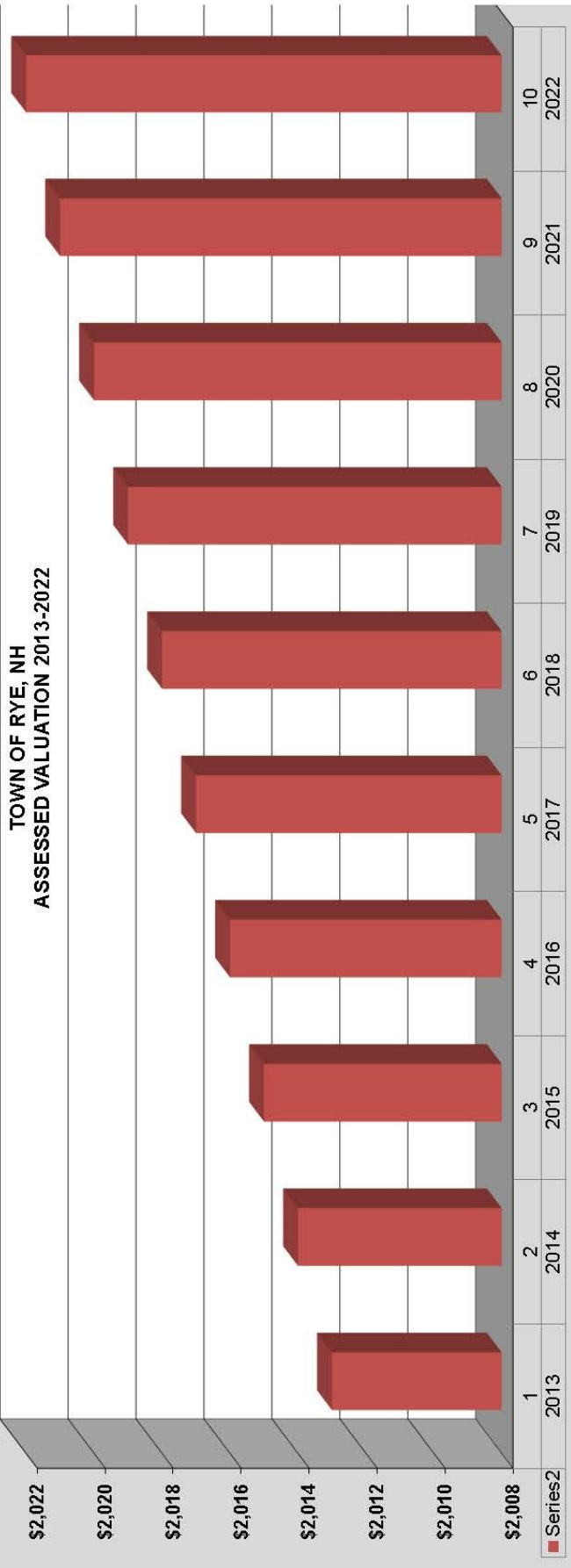


**TOWN OF RYE, NH
2022 TAX RATE**

\$6.98 PER \$1000 OF ASSESSMENT



TOWN OF RYE, NH
ASSESSED VALUATION 2013-2022



TOWN OF RYE, NH
TOP TEN TAXPAYERS
2022

NAME	ASSESSMENT	TAXES LEVIED	TAX RATE	TAXES LEVIED	MAP/LOT
17 STRAWS POINT LLC	\$5,909,500.00	\$49,057.44	\$7.10		091-008
ABENACQUI COUNTRY CLUB INC	\$7,219,000.00	\$52,482.13	\$7.27		005-001
BSL RYE INVESTORS LLC	\$7,401,400.00	\$54,696.35	\$7.39		010-003
TARAMOR 1 LLC	\$7,694,300.00	\$54,629.54	\$7.10		084-095
MARC GRONDAHL	\$7,742,200.00	\$57,214.85	\$7.39		019-161
BLUNTS ISLAND TRSUT	\$7,932,600.00	\$68,621.92	\$7.39		026-009
MARY ZYGALA J 2005 TRUST	\$7,967,600.00	\$57,924.44	\$7.27		002-012-002
ISLE OF LANGDONIA REALTY TR	\$8,191,200.00	\$59,560.04	\$7.27		001-037
NEW CASTLE AVE REALTY TR	\$9,730,900.00	\$69,069.40	\$7.10		084-093
WBTSOC LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	\$12,664,100.00	\$93,567.70	\$7.39		024-061-026
TOTAL	\$83,452,800.00	\$606,853.81			

**Town of Rye, NH
2022 Legal Expenditures**

Michael Donovan Law, PLLC	\$591.00	General Legal Counsel
	\$2,059.63	Legal Services - Unmerger
	\$27,419.95	120 Garland Road
	\$804.73	Legal Services - Pelletier
	\$317.66	Legal Services - Port Way Cell Tower
Building Inspector/Code Enforcement	\$4,092.61	120 Garland Road
	\$1,311.55	40 Garland Road
Conservation Commission	\$17,265.00	General Legal Counsel
	\$44,290.00	120 Garland Road
Planning/Zoning Board	\$10,899.74	General Legal Counsel
	\$3,848.28	Review of LDR & Amendments
	\$762.50	Review of Impact Fees
	\$4,839.03	Review of Zoning Ordinance
Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	\$25,345.55	General Legal Services
	\$3,727.75	Collective Bargaining
	\$37.00	Legal Services - Benson
	\$2,495.50	Legal Services - Brochie
	\$55.50	Legal Services - 711 Long John
Hoover & Flynn, PLLC	\$23,739.48	Police Prosecutor
Jackson Lewis	\$150.00	Personnel Matters
	\$2,130.00	Union Grievance
Devine, Millimet & Branch	\$4,000.00	Bond Opinion
2022 Total Legal Expenses:	\$180,182.46	

TOWN OF RYE CONSERVATION
PROPERTIES

ADDRESS	MAP/LOT	AC	VALUE	PAID	BK&PAGE	sale date	PREVIOUS OWNER
0 CEDAR RUN	004-014-002	27.58	636,100.00	\$350,000.00	5703/0016	3/31/2016	MEADOWS AT SOUTH & WEST LLC
557 WEST RD	004-016	5.00	48,800.00		3424/0961	9/10/1999	ELDRIDGE
515 SOUTH RD & 519	004-020	2.47	47,200.00		3394/2822	4/21/1999	PRIME PROPERTIES
0 SOUTH RD	004-021	1.54	46,600.00	\$300.00	2400/0767	10/26/1981	HETTT ANNA S
0 SOUTH RD	004-022	1.32	46,500.00				
505 SOUTH RD	004-023	1.46	46,600.00		2346/1751	10/13/1981	HANCOCK (TOWN)
0 SOUTH RD	004-024	2.00	46,900.00		2793/0513	5/19/1989	LITTLEFIELD
0 AUTUMN LANE	004-025-002	3.67	793,900.00	GIFTED	5910/756	5/29/2018	WNRY LLC/JENNESS PROP
485 SOUTH RD	004-026	11.24	52,700.00	\$28,600.00	4739/0111	11/22/2006	RAND LUMBER
0 SOUTH ROAD	004-032	56.39	115,500.00	\$300,000.00	5921/1863	5/29/2018	WNRY LLC/JENNESS PROP
WEST ROAD REAR	006-005	2.97	48,800.00	\$10,000.00	6075/960	12/30/2019	METALIOUS
WEST ROAD REAR	006-009-002	53.30	666,300.00	\$625,000.00	6201-1079	11/9/2020	81 WEST RDPATRICIA BROWN PROP
18 GROVE RD	007-086	12.11	53,200.00		2437/1064	2/28/1983	CONSERVATION TAX DEED
100 GROVE RD	007-093	11.20	70,000.00		3802/1721	7/18/2002	CELL TOWER SHANAHAN
96 GROVE RD	007-096PR3&4	32.96	132,600.00		3394/2822	4/21/1999	CELL TOWER
416 CENTRAL RD	008-023	7.01	121,400.00		3470-1477	4/28/2000	RAND LUMBER
63 SPRING RD	008-030-001	11.30	18,600.00		5085/1019	1/26/2010	SPLAINE
251 HARBOR RD	008-051	8.89	878,100.00	\$1,300,000.00	5164/0401	11/10/2010	MUNSEY/GOSS/gross farm
170 HARBOR RD	008-055	0.62	16,800.00		3915/0216	12/23/2002	PATRICK
99 LOCK ROAD	008-066	2.57	52,100.00		3802-1721	7/18/2002	CELL TOWER
0 OCEAN BLVD	008-068	0.68	104,700.00		2249/02333	12/16/1975	BROWN, IVY
0 HUNTERVALE AVE	081-094	0.33	402,800.00		2230-1468	11/22/1974	BROWN JAMES D
0 OCEAN BLVD	084-158	1.15	40,000.00	GIFTED	5868-2976	11/4/2017	ANDERSON
145 LAFAYETTE RD	010-012	10.50	558,300.00		2382-1965	2/2/1981	SEWALL/TAX COLL DEED
15 AIRFIELD DR	010-015-002	10.50	279,200.00	\$173,250.00	4905/2147	3/28/2008	RICKERT
6 WHITEHORSE DR	011-002	93.91	315,600.00	\$200,000.00	3977-1523	3/13/2003	WHITEHORSE
15 WHITEHORSE DR	011-003	0.12	382,000.00		399-1523	3/13/2003	WHITEHORSE
0 MOUNTAIN VIEW TERR	011-032	8.12	60,300.00		3971-0854	11/19/2003	MOODY
200 LOCKE RD	012-002	12.02	531,700.00	\$250,000.00	4309/0682	6/10/2004	BROWN
75 RECREATION RD	012-080	14.14	6,200.00	\$184,250.00	4736/0109	11/22/2006	RAND LUMBER
1575 OCEAN BLVD	012-089	5.00	115,700.00		3226/1265	12/4/1996	GOODWIN GIFT
1565 OCEAN BLVD	012-090	1.96	112,400.00		no bk/pg	7/17/1997	NO INFO
1807 OCEAN BLVD	013-002	0.93	0.00		2204/1023	6/15/1973	JOSEPH DRAKE
0 OCEAN BLVD	013-034-00A	11.90	300.00		2270/1129	8/20/1975	HARYVEY 1/6 OWNER
0 LAFAYETTE RD	014-002	9.25	49,400.00		2473/0716	12/15/1983	TAYLOR-GRAY
24 LAFAYETTE RD	014-013	16.40	53,600.00		NO BK/PAGE		NO INFO
28 LAFAYETT RD	014-014	12.53	51,300.00		NO BK/PAGE	8/28/1983	NO INFO
0 LAFAYETTE RD	014-015	9.50	49,500.00		2368/0684	1981	ELIOT, MEISSNER, COVENTHER
36 LAFAYETTE RD	015-001	14.25	52,400.00		NO BK/PAGE	5/28/1980	NO INFO
30 LAFAYETTE RD	015-002	5.96	47,400.00		NO BK/PAGE	6/5/2005	NO INFO
0 WASHINGTON RD	015-005	4.25	48,300.00		5281/2732	1/6/2012	DONATED BY HEIRS HERLIHY
643 WASHINGTON RD	015-008	2.00	1,300.00	\$14,400.00	4704/1766	8/31/2006	THOMASHAGUE
0 LANG ROAD	015-015	12.75	42,900.00		2524/1174	9/26/1984	CHEN GIFTED
0 WALLIS ROAD	016-071-022	73.39	101,000.00	\$1,260,000.00	5757/2781	9/30/2016	WALLIS RD PROP
309 WASHINGTON RD	016-129-001	23.60	147,500.00	\$385,000.00	4534-0237	5/3/2005	MARDEN
214 WASHINGTON RD	016-170	20.00	70,100.00		3181/2208	10/16/1996	VARRELL WOODS
500 WASHINGTON RD	016-201	3.71	650,500.00	\$700,000.00	6241/2792	10/26/8065	TD BANK TRANS TO TOWN
548 WASHINGTON RD	016-204-001	5.48	900.00	\$255,000.00	5052/1046	7/14/1905	JOSEPH
40 WALLIS RD	017-051	24.65	212,700.00	\$1,500,000.00	4395/1873	11/15/2004	SCULLY
0 BRACKETT RD	017-056	5.00	40,000.00		2223/0072	3/2/1993	PALMER

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TOWN OF RYE CONSERVATION
PROPERTIES

546 BRACKETT RD	017-058	2.55	37,800.00			2970/1434	3/2/1993	FLANIGAN
650 BRACKETT RD	017-060	42.53	39,300.00			2201/0131	4/12/1973	REMICK/TUCKER
0 BRACKETT RD	017-062	10.40	41,700.00	PAID 40,000 FOR 17-62 & 4025		4920/2568	4/24/2008	SOUTHEAST LAND TRUST
0 WALLIS ROAD	173-007	2.87	44,300.00	\$5,000.00		3162/1564	6/19/1996	WALTER GARANT
0 WALLIS ROAD	173-006-001	0.23	67,400.00			3866/1144	10/24/2002	KENNETH STANLEY
0 WILLIAMS STREET	174-025	1.42	61,600.00			4920/2568	4/24/2008	SOUTHEAST LAND TR NH
0 WILLIAMS STREET	174-026	48.00	51,900.00	\$10,000.00		6075-965	12/30/2019	BLAKE ROBERT P RT OF WAY ON LOT 27
0 LIBERTY COM	018-028	20.60	58,600.00			2757/0592	8/29/1988	HOLLETT-SARGENT
6 VICTORY LANE	018-032-006	20.03	72,100.00	GIFTED		3175/0698	9/30/1996	TREFETHEN
329 BRACKETT RD	019-037	3.33	39,300.00			3588/1529	5/30/2001	REARDON-PICKERING
265 PARSONS RD	019-099	5.00	27,700.00			2422/0772	6/4/2014	TAX DEED-CONSERVATION
259 PARSONS RD	019-100	10.84	63,300.00			2382/1966	8/20/1975	TAX DEED-CONSERVATION
0 PARSONS RD	019-106	0.66	46,500.00			5103/0249	3/4/2010	JARVIS
32 MARSH RD	019-120	6.98	58,100.00			2436/0225	2/28/1983	TAX DEED-CONSERVATION
34 MARSH RD	019-121	3.15	79,400.00			6274-299	4/21/2021	TRANSFER FROM GRONHAHL 019-161
0 OCEAN BLVD	194-056	0.42	56,800.00	\$13,400.00		5762/0601	10/13/2016	ESTATE OF FRANCES KOST
60 OCEANVIEW AV	194-031	2.81	88,500.00			4615/0680	10/25/2005	POKORNEY PURCHASED 1'94-031&194/050
47 APPLEDORE AVE	194-050	0.63	55,900.00	\$50,000.00		4615-0680	10/25/2005	POKORNEY
1179 OCEAN BLVD	194-057	0.31	55,500.00			2234/1393	3/20/1975	HARTFORD
1173 OCEAN BLVD	194-058	0.24	53,800.00			2234-1393	3/20/1975	HARTFORD
42 MORGAN CT	021-002	3.25	49,100.00	\$100,000.00		4802/2884	5/24/2007	PD 200,000 OF WHICH 100,00 COURT SETTLL SPINOSA
179 PIONEER ROAD	022-074-000-PR1	58.69	800,300.00			2912/2232	2/27/1992	FIRST ESSEX SAV BK -BISCHOFF WILLIAM
0 PIONEER RD	022-074-000-PR4	13.50	84,400.00			NO BK/PAGE	6/4/1974	TOWN
176 BRACKETT RD	022-101	6.98	40,000.00			6048/1257	10/15/2019	GIVEN TO CONSERVATION FROM TOWN
0 PORT WAY	023-001	13.92	54,400.00			2619/2467	7/16/1986	SWEETSER
0 OCEAN BLVD	023-008	0.87	74,500.00			3226/1266	7/17/1997	BEMIS
681 OCEAN BLVD	023-010	16.33	84,200.00			5103/0249	4/14/2010	JARVIS GIFTED
0 OCEAN BLVD	023-011	3.10	32,200.00			NO BK/PAGE	6/4/1973	NO INFO
667 OCEAN BLVD	023-013	2.63	31,800.00			NO BK/PAGE	7/5/1978	NO INFO
663 OCEAN BLVD	023-014	75.50	92,000.00			PARCEL ASSESSED WITH 023-014	11/15/1976	NO INFO
665 OCEAN BLVD	023-015	0.00	0.00			2301/0504	12/1/1978	BROWN
0 SAGAMORE RD	024-071	7.83	54,800.00			2777/1371	1993	BROWN
455 OCEAN BLVD	025-006	0.23	47,900.00			NO BOOK/PAGE INFO	1974	NO INFO
445 OCEAN BLVD	025-007	1.41	61,600.00			2301/0504	12/2/1977	BROWN
0 PIONEER RD	025-009	4.30	48,400.00			2230-1468	11/22/1974	BROWN JAMES D
0 HUNTERVALE AVE	081-094	0.34	402,800.00			3918-1929	12/27/2002	YOUSCHAK GIFTED
2072 OCEAN BLVD	084-159	0.09	24,800.00			4548/1433	8/24/2005	NARBONNE-CLARK GIFTED
0 GUZZI DR	202-094	0.19	63,200.00					
		284.16						
WAITING FOR SUBDIVISION FOR PROPERTY ON 81 WEST ROAD FALL 2020								

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS 2022

	OWNER	M/L	AC	VALUE	REC	PAID
245 WEST ROAD	SLEEPER	003-011	23.90	4,700.00	2/1/2006	140,000.00
230 WEST ROAD	SLEEPER	004-010	1.54	100.00	2/1/2006	10,000.00
1090 WASHINGTON ROAD	DEPENDENCE FARM LL	006-028	12.00	2,100.00	9/30/1998	
33 GROVE ROAD	PHILBRICK	007-078	6.45	2,200.00	8/17/2007	847,000.00
305 CENTRAL ROAD	PHILBRICK	008-009	15.69	1,700.00	12/28/2008	SAME
0 CENTRAL ROAD	PHILBRICK	008-016	4.69	100.00	12/28/2008	SAME
166 LOCKE ROAD	WHITE	008-044	8.93	1,000.00	7/20/2004	338,000.00
160 HARBOR ROAD	SAUNDERS TR	092-020	0.41	-	7/2/1905	100FT BUFFER
156 HARBOR ROAD	MILLER	092-020-001	0.16	-	1/31/2011	CONSERVATION EASEMENTS
6 AIRFIELD DRIVE	RICKERT	010-015			11/4/2002	11 29/3-1
0 WASHINGTON ROAD	WARD	011-062	47.20	7,700.00	12/20/2012	
647 WASHINGTON ROAD	HOLWAY	011-064	20.19	1,700.00	8/31/2004	385,000.00
0 WASHINGTON ROAD	HOLWAY	011-082	3.04	100.00	8/31/2004	
0 WASHINGTON ROAD	LOW	011-083	2.77	400.00	7/27/2005	GIFT
680 WASHINGTON ROAD	LIUM	011-085	15.91	3,000.00	12/30/2014	
640 LONG JOHN ROAD	YOUNG	016-144-001	23.80	600.00	12/5/2008	137,000.00
540 WASHINGTON ROAD	JOSEPH	016-203	3.00	1,000.00	10/1/2009	GIFTED
240 WASHINGTON ROAD	CONNELL	016-176	18.70	400.00	6/15/2012	50,000.00
175 WASHINGTON ROAD	BRIDAMOUR	017-020	71.90	11,600.00	6/21/2010	
377 BRACKETT ROAD	CATINO	019-036	36.17	800.00	7/5/2005	WAS GOODWIN PROPERTY
0 FAIRHILL AVE	HOGAN	202-145	0.68	100.00	4/19/2010	PART OF COURT SETTLEMENT
229 SAGAMORE ROAD	STROTT	022-009	30.63	1,100.00	5/16/1997	
	TOTAL		366.46	779,500.00		

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2022

ADDRESS	MAP/LOT	ACREAGE	VALUE	AQUIS	PREVIOUS OWNER
2689 OCEAN BLVD	002-001	0.37	\$1,254,700.00	7/30/1985	NO INFO
553 WEST ROAD	004-015	1.39	\$46,500.00	7/5/1994	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
2380 OCEAN BLVD	005-057	1.65	\$5,088,900.00	2/3/1972	NO INFO
121 PERKINS ROAD	052-012	20	\$46,500.00	6/12/1991	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
2025 OCEAN BLVD	008-067	1.54	\$112,600.00	12/26/1986	METIVIER
2129 OCEAN BLVD	084-045	0.04	\$43,200.00	6/4/1990	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
154 HARBOR ROAD	092-019	0.466	\$67,000.00	6/7/2002	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
10 OLDE PARISH ROAD	012-044	0.2	\$278,800.00	9/27/1995	SANDERS
74 WASHINGTON ROAD	012-053	0.84	\$454,100.00	2/10/1986	NO INFO
112 CENTRAL ROAD	012-061	2.01	\$46,900.00	5/5/1988	PHILBRICK
311 LOCKE ROAD	012-069-001	4.71	\$30,200.00	5/28/1905	HILL
1695 OCEAN BLVD	013-008	0.24	\$1,211,800.00	7/27/2000	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
1589 OCEAN BLVD	013-035	4	\$70,900.00	6/7/1993	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
54 LANG ROAD	015-015	12.75	\$42,900.00	9/26/1984	
514 WALLIS ROAD	016-082-001	2	\$12,800.00	3/18/1954	RAND
0 LONG JOHN ROAD	016-133	0.76	\$337,200.00	5/8/2013	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
690 WALLIS ROAD	016/205	0.11	\$15,200.00	4/15/1905	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
48 WALLIS ROAD	017-083	9.78	\$51,800.00	6/19/1996	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
50 WALLIS ROAD	017-084	2.26	\$47,100.00	4/26/2004	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
11 WALLIS ROAD	173-027	0.14	\$59,700.00	6/18/1999	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
76 LIBERTY COMMON	018-116	1.29	\$443,300.00	8/12/1991	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
330 SAGAMORE ROAD	019-069	2.37	\$48,000.00	4/30/1930	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
263 BRACKETT ROAD	019-094	0.09	\$23,300.00	7/10/1986	NO INFO
270 PARSONS ROAD	019-099-001	0.64	\$46,000.00	6/4/1974	NO INFO
255 PARSONS ROAD	019-101	0.33	\$41,100.00	8/12/1991	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
245 PARSONS ROAD	019-102	0.55	\$43,800.00	6/7/2002	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
258 PARSONS ROAD	019-132	14.2	\$68,100.00	8/12/1991	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
1167 OCEAN BLVD	194-059	0.31	\$55,500.00	4/22/2005	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
5 NEPTUNE DRIVE	202-060	0.15	\$86,700.00	6/26/1990	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
11 NEPTUNE DRIVE	202-061	0.14	\$26,800.00	6/26/1990	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
155 BRACKETT ROAD	022-061	1.78	\$37,800.00	5/13/2004	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
5 BERRYS BROOK LANE	022-069	10	\$51,900.00	4/30/2003	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
0 BRACKETT ROAD	022-098	5.09	\$39,000.00	6/12/1991	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
158 BRACKETT ROAD	022-099	19.91	\$46,500.00	4/26/2004	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
0 PORT WAY	023-001	13.92	\$54,400.00	5/26/2011	TAX COLLECTORS DEED
324 PIONEER ROAD	025-010	0.29	\$37,800.00	3/3/1986	GIFTED TO TOWN BY WILLIAM LEAVEY
TOTALS		136.32	\$10,468,800.00		

TOWN OCCUPIED PROPERTIES
2022

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1								
2	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	LOT	Assess	AC	ACQUISITION		
3	SEWER PUMPING STATION	29 CHURCH ROAD	002-063-00A	\$ 41,400.00	0	1/1/1991		
4	ABENAQUI PUMPING STATION	737 CENTRAL ROAD	005-001-001	\$ 1,700.00	0	1964		
5	OUTER MARKER	105 LOCKE ROAD	008-064	\$ 512,200.00	1.29	7/25/1980		
6	JENNESS BCH PUMP STATION	118 OLD BEACH ROAD	084-175-001	\$ 30,400.00	0	1990		
7	DPW	309 GROVE ROAD	011-134	\$ 817,800.00	7.21	7/10/1981		
8	POLICE STATION-old	37 CENTRAL ROAD	012-038	\$ 559,900.00	0.28	1925		
9	PUBLIC LIBRARY	581 WASHINGTON ROAD	012-042	\$ 2,111,300.00	0.25	6/22/2005		
10	PARSONAGE	575 WASHINGTON ROAD	012-043	\$ 387,200.00	1.9	6/30/1995		
11	TOWN HALL	10 CENTRAL ROAD	012-054	\$ 736,400.00	1.37	1939		
12	CEMETERY & BUILDING	20 CENTRAL ROAD	012-055	\$ 88,000.00	16.5	1988		
13	RECREATION BUILDING	55 RECREATION ROAD	012-079	\$ 2,119,500.00	171.02	3/1/1964		
14	PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING	555 WASHINGTON ROAD	016-007	\$ 3,427,300.00	2.17	4/30/2003		
15	TOWN HALL ANNEX	500 WASHINGTON ROAD	016-201	\$ 650,500.00	1.3	9/7/2021		
16		Total Land with Buildings		\$11,483,600.00	203.29			
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18								\$ 11,483,600.00
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21						203.29		

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1	Location	Map/Lot	acres	Bldg Value	Land Value	Total Value			Acquisition	
2	2689 Ocean Blvd	002-001	0.37	\$ -	\$ 1,254,700.00	\$ 1,254,700.00	Park		7/30/1985	
3	29 Church Rd	002-063-00A	0	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 41,400.00	Pumping Station		1/1/1991	
4	553 West Rd	004-015	1.39		\$ 46,500.00	\$ 46,500.00	tax collectors deed		7/5/1994	3060/2915
5	737 Central Rd	005-001-001	0	\$ 1,700.00		\$ 1,700.00	abenaqui sewer pumping sta		1964	
6	2380 Ocean Blvd	005-057	1.65		\$ 5,088,900.00	\$ 5,088,900.00	ocean front land SAWYER Be		2/3/1972	
7	121 Perkins	052-012	0.21		\$ 46,500.00	\$ 46,500.00	tax collectors deed		6/21/1991	2887/0508
8	105 Locke Rd	008-064	1.29	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 503,800.00	\$ 512,200.00	Beacon for Pease Airport		7/25/1980	2370/0644
9	2025 Ocean Blvd	008-067	1.54		\$ 112,600.00	\$ 112,600.00	METIVIER		12/26/1986	2652/0473
10	2129 Ocean Blvd	084-045	0.04		\$ 43,200.00	\$ 43,200.00	tax collectors deed		6/4/1990	2841/1559
11	118 Old Beach Road	084-175-001	0	\$ 30,400.00		\$ 30,400.00	Jeness pumping station		1990	
12	0 Harbor Rd	092-019	0.47		\$ 67,000.00	\$ 67,000.00	tax collectors deed		6/7/2002	3782/0827
13	309 Grove Rd	011-134	7.21	\$ 277,400.00	\$ 540,400.00	\$ 817,800.00	Public Works Dept		7/10/1981	0605/0110
14	37 Central Rd	012-038	0.28	\$ 107,800.00	\$ 452,100.00	\$ 559,900.00	Old Police station		1925	0838/0075
15	581 Washington Rd	012-042	0.25	\$ 1,746,300.00	\$ 365,000.00	\$ 2,111,300.00	Town Library		6/22/2005	
16	575 Washington Rd	012-043	0.4	\$ -	\$ 387,200.00	\$ 387,200.00	Town Apartments		6/30/1995	3106/2865
17	10 Olde Parish Rd	012-044	0.2		\$ 278,800.00	\$ 278,800.00	Town Museum land		9/27/1995	3122/0260
18	574 Washington Rd	012-053	0.84		\$ 454,100.00	\$ 454,100.00	Town Hall		8/5/2005	
19	10 Central Rd	012-054	1.37	\$ 269,000.00	\$ 467,400.00	\$ 736,400.00	Town Cemetry		1939	
20	20 Central Rd	012-055	16.5	\$ 22,300.00	\$ 65,700.00	\$ 88,000.00	abutting lot to cemetry		1988	1581/0023
21	112 Central Rd	012-061	2.01		\$ 46,900.00	\$ 46,900.00	Land dedeed to cemetry		5/5/1988	2738/1452
22	311 Locke Rd	012-069-002	0.11		\$ 30,200.00	\$ 30,200.00	Recreation area		1975	1448/0263
23	55 Recreation Rd	012-079	171	\$ 210,100.00	\$ 1,909,400.00	\$ 2,119,500.00	tax collectors deed		3/1/1964	2340/0686
24	1695 Ocean Blvd	013-008	0.24		\$ 1,211,800.00	\$ 1,211,800.00	tax collectors deed		7/27/2000	3491/2761
25	1589 Ocean Blvd	013-035	4		\$ 70,900.00	\$ 70,900.00	tax collectors deed		6/7/1993	2988/2078
26	54 Lang Rd	015-015	12.75		\$ 42,900.00	\$ 42,900.00	land		9/26/1984	2524/1174
27	555 Washington Rd	016-007	2.17	\$ 2,949,900.00	\$ 477,400.00	\$ 3,427,300.00	Public Safety Bldg		4/30/2003	4017/0635
28	735 Longjohn Rd	016-133	0.76		\$ 337,200.00	\$ 337,200.00	tax collectors deed		5/8/2013	13130420
29	514 Wallis Rd	016-082-001	0.05		\$ 12,800.00	\$ 12,800.00			3/18/1954	5441/2683
30	690 Wallis Rd	016-205	0.11		\$ 15,200.00	\$ 15,200.00	land		1932	
31	48 Wallis Rd	017-083	9.78		\$ 51,800.00	\$ 51,800.00	tax collectors deed		6/19/1996	3161/2250
32	50 Wallis Rd	017-084	2.26		\$ 47,100.00	\$ 47,100.00	tax collectors deed		4/26/2004	4290/1061
33	11 Wallis Rd	173-027	0.15		\$ 59,700.00	\$ 59,700.00	tax collectors deed		6/18/1999	3406/0882
34	76 Liberty Common	018-116	1.29		\$ 443,300.00	\$ 443,300.00	tax collectors deed		8/12/1991	2887/0510
35	330 Sagamore Rd	019-069	2.37		\$ 48,000.00	\$ 48,000.00	tax collectors deed		4/30/2003	4015/1761

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36	263 Brackett Rd	019-094	0.09		\$ 23,300.00	\$ 23,300.00	Old School House Lot	7/10/1986	
37	270 Parsons Rd	019-099-00A	0.64		\$ 46,000.00	\$ 46,000.00	Traffic Island at intersection	6/4/1974	
38	255 Parsons Rd	019-101	0.33		\$ 41,100.00	\$ 41,100.00	tax collectors deed	8/12/1991	2887/0509
39	245 Parsons Rd	019-102	0.55		\$ 43,800.00	\$ 43,800.00	tax collectors deed	6/7/2002	3782/2002
40	258 Parsons Rd	019-132	14.38		\$ 68,100.00	\$ 68,100.00	tax collectors deed	8/12/1991	2887/0507
41	1167 Ocean Blvd	194-059	0.31		\$ 55,500.00	\$ 55,500.00	tax collectors deed	4/22/2005	4469/0443
42	5 Neptune Dr	202-060	0.15		\$ 86,700.00	\$ 86,700.00	tax collectors deed	6/26/1990	2842/2634
43	11 Neptune Dr	202-061	0.14		\$ 26,800.00	\$ 26,800.00	tax collectors deed	6/26/1990	2842/2636
44	155 Brackett Rd	022-061	1.78		\$ 37,800.00	\$ 37,800.00	tax collectors deed	5/13/2004	4290/1059
45	25 Merrys Brook Ln	022-069	10		\$ 51,900.00	\$ 51,900.00	tax collectors deed	4/30/2003	4015/1760
46	Brackett Rd	022-098	5.09		\$ 39,000.00	\$ 39,000.00	tax collectors deed	6/12/1991	2887/0506
47	158 Brackett Rd	022-099	19.91		\$ 46,500.00	\$ 46,500.00	tax collectors deed	4/26/2004	4290/1060
48	0 Port Way	023-001	13.92		\$ 54,400.00	\$ 54,400.00	tax collectors deed	5/25/2011	5218/1440
49	324 Pioneer Rd	025-010	0.29		\$ 37,800.00	\$ 37,800.00	Gifted to Town	06/02/1851	0343/0413
50		Totals		\$ 5,656,300.00	\$ 15,645,600.00	\$ 21,264,100.00			





Rye
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Municipal Officials		
Name	Position	Signature
Philip Winslow	Chair	
Thomas King	Vice Chair	
William Epperson	Selectman	

Name	Phone	Email
 Preparer's Signature	603-379-8200	jdrownick@Town.Rye.NH.US



Land Value Only		Acres	Valuation	
1A	Current Use RSA 79-A	1,295.00	\$125,550	
1B	Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B	119.00	\$10,800	
1C	Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	0.00	\$0	
1D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	0.00	\$0	
1E	Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0.00	\$0	
1F	Residential Land	3,815.00	\$1,819,920,675	
1G	Commercial/Industrial Land	519.00	\$52,514,175	
1H	Total of Taxable Land	5,748.00	\$1,872,571,200	
1I	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	1,961.00	\$128,732,900	
Buildings Value Only		Structures	Valuation	
2A	Residential	0	\$1,304,860,965	
2B	Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31	0	\$4,534,100	
2C	Commercial/Industrial	0	\$49,044,935	
2D	Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D	0	\$0	
2E	Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F	0	\$0	
2F	Total of Taxable Buildings	0	\$1,358,440,000	
2G	Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings	0	\$57,278,200	
Utilities & Timber			Valuation	
3A	Utilities		\$17,648,100	
3B	Other Utilities		\$0	
4	Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5		\$0	
5	Valuation before Exemption		\$3,248,659,300	
Exemptions		Total Granted	Valuation	
6	Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a	0	\$0	
7	Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b V	0	\$0	
8	Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a	0	\$0	
9	School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23-IV	0	\$0	
10A	Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12	0	\$0	
10B	Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a	0	\$0	
11	Modified Assessed Value of All Properties		\$3,248,659,300	
Optional Exemptions		Amount Per	Total	Valuation
12	Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	\$15,000	0	\$0
13	Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a,b	\$0	21	\$3,950,000
14	Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b	\$0	0	\$0
15	Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b	\$0	0	\$0
16	Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	\$0	0	\$0
17	Solar Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:62	\$0	22	\$456,400
18	Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	\$0	0	\$0
19	Additional School Dining/Dorm/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23	\$0	0	\$0
19A	Electric Energy Storage Systems RSA 72:85	\$0	0	\$0
19B	Renewable Generation Facilities & Electric Energy Systems	\$0	0	\$0
20	Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$4,406,400
21A	Net Valuation			\$3,244,252,900
21B	Less TIF Retained Value			\$0
21C	Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value			\$3,244,252,900
21D	Less Commercial/Industrial Construction Exemption			\$0
21E	Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value and Comm/Ind Construction			\$3,244,252,900
22	Less Utilities			\$17,648,100
23A	Net Valuation without Utilities			\$3,226,604,800
23B	Net Valuation without Utilities, Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value			\$3,226,604,800



Utility Value Appraiser

MRI

The municipality **DOES NOT** use DRA utility values. The municipality **IS NOT** equalized by the ratio.

Electric Company Name	Distr.	Distr. (Other)	Gen.	Trans.	Valuation
HUDSON LIGHT & POWER DEPT GENERATION			\$100		\$100
MASS MUNICIPAL WHOLESAL ELECTRIC GENERATION	\$4,000				\$4,000
NEXTERA ENERGY SEABROOK LLC	\$30,000				\$30,000
PSNH DBA EVERSOURCE ENERGY	\$14,801,100	\$5,100			\$14,806,200
TAUNTON MUNICIPAL LIGHTING CO GENERATION			\$100		\$100
	\$14,835,100	\$5,100	\$200		\$14,840,400
Water Company Name	Distr.	Distr. (Other)	Gen.	Trans.	Valuation
AQUARION WATER COMPANY	\$2,315,000	\$492,700			\$2,807,700
	\$2,315,000	\$492,700			\$2,807,700



Veteran's Tax Credits	Limits	Number	Est. Tax Credits
Veterans' Tax Credit RSA 72:28	\$500	211	\$105,500
Surviving Spouse RSA 72:29-a	\$2,000	1	\$2,000
Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability RSA 72:35	\$2,000	9	\$18,000
All Veterans Tax Credit RSA 72:28-b	\$500	42	\$21,000
Combat Service Tax Credit RSA 72:28-c			
		263	\$146,500

Deaf & Disabled Exemption Report

Deaf Income Limits	Deaf Asset Limits
Single	Single
Married	Married
Disabled Income Limits	Disabled Asset Limits
Single	Single
Married	Married

Elderly Exemption Report

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Income Limits	Asset Limits
Single	Single
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Has the municipality adopted an exemption for Electric Energy Systems? (RSA 72:85)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted an exemption for Renewable Gen. Facility & Electric Energy Storage? (RSA 72:87)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted Community Tax Relief Incentive? (RSA 79-E)

Granted/Adopted? No Structures:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Certain Chartered Public School Facilities? (RSA 79-H)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted Taxation of Qualifying Historic Buildings? (RSA 79-G)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Has the municipality adopted the optional commercial and industrial construction exemption? (RSA 72:76-78 or RSA 72:80-83)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Percent of assessed value attributable to new construction to be exempted:
Total Exemption Granted:

Has the municipality granted any credits under the low-income housing tax credit tax program? (RSA 75:1-a)

Granted/Adopted? No Properties:

Assessed value prior to effective date of RSA 75:1-a:
Current Assessed Value:



Current Use RSA 79-A	Total Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	212.00	\$80,700
Forest Land	463.00	\$28,200
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	71.00	\$4,200
Unproductive Land	3.00	\$100
Wet Land	546.00	\$12,350
	1,295.00	\$125,550

Other Current Use Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	106.00
Total Number of Acres Removed from Current Use During Current Tax Year	Acres:	
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	Owners:	73
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	Parcels:	95

Land Use Change Tax

Gross Monies Received for Calendar Year		
Conservation Allocation	Percentage: 0.00%	Dollar Amount:
Monies to Conservation Fund		
Monies to General Fund		

Conservation Restriction Assessment Report RSA 79-B	Acres	Valuation
Farm Land	10.00	\$3,400
Forest Land	45.00	\$5,800
Forest Land with Documented Stewardship	0.00	\$0
Unproductive Land	0.00	\$0
Wet Land	64.00	\$1,600
	119.00	\$10,800

Other Conservation Restriction Assessment Statistics

Total Number of Acres Receiving 20% Rec. Adjustment	Acres:	
Total Number of Acres Removed from Conservation Restriction During Current Tax Year	Acres:	0.00
Owners in Conservation Restriction	Owners:	10
Parcels in Conservation Restriction	Parcels:	13



Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C	Acres	Owners	Assessed Valuation
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Taxation of Farm Structures and Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F

Number Granted	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
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Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D

Owners	Structures	Acres	Land Valuation	Structure Valuation
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Map	Lot	Block	%	Description
<i>This municipality has no Discretionary Preservation Easements.</i>				

Tax Increment Financing District	Date	Original	Unretained	Retained	Current
<i>This municipality has no TIF districts.</i>					

Revenues Received from Payments in Lieu of Tax	Revenue	Acres
State and Federal Forest Land, Recreational and/or land from MS-434, account 3356 and 3357		
White Mountain National Forest only, account 3186		

Payments in Lieu of Tax from Renewable Generation Facilities (RSA 72:74)	Amount
<i>This municipality has not adopted RSA 72:74 or has no applicable PILT sources.</i>	

Other Sources of Payments in Lieu of Taxes (MS-434 Account 3186)	Amount
RANNIE WEBSTER FOUNDATION	\$32,425
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Notes



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Land Value Only	Acres	Valuation	
1A Current Use RSA 79-A	91.00	\$11,300	
1B Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B			
1C Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C			
1D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
1E Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
1F Residential Land	307.00	\$198,710,000	
1G Commercial/Industrial Land	112.00	\$6,044,500	
1H Total of Taxable Land	510.00	\$204,765,800	
1I Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	7.00	\$11,954,200	
Buildings Value Only	Structures	Valuation	
2A Residential		\$172,026,300	
2B Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31			
2C Commercial/Industrial		\$6,441,000	
2D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
2E Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
2F Total of Taxable Buildings		\$178,467,300	
2G Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings		\$6,394,800	
Utilities & Timber		Valuation	
3A Utilities			
3B Other Utilities			
4 Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5			
5 Valuation before Exemption		\$383,233,100	
Exemptions	Total Granted	Valuation	
6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a			
7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b V			
8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a			
9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23-IV			
10 Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA			
10B Utility Water & Air Polution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a			
11 Modified Assessed Value of All Properties		\$383,233,100	
Optional Exemptions	Amount Per	Total Granted	Valuation
12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	\$15,000		
13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a,b			
14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b			
15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b			
16 Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70			
17 Solar Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:62			
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66			
19 Additional School Dining/Dorm/Kitchen Exemptions RSA			
19 Electric Energy Storage Systems RSA 72:85			
19B Renewable Generation Facilities & Electric Energy Systems			
20 Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$0
21 Net Valuation			\$383,233,100
21 Less TIF Retained Value			\$0
21 Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value			\$383,233,100
22 Less Utilities			\$0
23 Net Valuation without Utilities			\$383,233,100
23 Net Valuation without Utilities, Adjusted to Remove TIF			\$383,233,100



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Land Value Only	Acres	Valuation	
1A Current Use RSA 79-A	4.00	\$100	
1B Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B			
1C Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C			
1D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
1E Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
1F Residential Land	319.00	\$465,424,600	
1G Commercial/Industrial Land	3.00	\$2,786,200	
1H Total of Taxable Land	326.00	\$468,210,900	
1I Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	50.00	\$4,247,400	
Buildings Value Only	Structures	Valuation	
2A Residential		\$237,571,700	
2B Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31			
2C Commercial/Industrial		\$2,310,000	
2D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
2E Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
2F Total of Taxable Buildings		\$239,881,700	
2G Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings		\$62,700	
Utilities & Timber		Valuation	
3A Utilities			
3B Other Utilities			
4 Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5			
5 Valuation before Exemption		\$708,092,600	
Exemptions	Total Granted	Valuation	
6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a			
7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b V			
8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a			
9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23-IV			
10 Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA			
10B Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a			
11 Modified Assessed Value of All Properties		\$708,092,600	
Optional Exemptions	Amount Per	Total Granted	Valuation
12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	\$15,000		
13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a,b		2	\$400,000
14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b			
15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b			
16 Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70			
17 Solar Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:62		3	\$52,800
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66			
19 Additional School Dining/Dorm/Kitchen Exemptions RSA			
19 Electric Energy Storage Systems RSA 72:85			
19B Renewable Generation Facilities & Electric Energy Systems			
20 Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$452,800
21 Net Valuation			\$707,639,800
21 Less TIF Retained Value			\$0
21 Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value			\$707,639,800
22 Less Utilities			\$0
23 Net Valuation without Utilities			\$707,639,800
23 Net Valuation without Utilities, Adjusted to Remove TIF			\$707,639,800



Rye Water District
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Land Value Only	Acres	Valuation	
1A Current Use RSA 79-A	1,127.00	\$111,700	
1B Conservation Restriction Assessment RSA 79-B	119.00	\$10,800	
1C Discretionary Easements RSA 79-C			
1D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
1E Taxation of Land Under Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
1F Residential Land	3,004.00	\$1,115,136,625	
1G Commercial/Industrial Land	282.00	\$34,634,275	
1H Total of Taxable Land	4,532.00	\$1,149,893,400	
1I Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Land	1,384.00	\$61,744,500	
Buildings Value Only	Structures	Valuation	
2A Residential		\$863,695,765	
2B Manufactured Housing RSA 674:31		\$4,534,100	
2C Commercial/Industrial		\$35,655,035	
2D Discretionary Preservation Easements RSA 79-D			
2E Taxation of Farm Structures RSA 79-F			
2F Total of Taxable Buildings		\$903,884,900	
2G Tax Exempt and Non-Taxable Buildings		\$43,802,700	
Utilities & Timber		Valuation	
3A Utilities			
3B Other Utilities			
4 Mature Wood and Timber RSA 79:5			
5 Valuation before Exemption		\$2,053,778,300	
Exemptions	Total Granted	Valuation	
6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a			
7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b V			
8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a			
9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23-IV			
10 Non-Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA			
10B Utility Water & Air Pollution Control Exemption RSA 72:12-a			
11 Modified Assessed Value of All Properties		\$2,053,778,300	
Optional Exemptions	Amount Per	Total Granted	Valuation
12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37	\$15,000		
13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a,b		15	\$2,610,000
14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b			
15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b			
16 Wood Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70			
17 Solar Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:62		18	\$386,800
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66			
19 Additional School Dining/Dorm/Kitchen Exemptions RSA			
19 Electric Energy Storage Systems RSA 72:85			
19B Renewable Generation Facilities & Electric Energy Systems			
20 Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			\$2,996,800
21 Net Valuation			\$2,050,781,500
21 Less TIF Retained Value			\$0
21 Net Valuation Adjusted to Remove TIF Retained Value			\$2,050,781,500
22 Less Utilities			\$0
23 Net Valuation without Utilities			\$2,050,781,500
23 Net Valuation without Utilities, Adjusted to Remove TIF			\$2,050,781,500

TOWN OF RYE EMPLOYEES
2022

NAME	POSITION / DEPARTMENT	TOTAL WAGES	BASE WAGE	OVERTIME	OUTSIDE DETAIL **
Abell, Constance E	Deputy Treasurer	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		
* Adams, Lee J	Transfer Station/Recycling Attendant (Resigned 11/2022)	\$65,750.36	\$64,676.76	\$1,073.60	
Alden, Samuel C	Parking Enforcement	\$3,545.72	\$3,545.72		
* Anania, Peter A	Firefighter/EMT	\$77,156.27	\$69,715.09	\$17,233.18	\$208.00
* Arthur, Lee C	Sewer Director	\$82,107.33	\$82,107.33		
Arthur, Lee C	Recreation	\$9,868.38	\$9,868.38		
Auger, Joseph M	Parking Enforcement/Animal Control Officer	\$5,786.34	\$5,786.34		
Baldasaro, Elisabeth C	Lifeguard	\$644.00	\$644.00		
Barretto, Lucy L	Librarian Assistant - Youth Services - Part Time	\$19,458.47	\$19,458.47		
* Barron, Daniel T	Public Works Foreman	\$75,308.23	\$66,542.88	\$8,765.35	
Barry, Andrea	After School Counselor	\$2,006.83	\$2,006.83		
* Bauer, Vincent W	Deputy Building Inspector	\$73,795.26	\$73,795.26		
Beckett, Marcia P	Librarian Assistant - Youth Services - Part Time	\$13,460.24	\$13,460.24		
* Beihl, Barbara C	Librarian Assistant - Youth Services - Part Time	\$13,760.00	\$13,760.00		
* Bereznoski, Ryan J	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer (Resigned 1/2023)	\$12,010.78	\$11,582.38	\$428.40	
Bergeron, Caitlin M	After School Counselor	\$4,415.88	\$4,415.88		
Bergeron, Kara M	Parking Enforcement	\$174.35	\$174.35		
* Bergeron, Rebecca A	Finance Director/Assistant Town Administrator	\$99,056.96	\$99,056.96		
* Blais, William J	Police Sergeant (Resigned 4/2022)	\$42,105.10	\$41,164.09	\$941.01	\$0.00
* Blaisdell, Joshua L	Building & Grounds Workman	\$66,237.79	\$57,534.80	\$8,702.99	
* Blaisdell, Scott R	Police Lieutenant	\$109,641.88	\$102,528.16	\$1,106.72	\$6,007.00
Blanding, David M	Police Special	\$29,084.08	\$29,084.08		
Blonda, Gavin	Parking Enforcement	\$3,788.16	\$3,788.16		
* Bohling, Christopher J	Firefighter/Paramedic	\$107,270.31	\$71,907.46	\$35,076.85	\$286.00
Bradley, Emma I	Lifeguard	\$2,495.64	\$2,495.64		
* Breton, Lisa L	Technology Librarian (Resigned 9/2022)	\$37,873.45	\$37,873.45		
Brewer, Colin M	Parking Enforcement	\$2,971.89	\$2,971.89		
Brewer, Devin R	Parking Enforcement	\$4,264.20	\$4,264.20		
Bucklin, Alan E	Snow Plow Operator - Part Time	\$1,710.00	\$1,710.00		
Burgoyne, Kacie	Animal Control Officer	\$30,256.14	\$29,372.11	\$884.03	
Cady, Peter R	Library Assistant - Part Time	\$4,874.51	\$4,874.51		
* Campbell, Kara M	Land Use Administrative Assistant	\$29,195.86	\$29,195.86		
Carr, Valeriee	Stenographer	\$595.00	\$595.00		
Carrroll, Peter J	Town Custodian	\$29,439.69	\$29,439.69		
Cassily, Margaret A	Lifeguard	\$1,815.03	\$1,815.03		
Cassily, Sophie E	Lifeguard	\$9,628.25	\$9,628.25		
Chichester, Madeline L	Supervisor of the Checklist/Election Worker	\$500.00	\$500.00		
Collyer, Kathleen M	Recreation	\$1,539.19	\$1,539.19		
Conlin, Reegan G.	After School Counselor	\$2,460.95	\$2,460.95		
Conneen, Ann Catherine N.	Lifeguard	\$4,289.67	\$4,289.67		
* Coscia, John V	Cemetery Superintendent	\$73,378.00	\$73,378.00		
Cote, Heather J	Police Special	\$26,502.66	\$26,502.66		
* Cotreau, Mark R	Fire Chief	\$102,201.36	\$102,201.36		
* Cots, John M	Firefighter/EMT-B	\$89,995.40	\$72,472.65	\$17,314.75	\$208.00
Coutu, Joanne	Election Worker	\$112.50	\$112.50		
Cowieson, Toral D	Election Worker	\$30.00	\$30.00		
Dame, Amanda K	Parking Enforcement	\$6,690.60	\$6,690.60		
* DeCotis, Donna M	Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$73,378.00	\$73,378.00		
DelMedico, Frank L.	Recreation	\$790.00	\$790.00		
DeMarco, Tamara	After School Counselor	\$955.85	\$955.85		
Derochemont, Leigh Y	Election Worker	\$202.50	\$202.50		
* DiBartolomeo, Jeffrey M	Fire Lieutenant	\$100,446.70	\$88,898.38	\$10,794.32	\$754.00
DiCroce, Andrew H	Lifeguard	\$9,103.50	\$9,103.50		
Doucette, Jessica N	Parking Enforcement	\$4,309.51	\$4,309.51		
* Drowniak, Joanne T	Assessing Assistant	\$68,358.10	\$68,358.10		
* Dufresne, Sandra T	Building Inspector - Admin Assistant	\$48,927.21	\$48,927.21		
Duquette, Jamie L	Recreation	\$1,650.00	\$1,650.00		
Durgin, Emilie A	Stenographer	\$850.00	\$850.00		
Eaton, Robert G	Moderator	\$600.00	\$600.00		
Epperson, Catherine	Election Worker	\$90.00	\$90.00		
Epperson, George W	Selectman	\$4,351.00	\$4,351.00		
Epplly, Mark C	Election Worker	\$45.00	\$45.00		
Fagin, Valerie	Election Worker	\$67.50	\$67.50		
* Failley, Timothy W	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer	\$60,944.74	\$49,998.34	\$10,946.40	
Flint, Kellsie	Lifeguard	\$2,627.28	\$2,627.28		
Franz, Mary R	Election Worker	\$262.50	\$262.50		
* Fuglestad, Daniel M	Police Sergeant	\$89,775.38	\$69,248.00	\$19,351.38	\$1,176.00
Gagne, Mark C	Call Personnel	\$33.42	\$33.42		
* Gallant, Charles A	Fire Lieutenant	\$157,022.76	\$87,267.96	\$69,208.80	\$546.00
Gardiner, Kimberly V	Recreation	\$60.00	\$60.00		
Garrity, Tanya M	Parking Enforcement	\$2,196.56	\$2,196.56		
Gemmett, Kendra B	Election Worker	\$285.00	\$285.00		
Golomb, Christopher R	Fire Department Per Diem	\$13,970.47	\$13,710.47		\$260.00
Gorski, Alexandria E	Fire Department Per Diem	\$17,419.75	\$17,097.68	\$322.07	
* Graham, Charles E	Patrolman	\$97,475.90	\$73,655.31	\$19,232.59	\$4,588.00
Gumprecht, Samantha P	Lifeguard	\$2,322.38	\$2,322.38		
Hamill, Jack T	Lifeguard	\$5,936.00	\$5,936.00		
* Harbour II, Roger	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer	\$12,013.05	\$11,424.00	\$589.05	
* Harrison, Patrick D.	Technology Librarian	\$23,552.25	\$23,552.25		
Healy, Shawna M	Library Assistant-Part Time	\$26,167.00	\$26,167.00		
Hewitt, Kleryn Emilee B	Recreation	\$5,843.09	\$5,843.09		
Hodson, Cathleen	Election Worker	\$172.50	\$172.50		
Hodson, Lee W	Election Worker	\$45.00	\$45.00		
Holway, Jane	Election Worker	\$75.00	\$75.00		
* Houde, Lisa S	Library Assistant Director - Collection Manager	\$66,285.47	\$66,285.47		
Ireland, Jane E	Treasurer	\$21,050.43	\$21,050.43		
Ireland, Jane E	Bookkeeper of the Trust Funds	\$4,315.00	\$4,315.00		
* Ireland, Janice E	Executive Assistant/Finance Assistant	\$87,349.95	\$81,055.17	\$6,294.78	
Jenness, Christopher	Transfer Station/Recycling Attendant (Resigned from Full-Time 7/2022)	\$71,245.30	\$69,137.08	\$2,108.22	

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TOWN OF RYE EMPLOYEES
2022

Katkin, Trisha M	Assistant Town Clerk/Tax Collector (Resigned 4/2022)	\$13,553.13	\$13,553.13		
King, Sally S	Supervisor of Checklist	\$500.00	\$500.00		
King, Thomas J	Selectman	\$4,351.00	\$4,351.00		
* Klanchesser, John J	Firefighter/EMT-B	\$83,849.00	\$69,659.40	\$14,189.60	\$0.00
Kobylinski, Zosia M	Lifeguard	\$2,029.53	\$2,029.53		
Ladrie, Alan	Call Personnel	\$4,504.37	\$4,504.37		
Laing, Steven J	Call Personnel	\$4,736.88	\$4,736.88		
Larkin, Deirdre	Conservation Administrative Assistant	\$175.00	\$175.00		
Ledger, Dyana F	Transcriptionist	\$18,987.50	\$18,987.50		
Lennon, Jacob	Fire Department Per Diem	\$4,642.04	\$4,642.04		
Litichevsky, Peter A	After School Counselor	\$5,230.40	\$5,230.40		
* Loring, Victoria R	Recreation Administration and Program Assistant	\$61,924.72	\$61,924.72	\$0.00	
Luff, Caroline K	Lifeguard	\$5,024.00	\$5,024.00		
* Lynch, Mark A	Patrolman	\$108,965.80	\$69,053.72	\$24,791.08	\$15,121.00
Lytle, Taryn	Library Assistant - Part Time	\$600.00	\$600.00		
* MacGlashing, Jacob R	Fire Lieutenant/Paramedic	\$128,076.43	\$85,053.40	\$43,023.03	
* Madeiros, Zackary P	Patrolman	\$4,542.50	\$4,542.50		
Marion, Scott	Election Worker	\$210.00	\$210.00		
* Marsden, Milon C	Building Inspector	\$91,133.04	\$91,133.04		
Martin, Christopher T	Recreation Program Assistant (Resigned 6/2022)	\$19,109.38	\$19,109.38		
* Martin, Dyana	Recreation Director	\$67,205.22	\$67,205.22		
Mathews, Garrett M	Fire Department Per Diem	\$3,563.69	\$3,563.69		
* McAllister, Joshua L	Patrolman	\$94,992.57	\$72,406.87	\$21,234.20	\$1,351.50
McCarthy, Dennis G	Public Works Director (Retired 12/31/21)	\$17,917.84	\$17,917.84		
McGrath, Robert P	Animal Control Officer (Resigned 09/21)	\$6,595.12	\$6,595.12		
* McKenney, Brendan J	Patrolman	\$90,881.59	\$72,501.82	\$17,266.77	\$1,113.00
McLeod, Chase P	Parking Enforcement	\$2,370.20	\$2,370.20		
McMahon, Jesse H	Call Personnel	\$159.93	\$159.93		
McMahon, Michael	Transfer Station/Recycling Attendant	\$12,792.16	\$12,792.16		
McManus, Stephen D	Recreation	\$3,720.00	\$3,720.00		
Meyer, Joanne M	Election Worker	\$90.00	\$90.00		
Murphy, Lindsay V	Assistant Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$24,829.76	\$24,829.76		
* Nollette, Brenda J	Librarian Assistant - Youth Services (Resigned 2/2022)	\$15,640.50	\$15,640.50		
O'Brien, Duncan J	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer (Resigned 7/2022)	\$53,098.44	\$47,834.67	\$5,263.77	
O'Brien, Rebecca	Call Personnel	\$2,369.85	\$2,161.85		\$208.00
Oeser, Stephen A	Cemetery Seasonal Help	\$7,848.60	\$7,848.60		
Okeyere, Dennis	After School Counselor	\$25,071.80	\$25,071.80		
Oliver, Karen	Supervisor of Checklist	\$500.00	\$500.00		
Palermo, Aiden J	Seasonal Conservation Property Maintenance	\$603.75	\$603.75		
Palermo, Dylan J	Seasonal Conservation Property Maintenance	\$843.75	\$843.75		
Parrott, Nina	Election Worker	\$277.50	\$277.50		
Pataki, Jonathan S.	Call Personnel	\$968.34	\$968.34		
* Paul, Edward K	Finance Administrator (Resigned 4/2022)	\$27,520.84	\$27,443.09	\$77.75	
Pearl, Christopher	Call Personnel	\$334.20	\$334.20		
Peirce, Jeffrey T	Police Special	\$10,669.12	\$1,646.62		\$9,022.50
Pidgeon, Kaitlyn F	Fire Department Per Diem	\$34,987.75	\$34,988.80	\$18.95	
Predaris, Nathan R	After School Counselor	\$14,771.49	\$14,771.49		
Putnam Bailey, Gwen	Library Assistant - Part Time	\$30,784.46	\$30,784.46		
* Reed, Kimberly M	Planning & Zoning Administrator	\$80,935.61	\$80,935.61		
Reed, Lorax	Seasonal Conservation Property Maintenance	\$267.00	\$267.00		
* Richmond, Andrew G	Library Director	\$91,902.65	\$91,902.65		
Riley, Thomas J	After School Counselor	\$834.75	\$834.75		
Rivest, Kim K	Recreation	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00		
* Rivet, Michael J	Firefighter/Paramedic	\$106,477.81	\$69,832.14	\$36,437.67	\$208.00
Rogers, Catherine C	Library Assistant - Part Time	\$3,325.21	\$3,325.21		
Rucker, Jason M	Public Worker Director	\$89,257.28	\$89,257.28		
Ryan, Jean E	Recreation - Yoga Instructor	\$1,584.00	\$1,584.00		
* Ryan, Jessica M	Library Head of Youth Services	\$59,117.80	\$59,117.80		
* Schwartz, Serena A	Police Administration Assistant	\$50,265.71	\$49,993.94	\$271.77	
* Scruton, Matthew	Town Administrator	\$24,806.40	\$24,806.40		
* Seavey II, John A	Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer	\$58,980.41	\$51,569.08	\$7,411.33	
Sedam, Josephine L	Library Assistant-Part Time	\$1,446.40	\$1,446.40		
Seiglie, Dania M	Election Worker	\$30.00	\$30.00		
Shepcaro, Susan	Election Worker	\$450.00	\$450.00		
Snow Md, Gail A	Health Officer	\$12,330.00	\$12,330.00		
St. Germain, Greta	Election Worker	\$120.00	\$120.00		
Stokel, Joshua E	Police Special	\$127.45	\$127.45		
Swenson, Johnathan C	Parking Enforcement	\$1,905.94	\$1,905.94		
Terhune, Gary S.	Election Worker	\$90.00	\$90.00		
Terhune, Judith A.	Election Worker	\$90.00	\$90.00		
* Thibodeau, Amy E	Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector	\$63,479.64	\$62,512.23	\$967.41	
Thibodeau, Ryan E.	Office Assistant	\$561.00	\$561.00		
Thomas, Carolyn A	After School Counselor	\$9,480.46	\$9,480.46		
Tinker, Weston B	Call Personnel	\$418.88	\$418.88		
Todaro, Nathan W	Lifeguard	\$639.38	\$639.38		
* Trainor, John M	Patrolman (Resigned as Full-Time 5/2022)	\$47,902.93	\$42,124.13	\$3,950.30	\$1,828.50
Walsh, Cooper R	Public Works - Part Time	\$10,616.94	\$10,256.40	\$360.54	
Walsh, John W	Transfer Station/Recycling Attendant - Part Time	\$1,001.08	\$1,001.08		
* Walsh, Kevin P	Police Chief	\$114,404.43	\$108,869.93	\$5,534.50	
Weathersby, Mark C	Call Personnel	\$924.30	\$924.30		
* Webster, Mark D	Patrolman	\$99,849.45	\$80,844.66	\$14,797.29	\$4,207.50
Werner, Ronna	Election Worker	\$210.00	\$210.00		
White, Kelly M	After School Counselor	\$705.00	\$705.00		
Whittet, Robert J	Call Personnel	\$1,008.63	\$1,008.63		
* Wile Marble, Jared P	Highway Driver/Operator/Mechanic	\$76,784.16	\$65,848.22	\$10,935.94	
Willett, Kyle R	Police Special	\$1,718.05	\$658.05		\$1,060.00
* Williams, Richard V	Senior Transfer Station/Recycling Attendant	\$65,785.69	\$64,167.76	\$1,617.93	
Winslow, Philip D	Selectman	\$4,351.00	\$4,351.00		
* Wunderly, Kevin S	Firefighter/Paramedic	\$109,673.53	\$82,948.56	\$26,516.97	\$208.00
Yeaton, Bryan T	Call Personnel	\$7,973.45	\$7,765.45		\$208.00
151 Employees		\$4,779,269.37	\$4,265,649.08	\$459,506.79	\$54,103.50

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**TOWN OF RYE
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PACKAGE COSTS – 2023**

BENEFIT	PLAN TYPE	COVERAGE	ANNUAL COSTS	EMPLOYEE SHARE	TOWN'S COST
Blue Choice Plan 3T10					
Health	Provided through Anthem Blue Cross of NH	Single Coverage/Emp.	\$ 14,949.24	\$ 2,990.00	\$ 11,959.24
		2-Person Coverage/Emp.	\$ 29,898.86	\$ 5,979.48	\$ 23,919.38
		Family Coverage/Emp.	\$ 40,363.08	\$ 8,072.48	\$ 32,290.60
Town pays 80%					
Access Blue New England AB10					
Health	Provided through Anthem Blue Cross of NH	Single Coverage/Emp.	\$ 13,709.76	\$ 2,741.96	\$ 10,967.80
		2-Person Coverage/Emp.	\$ 27,419.52	\$ 5,483.92	\$ 21,935.60
		Family Coverage/Emp.	\$ 37,016.40	\$ 7,403.24	\$ 29,613.16
Town pays 80%					
Access Blue New England ABSOS20/40					
Health	Provided through Anthem Blue Cross of NH	Single Coverage/Emp.	\$ 10,603.32	\$ 2,120.56	\$ 8,482.76
		2-Person Coverage/Emp.	\$ 21,206.64	\$ 4,241.12	\$ 16,965.52
		Family Coverage/Emp.	\$ 28,629.00	\$ 5,725.72	\$ 22,903.28
Town pays 80%					
Dental	Provided through Delta Dental Option 1A	Single Coverage/Emp.	\$ 534.60	\$ -0-	\$ 534.60
		2-Person Coverage/Emp.	\$ 1,034.28	\$ 499.68	\$ 534.60
		Family Coverage/Emp.	\$ 1,870.92	\$ 1,336.32	\$ 534.60
Town pays 100% of a single coverage only					
Life	Benefit is equal to one time annual pay and is reduced to 50% at age 70 Rate \$0.16 per month for each \$1,000 of benefit Maximum benefit - \$75,000				\$ 7,826.64 2023 Annual
Town pays 100% of this cost					
Short-Term Disability	Benefit is 66.67% of base weekly wage Maximum benefit - \$800/week Rate \$0.36 per month for each \$10 of weekly benefit				\$ 16,476.36 2023 Annual
Town pays 100% of this cost					
Long-Term Disability	Benefit is 60% of base pay to a maximum of \$5,000/month Benefit commences after 6 months of disability Rate is \$0.51 per month for each \$100 of monthly benefit				\$ 17,691.60 2023 Annual
Town pays 100% of this cost					

NH State Retirement Plan

	01/01/2023 – 06/30/2023	07/01/2023 – 12/31/2023
Police Officers – Town Contribution	33.88%	31.28%
Fire Fighters – Town Contribution	32.99%	30.35%
Employees – Town Contribution	14.06%	13.53%
Police Officers – Employee Contribution	11.55%	11.55%
Fire Fighters – Employee Contribution	11.80%	11.80%
Employee – Employee Contribution	7.00%	7.00%

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

GENERAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS

TOWN OF RYE GENERAL FUND AND PAYROLL ACCOUNT

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance		
General Fund	\$11,822,978.16	
Payroll Account	\$1,000.00	
Total Starting Balance		\$11,823,978.16
Receipts	28,814,156.46	
Disbursements	(30,111,367.85)	
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance		
General Fund Account	10,525,766.77	
Payroll Account	1,000.00	
Total Ending Balance		10,526,766.77

CONSERVATION COMMISSION GENERAL FUND

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	130,143.33
Receipts (Donations)	5,432.72
Interest	930.15
Disbursements	(13,650.57)
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	122,855.63

CONSERVATION COMMISSION VERNAL POOL

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	45,691.27
Receipts	-
Interest	347.20
Disbursements	-
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	46,038.47

SEWERAGE OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE FUND

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	1,469,540.44
Receipts	491,958.65
Disbursements	(408,103.46)
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	1,553,395.63

CONSERVATION LAND ACQUISITION

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	1,568.26
Receipts	
Interest	12.05
Disbursements	
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	1,580.31

TOWN OF RYE, ESCROW ACCOUNT

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	43,840.74
Receipts	65,174.89
Interest	365.42
Disbursements	(74,306.69)
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	35,074.36

TOWN OF RYE, UMBRELLA ACCOUNT

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

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	54,385.83
Receipts	-
Interest	413.27
Disbursements	
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	54,799.10

TOWN OF RYE YOUTH RECREATIONAL ATHLETICS

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	105,971.82
Receipts	8,795.00
Interest	861.11
Disbursements	-
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	115,627.93

TOWN OF RYE, ASSET FORFEITURE ACCOUNT

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	11,070.60
Receipts	-
Interest	84.12
Disbursements	-
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	11,154.72

HERITAGE COMMISSION ACCOUNT

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	6,023.93
Received from Donations	-
Interest	34.53
Disbursements	-
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	6,058.46

HERITAGE COMMISSION FUND RAISING ACCOUNT

January 1, 2022 Starting Balance	13,222.95
Restricted Donations	21,081.00
Unrestricted Donations	-
Merchandise Sales	3,235.00
Interest	144.49
Disbursements	(455.00)
December 31, 2022 Ending Balance	37,228.44

Respectfully submitted,

Jane E. Ireland
Treasurer

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS REPORT

Two thousand twenty two was the year inflation returned with a vengeance to the U.S. economy. The Government's response to the unprecedented collapse of 32.9% in the GDP in the second quarter of 2021, due to the Covid Pandemic, spending, resulting in an unprecedented \$2.8 trillion budget deficit, equal to 12.4 percent of gross domestic product. Expansionary monetary policy was equally unprecedented as the Federal Reserve lowered interest rates in March of 2021 to 0% and dramatically increased quantitative easing to increase monetary supply. These policy actions, while seemingly justified at the time, laid the foundation for an inflationary cycle.

On Feb 24, 2022 Russian initiated it's invasion of the Ukraine. This action had two major consequences that ignited global inflation. First the Ukraine is a major agricultural producer and this invasion disrupted their production and caused a spike in agricultural product prices, particularly in the grain markets. Second Europe's response to the Russian invasion was to curtail purchases of Russian gas and oil exports causing a large jump in hydrocarbon prices as Russian production was removed from the world markets. Combined with expansionary global monetary and fiscal policy the result was the highest CPI inflation since 1981.

While the last year in the capital markets was the most difficult year in recent history the Rye Trust Accounts performed very well on a relative basis. The S&P 500, the most widely followed index of U.S. stocks, had a total return of negative 18.11% and the bond market provided no protection. The Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond index had a total return of negative 13.01%. The Trustees investment policy of investing in high quality dividend stocks to generate income while preserving inflation adjusted principle worked very well. The actively managed Trust Accounts significantly outperformed both of these averages with a total return of negative 2.46% while returning to the town over \$162,681 in income.

The Rye Trustees will continue their policy of maximizing income while preserving inflation adjusted purchasing power.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kerry S. Pope
R. Christopher Nee
Jeffrey M. Balboni
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF RYE

For Year Ending December 31, 2022

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND Start with common trust funds	Purpose of Trust	HOW INVESTED Bank, deposits, stocks, bonds, etc.	%	Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or Losses on Securities	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year	Income During Year		Balance at End of Year	Grand Total Principal & Income End of Year
										Amount	%		
PRINCIPAL										**INCOME**			
1	8/10/1907 Cemetery Common Fund	Cemetery	Stocks, etc		1,100,049.17	17,250.00	6,609.40		1,123,908.57	95,861.46	21,252.02	41,670.37	1,165,578.94
2	8/21/1909 Library Common Fund	Library	Stocks, etc		461,599.73	3,915.50	2,461.96		464,051.09	32,125.29	19,462.84	12,759.08	476,808.77
3	12/25/1956 Daniel Austin Medicine Chest	Med. Chest	NHDP		788,801.12	100.00			792,716.62	19,869.68	1,825.80	1,825.80	803,041.23
4	3/13/2018 Fire & Ambulance Vehicle Fund	Fire & Ambulance	NHDP		282,242.39	100,000.00			382,242.39	2,455.12	7,266.65	9,721.77	382,242.39
6	Jennie P. Brownell Cemetery	Cemetery	Stocks, etc		47,705.18	188.00			47,893.18	564.05	564.05		57,614.95
7	11/1/1956 C/R Rye Beach Precinct	Beach Precinct	NHDP		3,675.96				3,675.96	17,612.09	4,884.66	93,410.98	4,240.01
8	12/20/1984 Sale of Lots Exp. Trust	Cemetery	Money Market			3,000.00			8,084.61				8,084.61
9	3/17/1990 C/R Record Restoration	Records	NHDP		245,290.63	100,000.00			345,290.63	74,874.60	(74,874.60)		270,416.03
10	3/17/1990 Employee Leave Exp. Trust	Empl. Leave	NHDP		36,082.80				36,082.80	16,403.39			52,486.19
11	3/17/1992 C/R Sewer Fund	Sewer	NHDP		9,833.16	3,000.00			12,833.16	5,005.60	(5,005.60)		7,827.56
12	3/12/1994 Grove Rd. Landfill Exp. Trust	Landfill	NHDP		168,969.33	100,000.00			268,969.33	195,935.00			73,034.33
13	3/12/1994 C/R Highway Equipment	Highway Equip.	NHDP		136,233.08	15,000.00			151,233.08	882.33			152,115.41
14	3/25/1995 C/R Rye Water District	Repl. Buildings	NHDP		140,503.80				140,503.80	7,239.21			147,743.01
15	3/30/1996 C/R Rye Water District	Contingency	NHDP		2,330.88				2,330.88	911.36			3,242.24
16	3/16/1996 Foss Graveyard Trust	Graveyard	NHDP		10,119.28	5,000.00			15,119.28				15,119.28
17	3/12/1994 C/R Rye Recreation	Rec. Building	NHDP		30,383.67				30,383.67	4,693.22			35,076.89
19	2/4/1987 Manual Fund	Cemetery	NHDP		5,000.00				5,000.00	318.37			5,318.37
20	3/4/2001 Alma Goodwin Hill non exp trust	Library	NHDP		288,443.35	90,000.00			378,443.35	6,544.73			384,988.08
21	3/13/2001 C/R Rye School District	Property Mntce	NHDP		100,000.00				100,000.00	27,876.17			127,876.17
22	3/13/2001 C/R Rye School District	Special Ed	NHDP		42,003.92				42,003.92	2,441.18			44,445.10
23	3/8/2005 Alma Hill Exp. Trust	Library	Stocks, etc		10,000.00				10,000.00	2,480.31			12,480.31
24	9/27/2004 Hyder Family Trust	Cemetery	NHDP		78,449.35	30,000.00			108,449.35	410.96			108,860.31
25	3/17/2004 C/R Rye Water District	Equip. & Bldgs	NHDP		1,304.72				1,304.72				1,304.72
26	3/8/2005 C/R DPW Salt Shed	Salt shed	NHDP		35,615.53	10,000.00			45,615.53	6.46			45,621.99
27	3/8/2005 Library Mntce Exp Trust	Bldg Mntce	NHDP		175,856.02	35,000.00			210,856.02	7,050.48			202,190.74
28	3/13/2007 Municipal Bldg Mntce	Town Bldgs	NHDP		1,145.33	80,000.00			81,145.33	72.52			81,217.85
29	3/9/2007 Rye School Dist Exp Trust	Tuition	NHDP		300.00				300.00	225.00			525.00
30	11/9/2014 Rye Fire Dept. Donations	Private Donation	NHDP		57,943.52	5,000.00			62,943.52	2,745.45			65,688.97
31	3/8/2016 C/R Rye Public Library	Heating system	NHDP		31,594.91	41,631.64			73,226.55	1,497.01			74,723.56
32	3/8/2016 Wedgewood Farms Exp Trust	School upkeep	NHDP		150,000.00	30,000.00			180,000.00	2,498.40			182,498.40
33	03/01/17 Storage Tank Mntce Exp Trust	Water Dist	NHDP		29,764.48	10,000.00			39,764.48	4.32			39,768.80
34	3/13/2018 Library Employee Leave	Empl. Leave	NHDP		250,459.87	100,000.00			350,459.87	60,000.00			410,459.87
35	3/10/2020 Municipal Bldgs Const/Renovat	Bldg Const/Renov	NHDP		45,000.00	10,000.00			55,000.00	0.96			55,000.96
36	7/13/2021 Conservation Maintenance	Land/Bldgs mntce	NHDP		50,000.00	20,000.00			70,000.00	0.69			70,000.69
7/13/2021 Technology Trust Fund	School District	NHDP											
8/26/2022 100th Anniversary Celebration	Rye 400th	NHDP											
10/26/2022 C/R Farragut Sidewalk	Rye Beach	NHDP											
TOTALS					4,881,575.79	839,720.14	9,071.36		5,730,367.29	210,748.46	921,022.13	(499,345.75)	5,231,021.54

Unaudited Report

REPORT
OF THE
TRUST FUNDS
OF THE
TOWN OF RYE

REPORT OF THE COMMONTRUST FUNDS INVESTMENTS OF THE TOWN OF RYE
CEMETERY COMMON FUND

For Year Ending

31-Dec-22 Unadjusted and Unaudited

# of Shares or Other Units	***HOW INVESTED*** (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds etc) Put * by any desired securities held pursuant to RSA 3125-a & explain	***PRINCIPAL***				***PRINCIPAL***				***INCOME***			Grand Total Principal & Income
		Balance Beg of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Cash Gains or Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	End of Year		
2026	A.T. & T.	36,806.67					36,806.67						36,806.67
800	Alliance Bernstein	13,935.87					13,935.87						13,935.87
800	Bank of America	38,248.00					38,248.00						38,248.00
4000	Blackrock Enhanced Intl	23,637.50					23,637.50						23,637.50
700	Blackstone Group	48,996.10					48,996.10						48,996.10
165	Boeing Company	24,849.53					24,849.53						24,849.53
300	Booz Allen Hamilton Hldg	24,007.50					24,007.50						24,007.50
330	CVS Health Corp	23,888.70					23,888.70						23,888.70
860	Cardinal Health Inc.	40,499.46					40,499.46						40,499.46
350	Carrier Global distribution	0.00					0.00						0.00
220	Chevron Corp	4,895.89					4,895.89						4,895.89
115	Coca Cola	5,005.28					5,005.28						5,005.28
552	Carteva Inc.	22,478.37					22,478.37						22,478.37
391	Dominion Energy Inc	19,060.92					19,060.92						19,060.92
552	Dow Inc.	22,478.37					22,478.37						22,478.37
552	Dupont DeNemours Inc.	22,478.37					22,478.37						22,478.37
3100	Easton Vance	33,914.00					33,914.00						33,914.00
2000	Enterprise Products	0.00					0.00						0.00
325	Evelon Corp	12,600.92					12,600.92						12,600.92
500	Exxon Mobil	3,526.00					3,526.00						3,526.00
220	Goldman Sachs	34,901.09					34,901.09						34,901.09
85	Home Depot	24,558.25					24,558.25						24,558.25
1000	Inglis Markets	11,899.95					11,899.95						11,899.95
1024	J P Morgan Chase	51,736.20					51,736.20						51,736.20
244	Johnson & Johnson	16,712.77					16,712.77						16,712.77
350	Kimberly Clark	23,519.59					23,519.59						23,519.59
1329	Kinder Morgan	0.00					0.00						0.00
100	Lockhead Martin	26,448.15					26,448.15						26,448.15
1077	Merck & Co.	25,990.91					25,990.91						25,990.91
550	Missouri	12,513.30					12,513.30						12,513.30
2900	Old Republic Int'l Corp	33,702.04					33,702.04						33,702.04
107	Organon & Co. Spinnoff	0.00					0.00						0.00
175	Oris Worldwide Corp distribution	0.00					0.00						0.00
50	PepsiCo Inc	4,961.45					4,961.45						4,961.45
1863	Pfizer Inc.	25,163.43					25,163.43						25,163.43
330	Proctor & Gamble	19,880.09					19,880.09						19,880.09
295	Prudential Financial Inc	23,952.88					23,952.88						23,952.88
746	Raytheon Technologies merger	25,107.74					25,107.74						25,107.74
280	Southern Co	12,507.15					12,507.15						12,507.15
190	State Street Corp	15,000.83					15,000.83						15,000.83
353	3M Company	30,091.29					30,091.29						30,091.29
1548	Verizon Communications	31,074.50					31,074.50						31,074.50
231	Viatris Inc. Spinnoff	0.00					0.00						0.00
349	WEC Energy Group	91,792.59					91,792.59						91,792.59
1429	Wells Fargo	28,819.95					28,819.95						28,819.95
1000	Equity Residential	12,610.28					12,610.28						12,610.28
650	Starwood Ppy Tr Inc	1,153.18					1,153.18						1,153.18
5080,089	FID Conservative Income Bond	33,990.72					33,990.72						33,990.72
4392	Franklin US Govt Securities	46,469.72					46,469.72						46,469.72
Cash	TD Bank	14,243.67					14,243.67						14,243.67
Cash	Fidelity Government Money Market	17,250.00					17,250.00						17,250.00
TOTALS		1,100,049.17					1,123,908.57						1,165,378.94

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REPORT OF THE COMMONTRUST FUNDS INVESTMENTS OF THE TOWN OF RYE
DALTON FUND

For Year Ending 31-Dec-22 Unadjusted and Unaudited

# of Shares or Other Units	***HOW INVESTED*** (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds etc) Put * by any related securities held pursuant to ISA 3125-a & explain	***PRINCIPAL***				***PRINCIPAL***				***INCOME***			Grand Total Principal & Income
		Balance Beg of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Cash Gains or Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	End of Year		
526	A T & T	8,255.20					8,255.20						8,255.20
575	Alliance Bernstein	10,003.87					10,003.87						10,003.87
600	Bank of America	27,838.00					27,838.00						27,838.00
2700	Blackrock Enhanced Intl	15,955.70					15,955.70						15,955.70
680	Blackstone Group Inc.	41,109.64					41,109.64						41,109.64
60	Boeing Company	9,041.79					9,041.79						9,041.79
800	Bristol Myers Squibb	11,175.00					11,175.00						11,175.00
200	Booz Allen Hamilton Holding Group	16,007.00					16,007.00						16,007.00
220	CVS Health Corp	15,889.44					15,889.44						15,889.44
675	Cardinal Health Inc	31,791.72					31,791.72						31,791.72
150	Chevron Corp	11,689.80					11,689.80						11,689.80
115	Coca Cola	5,006.43					5,006.43						5,006.43
200	Conoco Phillips	12,781.69					12,781.69						12,781.69
511	Corteva Inc.Spinoff	20,922.91					20,922.91						20,922.91
153	Dominion Energy merger	6,132.14					6,132.14						6,132.14
511	Dow Inc. Spinoff	20,922.91					20,922.91						20,922.91
511	DuPont DeNemours Inc	20,922.91					20,922.91						20,922.91
2800	Eaton Vance	31,828.92					31,828.92						31,828.92
1000	Enterprise Products	0.00					0.00						0.00
250	Exxon Mobil	657.50					657.50						657.50
1447.673	FID Conservative Income Bond	15,692.40					15,692.40						15,692.40
225	Goldman Sachs	35,721.00					35,721.00						35,721.00
86	Home Depot	24,990.84					24,990.84						24,990.84
500	Indeq Markets	7,492.00					7,492.00						7,492.00
780	J P Morgan Chase	37,914.70					37,914.70						37,914.70
182	Johnson & Johnson	10,841.74					10,841.74						10,841.74
300	Kimberly Clark	20,151.78					20,151.78						20,151.78
35	Lockheed Martin	9,256.19					9,256.19						9,256.19
540	Marck & Company	20,068.11					20,068.11						20,068.11
580	Old Republic Int'l	9,888.25					9,888.25						9,888.25
54	Organon & Co	0.00					0.00						0.00
165	PNC Financial Services	9,874.55					9,874.55						9,874.55
50	Pepsico Inc	4,961.05					4,961.05						4,961.05
1400	Pfizer Inc	21,440.20					21,440.20						21,440.20
470	Proctor & Gamble	29,774.93					29,774.93						29,774.93
200	Prudential Financial Inc	16,297.00					16,297.00						16,297.00
140	Raytheon	8,868.75					8,868.75						8,868.75
225	Southern Company	10,047.00					10,047.00						10,047.00
980	State Street Corp	29,951.08					29,951.08						29,951.08
235	3M Company	20,246.76					20,246.76						20,246.76
500	Unifill	10,561.71					10,561.71						10,561.71
173	Veeva Inc spinoff	0.00					0.00						0.00
1441	Verizon Communications	27,510.71					27,510.71						27,510.71
500	WEC Energy Group	0.00					0.00						0.00
679	Wells Fargo	39,926.70					39,926.70						39,926.70
700	Equity Residential	21,603.00					21,603.00						21,603.00
Cash	TD Bank	9,578.24	3,915.50				13,493.74	19,869.68	52,957.85	62,502.92	10,324.61		23,818.35
Cash	Fidelity Government Money Market	18,209.86					18,209.86						18,209.86
		788,801.12	3,915.50				792,716.62	19,869.68	52,957.85	62,502.92	10,324.61		803,041.23

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BROWNELL FUND

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# of Shares or Other Units	***HOW INVESTED*** (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds etc) Put by any delegate securities held pursuant to RSA 312B-a & caption	***PRINCIPAL***				***PRINCIPAL***				**INCOME**		Grand Total Principal & Income
		Balance Beg of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Cash Gains or Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	End of Year	
91	AT & T	11,804.18					11,804.18					11,804.18
280	Blackrock Enhanced Intl	1,653.96					1,653.96					1,653.96
7	Boeing Company	1061.85					1061.85					1061.85
25	CVS Health Corp	1809.22					1809.22					1809.22
27	Cardinal Health Inc.	1277.08					1277.08					1277.08
35	Coroco Phillips	2006.45					2006.45					2006.45
46	Corteva Inc	1351.30					1351.30					1351.30
33	Dominion Energy Inc	1997.86					1997.86					1997.86
46	Dow Inc. distribution	0.00					0.00					0.00
46	DuPont De Nemours Inc.	3429.24					3429.24					3429.24
100	Eaton Vance	1120.12					1120.12					1120.12
100	Enterprise	349.68					349.68					349.68
0	FID Conservative Income Bond	0.00					0.00					0.00
7	Goldman Sachs Group	1112.37					1112.37					1112.37
67	JP Morgan Chase	3005.49					3005.49					3005.49
10	Johnson & Johnson	626.10					626.10					626.10
30	Kimberly Clark	2020.93					2020.93					2020.93
66	Kinder Morgan	0.00					0.00					0.00
55	Merck & Company	2022.60					2022.60					2022.60
77	Old Republic Intl Corp	1016.64					1016.64					1016.64
5	Oregon & Co (spin off)	0.00					0.00					0.00
34	3M Company	3006.07					3006.07					3006.07
100	Verizon Communications	0.00					0.00					0.00
40	WEC Energy Group	2462.44					2462.44					2462.44
43	Wells Fargo	2492.71					2492.71					2492.71
Cash	Fidelity Money Market	1231.39	188.00				1419.39			0.00		1490.59
Cash	TD Bank	847.50					847.50			2455.12		10488.70
Cash	Fidelity Core Account	0.00					0.00			9.37		9.37
TOTALS		47,705.18	188.00	-	-	-	47,893.18	7,266.65	2,455.12	-	7,266.65	57,614.95

# of Shares or Other Units	***HOW INVESTED*** (Names of Banks, Stocks, Bonds etc) Put * by any deduct securities held pursuant to ISA 3122-8 & explain	***PRINCIPAL***				***PRINCIPAL***			***INCOME***			Grand Total Principal & Income			
		Balance Beg of Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds from Sales	Cash Gains or Losses from Sales	Balance End of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year					
1	800 AT & T	3,769.50					3,769.50					3,769.50			
2	425 Alliance Bernstein	7,392.33					7,392.33					7,392.33			
3	154 Ameren	3,838.09					3,838.09					3,838.09			
5	400 Bank of America	18,261.00					18,261.00					18,261.00			
	850 Blackrock Enhanced Intl	5,019.59					5,019.59					5,019.59			
	285 Blackstone	16,965.60					16,965.60					16,965.60			
	25 Boeing Company	3,769.95					3,769.95					3,769.95			
	62 Booz Allen Hamilton Holding	4,968.97					4,968.97					4,968.97			
7	600 Bristol Myers Squibb	8,847.70					8,847.70					8,847.70			
8	68 CVS Health Corp	4,933.33					4,933.33					4,933.33			
9	130 Chevron Corp	2,858.93					2,858.93					2,858.93			
10	365 Cardinal Health Inc.	17,217.11					17,217.11					17,217.11			
11	200 Conoco Phillips	11,356.30					11,356.30					11,356.30			
	43 Constellation Energy Corp.	0.00					0.00					0.00			
12	294 Corvea Inc. spinoff	7,432.12					7,432.12					7,432.12			
13	294 Dow Inc.	7,432.12					7,432.12					7,432.12			
14	2350 Eaton Vance	28,415.45					28,415.45					28,415.45			
15	294 Dupont Davenportour Inc.	7,432.12					7,432.12					7,432.12			
16	500 Enterprise Products	0.00					0.00					0.00			
17	130 Exelon Corp	5,047.74					5,047.74					5,047.74			
18	150 Exxon Mobil	495.45					495.45					495.45			
19	100 Goldman Sachs	15,909.00					15,909.00					15,909.00			
19	43 Home Depot	12,437.87					12,437.87					12,437.87			
20	500 Inves Markets Inc	7,500.00					7,500.00					7,500.00			
21	400 J P Morgan Chase	20,896.00					20,896.00					20,896.00			
22	223 Johnson & Johnson	10,391.35					10,391.35					10,391.35			
23	150 Kimberly Clark Corp	17,103.77					17,103.77					17,103.77			
25	15 Lockheed Martin	3,973.58					3,973.58					3,973.58			
26	265 Merck & Company	10,008.81					10,008.81					10,008.81			
27	230 Morgan Stanley	11,936.29					11,936.29					11,936.29			
28	220 Nicourse Inc	5,001.29					5,001.29					5,001.29			
28	825 Old Republic Inc	11,012.21					11,012.21					11,012.21			
30	26 Orgenon & Co Spinoff	0.00					0.00					0.00			
31	157 Pepsico Inc.	16,970.92					16,970.92					16,970.92			
32	325 Pfizer Inc	0.00					0.00					0.00			
33	165 Proctor & Gamble	9,947.24					9,947.24					9,947.24			
34	60 Prudential Financial Inc	4,872.00					4,872.00					4,872.00			
34	63 Raytheon merger	3,992.16					3,992.16					3,992.16			
35	900 Southern Company	8,711.15					8,711.15					8,711.15			
36	120 3M Company	10,105.28					10,105.28					10,105.28			
37	40 Viatrix spinoff	0.00					0.00					0.00			
38	427 Verizon Communications	9,756.25					9,756.25					9,756.25			
39	193 Warner Bros Discovery Inc	0.00					0.00					0.00			
39	494 Wells Fargo	41,106.73					41,106.73					41,106.73			
40	740 Apollo	13,171.57					13,171.57					13,171.57			
41	600 Equity Residential	12,783.70					12,783.70					12,783.70			
42	800 Starwood Ppty	18,013.64					18,013.64					18,013.64			
43	212.79 FD Conservative Income Bond	2,140.68					2,140.68					2,140.68			
44	Cash	5,593.81		2,461.96			5,593.81					12,662.45			
45	Fidelity Government Money Market	12,801.03					12,801.03					95.63			
TOTALS		461,589.73		2,461.96			464,051.69					32,125.29	19,462.84	12,758.08	476,809.77

TRUST FUNDS REPORT OF LIBRARY COMMON TRUSTS

PRINT. TRUSTS	DATE-CREATED	TRUST NAME	FUND	GROUP	RECORDED	BEG. PRIN.	ADD. PRIN.	GAIN	END. PRIN.	BEG. INC.	INC.	EXP.	END. INC.	
890	09-28-1998	THEODOCJA WHATT TRUST	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$468.29		\$0.00	\$2.49	\$470.78	\$22	\$32.60	\$19.75	\$13.07
1097	09-15-2012	TRUSTEES, RYE PUBLIC LIBRARY	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$43,623.41		\$0.00	\$231.93	\$43,855.34	\$129.22	\$3,026.44	\$1,833.54	\$1,063.68
8001	08-21-1989	JENNINGS, J. DISCO	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$1,587.11		\$0.00	\$8.46	\$1,595.57	\$0.87	\$110.49	\$66.94	\$44.42
8002	02-03-1912	WEBSTER, BENJAMIN F.	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$3,857.76		\$0.00	\$20.58	\$3,878.34	\$2.11	\$268.57	\$162.71	\$107.97
8003	07-07-1917	RAWD, MARY TUCK	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$1,407.85		\$0.00	\$7.51	\$1,415.36	\$0.75	\$98.01	\$59.38	\$39.38
8004	11-11-1918	LOCKE, JAMES H.	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$3,857.76		\$0.00	\$20.58	\$3,878.34	\$2.11	\$268.57	\$162.71	\$107.97
8005	08-21-1921	DRAKE, JAMES MCHEN	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$34,841.14		\$0.00	\$185.89	\$35,027.03	\$18.98	\$2,425.65	\$1,469.56	\$975.07
8006	10-27-1922	WARDEN, RALPH T.	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$783.52		\$0.00	\$3.75	\$787.27	\$3.4	\$48.97	\$29.67	\$19.64
8007	07-06-1925	PARSONS, DR. JOHN	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$3,452.85		\$0.00	\$18.42	\$3,471.27	\$1.90	\$240.39	\$145.63	\$96.66
8008	11-27-1927	GOSS, SUSAN A.	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$3,452.85		\$0.00	\$18.42	\$3,471.27	\$1.90	\$240.39	\$145.63	\$96.66
8009	01-31-1933	GARLAND, OLIVER PERRY	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$3,452.85		\$0.00	\$18.42	\$3,471.27	\$1.90	\$240.39	\$145.63	\$96.66
8010	01-22-1941	VARELL, FORREST CLINTON	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$6,833.75		\$0.00	\$36.46	\$6,870.21	\$3.72	\$475.76	\$288.24	\$191.24
8011	12-17-1941	PHILBRICK, LIZZIE B.	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$1,629.04		\$0.00	\$8.69	\$1,637.73	\$0.88	\$113.41	\$68.71	\$45.58
8012	01-02-1949	HILL, GERTRUDE P.	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$20,576.04		\$0.00	\$109.78	\$20,685.82	\$11.18	\$1,432.51	\$867.87	\$575.82
8013	10-07-1949	WARDEN, ELIZA PARSONS	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$23,454.36		\$0.00	\$125.13	\$23,579.49	\$12.77	\$1,632.90	\$989.28	\$656.39
8014	12-28-1949	CARTER, WILLIAM J.	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$3,447.47		\$0.00	\$18.39	\$3,465.86	\$1.89	\$240.01	\$145.41	\$96.49
8015	04-30-1958	WALKER, RALPH	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$6,833.42		\$0.00	\$36.45	\$6,869.87	\$3.77	\$475.74	\$288.22	\$191.29
8016	09-20-1960	HOOK, MARY ISABEL	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$6,833.42		\$0.00	\$36.45	\$6,869.87	\$3.77	\$475.74	\$288.22	\$191.29
8017	05-23-1961	PARSONS, JOHN L. & BLANCHE	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$5,146.68		\$0.00	\$27.45	\$5,174.13	\$2.81	\$358.31	\$217.08	\$144.04
8018	05-23-1961	LOUGE, GILMAN M & MAYBELLE	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$32,784.08		\$0.00	\$281.62	\$33,065.70	\$28.71	\$3,674.85	\$2,226.37	\$1,477.19
8019	05-11-1971	PHILBRICK, SHIRLEY S./HELEN F.	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$31,185.43		\$0.00	\$166.37	\$31,351.80	\$15.01	\$2,171.00	\$1,315.28	\$870.73
8020	05-05-1972	DUDLEY, MARTHA	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$91,787.77		\$0.00	\$489.86	\$92,277.63	\$49.86	\$6,390.44	\$3,871.63	\$2,568.67
8021	02-07-1980	SYLVESTER, MARGUERITE FRASER	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$4,556.13		\$0.00	\$24.30	\$4,580.43	\$2.45	\$317.19	\$192.17	\$127.47
8022	12-01-1980	PARSONS, DOROTHY	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$91,199.25		\$0.00	\$486.58	\$91,685.83	\$49.57	\$6,349.33	\$3,846.69	\$2,552.21
8023	01-10-1990	ROPER, HOWARD & LOUISE	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$6,533.15		\$0.00	\$34.85	\$6,568.00	\$2.97	\$454.80	\$275.53	\$182.24
8024	12-31-1992	CORINNE P. MACDONALD	LIBRARY	LIBR	12-31-2022	\$8,084.35		\$0.00	\$43.13	\$8,127.48	\$4.41	\$562.83	\$340.99	\$226.25
***						\$461,589.73		\$0.00	\$2,461.96	\$464,051.69	\$95.63	\$32,125.29	\$19,462.84	\$12,758.08

CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT 2022

Since its creation in 1892, Central Cemetery has been managed and operated by an elected board of three Cemetery Trustees. The Trustees serve staggered three-year terms with one position up for election each year. The current Trustees are Frank Drake (2025), Roger Philbrick (2023) and Ken Moynahan (2024).

The Central Cemetery is a perpetual care cemetery. Perpetual care operates by setting aside a portion of the plot sale in an investment fund that generates interest income to perpetually pay for the maintenance of the plot and cemetery. Central Cemetery operates at no expense to the Rye taxpayer. (The Town has, at times, provided specific "bridge loans" that Central Cemetery has repaid).

In 2022 the several cemetery funds and accounts earned a total income of \$151,294. The cemetery's 2022 expenses totaled \$137,966, leaving a calendar year net of \$13,328. Through the sale of cemetery grave lots, we added \$17,250 to the principal of the Cemetery Common Fund and added \$12,727 to our reserve account. Our year ending disposable fund balances total \$61,717 and we have \$93,411 in our reserve account.

The Trustees thank Superintendent John Coscia (603-817-0066) for his operational vigilance, for maintaining a well-cared for cemetery and for thoughtfully addressing the inquiries and needs of our customers.

The Cemetery Trustees express our gratitude to the Trustees of the Trust Funds for their exemplary management of our funds to generate favorable interest income and principal growth.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank A. Drake
Roger O. Philbrick
Kenneth Moynahan

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

CENTRAL CEMETERY

2022 SALE OF LOTS

	<u>SALE OF LOTS</u>	<u>PERPETUAL CARE</u>
Phillip Jerge Cedar Lawn, Lot A47 #2	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00
Anthony & Sally Manfredi Cedar Lawn, Lot A35 #1 & 2	750.00	750.00
Gerald Kelley Perry Field, Lot PF E-7 North 4 graves	1500.00	1500.00
Scott M. & Lydia C. Meade Lot PF E-8	1500.00	1500.00
Richard & Winonah Mitrook Cedar Lawn, Lot E50 #4	375.00	375.00
Robert S. & Lori M. Wright Cedar Lawn, Lot C28 #3 & 4	750.00	750.00
Kim O & Christopher W. Piela Perry Field, Lot PF F-5, 4 graves	1500.00	1500.00
Kerin McQuade Ferrin Perry Field, Lot PF F-2, 4 graves	1500.00	1500.00
Lee-Ann McQuade Gonsalves Peery Field, Lot PF F-3, 4 graves	1500.00	1500.00
Dwight Tuttle Jr. & Beth Dietz-Tuttle Perry Field, Lot PF E-3, 4 graves	1500.00	1500.00
Roger B. Howe II & Christina T. Howe Perry Field, Lot PF F-6, 4 graves	1500.00	1500.00
Albert P. Stowe III Perry Field, Lot PF F7S, 4 graves	1500.00	1500.00
Barbara Y. Woodman & Ralph R. Woodman, Jr. Perry Field, Lot PF D-4, 8 graves	3000.00	3000.00
TOTALS	\$17250.00	\$ 17250.00

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. & Fridays 8:00 a.m. to Noon
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ddecotis@town.rye.nh.us

2022 was a very busy year for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector Office. The three elections (Town, Primary and General) kept us busy between the absentee ballots and the normal election preparation and process. In April, we lost one of our Assistant Town Clerk/Tax Collector's, Trisha Katkin and our other Assistant Town Clerk/Tax Collector Lindsay Murphy, took on a more expanded role within the Town.

During 2022, the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office collected \$23,328,323.31 in property taxes, sewer invoices, tax liens, land use change taxes, yield taxes and interest. In addition, the Clerks' Office also registered 8,619 vehicles, 379 boats, titled 590 vehicles, issued 2,820 beach parking permits, licensed 594 dogs, issued 34 marriage licenses and processed 198 certified copies.

At the conclusion of 2022, the Select Board committed to reviewing the Beach Parking Permit program which was amended for the 2022 season. After an extensive review of the program with Select Board Representative Bill Epperson, Police Chief Kevin Walsh, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector Amy Thibodeau and Beach Committee member Mary Mitchell, it was concluded that the program would allow up to three permits for the 2023 beach season. Beach parking permits can be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office. For each permit a current vehicle registration will be required. The cost for the first and second permits is \$30.00 and the third permit for a vehicle/moped/motorcycle is \$35.00. As a reminder Beach Parking Permits go into effect May 1st each year.

A few friendly reminders for 2023:

- All dogs need to be registered by April 30, 2023. We no longer mail reminders so in order to avoid the \$25.00 civil forfeiture fee for not registering your dog, please stop by our office at 500 Washington Road or visit us online at www.town.rye.nh.us.
- Please remember that you can also register vehicles, pay property taxes and sewer bill online. Online payments can be made by credit/debit cards or by check. If paying by debit/credit card a 2.79% fee will be charged to your card.

I want to express deep gratitude to my terrific team; my Deputy, Amy Thibodeau and Assistant, Lindsay Murphy. I am also grateful to all my colleagues and friends at the Town Hall/Annex for their continued support and cooperation. A special thank you to Town Moderator Bob Eaton for his proactive approach in overseeing all aspects of each election and Deliberative Session.

We look forward to providing residents with the same level of exceptional customer services in 2023 at our new location at 500 Washington Road.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Decotis
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

TOWN CLERKS REPORT

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

SUMMARY

Motor Vehicle Registrations

MV Permits	\$1,666,507.99
Boats	\$10,932.36
Titles	\$2,146.00
Municipal Agent Fees	\$24,856.00
E-Regs Fees	\$1,549.10
<u>Total Motor Vehicle Fees</u>	<u>\$1,705,991.45</u>

Dog Licenses

Dog Licenses Issued	\$5,362.00
<u>Total Dog Licenses Issued</u>	<u>\$5,362.00</u>

Miscellaneous

Marriage Licenses	\$1,700.00
Certified Copies	\$2,970.00
Civil Forfeitures	\$0.00
UCC Filings	\$1,020.00
Beach Parking Permits	\$65,600.00
Sale of Voter Checklist	\$398.00
Photocopy Sale	\$950.49
Filing fees	\$6.00
<u>Total Miscellaneous Fees</u>	<u>\$72,644.49</u>

REMITTED TO TREASURER \$1,783,997.94



Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning and ending

This form is due **March 1st (Calendar Year) or September 1st (Fiscal Year)**

Instructions

Cover Page

- Specify the period begin and period end dates above
- Select the entity name from the pull down menu (County will automatically populate)
- Enter the year of the report
- Enter the preparer's information

For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
 Phone: (603) 230-5090
 Fax: (603) 230-5947
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

ENTITY'S INFORMATION

Municipality: County: Report Year:

PREPARER'S INFORMATION

First Name Last Name

Street No. Street Name Phone Number

Email (optional)



New Hampshire
 Department of
 Revenue Administration

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Debits						
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)			
			Year: 2021	Year: 2020	Year: 2019	
Property Taxes	3110		\$713,084.02	\$36,050.41	\$13,641.67	
Resident Taxes	3180					
Land Use Change Taxes	3120					
Yield Taxes	3185					
Excavation Tax	3187					
Other Taxes	3189		(\$22,976.22)	\$1,995.00		
Property Tax Credit Balance						
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance			(\$705.84)			

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2021	Prior Levies	
Property Taxes	3110	\$23,530,144.99	\$45,554.29		
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Other Taxes	3189				
Sewer Taxes	#3189	\$445,499.46			

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	3110	\$7,442.03	\$419.58		
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Sewer Taxes		\$62,209.20	\$40,175.28	\$2,493.00	
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$8,435.76	\$19,480.53	\$3,214.05	\$3,210.14
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				
Total Debits		\$24,053,025.60	\$795,737.48	\$43,752.46	\$16,851.81



Credits

Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$22,894,154.22	\$687,736.20	\$21,586.21	\$13,543.89
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$8,435.76	\$18,446.53	\$3,214.05	\$3,087.64
Penalties		\$1,034.00		\$122.50
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$42,265.70		
Sewer Taxes	\$434,168.09	\$10,165.64	\$1,023.00	
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$15,462.45	\$519.12		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Sewer Taxes	\$63,699.36	\$6,038.92	\$3,465.00	
Current Levy Deeded				



Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$723,004.00	\$29,531.37	\$14,464.20	\$97.78
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes	\$10,452.26			
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$95,033.65)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance	(\$1,316.89)			
Total Credits	\$24,053,025.60	\$795,737.48	\$43,752.46	\$16,851.81

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$681,199.07
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$44,093.35



Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2020	Year: 2019	Year: 2018
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year		\$36,253.52	\$14,223.61	\$3,576.10
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$45,554.29			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$577.37	\$2,947.17	\$3,087.64	\$561.10
Total Debits	\$46,131.66	\$39,200.69	\$17,311.25	\$4,137.20

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2020	2019	2018
Redemptions	\$15,923.38	\$21,789.32	\$14,125.83	\$3,576.10
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$577.37	\$2,947.17	\$3,087.64	\$561.10
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens	\$99.54			
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$29,531.37	\$14,464.20	\$97.78	
Total Credits	\$46,131.66	\$39,200.69	\$17,311.25	\$4,137.20

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$681,199.07
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$44,093.35



RYE (397)

1. CERTIFY THIS FORM
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Preparer's First Name	Preparer's Last Name	Date
Donna	Decotis	07-22-2023

2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM
Please save and e-mail the completed PDF form to your Municipal Bureau Advisor.

3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM
This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://proptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Donna Decotis
Preparer's Signature and Title

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF BIRTHS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME OF CHILD</u>	<u>NAME OF PARENTS</u>
January 13	Dover	Charlotte Bryant Danaher	William Jr & Amanda Danaher
January 24	Portsmouth	Enzo James Tosi	Laurence Tosi III & Alexandra Gomez-Cuetara
May 20	Portsmouth	Sophie Isabella Gallant	Clifford & Jennifer Gallant
July 9	Portsmouth	Mason Thomas Mills	John & Dana Mills
July 10	Dover	Isabelle Karen Ferzoco	Thomas & Meghan Ferzoco
August 16	Exeter	Henry Finn Tweedie	Benjamin Tweedie & Jessica Mayer
October 5	Dover	Laila Idnani-Patel	Rushabh Patel & Namrata Idnani
November 4	Exeter	Charlotte Grace Wilkins	Brian Wilkins Jr & Kaitlyn Coffey
November 7	Exeter	Lincoln Donna Gould	Joshua & Kailey Gould
November 12	Portsmouth	Violet Tois Drake	Collin & Rikki Lyn Drake
December 2	Exeter	Austin David Landergan	Brian & Amanda Landergan
December 6	Exeter	Sawyer Rhys Austin	Patrick & Nicole Austin

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF MARRIAGES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 21, 2022

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PERSON 'A' NAME/PLACE OF RESIDENCE</u>	<u>PERSON 'B' NAME/PLACE OF RESIDENCE</u>
May 5	Sydney G Ham / Rye, NH	Craig R Lee / Rye, NH
May 21	Damian A Hile/ Rye, NH	Suzanna M Hogan/ Rye, NH
June 3	Cathleen L Crowley/ Rye, NH	Kenneth L Smith/ Rye, NH
June 25	Lisa K Roseberry/ Rye, NH	Roland A Brewer Jr/ Rye, NH
July 16	Kevin J Gray Jr/ Stratham, NH	Erin A Farrelly/ Rye, NH
August 12	Lucy R Holmes/ Sandwich, NH	Brendan M Whitney/ Rye, NH
September 10	David F Schleyer/ Rye Beach, NH	Barbara Diaczenko/ Salt Lake City, UT
September 10	Michael A Raggi/ Rye, NH	Elise K Rodgers/ Rye, NH
October 16	James A McAdams III/ Rye, NH	Marina Meade/ Hampton, NH
October 16	Kristina L Anwyll, Rye, NH	Matthew R Gregoire, Rye NH

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF DEATHS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME OF DECEASED</u>	<u>NAME OF PARENTS (PRIOR TO 1ST MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION)</u>
January 2	Portsmouth	Mary Jane Tosi	Paul Babula & Carolina Archie
January 3	Portsmouth	Paul Bacon	John Bacon & Jeanette Vir
January 8	Portsmouth	Dorothy A Lyczak	Arthur Weeks & Marion Wallace
January 11	Rye	Philip B Rosenshield	Wolf Rosenshield & Bertha Weiss
January 14	Rye	Harry Ethelbert Ross	Harry Ross & Mary Curran
January 17	Dover	Rose B Faiia	Anthony Barbino & Pauline Laspino
January 18	Rye	Fern D Culver	Alfred Anfinson & Hedvig Edvinson
February 1	Rye	James n McMahan Jr	James McMahan Sr. & Kathryn Sheridan
February 1	Portsmouth	Peter Charles McCue	Charles McCue & Elizabeth Quigley
February 7	Rye	Knute H Lundgren Jr	Knute Lundgren Sr & Anna Kuhski
February 10	Durham	William Joseph McDermott	Henry McDermott & Emily McNamara
February 12	Rye	Dennis Michael Doyle	Richard Doyle & Noreen Walsh

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF DEATHS FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022 CONT'D

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME OF DECEASED</u>	<u>NAME OF PARENTS (PRIOR TO 1ST MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION)</u>
March 6	Rye	Joan C Walsh	James Clark & Delores Sanderson
April 1	Rye	Michael Thomas Madden	Michael Madden & Theresa Burke
April 6	Rye	Robert Freeman Scammon Jr	Robert Scammon Sr & Barbara Doherty
April 13	Rye	Joyce Spear Marshall	Roger Spear & Gladys Robbins
April 16	Rye	Howard Sydney Crosby	Howard Crosby & Irene Armstrong
April 21	Portsmouth	Susan Louise Macbride	Frank Lalley & Iola Fearing
April 24	Rye	Claire Tierney	Theophile Legere & Bertha Lemoine
April 29	Lee	Helen L. Savage	Joseph Thompson & Nora Donnelly
May 6	Dover	Cheryl Lynn Van Wert	Edward Jameson Sr & Marilyn Hatch
May 7	Rye	Janet Hunter Sheridan	David McKay & Isabella Money
May 10	Rye	William Earl Elwell	Anthony Elwell & Ann Black
June 6	Rye	James David O'Connor	James O'Connor & Nora Casey
June 29	Portsmouth	Arthur Howard Pappas	Charles Pappas & Viola Richards
July 5	Rye	Ella Lamontagne	George Roberts & Mary Burnham
July 10	Rye	Brenda Mary Kelley	Frank Frawley & Eileen Cox
July 17	Rye	Jean Carolyn Barber	Martin Larkin & Irene Fowler
July 20	Rye	Ralph Wayne Gould	Ralph Gould & Olive Ferguson
July 28	Rye	Margaret Mary McCue	Christopher Nolan & Anna Hendrick
August 9	Rye	Steven Hamilton Jackson	Brian Jackson & Barbara Libby
August 21	Dover	Marsha Louise Thibodeau	Carl P Robertson & Ellen H Johnston
August 30	Rye	Kenneth Clayton Young Jr	Kenneth Young Sr & Berrita Brown
September 6	Rye	Margaret Majewski	Shabetti Klugman & Leah Shonefeld
September 13	Rye	Rose Thomasian Antosiewicz	Setrag Thomasian & Satenig Harabedian
September 15	Rye	Frances Ann Castellano	James Roupas & Mary Zusack
September 24	Rye	John William Appleyard III	John Appleyard & Lucy Gordon
September 26	Portsmouth	Richard Frederic Ashenden	Richard Ashenden & Margaret Fairfield
October 3	Rye	Robert Kennard Gray	Charles Gray Jr & Elizabeth Kennard
October 8	Rye	Lois Ator Yale	Howard Ator & Ethel Peterson
October 9	Rye	Barbara Louise Whyte	Edmund Thurston & Eleanor Ninde
October 13	Rye	Sheila Anna Kendall	James Morrissey & Anna Zaremba
October 20	Rye	John Orpheus Danos	John Danos & Eva Agrafiotis
November 5	Rye Beach	Mary Thacher Tate	John Thacher & Mary Van Schaick
November 5	Rye	Despina T Lalos	Kostas Kostopoulos & Pagona Papatomas
November 8	Portsmouth	Lisa Marie Pizzano	Philip Pizzano & Ida Aufiero
November 11	Rye	Michael Paul O'Brien	Joseph O'Brien & Margaret Morgan
November 16	Rye	Joan Eleanor Wirth	John Kudla & Melanie Roszczewski
November 24	Rye	Sandra Jean Newton	Ernest Trueman & Mildred Mills
December 16	Portsmouth	Patricia A Morais	Cornelius Finnegan & Marietta Finnegan
December 23	Rye	Shirley Jean Blecher	Henry Goodwin & Doris Patterson
December 30	Rye	Carla Vaughn	Wilfred Hadley & Freda Atkinson

MODERATOR'S REPORT

There were three elections in Rye in 2022. The Town election on March 8th went smoothly. 1,601 voters cast ballots (33.6% of registered voters). That number reflects a return to average voting levels after the low 20.9% turnout in 2021 that was likely due to the pandemic. 235 people voted absentee, accounting for 14.7% of ballots cast. There was also a recount for the first time in three years when there was an 11-vote margin between two candidates in a Zoning Board of Adjustment race. The recount, which narrowed the margin by just one vote, did not change the result. Moreover, it clearly demonstrated the reliability of Rye's vote tabulating machines and the pride taken by our many volunteer election workers in getting their jobs done right.

1,719 residents voted in the fall primary on September 13th. 207 voters voted absentee. 683 voters opted for Democratic ballots and 1,036 voters chose Republican ballots. Total turnout was a solid 35.4%.

The mid-term General Election was held on November 8th, when 3,757 voters cast ballots, for a turnout of 73.9%. In terms of raw numbers, the turnout was Rye's largest ever for a midterm election. 778 voters, or 20.7% of those voting, cast absentee ballots. That was the most ever for a midterm, but mercifully less than the 2,750 absentee ballots cast in the 2020 Presidential Election. There was a recount in the local State Senate race, where election night results had Lou Gargiulo trailing Debra Altschiller, district-wide, by 3,683 votes. The recount, conducted by the Secretary of State, increased Altschiller's winning margin to 3,712 votes. In Rye, Gargiulo netted a gain of two votes out of 3,660 votes cast, for a margin of error of .0005%. The recount once again demonstrated the accuracy and reliability of Rye's Accuvote tabulating machines.

The Rye Deliberative Session was held on February 4, 2023, with 74 voters in attendance; another 25+/- residents watched the live-stream video feed. For the first time since 1997 the warrant contained no citizen-petitioned articles. The most remarkable thing, however, was that the temperature was well below zero when the meeting came to order. There were 29 articles on the warrant, 23 of which were amendable. 27 of the 29 articles generated little or no discussion, with just two minor amendments being adopted. There was, however, considerable debate over two articles regarding statutory veterans' tax credits, but the debate was not heated as residents were simply competing to wordsmith better articles. Several amendments passed, several were defeated, and one amendment was rescinded. After 80 minutes of spirited discussion, the meeting voted unanimously to send both articles to the ballot in their original form, albeit with some language highlighted. The session lasted 160 minutes.

Once again, our elections would not have gone so smoothly without the scores of Town officials and employees who worked so hard for us. I particularly want to thank Police Chief Kevin Walsh, Fire Chief Mark Cotreau, and Highway Director Jason Rucker who, along with everyone in their departments, kept us safe and prepared. I also owe a special shout-out to Janice Ireland, the Select Board's Executive Assistant – without whose tireless dedication behind the scenes our elections and deliberative sessions would never get off the ground. Finally, I want to congratulate my entire election team, who the *New Hampshire Union Leader* recognized, along with "all election workers in the Granite State as the 2022 Citizens of the Year."

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Eaton
Town Moderator



ABSENTEE *True Copy* BALLOT 1 OF 4
 OFFICIAL BALLOT
 ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION *Rosara DeCotuis*
 RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE *Rosara DeCotuis*
 MARCH 8, 2022
 TOWN CLERK

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

<p>MODERATOR Vote for not more than One for Two Years ROBERT G. EATON ● 1350 ○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS Vote for not more than One for Three Years CHRIS NEE 1212 ● (Write-in)</p>	<p>PLANNING BOARD Vote for not more than One for Three Years PATRICIA A. LOSIK 1181 ● (Write-in)</p>
<p>SELECTMAN Vote for not more than One for Three Years BILL EPPERSON 867 ● CATHY HODSON 665 ○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>BUDGET COMMITTEE Vote for not more than Two for Three Years SUZANNE BARTON 987 ● SCOTT MARION 942 ● (Write-in) (Write-in)</p>	<p>ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT Vote for not more than One for One Year JENNIFER MADDEN 591 ● JOHN D. MITCHELL 265 ○ SANDRA CHOROROS 580 ○ (Write-in)</p>
<p>CEMETERY TRUSTEE Vote for not more than One for Three Years FRANK DRAKE 1271 ● (Write-in)</p>	<p>PLANNING BOARD Vote for not more than One for One Year JAMES FINN 1154 ● (Write-in)</p>	<p>ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT Vote for not more than One for Three Years JOHN TUTTLE 1152 ● (Write-in)</p>
<p>LIBRARY TRUSTEE Vote for not more than One for Three Years VICTOR D. AZZI 801 ● JOHN HART 538 ○ (Write-in)</p>	<p>PLANNING BOARD Vote for not more than One for Two Years ROBERT WRIGHT 1169 ● (Write-in)</p>	<p>SEWER COMMISSIONER Vote for not more than One for Three Years JOHN E. McCUNE JR. 1171 ● (Write-in)</p>
<p>SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST Vote for not more than One for Six Years JOANNE MEYER 546 ○ KAREN OLIVER 887 ● (Write-in)</p>		

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ARTICLES

ARTICLE 03. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Rye Zoning Ordinance in accordance with the recommendation of the Rye Planning Board, as follows:

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

Amendment 1.

Re: Multi-Family Developments

Amend Sections 190-4-2, C (4) to reduce the number of dwelling units allowed in a multi-family dwelling from eight (8) to five (5) as follows. (Note: New language **emboldened and italicized**. Deleted language ~~struck through~~).

A multi-family dwelling shall not have more than **5** dwelling units. A multi-family development shall not have more than 40 dwelling units. The subdivision of land shall not be used to circumvent the 40 unit limitation.

Explanation

Limiting the number of dwelling units in a multi-family dwelling to five (5) rather than allowing up to eight (8) is more in keeping with the rural character of Rye. The NH Workforce Housing Act requires municipalities to provide reasonable opportunities for multi-family housing, which the Act defines as a building containing five or more dwelling units.

1221
YES
NO
271

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

Amendment 2.

Re: Multi-Family Developments

Amend Section 190-4-2, C (8) to increase the required **dwelling building** spacing from 25 ft. to 35 ft., as follows. (Note: New language **emboldened and italicized**. Deleted language ~~struck through~~).

Dwelling Spacing. All **dwelling's building including parking structures and accessory buildings**, shall be separated by at least ~~25~~ **35** feet.

Explanation

Increasing dwelling spacing will allow for more open space around dwellings thereby providing residents of multi-family developments with increased enjoyment of their environs.

1161
YES
NO
323

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

Amendment 3.

Re: Housing Appeals Board

Amend the following sections of the Rye Zoning Ordinance to indicate that appeals may be taken to the Housing Appeals Board, in addition to the superior court. (Note: New language **emboldened and italicized**. Deleted language ~~struck through~~).

§ 190-3.4, F. [13] (Redevelopment of Tourist Accommodation Sites).
.... shall be taken to the Superior Court **or the Housing Appeals Board**, not to the Board of Adjustment.

§ 190-3.6, I. (Conditional Use Permits in Aquifer & Wellhead Protection District).
.... and then to the Superior Court **or the Housing Appeals Board** (but not to the Board of Adjustment).

§ 190-4.1, K. (Planning board decisions on Retirement Community Developments).
.... taken to the Superior Court **or the Housing Appeals Board**, not to the Board of Adjustment.

§ 190-4.2, I. (Planning board decisions on Multifamily Developments).
.... shall be taken to the Superior Court **or the Housing Appeals Board**, not to the Board of Adjustment.

§ 190-4.3, K. (Planning board decisions on Conservation Land Developments).
.... shall be taken to the Superior Court **or the Housing Appeals Board**, not to the Board of Adjustment.

§ 190-5.6, G. (Planning board decisions on accessory apartments).
.... may be filed with the Rockingham County Superior Court **or the Housing Appeals Board** within 30 days

§ 190-5.8, E. (3). (Planning board decisions on small wind energy systems).
.. may be taken to the Superior Court **or the Housing Appeals Board** as provided **by statute RSA 677:15**.

§ 190-7.3 (Appeals of ZBA decisions).
...and to appeal to the Superior Court **or the Housing Appeals Board** in accordance

§ 190-9.3 (Severability of Growth Management Ordinance provisions).
Should any part of this ~~article~~ **chapter** be held invalid or unconstitutional by a court **or by the Housing Appeals Board**, such holding shall not.....

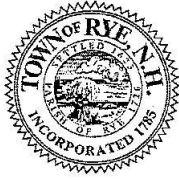
§ 190-10.2 (Severability of all zoning ordinance provisions).
Should any part of this ~~article~~ **chapter** be held invalid or unconstitutional by a court **or by the Housing Appeals Board** or authority of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not....

Explanation

The Legislature amended the statutes to establish the Housing Appeals Board effective July 1, 2020. Appeals of land use board decisions involving housing development may now be taken to the superior court or to the Housing Appeals Board.

1207
YES
NO
208

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BALLOT 2 OF 4

ARTICLES CONTINUED

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

Re: Driveway Setbacks

Amend Section 190-11.1 Word usage and definitions in the zoning ordinance so users are made aware that driveways are subject to a 10 ft. setback from an abutting property line, as follows: (Note: New language emboldened and italicized. Deleted language struck through).

STRUCTURE: Any temporary or permanently constructed, erected or placed material or combination of materials in or upon the ground, including, but not limited to buildings, mobile homes, radio towers, sheds and storage bins, storage tanks, portable carports, swimming pools, tennis courts and parking lots. The following are structures but are exempt from the dimensional requirements unless covered in other parts of the ordinance and codes.

[Amended 2001; 3-12-2013]

- (1) Subsurface waste disposal facilities (see §190-2.2E and Building Code, §35-15B);
(2) Fences and stonewalls (see §190-5.10);
(3) Driveways (But see Chapter 202, Land Development Regulations, Appendix E: Driveway Regulations. Driveways may not be constructed within 10 ft. of an abutting property line.); and
(4) Fuel storage tanks (see NFPA requirements).

DRIVEWAY: A private way for vehicles which provides entrance, exit, access to or from land in Rye to/from a public street. Driveways are regulated by the Rye Planning Board Land Development Regulations. A permit is required. Driveways may not be constructed within 10 feet of an abutting property line.

Explanation

The amendment puts users of the zoning ordinance on notice that driveways are regulated by the separate planning board land development regulations and that driveways may not be located within 10 feet of an abutting property line.

1012 YES [checked] NO [] 482

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

Re: Stone Walls, Retaining Walls and Fences

Amend Section 190-11.1B. Word usage and definitions and Section 190-5.10 Fences as follows:

- 1. Amend the Definition of Structure found at § 190-11.1.B. as follows: (Note: New language emboldened and italicized. Deleted language struck through).

STRUCTURE: Any temporary or permanently constructed, erected or placed material or combination of materials in or upon the ground, including but not limited to buildings, mobile homes, radio towers, retaining walls, sheds and storage bins, storage tanks, portable carports, swimming pools, tennis courts and parking lots. The following are structures but are exempt from the dimensional requirements unless covered in other parts of the ordinance and codes:

- (1) Subsurface waste disposal facilities (see § 190-2.2E and Building Code, § 35-15B);
(2) Fences and stone walls (see 190-5.10);
(3) Driveways (see Chapter 202, Land Development Regulations); and
(5) Fuel storage tanks (see NFPA requirements).
(6) Retaining walls less than 6 feet in height.

- 2. Add the following three definitions to Section § 190-11.1.B:

STONE WALL: a structure built of rough stones, which may or may not be filled together with mortar.
RETAINING WALL: A structure for holding in place a mass of earth or the like, as at the edge of a terrace or excavation. A retaining wall is designed, and constructed, to resist the lateral pressure of soil or other material, when there is a desired change in ground elevation.
FENCE: a barrier, railing, or other upright structure, typically of wood or wire, enclosing an area of ground to mark a boundary, control access, or prevent escape.

- 3. Change the title of Section 5.10 from Fences to Fences and Walls and amend the section as follows: (Note: New language emboldened and italicized. Deleted language struck through).

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AMENDMENT 5 CONTINUED

All fences, walls, and similar enclosures, except trees, shrubs and natural vegetation, are subject to the restrictions of this section.

- A. ~~Fence~~ **Permits**. No fence **or wall** shall be erected or replaced prior to obtaining a permit from the Building Inspector, except wire or rail fencing for agricultural use, which is exempt from the permit requirement.
- B. Common boundary line fence **and wall** permits. Common boundary line fences **and walls** are those placed along the common boundary line of properties. A common boundary line fence **or wall** permit application shall be signed by all property owners of the land involved. The permit shall hold the Town harmless from any disputes which may arise concerning such **fence structures**.
- C. Height. Fences and walls **other than retaining walls** shall not exceed six feet in height.
- D. Setback. All fences **and walls**, except common boundary line fences **and walls**, shall be located at least one foot from the property line. The applicant is responsible for establishing the boundary with a survey by a licensed New Hampshire surveyor.
- E. Finished side. Any fence within 10 feet of a lot line shall have the finished side face the abutting properties, and the side of a fence containing the posts and other bracing appurtenances shall face inward to the property on which the fence is located. For common boundary line fences, the finished side(s) shall be as designated by the property owners in the application.
- F. Sight distance. All fences and walls shall comply with the corner clearance requirements of Article II of this chapter.
- G. Town rights-of-way. Erection of fences **and walls** within Town rights-of-way is prohibited. Fences **and walls** abutting a right-of-way shall be set back at least one foot from the right-of-way line.
- H. Applicability. This section shall apply to all fences **and walls** erected or replaced after January 2, 2001.

Explanation

The amendment adds definitions which clarify the distinctions among fences, stone walls and retaining walls. The amendment also allows retaining walls less than 6 feet in height to occupy required yard setbacks.

1095
YES
NO
393

ARTICLE 04. Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling eleven million one hundred fifty-one thousand five hundred thirty-four dollars (\$11,151,534)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be ten million six hundred eighty-five thousand eight hundred fifty-one dollars (\$10,685,851) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required.)

NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations in any other warrant articles.

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

1068
YES
NO
436

ARTICLE 05. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the purchase of a front-end loader and to authorize the withdrawal of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994 for this purpose. This article has no current tax impact. (Majority vote required.)

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

1178
YES
NO
341

ARTICLE 06. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

1071
YES
NO
439

ARTICLE 07. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Fire and Ambulance Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund the purpose of which was amended by Article 15 of the 2018 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

1097
YES
NO
421

ARTICLE 08. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to The Municipal Buildings Construction and Renovation Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 9 at the 2020 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of construction or renovation of town owned buildings. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

1007
YES
NO
513

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 09. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be placed in the expendable general trust fund known as the Town Employees' Accumulated Leave Fund, established pursuant to RSA 31:19-a by Article 14 of the 1990 Rye Town Meeting for the purpose of funding Town Employees' accumulated leave accounts. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

992
YES
NO
531

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to be added to The Municipal Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 11 at the 2007 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of major repairs to municipal buildings. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

1103
YES
NO
401

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for the purpose of developing a Wastewater Asset Management Plan to authorize the Sewer Commission to borrow thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) Clean Water Revolving Fund and to appropriate the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300) for interest payments during 2022. This DES program includes principal forgiveness, thus there is no cost to the town other than a small amount of interest. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (3/5 vote required.)

1262
YES
NO
244

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee (9-0)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to establish a 400th Anniversary Celebration Expendable Trust Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a for the purpose of creating a fund to support activities in conjunction with the Town's 400th anniversary and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund. (Majority vote required.)

1058
YES
NO
457

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 24 at the 2020 Town meeting pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the future revaluation of the Town so that the assessments are at full and true value at least as often as every fifth year. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

949
YES
NO
546

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Goss Barn Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 13 at the 2021 Town meeting pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for the maintenance of the Goss Barn owned by the Town of Rye and managed by the Rye Conservation Commission. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

1056
YES
NO
453

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Library Employees' Accumulated Leave Fund established by Article 22 at the 2018 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:91-a, for the purpose of funding Library Employees' accumulated leave. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

1066
YES
NO
440

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the Rye Public Library Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 14 at the 2005 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, as a maintenance fund for the Rye Public Library building. This appropriation is in addition to the Library's operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

1141
YES
NO
377

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

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ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Rye Public Library HVAC Capital Reserve Fund established by article 12 at the 2016 Town meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of replacing the Rye Public Library's aging and inefficient current heating, ventilation and air conditioning system. This appropriation is in addition to the Library's operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

1143
YES
NO
359

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to change the name and the purpose of the Recreation Building Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 12 of the 1996 Town Meeting to the Recreation Buildings and Property Maintenance Fund for the purpose of creating a maintenance fund for all Recreation buildings and associated land and to designate the Select Board as agents to expend and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (2/3 Majority vote required).

1144
YES
NO
353

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the Grove Road Landfill Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 11 at the 1994 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

1124
YES
NO
373

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for Records Restoration established by Article 16 of the 1990 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

1032
YES
NO
449

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

ARTICLE 21. Shall the Town modify the elderly exemptions for property tax in the Town of Rye, pursuant to N.H. RSA 72:27-a, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows:

- For a person 65 years of age up to 74 years an increase in exemption to \$140,000 (currently \$75,000);
- For a person 75 years of age up to 79 years an increase in exemption to \$170,000 (currently \$90,000);
- For a person 80 years of age or older increase to \$200,000 (currently \$105,000).

To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least three (3) consecutive years preceding April 1st of the year exemption is claimed, must own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by his or her spouse, they must have been married and living together for at least five (5) years, in addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$40,000 if single, or if married, a combined net income of less than \$59,900, and own net assets not in excess of \$199,000 excluding the value of the person's primary residence. (Majority vote required)

1348
YES
NO
178

The purpose of this article is to modify the exemption for the elderly due to the current 2022 revaluation of the Town in order for the exemption to keep pace with the general or average increase in property values so as to leave no elderly persons behind because of these value changes.

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Rye Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan, finalized on January 4, 2022 by the Rye Energy Committee, and to further authorize the Select Board to develop and implement Rye Community Power, and to take all action in furtherance of, the Rye Community Power Electric Aggregation Plan, pursuant to RSA 53-E, provided that the Selectmen establish a specific account to track all costs related to the Plan (including attorney fees) with all such costs to be recovered from electric rates established by the Plan, if possible.

1152
YES
NO
316

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

ARTICLE 23. (By Petition) To see if the Town will vote to ban the use of voting machines in all local, state and federal elections.

358
YES
NO
1184

This article is not recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

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ARTICLE 24. (By Petition) To see if the town will go on record opposing the retail sale of dogs and cats in pet stores in the town. This resolution is necessary because the majority of dogs and cats sold in pet stores are sourced from large-scale, inhumane commercial breeding facilities commonly called "puppy mills". The record of this vote shall be transmitted by written notice from the selectmen to the town's state legislators and to the Governor of New Hampshire.

1282
YES
NO
264

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

ARTICLE 25. (By Petition) Shall the town cease from referring to the holiday on the second Monday of each October as Columbus Day and instead refer to it as Indigenous Peoples' Day? However, if HB1173 is signed into law to proclaim Indigenous Peoples' Day a separately recognized holiday, then this warrant article shall become null and void.

794
YES
NO
757

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder at public auction, or sealed bid, such surplus Town equipment as is not traded in on new equipment in 2022.

1468
YES
NO
79

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

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TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

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

<p style="text-align: center;">SELECTMAN</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for Three Years more than One</p> <p>CATHY HODSON <input type="radio"/></p> <p>BOB McGRATH <input type="radio"/></p> <p>BRUCE VALLEY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LIBRARY TRUSTEE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for Three Years more than Two</p> <p>DANIA SEIGLIE <input type="radio"/></p> <p>MICHAEL MOODY <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PLANNING BOARD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for One Year more than One</p> <p>KATHRYN A. GARCIA <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">PLANNING BOARD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vote for not for Three Years more than One</p> <p>J.M. LORD <input type="radio"/></p> <p>_____ <input type="radio"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Write-in)</p>
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ARTICLE 03. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Rye Zoning Ordinance in accordance with the recommendation of the Rye Planning Board, as follows:

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

Amendment 1

Re: Article I Introduction

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend §190-1.2, related to the Introduction of the Zoning Ordinance, to identify that "protection of sensitive environs and natural resources" is a purpose of the Zoning Ordinance and to further identify that the proper use and conservation of natural resources is identified as a purpose of the Zoning Ordinance.

YES
NO

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

Amendment 2

Re: Article II Use Districts

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend the provisions of Article II of the Zoning Ordinance in the manner reflected in the Zoning Ordinance amendments posted at the Rye Town Hall and the Rye Town Website. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

- Clarify the limitations on yard lot areas, the number of principal dwellings per lot, expansion of non-conforming dwelling units;
Eliminate references to "government uses," "municipal uses," and "apartment houses" throughout;
Expand the definition of uses which constitute "noxious, unreasonable, or offensive" uses of property;
Amend the process related to the conversion of illegal apartments; including amending the required criteria for such a conversion and eliminating the requirement for a renewal of "certificates of legality."
Clarify standards for vegetative buffers between residential developments in residential districts abutting nonresidential districts and/or nonresidential uses on the same lot;
Amend the process and standards for the conversion of seasonal dwelling units to year-round dwellings;
Amend the permissible uses in the Single Residence District and the requirements for home occupations;
Amend the uses allowed in the Single Residence District by special exception, the process for the establishment of a bed-and-breakfast facility and the criteria and requirements for the establishment of a home occupation;
Clarify the permissibility of dwellings consisting of two single-family units in the General Residence District;
Add agriculture as a permissible use in the Conservation District;
Eliminate reference to the "Public Recreation District."
Expand the type of permissible dining establishments allowed in the Business District and Commercial Districts;
Alter the uses permitted by special exception and the standard for the grant of a "special exception" within the Commercial District;
Eliminate the Industrial District; and
Make such other changes as are reflected in the amendments on file.

YES
NO

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

Amendment 3

Re: Article III Wetlands Conservation District

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend the provisions of Article III, § 190-3.1 of the Zoning Ordinance, related to the Wetlands Conservation District, in the manner reflected in the Zoning Ordinance amendments posted at the Rye Town Hall and the Rye Town Website. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

- Clarify the types of resources for the delineation of wetlands;
Expand the purpose of the Wetlands Conservation District;
Require agricultural uses in the Wetlands Conservation District to comply with the Best Management Wetland Practices - Agriculture;
Establish isolated non-bordering wetlands as a class of protected resources subject to the Wetlands Conservation District;
Amend the buffer applicable to tidal lands, marshes, bays, estuaries, creeks, surface waters, and other water resources;
Clarify the extent of tree removal within the Wetlands Conservation District; and
Make such other changes as are reflected in the amendments on file.

YES
NO

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Norma M. DeCotis TOWN CLERK

ARTICLES CONTINUED

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

Amendment 4

Re: Article III Overlay Districts

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend the provisions of Article III of the Zoning Ordinance, related to Overlay Districts (with the exception to the §190-3.1 addressed in Amendment 3), in the manner reflected in the Zoning Ordinance amendments posted at the Rye Town Hall and the Rye Town Website. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

- Identify the architectural features in the Historic District, insert reference to the Historic District Commission's Design Guidelines, clarify how decisions of the Historic District Commission may be appealed, and amend the sign restrictions applicable to the Historic District to eliminate content-based distinctions.
Identify that a special exception is needed to build on a pre-existing nonconforming lot in the Coastal Area District, identify the criteria for the issuance of a special exception, and identify the methodology to calculate lot yield for the redevelopment of Tourist Accommodations within the Coastal Area District;
Replace references to "regulated substances" and "hazardous waste" with "toxic or hazardous material" in the Aquifer and Wellhead Protection District;
Clarify the applicability of the Aquifer and Wellhead Protection District and amend the permissible uses and uses allowed by conditional use permit in the Aquifer and Wellhead Protection District;
Establish safeguards related to toxic and hazardous materials and prevent contact between precipitation/runoff and animal manure in the Aquifer Protection District;
Clarify the types of structures permitted within the Multifamily Dwelling District by striking "housing" and replacing that phrase with "dwellings and/or developments"; and
Make such other changes as are reflected in the amendments on file.

YES [] NO []

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

Amendment 5

Re: Article IV Planned Developments

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend the provisions of Article IV of the Zoning Ordinance, related to Planned Developments, in the manner reflected in the Zoning Ordinance amendments posted at the Rye Town Hall and the Rye Town Website. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

- Clarify the criteria needed for the issuance of a special exception for mobile home park or subdivisions and requirements related to access, siting, play areas, and bonding;
Amend the calculation for maximum density for Retirement Community Developments, multifamily developments and Conservation Land Developments;
Amend the standards by which density bonuses are allowed for Retirement Community Developments and clarify the applicable setbacks for such developments;
Amend the road frontage limitations related to multifamily developments;
Amend the requirements for the distribution of workforce housing for Conservation Land Developments, clarify the approval process for such developments, and amend the standards by which density bonuses are allowed for Conservation Land Developments; and
Make such other changes as are reflected in the amendments on file.

YES [] NO []

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

Amendment 6

Re: Article V Special Regulations

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend the provisions of Article V of the Zoning Ordinance, related to Special Regulations, in the manner reflected in the Zoning Ordinance amendments posted at the Rye Town Hall and the Rye Town Website. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

- Amend the requirements for off-street parking for home occupations and personal service establishments; amend and clarify the calculation for parking for mobile homes, hotels and motels, and health clubs/fitness centers; establish parking requirements for stationary food trucks;
Amend sign regulations, to eliminate content-based regulations and to make the same sign restrictions applicable to all signs regardless of type or content;
Alter existing regulations associated with quarries, pits, and turf farms and establish regulations, restrictions, and standards for earth movement activities and excavations;

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AMENDMENT 6 CONTINUED

- Clarify the approval and appeal process for condominium conversions and the minimum standards and considerations for such conversions;
- Identify the approval process for tourist camps, motels, hotels, and lodging houses and amend waste disposal practice and the manner that occupancy limits are established;
- Amend the provisions related to wireless telecommunications facilities to allow for the expansion of the Wireless Telecommunications Facilities District when necessary to comply with Federal Law, amend required setbacks and lighting requirements for such facilities, amend the approval process and the requirements for approval for such facilities;
- Clarify that applicants for accessory dwelling units provide permits and approvals for the provision of water and sewerage/septic and must comply with all other provisions of the Zoning Ordinance;
- Include excavation to the list of land disturbance activities which cannot increase surface water drainage flowing onto adjacent property;
- Eliminate references to the Town's Illicit Discharge and Elimination Ordinance from the Zoning Ordinance, contingent upon the Select Board enacting an Illicit Discharge and Elimination Ordinance pursuant to RSA 149-I:6-a;
- Amend the submittal requirements and approval criteria for applications for small wind energy systems and establish setbacks for such systems from occupied structures;
- Identify that retaining walls shall be considered structures and are subject to setback requirements, amongst other minor textual changes; and
- Make such other changes as are reflected in the amendments on file.

YES
NO

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

Amendment 7

Re: Article VI Nonconforming Lots, Nonconforming Uses and Nonconforming Buildings and Structures

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend the provisions of Article VI of the Zoning Ordinance, related to Nonconforming Lots, Nonconforming Uses, and Nonconforming Buildings and Structures, in the manner reflected in the Zoning Ordinance amendments posted at the Rye Town Hall and the Rye Town Website. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

- Clarify the criteria necessary for the grant of a special exception to change from one pre-existing non-conforming use to another non-conforming use, when a pre-existing, non-conforming use may be restored for "obsolescence," and the dimensional limitations on the reestablishment of a pre-existing non-conforming use;
- Identify the permissible expansions of non-conforming structures that do not increase the amount of non-conformity, when a pre-existing, non-conforming structure may be restored for "obsolescence," and the dimensional limitations on the reestablishment of a pre-existing non-conforming structure; and
- Make such other changes as are reflected in the amendments on file.

YES
NO

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 8, as follows:

Amendment 8

Re: Article VII Board of Adjustment

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend the provisions of Article VII of the Zoning Ordinance, related to the Board of Adjustment, in the manner reflected in the Zoning Ordinance amendments posted at the Rye Town Hall and the Rye Town Website. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

- Identify that the ZBA may consider appeals related to the interpretation, application, or construction of the Zoning Ordinance;
- Eliminate the recitation of the variance criteria and replace that recitation by referencing the statute setting forth the criteria for a variance;
- Amend the criteria for the grant of a special exception to clarify that such criteria may be subject to other special exception criteria in other portions of the Zoning Ordinance;
- Eliminate the reference to the Zoning Board of Adjustment having authority to consider matters other than variances, special exceptions, equitable waivers, or administrative appeals.
- Amend the ZBA's procedural requirements in accordance with HB 1661 by altering the deadlines by which the ZBA must act on an application for appeal, the effect of the of an applicant's failure to provide the name of abutting property owners, and the ZBA's process when the ZBA does not have sufficient information to make a decision; and
- Make such other changes as are reflected in the amendments on file.

YES
NO

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Ronna M. DeCotis
TOWN CLERK

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 9, as follows:

Amendment 9

Re: Article VIII Administration and Enforcement

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend the provisions of Article VIII of the Zoning Ordinance, related to Administration and Enforcement, in the manner reflected in the Zoning Ordinance amendments posted at the Rye Town Hall and the Rye Town Website. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

- Clarify when a building permit is not required and the ability of the Building Inspector's ability to revoke building permits;
Establish a definition of "live loads," in relation to certificates of occupancy;
Amend the means by which the Building Inspector and the Select Board may enforce the Zoning Ordinance;
Establish a process by which the Planning and Land Use Administrator may issue decisions interpreting, applying, and constructing the Zoning Ordinance to allow for applicants to seek relief from the ZBA without submitting an application for a building permit; and
Make such other changes as are reflected in the amendments on file.

YES []
NO []

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 10, as follows:

Amendment 10

Re: Article X Amendment, Conflicts, Severability and Effective Date

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend §190-10.2 of the Zoning Ordinance to clarify the jurisdiction of the Housing Appeals Board regarding determinations of legality of the Zoning Ordinance, amongst other textual changes.

YES []
NO []

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment 11, as follows:

Amendment 11

As part of the Town's comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance, amend the provisions of Article XI of the Zoning Ordinance, related to Definitions, in the manner reflected in the Zoning Ordinance amendments posted at the Rye Town Hall and the Rye Town Website. Such changes include, but are not limited to:

Re: Article XI Definitions

- Incorporate the definitions of "Agriculture" under RSA 21:32-a, the definition of "Workforce Housing" reflected in RSA 674:58, and incorporate the variance criteria set forth in RSA 674:33 in the definition of "Variance";
Expand the definition of "Apartment House" to include where the owner of the or principal of the owner lives in the structure;
Add a definition for "Best Management Wetland Practices - Agriculture";
Amend the definition of "Business";
Expand the definition of "Development" to include clearing and site preparation;
Clarify the definition of "Dwelling Unit" to exclude establishments allowing for "transient occupancies";
Amend the definition of "Dwelling Unit, Seasonal" to identify "inadequate insulation" as a condition reflected in such structures;
Add a definition for "Primary Dwelling";
Expand the definition of "Earth Excavation" to include other types of activities associated with excavation and earth moving activities;
Amend the definition of "Grade" to clarify the manner in which grade is calculated for structures set back in excess of 100 feet from streets;
Add a definition for "Isolated Non-Bordering Wetlands";
Amend the definition of "Junkyard";
Alter the definition of "Living Space" to change the phrase "dead areas" to "areas that do not constitute living space";
Reference the definition of "Earth Excavation" in the definition of "Mining of Land";
Revise the definition of "Neighborhood" to allow for consideration of other factors beyond radius and include "traffic" as a consideration in determining neighborhood impacts;
Clarify the definition of "Special Exception" and reference the need to satisfy established criteria;
Identify that "retaining walls" less than 3 feet in height are not deemed "Structures";
Expand the definition of "Toxic or Hazardous Materials";
Expand the definition of "Upland Soils" to include slopes less than 20%; and
Make such other changes as are reflected in the amendments on file.

YES []
NO []

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 04. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Rye Building Code in accordance with the recommendation of the Rye Planning Board, as follows:

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

Amendment 1.

Re: Back Flow Preventor

BC 2023-01 amends Section 35-5: Permits as follows (Note: New text ***emboldened and italicized***. Deleted text ~~struck through~~)

A. Application for permit. Every person or authorized agent of such person intending to erect, construct or move any building or structure, as defined in Chapter 190, Zoning, or parts thereof, including swimming pools and tennis courts of all types, within the Town of Rye, and every such person or agent intending to alter or restore any building or structure in any manner, shall, before proceeding with the work, obtain the required building permits (electrical, plumbing, and construction) from the Building Inspector. ***A back flow preventor shall be required for all new, expanded and/or replaced irrigation system(s) which shall be installed by a licensed New Hampshire plumber. The licensed New Hampshire plumber shall apply for a permit from the Building Inspector who shall insure that such back flow preventor is appropriate for the proposed irrigation system and will be installed in accordance with the New Hampshire Building Code and the requirements of the local water utility and established best practices.*** The application forms, furnished by the Building Inspector, require: a description of the building; the site; the location thereof; the work contemplated, and every such person or agent intending to otherwise alter or restore any building or structure, including the interior, so as not to increase the floor or base area thereof, to the extent of \$1,500 or more in value, including the value of all labor and materials. The fees for permits are listed at the office of the Building Inspector. A careful record of the original of such application and the supporting plan and any specifications shall be kept in the Town offices by the Building Inspector

YES
NO

Explanation.

This will put the property owner on notice that they must get a permit for all new, expanded, and/or replaced irrigation systems and a back flow preventer shall be installed by a licensed New Hampshire plumber.

ARTICLE 05. Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling eleven million, nine hundred eight-five thousand, nine hundred ten and 00/100 dollars (\$11,985,910.00)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be ten million, seven hundred thirteen thousand, four hundred twenty-six and 00/100 dollars (\$10,713,426.00) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required.)

NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations in any other warrant articles.

YES
NO

**This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (7-0)**

ARTICLE 06. To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Select Board and the Professional Fire Fighters Association of Rye affiliated with the International Association of Fire Fighters IAFF Local #4411, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Estimated Increase over prior Year
2023	<u>\$50,023.00</u>
2024	<u>\$46,812.00</u>

Further, to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand and twenty-three and 00/100 dollars (\$50,023.00) for the 2023 fiscal year, such sum representing additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the current collective bargaining agreement. This appropriation is in addition to funds appropriated through the operating budget for current staffing levels in accordance with the current collective bargaining agreement. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

**This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)**

ARTICLE 07. Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 6 is defeated, authorize the Select Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 6 cost items only?

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

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Donna M. DeCotis TOWN CLERK

ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 08. To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Select Board and the Rye Police Association...

Table with 2 columns: Year, Estimated Increase over prior Year. Rows for 2023, 2024, 2025.

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-four thousand six hundred and eighty-one and 00/100 dollars (\$34,681.00) for the 2023 fiscal year...

YES [] NO []

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0) This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

ARTICLE 09. Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 8 is defeated, authorize the Select Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 8 cost items only?

YES [] NO []

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Select Board and the Rye Town Employees Association...

Table with 2 columns: Year, Estimated Increase over prior Year. Rows for 2023, 2024, 2025.

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-two thousand eight hundred and seventy-five and 00/100 dollars (\$52,875.00) for the 2023 fiscal year...

YES [] NO []

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0) This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (9-0)

ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 10 is defeated, authorize the Select Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 10 cost items only?

YES [] NO []

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred seventy thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$370,000.00) to purchase a new ambulance for the Fire Department...

YES [] NO []

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0) This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (7-0)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$200,000.00) to be added to the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund...

YES [] NO []

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0) This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

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ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$105,000) to purchase a new one-ton truck with plows and material spreader and to authorize the withdrawal of one hundred five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$105,000.00) from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994 for this purpose. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. This article has no current tax impact. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$100,000.00) to be added to the Fire and Ambulance Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund the purpose of which was amended by Article 15 of the 2018 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$50,000.00) to be placed in the expendable general trust fund known as the Town Employees' Accumulated Leave Fund, established pursuant to RSA 31:19-a by Article 14 of the 1990 Rye Town Meeting for the purpose of funding Town Employees' accumulated leave accounts. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$35,000.00) to be added to The Municipal Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 11 at the 2007 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of major repairs to municipal buildings. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Emergency Management Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of emergency preparation and management, infrastructure repair, pollution mitigation, coastal hazard response, and all other costs and expenditures related to any disaster, critical incident, accident, fire, flood, public health concern, storm, or weather-related event and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$25,000.00) to be placed in this fund. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. Further, to name the Select Board as agents to expend from said fund. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 24 at the 2020 Town meeting pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the revaluation of the Town at least as often as every fifth year as required by RSA 75:8-a. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Recreation Buildings and Property Maintenance Fund the purpose of which was amended by Article 18 of the 2022 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Conservation Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 13 at the 2021 Town meeting pursuant to RSA 31:19-a to repair and maintain land and buildings owned by the Town of Rye and managed by the Rye Conservation Commission. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Rye Public Library HVAC Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 12 at the 2016 Town meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of replacing the Rye Public Library's aging and inefficient current heating, ventilation and air conditioning system. This appropriation is in addition to the Library's operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

YES
NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)
This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

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Suzanne M. DeCotis TOWN CLERK

ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to establish a contingency fund pursuant to RSA 31:98-a for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate ten thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$10,000.00) to put in the fund. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. (Majority vote required.) YES NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0) This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$3,000.00) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for Records Restoration established by Article 16 of the 1990 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.) YES NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0) This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend the purpose of the special revenue fund known as the Beach Cleaning Fund, which was amended by Article 14 of the 2015 town warrant, such purpose to be amended as follows: to increase the restricted beach parking permit revenues which go into the fund from 50% to 75% of total beach permit revenues. Note: expenditures from the fund require town meeting approval. (2/3 majority vote required.) YES NO

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0) This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (8-0)

ARTICLE 26. Shall the Town of Rye vote to re-adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28, II, the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit in the amount of five hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$500.00)? If re-adopted, the following individuals will be eligible for the Veteran's Tax Credit: (a) every resident of this state who is a veteran, as defined by RSA 21:50, and who served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States in any qualifying war or armed conflict listed in RSA 72:28, V and continues to serve or was honorably discharged or an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, (b) every resident of this state who was terminated from the armed forces because of a service-connected disability; or the surviving spouse of such resident; and (c) the surviving spouse of any resident who suffered a service-connected death. This tax credit shall replace and shall not be in addition to the standard veteran's tax credit and shall be subtracted in accordance with RSA 72:28, III. (Majority vote required.) YES NO

Note: If this Article does not pass the Optional Tax Credit would revert to the Standard Veteran Tax Credit under RSA 72:28-I, and as of April 1, 2023, the Standard Veteran Tax Credit would be in place and reduce the Veteran Tax Credit from \$500 to \$50 per year.

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0) This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (7-0)

ARTICLE 27. Shall the Town of Rye vote to re-adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, the All Veterans' Tax Credit? If re-adopted, the credit will be available to any resident of the state who is a veteran as defined in RSA 21:50, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any such resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and (2) continues to serve or was honorably discharged or an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service and (3) is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If re-adopted, the credit granted will be five hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$500.00), the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town under RSA 72:28. This tax credit shall be subtracted in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, III. This article shall be contingent on the passage of Article 26. If the Town Meeting votes "no" on Article 26, this Article shall be null and void. (Majority vote required.) YES NO

Note: If this Article does not pass the All Veteran Tax Credit would revert to the Standard Veteran Tax Credit under RSA 72:28-I, and as of April 1, 2023, the Standard Veteran Tax Credit would be in place and reduce the Veteran Tax Credit from \$500 to \$50 per year.

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0) This article is recommended by the Budget Committee. (7-0)

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder at public auction, or sealed bid, such surplus Town equipment as is not traded in on new equipment in 2023.

This article is recommended by the Selectmen (3-0)

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

February 4, 2023

DELIBERATIVE SESSION

At 9:05 a.m., on the 4th day of February 2023, at the Rye Junior High School gymnasium, Moderator Robert Eaton called the meeting to order and led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He introduced himself and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. Moderator Eaton continued the tradition of reading the names of friends and neighbors who passed away during 2022. A moment of silence was observed in their memory.

Moderator Eaton then introduced Town Officials: Town Administrator Matt Scruton, Finance Director/Asst. Town Administrator Becky Bergeron, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Donna DeCotis, Town Counsel Representative William Warren, Select Board Member Bill Epperson, Select Board Vice-Chair Tom King, and Select Board Chair Phil Winslow.

Moderator Eaton opened to Selectman Winslow to say a few words.

Selectman Winslow stated that he has been honored to have been one of Rye's selectmen over the past six years. He is sad to say that he will not be running for a third term. He thanked the Select Board Members and the town staff for the accomplishments they have been able to make over the past six years.

In looking at some of the accomplishments over the past six years, Selectman Winslow noted that Rye celebrated the opening of the new Town Hall Annex this past week with a ribbon cutting ceremony. This took eleven years, three town office committees, and fourteen warrant articles to finally bring it to fruition. There are now nine people located in the annex with the hopes of expanding that number over the next few years. He continued that they also obtained a nine hundred thousand dollar grant from the State to reconfigure the Lang Road and U.S. Route 1 intersection, which was finally completed in 2022. This provides safe access for Rye residents onto U.S. Route 1. Third, in working with U.S. Senators and the Army Corps of Engineers, three million dollars in federal funds was obtained to finally dredge Rye Harbor after thirty years. Rye also facilitated the construction of a new cell tower on Port Way for use by Verizon and AT & T. This enhances the cell reception in the northeast part of town and also improves safety communications, as well as brings in over three hundred and forty thousand dollars to Rye in revenue over the next ten years. This is revenue that will benefit all taxpayers.

Selectman Winslow noted the first town center charette was also conducted and the Town Center Committee was set up. In working with the Rockingham Planning Commission and N.H. DOT, Rye acquired eight hundred thousand dollars in State funds to put in sidewalks and bike lanes in the Center of Town, in order to provide safety access for students travelling from the Rye Junior

High School to the Library. With the help from Dania Seiglie and a core of Rye residents, over one thousand signatures were obtained on a petition which persuaded Pro-Con/Kane to back out of constructing a seven hundred and fifty thousand square foot air cargo facility at Pease; thereby, protecting residents from nighttime aircraft noise. That would have brought in over three thousand flights a year with many of them being in the middle of the night. For those who were at the tree lighting ceremony, they know what it sounds like because the flight path runs right over the Center of Rye. As people were signing Silent Night, a 317 flew over and no one could hear anything for three or four minutes.

Selectman Winslow continued that Rye also obtained a commitment for five hundred thousand dollars in State funding to put in bike lanes along Route 1B from the Rye/New Castle bridge to Route 1A, along with the route from the Sagamore bridge down to Odiorne State Park. Construction is expected to begin in two years. Leadership in the town departments has significantly changed over the past six years with the hiring of a town treasurer, fire chief, public works director, recreation director, and also a town administrator. All of this was done while maintaining a stable tax base and only increasing taxes by less than three percent over the entire six year period. Rye still has one of the lowest property tax rates in the State. In addition, the Town's unassigned fund balance has increased to over eleven percent, which was down at seven percent two years ago. This is the Town's "rainy day" fund, so there is money if something unexpected should happen. On top of that, Rye's annual debt service is the lowest it's been over the last five years and the Town is in a very healthy financial position.

Selectman Winslow thanked the select board members, town staff and various town volunteers for making these accomplishments. There's a total of twenty-seven different committees, commissions, and boards in Rye with over one hundred and eight people volunteering to serve on these commissions. This is the core of the Town. It's what makes the Town run. He applauds the people who continue to serve. Selectman Winslow gave a special thank you to his wife, Mae Winslow, for her support with late night meetings, late night dinners, and for putting up with hundreds of phone calls, cancelled trips and changes in schedules.

Moderator Eaton asked everyone to stand and give Selectman Winslow a round of applause for his work over the years. He then introduced Lisa Sweet from the Rye Energy Committee to give a brief presentation about Rye Community Power.

Lisa Sweet, Rye Energy Committee Member, stated that Rye Community Power, which was an approved warrant article from last year, is ready to be implemented. It should be launching around mid-April for Rye. Community Power is enabled by RSA 53-E the Community Power Law. This law enables cities, towns, and counties to aggregate or pool their energy customers and purchase energy supply on their behalf, which gives better economy of scale and access to wholesale market. Rye Community Power has chosen to work with the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (CPCNH). CPCNH has a team of industry professionals who will handle all the services for Rye's energy procurement. The cost of these services is shared amongst all members of the coalition. The power demand of all members of the coalition is

aggregated. This means a lower cost for services and a higher bulk purchasing power. CPCNH is a member-governed nonprofit power agency. There are currently twenty-eight members representing over twenty percent of New Hampshire's population and membership is growing consistently.

Ms. Sweet explained that all electricity supply customers, all Rye residences, and businesses, will be notified by mail in early to mid-March. This notification will explain what Rye Community Power is and all the options that are available. In essence, Rye Community Power will be providing the electrons that will be running into homes, which is the supply. Eversource will continue to deliver the power, maintain the lines, maintain the grid, and continue to send out the bills. Rye Community Power will immediately provide lower prices for energy and there will also be more choices for renewable energy. The default product will be the same renewable energy content as the Eversource default, but it will cost less, and there will be three other choices with higher renewable energy content that customers may opt into if they so choose. Any resident who is currently taking the Eversource default energy supply, which is probably about eighty percent or more, will be automatically enrolled in Rye Community Power. The bill will list CPCNH, or Rye Community Power, as the energy supplier. The rate will be cheaper than Eversource's. The customer needs to do nothing to enroll. Someone who wishes to opt out and stay with Eversource may do so. The mailer will explain how this can be done easily with no penalties. Customers who currently purchase their electricity from a competitive supplier will have the opportunity to opt in at any time; however, they will not automatically be enrolled. Ms. Sweet assured everyone that all of this will be explained in the mailer. This information is also available on the Rye Energy Committee's webpage. A meeting is being held on March 13th right before the select board meeting to answer any questions. Rye Energy Committee meets the first Tuesday of every month and anyone is welcome to attend if there are questions.

Ms. Sweet concluded that during the short-term there will be lower prices and more choices. In the longer-term the intent is to offer programs that will benefit the residents and develop more local supply to provide more reliability and control costs over the long-term.

Moderator Eaton introduced the candidates who are running for Town and School District offices and invited those present to please stand. The School District Deliberative Session will be Tuesday, February 7th at 6:30 p.m., in the RJH cafeteria. The Town and School elections will be held on Tuesday, March 14th at the Rye Elementary School. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Absentee ballots can be applied for at the Town Hall until the day before the election. Residents who have not yet registered to vote may do so on election day. A Candidate's Night is being held at the Library on March 9th at 7:30 p.m.

Moderator Eaton read his rules for the meeting:

1. Meeting Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and debate the articles on the Town warrant. However, this meeting cannot remove articles from the ballot. Up or down voting on an article only occurs at the March election. Most articles may be amended to change how they appear on the ballot.

2. Moderator's Rules: By New Hampshire Law, the Moderator sets the rules and procedures for the meeting. I won't follow Robert's Rules of Order or any other complicated rules of parliamentary procedure. I may not run a perfect meeting, but I will do my best to run a fair meeting. Ultimately though, this is your meeting. By majority vote, you can change my rules or overrule any decision I make.

3. Procedure: I will read each article in the order that it appears on the warrant, unless somebody moves to take an article out of order. The article will also be projected on the screen and hard copies are available. After reading an article, I will ask for a motion and a second to move each article to the floor for debate. I will then recognize the article's sponsor. After that, everyone here is invited to speak. If you want to speak to an article, line up behind the microphone, staying six feet apart per the blue tape on the floor. When it's your turn, introduce yourself by name and street address. I will recognize new speakers before I permit someone to speak a second time. Remember, we are here in the spirit of fair debate. Some of you may be passionate about an issue, but don't let your passion get the better of you. Please be civil and courteous. Don't raise your voice or make personal attacks. Please address all comments to me. When there is no more discussion on an article, I will order it to be placed on the ballot, either as written or as amended. I am not imposing a time limit on speakers this year. However, I encourage people to stick to three minutes or less. I will let you know if I think you need to wrap things up.

4. Amendments: Any registered voter can move to amend an article. All amendments must be in writing, unless they are very simple. Try to write out your amendment in advance and please make them legible. They can be given to Town Clerk Ms. DeCotis in the front. I will read the motion, call for a second, and then open the floor for discussion. When you are ready to vote, I will restate the motion to amend. There are five limits to amendments. First, articles whose words are required by law may not be amended. Secondly, I will not allow motions to amend amendments before the original amendment is voted on. Thirdly, an amendment may not add a new subject. Fourth, you cannot increase the budget, including warrant articles, by more than ten percent, unless you use specific language seeking to override the ten percent limitation. Finally, amendments cannot eliminate an article's subject matter.

5. Voting: If you haven't already done so, check in at the clerk's table, get a fluorescent yellow voting card and sign it. To vote, I will ask you to raise your card. I will vote only to break or create a tie. We will vote by secret ballot if, before voting on an article, five voters present sign a written request for a secret ballot.

6. Recounts/Questioning a Vote: I will call for a recount if seven voters, either orally or in writing, request one. Such recounts will be conducted by secret ballot. The recount of a secret ballot will be held at the request of five voters.

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

8. Restricting Reconsideration: You may also move to restrict reconsideration of an article. Such a motion may be made after I order an article to be placed on the ballot. It is not debatable. If the motion carries, this meeting may not reconsider that article later.

9. Calling the Question: This is the same as moving to end debate. The motion requires a second and is not debatable. It requires a two-thirds majority to pass. If the question is called, I will let the person speaking finish. I will also use my discretion to let others speak if I think fairness requires it. Otherwise, nobody else may speak to the article unless the motion is defeated. Sometimes a person who is not a Rye resident will wish to speak.

10. Non-Voters Who Wish to Speak: Sometimes a person who is not a registered Rye voter may wish to speak. I will ask if there is any objection. If nobody objects, I will permit the person to speak. If there is an objection and a second, I will call for a vote. The will of the majority will prevail. However, I will allow town department heads who do not live in Rye speak to issues relating to their departments.

11. I remind you that this is your meeting. You may appeal any ruling I make and I will entertain any motion that is made.

Moderator Eaton moved to the warrant. Articles 1 and 2 invite voters to vote in the election on March 14th. There is nothing to discuss or debate. Article 3 proposes eleven amendments to the Rye Zoning Ordinance. Article 4 proposes one amendment to the Rye Building Code. Traditionally, such amendments have not been discussed because by law they cannot be amended. Anyone wishing to make a motion to discuss any part of these articles may do so. Hearing no such motion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Articles 3 and 4 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton noted that all the following articles on the warrant are recommended unanimously by the Select Board and that all articles seeking an appropriation are recommended unanimously by the Budget Committee. He also stated that all articles required a majority vote to pass unless he said otherwise.

Moderator Eaton read Article 5.

ARTICLE 05. Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein totaling twelve million, nine hundred sixty-five thousand, nine hundred four and 00/100 dollars (\$12,965,904.00)? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be eleven million, six hundred fifty-one thousand, eight hundred eighty-five and 00/100 dollars

(\$11,651,885.00) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations in any other warrant articles.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 5 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Epperson.

Selectman Winslow noted that there has to be an amendment to this article, which is being dictated by the N.H. Department of Revenue. It's an administrative requirement only.

Motion by Selectman Winslow to reduce the operating budget from twelve million, nine hundred sixty-five thousand, nine hundred four and 00/100 dollars (\$12,965,904.00) to eleven million, nine hundred eighty-five thousand, nine hundred ten and 00/100 dollars (\$11,985,910.00) and reduce the default budget from eleven million, six hundred fifty-one thousand, eight hundred eighty-five and 00/100 dollars (\$11,651,885.00) to ten million, seven hundred thirteen thousand, four hundred twenty-six and 00/100 dollars (\$10,713,426.00). Seconded by Selectman Epperson.

Finance Director Becky Bergeron explained that the DRA does not allow special revenue funds to be placed in the operating budget. Sewer Fund 2, Outside Detail Fund 7, Parking Fund 8, Recreation Revolving Fund 9, and Beach Cleaning Fund 12 need to be removed from the operating budget. There is absolutely no change in tax impact. The amount of the operating budget needs to be revised in order to meet DRA requirements.

Shawn Crapo, 676 Central Road, asked if another warrant article is needed in order for those appropriations to be voted on to allow for them to be spent.

Finance Director Bergeron explained that under RSA 31:95, authorization has already been given. The only additional approval that would be required is if funds were being withdrawn from the fund balance.

Hearing no further discussion on the amendment to Article 5, Moderator Eaton called for a vote on the amendment to **reduce the operating budget from twelve million, nine hundred sixty-five thousand, nine hundred four and 00/100 dollars (\$12,965,904.00) to eleven million, nine hundred eighty-five thousand, nine hundred ten and 00/100 dollars (\$11,985,910.00) and reduce the default budget from eleven million, six hundred fifty-one thousand, eight hundred eighty-five and 00/100 dollars (\$11,651,885.00) to ten million, seven hundred thirteen thousand, four hundred twenty-six and 00/100 dollars (\$10,713,426.00). Seconded by Selectman Epperson. Motion carried. Article 5 hereby amended.**

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 5 as amended. Hearing none, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 5 to appear on the ballot as amended.**

Selectman Winslow moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 5. Seconded by Tom King. Motion passed. Article 5 hereby restricted.

Moderator Eaton read Article 6.

ARTICLE 06. To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Select Board and the Professional Fire Fighters Association of Rye affiliated with the International Association of Fire Fighters IAFF Local #4411, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Estimated Increase over prior Year
2023	<u>\$50,023.00</u>
2024	<u>\$46,812.00</u>

Further, to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand and twenty-three and 00/100 dollars (\$50,023.00) for the 2023 fiscal year, such sum representing additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the current collective bargaining agreement. This appropriation is in addition to funds appropriated through the operating budget for current staffing levels in accordance with the current collective bargaining agreement.

Selectman Epperson moved Article 6 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman King explained that all three town union collective bargaining agreements are up for renewal this year. This article is for the Fire Department. The Select Board negotiated an agreement with a basic 5% for the year for cost of living and 3.75% for the following year. The wage rates were not changed, other than the COLA. There were a few other minor issues with longevity pay, which was increased nominally. There were other increases for uniform allowance, detail rate changes, change to the insurance plan to transition employees from one of the more expensive to a fiscally conservative plan, and some educational incentives. Basically, it's pretty close to previous collective bargaining agreements.

Steven Borne, 431 Wallis Road, asked if the agreements made in the collective bargaining agreements are enough. He pointed out that the schools have lost a lot of their paraprofessionals to other towns. He wants to be sure the Town doesn't run into similar problems with essential workers.

Selectman King responded that it was fairly hard-fought negotiations this year. It was well negotiated on both sides. The Select Board recognizes there were issues during Covid trying to keep and acquire new employees. That's why it ended up with a 5% cost of living for this first year, which in a historical sense is pretty high. However, that's what it takes to keep good employees in this current climate. Minor tweaks have been made throughout the year with nonunion employees. The Select Board had to make some changes. This is the catchup to try to fix it for the collective bargaining employees. The unions have agreed to the agreements, so the Select Board hopes that means something.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 6 to appear on the ballot as writing.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 7.

ARTICLE 07. Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 6 is defeated, authorize the Select Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 6 cost items only?

Selectman Epperson moved Article 7 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman King explained that Article 7 allows for one special meeting to address the cost items in the collective bargaining agreement if it does not pass.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 7 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 8.

ARTICLE 08. To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Select Board and the Rye Police Association affiliated with the Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Estimated Increase over prior Year
2023	<u>\$34,681.00</u>
2024	<u>\$36,304.00</u>
2025	<u>\$30,327.00</u>

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-four thousand six hundred and eighty-one and 00/100 dollars (\$34,681.00) for the 2023 fiscal year, such sum representing additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the current collective bargaining agreement. This appropriation is in addition to funds appropriated through the operating budget for current staffing levels in accordance with the current collective bargaining agreement.

Selectman King moved Article 8 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Winslow.

Selectman Epperson stated that a three year term was negotiated with the Police Department. Basically, the increases are coming from COLA. In 2023, the COLA will be 5.5%. This was a significant savings for the Town. However there were some tweaks to other parts of the contract by adding more tiers to the longevity pay and increasing some of the mandatory overtime payment. In 2024, the COLA is going to 4.5% and the third year it will go to 2.0%. The Select Board thinks this was well negotiated. There was a lot of cooperation from both the union and the team of negotiators.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 8 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 9.

ARTICLE 09. Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 8 is defeated, authorize the Select Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 8 cost items only?

Selectman Winslow moved Article 9 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman Epperson noted that in the event Article 8 should not pass, Article 9 would authorize one special meeting to address costs only.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 9 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 10.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the cost items included in the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Town of Rye Select Board and the Rye Town Employees Association affiliated with the Teamsters Local 633 of New Hampshire, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Year	Estimated Increase over prior Year
2023	<u>\$52,875.00</u>
2024	<u>\$55,889.00</u>
2025	<u>\$34,850.00</u>

And further, to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-two thousand eight hundred and seventy-five and 00/100 dollars (\$52,875.00) for the 2023 fiscal year, such sum representing additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits required by the new agreement over those that would be paid at current staffing levels in accordance with the most recent collective bargaining agreement. This appropriation is in addition to funds appropriated through the operating budget for current staffing levels in accordance with the current collective bargaining agreement.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 10 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Epperson.

Selectman Winslow noted that this Article offers town employees the same COLA as the Police Department. In this case, 2023 would be 5.5%. In 2024, it would be 4.5% and 2025 would be 2.0%.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 10 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 11.

ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town of Rye, if Article 10 is defeated, authorize the Select Board to call one special meeting, at its option, to address Article 10 cost items only?

Selectman Winslow moved Article 10 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Epperson.

Selectman Winslow noted that this article is the same as Articles 7 and 9. It allows for a special meeting if Article 10 is defeated.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 11 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Shawn Crapo moved to restrict reconsideration of all Articles 1 through 11. Seconded by Scott Marion. Motion carried. Reconsideration of Articles 1 through 11 hereby restricted.

Moderator Eaton read Article 12.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred seventy thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$370,000.00) to purchase a new emergency ambulance for the Fire Department to replace the existing 2008 ambulance and to authorize the withdrawal of the three hundred seventy thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$370,000.00) from the Fire and Ambulance Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund, the purpose of which was amended by Article 15 of the 2018 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. This article has no current tax impact.

Selectman King moved Article 12 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Winslow.

Selectman King explained that this article proposes to withdraw \$370,000 from the Fire and Ambulance Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund to purchase a new ambulance. The current balance in this fund is just over \$387,000. He asked Fire Chief Mark Cotreau to speak to the article.

Chief Cotreau noted that typically an ambulance will come up for purchase every eight years. This is coming up two years early. The reason is because of the manufacturing time lag in getting an ambulance. Right now, the delivery time is eighteen months plus from the time the ambulance is ordered. The present ambulance has 80,000 miles on it. The runs have increased about 10% this past year. In tracking the simultaneous runs, for a small town, Rye has a lot of simultaneous runs. This year about 17% of the runs occurred when the Department was out on another call, so the second ambulance is significant. He asked for the residents' support for the warrant article.

Shawn Crapo proposed an amendment to remove the word "emergency" from the first sentence in the article to read "to purchase a new ambulance." Seconded by Julie Tucker.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on the motion to amend Article 12. Hearing none, he called for a vote on the motion to amend Article 12 to **strike the word "emergency" in the first sentence. Motion carried.**

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 12 as amended. Hearing none, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 12 to appear on the ballot as amended.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 13.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$200,000.00) to be added to the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 13 to the floor. Seconded by Tom King.

Selectman Epperson noted that over the last few years, \$100,000 has been added to this particular account. In looking at the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP), \$100,000 over the next three or four years is not going to cover the replacement of equipment costs. Currently, there's \$74,307 in this fund. The last purchase was a new Volvo loader in the amount of \$195,000. He asked DPW Director Jason Rucker to speak to this article.

DPW Director Rucker stated that at current funding levels of \$100,000, the Town will not be able to continue to fund adequately the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for future purchase of vehicles for the Public Works Department. The CIP lists the replacement of a one-ton plow truck which will be used for winter weather maintenance, as well as for every day use. He's requesting support of the additional \$100,000 for a total of \$200,000 to the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, in order to maintain appropriate levels for vehicle replacement.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 13 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 14.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$105,000) to purchase a new one-ton truck with plows and material spreader and to authorize the withdrawal of one hundred five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$105,000.00) from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994 for this purpose. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. This article has no current tax impact.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 14 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman Winslow noted there is \$74,306 in the fund currently. The purchase is for \$105,000. Once the \$200,000 from Article 13 is converted back in, there will be no tax impact. He explained that in the past they have tried to fund these accounts with small amounts, so there is no spike in the taxes. In some cases, there is equipment that will cost \$300,000 to \$400,000. If the Town waits to fund that purchase, once it hits the books, it will spike the taxes. The intent of putting in \$100,000 or \$200,000 each year is to maintain a stable tax base.

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

Moderator Eaton read Article 15.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$100,000.00) to be added to the Fire and Ambulance Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund the purpose of which was amended by Article 15 of the 2018 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 15 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman King explained that Article 15 puts money back into the fund that will be depleted if Article 12 passes for the purchase of a new ambulance. The capital reserve funds are in essence savings accounts that are funded for purchases without having to take it directly from the operating budget. This method is chosen in order to smooth the tax rate and keep it from spiking. This essentially puts \$100,000 back in the fund that would be zeroed out by Article 12.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 15.

Robert Atwater, 805 Ocean Blvd., asked why they are only requesting \$100,000.

Selectman King explained that based on the CIP, the \$100,000 should allow this fund to continue so the money will be there the next time an equipment purchase is necessary. The amount funded in each reserve account varies.

Mr. Atwater asked the balance of the fund.

Selectman King replied this fund has \$381,000 currently. Article 12 will take \$370,000 out bringing the balance down to \$11,000. This article would add \$100,000 back into the fund.

Mr. Atwater asked about the next purchase.

Selectman King noted this fund is building up to the next ladder truck purchase, which will be ten years from now. He asked Chief Cotreau to address the question regarding upcoming purchases.

Fire Chief Cotreau stated that over the last five years, the Department has really taken great pains to have a quality capital improvement plan internally. The intent is to plan so there is very little change when it comes to developing the six-year plan for the Town. The Fire Department has a twenty-year plan with later years being a bit “fuzzy.” However, it funnels into a very smooth six-year plan, which is the goal. A three percent cost increase per year is taken into consideration. Balances are run between this fund and Fund 14, which is the cell tower fund. These funds enable the Fire Department to keep its apparatus and major equipment modernized. Chief Cotreau noted that in 2025, there is a proposal to replace Engine 3. This purchase will need about \$325,000. He further noted that much like DPW, the Fire Department will probably

have to “up their game” in future years. There will probably be an increase to the \$100,000 for funding this account. The goal is to purchase a ladder truck in twenty years that is going to cost a lot more than it did this time. This purchase is included in the CIP and the intent is to have this done without leases.

Mr. Atwater commented that he hopes the amount is enough, as those vehicles are increasing at ten percent per year right now.

Robert Atwater moved to amend Article 15 to add \$10,000 to the appropriation bringing it to a total of \$110,000. Seconded by Steven Borne.

Moderator Eaton called for discussion on the amendment to Article 15.

Selectman Winslow noted that the Select Board meets annually with each department head to go over their budget needs for the next five years. The last CIP was from 2023 to 2028. These are the numbers the department heads present and the Select Board relies upon those figures.

Mr. Borne stated that he is in support because there needs to be better financial planning. There’s a huge gap between what the Town needs to spend and financial planning; such as, the amount of debt the Town is covering every year and whether it’s sufficient to invest in the future. There are things that can be done around financial planning that are more aggressive in using the money. He pointed out there is 5.6 million dollars sitting in reserve funds. The question is whether some of that money could be used more tactically so the money is working for the Town.

Mark Epply, 267 Brackett Road, asked if the citizens have the ability to attend the CIP meetings and have input as to how much should be raised for capital improvements.

Selectman Winslow replied the CIP Committee starts meeting in the June timeframe and runs until the end of November. The process is for each department head to review their previous estimates and make any changes as needed. The meeting agendas are posted and the public is welcome to attend.

Mr. Epply commented it would seem that would be a better time to have input into the CIP, rather than throw a chunk of money at it at the Deliberative Session.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on the motion to amend Article 15. Hearing none, he called for a vote on the **motion to amend Article to add \$10,000 to the appropriation bringing it to a total of \$110,000. Motion failed.**

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 15. Hearing none, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 15 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Scott Marion moved to restrict all articles not previously restricted. Seconded by Shawn Crapo. Motion carried. Reconsideration of all articles not previously restricted is hereby restricted.

Moderator Eaton read Article 16.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$50,000.00) to be placed in the expendable general trust fund known as the Town Employees' Accumulated Leave Fund, established pursuant to RSA 31:19-a by Article 14 of the 1990 Rye Town Meeting for the purpose of funding Town Employees' accumulated leave accounts. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

Selectman King moved Article 16 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Winslow.

Selectman Epperson explained the Town's liability is about \$650,000 to \$700,000 for the employees' accumulated leave accounts. DRA requires towns to keep at least 50% in that fund. Right now, the balance is \$301,882. With the addition of \$50,000, it will bring the fund to the 50% threshold.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 16 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 17.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$35,000.00) to be added to The Municipal Buildings Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 11 at the 2007 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, for the purpose of major repairs to municipal buildings. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 17 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman Winslow explained this trust fund is set up to allow the Town to put money away for any emergency repairs. The purpose is to not spike the tax rate. The intent is to get this fund up to \$350,000 to be able to cover any future emergency expenses.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 17.

Mr. Borne asked if the Select Board plans to give a presentation on how much was spent on the Town Hall Annex, where the money came from, and the plans for the next phases.

Selectman Winslow commented this is something that should be done at the next select board meeting. The total cost of the annex was \$650,000 with \$400,000 coming from ARPA Funds and \$250,000 coming from this particular trust fund.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 17 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 18.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Emergency Management Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of emergency preparation and management, infrastructure repair, pollution mitigation, coastal hazard response, and all other costs and expenditures related to any disaster, critical incident, accident, fire, flood, public health concern, storm, or weather-related event and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$25,000.00) to be placed in this fund. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. Further, to name the Select Board as agents to expend from said fund.

Selectman Epperson moved Article 18 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Winslow.

Selectman King explained the article proposes to create a new capital reserve fund for emergency preparation and disaster recovery type events. As just seen from the recent boil water order, these events can occur at any time. There may be a storm that may cause enough damage where it must be repaired right away. That is the intent for this fund.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 18 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 19.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 24 at the 2020 Town meeting pursuant to RSA 35:1 for the revaluation of the Town at least as often as every fifth year as required by RSA 75:8-a. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

Selectman Epperson moved Article 19 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman Epperson noted that there was a revaluation of the Town this past year. The State requires this to be done every five years and the Town is on that schedule. Right now, the balance in the fund is \$15,344 and the request is for another \$15,000. It's unsure at this time whether the request will be for a bit more money next year, as it's not known if the next revaluation is going to cost more than \$60,000. At this time, the request is for \$15,000 to be sure there are enough funds to cover the next revaluation.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 19 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 20.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Recreation Buildings and Property Maintenance Fund the purpose of which was amended by Article 18 of the 2022 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 20 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman Winslow asked Recreation Director Dyana Martin to speak to the article.

Director Martin explained this fund was established a few years ago by the Recreation Commission to help with the maintenance and upkeep of the three buildings located on Recreation Road, as well as the playing fields and playground. She asked for the voters' support of the article.

Selectman Winslow noted there's \$15,297 in the account. The last expenditure from the account was \$2,624 for roofing.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 20 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 21.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Conservation Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established by Article 13 at the 2021 Town meeting pursuant to RSA 31:19-a to repair and maintain land and buildings owned by the Town of Rye and managed by the Rye Conservation Commission. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

Selectman Epperson moved Article 21 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Winslow.

Selectman King stated this article proposes \$10,000 to be added to the Conservation Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund. The current fund balance is approximately \$55,000. He asked Conservation Commission Clerk Susan Shepcaro to speak to the article.

Susan Shepcaro, 45 Recreation Road, explained that the Conservation Commission is asking for \$10,000 to be put into the Conservation Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund. These funds are used to repair and maintain buildings owned by the Town and managed by the Conservation Commission. She continued that structural repair work has recently been completed on the Goss Farm Barn. Funds from the Conservation Maintenance Expendable Trust will be used to pay the \$18,800 cost of these repairs. At present, the fund balance is \$55,770. With the payment of outstanding bills, the balance will be approximately \$36,000. RCC has deferred much needed maintenance due to Covid slowdowns and a shortage of materials. The barn needs additional maintenance in the near term. The estimate to replace the siding is close to \$35,000, which is close to what is in the account now. Ms. Shepcaro pointed out that having funds in place will allow for planned and unforeseen maintenance needs to be taken care of. It's the Conservation Commission's charge to keep the historic barn, which is on the State Register of Historic Buildings, in good condition for future generations in Rye.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 21 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 22.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Rye Public Library HVAC Capital Reserve Fund established by Article 12 at the 2016 Town meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1, for the purpose of replacing the Rye Public Library's aging and inefficient current heating, ventilation and air conditioning system. This appropriation is in addition to the Library's operating budget.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 22 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman Epperson explained the Rye Library HVAC system is antiquated and not adequate for the building. Currently, there is \$76,730 in this reserve fund, which is not going to cover the entire cost. The Library Trustees are asking for another \$10,000 to be sure there is enough money in that account to cover any additional overruns on the HVAC Capital Reserve Fund.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 22.

Howard Kalet, 90 Colburn Road, stated that he wants to bring to everyone's attention that now is the time to invest in more efficient and latest technology equipment. The Town has done so on the Town Hall Annex. The Town needs to be in support of these programs when equipment is starting to fail and coming up on replacement cycles.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 22. Hearing none, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 22 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 23.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to establish a contingency fund pursuant to RSA 31:98-a for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate ten thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$10,000.00) to put in the fund. This sum to come from unassigned fund balance. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 23 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Epperson.

Selectman Winslow explained that the contingency fund is different from other funds. Money that goes into this fund and is not used, will go right back into the unassigned fund balance. The funds do not carry over from year to year. Many times, there are unexpected expenses that come up; such as, additional costs on salt and fuel. The funds would be used to pay for these expenses.

Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 23 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 24.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$3,000.00) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for Records

Restoration established by Article 16 of the 1990 Town Meeting. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget.

Selectman King moved Article 24 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman Epperson.

Selectman King explained this is the annual \$3,000 to be added to this fund. The balance in this fund is \$8,175. He asked Town Clerk Donna DeCotis to speak to the article.

Ms. DeCotis noted that this fund is used to restore the Town's records. There has been some delay in restoring the records and that is why there is a balance in the fund. She explained that meeting minutes are bound in books. Per State RSA, the Town has to keep records for a lifetime.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 24.

Mr. Borne noted that there was a fund to pay for the monitoring of the Grove Road dump. It came up at a select board meeting that this is something being done continuously every year. It was decided to move that amount into the operating budget. Referring to records restoration, he asked if this is something that should be an operational expense in the budget, if it's going to be done on an annual basis or take a number of years to complete.

Selectman King explained the Grove Road Landfill Monitoring Fund was similar to this fund. Money was put into the fund every year and it was being used to do the testing on the closed landfill. It was brought up that this is something that shouldn't be in a savings account, but should be included in the operating budget. The Select Board decided to do that, as it's not inappropriate to include it in the budget. This could be the same issue with record retention and could be looked at for next year. Selectman King pointed out that because of Covid being under control and just the ability to store the records, it will hopefully change now and there will be the ability to store more of those records. The Town intends to do a fairly large chunk of record restoration this year. If they can get caught up, and there can be a line item in the budget that is fairly constant, it would be appropriate to put this expense into the budget in future years.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 24.

Mr. Crapo stated this could lapse from year to year. In order to encumber, the Town would need a contract with the binding company. By keeping it in the fund, it can be spent when it's needed, rather than having it lapse. He thinks it should still stay in the reserve fund.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 24. Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 24 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 25.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend the purpose of the special revenue fund known as the Beach Cleaning Fund, which was amended by Article 14 of the 2015 town warrant, such purpose to be amended as follows: to increase the restricted beach parking permit

revenues which go into the fund from 50% to 75% of total beach permit revenues. Note: expenditures from the fund require town meeting approval.

Moderator Eaton noted that, unlike the other articles on the warrant, this article requires a two-thirds majority to pass.

Selectman Epperson moved Article 25 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman Epperson explained the beach parking permit revenues are being split 50/50 with 50% to beach cleaning and 50% to the general fund. It's being proposed to give 75% to the Beach Cleaning Fund because at some point in time the Town is going to run out of money for beach cleaning. In 2021, the Town had to take out \$11,420 to cover the deficit. As of last year, there was about \$65,000 accumulated in beach parking permits. This article is asking for the revenue to be split 75/25 with 75% going into the Beach Cleaning Fund.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 25.

Mr. Borne stated that in 2015, it was said that some of the money could go into beach monitoring and beach testing. He asked if this is happening.

Selectman Epperson replied to the best of his knowledge, the money was spent appropriately 50/50.

Finance Director Bergeron noted that annually \$7,500 is spent with FB Environmental. Currently, half of the beach parking revenue goes to the general fund which supports that cost.

Mr. Borne asked if the \$7,500 was for the FB Environmental annual report that just came out stating that 88% of the PFOA testing was above limits, which there has been no discussion.

Director Bergeron confirmed.

Shawn Crapo moved to end debate on Article 25. Seconded by Scott Marion. Motion passed by two-thirds majority. Moderator Eaton ordered Article 25 to appear on the ballot as written.

Moderator Eaton read Article 26.

ARTICLE 26. Shall the Town of Rye vote to re-adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28, II, the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit in the amount of five hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$500.00)? If re-adopted, the following individuals will be eligible for the Veteran's Tax Credit: (a) every resident of this state who is a veteran, as defined by RSA 21:50, and who served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States in any qualifying war or armed conflict listed in RSA 72:28, V and continues to serve or was honorably discharged or an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, (b) every resident of this state who was terminated from the armed forces because of a service-connected disability; or the surviving spouse of such resident; and (c) the surviving

spouse of any resident who suffered a service-connected death. This tax credit shall replace and shall not be in addition to the standard veteran's tax credit and shall be subtracted in accordance with RSA 72:28, III.

Note: If this Article does not pass the Optional Tax Credit would revert to the Standard Veteran Tax Credit under RSA 72:28-I, and as of April 1, 2023, the Standard Veteran Tax Credit would be in place and reduce the Veteran Tax Credit from \$500 to \$50 per year.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 26 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman Winslow noted this is mandated by the State. In essence, the State allows the Town to pass on a standard veterans' tax credit from \$50 to \$750 per veteran. It was decided to cap this credit at \$500 for Rye. He asked Attorney Warren to speak to the article.

Attorney Warren explained that in 2022, the Legislature voted to amend RSA 72:28 and 72:28-b, which covered the Standard Veterans' Tax Credit, the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit, and the All Veterans' Tax Credit. The purpose of the amendments was to expand the definition of a veteran to include individuals who have not yet been discharged from service in the U.S. Armed Forces. When the Legislature amended those statutes in order to expand the definition, it also required municipalities to decide whether they wanted to readopt the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit and/or the All Veterans' Tax Credit under the new expanded definition of a veteran. The purpose of Article 26 is to readopt the provisions of the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit. If this warrant article were to fail, it would automatically default for the 2023 tax year to the Standard Veterans' Tax Credit, which is just \$50, as opposed to the \$500 that is being proposed under the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 26.

Mr. Crapo stated that when it was presented to the Budget Committee, he believes the conversation was that both need to pass or one fails. He asked if that language can be added to the note. He's worried that people will think they are choosing between the two and will vote "yes" on one and "no" for the other.

Attorney Warren explained the Standard and Optional Veterans' Tax Credits are covered under RSA 72:28. They apply to veterans who have served during certain armed conflicts over the course of the past century. If a veteran did not serve in one of those conflicts, the Standard or Optional Veterans' Tax Credit would not apply to them. The All Veterans' Tax Credit expands that and makes the tax credit applicable to all veterans, not just veterans who served during specified conflicts. If Article 26 passes, the Town will then adopt the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit and the \$500 will apply to veterans who served during the listed armed conflicts. However, it will not expand to any other veterans. Attorney Warren continued that if Article 27 is adopted it will expand who this tax credit applies to.

Mr. Borne suggested making "RSA 72:28" bold in both Articles 26 and 27 to show people these articles are different.

Steven Borne moved to amend Article 26 to embolden “RSA 72:28, II” in the first sentence of the article. Seconded by Hugh Lee.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on the amendment to Article 26.

Jaci Grote, 124 Washington Road, stated it’s going to be difficult for both articles to pass. People are not going to understand the differences between the two RSA sections. Her recommendation is that there needs to be a certain amount of public relations done with regards to these articles, so people will understand these refer to two different sections of law; therefore, both have to be amended. If one passes, it allows a certain group of veterans and if the other passes it expands the pool. Both articles have to pass or the Town will go back to the \$50 in either category of veterans.

Attorney Warren stated this isn’t a both or neither situation. This is a situation where the Town can vote to adopt Article 26 for the Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit and that would go into effect. The All Veterans’ Tax Credit is dependent on Article 26. If Article 26 is not adopted, Article 27 will automatically fail. As long as Article 26 is adopted, Article 27 can then be adopted. He further explained if Article 26 is adopted, the Town will have the Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit of \$500. If Article 27 fails, the Town will still have the Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit. If Article 26 fails, then Article 27 will fail.

Ms. Grote commented if Article 26 passes, the Town will have the optional credit. However, if Article 27 fails, the veterans who fall under that definition do not receive the credit. She would think that everyone would want to support all veterans. This is a complicated subject matter for people who do not understand. She’s concerned about the veterans who fall under Article 27. It’s important that the message gets through to everybody in Rye. These are two distinct class of veterans.

Laura Behenna, 875 Central Road, asked the percentage of veterans in the community.

Director Bergeron noted there were 260 applications for the credit in 2022.

Mr. Crapo pointed out that the 260 veterans would be limited to certain conflicts. He doesn’t think the Town has a way to know how many people would be added under Article 27 until it is passed and people apply.

Selectman Winslow agreed. He continued that 262 people have applied. The select board members sign off on the credits. People can stay on for five years before they have to reapply.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on the amendment to Article 26 to **embolden RSA 72:28, II in the first sentence of the article.** Hearing no further discussion, **Moderator Eaton called for a vote on the proposed amendment. Motion carried. Article 26 hereby amended.**

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 26 as amended.

Selectman Winslow commented that it's also important to embolden and underline the title Optional Veterans' Tax Credit.

Selectman Winslow moved to amend Article 26 to embolden and underline "Optional Veterans' Tax Credit" in the first sentence. Seconded by Scott Marion.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on the amendment to further **embolden and underline "Optional Veterans' Tax Credit" in Article 26.**

Sara Quinn, 139 Cable Road, stated that if "Optional" is emboldened in Article 26 and "All" is emboldened in Article 27, it will look like voting for Article 27 is voting for all and Article 26 is optional, which might be confusing.

Selectman Winslow replied the RSAs are confusing; however, they are mandated by the State. He thinks it's important to differentiate the two, so people will understand they are voting for two separate proposals.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Selectman Winslow's motion to amend Article 26. Hearing none, **Moderator Eaton called for a vote on the amendment to underline and embolden "Optional Veterans' Tax Credit." Motion carried. Article 26 hereby further amended.**

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 26 as amended.

Selectman King clarified that 263 veterans have applied and received the veterans' exemption in 2022 for a total amount of \$146,500 at the \$500 per veteran. In the interest of transparency, both he and Selectman Winslow are in that number. He continued there's no way of knowing how many more this would add. In essence, the majority that would be added are National Guard, reserves, and active duty. There is no way to know the tax impact.

Hugh Lee, 220 Pioneer Road, asked if it's possible to add all the wording of Article 27 to Article 26 to avoid the distinction between those who served in armed conflicts and veterans in general.

Selectman Winslow noted that the Select Board was told by legal counsel that this cannot be done. They have to be two separate articles.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 26 as amended. Hearing none, **Moderator Eaton order Article 26 to appear on the ballot as amended.**

Selectman King commented that the Select Board knows this is confusing. This is mandated by the State. He asked that residents pass the word to friends and neighbors that these are linked. Article 27 depends on Article 26.

Moderator Eaton noted that all warrant articles are recommended unanimously by the Select Board. Both Articles 26 and 27 will contain the Select Board's recommendations.

Mr. Crapo noted that on prior articles there is a following article to ask for a special town meeting, if the article should fail. He asked what the remedy would be if Article 27 were to pass and Article 26 were to fail. He asked if there is an option to have a special town meeting.

Moderator Eaton ruled that adding a new warrant article would be out of order because it would be adding a new subject matter that wasn't noticed on the warrant.

Attorney Warren agreed.

Moderator Eaton read Article 27.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 27 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Attorney Warren spoke to Article 27 regarding the All Veterans' Tax Credit which he said would expand the pool of veterans who are eligible for the credit.

Shawn Crapo asked whether the warrant could be amended to reverse the order in which Articles 26 and 27 appear on the ballot. After some discussion, **Mr. Crapo moved to reconsider Article 26. Seconded by Hugh Lee.**

Moderator Eaton called for discussion on the motion to reconsider Article 26. Hearing none, he called for a vote to reconsider Article 26. **Motion carried.**

Shawn Crapo moved to change Article 26 to Article 27 and change Article 27 to Article 26 and in the current Article 27, change the references to Article 26 in the last two sentences.

Moderator Eaton stated he does not think there's an issue with changing the order of articles on the warrant, but asked for Attorney Warren's opinion.

Attorney Warren stated he does not have a problem with changing the order of articles on the warrant. However, in terms of changing the order of these two articles, he would recommend against it. The language in these two warrant articles is derived from the Department of Revenue Administration's recommended language. The two tax credits being discussed appear in this order in statutes, as well as the DRA's recommended language. Also, because Article 27, the All Veterans' Tax Credit, is entirely dependent on Article 26, the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit, the voters of the Town need to vote first on Article 26 before they can consider whether to expand the definition of veteran or which veteran this applies to in the All Veterans' Tax Credit. Because the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit doesn't depend on the passing of the All Veterans' Tax Credit, it should come first because it's the primary article.

Moderator Eaton noted that the motion to switch Article 26 with Article 27 failed for lack of a second.

Moderator called for further discussion on Article 26.

Karen Oliver, 1159 Washington Road, asked if the note could say “if this article passes, the veterans’ credit would be increased from \$50 to \$500.” Referring to Article 27, she commented the note could say “if this article is passed, the class of veterans to which the credit applies would be expanded.”

Attorney Warren stated he would not recommend amending the note. The note is not what the voters are going to be voting on. They are voting on the warrant article and the body of the text as it appears. He doesn’t think amending the note has the same impact as amending the language of the actual warrant article itself.

Mr. Crapo asked if the note will be on the ballot. Moderator Eaton confirmed.

Ms. Oliver asked if it is correct that the first article increases the amount from \$50 to \$500 and the second expands the class of veterans who are eligible. She asked if this could be put into the description.

Attorney Warren explained the Town previously adopted the Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit, so it would remain at \$500. However, if these articles are not adopted, the credit is going to go down to \$50 for the 2023 tax year.

Ms. Grote agreed that the article needs to pass because the Town is already at a \$500 tax credit. If the article is not passed, it reverts to another piece of law making the tax credit \$50. The Town wants to maintain where they are and Article 26 has to pass. Then Article 27 will expand the pool of people who will receive the \$500 tax credit.

Julie Tucker, 960 Washington Road, commented that the general voter does not read through the whole warrant article. If there’s a concise note at the bottom explaining what it means, it will have much more impact. She agrees that if Article 26 passes, the Town will maintain the \$500 exemption. If Article 27 passes, it will be expanding the veterans’ who can receive this exemption.

Julie Tucker moved to amend the note on Article 26 to substitute the following language: “If this article passes, the Town will maintain the \$500 tax credit for military veterans, as currently defined.” Seconded by Scott Marion.

Attorney Warren pointed out that saying the tax credit remains at \$500 is not entirely accurate. Because of the way the statute works, the Town has reverted to the Standard Veterans’ Tax Credit for the 2023 tax year. Through that amendment to RSA 72:28 and RSA 72:28-b, the Town is currently back to the standard tax credit of \$50. The purpose of readopting this article is to increase it from the Standard Veterans’ Tax Credit to the Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit.

Multiple suggestions were discussed on how to reword Ms. Tucker’s motion.

Ms. Tucker reworded her motion to amend the note on Article 26 to say: “If this article passes, the Town will be readopting the \$500 Optional Veterans’ Tax Credit.” Seconded by Scott Marion.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on the motion to amend Article 26.

Phillip McDonough, 5 Random Road, noted that it says if it does not pass it will revert to the \$50. He thinks it's clear on both articles and he commends the Selectmen for being specific. His opinion is to leave the article as it is written.

Mr. Crapo suggested a friendly amendment to retain the existing note and add Ms. Tucker's language.

Ms. Tucker said the reason she struck out the other wording is because it's very confusing. Her suggested wording is simple and to the point for the average person who just wants to know what they're voting on. Her intent is to make the message as simple as possible. Ms. Tucker declined Mr. Crapo's friendly amendment.

Scott Marion, 71 Washington Road, spoke in support of the amendment if the attorney is okay with Ms. Tucker's wording; it's short and sweet, and this is what should be done for the Town's veterans.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on the motion to amend Article 26. Hearing none, he called for a vote on the motion to amend Article 26, as previously amended, to **strike the existing note and replace it with the following note: "If this article passes the Town will be readopting the \$500 Optional Veterans' Tax Credit." Motion carried. Article 26 is hereby amended.**

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 26 as amended.

Steve Carter, 620 Wallis Road, stated that if people vote "no" on Article 26 and get to Article 27, they may want to go back and redo their ballot. He asked if the last two sentences in Article 27 could be moved up to Article 26 with a modification to say; "Article 27 shall be contingent on the passage of Article 26. If the Town Meeting votes no on Article 26 then Article 27 shall be null and void." He pointed out that people will be informed, before they vote on Article 26, that it does have something to do with what happens with Article 27.

At 10:46 a.m., Moderator Eaton called for a recess, as town counsel momentarily stepped out of the meeting.

Moderator Eaton reconvened the meeting at 11:07 p.m.

Moderator Eaton asked Mr. Carter to restate his question for town counsel, which he did.

Attorney Warren stated that the language that appears in the warrant was taken from language that was recommended by the Department of Revenue Administration. The DRA monitors this whole process. As soon as Town Meeting is done, any amendments will be sent to DRA for review. If one of these articles is too dissimilar from the language that DRA recommends and supports, or they see anything they think is incorrect or misleading, the article will be disallowed. In the case of Article 26, if that article was disallowed by DRA, there would be no Optional Veterans' Tax

Credit and there would be no All Veterans' Tax Credit. There would just be the Standard Veterans' Tax Credit of \$50. To the greatest extent possible, he would recommend keeping the language as it appears in this warrant including the notes. This is language that is going to pass muster.

Moderator Eaton clarified that if the articles are amended in the way that Mr. Carter has suggested, there would be a risk of running afoul of DRA which would basically void these two articles and the Town would not have the \$500 tax credit. The only way to get that back would be to call a special town meeting, at considerable expense, later down the road.

Selectman Winslow proposed they keep the original language. It can be fully explained in the town newsletter. The explanation in the newsletter does not have to be restricted by DRA. He doesn't think they want to take a risk of these articles being shot down by DRA's actions.

Selectman Winslow moved to further amend Article 26 to restore the emboldened note that appears in the article as originally proposed to the Town Meeting. Seconded by Selectman Epperson.

Moderator Eaton called for discussion on the motion to amend.

Mr. Crapo suggested it be added after Ms. Tucker's amendment.

Moderator Eaton explained if it's added, the language of the article is being changed which makes it subject to possible overruling by DRA.

Attorney Warren agreed.

Selectman King stated the Select Board appreciates everyone trying to help. As confusing as it is, if the article passes the vote as it is, it will pass DRA. It's not known whether DRA will accept anything else and there is no plan B. If DRA doesn't accept the article, there is no provision to hold another deliberative session. The Select Board is asking for support to revert to the original verbiage in the warrant articles.

Ms. Tucker commented that they don't want the DRA to take this away.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on the amendment to Article 26. Hearing none, Moderator Eaton called for a vote on the amendment to Article 26 to **restore the note as it appears originally in Article 26 and to strike Ms. Tucker's note that was previously voted on. Motion carried. Article 26 hereby reads as it originally did, except that "RSA 72:28, II" is in bold and "Optional Veterans' Tax Credit" is bold and underlined as per the earlier amendment.**

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 26 as amended. Hearing none, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 26 to appear on the ballot as amended.**

Selectman Epperson moved to restrict reconsideration of Article 26. Seconded by Selectman King. Motion carried. Reconsideration of Article 26 hereby restricted.

Moderator Eaton read Article 27.

ARTICLE 27. Shall the Town of Rye vote to re-adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, the All Veterans' Tax Credit? If re-adopted, the credit will be available to any resident of the state who is a veteran as defined in RSA 21:50, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any such resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and (2) continues to serve or was honorably discharged or an officer who continues to serve or was honorably separated from service and (3) is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If re-adopted, the credit granted will be five hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$500.00), the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town under RSA 72:28. This tax credit shall be subtracted in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, III. This article shall be contingent on the passage of Article 26. If the Town Meeting votes "no" on Article 26, this Article shall be null and void.

Note: If this Article does not pass the All Veteran Tax Credit would revert to the Standard Veteran Tax Credit under RSA 72:28-I, and as of April 1, 2023, the Standard Veteran Tax Credit would be in place and reduce the Veteran Tax Credit from \$500 to \$50 per year.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 27 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman King commented that the Select Board is happy to have the highlighting and the underlining as proposed for Article 26, but they ask that there be no other changes.

Selectman King moved to amend Article 27 to embolden "RSA 72:28-b" and embolden and underline "All Veterans' Tax Credit" in the first sentence. Seconded by Selectman Winslow.

Moderator Eaton called for discussion on the motion to amend Article 27.

Mr. Crapo offered a friendly amendment to embolden the last two sentences.

Selectman Winslow and Selectman King agreed.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on the motion to amend Article 27 as further amended by Mr. Crapo. Hearing no further discussion, Moderator Eaton called for a vote on the motion to amend Article 27 to **embolden "RSA 72:28-b", embolden and underline "All Veterans' Tax Credit" in the first sentence, and embolden the last two sentences in the article before the note. Motion carried. Article 27 hereby amended.**

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 27 as amended. Hearing none, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 27 to appear on the ballot as amended.**

Shawn Crapo moved to restrict reconsideration on all articles not previously restricted, up to and including Article 27. Seconded by Selectman King. Motion carried. Reconsideration of all articles on the ballot up to Article 27 hereby restricted.

Moderator Eaton read Article 28.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder at public auction, or sealed bid, such surplus Town equipment as is not traded in on new equipment in 2023.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 28 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Selectman Epperson explained the Town may have surplus equipment they wish to sell. This article authorizes the Selectmen to sell to the highest bidder the equipment at auction. In 2022, seven items were sold for a total of \$21,256.

Moderator Eaton called for further discussion on Article 28. Hearing none, **Moderator Eaton ordered Article 28 to appear on the ballot as written.**

Moderator Eaton read Article 29.

ARTICLE 29. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Selectman Winslow moved Article 29 to the floor. Seconded by Selectman King.

Mr. Lee thanked all the employees of the Town of Rye for their dedicated work over the past year. He also thanked all the volunteers on committees and boards, as that's what keeps the Town vibrant and running with a small town atmosphere like Rye, N.H. He proposed a resolution be adopted by the Town as follows:

Whereas the functioning of government within New Hampshire depends not only on efforts of its dedicated paid employees, but also on the volunteer efforts of its citizens; and

Whereas the Town of Rye is fortunate to have citizens who are willing to contribute substantial time and effort to the functioning and well-being of the Town; and

Whereas the members of the Select Board spend countless hours working on behalf of the Town; and

Whereas, after many years of service to the Town, Philip Winslow, one of the members of the Select Board has chosen not to seek reelection at this time;

Now therefore, be it resolved that the citizens of the Town of Rye, sincerely thank Philip Winslow for his many years of dedicated service to the Town of Rye and bid him a fond farewell.

Seconded by Selectman Epperson. Motion carried.

No further business was brought before the Deliberative Session.

Shawn Crapo moved to adjourn the Deliberative Session at 11:45 a.m. Seconded by Phillip McDonough. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Donna DeCotis Town Clerk



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Proposed Budget

Rye

For the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023

Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Annual Meeting

This form was posted with the warrant on: 1-30-2023

BUDGET COMMITTEE CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

Name	Position	Signature
Jeffrey A. Ross	Budget Committee	<i>Jeffrey A. Ross</i>
Matthew J. Curtin	Budget Committee	<i>Matthew J. Curtin</i>
Thomas J. King	Select Board Rep	<i>Thomas J. King</i>
DOUGLAS K. ABRAMS	Budget Committee	<i>Douglas K. Abrams</i>
Suzanne Barton	Budget Committee	<i>Suzanne Barton</i>
Ralph Hickson	RWD	<i>Ralph Hickson</i>
Shawn Crapo	RBVP Alt	<i>Shawn Crapo</i>

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General Government								
4130-4139	Executive	05	\$312,691	\$319,576	\$361,795	\$0	\$361,795	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	05	\$21,442	\$40,100	\$26,170	\$0	\$26,170	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	05	\$652,541	\$699,114	\$753,444	\$0	\$753,444	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	05	\$77,916	\$168,935	\$165,751	\$0	\$165,751	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	05	\$187,928	\$200,311	\$209,203	\$0	\$209,203	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	05	\$259,210	\$270,561	\$340,776	\$0	\$340,776	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	05	\$130,420	\$134,780	\$139,918	\$0	\$139,918	\$0
4196	Insurance	05	\$139,002	\$186,195	\$208,669	\$0	\$208,669	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association	05	\$56,840	\$56,840	\$60,261	\$0	\$60,261	\$0
4199	Other General Government	05	\$119,368	\$121,431	\$134,916	\$0	\$134,916	\$0
General Government Subtotal					\$2,197,843	\$2,400,903	\$0	\$2,400,903
Public Safety								
4210-4214	Police	05	\$1,519,549	\$1,652,346	\$1,787,451	\$0	\$1,787,451	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	05	\$170,406	\$174,708	\$186,573	\$0	\$186,573	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	05	\$1,740,793	\$1,768,457	\$1,962,494	\$0	\$1,962,494	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	05	\$299,266	\$291,505	\$362,460	\$0	\$362,460	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	05	\$39,690	\$12,500	\$13,100	\$0	\$13,100	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal					\$3,899,516	\$4,312,078	\$0	\$4,312,078
Airport/Aviation Center								
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0



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Highways and Streets								
4311	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	05	\$1,423,085	\$1,502,748	\$1,739,716	\$0	\$1,739,716	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	05	\$2,505	\$4,100	\$4,800	\$0	\$4,800	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$1,425,590	\$1,506,848	\$1,744,516	\$0	\$1,744,516	\$0
Sanitation								
4321	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection	05	\$277,154	\$299,044	\$286,290	\$0	\$286,290	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	05	\$250,901	\$301,760	\$350,300	\$0	\$350,300	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sanitation Subtotal			\$528,055	\$600,804	\$636,590	\$0	\$636,590	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment								
4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conservation and Other		\$0	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal			\$0	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric								
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0



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Health								
4411	Administration	05	\$13,363	\$13,380	\$14,050	\$0	\$14,050	\$0
4414	Pest Control	05	\$37,984	\$39,295	\$158,328	\$0	\$158,328	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other		\$76,136	\$90,955	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Health Subtotal		\$127,483	\$143,630	\$172,378	\$0	\$172,378	\$0
Welfare								
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	05	\$3,562	\$36,300	\$31,550	\$0	\$31,550	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Welfare Subtotal		\$3,562	\$36,300	\$31,550	\$0	\$31,550	\$0
Culture and Recreation								
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	05	\$448,890	\$574,897	\$640,549	\$0	\$640,549	\$0
4550-4559	Library	05	\$749,983	\$752,705	\$771,882	\$0	\$771,882	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes	05	\$13,273	\$20,950	\$17,960	\$0	\$17,960	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	05	\$3,743	\$20,245	\$8,245	\$0	\$8,245	\$0
	Culture and Recreation Subtotal		\$1,215,889	\$1,368,797	\$1,438,636	\$0	\$1,438,636	\$0
Conservation and Development								
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	05	\$100,822	\$112,350	\$165,075	\$0	\$165,075	\$0
4619	Other Conservation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Conservation and Development Subtotal		\$100,822	\$112,350	\$165,075	\$0	\$165,075	\$0



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Debt Service								
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	05	\$258,081	\$258,081	\$348,964	\$0	\$348,964	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	05	\$43,707	\$43,707	\$63,274	\$0	\$63,274	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	05	\$0	\$2	\$2	\$0	\$2	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
			\$301,788	\$301,790	\$412,240	\$0	\$412,240	\$0
Capital Outlay								
4901	Land	05	\$0	\$0	\$671,944	\$0	\$671,944	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$74,894	\$308,349	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
			\$74,894	\$308,349	\$671,944	\$0	\$671,944	\$0
Operating Transfers Out								
4912	To Special Revenue Fund	05	\$0	\$0	\$554,346	\$0	\$554,346	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$324,791	\$515,019	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer	05	\$303,655	\$360,288	\$425,648	\$0	\$425,648	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
			\$628,446	\$875,307	\$979,994	\$0	\$979,994	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations								
				\$12,965,904	\$0	\$12,965,904	\$0	\$0



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4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4916	To Expendable Trust Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	12	\$370,000	\$0	\$370,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to purchase a new ambulance to replace the existin</i>						
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	14	\$105,000	\$0	\$105,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropri</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	13	\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to raise and appropriate funds to be added to the</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	15	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to raise and appropriate funds to be added to the</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	18	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to establish a CRF and add funds with the Select B</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	19	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to raise and appropriate funds to be added to the</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	20	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to raise and appropriate funds to be added to the</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	22	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to raise and appropriate funds to be added to the</i>						
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	24	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to raise and appropriate funds to be added to the</i>						
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	16	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in the</i>						
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	17	\$35,000	\$0	\$35,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to raise and appropriate funds to be added to The</i>						
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	21	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
<i>Purpose: to raise and appropriate funds to be added to the</i>						
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$933,000	\$0	\$933,000	\$0



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4199	Other General Government	23	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
			<i>Purpose: to establish a contingency fund for the current ye</i>			
4210-4214	Police	08	\$34,681	\$0	\$34,681	\$0
			<i>Purpose: To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the</i>			
4220-4229	Fire	06	\$50,023	\$0	\$50,023	\$0
			<i>Purpose: To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the</i>			
4312	Highways and Streets	10	\$52,875	\$0	\$52,875	\$0
			<i>Purpose: To see if the Town of Rye will vote to approve the</i>			
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$147,579	\$0	\$147,579	\$0



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	05	\$32,846	\$32,846	\$32,846
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	05	\$50,057	\$32,800	\$32,800
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Taxes Subtotal			\$82,903	\$65,646	\$65,646
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	05	\$1,020	\$1,000	\$1,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	05	\$1,706,428	\$1,650,000	\$1,650,000
3230	Building Permits	05	\$699,202	\$400,000	\$400,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	05	\$45,701	\$38,500	\$38,500
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal			\$2,452,351	\$2,089,500	\$2,089,500
State Sources					
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	05	\$487,065	\$300,000	\$300,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	05	\$134,878	\$130,000	\$130,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		\$67,630	\$0	\$0
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$689,573	\$430,000	\$430,000



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Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023	Budget Committee's Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	05	\$877,806	\$879,396	\$879,396
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Charges for Services Subtotal		\$877,806	\$879,396	\$879,396
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$21,357	\$0	\$0
3502	Interest on Investments	05	\$33,176	\$25,000	\$25,000
3503-3509	Other	05	\$101,303	\$65,300	\$65,300
	Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal		\$155,836	\$90,300	\$90,300
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914C	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)	05	\$381,642	\$425,648	\$425,648
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	14, 12	\$0	\$475,000	\$475,000
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
	Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal		\$381,642	\$900,648	\$900,648
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	18	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	23	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
	Other Financing Sources Subtotal		\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000
	Total Estimated Revenues and Credits		\$4,640,111	\$4,490,490	\$4,490,490



Budget Summary

Item	Selectmen's Period ending 12/31/2023 (Recommended)	Budget Committee's Period ending 12/31/2023 (Recommended)
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$12,965,904	\$12,965,904
Special Warrant Articles	\$933,000	\$933,000
Individual Warrant Articles	\$147,579	\$147,579
Total Appropriations	\$14,046,483	\$14,046,483
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$4,490,490	\$4,490,490
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$9,555,993	\$9,555,993



Supplemental Schedule

1. Total Recommended by Budget Committee	\$14,046,483
Less Exclusions:	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
4. Capital outlays funded from Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$0
5. Mandatory Assessments	\$0
6. Total Exclusions (Sum of Lines 2 through 5 above)	\$0
7. Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (Line 1 less Line 6)	\$14,046,483
8. 10% of Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (Line 7 x 10%)	\$1,404,648
Collective Bargaining Cost Items:	
9. Recommended Cost Items (Prior to Meeting)	\$0
10. Voted Cost Items (Voted at Meeting)	\$0
11. Amount voted over recommended amount (Difference of Lines 9 and 10)	\$0
12. Bond Override (RSA 32:18-a), Amount Voted	\$0
Maximum Allowable Appropriations Voted at Meeting: (Line 1 + Line 8 + Line 11 + Line 12)	
	\$15,451,131



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Selectboard
Town of Rye
Rye, New Hampshire

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Rye as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Rye, as of December 31, 2021, the respective changes in financial position, and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town of Rye and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The Town of Rye's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Rye's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Town of Rye
Independent Auditor's Report

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Rye's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Rye's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information – Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the following be presented to supplement the basic financial statements:

- Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability,
- Schedule of Town Contributions – Pensions,
- Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability,
- Schedule of Town Contributions – Other Postemployment Benefits,
- Schedule of Changes in the Town's Total Other Postemployment Benefits Liability and Related Ratios, and
- Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Management has omitted a Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

Supplementary Information – Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Rye's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

September 1, 2022

Blodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

EXHIBIT C-1
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet
December 31, 2021

	General	Permanent	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 11,896,451	\$ 156,632	\$ 2,803,646	\$ 14,856,729
Investments	1,617,898	4,781,968	52,486	6,452,352
Taxes receivable	815,248	-	-	815,248
Accounts receivable (net)	88,227	-	26,757	114,984
Intergovernmental	2,035	-	-	2,035
Interfund receivable	385,285	-	-	385,285
Voluntary tax liens	301,974	-	-	301,974
Voluntary tax liens reserved until collected	(301,974)	-	-	(301,974)
Inventory	8,891	-	-	8,891
Total assets	<u>\$ 14,814,035</u>	<u>\$ 4,938,600</u>	<u>\$ 2,882,889</u>	<u>\$ 22,635,524</u>
LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$ 520,931	\$ -	\$ 37,577	\$ 558,508
Accrued salaries and benefits	68,448	-	2,318	70,766
Intergovernmental payable	7,040,083	-	25,986	7,066,069
Interfund payable	-	46,577	338,708	385,285
Total liabilities	<u>7,629,462</u>	<u>46,577</u>	<u>404,589</u>	<u>8,080,628</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable revenue - Property taxes	180,392	-	-	180,392
Unavailable revenue - ARPA	286,326	-	-	286,326
Unavailable revenue - Grants received in advance	-	-	6,870	6,870
Total deferred inflows of resources	<u>466,718</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,870</u>	<u>473,588</u>
FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT)				
Nonspendable	8,891	4,775,035	-	4,783,926
Restricted	508,784	116,988	319,247	945,019
Committed	1,464,174	-	2,280,393	3,744,567
Assigned	810,419	-	-	810,419
Unassigned (deficit)	3,925,587	-	(128,210)	3,797,377
Total fund balances	<u>6,717,855</u>	<u>4,892,023</u>	<u>2,471,430</u>	<u>14,081,308</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	<u>\$ 14,814,035</u>	<u>\$ 4,938,600</u>	<u>\$ 2,882,889</u>	<u>\$ 22,635,524</u>

The Notes to the Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C-2
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2021

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Total fund balances of governmental funds (Exhibit C-1)		\$ 14,081,308
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.		
Cost	\$ 62,880,116	
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(29,346,225)</u>	
		33,533,891
Differences between expected and actual experiences, assumption changes and net differences between projected and actual earnings and contributions subsequent to the measurement date for the post-retirement benefits (pension and OPEB) are recognized as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources on the Statement of Net Position		
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	\$ 1,412,951	
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	(1,955,201)	
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	416,808	
Deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB	<u>(764,166)</u>	
		(889,608)
Interfund receivables and payables between governmental funds are eliminated on the Statement of Net Position.		
Receivables	\$ (385,285)	
Payables	<u>385,285</u>	
		-
Long-term revenue (taxes) is not available to pay current-period expenditures, and therefore, is deferred in the governmental funds.		131,343
Allowance for uncollectible property taxes that is recognized on a full accrual basis, but not on the modified accrual basis.		(18,500)
Interest on long-term debt is not accrued in governmental funds.		
Accrued interest payable		(14,124)
Long-term liabilities that are not due and payable in the current period, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.		
Bonds	\$ 760,000	
Unamortized bond premiums	107,428	
Capital lease	403,767	
Compensated absences	677,092	
Accrued landfill postclosure care costs	450,000	
Net pension liability	6,154,989	
Other postemployment benefits	<u>2,930,696</u>	
		(11,483,972)
Net position of governmental activities (Exhibit A)		<u>\$ 35,340,338</u>

The Notes to the Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C-3
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Governmental Funds
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021

	General	Permanent	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				
Taxes	\$6,049,645	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,049,645
Licenses and permits	2,299,712	-	-	2,299,712
Intergovernmental	618,805	-	17,211	636,016
Charges for services	522,328	-	677,118	1,199,446
Miscellaneous	569,623	1,074,383	159,169	1,803,175
Total revenues	<u>10,060,113</u>	<u>1,074,383</u>	<u>853,498</u>	<u>11,987,994</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General government	1,885,004	147,482	128,943	2,161,429
Public safety	3,629,077	-	159,622	3,788,699
Highways and streets	1,444,918	-	-	1,444,918
Sanitation	585,784	-	284,990	870,774
Health	115,107	-	-	115,107
Welfare	10,996	-	-	10,996
Culture and recreation	1,229,657	-	78,633	1,308,290
Conservation	105,954	-	305,612	411,566
Debt service:				
Principal	261,233	-	-	261,233
Interest	53,970	-	-	53,970
Capital outlay	873,899	-	12,623	886,522
Total expenditures	<u>10,195,599</u>	<u>147,482</u>	<u>970,423</u>	<u>11,313,504</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>(135,486)</u>	<u>926,901</u>	<u>(116,925)</u>	<u>674,490</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	242,074	-	300,000	542,074
Transfers out	(300,000)	(42,074)	(200,000)	(542,074)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(57,926)</u>	<u>(42,074)</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	(193,412)	884,827	(16,925)	674,490
Fund balances, beginning	6,911,267	4,007,196	2,488,355	13,406,818
Fund balances, ending	<u>\$6,717,855</u>	<u>\$4,892,023</u>	<u>\$ 2,471,430</u>	<u>\$ 14,081,308</u>

The Notes to the Basic Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

SCHEDULE 1
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Estimated and Actual Revenues (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Estimated	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Taxes:			
Property	\$ 5,991,745	\$ 5,998,318	\$ 6.573
Payment in lieu of taxes	28,000	31,782	3.782
Interest and penalties on taxes	30,386	35,556	5.170
Total from taxes	<u>6,050,131</u>	<u>6,065,656</u>	<u>15.525</u>
Licenses, permits, and fees:			
Business licenses, permits, and fees	1,000	1,065	65
Motor vehicle permit fees	1,631,653	1,736,598	104.945
Building permits	456,964	512,310	55.346
Other	46,410	49,739	3.329
Total from licenses, permits, and fees	<u>2,136,027</u>	<u>2,299,712</u>	<u>163.685</u>
Intergovernmental:			
State:			
Meals and rooms distribution	402,384	402,384	-
Highway block grant	132,944	132,910	(34)
Other	45,766	72,386	26.620
Federal:			
Other	-	11,125	11.125
Total from intergovernmental	<u>581,094</u>	<u>618,805</u>	<u>37,711</u>
Charges for services:			
Income from departments	<u>134,670</u>	<u>522,328</u>	<u>387,658</u>
Miscellaneous:			
Sale of municipal property	-	411,078	411.078
Interest on investments	9,000	9,291	291
Other	14,872	57,527	42.655
Total from miscellaneous	<u>23,872</u>	<u>477,896</u>	<u>454,024</u>
Other financing sources:			
Transfers in	<u>592,000</u>	<u>592,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenues and other financing sources	<u>9,517,794</u>	<u>\$ 10,576,397</u>	<u>\$ 1,058,603</u>
Unassigned fund balance used to reduce tax rate	<u>1,962,272</u>		
Total revenues, other financing sources, and use of fund balance	<u>\$ 11,480,066</u>		

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SCHEDULE 2
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditures, and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Encumbered from Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Encumbered to Subsequent Year	Variance Positive (Negative)
Current:					
General government:					
Executive	\$ -	\$ 303,888	\$ 297,874	\$ -	\$ 6,014
Election and registration	-	26,820	15,501	-	11,319
Financial administration	-	653,774	603,492	-	50,282
Legal	-	168,320	148,393	-	19,927
Planning and zoning	3,175	190,697	185,771	7,500	601
General government buildings	1,948	223,445	232,123	4,827	(11,557)
Cemeteries	-	132,658	-	-	132,658
Insurance, not otherwise allocated	-	162,814	159,261	-	3,553
Advertising and regional associations	-	56,840	56,840	-	-
Other	-	117,110	119,308	-	(2,198)
Total general government	5,123	2,036,366	1,818,563	12,327	210,599
Public safety:					
Police	-	1,650,478	1,517,005	-	133,473
Ambulance	-	235,503	228,349	-	7,154
Fire	22,750	1,686,071	1,659,364	45,332	4,125
Building inspection	-	234,665	210,820	-	23,845
Emergency management	-	12,000	13,539	-	(1,539)
Total public safety	22,750	3,818,717	3,629,077	45,332	167,058
Highways and streets:					
Highways and streets	24,880	1,404,806	1,442,556	-	(12,870)
Street lighting	-	4,500	2,362	-	2,138
Total highways and streets	24,880	1,409,306	1,444,918	-	(10,732)
Sanitation:					
Solid waste collection	24,632	292,332	301,508	11,410	4,046
Solid waste disposal	5,500	265,800	278,351	-	(7,051)
Total sanitation	30,132	558,132	579,859	11,410	(3,005)
Health:					
Administration	-	13,018	12,963	-	55
Pest control	-	125,117	102,144	-	22,973
Total health	-	138,135	115,107	-	23,028
Welfare:					
Administration and direct assistance	-	36,800	10,996	-	25,804
Culture and recreation:					
Parks and recreation	9,280	479,569	379,818	14,580	94,451
Library	-	747,875	729,007	-	18,868
Patriotic purposes	-	20,700	3,950	-	16,750
Other	6,000	8,160	14,020	-	140
Total culture and recreation	15,280	1,256,304	1,126,795	14,580	130,209
Conservation	14,255	111,350	105,954	9,775	9,876

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SCHEDULE 2 (Continued)
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditures, and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Encumbered from Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Encumbered to Subsequent Year	Variance Positive (Negative)
Debt service:					
Principal of long-term debt	-	261,233	261,233	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	-	53,970	53,970	-	-
Interest on tax anticipation notes	-	2	-	-	2
Total debt service	-	315,205	315,203	-	2
Capital outlay	163,194	1,121,751	473,899	716,995	94,051
Other financing uses:					
Transfers out	-	678,000	678,000	-	-
Total appropriations, expenditures, other financing uses, and encumbrances	\$275,614	\$ 11,480,066	\$10,298,371	\$ 810,419	\$ 646,890

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SCHEDULE 3
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Changes in Unassigned Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021

Unassigned fund balance, beginning (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)		\$ 4,308,230
Changes:		
Unassigned fund balance used to reduce 2021 tax rate		(1,962,272)
2021 Budget summary:		
Revenue surplus (Schedule 1)	\$ 1,058,603	
Unexpended balance of appropriations (Schedule 2)	<u>646,890</u>	
2021 Budget surplus		1,705,493
Increase in nonspendable fund balance		(4,194)
Increase in restricted fund balance		<u>(8,827)</u>
Unassigned fund balance, ending (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)		4,038,430
<i>Reconciliation on Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis to GAAP Basis</i>		
To record deferred property taxes not collected within 60 days of the fiscal year-end, not recognized on a budgetary basis		(131,343)
Elimination of the allowance for uncollectible taxes		<u>18,500</u>
Unassigned fund balance, ending, GAAP basis (Exhibit C-1)		<u><u>\$ 3,925,587</u></u>

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SCHEDULE 4
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
December 31, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds										Capital Project Fund	Total	
	Police					Special Revenue Funds							
	Sewer	Grants	Outside Detail	Bench Parking Permits	Heritage Commission	Recreation Reviving/Cleaning	Beach	Ambulance	Parsonage	Conservation Commission			Estrow Deposits
ASSETS													
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,510,773	\$ 6,870	\$ 18,205	\$ 139,948	\$ 19,247	\$ 415,506	\$ -	\$ 76,069	\$ 41,399	\$ 177,402	\$ 98,227	\$ 300,000	\$ 2,803,046
Investments	52,486	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52,486
Accounts receivable (net)	15,697	-	4,002	-	-	7,058	-	-	-	-	-	-	26,757
Total assets	\$ 1,578,956	\$ 6,870	\$ 22,207	\$ 139,948	\$ 19,247	\$ 422,564	\$ -	\$ 76,069	\$ 41,399	\$ 177,402	\$ 98,227	\$ 300,000	\$ 2,882,889
LIABILITIES													
Accounts payable	\$ 37,577	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,577
Accrued salaries and benefits	1,524	-	-	-	-	794	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,318
Due to other governments	25,986	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,986
Interfund payable	33,096	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	305,612	-	-	338,708
Total liabilities	98,183	-	-	-	-	794	-	-	-	305,612	-	-	404,589
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES													
Unavailable revenue -	-	6,870	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,870
Grants received in advance of eligible expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES (DEFICIT)													
Restricted	-	-	-	-	19,247	-	-	-	-	-	-	300,000	319,247
Committed	1,480,773	-	22,207	139,948	-	421,770	-	76,069	41,399	-	98,227	-	2,280,393
Unassigned (deficit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(128,210)	-	-	(128,210)
Total fund balances (deficit)	1,480,773	-	22,207	139,948	19,247	421,770	-	76,069	41,399	(128,210)	98,227	300,000	2,471,430
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	\$ 1,578,956	\$ 6,870	\$ 22,207	\$ 139,948	\$ 19,247	\$ 422,564	\$ -	\$ 76,069	\$ 41,399	\$ 177,402	\$ 98,227	\$ 300,000	\$ 2,882,889

SCHEDULE 5
TOWN OF RYE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Special Revenue Funds										Capital Project Fund		
	Special Revenue Funds					Special Revenue Funds					Capital Project Fund		
	Sewer	Grants	Police Outside Detail	Beach Parking Permits	Heritage Commission	Recreation Revolving	Beach Cleaning	Ambulance	Parsonage	Conservation Commission	Escrow Deposits	TAP Grant	Total
REVENUES													
Intergovernmental		\$ 17,211											\$ 17,211
Charges for services	351,380		131,430	65,173	1	90,660	38,474						677,118
Miscellaneous	672	3,100		3,035	6,442			60,003		7,228	78,689		159,169
Total revenues	352,052	20,311	131,430	68,208	6,443	90,660	38,474	60,003		7,228	78,689		853,498
EXPENDITURES													
Current:													
General government		20,311											128,943
Public safety			111,954	47,668							108,632		159,622
Sanitation	284,990												284,990
Culture and recreation					8,744	42,822	27,067						78,633
Conservation									305,612				305,612
Capital outlay			12,623										12,623
Total expenditures	284,990	20,311	124,577	47,668	8,744	42,822	27,067		305,612	108,632			970,423
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	67,062		6,853	20,540	(2,301)	47,838	11,407	60,003	(298,384)	(29,943)			(116,925)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)													
Transfers in												300,000	300,000
Transfers out								(200,000)					(200,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)								(200,000)				300,000	100,000
Net change in fund balances	67,062		6,853	20,540	(2,301)	47,838	11,407	(139,997)	(298,384)	(29,943)		300,000	(16,925)
Fund balances (deficit), beginning	1,413,711		15,354	119,408	21,548	373,932	(11,407)	216,066	41,399	170,174	128,170		2,488,355
Fund balances (deficit), ending	\$ 1,480,773	\$ -	\$ 22,207	\$ 139,948	\$ 19,247	\$ 421,770	\$ -	\$ 76,069	\$ 41,399	\$ 98,227	\$ -	\$ 300,000	\$ 2,471,430



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Members of the Select Board
Town of Rye
10 Central Road
Rye, NH 03870

To the Members of the Select Board:

This is to advise you that as of February 16, 2023, the audit of the financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2022 has not started, however, we anticipate completing the Annual Audit in April 2023.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Campo, CPA, MACCY
Director

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ASSESSOR'S REPORT

The firm of Municipal Resources continues to handle the assessing functions. The primary members of the staff working in Town are Ed Tinker and Paul Moreau. Additional staff members may be assisting as needed. It is requested that if any of the appraisers come to your property, you support the Town's efforts to keep assessments equitable and proper by answering their questions and allowing them to inspect/verify the data of your property.

Assessing personnel are available to meet with or speak with owners. If an appointment is desired with them, Joanne Drewniak in the Assessing Office can schedule one for you. She is a great resource should any information be desired.

The past year saw assessing staff visit around six hundred and twenty-five properties due to issued building permits, incomplete construction at time of prior visit, site changes and/or owner requests. In addition, all property assessments were updated as is required at least every five years. As a result of the completion of the property visits along with the valuation update, the net total taxable assessment changed roughly \$1,039,400,000 from \$2,204,844,000 in 2021 to \$3,244,252,900 for the 2022 tax year.

The annual review of sale and assessment data completed by the Department of Revenue Administration has not been finalized; however, it is estimated that the Town's median assessment ratio for the 2022 tax year is around 90%. If the valuation update had not been completed it is estimated that the median ratio would have been in the 55% range.

Individual property information may be obtained by visiting the Assessing Office or online by following the link on the Assessing Department page on the Town's website www.town.rye.nh.us.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott P. Marsh, CNHA
Municipal Resources
Contracted Assessor's Agents

BEACH COMMITTEE REPORT

The Beach Committee includes Mary-Ann Sullivan (Chair), Mary Connolly Mitchell (Vice Chair), Select Board Representative Bill Epperson, and Members Anne Robert Baker, Cybele Grier, and Joan Zofnass. The Committee's Mission is "To support the Town of Rye by making (annual) recommendations to the Select Board based on objective observations in the areas of beach safety and the environment and related concerns of Rye residents and other beachgoers."

The Beach Committee continued to partner with local environmental organizations that are dedicated to protecting our beaches and ocean. NH DES monitors public beaches for fecal bacteria during the summer season, between Memorial Day and Labor Day. We voted to fund testing at Sawyers during the 2022 fall shoulder season and extend our support through 2023. We chose Sawyers, because community members and other beachgoers asked about water quality near the pipe that flows from Eel Pond. Volunteers from the NH Chapter of Surfrider collected water samples that were subsequently tested at the UNH Jackson Estuarine Lab. Samples were also collected at the Wall at 15th Street, Plaice Cove/Northside Park, North Hampton State Beach, and Jenness State Beach. Details and results were posted at: nh.surfrider.org

Another valued partner was the Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation. We held a pre-season beach cleanup at Sawyers and a post-season cleanup at Pirates Cove. Volunteers came from the community, as well as nearby towns. The partnership will continue in 2023.

With an increase in year-round beachgoers, dog walkers, surfers and others, the Committee discussed Rye's Carry-In-Carry-Out policy. We recommended to the Select Board that dog waste containers be placed at several beaches. A trial was implemented at Cable and Foss beaches. The Committee also recommended that the Select Board support bike racks at several beach entrances. A final recommendation was to monitor beach access points and unauthorized beach barriers.

For the second year, we partnered with Rye Junior High and Rye Elementary School's Grade 4. The students created posters related to themes around protecting marine life, being respectful to other beachgoers, and picking up trash and dog waste. The posters were laminated by Janice Ireland, mounted on boards by the DPW, and pounded in place at beach entrances by the Beach Committee. Other posters were displayed at businesses and community facilities in Rye.

We received several suggestions for adjustments to the beach parking sticker policy, implemented in 2022. While the Beach Committee is not tasked with designing the policy, a member served on the parking sub-committee with other town officials.

The Beach Committee is thankful for the support of Chief Walsh and the Rye Police Department, Chief Cotreau and the Rye Fire and Emergency Department, Jason Rucker and Rye Public Works, Janice Ireland, Dyana Ledger, the Select Board, the Rye Schools, and the employees of the Town of Rye. Finally, we recognize the past contributions in 2022 by former Chair Frank Hwang, Members Brendan Carney and Seana Zelazo, and Alternate Deirdre Larkin.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary-Ann Sullivan, Chair
Rye Beach Committee

RYE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 2022

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) is the board property owners must appear before when their project does not conform to Rye's Zoning Ordinance, Flood Plain Ordinance or Building Code. Projects such as building additions, teardowns, septic systems, and more, could cause a property owner to seek relief from the ZBA for their project.

The ZBA is the appeals board for zoning-related decisions made by the Building Inspector, Planning Board, and the Select Board. Appeals fall under four main categories: building code relief, variances, special exceptions, and equitable waivers.

Many of the requests for zoning relief each year are due to the extent of wetlands in Rye and our proximity to the ocean and marshes. Many small coastal area lots, and lots of all sizes with wetlands, are unable to support a modern year-round home and/or updated septic systems without zoning relief. Compliance with recently strengthened FEMA regulations also often drives an applicant to seek relief. The popularity of stand-by generators, storage sheds and children's playsets, which request setback relief, result in many applications.

At a ZBA meeting, members listen to the applicant, experts, and the public. After considering all information and applicable law, the ZBA then either approves or denies an application. Conditions are often attached to approvals to minimize or eliminate any adverse impact. When a request involves wetland or tidal areas or buffers, the Rye Conservation Commission often makes recommendations concerning the application to the ZBA.

The ZBA has five full and five alternate members. In 2022 its full members were Shawn Crapo, Chris Piela, Patrick Driscoll, John Tuttle, and Jennifer Madden. The ZBA's alternate members were Sandra Chororos, Gregg Mikolaities, Rob Patten, John Mitchell and Patricia Weathersby. We would like to thank Kevin Mealey, Dr. Frank Dibble and Michael Brousseau for their time as alternates. The BOA is very grateful for the many long hours our volunteer members work on behalf of our Town including careful preparation, thoughtful discussion and making difficult decisions affecting both individual property owners and Rye's citizens and natural environment.

The ZBA continues to receive a large number of requests, requiring extra meetings in some months. In 2022, the ZBA received approximately 185 requests for relief contained in 68 applications. The break-down of the ZBA's disposition of the applications is as follows:

Granted (w/o conditions)	30	Withdrawn by Applicant	3
Granted with Conditions	25	Requests for Reconsideration Granted	0
Denied or Dismissed	6	Requests for Reconsideration Denied	7

Anyone interested in the ZBA is invited to attend our meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM. Two seats are up for election in 2023 and from time to time there are vacancies for alternate members. We welcome your involvement in whatever form.

Respectfully submitted,
Shawn Crapo, Chairman
Rye Zoning Board of Adjustment

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

The Budget Committee (BC) held work sessions and public hearings from November 16, 2022 through January 13, 2023 to review the 2023 town budget. Department Heads and Committee Chairs for each function presented their budgets and reviewed the needs for the upcoming year. The budget committee includes 11 members, five elected directly to the committee, and six as members representing various precincts and other boards (e.g., school board). A full list of committee members can be found on the Town website.

The 2023 Budget

In the upcoming year, the proposed Town budget is \$11,985,910 as recommended by both the Select Board and the Budget Committee representing an increase of approximately \$900,000 over the 2022 budget. The increase over last year is due to a cost of living adjustment of 5.0% due to the high inflation rate, as well as addressing many projects that were not addressed during COVID. Further, several departments have been struggling with capacity issues, and the new includes additional personnel spread across several departments to ensure that citizens are able to receive the level of service that we have come to expect in our town.

The majority of the budget (70%) supports the salaries, wages and benefits for town employees. In terms of departments, approximately half of the budget is dedicated to the police, fire and public works departments.

In addition to the operating budget, there will be several warrant articles that the citizens of Rye have seen in the past. The warrant articles refer to trust funds that are set up to accrue funding for future expenditures most of which is equipment for the public safety, fire department, employee leave, building maintenance and environmental monitoring. The purpose of these funds is to collect the money needed in consistent intervals to avoid spikes in the tax rates.

There are two articles critical to our town's veterans. Rye combat veterans had been receiving a \$500/year property tax credit for the past several years. Unfortunately, a change in state law reduces this benefit to only \$50/year. Therefore, Article 26 restores the benefit to our town's veterans. Article 27 then extends this benefit to all Rye veterans, whether they've served in specific named conflicts or not. The Budget Committee and Select Board both voted unanimously to recommend Articles 26 and 27.

Further, this was the first year in recent memory that did not have any citizen-petitioned warrant articles on the ballot. The meant that the February 4th deliberative session was completed by noon!

The School Budget

The upcoming school budget for the 2023-2024 school year is \$16,676,387, which is an increase of almost \$1 million from the current 2022-2023 budget. Approximately half of the increase is due to increase in the tuition costs and Portsmouth High School. As you know, Rye—like the other three SAU 50 towns—pays to send our students to high school in Portsmouth. We always lose students to private school in high school (also in middle school), but the district has seen more students returning to Portsmouth in recent years. Additionally, Rye School District is legally obligated to pay tuition to special education students who need opportunities that cannot be provided in a regular school district. Both sets of tuition costs have increased considerably over the previous year. Finally, the district has years of deferred facilities maintenance it needs to address, so there is a considerable increase in facilities costs in the proposed budget.

There will be two other warrant articles (#4 and 5) in addition to the budget article requesting appropriations, from any unreserved budget balanced from the 2023-2024 school year, to replenish the special education and high school tuition trust funds. These warrant articles require no new appropriations. Warrant article #2 helps to bring the salaries of the support staff—paraprofessionals, secretaries, custodians—up to a more competitive level. Finally, Article 6, allows the district to spend money from reserve funds to fix the leaky roof at Rye Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Marion, Chairman
Rye Budget Committee

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Just when you thought things could not get any busier. The past year was our busiest year yet. I would like to thank our Administrative Assistant, Sandy Dufresne, who has been a great asset to this department and the town. As well as our Assistant Building Inspector Vincent Bauer. Vincent comes to us with a lifetime of construction knowledge and working with the public. He immediately hit the ground running and has been a strong addition to our department.

The Building Department is currently staffed with two Building Inspectors, and an Administrative Assistant. The office is staffed every day between 6:30 AM and 4:30 PM. The office has developed policies for appointments and office visits. Please check the website for further information.

Construction continues to be at an all-time high, with the influx of people relocating to the seacoast as well as unexpected remodelling due to most people being home during the pandemic. Such projects in 2022 have been, new developments, new construction, replacement buildings, major and minor remodelling. Any commercial projects have been limited to remodelling or changes of use. The Building Department continues to be overwhelmingly busy. We would like to sincerely thank everyone for their patience and understanding.

We continue to monitor the Parsons Creek Pump-Out and Inspection Regulation. The ordinance requires that septic systems in the Parsons Creek Watershed be pumped every three years. Pumping invoices must be delivered to the Building Department to avoid action by the town. This area has tested high for bacteria and has been identified as an impaired watershed by NH DES.

The Building Department primarily deals with the enforcement of the *State Building and Life Safety Codes*. We also enforce the Town's Zoning Ordinances, FEMA regulations and assist in the enforcement of Planning Board decisions. All development within the high hazard flood area needs to be evaluated for compliance to prevent damage during the 1% flood event. If you are contemplating any building or land changes, please visit our website or call the Building Department.

CATEGORY	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
CONSTRUCTION VALUE	\$63,687,627	\$49,723,596.17	\$37,714,133.00	\$31,843,387.85	\$21,667,671.13
BUILDING PERMIT FEES	\$712,305.86	\$538,256.80	\$438,567.44	\$366,205.65	\$215,659.756
NEW HOMES INCLUDES REBUILDS	14	41	17	25	12
ADDITIONS PERMITTED	37	26	44	34	22
DEMOLITION PERMITS	27	26	36	15	18
EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS	309	332	191	105	77
INTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS	102	132	222	252	216
PLUMBING PERMITS	102	97	102	N/A	N/A
ELECTRIC PERMITS	269	267	204	N/A	N/A
MECHANICAL PERMITS	274	297	307	N/A	N/A
SEPTIC PERMITS	118	105	117	N/A	N/A
NEW DWELLING UNITS #	Homes 14 2 Apts.	Homes 41 2 Apts	Homes 10 No Apts	17 Homes 3 Apts	6 Homes No Apts
TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED	1268	1366	1240	931	976

Respectfully Submitted,
Milon C. Marsden, Building Inspector

CONSERVATION COMMISSION'S REPORT



The mission of the Rye Conservation Commission (RCC) is to protect and ensure the proper utilization of Rye's natural resources. The Commission acts as an advisor to other municipal boards concerning environmental issues. In 2022, the Commission continued to conduct over 100 site walks where recommendations were given to landowners to mitigate proposed impacts to our wetlands and their buffers. The Commission is a community resource providing education related to natural resources, introducing the community to accessible protected parcels, and promoting the protection and enhancement of the natural resources found in Rye.

The Junkins Conservation Land was purchased. Located at 0 Pioneer Road, Tax Map 022 Lot 073, this pristine 3.6217-acre parcel with 370' of water frontage on Seavey Creek is part of the Berry's Brook watershed. This parcel abuts the 59-acre Seavey Acres Conservation land which was acquired in 1992. This new acquisition is a well-known fishing spot. The commission is looking into getting permission from the state DPW for access for a small parking area. If allowed a path to the water will be developed, invasive plants and dangerous trees will be removed, and the public will have water access.

The Commission continues yearly work on invasive plant control. Phase III of the Town Forest was completed. Primary targets were Japanese Knotweed, Glossy Buckthorn, Oriental Bittersweet, Burning Bush and Japanese Barberry. Phragmites control was begun at Wallis Salt Marsh east and west and invasive work was begun at the Junkins Conservation land.

In November the NH Association of Conservation Commission (NHACC) held their state regional meeting in Portsmouth. Their field trip showcased the Goss Farm. The new well and irrigation system is up and running. A 12-unit Troyer Gourds Purple Martin nesting unit was installed. There will be new farmers in 2023. The community gardens were a success, and a new plaque was installed at the entrance.

The commission continues to have conservation land surveyed for land that was acquired in the past but not surveyed and monumented. The town forest perimeter survey is in progress as a requirement of the easement holder Rockingham County Conservation District.

A grant for education was received for the Connect to Protect program (connect-protect.org) Spanning 52 communities across NH and Maine, from the headwaters of the Salmon Falls, Cochecho and Lamprey Rivers to the marshes of Rye, the NH coastal watershed conservation plan identifies high value natural resources and conservation lands that are essential to the resilience of watershed communities.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne McFarland, Chair
Rye Conservation Commission

DEMOLITION REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

The purpose of the Committee is to review demolition applications for buildings or structures that are at least 50 years old and which are at least 500 s.f. in size. If the property is deemed to be of either historic significance or architectural importance, the Committee can hold a public hearing to advise the property owner about options to retain or incorporate the historic features in to the new construction. If unsuccessful, the Committee can request the property owner to allow the Committee to document the significant features photographically prior to demolition and/or to consider a donation of any important items or features to the Rye Historical Society (“RHS”).

The Demolition Review Committee had 15 demolition applications to consider in 2022. Most buildings or structures were immediately deemed by the Committee to be of no historical significance or architectural importance. However, 2 applications were significant enough to require a site visit, but neither resulted in a public hearing.

Some applications highlighted that the Committee is the final review before the building permit is issued. This is problematic because the user has spent thousands of dollars to receive approvals from the Planning Board, ZBA, etc. and, as a result, has no interest in revising plans to save or incorporate features of the existing house to avoid a total rebuild. Thus, the Committee has been discussing ways with Town officials how it can be notified at the beginning of the application process so it can work with the property owner early on to help ensure the best results for Rye.

Fortunately, in most cases, the Committee comes away satisfied that the applicant has considered an historically appropriate replacement structure or that the condition of the property is such that preservation is not feasible.

Sometimes, in order to better determine if a structure is worth saving and/or if preservation is actually less expensive than new construction, the Committee has invited noted preservation contractor Stephen Bedard (who volunteers his time) to visit the building(s) with the Committee. Steve can offer alternatives for the owner to consider that may not involve demolition.

Since most of the houses in Rye are not in the Historic District and, thus, not covered by the Historic District Ordinance, two members from each of the local preservation groups have been meeting for over two years informally to discuss ways that residents can be incentivized to preserve homes and buildings that are thought to be important. The purpose of this citizen “task force” (now known as the “Rye Advocates”) is to identify and catalog any pre-1901 structures that could be deemed to be significant and then to identify mechanisms for encouraging preservation. As a result of a survey that was collected in 2021, information is now being catalogued with an ultimate goal to digitize it so it can be accessed through the Town and RHS websites. Other ongoing activities include holding small group workshops to show people how to research their house; creating narrative histories for the most important properties; and engaging the residential real estate brokers to be more knowledgeable about and sensitive to the history of the house when listing or selling an historically significant property.

Respectfully submitted,
David Choate, Chairman
Demolition Review Committee

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

During 2022 the Town of Rye was scheduled for Seabrook Station drills. This involved the Seabrook nuclear power plant, State Emergency Operations Center (EOC's) in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Maine, local EOC's and a variety of other state and federal assets. The entire area passed the Seabrook and Federal Government standards. Emergency Management is a "team" effort with all Town departments working together as one. Thank you to all EOC staff personnel for your time and efforts.

As a reminder, Rye contracts with the State of New Hampshire emergency notification system known as "NH-ALERTS". The purpose of the system is to allow rapid and efficient communications during natural and/or man-made disasters. NH-ALERTS is an automated computer system that provides the State with both a multi-line telephone messaging system and an on-demand emergency alert warning system. Outbound messages can be broadcast by voice, text messaging and e-mail. The system is an emergency service listing database which provides an updated listing of all E9-1-1 customers in the State of New Hampshire. The NH ALERTS system allows community users the capability to rapidly notify citizens of emergencies in their communities. The system can also send a "blast out message" to all cell phones in a certain area near a cell tower. A recent example is when Rye Water notified the Town of Rye of the water emergency, a notification was sent out to the Rye Water District. The public can sign up for NH ALERTS at [Community Notification Enrollment \(coderedweb.com\)](http://Community Notification Enrollment (coderedweb.com)).

Kim Reed has retired from the Rye emergency management team. Kim has been the conduit between Town of Rye departments, NH Homeland Security, and FEMA. Kim's verbal and written communication has reimbursed previous towns budgets thousands of dollars spent on property damage from weather events. Kim has implemented Rye plans to establish a solid foundation for future reimbursement requests. Thank you, Kim.

The Rye Water District implemented a boil water order from October 11, 2022 to November 4, 2022. The Town of Rye Emergency Management Department coordinated with our partners to ensure Rye water district had the support needed to help with the water distribution. Ensuring Rye Water District customers were aware, educated, and what resources were available was the primary goal. The Rye emergency management team helped coordinate the Select Board, Rye Water Commission, Town of Rye departments, Rye Water employees, private and other municipal vendors to establish short and long terms solutions during the boil water order. Even though the boil order is lifted, the Town of Rye continues to meet with elected officials, town employees, other public and private services to effectively assess and improve upon procedures and plans that are needed to ensure the safety of everyone. The Rye emergency management team knows community decisions made now will affect the lives of everyone in the community for years to come.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Walsh
Emergency Management Director

RYE ENERGY COMMITTEE 2022 REVIEW

The Rye Energy Committee was established to:

- Assess current Town energy use
- Evaluate and recommend energy conservation alternatives applicable to the Town
- Evaluate and recommend energy conservation alternatives applicable to Rye residents
- Help the Town disseminate this information to residents.

Our primary focus during 2022 was developing our community power program. Last March, Rye residents voted to authorize the Select Board to develop and implement a Rye Community Power (RCP) program. The Select Board authorized the Energy Committee to develop the plan. After many meetings and diligent work by Committee Members and Community Power Coalition of NH (CPCNH) Board members Lisa Sweet and Howard Kalet, RCP is set to launch this April. This means the non-profit, member-owned CPCNH will begin buying electric [supply](#) on behalf of Rye and nearly a dozen other member communities. The combined electric power needs of its members will allow them to buy wholesale electricity supply so Rye residents can be offered a lower electric rate than is offered by Eversource. There will also be options for choosing more renewable and locally produced energy. For more information about community power go to <https://tinyurl.com/ryenhcp>.

When Eversource announced a sharp increase in rates last July we encouraged the Town, Library and Water Department to switch their electric supply to a competitive supplier. They all switched to Direct Energy which saved them thousands of dollars on their electric bills. These contracts have varying term lengths but any of them can be cancelled without penalty when they may choose to switch again to RCP.

Rye Junior High School now has solar panels installed that will generate over 80% of their electric requirements. The Energy Committee has been supporting this installation for several years and iterations. We look forward to the Elementary School installation soon.

The Public Safety Building lighting was upgraded by installing the latest LED fixtures and controls. Outdated fluorescent equipment was replaced throughout the building. Through incentives, this program will be paid off in 3 years and save 20% on electricity costs.

Using data provided by the Rye Assessor's Dept, the Energy Committee analyzed the carbon emissions of all Rye buildings. We found that 69% (1,806) of buildings are heated by oil, 25% (651) by propane and 6% (177) by electricity and wood. Of the 43 million pounds of heating related carbon dioxide emitted by Rye homes, about 73% of it comes from oil, 23% comes from propane and 4% comes from electricity and wood.

The best way to save money and, in doing so, reduce carbon emissions from home heating, is to improve the tightness and insulation of homes. Reducing the amount of air exchanged between the indoors and the outdoors reduces the amount of work - heating or cooling - that systems need to do.

Few Rye homeowners have taken advantage of the financial assistance offered by the NHSaves program for this type of weatherization work. With that in mind, we co-hosted with the Portsmouth Energy Committee a NHSaves Button Up workshop. The presenter explained the basics of weatherizing a house and how NHSaves provides assistance in performing the work.

We encouraged the Town to install an electric-powered air source heat pump, with back-up propane heating, and cooling system at the Town Hall Annex. A heat pump's high efficiency will not only save money on fuel bills, for both heating and cooling, but it will significantly reduce the emissions generated by this building.

We look forward in the coming year to help further reduce energy costs and emissions for the Town and our neighbors.

Rye Energy Committee
Co-Chairmen Tom Pfau and Howard Kalet
Lisa Sweet, Carl Nicolino, Frank Melanson, Silas Proft and Rob Spork

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

2022 was a busy year for Rye Fire Rescue!

For the first time we exceeded 1,000 emergency responses ending the year with 1036 emergency responses. This was a 10% increase in run volume. We responded to an above average, 4 significant building fires in Rye: 3 residential homes on Acorn Acres, Adams Park, and Long John Road as well as a large garage on Sagamore Road. October's windstorm and December's coastal storm added 21 responses to our total including one water rescue.

On February 23rd we responded to the area of Old Beach Road, Jenness Avenue and East Atlantic Avenue for an apparent problem with the electric utility feed in the area. On arrival we found approximately 25 houses with various electrical issues. Along with mutual aid partners, all structures were assessed, and any electrical emergencies mitigated.



We were also pleased to help support the Town's response to the Rye Water District's boil water order in October/November by coordinating the bottled water distribution to affected Rye residents. During the order we held 12 bottled water distribution sessions at the fire station giving out approximately 68 pallets of water. Thanks goes to the Police and DPW Departments for helping and a special thanks to the members of the Rye Lions Club for volunteering so many hours to support our efforts!

Prehospital Care Advances: We are excited to have made two important advances in our EMS prehospital care in 2022! We now can perform certain diagnostic ultra-sounds in the ambulance. This modest investment of \$6,000 with training supplied by Portsmouth Hospital enables us to better treat certain types of patients. Late in the year we purchased a pre-hospital ventilator. This device will enable us to give a higher quality of care to many of our cardiac and respiratory patients. Over half of the purchase of this \$11,000 lifesaving equipment was made possible by public donations and a \$1500 donation from the Rye Firefighters Association Local 4411! Thanks to all!

Ocean Rescue Program: Our Ocean Rescue program continues to make a difference for our community! We responded to 16 water rescue calls this year. Thank you to Rye residents and the NH Port Authority for their continued support of this lifesaving project!

Mutual Aid: We responded to mutual aid structure fires in Lee; Hampton; Salisbury, MA; Kittery, ME; Greenland; North Hampton; Eliot, ME; Newmarket; Seabrook; Amesbury, MA; and West Newbury, MA. Rye Fire Rescue gave mutual aid (responded to another community) 127 times in 2022. We also received mutual aid 69 times in 2022. Having a terrific mutual aid arrangement with surrounding communities is a very important part of providing quality Fire and EMS services to our residents. Rye Fire Rescue is very thankful for the help of our mutual aid partners. We stand ready, at a moment's notice, to assist them in their time of need.

Personnel: This year we welcomed Jake Lennon, Garrett Mathews and Jack Sullivan as per-diem (permanent part-time) firefighter/EMT's! Lexie Gorski, one of our long-time call members, also became a per-diem member. The addition of per-diem members to our full-time shifts continues to close some significant service gaps discussed in our 2020 Staffing Assessment Plan.

Training: Throughout the year, Rye Fire Rescue conducts fire, rescue, and emergency medical training, such as water and ice rescue, pumper operations, ladder operations, equipment familiarization and incident management. This year, notable trainings included: Training on dealing with dementia patients provided by Benchmark at Rye, we sponsored a regional ocean search and rescue training with our regional partners that was instructed by the USCG (hope to have this training annually). FF Mike Rivet attended 2nd year officer training at the NFA in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Ocean Rescue Swimmer train-the-trainer, and FF Pigeon earned her Instructor 1 certification.



(Dementia Training courtesy of Benchmark at Rye)

Emergency Responses

NFIRS CATEGORY	NUMBER
Fires/Explosions ¹	37
Overpressure/Ruptures	0
Emergency Medical/Rescue ²	637
Hazardous Conditions ³	41
Service Calls	70
Good Intent Call/Public Service	73
Fire and CO Alarms/Other Alarms	131
Weather Related	7
Special/Miscellaneous	40
TOTAL EMERGENCY RESPONSES	1036
Mutual Aid Given	127
Mutual Aid Received	69

1-Fires occurred within the following sub-categories:

- Structure fires: 19*
- Vehicle fires: 2*
- Brush fires: 4*
- Chimney Fires: 2*
- Other fires: 10*

2- Of the EMS responses 452 resulted in patient transport to a hospital at the following level of care:

- BLS transports: 99(22%)*
- ALS transports: 353 (78%)*

Included were:

- Motor Vehicle Accidents: 39*
- Water Rescues: 15*

**Fire Prevention permits/inspections
by type:**

Propane Gas	89
Oil Burner	6
Fireworks	3
Fire Alarm	7
Blasting	1
Solid Fuel	4
School Inspections	6
Annual Inspections	23
Miscellaneous	9
Occupancy	9
Open Burning	460
Car Seat installs	25
TOTAL	642

Community: Rye Fire Rescue personnel traditionally participate in many community programs such as car seat installs and the Seacoast Firefighters Toy Bank (including an annual toy donation to CHAD at Wentworth Douglas Hospital), Holiday Parade, CPR classes, family visits to the fire station; and fire station visits by school groups). Lt Gallant, Lt Wunderly and FF Bohling are certified in properly installing car seats. Anyone looking for this important service is encouraged to call the Fire Department.

Rye Fire Rescue acknowledges the support and excellent service provided by the staff of our fellow Town departments. We interact regularly and seamlessly with the various departments. The result of these excellent working relationships is superior service to the community. The public can be assured that the firefighters serving Rye are competent, compassionate, and caring individuals who come together as a team to deliver excellent service to town residents.

Respectfully Submitted.
Mark R. Cotreau, Fire Chief



(April 2022: EMS Excellence award for two cardiac arrest saves. Far left is our medical director Dr. Grossman)

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Rye Fire Rescue, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work together to prevent wildland fires in New Hampshire. Please contact the Rye Fire Rescue to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. We will happily assist you!

Fire permits issued:

Brush	121
Beach Fires	189
Seasonal	<u>150</u>
Total Forestry Permits 2022	460

Many homes in Rye are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org.

Please note the following regulations for safe open burning:

- Open burning is granted by the State of New Hampshire and the Town of Rye. Open burning may be curtailed at any time due to high winds or various other conditions.
- A written permit must be obtained from Rye Fire Rescue for any open burning.
- The NH Department of Environmental Services prohibits the open burning of household waste; this includes personal papers and sensitive documents, whole or shredded.
- No burning is allowed between 9:00am and 5:00pm unless it is actively raining or there is significant snow cover at the site of the burn.
- Permits are issued only to the landowner or person(s) having written approval from the landowner.
- The Permittee must be 18 years of age or older.
- All open fires must have someone in attendance at all times.
- Permits for beach fires are issued to RYE RESIDENTS ONLY.
- Beach fires are allowed on the rocky areas of the beach only. No fires are allowed on the sand. Beach fires are allowed between 5:00pm and Midnight. All ash and debris must be properly disposed of once completely extinguished.
- State regulations prohibit open fires on state beaches such as Wallis Sands State Park and Jenness Beach

Please help Rye Fire Rescue and the state Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

Respectfully submitted
Mark R. Cotreau
Forest Fire Warden

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

The year 2022 was a busy and productive year for me as Health Officer. As in previous years the number of issues and their complexities continue to increase. There were, in addition to the day-to-day problems encountered, new and involved situations that continue to arise each year.

This past year was very dry to the point of being drought conditions at times. Fortunately, no mosquitos collected by Dragon Mosquito Control were positive for WNV (West Nile Virus) or EEE (Eastern Equine Encephalitis). Jamestown Canyon Virus (JCV), which is similar in symptomatology as WNV, was not identified in Rye, however, it was detected in other parts of New Hampshire. JCV is now the predominant arbovirus attributed to mosquito-borne health issues. As in previous years supplemental spraying was done at the schools, the recreation area, and Parsons Field prior to the start of the school year. In addition to this, spraying for ticks was carried out on various Town trails as Lyme disease continues to be very prevalent in New Hampshire which has one of the highest rates for this disease in the country.

One of the major issues that occurred in 2022 was the finding of E.coli in the water system. In-depth investigation of this problem was done over several weeks and months by the Town of Rye, the Department of Environmental Services, and numerous consultants versed in this problem. The exact etiology of the E.coli in the water system is still not clear, however, the investigation is on-going. The best solution to this problem was thought to be chlorination of the water system which has been done. Prior to the chlorination being instituted, bottled water was made available to the Citizens of Rye that were affected by the water issue.

Inspections were carried out both as requested and on an as needed basis. When the problem with the E.coli in the Water system arose additional inspections and changes were needed in the schools to conform with State of New Hampshire rules and regulations. Compliance with these issues was 100%. It should be noted that consultation with State of New Hampshire personnel is always done when deemed appropriate.

Each year I mention rabies in my Town Report as this is largely a preventable disease which can have lethal results for animals not vaccinated. In 2022 thirty-two animals tested positive for rabies in New Hampshire. There were ten raccoons, eleven bats, two skunks, four foxes, three bobcats and one woodchuck that tested positive. There were no rabies positive animals in Rye, but there was a positive bat in North Hampton as well as in Portsmouth. No domestic animals tested positive this past year in New Hampshire.

The Covid-19 virus does not seem to go away and most likely won't in the foreseeable future. The wearing of masks is no longer mandatory in Town buildings however, it is encouraged for those at risk and in various other situations. Also, Covid-19 vaccinations and boosters are recommended as well as, when deemed appropriate, home testing. Several clinics for administering the vaccine were held at the Rye Fire Department. The clinics were well attended.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Select Board, Deputy Health Officers Fire Chief Mark Cotreau and Fire Lt. Jake MacGlashing, Town Personnel, and the Citizens of Rye for their on-going support and cooperation. I look forward to a productive 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail A. Snow, M.D.
Rye Health Officer

HERITAGE COMMISSION'S REPORT

As usual, the Heritage Commission had an active and productive year in 2022. There were efforts to develop a sub-committee focusing on fundraising events. Unfortunately, circumstances from COVID and the economy in general hampered our efforts to plan a dinner and live and silent auction event to benefit the Town Hall projects and other programs. We have not abandoned this idea but are postponing a large event until we feel results would be much better. We did continue with our direct mail appeals which we have done every year since 2013. Plans to replace and repair the windows in Town Hall began with funding shared equally between the Heritage Commission and Friends of Town Hall. The windows will be done three at a time. A Gazebo was donated which had originally been located in front of the Ocean Wave Hotel where Philbrick's by the Sea is located today, just south of Parson's Point. Construction on both of these projects is continuing. Work on the windows has slowed until spring, as has work on the gazebo, which requires repair and restoration on the original top and reproduction of the bottom portion of the structure. It will be located beside and to the left behind the Town Hall. Landscaping will be done by the Driftwood Garden Club.

Chairman Phil Walsh resigned in May and was succeeded by Bev Giblin, who had been Chair prior to Phil. Not only did Phil excel in the position of Chairman, but he was responsible for digitizing the Graveyard Program list. He was also the recipient of the 2022 Louise Tallman Award which is presented to a Rye resident who has worked diligently for historic preservation. He is the youngest person to receive this award.

As part of our Town's 400th Anniversary, the Rye Heritage Commission along with our treasurer Peter White, in order to recognize significant historical and cultural themes of Rye's past, organized the Historic Signage Appeal. The direct mail program raised \$22,400 for 7 adopted signs and this program, which will recognize significant historical and cultural themes and events of Rye's past. Please see the sample of the signs to be installed included in this article.

Our Heritage Commission will continue, with your support, to work hard to identify, preserve and protect the special character and the historical, architectural and cultural resources of our town.

Respectfully submitted,

Bev Giblin, Chair
Rye Heritage
Commission

(Sample of what the historical signs will look like)

HISTORIC RYE CENTER

Central Cemetery and Rye Town Hall Rye Center is at the intersection of Central Road and Washington Road. Looking up Central Road towards Rye Center, the Central Cemetery, founded in 1873, is on the right. Also on the right is Rye Town Hall. The Methodist Episcopal Church built this sturdy structure in 1873 and sold it to the Town of Rye in 1873.

Parsons Family Home
The Parsons family built this home circa 1757 and by the 1900s three generations of doctors had served the Town from this house. In 1979, the shunting field and fence totaling 50 acres became protected conservation land thanks to the grassroots effort of Parsons Park Corporation.

Rye Congregational Church
Rye Congregational Church is the fourth church to sit on this sacred ground. Rye's first Meeting House was built in 1726. The Second Meeting House served Rye from 1726 to 1827 followed by the Third Meeting House also known as the Congregational Church, pictured above circa 1900, which burned on March 19, 1959.

Wedgewood School
On the current field that is adjacent to Rye Junior High built in 1934 sat the Center or Wedgewood School. It burned to the ground on February 14, 1932. A neighbor reported ashes from burning school books flying down on her house to the delight of the students.

The First and Second Christian Church
The Public Safety Building is located where two former churches sat: The First Christian Church existed from 1839 to 1888. The Second Christian Church, also known as the Brown Church served Rye citizens from 1889 until 1947.

Rye Public Library
The Rye Public Library was built in 1910 with a bequest from Mary Tuck Rand. A modern yet compatible addition was added in 1998.

Garland Tavern
Washington Road, named after George Washington, was home to the Garland Tavern, on the right, built in 1747. President Washington had drinks there with former Revolutionary War officers when he visited Portsmouth on or about November 1, 1789.

Town of Rye Museum
Originally built by Mildred Wilson on an adjacent lot, this building has housed the Town of Rye Museum, managed by the Rye Historical Society, since 2002.

Lang Road

Wallis Road

Old Parish Road

Central Road

War Memorial

TOWN OF RYE, INCORPORATED 1709

Historic District Commission Report

2022 was another productive year for the Rye Historic District Commission. Regular monthly meetings were conducted in January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October and November. The commission reviewed one application at our February meeting for a new fence and the replacement of front steps.

With the completion of our Historic District Guidelines last year, the Commission moved forward to edit and replace the existing application that homeowners complete when submitting a project. Members researched other neighboring towns' applications to pull ideas on the best information to be included. The Commission decided to make two applications: one that would be used for renovations and one that would be used for new construction.

At the November meeting the Commission met with a representative from the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources to discuss a 2023 grant opportunity. The Commission would like to expand the district and plans to apply for funding for a survey on the potential properties to add to the district. Work on the grant application will begin in early 2023 with filing an intent to apply.



The first weekend of December 2022 the HDC partnered with the Rye400 group to host a Holiday Candlelight Stroll after the Town's Holiday Parade. Paper bag luminaries lined both sides of Washington Road from the Library Common to the opening of Parsons Field. The large evergreen tree was lit with lights and carolers from the Congregational Church led the group in song. The HDC

sponsored a wreath that was placed at all the historic homes in the town center. The event was well received and the lights were a beautiful display that was enjoyed by all in the charming historic center of town.

Our current members are Kaitlyn Coffey, David Choate, Daryl Kent, James Tegeder, Karen Stewart, Stacey Smith, Lydia Tilsley, Select Board Representative Tom King and alternates Katharine Brown and Mae Bradshaw.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kaitlyn Coffey, Chair
Rye Historic District Commission

RYE HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S REPORT

Vision: To preserve and share Rye history by understanding the past, informing the present, and influencing the future.

Mission: To engage and educate a diverse population in Rye, New Hampshire's rich history through our programs, collections, and outreach, to encourage them to make a personal connection with their community.

News: After over 40 years Alex Herlihy stepped off the board of Rye Historical Society to finish his book on the updated history of Rye. He was celebrated at the RHS Annual Meeting with an award for his service and was offered the title of Town Historian. Alex remains a volunteer with RHS.

2022 Initiatives: A professional archivist was hired to bring our work current and provide an audit of items already in our collection; Rye400 (see below); perform maintenance on the museum – cleaning out office and basement, as well as organizing the archive room. Begin to upgrade Past Perfect museum software to a web-based version for accessibility to the public.

Rye400: Rye Historical Society began working with the town and community at large to create a website, coordinate events, and act as the fiscal sponsor of Rye400 celebrations - a year of events beginning and ending with the '22 and '23 Holiday Parades. RHS board member Andy Stecher took on the role of Committee Chairman for planning events to showcase Rye's history and community.

Museum: The museum re-opened to the public on Saturday mornings May – October for in-person visits.

Members: We ended 2022 with a membership of 125 families. A goal of increasing to 400 members was set for 2023 to celebrate 400 years of Rye history. **2022-23 Board of Directors:** Ginna Macdonald, Jan Olmstead, Lew Karabatsos, Steve Cash, Andy Stecher, Debbi Toohey, Jean Briggs Badger, Becky Marden, David Caswell, and Cathy Hodson (pro-tem for Rye400 accounting).

Exhibits: A new exhibit called *Rye Family Connections* opened in the Spring with a reception that included a presentation and performance by luthier Steve Roy on an 1878 violin that had been made in Rye.

Programs: 2022 programs were *The Renovation of the Wood Island Life Saving Station* with Samuel Reid, *Big House, Little House, Back House, Barn* with Thomas Hubka, *Quilts of the Civil War* with Pamela Weeks, *Surfmen of the Seacoast* with D. Allan Kerr. Some programs were presented and recorded using Zoom as well as in person. The online *Genealogy Group* remains on Zoom on the third Tuesday of each month. Visit ryenhistoricalociety.org for the current schedule

Tours: RHS held two sold-out Trolley Tours, and added two boat tours to Star Island on the Uncle Oscar, which also sold out.

Volunteers: Thank you to our volunteers Bob Blanchard, Mary Beth Clifford, Linda Lemelin, James Macdonald, Charles Moore, Shannon Murphy and Lydia Tilsley, who helped keep us running smoothly.

Respectfully submitted,
Ginna Macdonald, President
Rye Historical Society

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Rye community continued to increase usage of their public library in 2022. After the pandemic and aftermath of 2020-21, we saw true growth toward pre-pandemic levels last year. Though we are still impacted by continued public health concerns, library service has remained constant and our usage statistics show strong increases.

Our circulation of library materials increased 23% from 2021, and library visits increased 37%! Much of that visitation stemmed from programming events, attendance of which increased 48% over 2021. Overall, every statistic we normally measure grew in 2022. That growth came in a range of percentages, but with an average of 51% across the board! In comparison to other libraries in the State, RPL retains a remarkable position for a public library in a town of Rye's size. Throughout the pandemic slow-down and as we retain more "normal" numbers, we regularly rank in the top tier of many statistical tallies across New Hampshire libraries.

Change continued to be a constant in 2022 with RPL librarians Brenda Nolette, Lisa Breton and Marcia Beckett departing the staff. We wish each of them the best of luck with their new directions. We welcomed Youth Services Librarian Claire Beihl who started her new position in our youth department last year. She has made a strong addition to our outstanding Rye Public Library Staff and has offered an incredible variety of programming for kids and teens.

We honored two new moms on staff last year as Jess Ryan welcomed daughter Ronan, and Lucy Barretto welcomed son Geno. Jess also finished her Masters of Library Science program and has been promoted to Director of Youth Services! Lucy chose to pull back from her role at RPL but has continued to work on our website.

Patrick Harrison was promoted to Education and Outreach Librarian in 2022 and along with Peter Cady, Shawna Healy, Lisa Houde, Gwen Putnam-Bailey, and Catherine Rogers, rounds out our professional and excellent library staff. We look forward to bringing you the best in library service again in 2023.

2023, of course, represents an important milestone for Rye, and we began planning in 2022 with the Rye400 Committee to bring RPL's perspective to the celebration. We'll offer a range of programming and events to commemorate Rye's history and feature many local authors, poets and neighbors to highlight Rye's anniversary through their individual stories.

As always, we are sincerely grateful to the members of the Rye community whose generous gifts, donations and memorial bequests along with membership in the Friends of the Rye Public Library help support the work of the Library. We fondly remember those patrons who passed in 2022 and are no longer with us at this writing.

RPL is also extremely lucky to have a cadre of extraordinary volunteers that bring us their ideas, and devote their talent and time to the Library. I sincerely thank our Trustees, Friends of the Library, Library Common Advisory Committee and the many others who work tirelessly to shelve and repair our collection and offer programs to their neighbors in the Rye Community. All of us at RPL wish you the best in 2023 and truly appreciate your support and patronage last year. We look forward to serving you in in the coming year. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,
Andrew Richmond
Library Director

RYE PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEE REPORT

Throughout 2022 the Board of Trustees continued to work with the Library Director and staff to work to make the Rye Public Library the cultural hub of the community and the cultural center of Rye – to act on its strategic plan, to restore its full functioning as we moved through the pandemic, to update its policies, and to engage and inform the community about its continued efforts to create a vibrant, welcoming, programmable, useful, public space, called the Library Common, in the Rye Town Center.

Attendance and usage statistics at the Library are up dramatically over what they were in 2021, with the largest increase occurring in attendance at library programming, which was up 48% over last year. Programs offered on the lawn of the Library Common during the summer were very well attended—the music program in July had an audience of fifty people; the Wildlife Encounter program at the close of the summer reading program drew a group of one hundred. The area previously occupied by the Parsonage Apartments building, and which is at the heart of the trustees’ planning for the Library Common has already proven to be a great community gathering space.

Director Andy Richmond welcomed new staff at the Library and he and his team continued to provide excellent service to patrons. The Trustees greatly appreciate the good work done by our employees to adapt to change and their commitment to Rye Public Library.

The Board reviewed several policies including the elimination of fines for late materials from the Circulation Policy, updating the Materials Selection Policy, and adopting a Diversity and Inclusion Statement and Indigenous Land Acknowledgement Statement.

The Trustees continued to work on the creation of a conceptual Master Plan to optimize the development of the two-acre parcel of land that presently includes the existing Rye Public Library building, the Rye Town Museum, and the Library Common. The Trustees have engaged other Boards, Commissions, Committees, Groups, and interested persons to inform them and to seek their participation and input; this has included the creation of an Advisory Committee to meet regularly with the Trustees as the vision and the conceptual plans evolved.

Jonathan Halle of Warrenstreet Architects, working with the Trustees, created several concept designs that would better integrate into the needs of the Rye Town Center, the current and future programming needs and opportunities both within the library building, as well as the green space of the Library Common. Along with addressing the needs of the Rye Town Museum, the goal is to provide flexibility that would allow sufficient space for a possible future expansion of the library building. The concept plan would move the Rye Town Museum building onto the Library Common in a campus-like setting, and a relocation of the parking lot to the rear of the Common.

This Fall, the Trustees obtained an “opinion of likely construction cost” to execute the concept with an eye toward putting a Warrant Article forward to cover some of the cost. The Trustees would look to fundraise for the completion of the project to include landscaping, fixtures, and possibly a performance space. That opinion revealed complexities associated with moving the Town Museum building, which together with the current economic conditions and the highly inflated and unpredictable costs of construction, preclude the Board from pursuing a Warrant Article at this time.

At the close of the year, the Board decided to scale back on the implementation of the concept and focus on a plan for the green space of common that would utilize only the 0.4-acre parcel along Washington Road. The Trustees will continue to work to develop this vital space in the heart of our community. Despite the challenges of planning a project of this kind, the Board is committed to the process and welcomes continued community input in this endeavor.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Ross, Chairman
Rye Public Library Board of Trustees

TOWN OF RYE MOSQUITO CONTROL

The summer of 2022 was exceptionally dry compared to most. Droughts impact the lives of every living thing from humans to wild animals, your lawn and garden, ponds and streams and the creatures that rely on that water. Mosquitoes live in shallow, stagnant water during part of their lifecycle so their numbers were down due to the drought. The only benefit of the drought was that NH had a year without significant widespread mosquito-borne disease. Salt marshes, catch basins and backyard containers were the main sources of mosquitoes during the latter half of the season. The Town used Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc. as a vendor in 2022.

The NH State Lab in Concord tests mosquitoes and found eight West Nile Virus (WNV) positive mosquito batches from Manchester and Nashua. No human or veterinary cases of WNV were identified in New Hampshire. No Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) was detected. Mosquitoes from Hampstead and Atkinson tested positive for Jamestown Canyon Virus.

Adult mosquitoes were monitored at five locations throughout Rye. Mosquitoes were collected weekly in baited light traps, identified to species, and select species were sent to the State Lab where they were tested for diseases July 1st through October 15th. No disease was detected in mosquitoes collected in Rye during 2022.

Field work begins in April when mosquito larvae are found in stagnant water such as salt marshes, red maple and cedar swamps, woodland pools and other wet areas. Dragon has identified 186 larval mosquito habitats in town. Crews checked larval habitats 534 times during the season. There were 399 treatments to eliminate mosquito larvae. Dragon uses a naturally occurring biological product called Bti to control mosquito larvae in wetlands. Bti will not harm people, pets and other animals, aquatic life or other insects. In addition, 637 catch basin treatments were made to combat disease carrying mosquitoes. Dragon used Natular, an organic biological product, to control mosquitoes in catch basins. Parsons Field was sprayed before the Fourth of July fireworks. Spraying was conducted at the schools, Parsons Field and the Recreation Area prior to the start of the school year. The town trails between Parsons Field, the cemetery and the Recreation Area were sprayed for ticks twice.

Without standing water, mosquitoes can't survive to maturity and spread disease in large numbers. By eliminating standing water around your home during the season, you play an important role in keeping yourself, your family, your pets, and your neighbors safe from mosquito-borne disease.

The Town has selected Dragon Mosquito as a vendor in 2023. Residents who don't want their wetlands treated may use Dragon's No-Spray Registry online at www.dragonmosquito.com/no-spray-registry or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, PO Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, color of your house and acreage you own. If you've submitted a request in prior years, please contact Dragon to reaffirm your request. To keep our records current, they need to hear from you each year. Confirmation may be emailed to help@dragonmosquito.com or you may call the office at 603-734-4144.

Respectfully Submitted,

Timothy Sanborn, Chairman
Rye Mosquito Control Commission

RYE PLANNING BOARD'S REPORT 2021

The Planning Board (PB) reviewed 30 applications which included multifamily developments, a mixed-use development, an assisted living complex, condominium conversions and amendments, accessory dwelling units, a major subdivision, lot mergers/line adjustments, and conceptual consultations. Housing development included commencement of two projects, and a project completion. Constituting 90 units, the projects include 18 workforce housing units, consistent with Rye's zoning. Continued interest in accessory dwelling units has created approximately 25 new units from 2011-2022. Housing is a key issue, and to further the Town's resources, the PB has recently applied for a planning grant through InvestNH with funding, if/as available, to be coordinated with the master plan update.

2022 efforts of the master plan committees resulted in approval by both the Budget Committee and the Select Board for 2023 capital outlays of \$90,000 and \$22,000 for the master plan and build out analysis, respectively. A Q&A guide to the projects is provided at: https://www.town.rye.nh.us/sites/g/files/vyhlf3751/f/faqs/master_plan_faq_0.pdf. The Steering Committee and the PB expect to undertake the effort during 2023-2025, and look forward to working closely with the community to update and transform this important planning tool.

With the help of retired town attorney, Mike Donovan, the Rules and Regulations Committee (R&R) spent most of the summer editing and updating the Land Development Regulations. After a presentation at a public meeting of the full Planning Board in September, the proposed amendments were adopted by the Board at a public hearing on 9/20/22 and have been codified, see General Code: <https://ecode360.com/33985360>.

During September and October, the R&R Committee worked with town attorney, Eric Maher, to review the Town's Zoning Ordinance in preparation for public hearings and presentation on the town warrant in March. The R&R Committee, along with Attorney Maher, has edited, updated, and modified the Zoning Ordinance this past fall to clarify and simplify, where appropriate, and to reflect land use recommendations consistent with Rye's 2021 Natural Resource Inventory: https://www.town.rye.nh.us/sites/g/files/vyhlf3751/f/uploads/rye_nri_report_2021.pdf. Several public hearings have been held and the proposed modifications to the Ordinance are ready for the warrant. Summaries and proposed zoning and building code amendments for 2023 may be reviewed on the Town website at: https://www.town.rye.nh.us/sites/g/files/vyhlf3751/f/news/zoning_amendment_summary_for_2023_ballot.pdf and <https://www.town.rye.nh.us/planning-department/pages/proposed-zoning-amendments-2023-ballot>.

Many thanks to Planning Board members: Kevin Brandon (CIP), Steve Carter (R&R Chair), Bill Epperson (Selectman's Representative), James Finn (TRC), Kathryn Garcia (LRP, MPSC Vice-Chair), JM Lord (Vice-Chair, TRC), Nicole Paul, Bill MacLeod (TRC), and Rob Wright (LRP & MPSC Chair), Planning and Zoning Administrator Kim Reed, and Land Use Assistant Kara Campbell for numerous contributions throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Losik, Chairperson
Rye Planning Board

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Rye police officers recognize that trust is precious and can never be taken for granted. Legitimacy and public confidence remain the greatest challenge. The Rye police team is continuing to reflect on police programs and service that have led the Rye Police Department to enjoy strong public confidence. The Police Department continues to design its future through a quality-of-service approach to continuous improvement.

People and culture are at the heart of what Rye police do, and the internal experience of those who serve in the organization is mirrored in their delivery of services. Our goal is to continue to be trusted professionals who keep people safe.

Rye officers progress using values and practices encompassed by the six pillars of modern policing as outlined by President Obama's Task Force on 21st Century Policing: Build Trust and Legitimacy; Policy; Oversight; Technology and social media; Community Policing; Training and Education; and Officer Safety and Wellness.

Governor Sununu and other New Hampshire law enforcement leaders called for an evaluation of what policies and practices can be implemented statewide to ensure continued improvement in law enforcement and deepen the relationship law enforcement shares with all communities. The Governor's committee created a roadmap for New Hampshire law enforcement to follow. This was to ensure all New Hampshire police officers perform their duties in a consistently equitable manner, in a way that has trust given to police officers by their communities.

Accreditation is a self-initiated process where police operate within a specific set of state and nationally recognized standards or best practices. By providing transparency and accountability, accreditation improves community relations and increases law enforcement professionalism. Developed by law enforcement experts, accreditation standards equip police agencies with resources to manage most matters. Periodic audits by qualified assessors evaluate policy compliance. Governors audit states the goal of New Hampshire police agencies should be some level of accreditation. The Governor's committee is establishing a state-level process for accreditation.

To continue with implementation of mandates and to design a plan for accountability, transparency, and State accreditation I have assigned Lieutenant Heather Cote to put into practice criteria to meet State accreditation standards.

One of the requests the department is asking if the Town of Rye will fund and support a body camera program for the Rye Police Department. This is not a mandate for accreditation however body cameras match public expectations of how to reflect on police job performance. The objective of the body cam program is to keep strong public confidence and to develop more trust with keeping officers and people safe.

I want to thank the Select Board for allowing me the opportunity to be your Acting Town Administrator for four months.

It was an honor and privilege to have the chance to change my role as a town employee. I appreciate all the town employees for teaching me, and showing me how much they do to make the town run smooth.

I would specifically like to thank the police officers for their exceptional leadership by continuing the Police Department mission of keeping Rye safe during the time I was not in the office as the Chief of Police.

The following are the statistics for 2022:

7374 Calls for service	79 Arrests	184 Alarms
1412 Motor vehicle stops	96 Accidents	592 Animal Control
42 911 Hang up calls	253 Medical aid calls	11 Domestic
19 Juvenile issues	1 Burglary	30 Thefts

\$106,276.89 Parking fines collected, \$ 6,954.90 in court fines collected and \$83,244.20 outside details collected.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Walsh
Chief of Police

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Two longtime employees of the Town retired this year. Chris Jenness, who had filled the position of Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer and then Transfer Station Attendant retired after 40 years employed by the Town. Chris remains with the department as a part-time employee at the Transfer Station. Lee Adams, who had filled the position of Highway Driver/Operator/Laborer and then Transfer Station Attendant retired after 32 years employed by the Town. We wish to thank both of them for their service to the Town of Rye and its residents.

The continuation of a mild weather pattern was reflected again in winter storm activity being below normal. The total number of events which the department responded to this year was twenty-two, which is below the ten-year average of twenty-one events. The total snowfall accumulation was forty inches for the year, which is also below the ten-year average of sixty-eight inches. The twenty-two weather events recorded consisted of thirteen snow events and nine ice only events. The snow events averaged approximately 1.9 inches of accumulation per event. 827 tons of salt at a total cost of approximately \$60,000 was deployed on the roadways, to maintain safe road conditions. This total too was below the ten-year average of nine hundred tons per year.

Upon receipt of a positive vote at the annual town meeting, the department specified and ordered a new Volvo wheeled front end loader. The loader cost approximately \$200,000 and was delivered at the end of July 2022. Funding was obtained from the Highway Department Vehicle and Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The department also specified and ordered a refurbished recycling material baler and a 30-yard bulky waste container for the transfer station at a cost of \$11,700 and \$7400 respectively.

The Select Board and Budget Committee approved a 6.25 percent increase in the Town's paving budget for 2022. The department continued re-paving on Washington Road with the completion of the section between West Road and Grove Road. The department was able to begin the repaving of older subdivision roads with the completion of Harbor View Drive, Frontier Avenue, Mountain View Terrace, Blueberry Lane, Highland Park, Surf Lane, and Breakers Avenue. The Highway Department replaced aging storm-water drain lines which enabled paving of Jenness Avenue, East Atlantic Avenue, and Kenphil Avenue. A total of 3,600 tons of bituminous asphalt pavement was applied at a cost of approximately \$360,000.

The Transfer/Recycling Station processed 1157 tons of household rubbish, 36 tons of kitchen waste, 560 tons of demo/debris, 147 tons of mixed paper, 103 tons of cardboard and newsprint, 79 tons of scrap metal, 87 tons of glass, 14 tons of aluminum cans, 27 tons of plastic containers, 13 tons of miscellaneous electronics, 500 gallons of waste oil, and 273 tires. Excluding the wood, tires, demo/debris, electronics, waste oil, and metal the town residents diverted approximately four hundred tons of material through the transfer station from disposal in the landfill. This diversion represents a cost avoidance of approximately \$32,000 in tipping fees and a recycling rate of approximately 30%. In addition, the facility realized approximately \$120,000 in revenues from transfer station receipts and sale of recyclables, a decrease of approximately four percent (4%) over last year.

Twenty-one (21) new driveways permits were issued this year; along with thirty-eight (38) paving permits and nine (9) excavation permits. These numbers represent a continuation of the robust construction and real estate activity experienced over the past several years.

The Salt Storage Facility construction was completed at a cost of \$250,000. The building is currently in use for salt storage and winter de-icing operations on an impervious surface protecting the Town's ground water supply.

A Surplus Vehicle Auction was held by the Department totaling \$21,256 in revenue for the Town.

I wish to thank the Public Works Staff; the Select Board, Town Administrator, and Town Hall staff for their assistance and support; the Energy and Recycling Education Committees for their enthusiasm; and all the town residents without whose input and cooperation the department could not function.

Respectfully submitted,
Jason M. Rucker
Public Works Director



RECREATION COMMISSION'S REPORT

2022 has been a year of renewal for Rye Recreation. After two years of reduced programming due to COVID-19, the department has seen participation numbers back on the rise and has been able to steadily add back programming. The Rye After School Program is back to full capacity and soccer and basketball have both seen great numbers in attendance. The Wave Adult Program (formerly named Active, Alive and Over 55) programs have also bounced back with great participation. Rye Recreation is hoping that 2023 will continue to build on the momentum from 2022 and we are able to expand the recreational programs to the Town of Rye, which has typically had over 2,750 participants in our yearly programming.

In March of 2022, Dyana Martin was hired as the new Recreation Director. Dyana worked in Hampton for 25 years in both the Programmer and Director positions. She also worked in recreation for the Kennebunk, ME Parks & Rec Department as the Programmer and also ventured into the playground equipment business for a short period. Dyana is a Certified Parks and Recreation Professional and Certified Playground Safety Inspector and has been in the parks and recreation field for more than 28 years. We are excited to have Dyana and her vast experience in recreation in the Town of Rye.

Rye Recreation was able to offer eight weeks of summer camp in 2022 but had to cap registration at 20 children per week to keep with the ratios to employees. We also offered a Theater Camp, Wizards Camp, Legos Reaction Camp, Baseball Camp, Basketball Camp and adult and youth golf lessons. Rye Recreation also added Pickleball lessons that we hope to continue. All summer programs were well attended.

Two of the staple programs for Rye Recreation, youth soccer and basketball, have seen participation numbers increase in 2022. Last year we had 68 children in the basketball program and this year there are 86 participants. Soccer also increased from 83 children participating in 2021 to 103 participating this past year. Both programs continue to be great for our community and we thank the many volunteer coaches who help to make these programs a success.

Rye Recreation has also made a major change to the ski program this year. After many years of using Macintyre Ski Area, Rye Recreation changed the location to King Pine Resort, which is a little further but adds more challenging terrain for the skier/snowboarder. There were 23 participants in the ski program last year and this year we had to change the bus to a 55 passenger bus to allow 50 participants. The program is full and we have received rave reviews and the kids are all talking about how much fun they are having in the program.

The Rye Recreation Commission has begun the 2023 Master Plan Site update, as the last Master Plan was completed in 2011. Ironwood Design Group was hired as the consultant for the project. A survey was completed at the end of 2022 and the results of the survey and community input will be the driving force for the Master Plan Site update, which is scheduled to be completed in 2023.

The Recreation Commission is a volunteer board that meets monthly. Current commissioners are Cory Belden, Chairperson, Stephen King, Brett Mulvey, Joe Persechino and Marlene Veloso. Rye Recreation full-time staff is currently limited to Dyana Martin, Director and Victoria Loring, Administration and Programs Assistant. Dennis Okyere also assists in the office at times. He was promoted from After School Counselor to permanent part-time Programs Assistant. He has been an asset this year helping to be the face of the After School Program, the summer day camp, and ski program as well as coaching in the soccer and basketball programs.

We are excited for 2023!

Respectfully submitted,
Cory D. Belden, Chairperson
Rye Recreation Commission

RECYCLING EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Rye Recycling Education Committee (RREC) expanded to four members in 2022 and is working on several fronts to increase public education about recycling. The goal of this committee is to have Rye put less material in the Turnkey Landfill in Rochester which, in fact, consists of several large mountains of capped trash. Since China stopped taking plastic and some other recycled materials in 2018, too much material is ending up in landfills.

To facilitate easier use of the recycling center, RREC created and posted a three- minute film on the Town of Rye website under DPW. There are over twenty different locations where recycled material may be left, the majority of which do not require a fee. Many thanks go to Rye video professional Bob Glowacky for help with the film.

From James Gordon, director of custodial services, Rye schools:
“Recycling has gone very smoothly at both RJH and RES since we started utilizing single stream recycling with Troiano. There is a separate 8-yard dumpster at each school just for this purpose this school year. They are also contracted to pick up our regular garbage as well. We also have compostable trash (food scraps, compostable trays) picked up by Mr. Fox recycling once a week which they turn into compost.”

RREC has created a document that highlights the history of dumping and recycling in Rye over the years and may be read on the town’s web site under RREC.

Watch for publicity about RREC’s field trip to Turnkey land fill in Rochester. We think it is very important that citizens see where their trash is going and it may provide an incentive to increase recycling.

Thanks to member Pam Helfrich, RREC entered Rye’s recycling center/transfer station in a statewide contest for effectiveness and won third prize of \$1000 which will be used to increase public education about recycling.

The Swap Shop is monitored and kept clean by RREC member Cynthia Bogert and other volunteers. We request that only small quality items be brought in as there is not room for large toys, sporting equipment, etc. Otherwise, a lot of large items have to go in the landfill when they might have been donated to the appropriate place such as Salvation Army, Good Will, thrift shop s and “Play it Again Sports” by Market Basket and putting out “for free’ at end of your driveway. Joan Provencher got the HELPSY bin installed by the Swap Shop for recycling all textiles, etc. Many Thanks to Rick and other transfer station staff for help in getting the above unwanted items out of the Swap Shop.

In the spring of 2023 RREC will post its second short film about how one Rye family practices very efficient recycling in the home and produces very little trash.

We welcome Rye citizens to join us at our monthly meetings to discuss all aspects of recycling in Rye and beyond to see what we can learn from “best practices” of other communities. RREC meets the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm, in the NH room of the Rye Public Library

Respectfully submitted,
Alex Herlihy, Chairman
Rye Recycling Education Committee



SEWER COMMISSION'S REPORT

The Rye Sewer Commission is responsible for the administration, billing, operation and maintenance of the Rye Sewer District. At the end of 2022, Rye had 554 parcels connected to the sewer system, which included one new connection. New utility billing software, that enhances the receivable process and provides bills with more detailed information was adopted. The Sewer Commission also administers the billing and operation of Adams Mobile Home Park, which is connected to the City of Portsmouth Sewer System. The City of Portsmouth Sewer System also extends to the Atlantic Grill, located at Foyes Corner. That area had 1 new connection during the year. The City of Portsmouth is responsible for the administration, billing, operation and maintenance of that line.

The Rye collection system was constructed in the early 1990's and consists of 6.9 miles of gravity sewer and 3.5 miles of force main. The sewer system manholes were inspected, and maintenance was carried out on the property under easement at Church Road Pump Station. Rye has three pump stations that are remotely monitored daily and inspected weekly. General pump maintenance was carried out at all three stations, the wet wells at Church Road, Jenness Beach and Abenaqui Pump Stations were cleaned and the system was flushed. The telephones at Church Road and Jenness Beach Station went out of service and were repaired. An energy evaluation of each pump station was conducted with support from NHDES at no cost to the Town. A manhole was repaired that was displaced in Jenness Avenue. The manholes in Route 1A were raised as part of the NHDOT resurfacing project. Station maintenance is contracted out to the Town of Hampton, as Rye's wastewater collection system discharges to Hampton and is treated at their WWTP. Rye is a co-permittee on the Town of Hampton's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and subject to EPA and DES reporting and requirements.

To install sewer pipes, make or alter sewer connections in Rye you must obtain a sewer license and sewer permit. There is also an application process for the installation of a secondary usage water meter. In 2022, 3 installer's licenses and 6 applications for a secondary usage water meter were received.

There is a moratorium in place against any sewer extension or expansion which adds additional wastewater flow to the collection system, as Jenness Beach and Church Road Pump Stations do not have enough capacity during peak flow events. A pump stations assessment was conducted by an engineer, it identified the existing conditions of each pump station and made recommendations. Allocated American Rescue Plan Funds are being utilized to fund some of the recommendations including upgrades at the Abenaqui Pump Station. The Request for Qualifications and Proposals Design/Build Abenaqui Pump Station was published and awarded to United Compressor and Pump Services Inc.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Pre-Applications were submitted to develop an Asset Management Program, conduct an I/I Assessment Reduction Plan (24/48 ranked) and Abenaqui Pump Station Replacement (41/108 ranked). A warrant article was placed on the official ballot of the Annual Town Election held March 8, 2022 to authorize Rye to borrow the full amount of the Asset Management Program Loan including the principal to be forgiven and interest incurred. Since that time the loan has been converted to a grant and Rye has been allocated \$30,000 pending a final application and the scope approval process. A Wastewater State Aid Grant (SAG) Pre-application was also submitted for Abenaqui Pump Station Replacement.

A Flood Smart Seacoast Non-Financial Technical Assistance Grant was applied for and received, to assist with the preparation of FEMA Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Funding Applications. Two applications were submitted, one for a Sewer Infrastructure Vulnerability Assessment and the other for a generator at Church Road Station and three pump station external hook-up connections. These projects were identified in the Town of Rye's Hazard Mitigation Plan in which sewer was added in 2022.

Educational workshops and webinars offered by the NHDES, U.S. EPA, FEMA and Environmental Finance Center Network attended throughout the year included: Water Infrastructure Funding; Drinking Water Infrastructure Environmental Review; Intermediate Asset Management Beyond the Basics; Lift Station Operation and Maintenance; Building Resilience in an Uncertain Future for Small Wastewater Systems; Setting the Right Rates for Your System; CWSRF Asset Management Program Grant; Demystifying Asset Management; Long-term Investment for Financial Resiliency; Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Funding.

David Adams retired from the Sewer Commission after 15 years of service and John McCune was elected to the post in March. The current Sewer Commission consists of David Kohlhase, Chairman, Susan Labrie and John McCune, Commissioners and Lee Arthur, Director. The Sewer Office is located on the second floor of the Rye Beach Village District Building, 830 Central Road, Rye Beach, NH.

Respectfully submitted,
David W. Kohlhase, Chairman
Rye Sewer Commission

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL DISTRICT 53B

Southeast Regional Refuse Disposal District 53B was established in 1998 under RSA Chapter 53-B. The District is authorized to provide four facilities: recycling, landfill, septage and waste-to-energy. Each member municipality can participate in one or more of the District's facilities and the various costs and expenses are apportioned among the members. Also provided is flexibility in developing solutions to joint solid waste problems.

The District is presently made up of six member towns: Brentwood, Fremont, Kensington, North Hampton, Rye, and Sandown.

The District held its Annual Household Hazardous Waste Day on September 24, 2022 in Brentwood.

This event served 309 cars, representing 348 households, and came in under the \$18,450.00 budget. The board would like to thank all the volunteers that worked to make the day a success.

The member towns are currently tipping at a rate of \$77.12 per ton for MSW and \$90.84 per ton for Bulky/Demo.

Effective April 1, 2022 the Board of Southeast Regional is as follows:

Chairman	Everett Jordan – Rye, NH
Vice Chairman	Ken Christiansen- Brentwood NH
Treasurer	John Hubbard – North Hampton
Secretary	Alan Tuthill – Kensington, NH

Respectfully submitted,
Everett (Bud) Jordan, Chairman
Southeast Regional Refuse
District 53B



TOWN OF RYE
GENERAL ASSISTANCE REPORT – 2022

NH state law (RSA165) requires municipalities to “relieve and maintain” those within the city or town who are “poor and unable to support themselves”. This broad mandate, tested and re-affirmed repeatedly for more than 200 years, leaves towns subject to wide fluctuations in cost. The variability from year to year is unpredictable. We strive to minimize the Town’s costs through careful case management and leveraging other sources of financial assistance and support.

Much the same as last year, the decrease in applicants and, resulting assistance, can be attributed, in large part, to the US government assistance programs available to the general population due to COVID 19, primarily the Emergency Rental Assistance Program. These funds are quickly reaching an end and, next year, expenses to the Town are likely to increase. The fact that there is no longer a hotel in Rye that provides long term rentals has also contributed to the decrease in assistance paid by the Town of Rye. Utility expenses are secured by a property lien which will eventually return the funds to the Town.

SIX YEAR GENERAL ASSISTANCE HISTORY

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
	\$ Total	\$ Total	\$ Total	\$ Total	\$ Total	\$ Total
Burial	\$750	\$750	\$750	\$2,250	\$0	\$1,000
Electric	\$0	\$427	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Food	\$0	\$269	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Propane	\$543	\$1,456	\$2,566	\$1,747	\$1,292	\$478
Gasoline	\$0	\$40	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mortgage	\$12,542	\$14,342	\$13,362	\$0	\$0	\$0
Oil	\$407	\$1,130	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personal	\$0	\$40	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Prop Tax	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rent	\$9,720	\$5,961	\$16,886	\$5,638	\$8,821	\$1,175
Rx / Med	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Util-Other	\$1,776	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,035
Transp.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15	\$0
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$25,738	\$24,415	\$33,564	\$9,635	\$10,128	\$3,687
Vouchers Written	37	33	40	18	16	5
Assisted	10	9	12	11	6	4
Cases						

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen Tully, Welfare Director
City of Portsmouth

TOWN OFFICES AND SERVICES

HOURS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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

Notices for all Town Boards, Commissions and Committees are posted on the Town website: www.town.rye.nh.us and at one of the following locations: The Town Hall bulletin board, the Rye Post Office bulletin board and/or the Rye Public Library.

DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTORY

Regular Hours: Monday - Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted

Assessing Department.....	379-8270	
Building Department.....	964-9800	6:00am – 4:30pm
Planning/Zoning Department.....	379-8081	8:00am – 3:00pm
Building/Planning/Zoning Fax.....	964-1516	
Cemetery Superintendent.....	(cell) 817-0066	
Library.....	964-8401	
Library Fax.....	964-7065	
Public Works.....	964-5300	
Public Works Director/ EMERGENCY ... (cell)	953-4349	
Recycling Center.....	964-9708	
Open Tues.-Sat., 7:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.		
Recreation.....	964-6281	
Recycling Center (Recycle or Brush).....	964-9708	
Selectmen.....	964-5523	
Selectmen Fax.....	964-1516	
E-Mail:	selectmen@town.rye.nh.us	
Town Website:	www.town.rye.nh.us	
Sewer Commission.....	964-6815	
Town Administrator.....	964-5523	x117
Town Clerk/Tax Collector.....	964-8562	Mon.-Thurs. 8:00am-4:30pm
Town Clerk/Tax Collector Fax.....	964-4132	**Friday 8:00am-12:00pm**
Treasurer.....	964-5523	x113
Welfare, Overseer of Public.....	964-5523	

**AMBULANCE-FIRE-POLICE
EMERGENCY 911**

AMBULANCE OR FIRE EMERGENCY.....911 OR 964-8683

 Fire Department – Non Emergency.....964-6411
 Fire Department Fax.....964-9894

POLICE EMERGENCY.....911 OR 964-5521

 POLICE (ROUTINE CALLS ONLY).....964-7450
 Police Department Fax.....964-7458

Be sure to give your name and address as well as the nature of your emergency clearly. **DO NOT HANG UP** until you are certain that your message has been understood.

Public Works Department Salt Storage Facility Complete!

SPECIAL THANK YOU AND APPRECIATION TO:

Former DPW Director Dennis McCarthy, the residents of Rye, Rye Select Board, present and past Town Administrators, Budget Committee, Capital Improvements Program Committee, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Building Department, Finance Department, Public Works Department, Buildings and Grounds Division, Selectmen's Office, Iron Horse Construction, Regan Electric and Continental Paving.



