

Budget is \$46,099.00 less than the 2010 Default Budget. This was possible as a result of our Department Heads drilling down their budgets, without cutting services. We need you to approve this operating budget by voting "YES" on Article #4. In addition the following Articles # 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, and 27 have no tax impact, so please vote "YES" on these Articles.

See you on March 8th 2011 at the Newton Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Trisha McCarthy, Chairperson  
Board of Selectmen

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

To the Residents and Taxpayers of Newton, NH

The department has just completed and passed its second accreditation process and we expect to receive our certification from New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Counsel sometime within the next month. We are especially proud of this accomplishment because at the time of our initial accreditation process in 2007, there were only eleven (11) other departments in the State of New Hampshire that had achieved this status. I'm not sure what that number is today, but I don't think it has changed considerably.

The second process, believe it or not, is at least as difficult as the first. During the original process the department was required to demonstrate accountability through its policies and procedures and prove that it trained to those policies. During the reaccreditation process, the department had to additionally show that it operated in conjunction with those policies and provide specific documentation.

This process is important to taxpayers because it ensures accountability. With accreditation in place, taxpayers can be reasonably assured that regardless of the time of day, day of the week, or who the officer is that responds, the police service received will be "fair, even, and across the board." Additionally, taxpayers can be assured that a well-documented record of that service will be maintained and available for future reference and discussion, if desired.

The department continues to look for a badly needed new home. Last year the community supported the department's warrant initiative with fifty-four (54%) percent of the vote, however, sixty (60%) percent of the vote majority is required on a bond initiative. Based on our two (2) previous attempts coupled with a still stagnant economy, I felt we had reached our "high water mark," at least for the foreseeable future, and we needed to explore a different solution.

Long time community members Chester and Sandra Bearce have stepped forward and made an extremely generous offer that would not only be an immediate solution for the police department's needs, but would also be the answer to the community's potential growth needs through the next generation. This proposal is currently being actively addressed by the Board of Selectmen and hopefully there will be a viable proposal for voter's consideration in the very near future. We will try to keep everyone informed and involved with this endeavor.

Thank you for the constant trust, confidence and support given to me and the Newton Police Department and we look forward to continually serving this community.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS**

### **ARRESTS:**

All Other Larceny	5
All Other Offenses	16
Bad Checks	3
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	3
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	6
Disorderly Conduct	1
Driving Under the Influence	7
Drug/Narcotic Violations	5
Drunkenness	12
Family Offenses, Nonviolent	1
Intimidation	1
Kidnapping/Abduction	1
Liquor Law Violations	17
Motor Vehicle Theft	1
Simple Assault	25
Theft from Building	1
Traffic, Town By-Law Offenses	57
Trespass of Real Property	3
<b>TOTAL ARRESTS</b>	<b>165</b>

### **CALLS FOR SERVICE:**

911 Hangup/Abandoned Call	29
Abandoned Motor Vehicle	7
Administrative	75
Administrative, Other	786
Alcohol Related	11
Alarm	152
Animal Complaint	200
Assist Officer	103
Arson	1
Assist Motorist	34
Assault	7
Assist Other Agency	138
Attempted Suicide	1
Bad Check	10
Bomb Scare	1
Business Check	734
Burglary	13
Child Car Seat Assist	7
Civil Dispute-Domestic Related	6



Church Traffic	1
Civil Problem	19
Civil Standby	47
Cruiser Maintenance	627
Court	8
Directed Patrol	3994
Disturbance	44
Domestic Related	44
Domestic Disturbance	38
Despondent Person	2
Drug Related	2
Dumping, Illegal	2
Emotionally Distressed Person	2
Escort/Transport	22
Fight/Brawl	9
Field Interview	2
Assist Fire Department	62
Fingerprint Non-Criminal	31
Follow-up	640
Forgery	1
Fraud	4
Fireworks Complaint	9
Harassment, Other	15
Harassment, Phone	12
Juvenile Problem	26
Lockout, Residential	4
Lockout, Motor Vehicle	9
Assist Rescue	98
Message Delivery	19
Missing Person	6
Mutual Aid	40
Motor Vehicle Accident	51
Motor Vehicle, Other	36
Motor Vehicle, Speed/Reckless	44
Motor Vehicle Stop	1208
Neighbor Dispute	29
Noise Complaint	54
Non-Criminal	12
OHRV Complaint	8
Parking Complaint	30
Public Assist	134
Police Complaint	2
Police Information	372
Property Damage	13
Property Lost	13
Property Damage, Unknown Cause	1

Property Recovered	16
Park & Walk	2
Road Agent	2
Ride Along Application	1
Reported Hazard	25
Restraining Order	17
Restraining Order Violation	7
Report Writing	296
School Crosswalk	79
Speed Enforcement	151
Serve Paperwork	411
Sex Offenses	3
Shoplifting	2
Smoke/Fire Investigation	4
Motor Vehicle Theft	2
Sex Offender Registration	4
Safe School Act	4
Suicide	1
Suspicious Circumstance	101
Suspicious Vehicle	70
Tree Down/Wires Down	29
Traffic Enforcement	6
Theft	34
Criminal Threatening	4
Suicide, Threatened	6
Truancy Check	5
Criminal Trespass	5
Traffic Hazard	48
Traffic Survey	1
Unattended Death	2
Underage Drinking Patrol	1
Unsecured Building	1
Unwanted Subject	3
Criminal Mischief	21
Vin Verification	64
Vacation Watch	277
Serve Warrant	52
Well-Being Check	52
Weapon Related	20
<b>TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE</b>	<b>11,990</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Lawrence E. Streeter  
Chief of Police