

Data Processing Division

The mission of the Data Processing Division is to provide technical computer service to town personnel in order to maintain data integrity and computer literacy, through support, training and knowledge. Also to evolve as a team player to all departments with an open communication policy; to efficiently and effectively utilize all resources with regard to computer hardware and software to benefit the Town of Plymouth.

The Goals of the Division are:

- **To have a wide area network connecting all town buildings.**
- **To train town personnel on the use of new computer technologies.**
- **To support and maintain the town's wide area network.**
- **To evolve from the mainframe computer to all network based applications.**

This Division continues to be responsible for 130 workstations throughout the Town. Eighteen buildings are connected by either cable or modem access.

We continue to use Microsoft Office 97 for our office automation software and Microsoft Windows NT for our Operating System.

The migration from the Prime mini-computer system to DataNational is in its final stages. We converted the Utility Billing System, this year, and the last Water/Sewer bill was done on the new software.

The Town of Plymouth put its presence on the World Wide Web for the first time. The department is looking into expanding its presence in the coming year. The address for the town site is www.townofplymouth.org.

This past year saw some personnel changes in the department. Claire Soares retired as Data Processing Mgr. She was with the town for 28 years. We wish her the best of luck and health in her retirement. Joseph Young was promoted from Network Technician to Data Processing Mgr.