

A large collage of 30 photographs featuring various staff members of the City of Everett. The photos include portraits of individuals in different settings, groups of staff in uniforms, and action shots of staff working on projects or vehicles.

Annual Report

For the Year Ending December 31, 2020



The 2020 Town Report Cover is dedicated to the
Town of Sunapee Employees.

When the story of these times gets written, we want it to say
that we did all we could, and it was more than anyone could
have imagined. ~Edward de Bono

Dedication



The 2021 Sunapee Town Report is dedicated to Daniel & Paula Ruggles. Dedication does not start to describe the years of service that Danny & Paula gave to the Town of Sunapee. Between the two of them they provided service to the Sunapee Fire/Ems of more than 77 years.

Danny began his career with the Sunapee Fire Department in 1973 serving on many different truck companies and in 1988 he became a Fire Engineer helping to direct the Sunapee Fire Department. In 1998 Danny was elected Fire Chief of the Sunapee Fire Department and he held that position until his retirement in 2020. Danny developed a vehicle replacement program along with the other Fire Engineers making sure our fleet of vehicles were always up to date. Danny assisted in the development of the Safety Services Building as you know it today. He was also instrumental in instituting the Active 911 and Care Track Programs.

Paula became a member of the Sunapee Fast Squad (now Sunapee EMS) in 1990. Paula's knowledge in the medical field was a huge asset to the EMS Squad. Paula rose to become Captain and held that position until her retirement in 2020. The residents of Sunapee were not only fortunate to have Paula's medical knowledge but more importantly was her gentle caring manner that she demonstrated on every call. She also treated all members of the EMS Squad with respect and kindness ending every email with "Thank you for all you do". Paula guided the EMS Squad to the level of service it is today.

For all your years of service to the Sunapee Community the Board of Selectmen dedicate the 2020 Town Report to you, Danny and Paula Ruggles.

Photo by Phil Corbett

In Memoriam



James (Jim) Currier

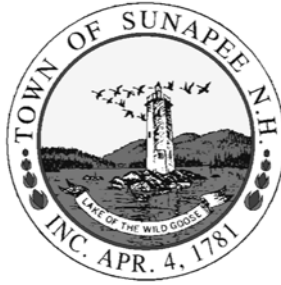
Jim served as a firefighter for the Sunapee Fire Department for many years. He also served as a Sunapee Water & Sewer Commissioner and on the Sunapee School Board. Jim was a Sunapee Lion and an avid fan of the Sunapee Lakers allowing two of his passions to meld as he served burgers and hot dogs to players and fans on the baseball field that he helped raise money to build. In his later years Jim served on the Library Board of Trustees.

Jim's legacy of his craftsmanship can be enjoyed by all with circulation desk he built for the Abbott Library.

Judith (Judy) Sargent

Judy was a founding member of the Sunapee Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary. She served the Town and Department many years as an Auxiliary member supporting the activities and members of the fire department at functions and incidents. After retirement from the Auxiliary, she continued her dedication to the Sunapee Fire Department as a spouse who understood the importance of support. Judy was also one of the first "Lady Lions" of the Sunapee Lions Club always lending a helping hand when needed.





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ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES

TERM EXPIRES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Joshua Trow, Chairman	2021
Suzanne Gottling, Vice Chair	2023
John Augustine	2021
Shane Hastings	2022
Frederick Gallup	2022

TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR

Betty H. Ramspott	2021
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TOWN MODERATOR

Aaron Simpson	2022
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TREASURER

Alan Doherty	2021
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TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

John Berger	2022
Brian Garland	2021
(1) Full Vacancy	

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Lois Gallup	2020
Jeffrey Trow	2021
(1) Full Vacancy	

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Carol Brudnicki, Chair	2022
Elizabeth Bowen	2022
Helene Churchill	2023
Jane Frawley	2021
Peg Lesiak	2021
Scott Rappeport	2021
Suzanne Tether	2022
Jim Harrison	2021
Michael Parker, Alternate	2021
Jon Reed	2021

PLANNING BOARD

Peter White, Chair	2023
Joseph Butler	2023
Randy Clark	2021
Jeffrey Claus	2022
Michael Jewczyn	2022
Richard Osborne	2021
Donna Larrow, Alternate	2022
Suzanne Gottling	Ex-Officio
(1) Alternate Vacancy	

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Mindy Atwood	2024
Faith Reney	2026
Kathy Weinstein	2022

WATER & SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Theodore Gallup, Chair	2022
Richard Curtis	2022
Douglas Gamsby	2021
Charles Hirshberg	2022
Jeffrey Reed	2021
Jimmy Williams	2023
(1) Full Vacancy	

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Aaron Simpson, Chair	2022
Jeffrey Claus	2023
James Lyons, Jr.	2021
Clayton Platt	2022
Danie Schneider	2021
Robert Henry, Alternate	2022
Jamie Silverstein, Alternate	2023



TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN MANAGER

Donna Nashawaty

Barbara Vaughn, Administrative Assistant

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR

Rachel Carmen

ASSESSORS

Kristen McAllister, Assessor

Melissa Pollari, Assessing Technician

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Howard Sargent

FINANCE OFFICE

Lynne Wiggins, Finance Director

Joanne Bisson, Account Clerk

FIRE CHIEF

John Galloway

HEALTH OFFICER

Wayne Whitford

Donna Nashawaty, Deputy

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Mindy Atwood

PLANNER

Michael Marquise

POLICE CHIEF

David P. Cahill

Teresa Mastin, Administrative Assistant

RECREATION DIRECTOR

Scott Blewitt

HIGHWAY DIRECTOR

Scott A. Hazelton

DEPUTY TREASURER

Kathy Weinstein

WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT

David Bailey, Superintendent

Holly Leonard, Office Manager

WELFARE DIRECTOR

Laura Trow

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Nicole Gage

APPOINTED TOWN COMMITTEES

	<i>TERM EXPIRES</i>
<i>ADVISORY BUDGET COMMITTEE</i>	
Edward Andersen	TOO
Mindy Atwood	TOE
John Augustine	TOO
Scott Blewitt	TOE
David Cahill	TOE
Kevin Cooney	2023
John Galloway	TOE
Frederick Gallup	TOO
Suzanne Gottling	TOO
Shane Hastings	TOO
Veronica Hastings	2021
Scott Hazelton	TOE
Betty Ramspott	TOO
Linda Tanner	2022
Joshua Trow	TOO
Aaron Warkentien	2021
Chris Whitehouse	2022
<i>BALLOT CLERKS</i>	
Justine Cutting	Republican
Joan Gross	Republican
Justin Levesque	Democrat
Linda Schultz	Democrat
<i>CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE</i>	
Frederick Gallup	TOO
Michael Jewczyn	TOO
Michael Marquise	TOE
Michael Sizemore	2023
<i>(2) Full Vacancies</i>	
<i>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</i>	
Van Webb, Chair	2020
Lela Emery	2021
Clifford Field	2023
Timothy Fleury	2020
Mark Reynolds	2022
<i>(1) Full Vacancy</i>	
<i>CROWTHER CHAPEL COMMITTEE</i>	
John Augustine	TOO
Betty Erickson	2022
Deborah Grant	2023
Helene Hagan	2019
Craig Heino	TOE
Gisela Polleys	2023
<i>ENERGY COMMITTEE</i>	
Keith Chrisman	2020
Bette Nowack	2023
<i>(1) Full Vacancy</i>	
<i>(1) Alternate Vacancy</i>	

FIREWARDS

Austin Brown	2020
John Paris	2021
Joshua Trow	Ex-Officio

FOREST FIRE WARDENS

John Galloway, Warden	2020
Corey Oxland	2020
Dana Ramspott	2020
Howard Sargent	2020
Mark Scott	2020
Daniel R. Ruggles, Resigned	

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Timothy Berube	2020
Daniel Hayward	2022
Charlene Osborne	2021
Megan Oxland	2020
Jesse Socci	2022
Melissa Trow	2022
(3) Alternate Vacancies	

THRIFT SHOP

Janice Kulpa	2020
Valerie Ruopp	2020
Beverly Trainor	2022
Donna Nashawaty	TOE
(1) Full Vacancy	

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Randy Clark	2022
Joshua Trow	2021

WATERSHED COALITION

Peggy Chalmers



**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN OF SUNAPEE
2021 TOWN WARRANT**

WARRANT

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE, County of Sullivan, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Sunapee Middle High School Gymnasium, located on North Road, in said Sunapee, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of February 2021, at 7:00 pm for the deliberative portion of the Annual Town Meeting, to discuss Articles 1 thru 4 and to amend, if deemed appropriate, Articles 5 through 23, hereinafter set forth. Final voting action on all articles shall take place by ballot on Tuesday, the 9th day of March 2021, at the Sherburne Gymnasium, Route 11, in said Sunapee. The polls shall be opened from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

2 Selectmen	3 Year Term
1 Treasurer	1 Year Term
1 Town Clerk/Tax Collector	3 Year Term
1 Cemetery Commissioner	2 Year Term
1 Cemetery Commissioner	3 Year Term
3 Library Trustees	3 Year Term
1 Trustee of Trust Fund	2 Year Term
1 Trustee of Trust Fund	3 Year Term
2 Planning Board Members	3 Year Term
1 Water & Sewer Commissioner	2 Year Term
2 Water & Sewer Commissioners	3 Year Term
2 Zoning Board Members	3 Year Term

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

Amend Article III, Section 3.20 – Table of Dimensional Controls – to add maximum lot coverage numbers of 40% (Impermeable) and 80% (Permeable + Impermeable) in the Mixed Use I – Shoreline district

The full text will be as follows:

Shoreline Impermeable	40%
Shoreline Permeable	
+ Impermeable	80%

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

Amend Article IV, Section 4.33 (B)(8)(a)(I) – Erosion Control - to incorporate the newest publication on erosion control titled, “New Hampshire Stormwater Manual”, published by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
The full text this section as amended with be as follows:

Erosion and sediment control plans shall be required for all construction, filling, grading, dredging, and other activities requiring land disturbance within the Shoreline Overlay District. The erosion control plan shall incorporate the design standards from the ~~publication Stormwater Management and Erosion & Sediment Control Handbook for Urban and Developing Areas in New Hampshire, prepared for the DES by the Rockingham County Conservation District in cooperation with the USDA Soil Conservation Service, August 1992, most current version of the New Hampshire Stormwater Manual~~, a copy of which is on file in the Planning/Zoning Office. In accordance with these standards, new structures shall be designed to prevent runoff over exposed mineral soil.

Article 4: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 3, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article XI – Definitions – by adding a definition for Farming that is consistent with RSA 21:34-a and making it clear that hobby or subsistence farming is exempt from the Zoning Regulations

The full text of the new definition will be as follows:

Farming – The commercial use of a parcel of land as defined by RSA 21:34-a of the NH Statutes. Any hobby or subsistence farm whose products are intended primarily for the consumption of the landowner or tenant, with only the occasional sale of surplus produce or livestock, are allowed in all districts and exempt from the terms of this Ordinance.

Article 5: To hear the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Auditors, Committees, and/or other officers heretofore chosen.

Article 6: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating, as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, nor other appropriations voted separately, the amounts as 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 \$8,277,612? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$8,136,016 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by the previous action of the Town of Sunapee 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.

Article 7: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$135,000 to be added to the Highway and Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 8: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Used Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 9: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$40,000 to be added to the Town Buildings Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 10: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$115,000 to be added to the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 11: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Town Road Bridges Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 12: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in the Dirt Roads Paving Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of paving dirt roads throughout the Town? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 13: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$55,000 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund previously established to be used for conservation purposes accordance with RSA 36-A? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 14: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the Milfoil Control Non-Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 15: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$3,200 to be added to the Cemetery Expendable Trust Fund previously established for the general maintenance and care of burial lots of the Cemeteries, and to authorize the transfer of said sum from the December 31, 2020, Unassigned Fund balance? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 16: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$139,850 to purchase and equip a new Backhoe for the Highway Department, authorizing the sale or trade-in of the existing backhoe (H10), authorizing the withdrawal of up to \$139,850 from the Highway and Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose, and authorizing the use of said trade-in or sale to reduce the amount withdrawn from said fund? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 17: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$84,350 to purchase and equip a new Ford F550 for the Highway Department, authorizing the withdrawal of up to \$84,350 from the Highway and Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 18: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$50,000 to fund Garnet St/Main Street Intersection Safety Improvements, and to authorize the withdrawal of said funds from the Hydroelectric Revenue Fund as previously established for that purpose? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 19: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$29,500 to fund the crushing of the existing asphalt pile, and to authorize the transfer of said funds from the December 31, 2020, Unassigned Fund balance? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation*

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,885 to purchase police body cameras, and to authorize the transfer of said funds from the December 31, 2020, Unassigned Fund balance? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation*

Article 21: Are you in favor of establishing a Highway Garage Infrastructure Improvement Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose engineering and construction of water and sewer infrastructure to service the garage, as well as related building improvements; and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in this fund, and appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,299 to make the current part time recreation director a fulltime position? The current budgeted hours provide for 30 hours a week. This will bring the position to 40 hours a week. This sum covers 9 months of wages and benefits. If approved, this funding will remain as part of the operating and default budget for the future.

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote pursuant to RSA 231:43, to completely discontinue School Street north of Tax Map 129, Lot 21, 17 School Street, presently owned by C. Frank and Marlene L. Robbins?

2021 TOWN WARRANT ARTICLES SUMMARY

Article	Description	Amount	New Tax Dollars raised in 2021	Revenue Offset/No increase to tax rate
6	Budget Authorization			
7	Add to Highway & Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve	\$135,000	\$135,000	
8	Add to Used Highway Equipment Capital Reserve	\$25,000	\$25,000	
9	Add to Town Buildings Capital Reserve Fund	\$40,000	\$40,000	
10	Add to Fire Equipment Capital Reserve	\$115,000	\$115,000	
11	Add to Bridges Capital Reserve	\$50,000	\$50,000	
12	Add to Dirt Roads Paving Capital Reserve	\$25,000	\$25,000	
13	Conservation Fund	\$55,000	\$55,000	
14	Add to Milfoil Control Non-Capital Reserve Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	
15	Cemetery Trust from Fund Balance	\$3,200		\$3,200
16	Purchase Backhoe	\$139,850		\$139,850
17	Purchase Ford F550	\$84,350		\$84,350
18	Garnet St/Main St Safety intersection improvements from Hydro	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
19	Crush existing asphalt pile from Fund Balance	\$29,500	\$0	\$29,500
20	PD Body Cameras from Fund Balance	\$22,885	\$0	\$22,885
21	Establish Capital Reserve for utilities infrastructure Highway Garage	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0
22	Full Time Recreation Director	\$22,299	\$22,299	
	TOTALS:	\$852,084	\$522,299	\$329,785

*\$673,930 new tax dollars raised in 2007
 *\$408,350 new tax dollars raised in 2008
 *\$407,300 new tax dollars raised in 2009
 *\$348,152 new tax dollars raised in 2010
 *\$358,300 new tax dollars raised in 2011
 *\$335,300 new tax dollars raised in 2012
 *\$607,300 new tax dollars raised in 2013

\$370,000 new tax dollars raised in 2014
 \$105,000 new tax dollars raised in 2015
 \$250,000 new tax dollars raised in 2016
 \$485,000 new tax dollars raised in 2017
 \$600,000 new tax dollars raised in 2018
 \$446,520 new tax dollars raised in 2019
 \$484,200 new tax dollars raised in 2020

2021 TAX RATE ESTIMATED COMPUTATION

Using 2020 Value of Property for Calculation

2020 TOWN PORTION

Appropriations	\$	9,181,054	
Less: Revenues	\$	(4,302,491)	
Less: Fund Balance Surplus voted	\$	(16,800)	
Less: Fund Balance to Reduce Tax	\$	(300,000)	
Add: Overlay	\$	32,200	
Add: War Service Credits	\$	74,500	
Net Town Appropriation			\$ 4,668,463

2020 Town Tax Rate \$ 3.21

Net Assessed Valuation 2020	
All Other Tax (Grand List)	\$ 1,451,938,388

AS PROPOSED

2021 ESTIMATED TOWN PORTION

Appropriations	\$	8,277,612	
Less: Revenues	\$	(3,606,259)	
Less: Fund Balance to Reduce Tax	\$	(300,000)	
Add: Warrant Article w/o Revenue	\$	484,200	
Add: Overlay	\$	35,000	
Add: War Service Credits	\$	74,500	
Net Town Appropriation			\$ 5,003,152

2021 Estimated Town Tax Rate \$ 3.45

Rate increase \$.24 using 2020 property Values
This is only operating budget, using \$300,000 of fund balance to reduce taxes.
Totals do not include any new assessed valuation for 2020.

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2020 TAX RATE COMPUTATION

TOWN PORTION

Total Appropriation	\$ 9,181,054	
Less: Net Revenues (Not Including Fund Balance)	\$ (4,302,491)	
Less: Fund Balance Voted Surplus	\$ (16,800)	
Less: Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	\$ (300,000)	
Add: War Service Credits	\$ 74,500	
Add: Actual Overlay Used	\$ 32,200	
Net Required Local Tax Effort	\$ 44,668,463	
Town Tax Rate		\$ 3.21

COUNTY APPORTIONMENT

Net County Apportionment	\$3,828,621	
Net Required County Tax Effort	\$ 3,828,621	
County Tax Rate		\$ 2.64

EDUCATION

Net Local School Appropriations	\$11,560,357	
Less: Net Education Grant	\$0.00	
Less: Locally Retained State Education Tax	(\$2,703,824)	
Net Required Local Education Tax Effort	\$ 8,856,533	
School Tax Rate		\$ 6.10
State Education Tax	\$2,703,824	
Net Required State Education Tax Effort	\$ 2,703,824	
State School Tax Rate		\$ 1.89
Total Tax Rate		\$ 13.84

VALUATION

	Current Year	Prior Year
Total Assessment Valuation with Utilities	\$1,451,938,388	\$1,247,348,517
Total Assessment Valuation without Utilities	\$1,432,157,588	\$1,232,770,717

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY (MS-1)

Value of Land Only:

Current Use	\$	572,818
Residential	\$	713,729,500
Commercial / Industrial	\$	14,665,800
Total Taxable Land:	\$	728,968,118

Value of Buildings Only:

Residential	\$	673,291,170
Manufactured Housing	\$	1,696,000
Commercial / Industrial	\$	30,133,700
Total Taxable Buildings:	\$	705,120,780

Public Utilities: \$ 19,780,800

Valuation before Exemptions: \$ 1,453,869,788

Exemptions:

Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities	\$	0.00
Blind Exemptions	\$	15,000
Elderly Exemptions	\$	220,000
Total Amount of Exemptions:	\$	235,000

***Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate for Municipal,
County and Local Education is Computed*** \$ 1,451,938,388

***Net Valuation without utilities on which Tax Rate for State
Education Tax is computed*** \$ 1,432,157,588

FINANCIALS

AUDITOR'S REPORT

The independent auditor's report was unavailable by the printing deadline, however will be made available on the Town's website by March 9, 2021.

TOWN OF SUNAPEE											
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES 2020 (unaudited)											
	2015 Voted	2016 Voted	2017 Voted	2018 Budget	2019 Budget	2020 Budget	2021 Default Budget	2021 Budget	\$ of change / 2020	% of change pro- posed / 2020	% of overall budget
GENERAL GOVERNMENT											
Executive	289,510	294,102	308,234	309,568	325,904	332,502	351,867	355,055	22,553	6.8%	6.26%
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	202,309	205,458	211,685	204,948	210,052	229,088	223,342	234,361	5,273	2.3%	4.31%
Elections	4,978	14,514	6,472	11,753	6,485	16,898	9,061	9,061	-7,837	-46.4%	0.32%
Finance	169,721	177,158	192,402	204,630	222,127	228,848	234,413	243,964	15,116	6.6%	4.31%
Assess-Assessing	106,300	107,600	110,837	110,000	112,218	116,644	116,644	102,000	-14,644	-12.6%	2.20%
Legal - GG - Legal Services	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	0	0.0%	0.34%
Employment Benefits - Other	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.0%	0.02%
Planning/Zoning	50,698	50,407	52,386	51,957	55,252	57,839	53,629	56,074	-1,765	-3.1%	1.09%
General Gov Buildings	116,383	137,753	142,652	170,920	179,983	262,206	265,824	274,624	12,418	4.7%	4.94%
Cemetery	13,362	13,536	13,536	13,506	13,625	13,636	13,647	13,647	11	0.1%	0.26%
Insurance - Prop, Liab, Veh	9,642	9,661	9,661	7,540	7,540	8,068	8,068	8,068	0	0.0%	0.15%
Information Booth	12,923	13,316	13,409	13,911	13,981	14,272	14,390	14,390	118	0.8%	0.27%
Other General Gov't	31,676	29,609	29,853	30,205	30,651	31,128	31,388	31,520	392	1.3%	0.59%
TOTAL GENERAL GOV'T	1,026,502	1,072,114	1,110,127	1,147,938	1,196,818	1,330,129	1,341,273	1,361,764	31,635	2.4%	25.04%
Police	778,103	777,272	801,430	813,923	847,327	886,577	916,317	918,523	31,946	3.6%	16.69%
Ambulance	53,449	56,100	56,100	57,222	59,516	61,886	61,886	61,886	0	0.0%	1.17%
Fire	191,163	199,546	199,968	200,325	202,257	236,998	240,535	271,360	34,362	14.5%	4.46%
Emergency Management	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	0	0.0%	0.00%
Safety Services Building	148,569	143,222	136,727	140,852	156,535	149,955	144,613	148,013	-1,942	-1.3%	2.82%
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	1,171,484	1,176,340	1,194,425	1,212,522	1,265,835	1,335,616	1,363,551	1,399,982	64,366	4.8%	25.15%
Highway	1,544,765	1,560,589	1,581,337	1,656,914	1,796,828	1,750,762	1,788,911	1,817,923	67,161	3.8%	32.96%
Street Lights	36,750	36,750	36,750	16,800	16,800	16,800	16,800	16,800	0	0.0%	0.32%
Transfer Station	505,980	499,462	506,571	504,287	533,327	558,246	586,659	626,856	68,610	12.3%	10.51%
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	2,087,495	2,096,801	2,124,658	2,178,001	2,346,955	2,325,808	2,392,370	2,461,579	135,771	5.8%	43.79%

TOWN OF SUNAPEE											
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES 2020 (unaudited)											
	2015 Voted	2016 Voted	2017 Voted	2018 Budget	2019 Budget	2020 Budget	2021 Default Budget	2021 Budget	\$ of change / 2020	% of change pro- posed / 2020	% of overall budget
Health	4,828	4,969	5,151	5,133	5,193	5,323	5,438	5,494	171	3.2%	0.10%
Animal Control		500	500	500	500	500	500	500	0	0.0%	0.01%
Health - LSVNA & KCOA	14,856	14,384	15,176	15,176	15,176	15,176	15,176	15,176	0	0.0%	0.29%
Welfare	51,799	52,385	51,019	43,677	43,808	42,354	42,543	42,535	181	0.4%	0.80%
Recreation	148,350	150,585	151,258	151,659	161,086	164,297	165,255	167,168	2,871	1.7%	3.09%
Library	339,845	362,752	394,316	379,760	400,953	405,202	460,685	468,005	62,803	15.5%	7.63%
Memorial Day Supplies	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	300	100	50.0%	0.00%
Band Concerts	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	0.0%	0.09%
Conservation Commission	3,500	3,550	3,550	3,550	3,550	3,775	3,775	3,775	0	0.0%	0.06%
TOTAL PUBLIC SERVICE	568,878	594,325	626,170	604,655	635,466	641,827	698,572	707,953	66,126	10.3%	10.79%
Debt Service - Principal	181,633	246,027	261,188	262,156	262,883	263,609	264,335	264,335	726	0.3%	4.43%
Debt Service - Interest	111,352	70,044	72,716	65,566	58,479	51,520	44,263	44,263	-7,257	-14.1%	0.87%
TAN Interest	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.0%	0.02%
TOTAL DEBT	293,985	317,071	334,904	328,722	322,362	316,129	309,598	309,598	-6,531	-2.1%	5.31%
SUBTOTAL GENERAL GOV'T	4,942,054	5,256,651	5,390,284	5,471,838	5,767,436	5,949,509	6,105,364	6,240,876	291,367	4.9%	100.00%
voted from fund balance/encumbered				231,928		20,162					
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS											
Water	506,667	500,038	505,358	511,609	531,090	552,720	563,679	565,555	12,835	2.4%	27.77%
Sewer	975,276	1,099,682	1,074,238	1,079,743	1,116,243	1,154,220	1,182,324	1,186,075	31,855	2.9%	57.99%
Hydroelectric	113,360	131,703	132,760	233,113	233,912	283,605	284,649	285,106	1,501	0.5%	14.25%
SUBTOTAL SPEC REV FUNDS	1,595,303	1,731,423	1,712,356	1,824,465	1,881,245	1,990,545	2,030,652	2,036,736	46,191	2.5%	100.00%
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	6,537,357	6,988,074	7,102,640	7,296,303	7,648,681	7,940,054	8,136,016	8,277,612	337,558	4.4%	
Special & Individ Articles	560,000	325,000	175,500	438,172	853,720	845,200					
Expendable Trusts	3,600	47,100	68,200	53,350	1,600	800					
Capital Reserve Funds	270,000	235,000	480,000	365,000	375,000	395,000					
TOTAL SEPARATE ARTICLES	833,600	607,100	723,700	856,522	1,230,320	1,241,000					
TOTAL BUDGET	7,370,957	7,595,174	7,826,340	8,152,825	8,879,001	9,181,054					

FINANCIALS

TOWN OF SUNAPEE									
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES 2020 (unaudited)									
		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
		Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Projected Revenues	
	TAXES								
3120	Land Use Change Tax	0			6,375				
3180	Resident Tax								
3185	Timber Tax	0			2,791				
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes								
3189	Other Taxes								
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	75,000	54,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	50,000	60,000	
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)				86				
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES								
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	500	500	825	500	500	500	500	
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	650,000	725,000	790,000	750,000	750,000	825,000	825,000	
3230	Building Permits	43,000	48,000	55,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	36,000	36,000	36,000	36,000	36,000	26,000	36,000	
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT								
	FROM STATE								
3351	Shared Revenues						35,088	0	
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	163,358	177,364	177,168	177,291	177,179	176,553	177,179	
3353	Highway Block Grant	112,072	121,863	122,211	124,468	126,282	122,921	126,282	
3354	Water Pollution Grant	5,308	5,308	0			7,508	7,508	
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement								
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	2,200	2,200	7,508	7,508	7,508	21,956		
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS	98,755	102,756	104,054	104,054	109,054	119,376	109,054	

TOWN OF SUNAPEE									
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES 2020 (unaudited)									
		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
		Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Revised Revenues	Proposed Revenues	
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES								
3401-3406	Income from Departments	145,000	84,000	80,000	118,025	109,820	100,000	80,000	
3409	Other Charges	5,550	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES								
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	1,900	16,330	130,000	5,000	31,000	0	5,000	
3502	Interest on Investments	30,000	40,000	35,000	57,000	80,000	50,000	80,000	
3503-3509	Other	26,000	38,000	26,000	30,000	26,000	22,000	26,000	
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN								
3912	From Special Revenue Funds			45,000			200,000		
3913	From Capital Projects Funds								
3914	From Enterprise Funds								
	Sewer - (Offset)	1,117,749	1,149,682	1,074,238	1,114,743	1,516,243	1,154,220	1,186,075	
	Water - (Offset)	525,844	500,038	505,358	551,609	531,090	530,764	565,555	
	Electric - (Offset)	114,145	391,703	132,760	285,113	287,112	283,605	285,106	
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds			159,000	78,172	309,000	110,000		
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds								
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES								
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes						430,000		
	SUBTOTAL OF REVENUES	3,152,381	3,494,744	3,542,122	3,545,735	4,193,788	4,302,491	3,606,259	
	Fund Balance to reduce taxes	300,000	300,000	350,000	400,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	
	Voted from Surplus	2,900	47,100	18,200	48,350	21,600	16,800		
	Net Revenues	3,455,281	3,841,844	3,910,322	3,994,085	4,515,388	4,619,291	3,906,259	

FINANCIALS

BALANCE SHEET—UNAUDITED

ASSETS AS OF 12/31/20

CASH ON HAND

General Fund	\$7,239,288.30
Hydro Electric Fund	882,848.15
Water Dept. Funds	800,310.14
Sewer Dept. Funds	1,974,426.38
Misc. Other Funds	304,663.75

Funds in Custody of Treasurer: \$11,201,536.72

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Due from Trustees	305,015.00
Due from Hydro Fund- Operating Expenses	227,979.43
Due from Special Recreation	15,565.82
Due from Water & Sewer	54,248.71
TOTAL:	602,808.95

TAXES UNCOLLECTED:

Levy of 2020	145,067.25
Levy of 2019	53,177.32
Levy of 2018	31,692.81
Levy of 2017+	12,094.64

TOTAL: 242,032.02

TOTAL AR/UNCOLLECTED \$ 844,840.97

TOTAL ASSETS/GRAND TOTAL: **\$12,046,377.69**

LIABILITIES AS OF 12/31/20

Overpayment of Taxes \$ 63,890.28

Due to Other Funds:

Bartlett Tyler Fund	28,583.92
Bandstand Account	1,031.64
Conservation Commission	168,550.33
Dewey Woods Commission	1,611.09
Harbor Ridge Property Invest. Pool	3,214.22
Drug Forfeiture Fund	8,619.13
Special Recreation Account	84,502.56
Coffin Memorial Park	256.08
Special Fund – Pistol Permits	2,621.99
Sunapee Center Assoc	450.79
Town Forest Fund	5,222.00
Hydro Account	882,848.15
Water Department Fund	800,310.14
Sewer Department Fund	1,974,426.38
Due to School	5,628,505.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES:	\$9,654,643.70

ASSETS VS LIABILITIES: **\$2,391,733.99**

LONG TERM DEBT

ANNUAL MATURITIES OF OUTSTANDING LONG TERM NOTES AND BONDS

GENERAL OBLIGATION Debt Payable:	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	ISSUE DATE	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	OUTSTANDING Dec 31, 2020
Water Filtration Bond	\$2,083,400.00	1997	2027	2.42	\$643,000.00
Safety Services Building	\$3,303,125.00	2006	2025	2.6	\$694,421.07
New Abbott Library	\$975,000.00	2015	2033	2.76	\$682,500.00
Lake Avenue Perkins Pond Sewer WWTP Upgrade Project	\$369,241.00		2024	4.25	\$144,241.37
	\$1,585,000.00	2015	2042	2.5	\$1,496,944.00
	\$1,467,585.00	2016	2042	3.5	\$1,287,677.00

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation debt outstanding as of December 31, 2020, including interest payments, are as follows:

Future Debt Service	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	\$443,227.63	\$129,731.80	\$3,758,309.00
2022	\$321,405.55	\$118,864.00	\$3,481,903.00
2023	\$291,138.00	\$108,767.60	\$3,190,764.00
2024	\$261,873.37	\$98,611.04	\$2,928,891.00
2025	\$259,178.00	\$81,156.41	\$2,669,712.00
2026-2029	\$788,288.00	\$267,378.64	\$1,055,666.64
2030-2042	\$1,881,424.00	\$357,635.00	\$2,239,059.00
	\$4,246,534.55	\$1,162,144.49	\$5,408,679.04



TREASURER'S COMPARATIVE BALANCE						
INSTITUTION	ACCOUNT NAME	ACT NUMBER	RATE	BALANCE December 31, 2019	BALANCE December 31, 2020	Balances by Bank: Dec 31, 2020 Lake Sun Bk Sugar Rvr Bk
TOWN OF SUNAPEE ACCTS:						
<u>LKSunBk - Transaction Accts</u>	General Account	8-235-167-280	1.00%	7,229,548.37	7,220,797.17	7,220,797.17
"	Payroll		0.05%	2,997.72	18,491.13	18,491.13
	<u>Subtotal</u>			<u>7,232,546.09</u>	<u>7,239,288.30</u>	
<u>LKSunBk - Stmt Savings Accts</u>	Coffin Memorial Park	579-420	0.25%	256.03	256.08	256.08
"	Conservation Comm.	497-660	0.49%	73,178.31	168,550.33	168,550.33
"	Sunapee Ctr Assoc	568-960	0.25%	450.70	450.79	450.79
	<u>Subtotal</u>			<u>73,885.04</u>	<u>169,257.20</u>	
<u>Sugar River Bank</u>	Bandstand Account	506-502-627	0.55%	1,030.73	1,031.64	1,031.64
"	Bartlett Taylor Fund	CD		29,472.58	28,583.92	28,583.92
"	Dewey Woods Comm.	100-052-018	0.55%	1,609.68	1,611.09	1,611.09
"	Harbor Ridge Property	506-501-388	0.55%	3,211.40	3,214.22	3,214.22
"	Hydro Account	506-524-418	0.15%	1,073,556.85	882,848.15	882,848.15
"	Drug Forfeiture	129-411-974	0.10%	7,729.19	8,619.13	8,619.13
"	Pistol Permit	230-104-069		2,621.73	2,621.99	2,621.99
"	Special Recreation Fund	125-404-948	0.55%	58,077.54	84,502.56	84,502.56
"	Town Forest	506-518-531	0.55%	5,217.43	5,222.00	5,222.00
	<u>Subtotal</u>			<u>1,182,527.13</u>	<u>1,018,254.70</u>	
	<u>Total - Town of Sunapee</u>			<u>8,488,958.26</u>	<u>8,426,800.20</u>	<u>7,408,545.50</u>
WATER DEPARTMENT ACCTS:						
<u>SRB - Transaction Accts</u>	Water Dept - General Fund	230-115-115	1.00%	408,856.88	437,655.12	437,655.12
"	Water Dept - Replacement	306-131-384	1.00%	243,627.87	309,116.37	309,116.37
	<u>Subtotal</u>			<u>652,484.75</u>	<u>746,771.49</u>	
<u>Sugar River Bank</u>	Water Dept Cap Imprvmt	506-504-433	1.00%	48,506.96	53,538.65	53,538.65
	<u>Total - Water Department</u>			<u>700,991.71</u>	<u>800,310.14</u>	<u>-</u>
SEWER DEPARTMENT ACCTS:						
<u>SRB - Transaction Accts</u>	Sewer Dept - General Fund	230-115-131	1.00%	798,178.13	638,171.47	638,171.47
"	Sewer Dept - Replacement	306-131-376	1.00%	750,214.71	803,500.44	803,500.44
	<u>Subtotal</u>			<u>1,548,392.84</u>	<u>1,441,671.91</u>	
<u>Sugar River Bank</u>	Sewer Dept Cap Imprvmt	506-504-425	1.00%	509,536.77	532,754.47	532,754.47
	<u>Total - Sewer Department</u>			<u>2,057,929.61</u>	<u>1,974,426.38</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL - ALL ACCOUNTS				<u>11,247,879.58</u>	<u>11,201,536.72</u>	<u>7,408,545.50</u>
						<u>3,792,991.22</u>

TOWN CLERK REMITTANCES TO TREASURER 2020

Auto Registrations:		\$ 965,242.70
Boat Registrations:		\$ 14,433.23
Dog Licenses:		
	Town of Sunapee	\$ 2,387.00
	State of NH	\$ 289.00
	Dept. of Agriculture	\$ 986.00
Municipal Agent	State of NH	\$ 325,452.40
Vital Statistics:		
	State of NH	\$ 2,692.00
ATV / Snowmobile:		
	State of NH	\$ 7,922.50
Clerk Fees:		
	Auto Registrations	\$ 16,652.50
	ATV / Snowmobile	\$ 330.00
	UCC Filings	\$ 1,215.00
	Wetland's Applications	\$ 21.50
	Vital Statistics	\$ 1,333.00
	Return Check Fees	\$ 50.00
	Disk Sales / Copies	\$ 509.00
	Filing Fees	\$ 6.00
Total Remittances:		\$ 1,339,521.83

FINANCIALS



SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

PARCEL ID#	LOCATION	USE	ACRES	VALUE
Municipal Buildings and Land				
0106-0064-0000	807 Jobs Creek Rd	Georges Mills Fire Station	0.24	\$ 195,200
0129-0036-0000	9 Sargent Rd	Safety Services Building	6.10	\$ 2,751,300
0129-0043-0012	11 Soonipi Circle	New Abbott Library	2.78	\$ 1,919,800
0132-0001-0000	23 Edgemont Rd	Town Hall & Coffin Park	3.40	\$ 469,300
0218-0074-0000	89 Avery Rd	Transfer Station	20.94	\$ 332,400
0218-0077-0000	Avery Rd	Transfer Station	14.50	\$ 66,000
0218-0082-0001	621 Route 11	Highway Dept Buildings	7.56	\$ 856,400
0218-0083-0000	Route 11	Asphalt Crushing Lot	4.20	\$ 62,900
Beaches, Parks, Commons & Playgrounds				
0106-0019-0000	18 Cooper St	Georges Mills Beach	0.61	\$ 1,337,900
0123-0021-0000	706 Route 11	Dewey Field	79.00	\$ 258,700
0125-0025-0000	158 Garnet St	Dewey Beach	1.20	\$ 1,805,300
0132-0003-0000	Edgemont Rd	Ski Tow Hill	10.00	\$ 10,700
0133-0003-0000	Edgemont Rd	Ski Tow Hill	10.40	\$ 79,000
0133-0012-0000	River Rd	Coffin Park Land	0.81	\$ 71,900
0133-0013-0000	38 Main St	Hames Park	0.38	\$ 49,400
0133-0033-0000	Main St	Parking Lot	0.05	\$ 263,400
0133-0036-0000	1 Lake Ave	Parking & Public Restrooms	1.00	\$ 1,792,200
0133-0084-0000	Burkehaven Hill Rd	Ben Mere Park / Bandstand	3.60	\$ 246,600
Water & Sewer Plants & Facilities				
0104-0012-0000	24 Pleasant St	Public Water Supply Building	10.70	\$ 163,900
0120-0022-0000	24 Fernwood Point	Pump Station	0.34	\$ 480,100
0121-0001-0000	83 Woodland Rd	Pump Station	0.37	\$ 117,400
0123-0020-0000	112 Granliden Rd	Pump Station	0.12	\$ 84,100
0125-0045-0000	161 Garnet St	Pump Station	0.06	\$ 98,600
0127-0022-0000	184 Lake Ave	Pump Station	0.07	\$ 112,500
0128-0024-0000	55 Garnet St	Pump Station	0.06	\$ 98,600
0128-0026-0000	91 Garnet St	Pump Station	0.06	\$ 98,600
0128-0071-0000	113 Lake Ave	Pump Station	0.04	\$ 95,800
0133-0077-0000	Harbor Hill Rd	Public Water Supply	5.19	\$ 2,177,500
0133-0090-0000	1 River Rd	Pump Station	0.54	\$ 180,600
0134-0031-0000	258 Lake Ave	Pump Station	0.05	\$ 97,200
0136-0035-0000	15 Birch Point Rd	Pump Station	0.05	\$ 97,200
0136-0049-0000	8 Birch Point Ln	Pump Station	0.93	\$ 139,400
0203-0008-0000	Prospect Hill Rd	Town Reservoir	2.05	\$ 427,400
0225-0057-0000	21 Post Office Rd	Pump Station	0.06	\$ 91,700
0225-0086-0000	50 Treatment Plant Rd	Water Treatment Facility	40.00	\$ 8,232,500
0225-0087-0000	Route 11	Water Treatment Facility	0.33	\$ 4,400
Hydroelectric Plant & Facilities				
0132-0049-0000	11/21 Edgemont Rd	Hydroelectric Plant & Info. Booth	0.67	\$ 1,809,900
0132-0050-0000	Edgemont Rd	Hydroelectric Station	0.29	\$ 5,200
Town Cemeteries				
0104-0005-0000	Route 11	Georges Mills Cemetery	0.36	\$ 24,900
0132-0045-0000	Lower Main St	Lower Village Cemetery	0.46	\$ 45,300
0210-0035-0000	North Rd	Eastman Cemetery	2.20	\$ 53,200
0210-0037-0000	North Rd	Eastman Cemetery	7.10	\$ 82,400
0231-0013-0000	Stagecoach Rd	Weigle Cemetery	0.43	\$ 5,300
0231-0015-0000	Stagecoach Rd	Dexters Cemetery	0.25	\$ 4,500
0231-0017-0000	Youngs Hill Rd	Crowther Chapel	0.98	\$ 59,500

Schools, Land & Buildings				
0129-0022-0000	23 School St	Playground / Mobile Classroom	2.00	\$ 234,600
0129-0025-0000	22 School St	Elementary School	2.70	\$ 2,686,600
0129-0034-0000	Route 11	Sherburne Gym Parking	0.02	\$ 2,200
0130-0034-0000	10 North Rd	Middle / High School	34.10	\$ 6,274,100
0132-0038-0000	Lower Main St	Middle / High School	0.02	\$ 2,400
Conservation Lands & Town Forests				
0105-0021-0000	Keyes Rd	Conservation Land	1.10	\$ 251,400
0122-0031-0000	Jobs Creek Rd	Bartlett-Tyler Lot / Town Forest	47.00	\$ 597,700
0122-0032-0000	Jobs Creek Rd	Dewey Woods / Town Forest	2.80	\$ 57,800
0123-0001-0000	Route 11	Dewey Woods / Town Forest	9.20	\$ 71,700
0123-0003-0000	Route 11	Dewey Woods / Town Forest	5.90	\$ 60,000
0124-0011-0000	Ryder Corner Rd	Wendell Marsh	97.40	\$ 254,300
0125-0046-0000	Garnet St	Dewey Woods / Town Forest	0.73	\$ 120,800
0131-0011-0000	Route 11	Wendell Marsh	36.06	\$ 8,200
0131-0022-0000	West Court Rd	Wendell Marsh	0.55	\$ 6,100
0131-0023-0000	West Court Rd	Wendell Marsh	2.89	\$ 7,600
0206-0007-0000	Prospect Hill Rd	Ledge Pond Lot / Town Forest	89.10	\$ 475,000
0206-0008-0000	Ledge Pond	Conservation Land	4.58	\$ 260,100
0207-0020-0000	Ledge Pond	Conservation Land	0.21	\$ 33,100
0207-0027-0000	Ledge Pond	Conservation Land	0.88	\$ 31,400
0207-0028-0000	Ledge Pond	Conservation Land	8.76	\$ 35,800
0210-0003-0000	Trow Hill Rd	Flint Webb Lot / Town Forest	40.00	\$ 19,300
0224-0014-0000	Route 11	Wendell Marsh	143.40	\$ 71,900
0224-0015-0000	North Rd	Wendell Marsh	39.00	\$ 17,700
0225-0089-0000	Route 11	Wendell Marsh	11.80	\$ 9,400
Land & Buildings Acquired by Tax Deed				
0104-0079-0000	Otter Hill Rd		1.30	\$ 7,900
0115-0041-0000	22 North Shore Rd		0.72	\$ 83,500
0132-0031-0000	Winn Hill Rd		0.58	\$ 6,300
0148-0043-0000	Edgemont Rd		0.02	\$ 34,100
0218-0002-0000	Sargent Rd		0.21	\$ 6,000
0218-0048-0000	Apple Hill Rd		7.10	\$ 69,500
0218-0064-0000	Sargent Rd		5.00	\$ 65,500
0218-0065-0000	Sargent Rd		2.20	\$ 62,300
0235-0003-0000	Edgemont Rd		0.21	\$ 4,200
0239-0012-0000	Backland		0.69	\$ 4,700
All Other Town Owned Properties				
0102-0001-0000	Backland	Off Interstate 89	0.74	\$ 5,700
0102-0003-0000	Interstate 89		10.4	\$ 44,300
0102-0004-0000	Interstate 89		5.00	\$ 7,500
0102-0005-0000	Backland	Off Interstate 89	3.40	\$ 7,000
0103-0031-0000	Route 11	Otter Pond Right of Way	0.09	\$ 54,700
0104-0049-0100	Springfield Rd	Springfield Road Right of Way	0.16	\$ 11,400
0104-0049-0200	Off Springfield Rd	Springfield Road Right of Way	0.05	\$ 7,800
0106-0040-0000	Jobs Creek Rd	Lake Sunapee Right of Way	0.10	\$ 120,200
0125-0054-0000	Route 11	Old Route 11 Right of Way	0.67	\$ 6,300
0129-0037-0000	Route 11	Sargent Road Right of Way	0.25	\$ 4,400
0129-0039-0000	Sargent Rd	Orchard Park Subdivision Open Space	4.80	\$ 0
0136-0063-0000	Birch Point Rd	Birch Point Subdivision Open Space	4.40	\$ 257,300
0140-0011-0000	Burkehaven Hill Rd	Burkehaven Hill Boat Ramp	0.01	\$ 102,800
0210-0009-0000	Fieldstone Drive	Fieldstone Subdivision Open Space	26.93	\$ 89,200
0238-0054-0000	Penacook Path	Penacook Woods Sub Open Space	1.70	\$ 46,500
0238-0055-0000	Penacook Path	Penacook Woods Sub Open Space	1.40	\$ 45,500
TOTALS:			898.87	\$ 40,199,900

TAX COLLECTOR (MS-61)



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Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning Jan 1, 2020 and ending Dec 31, 2020

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

Instructions

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- 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: SUNAPEE County: SULLIVAN Report Year: 2020

PREPARER'S INFORMATION ?

First Name Last Name
BETTY H RAMSPOTT
Street No. Street Name Phone Number
23 EDMONT RD (603) 763-2449
Email (optional)
BETTY@TOWN.SUNAPEE.NH.US



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Debits					
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2019	Year:	Year:	Year:
Property Taxes	3110	\$637,839.28			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$2,240.00			
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Other Taxes	3189				
Property Tax Credit Balance ?			(\$39,940.10)		
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?		(\$53,605.75)			

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2019			
Property Taxes	3110	\$19,981,571.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$12,430.00	\$11,350.00		
Yield Taxes	3185	\$660.07	\$2,816.11		
Excavation Tax	3187	\$80.00			
Other Taxes	3189				
- Water/Sewer/Bond			\$53,693.59		
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>					

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2019			
Property Taxes	3110	\$3,914.00	\$54,764.75		
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
-					
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>					
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$6,337.42	\$20,791.84		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				
Total Debits		\$19,951,386.74	\$743,555.47	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	2019	Prior Levies	
Property Taxes	\$19,577,682.34	\$525,539.78		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$12,430.00	\$11,895.19		
Yield Taxes	\$660.07	\$2,816.11		
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$6,262.42	\$20,791.84		
Penalties	\$75.00			
Excavation Tax	\$80.00			
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$143,434.55		
<input type="checkbox"/> Water/Sewer/Bond		\$39,078.00		
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	2019	Prior Levies	
Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
<input type="checkbox"/>				
<input type="button" value="Add Line"/>				
Current Levy Deeded				



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Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
	2019			
Property Taxes	\$418,087.19			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance ?				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance ?	(\$63,890.28)			
Total Credits	\$19,951,386.74	\$743,555.47	\$0.00	\$0.00

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$354,196.91
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$242,032.02

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Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2019	Year: 2018	Year: 2017+
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year		\$145,067.25	\$84,746.53	\$43,020.61
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$150,759.51			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$242.13	\$5,423.94	\$15,045.82	\$11,290.77
-				
Add Line				
Total Debits	\$151,001.64	\$150,491.19	\$99,792.35	\$54,311.38

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2019	2018	2017+
Redemptions	\$5,692.26	\$91,889.93	\$53,053.72	\$30,925.97
-				
Add Line				
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$242.13	\$5,423.94	\$15,045.82	\$11,290.77
-				
Add Line				
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$145,067.25	\$53,177.32	\$31,692.81	\$12,094.64
Total Credits	\$151,001.64	\$150,491.19	\$99,792.35	\$54,311.38

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Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$354,196.91
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$242,032.02



SUNAPEE (435)

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

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.

Preparer's Signature and Title

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REPORT OF THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE - TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS - YEAR 2020

Through December 31, 2020

NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS		UNDER RSA 31:19-a					
Year Created	Trust Name	Opening Balance	Principal Added	Interest Income	Total	Withdrawals	Ending Balance
Various	Cemetery - 0001	\$56,072.61	\$0.00	\$284.49	\$56,357.10	\$0.00	\$56,357.10
	Common #1						
Various	Student Awards - 0018	\$58,130.89	\$0.00	\$293.33	\$58,424.22	\$0.00	\$58,424.22
	Common #2						
1983	Bartlett Speaking - 0019	\$15,465.47	\$0.00	\$78.04	\$15,543.51		\$15,543.51
1983	Bartlett Park - 0017	\$20,980.01	\$0.00	\$105.87	\$21,085.88		\$21,085.88
1988	Touhy Memorial Sch - 0050	\$22,082.94	\$0.00	\$111.43	\$22,194.37	\$0.00	\$22,194.37
1970	Library General - 0021	\$9,645.08	\$0.00	\$48.67	\$9,693.75	\$0.00	\$9,693.75
1972	Library Gardner - 0005	\$2,781.61	\$0.00	\$14.03	\$2,795.64	\$0.00	\$2,795.64
1969	Firemen's - 0002	\$17,931.58	\$0.00	\$90.49	\$18,022.07	\$0.00	\$18,022.07
	Knowlton						
1969	Firemen's - 0003	\$7,055.50	\$0.00	\$35.61	\$7,091.11	\$0.00	\$7,091.11
	Robinson						
1987	Fireman's - 0025	\$1,207.44	\$0.00	\$6.09	\$1,213.53	\$0.00	\$1,213.53
	Warren & Quaw						
1966	Parks-Coffin - 0006	\$10,587.19	\$0.00	\$53.42	\$10,640.61	\$0.00	\$10,640.61
1958	Visiting Nurses - 0004	\$2,696.63	\$0.00	\$13.61	\$2,710.24	\$0.00	\$2,710.24
1987	Historical Society - 0013	\$39,102.79	\$0.00	\$197.32	\$39,300.11	\$0.00	\$39,300.11
1990	Crowther Family Trust - 0014	\$9,291.54	\$0.00	\$46.89	\$9,338.43	\$0.00	\$9,338.43
Total Non Expendable Funds		\$273,031.28	\$0.00	\$1,379.29	\$274,410.57	\$0.00	\$274,410.57

REPORT OF THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE - TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS - YEAR 2020

Through December 31, 2020

EXPENDABLE PRIVATE TRUST FUNDS

Year Created	Trust Name	Opening Balance	Principal Added	Interest Income	Total	Withdrawals	Ending Balance
1989	Cemetery Expendable - 0016	\$61,522.04	\$1,600.00	\$315.68	\$63,437.72	\$0.00	\$63,437.72
1995	Expendable Insurance - 0007	\$8,199.92		\$41.38	\$8,241.30	\$0.00	\$8,241.30
1996	Memorial Grdhs - 0022	\$1,066.51	\$300.00	\$1.60	\$1,368.11	\$1,229.17	\$138.94
2015	Theilen Food Pantry Agreement - 0055	\$10.35	\$8,400.00	\$3.16	\$8,413.51	\$0.00	\$8,413.51
2000	Special Education Trust - 0029	\$374,913.56		\$1,891.82	\$376,805.38	\$0.00	\$376,805.38
2000	Expendable Sam Bond Memorial - 0039	\$7,505.12		\$37.87	\$7,542.99	\$0.00	\$7,542.99
2004	Raymond Leone Scholarship - 0040	\$270.31		\$1.36	\$271.67	\$0.00	\$271.67
1996	Molloy Scholarship - 0031	\$29.20		\$0.14	\$29.34	\$0.00	\$29.34
1995	Burrill Scholarship - 0033	\$19.08		\$0.09	\$19.17		\$19.17
1998	Charles-Esther Flint Scholarship - 0032	\$82.79		\$0.42	\$83.21	\$0.00	\$83.21
1999	Journalism Award - 0030	\$0.04		\$0.00	\$0.04	\$0.00	\$0.04
2002	Milfoil Expendable Reserve M - 0036	\$5,443.83	\$5,000.00	\$27.49	\$10,471.32	\$5,000.00	\$5,471.32
2004	Crowther Chapel - 0041	\$2,654.30		\$11.04	\$2,665.34	\$576.56	\$2,088.78
2009	L.R.Pierce Memorial Playground - 0048	\$1,164.57		\$5.88	\$1,170.45	\$0.00	\$1,170.45
2012	Touhy Family LLC - 0051	\$5,939.81		\$29.15	\$5,968.96	\$2,000.00	\$3,968.96
2014	Brown Family Revocable Trust - 0053	\$5,385.05		\$27.17	\$5,412.22	\$0.00	\$5,412.22
2016	Employee Health Insurance Trust Fund - 6356	\$67,016.13		\$258.88	\$67,275.01	\$19,423.73	\$47,851.28
2017	Sestercentennial Trust- 9578	\$22,493.61		\$113.50	\$22,607.11		\$22,607.11
2019	Recreation Trust Fund Veterans- 9601	\$17,638.08	\$300.00	\$89.20	\$18,027.28	\$0.00	\$18,027.28
Total Expendable Funds		\$581,354.30	\$15,600.00	\$2,855.83	\$599,810.13	\$28,229.46	\$571,580.67

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REPORT OF THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE - TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS - YEAR 2020

Through December 31, 2020

CAPITAL RESERVE TRUST FUNDS

Year Created	Trust Name	Opening Balance	Principal Added	Interest Income	Total	Withdrawals	Ending Balance
1984	Fire Apparatus & Equipment C/R - 0011	\$362,276.31	\$115,000.00	\$2,297.50	\$479,573.81	\$0.00	\$479,573.81
1989	Highway/Transfer Equipment C/R - 0010	\$440,509.30	\$135,000.00	\$2,773.90	\$578,283.20	\$0.00	\$578,283.20
1997	Used Highway Equipment C/R - 0027	\$60,077.45	\$25,000.00	\$171.16	\$85,248.61	\$57,337.00	\$27,911.61
1992	School Buildings Cap Imp Res - 0008	\$243,359.93	\$50,000.00	\$1,003.12	\$294,363.05	\$204,804.57	\$89,558.48
1999	New Library C/R - 0028	\$0.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.08	\$0.00	\$0.08
2001	Town Road Bridges C/R - 0034	\$248,545.78	\$50,000.00	\$947.32	\$299,493.10	\$125,175.28	\$174,317.82
2003	Dirt Roads Paving C/R - 0038	\$15,380.30	\$0.00	\$77.61	\$15,457.91		\$15,457.91
2008	Sunapee Central Elementary C/R - 0045	\$193,166.97		\$868.99	\$194,035.96	\$101,138.00	\$92,897.96
2013	Sewer Capital Improvement C/R	\$322,933.87	\$0.00	\$1,629.53	\$324,563.40	\$0.00	\$324,563.40
2015	Sunapee High School Roof C/R - 0054	\$180,139.81	\$50,000.00	\$830.88	\$230,970.69	\$155,440.67	\$75,530.02
2010	Town Buildings Maintenance C/R - 0049	\$34,951.59	\$40,000.00	\$339.66	\$75,291.25		\$75,291.25
2016	Computer System Upgrade CR - 6372	\$30,764.24	\$10,000.00	\$196.07	\$40,960.31		\$40,960.31
2019	Old Abbott Library CR - 9594	\$50,769.61		\$256.19	\$51,025.80		\$51,025.80
2019	Water Capital Improvement C/R - 9627	\$50,348.26	\$50,000.00	\$382.31	\$100,730.57		\$100,730.57
Total Capital Reserve Funds		\$2,233,223.50	\$525,000.00	\$11,774.24	\$2,769,997.74	\$643,895.52	\$2,126,102.22

ABBOTT LIBRARY
PROFIT & LOSS BUDGET VS. ACTUAL
January through December 2020

	Jan - Dec 20	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
46400 · Other Types of Income			
46429 · Interest Operating Acct	9.72		
Total 46400 · Other Types of Income	<u>9.72</u>		
1 · Town Funding Contributions			
100 · Town Funding	110,757.00	110,757.33	-0.33
101 · Town Funding Payroll & Benefits	258,913.35	333,690.03	-74,776.68
Total 1 · Town Funding Contributions	<u>369,670.35</u>	<u>444,447.36</u>	<u>-74,777.01</u>
Total Income	<u>369,680.07</u>	<u>444,447.36</u>	<u>-74,767.29</u>
Expense			
2 · Payroll and Benefit Expenses			
207 · Full Time Wages	110,528.87	136,215.60	-25,686.73
208 · Part Time Wages	89,645.39	104,427.87	-14,782.48
209 · Unused Sick Time	2,344.48	3,566.40	-1,221.92
210 · Health Insurance	25,847.16	50,500.43	-24,653.27
215 · Life & Disability Insurance	1,958.88	2,566.26	-607.38
220 · Medicare	2,879.93	3,358.71	-478.78
221 · Employer FICA	12,314.16	14,361.38	-2,047.22
231 · Retirement Contribution	12,275.11	16,484.38	-4,209.27
250 · Unemployment Comp Insurance	507.35		
260 · Workers Compensation Insurance	612.02		
Total 2 · Payroll and Benefit Expenses	<u>258,913.35</u>	<u>331,481.03</u>	<u>-72,567.68</u>
3 · Prof. & Tech Services			
341 · Telephone	1,250.25	1,400.00	-149.75
341A · Fire Alarm	400.00	410.00	-10.00
341B · Internet Access	726.40	400.00	326.40
342A · Computer Support/Hardware	10,782.06	5,200.00	5,582.06
342B · Copier Lease	1,671.89	1,800.00	-128.11
365 · Equipment Repair	0.00	1,800.00	-1,800.00
Total 3 · Prof. & Tech Services	<u>14,830.60</u>	<u>11,010.00</u>	<u>3,820.60</u>
4 · Facilities			
410 · Electricity	7,568.42	10,000.00	-2,431.58
411 · Heat	3,903.99	4,000.00	-96.01
412 · Water	920.00	600.00	320.00
413 · Sewer	422.00	450.00	-28.00
430 · Bldg Repair & Maintenance	6,775.46	7,500.00	-724.54
440 · Outside Maintenance	3,284.89	3,700.00	-415.11
Total 4 · Facilities	<u>22,874.76</u>	<u>26,250.00</u>	<u>-3,375.24</u>
5 · Other Services			
520 · Insurance	0.00	3,196.84	-3,196.84
540 · Training and Meetings	875.00	1,375.00	-500.00
550 · Programs	495.00	800.00	-305.00
555 · Advertising	1,185.60	650.00	535.60
560 · Membership	766.00	700.00	66.00
Total 5 · Other Services	<u>3,321.60</u>	<u>6,721.84</u>	<u>-3,400.24</u>
6 · Supplies			
610-A · Machine Supplies	384.25	900.00	-515.75
610-C · Program Supplies	2,393.74	3,000.00	-606.26
610 · General Supplies	1,587.23	2,000.00	-412.77
625 · Postage	295.00	250.00	45.00
630 · Office Equipment	258.77	325.00	-66.23
640 · Custodial Supplies	1,675.62	1,000.00	675.62

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Total 6 · Supplies	6,594.61	7,475.00	-880.39
62100 · Contract Services			
62110 · Accounting Fees	1,425.00	2,600.00	-1,175.00
62140 · Legal Fees	1,290.00	7,000.00	-5,710.00
62150 · Outside Contract Services	5,200.00		
Total 62100 · Contract Services	7,915.00	9,600.00	-1,685.00
7 · Capital Outlay			
750 · Furniture and Fixtures	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Total 7 · Capital Outlay	0.00	300.00	-300.00
8 · Library Materials			
802-A · Books	23,030.54	30,000.00	-6,969.46
802-B · Subscriptions	4,042.70	4,300.00	-257.30
802-C · Non-Print	6,829.65	5,100.00	1,729.65
802-F · Software	4,613.94	5,000.00	-386.06
802-G · Collection Supplies	727.95	1,900.00	-1,172.05
802-H · E-Content	5,539.70	1,800.00	3,739.70
Total 8 · Library Materials	44,784.48	48,100.00	-3,315.52
Total Expense	359,234.40	440,937.87	-81,703.47

*unaudited and not all 2020 bills included

TRUST & FINES		Jan - Dec 20
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
46400 · Other Types of Income		
46480 · Book Reimbursement		361.97
46481 · Non-Resident Fees		800.00
46482 · General Donations/Coffee		78.91
46487 · Printing/Copying Income		602.29
46488 · Fax		60.50
46489 · Overdue Conscience		169.03
Total 46400 · Other Types of Income		2,072.70
Total Income		2,072.70
Net Ordinary Income		2,072.70
Net Income		2,072.70

2020 DONATION ACCOUNT		Dec 31, 2020
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
B201- - Cap. Campaign/Donation Account		15,419.04
Total Checking/Savings		15,419.04
Total Current Assets		15,419.04
Other Assets		
18600 Other Assets		
18611 Accrued Interest from CD		232.64
18620 Martha Abbot t Trust		125,016.00
18630 Mabel Davies' Funds		115,104.00
Total 18610 Certificate of Deposit		240,352.64
Total 18600 Other Assets		240,352.64
Total Other Assets		240,352.64
TOTAL ASSETS		255,771.68
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Equity		
30000 Opening Balance Equity		240,352.64
32000 · Temp. Restricted Cap. Campaign		10,823.41
Net Income		4,595.63
Total Equity		255,771.68
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		255,771.68

SUMMARY & MINUTES OF 2020 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE, County of Sullivan, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Sunapee Middle High School Gymnasium, located on North Road, in said Sunapee, on Tuesday, the 4th day of February, 2020, at 7:00 pm for the deliberative portion of the annual Town Meeting, to discuss Articles 1 thru 14 and to amend, if deemed appropriate, Articles 15 through 31, hereinafter set forth. Final voting action on all articles shall take place by ballot on Tuesday, the 10th day of March 2020, at the Sherburne Gymnasium, Route 11, in said Sunapee. The polls shall be opened from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm. There were 1437 votes cast on March 10, 2020.

Moderator Aaron Simpson opened the Deliberative Session on Tuesday, February 4th at 7:00p.m. Aaron Simpson explained the Moderator's Rules of Procedure. The Moderator asked for any questions. Chairman of the Board of Selectmen Josh Trow led the voters in the Pledge of Allegiance.

***Indicates Winner**

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

1 Moderator	2 Year Term	*Aaron Simpson
1 Selectmen	3 Year Term	*Sue Gottling
1 Treasurer	1 Year Term	*Alan Doherty
1 Supervisor of the Checklist	6 Year Term	*Faith Webb Reney
1 Cemetery Commissioner	3 Year Term	
2 Library Trustees	3 Year Term	*Helene Churchill Shannon Martinez *Suzanne Tether
1 Library Trustee	2 Year Term	*Elizabeth Bowen
1 Trustee of Trust Fund	3 Year Term	*Lynn Smith – Write In
2 Planning Board Members	3 Year Term	*Joseph Butler Shannon Martinez *Peter White
2 Water & Sewer Commissioners	3 Year Term	*J. Anthony Bergeron *Jimmy Williams
1 Zoning Board Member	3 Year Term	*Jeffrey Claus – Write In

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

Amend Article II, Section 2.30 and Article IV, 4.31 – Wetlands - by making changes to the definition of the Wetland Overlay District. The current broad wording of poorly or very poorly drained soils would be replaced by a more specific definition of larger wetlands that contain these types of soils. A 25-foot buffer would be added around delineated portion of the wetland.

Resident David Cain questioned if a small lot he now has for sale would be restricted if this article passed. Planning Board Chairperson Peter White explained he did not know about Mr. Cain's particular lot but if it falls within the parameters of this article he might have to ask for a special exception. The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 861 No 448**

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

Amend Article III, Section 3.20 - Table of Dimensional Controls – by adding dimensional controls to the Mixed-Use III district for the district overlays that would be consistent with the requirements in the other districts.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 812 No 444**

Article 4: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 3, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, Section 3.40 (o) - Additional Requirements – by adding the Mixed-Use III district to the Rural-Residential and Rural Lands Districts as those districts requiring highway buffering.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 798 No 452**

Article 5: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 4, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article III, 3.50 (k) – Special Exceptions –to include in this exception houses that may be only partially within the 50’ shoreland setback.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 790 No 480**

Article 6: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 5, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article IV, Section 4.33(8)(b)(I) – Cutting and Removal of Natural Vegetation within the Natural Woodland Buffer – by making changes to this section to exempt dead trees from the permit requirements if the trees have been declared such by an arborist, forester, or Selectmen’s agent.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 986 No 318**

Article 7: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 6, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article IV, Section 4.90 – Accessory Dwelling Unit – to make it clear that applicants only need to meet the list of special exception requirements in Section 4.90 and not the additional requirements of Section 4.15

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 856 No 356**

Article 8: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 7, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article V, Section 5.31 – Sign Regulations – by changing this section so that signs defined in Section 5.20 (exempt signs) are not included in the overall square footage allowed on a property.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 798 No 426**

Article 9: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 8, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Article IX - Section 9.12 – Site Plan Review – by changing the allowance that “Home Occupations” be given special consideration by the Planning Board to “Home Businesses” being accorded such consideration, since this is the actual procedure outlined in the Site Plan Review Regulations. Home Occupations will remain exempt from the Site Plan Review Regulations.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 882 No 354**

Article 10: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 9, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article X, Section 10.14 – Meetings – by changing the time requirements for the Zoning Board to hear appeals from 30 days of the date of application to 45 days and also make notification times for Board meetings to be consistent with RSA 91-A.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 841 No 415**

Article 11: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 10, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article X, Section 10.16(e) – Powers – to specify that all ZBA approvals (variances and special exceptions) are valid for 2 years from date of approval and that all approvals granted before August 19, 2013 will stay valid for 3 years from the posting of a notice of this fact.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 858 No 366**

Article 12: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 11, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article XI – Definitions – Owner Occupied – by eliminating the two existing definitions of “Owner” and “Occupied” to create a single definition of “Owner-Occupied” that ties into other definitions such as ADU and Bed & Breakfast.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 910 No 339**

Article 13: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 12, proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article X – Definitions – Dwelling Unit – by changing this definition to better define what constitutes a dwelling unit, especially in terms of the kitchen area.

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 871 No 374**

Article 14: To hear the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Auditors, Committees, and/or other officers heretofore chosen.

Town Clerk Betty Ramspott acknowledged Sally Putonen who retired as a ballot clerk after 40 years of service with the following:

This year when voters come to the polls there will be a noticeable void. Sally Putonen has served as a ballot clerk and an anchor in our election process for the past 40 years. Even though Sally's profession is very busy during town/school elections she rarely missed an election.

Sally has seen many changes in her time as ballot clerk and was always open to new ideas such as the purchase of the tabulating machine many years ago. She has attended many training sessions in the past few years to keep abreast of the everchanging laws and demands placed on ballot clerks.

On behalf of the Town of Sunapee we want to express our sincere gratitude to you Sally for everything you have done to make our election process run smooth and always willing to assist new ballot clerks. You will be truly missed by the Election Team and the voters of Sunapee.

Town Clerk Betty Ramspott presented Ms. Putonen with a Commendation from Secretary of State William Gardner.

Chairman Josh Trow presented Ms. Putonen with a letter of thank you from the Board of Selectman and the Town Clerk.

Article 15: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of up to \$400,000 for the engineering, design, construction and installation of improved treatment process equipment to remediate the water system's Total Trihalomethanes issue and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$400,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with RSA 33, the Municipal Finance Act and authorizing the Sunapee Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate said bonds or notes and to fix the date, maturities, denominations, interest rate and other details of said bonds or notes; and to authorize the Sunapee Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend any grant funds that are available for such purpose?

Without impairing the general obligation of the Town to repay such bonds, the Sunapee Water and Sewer Commission will collect through water bond fees, any amounts necessary to support repayment of 100% of the project cost. *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (3/5 majority vote required)*

Water & Sewer Superintendent David Bailey spoke to the article and explained the issues the Water & Sewer Department has been experiencing with the water. He explained that with the passage of this article The Water & Sewer Department could move forward and rectify this issue. He explained that the Town of Sunapee has been warned by the State of New Hampshire to take care of this problem been told by State we must take care of the issue. This will cut down on the chlorine we are now using and looks to be the most reasonable answer. Resident David Cain questioned if there are other things we could do, and David Bailey explained that this is the best solution. Mr. Cain further asked if there would be any savings with this? David Bailey answered this is just a wait and see as we are not sure of that. Resident Diane D'Angelo asked if there is any estimate on what the users increase will be and David Bailey explained it will be an increase of about \$1.50 a month. David Cain asked what kind of rating are we getting on the bond. Water & Sewer Office Manager Holly Leonard explained that there have been no negotiated terms at this point, but there have been conversations with local banks and their interest rates are fairly low.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 915 No 417**

Article 16: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of up to \$30,000 for establishing an Asset Management Plan for the Sunapee Sewer Department, that will qualify the Town for federal and state funds, such sum to be raised by the issuance of serial bonds and notes not to exceed \$30,000 under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et. seq., as amended) and to authorize the Town to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town, additionally to authorize the Town to apply for and accept grants or other funds that may reduce the amount to be repaid and participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) RSA 486.14 established for this purpose, and to allow the Town to expend such monies as become available from the federal and state governments and take appropriate action relating thereto. It is anticipated that the Town will receive up to \$30,000 in principal forgiveness, with no impact on the sewer user rate or tax rate. *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (3/5 majority vote required)*

Superintendent David Bailey explained the intent of the article is establishing an asset management plan. Resident Aaron Simpson asked for an explanation of an asset management plan. David Bailey explained it will be a mapping system and computerized GIS systems plus putting our asset in a row and deciding what is most important to save for in the future. It is like a capital reserve fund with instructions of how we should take care of it. This plan will prioritize which items we want to repair first and what kind of funds should be saved for annually in order to meet our needs. Resident David Cain asked if you we have many lead pipes still in the ground. David Bailey answered we do still have lead pipes and that is an example of repairs that need to be completed. David Cain asked who is doing work for engineering, and Mr. Bailey answered Underwood Engineering and they are doing a good job.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 1021 No 317**

Article 17: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating, as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, nor other appropriations voted separately, the amounts as 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 \$7,940,054? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$7,814,727 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by the previous action of the Town of Sunapee 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.

Chairman of the Board Josh Trow explained that personnel is about 60% of the town budget. He went on to say the Fire Department budget is up somewhat because of reorganization. We also have some added funds for computer software and hardware, along with the increase prices in salt and sand creating a small increase in that area. Resident David Cain asked if the Sunapee Fire Department is a volunteer department, and Josh Trow explained it is an on-call department and are considered employees of the town. David Cain asked what we pay them for, and Josh Trow explained for training hours, calls, and monthly meetings.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 811 No 525**

Article 18: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$200,000 for replacement of the Sunapee Harbor Boat Launch, with funds to come from the Hydroelectric Revenue Fund as previously established for that purpose by Article 38 of the 1987 Town Meeting? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Josh Trow explained the repairs the town dock and boat launch are in need of. He went on to say we have our permits from the state to perform the repairs. He also added that there is a plan being worked on for all other town boat ramps and facilities. David Cain questioned how this would be done and Josh Trow explained the process. David Cain asked if the board had considered signage to keep people under control. Josh Trow explained there is just so much policing that can be done but have discouraged boaters from power loading. Mr. Cain asked if there is an ordinance to prevent this. Resident Joe Bisson questioned how many boat ramps we own, and Josh Trow answered three they are located in Sunapee, Georges Mills and Burkehaven Harbors. Josh Trow said we work on them annually, but this amount of appropriation is not asked for that often. Mr. Bisson went on to asked if the board has given any thought about charging fees. Josh Trow answered that yes and every time it comes up it has been turned down. Resident Sharon Parsons asked if this passes when the work would begin and end. It was noted the work would begin directly after Columbus Day and work until the project is complete.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 928 No 445**

Article 19: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$135,000 to be added to the Highway and Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Josh Trow explained how capital reserve funds work and that the capital reserve fund balances can be found in the town report.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 810 No 543**

Article 20: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Used Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 835 No 507**

Article 21: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$40,000 to be added to the Town Buildings Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 846 No 505**

Article 22: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$115,000 to be added to the Fire Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Resident David Cain asked if this amount is this higher than in years past and Josh Trow answered this is a reoccurring amount. Fire Chief Dan Ruggles further explained that we have requested this amount for the past 5-6 years. He also noted the next truck in the replacement plan is Engine 1 and the price tag will probably be \$500,000-\$600,000. It was noted that this fund also includes replacement of breathing apparatus.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

*Yes 801 No 554

Article 23: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Town Road Bridges Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

*Yes 953 No 400

Article 24: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$25,000 to be placed in the Dirt Roads Paving Capital Reserve Fund previously established for the purpose of paving dirt roads throughout the Town? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

Josh Trow explained the intention of this is not to pave every dirt road in town. This is specifically to assist with large projects such as Winn Hill.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

*Yes 912 No 451

Article 25: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$55,000 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund previously established to be used for conservation purposes accordance with RSA 36-A? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

*Yes 833 No 520

Article 26: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in the Milfoil Control Non-Capital Reserve Fund previously established? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

*Yes 1040 No 308

Article 27: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$800 to be added to the Cemetery Expendable Trust Fund previously established for the general maintenance and care of burial lots of the Cemeteries, and to authorize the transfer of said sum from the December 31, 2019, Unassigned Fund balance? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

*Yes 1130 No 229

Article 28: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$110,000 to purchase and equip a new Highway Plow Truck with plow and sanding apparatus for the Highway Department, authorizing the sale or trade-in of the existing truck (H18), authorizing the withdrawal of up to \$110,000 from the Highway and Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund previously established for that purpose, and authorizing the use of said trade-in or sale to reduce the amount withdrawn from said fund? *The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.*

The Moderator asked for questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 866 No 494**

Article 29: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$27,000 to fund an engineering study for the Route 11 Parking and Pedestrian Improvements Project, and to authorize the transfer of said funds from the December 31, 2019, Unassigned Fund Balance?

Josh Trow explained the idea of making Route 11 the center of town, as was written in the Master Plan establishing a center island with trees and ultimately decreasing speeds in this area. The town is hoping for state funds to assist with this project.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

Yes 649 *No 673

Article 30: Are you in favor of the Town raising and appropriating the sum of \$16,000 to fund the engineering, design, and permitting for extension of the Town's municipal water and sewer from the Abbott Library to the Highway Garage, and to authorize the transfer of said funds from the December 31, 2019, Unassigned Fund balance?

Resident David Cain asked if this will impact water users. Josh Trow explained this would not affect water users. The intent of this article is to provide municipal water to the Highway Garage so that sprinklers can be installed.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 766 No 547**

Article 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Four Thousand Two Hundred dollars (\$34,200), to make the current part time Abbott Library Aid III position fulltime. The current Library Aid III has been working 34 hours a week. This will bring the position to 40 hours a week. This sum covers 9 months of wages and benefits. If approved, this funding will remain as part of the operating and default budget for the future.

Library Trustee Chair Carol Brudnicki spoke on behalf of the Board of Library Trustees and requested support of this article. She explained in order to retain employees or attract new ones it is important to make it competitive in the job market.

The Moderator asked for further questions or discussion on the Article being none he moved it to the official ballot.

***Yes 755 No 575**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59PM.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Betty H. Ramspott, Town Clerk

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

2020 was a year that I'm sure nobody will forget, no matter their opinion on how they would have wanted it to go. This year was a very good test of the ability of the town to respond to adversity, and I would like to thank everyone – both town employees and citizens – for doing their part to get us through. As far as I am aware, there was no loss of ability to provide any service except for a few Recreation items, though some things did take longer to accomplish or required a slightly different process.

Every department had to put up with many new challenges this year, especially those that have public interaction such as Police and Fire, Town Hall, the Transfer Station, and the Library, but I want to particularly highlight two departments for their efforts in an exceptional year. First is the Town Clerk who in concert with the Board of Selectmen, Supervisors of the Checklist, Moderators, and many volunteers made four elections successful with no issues. This is additionally impressive since there was a serious change in the flow of work for Betty and Rachel, but they managed to keep their department and the Town on track and running smoothly. Secondly, the Assessing Department worked tirelessly to ensure that the required five-year cycle of revaluations was completed on time and correctly, an item of extra importance in a year when we saw so many new folks moving to town. As well, our long-time Fire Chief Danny Ruggles and his wife Paula left the Fire/EMS Department this year, and I want to express my thanks to them for their service and to John Galloway who stepped in as Interim Chief for some months before being appointed as permanent Fire Chief in November.

As always, I like to ensure that folks know just how much of the town's functions are filled by volunteers, and that we are always on the lookout for the same. If anyone has interest in budgets, trust funds, recreation, planning, zoning, conservation, or any other relevant area, please visit Town Hall or the website to see what options there are – we would be glad to talk to you! If you aren't sure what you want or what a board does but have interest all the same, please contact the Town Manager to chat about the open opportunities. In addition, this year was a real test of the digital abilities of the Town, and while I believe it went well any feedback is appreciated!

In closing, I would like to thank everyone. Thank you to the Town Manager, department heads, and all the town employees and volunteers for their effort in keeping the town on the right track day-to-day. Thank you to all the local individuals and businesses that have time and time again proven that they are a vital part of the community with their assistance and efforts when we find ourselves needing to ask for help. Finally, thank you to the Board and the Town for their trust in me as Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,
Josh Trow
Chairman, Board of Selectman



TOWN MANAGER

I usually start my annual manager report with the number of years I have been here, so I will end this my sixteenth year here. However, that was the only thing that stayed consistent as it has been the most unusual for obvious reasons. Instead of making municipal systems work better, we had to redesign how we worked within the constraints of the pandemic, taking into consideration the safety of the residents, taxpayers and the employees. That said, we still addressed a number of issues this year. We have put a lot of effort into our remote capabilities and the web site and the ability to provide an online service to people have become vital in our efforts. In addition to being able to do all the things that the Town Clerk's office has provided over the years, you can now pay for most of your services without leaving the comfort of your home; you can also register for recreation programs and order your transfer and beach decals online now too. Go to www.town.sunapee.nh.us to sign up for news and announcements as we use this platform to communicate Town information to all of you.

The Town Committees and Boards had to figure out how to stay transparent to the residents when conducting public meetings to continue to be able to do the business of the town. The State of NH changed the rules so remote log ins currently count towards a quorum of a meeting. Each of our meeting locations that were streaming meetings now have the use of the Zoom picture in picture, so the meeting is live streamed and Zoomed to make a hybrid method of meeting. These meetings meet the legal requirements while allowing for the public to safely participate and watch to stay informed. Zooming is still a little cumbersome but I think it is here for the foreseeable future as it allows participation from a person who might not have physically come to the meeting. Nevertheless, we do not know yet how the laws will change after the State of Emergency that we are working under expires. Stay tuned and we will make the adjustments necessary as this happens.

Town services still happened, and you will see the other Department reports that will note the Covid-19 related impacts. More people were home resulting in more home improvement projects, which you can see with the levels of disposal at the Transfer Station. Please read the Library report to see the services that were provided during this changing environment. Everyone is thinking outside the box with how to deliver the services you need and expect.

There were some changes in some of our Department Heads this year. The Tri-Town Assessing, which is an intermunicipal agreement with New London and Newbury to hire and oversee a department that provides assessing for all three Towns, promoted Kris McAllister to Chief Assessor. She took over in the midst's of Sunapee's required update, fortunately for all of us, she was part of the process from the beginning and seamlessly completed the task.

We also saw a new Fire Chief be appointed, welcome Chief Galloway! The Fire Department was restructured due to past Warrant Articles that the Town approved. The Board of Firewards, therefore, worked over the year to approve a new organizational chart and job descriptions for the positions. We wish to thank Chief Ruggles for his years of service.

Thank you to all the Department Heads, this year, who among other facets of their professional position, had to become quick change artists. There were guidelines that were changing, sometimes from day to day, employees who were exposed, and workplace safety measures that needed to be implemented, all while performing the services the town expects, even in this challenging time, and they all more than exceeded the expectations. Everyone jumped into a help mode behind the scenes if another department got into trouble, so much so that the public was unaware of any issues.

With all of the changes related to handling the COVID-19 virus and its impacts; from quarantining, social distancing, face masks, PPE and hand sanitizer to juggling in/out office personnel, temperature checks, and a lot of other fast-moving changes, I want to make sure to applaud the efforts of the Town Office staff, dealing with the front line at the Selectmen's side of the office. I am sure the other Departments in their reports have noted those staff that are on the front lines each day, and I want to recognize Barbara Vaughn and Melissa Pollari, who day in and out make sure there is someone to answer your needs or will find a person who will. This has been a challenging year and they, among others, have stepped up without complaint to do what is necessary!

I consider myself very privileged to be your Town Manager.

Donna Nashawaty
Sunapee Town Manager

TOWN CLERK AND TAX COLLECTOR

What a year 2020 turned out to be for all of us. I do not expect anyone ever thought we would have to endure the things that were expected of us just to stay safe. Even during these times, the Town Clerk/Tax Collectors' Office was able to perform the most important duty of all and that is to serve our residents. We may have had some alternative ways of doing business, but we were determined to prevail. Thank you to everyone for the understanding you bestowed upon us during these very trying times.

Elections took up a great deal of time, with four elections it seems we would get over one and another was just around the corner. Elections require extensive knowledge and training by our election team which includes, Selectmen, Moderator, Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk, Supervisors of the Checklist and Ballot Clerks. We are so fortunate to have such an experienced election team. I have always loved the saying "it takes a village", and this certainly rang true with countless number of poll volunteers, Sunapee Police Department, Sunapee Highway and Building and Grounds and the Sunapee School District, especially the maintenance staff. We would have never been able to make this all happen without you. As the year began our office knew it was going to be a very busy year. Back-to-back elections like the Presidential Primary and Town and School Elections are always a challenge but this year both elections proved to surpass anything we could have imagined with the onset of COVID-19. In true Sunapee fashion both elections were very well attended. During the summer and fall months we prepared ourselves for the State Primary and the Presidential Elections. We had a record number of absentee requests that took an extraordinary amount of our time not only on election days, but also the weeks leading up to them. We prepared the polls to make them safe for our voters and poll workers and I applaud our Election Team for a job well done. I would also like to take this opportunity to commend our partners at the Secretary of State's Office-Election Division for guiding us during these turbulent times. Thank you for providing biweekly Zoom meetings and educating us to ensure that New Hampshire Elections ran smoothly.

A scheduled conversion to a new Town Clerk Program took place on February 1st. I cannot tell you what a difference this has made to our office. It not only is a huge enhancement to us but the customer service features to all of you is monumental. Registrations in general are up from last year. There was a 5% increase in DMV registrations as well as a 15% increase in boat registrations. We saw an increasing desire to process registrations online, as this was safe and secure way to get your registrations completed without exposure. Just a reminder if you register your boat with our office, Sunapee gets to keep some of the proceeds; if you mail it to the State of New Hampshire the State is the recipient all the funds. A big thank you to our partners at the Department of Safety – DMV for all your guidance throughout the year.

In 2020 dog registrations were down somewhat, and I am attributing it to the fact that some of you may have failed to do so during the pandemic. Please do not forget to register all dogs 4 months or older as they are required to be licensed prior to April 30th of each year. Dogs not licensed prior to June 1st will be imposed a \$25.00 fine.

Our partners at the Secretary of State's Office – Vital Records Division made some substantial changes over the past year. The entire death module was enhanced making it more user friendly for all stakeholders. We issued several birth and death certificates and marriage licenses during the year and another enhancement with our new Town Clerk Program is you can request these online also. This is very exciting for us and we hope you take advantage of all the online products now available. Thank you Vital Records Division we truly appreciate all your assistance.

Not only did we convert to a new Town Clerk Program but amid the pandemic we also converted to a new Tax Collector Program. Again, what a difference this has made to our day-to-day collection of taxes. This program also allows us to give you a new and improved way to pay and enables you to go online and look at your account for balances and tax history saving you the step of having to call for this information.

This is such an exciting new venture for all of us. Sunapee taxpayers are very conscientious when it comes to paying their real estate taxes and 2020 was no exception. Thank you taxpayers for all your efforts in paying your tax bills even during these trying times.

When times were at their darkest I knew there was a shining light and my fellow Department Heads and Town Employees having your support was that beam of light for me. We pulled together and worked as a team to get the job done.

I would be remiss if I did not thank Rachel Carmen, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector. What a ride this first year on the job has been for her. A normal year would have been many trips to Concord to all our State Agencies to learn the skills needed to perform her job. With COVID-19 this was not possible, so much on the job real time experience happened. I am proud to say Rachel is doing a great job and as soon as it is safe she will attend any training sessions beneficial to her.

As I enter my twenty fourth year as your Town Clerk/Tax Collector I want you to know what a honor it is to serve as you and your families. This year has been a year like no other on so many accounts. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me anytime at betty@town.sunapee.nh.us or 603-763-2449.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Ramspott, Town Clerk / Tax Collector



ABBOTT LIBRARY



With a quick glance around the Abbott Library building, it's clear that it is not business as usual and our annual statistics certainly back that up. With protective plastic barriers at the circulation desk, no furniture around the fireplace and masks on everyone, the effects of COVID-19 on public library operations are evident. In addition, the statistics point to a significant shift in how library patrons accessed the library's collection with huge spikes in our streaming movie service, our on-line New York Times subscription and downloaded e-books and a significant decline in the number of patrons who chose to come to the library in the midst of this global pandemic. I'm pleased to have the opportunity to share with you how and why we have made the operational decisions we have made this year.

In light of the New Hampshire Governor's Emergency Orders declaring a state of emergency, instructing schools to close and transition to remote instruction and prohibiting gatherings of more than 10, the library board of trustees made the difficult decision to close the library building on March 17, 2020 and to suspend curbside pick-up on March 23, 2020. Our first task at that juncture was to figure out how to provide access to the library's materials.

Thanks to the Sunapee School District's buses and drivers, on April 15 (23 days after we suspended curbside pick-up) 136 items were delivered to 25 homes in Sunapee. Home delivery service continued through the middle of August bringing more than 3,000 items to more than 600 homes. To our knowledge, we are the only public library in the state that offered delivery service on this scale.

On June 11, the Governor issued re-opening guidelines for libraries and on June 23, the Abbott Library re-opened its doors to the public. The Abbott Library was one of the first libraries in the state to re-open and we were able to open and allow people to browse freely, with no appointment needed. This level of access, so early in the re-opening phase, is due in large part to our new library building.

In an on-going effort to balance service with health and safety, our open hours are fewer than in pre-COVID-19 times. In the hours we're not open to the public, the staff is preparing library items for curbside pick-up, providing tech help to our patrons so that they can access our digital services, planning on-line events and programs and making to-go craft kits.

Thank you for your continued support, understanding and encouragement. We all look forward to the day when we can all gather again in our wonderful library.

Respectfully submitted,
Mindy Atwood, Director
Justin Levesque, Assistant Director
Joni Cushman, Youth Services Librarian
Brian Gebo, Custodian

Barbara Fitzgerald, Library Aide
Katy Hurd, Library Aide
Nichole Marcy, Library Aide
Terri Rounds, Library Aide

ABBOTT LIBRARY ANNUAL STATISTICS

Library Use:	2020	2019	2018
Total Circulation	39,892	58,934	61,978
Patrons (Library Visits)	9,824	32,148	21,037
New Registrations	109	207	214
Internet Usage	884	2,917	3,402
Reference	1,890	4,393	2,350
Wireless Usage	3,618	4,329	2,493
Downloaded Audio Books	3,152	3,229	2,855
Downloaded E Books	2,774	1,909	1,737
Music Downloaded	1,044	1,361	1,596
Music Streamed	3,622	5,108	4,300
	2020	2019	2018
Inter-Library Loans (through NH ILL):			
Borrowed by Sunapee	388	1,302	1,083
Lent by Sunapee	525	1,681	1,549
Active Borrowers	1,051	1,481	1,513
Website			
Visits	15,700	13,087	13,968
Unique Visitors	8,066	6,550	8,801
Meeting Room Usage in Hours	Activities	Conference	
	182.5	120	
Programs	Adult	Child	
Number of Programs	55	86	
Number of Attendees	454	1,682	
Number of Volunteer Hours	876.26		
2020 Materials:	Added	Deleted	
Adult Fiction	433	2,278	
Adult Non-Fiction	183	2,259	
Large Print	18	376	
Adult Audio Books	134	276	
Young Adult	147	221	
Children's Fiction	458	1,100	
Children's Non-Fiction	69	777	
DVD / Video	326	366	
Music CD	83	71	
Total:	1,851	7,724	
Total Materials at start of 2020:	32,976		

ASSESSING OFFICE



Goodbye 2020, and hello New Year. 2020 is a year I'll never forget as I'm sure most of us won't. I would have never imagined a once in a lifetime pandemic would bring record sales into Sunapee and the surrounding areas, but what's not to love; we are blessed.

In the past year this office has been extremely busy, we started off the year by visiting properties issued building permits, or properties that had work in progress; roughly about 200. Once completed, focus went to the required five year revaluation of property town wide.

The revaluation was a very stressful time for both the taxpayer and this Department. Real estate values from 2018 forward had appreciated, and the uncertainty of the economy in an election year were top of mind. Then comes March, the pandemic and sales went through the roof due to the high demand and little housing supply.

We had to rethink how things "used to be" and realize the new reality. No more interior home inspections, and no more one on one in person meetings. We completed the project successfully, yet after the assessed values were established the market continues to outpace 2020 assessed values. I will continue to closely monitor the statistics in the event a correction is warranted.

I cannot end this without expressing how grateful I am to work with the staff at Sunapee Town Office. Since March, as difficult as things have been, the support I received during the revaluation process was bar none, so much so that I nominated my main support, Melissa Pollari, Assessing Technician, for the 2020 Assessing Staff member of the year given by New Hampshire Association of Assessing Officials (NHAO) She deserved and won the award.

For more information regarding the Assessing Office, visit the website where you will find a vast amount of information, and recently added short video about the "role of the assessor"

<https://www.town.sunapee.nh.us/assessing>

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen McAllister



Sunapee Summary of Current Values By Use

Land Use	Count	Acres	Land Value	Improvements	Total
COM/IND	95	357.888	14,678,223 cu	30,141,900	44,820,123
FARM LAND	15	913.440	100,712 cu	0	100,712
MNGD HARDWD	3	96.500	4,086 cu	0	4,086
MNGD OTHER	1	12.500	391 cu	0	391
MNGD PINE	2	105.500	7,333 cu	0	7,333
UNMNGD HARDWD	16	789.320	63,371 cu	0	63,371
UNPRODUCTIVE	1	0.880	19 cu	0	19
UNMNGD OTHER	52	1,018.780	53,540 cu	0	53,540
UNMNGD PINE	17	444.230	48,060 cu	8,000	56,060
WETLANDS	6	35.260	766 cu	0	766
EXEMPT-MUNIC	122	1,236.997	15,015,800	36,052,100	51,067,900
EXEMPT-STATE	12	143.410	3,589,300	0	3,589,300
1F RES	1,661	6,254.306	116,485,274 cu	309,894,301	426,379,575
1F RES WTR ACS	286	484.357	63,709,200	83,850,400	147,559,600
1F RES WTRFRNT	854	831.312	529,796,167 cu	268,015,600	797,811,767
2F RES	23	16.862	1,593,000	4,758,800	6,351,800
3F RES	13	31.040	946,678 cu	2,900,100	3,846,778
4F RES	19	59.010	1,483,698 cu	5,922,600	7,406,298
UTILITY-ELEC	3	4.920	1,187,800	18,593,000	19,780,800
Report Totals:	3,201	12,836.512	\$748,763,418	\$760,136,801	\$1,508,900,219

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS

The following tax relief programs are permitted by State law and adopted by Town meeting. Applications are available by the Assessor's office, online at the Town of Sunapee website: www.town.sunapee.nh.us or the NH Department of Revenue website: www.nh.gov/revenue.

Abatements: Per RSA 76:16, property owners who believe their property is assessed incorrectly or that the assessment is disproportionate to other similar properties may apply to the Board of Selectmen for abatement.

Filing deadline: March 1st

Blind Exemption: Per RSA 72:37, every inhabitant owning residential real estate, who is legally blind as determined by the Administrator of Blind Services of the Vocational Rehabilitation Division of the Department of Education may apply for an exemption off the assessment of their residential property. Applicants must be a resident of Sunapee.

Benefits—reduction of assessed value: \$15,000.

Filing deadline: April 15th

Elderly Exemption: Per RSA 72:39-a and RSA 72:39-b, residents over 65 years of age who meet income and asset limits may apply for an exemption off the assessment of their property. A single resident must have a net income under \$25,000 and married residents must have a combined net income under \$34,000. Applicants cannot own assets in excess of \$75,000 (*excluding the value of the residence and residential land up to two acres*). Applicants must be a resident of Sunapee and must have lived in the State of New Hampshire for three (3) years, as of April 1st. Approved applications will receive the following reductions off their assessed value:

Benefits—reduction of assessed value: ages 65 – 74: \$35,000; ages 75 – 79: \$55,000; age 80 and over: \$75,000.

Filing deadline: April 15th

Veteran's Tax Credit: Per RSA 72:28, a resident who has served in the armed forces in qualifying wars or armed conflicts and was honorably discharged; a resident who served in any war or armed conflict that has occurred since May 8, 1975 in which the resident earned an armed forces expeditionary medal or theater of operations service medal; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, may qualify for a \$500 tax credit. The surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty, so long as the surviving spouse does not remarry, may qualify for a \$2,000 tax credit. Applicants must be a resident of Sunapee and must have lived in the State of New Hampshire for at least one year, as of April 1st. Any person who has a total and permanent service connected disability or is a double amputee or paraplegic because of a service connected injury, and has been honorably discharged, may qualify for a \$2,000 tax credit.

Filing deadline: April 15th

Solar Tax Credit: Per RSA 72:62, the Town of Sunapee has adopted a solar energy system exemption equal to 100% of the ad valorem value of the solar energy system from the assessed value, for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property which is equipped with a "solar energy system" as defined in RSA 72:61.

Filing deadline: April 15th

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Burials

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Grave</u>
December 4, 2019	Melodie J. Lessard	New Eastman	6B	3
December 4, 2019	Natalie Mavor Miles	New Eastman	104D	1
August 16, 2020	Joyce A. Internicola	South	18	1
November 19, 2020	George Hoy	South	74	4

Cremations

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Grave</u>
June 17, 2017	George A. Rice	New Eastman	91D	4
January 14, 2020	Margaret Rice	New Eastman	91D	4
March 28, 2020	Isabel B. Torno	New Eastman	65B	2
April 19, 2020	Christine N. Johns	New Eastman	43D	1
June 5, 2020	Judith E. Sargent	New Eastman	73A	3
July 14, 2020	Richard J. Morse, Sr.	New Eastman	41A	2
August 1, 2020	John A. Bergeron	New Eastman	75C	1
August 5, 2020	Linda J. Herd	New Eastman	63D	1
September 7, 2020	Cody J. E. Pillsbury	New Eastman	80B	3
September 26, 2020	Patricia J. Rude	New Eastman	71B	1

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Trow, Chair



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission believes this is the year that the value of the work we have done to conserve property and create access to trails and open space has really shone through. As the pandemic changed behavior in the spring, it was easy to see parking lots at trail heads fill up and a tremendous amount of people using outdoor spaces. We appreciate your support and are glad that a large number of you are outside enjoying all the benefits that open space provides. This experience does come at a cost and we also appreciate your continued support of our budget, both our regular operating budget and the Conservation Commission Fund where we accumulate funds to complete larger projects. Because of the activity in that account, we find ourselves with a very low balance and as a Commission we are nervous that we won't have enough funds to complete the next project that comes along. Our stated goal is to have \$250,000 in that account for use to complete projects, as a point of reference our last project cost over \$200,000 to conserve important farm property in town.

This year we formed a committee to explore ways to work on our trail network with volunteers, a large amount of our available funds are being used to complete this work and we find that users of our trail network feel like they would like to "give back" by helping to clear and maintain the trail network. The Town faces liability issues when volunteers are out on the ground doing work like this but with careful planning and documentation the committee feels that we can make this safe for all parties involved, stay tuned for updates. We are continuing with implementing our forest management plan and have activity planned for the Ledge Pond Town Forest, please visit as part of your outdoor experiences. Thank you for your continued support.

Van O. Webb
Chairman, Sunapee Conservation Commission



CROWTHER CHAPEL



2020 was a challenging year, but we had a good season and a good amount of visitors, we were pleased and received many positive comments.

One of our visitors was raised in Sunapee and told us that 40 years ago, while hiking thru the woods, he found the Chapel and had always wondered how to get in. This year, he came for a visit and found out thru the Church Bulletin at St. Joachim / St. Patrick's, that the Chapel was open, so he came and was impressed. We heard more than once about our hidden gem.

I wish to thank the Committee for being there to help and keep up with our maintenance issues, setting up the Chapel and taking everything down. A special thank you to John Augustine for hosting all of our meetings. Debbie, thanks for taking the minutes and distributing them, Betty and Helene for the set up and cleanup help, Craig for his maintenance help and finding contractors when needed, Wendy and Skip for helping setting up and Wendy for coming to help with the packing to get ready for storing relics at Harrington's and David Lantz for storing our artifacts for the winter. Thanks to the docents especially Susan and Dwayne Swan for their continuous help.

Sincerely
Gigi Polleys

ENERGY COMMITTEE

At the start of 2020, the Energy Committee (EC) consisted of Keith Chrisman and Bette Nowack.

In implementing its Mission Statement, as described in the 2019 Town Report, this year the EC collected energy usage data from four buildings to enter into Portfolio Manager. Portfolio Manager is a benchmarking program developed by the EPA to compare Energy, Water, and Waste & Materials usage in similar buildings across the country to find opportunities for savings. The EC would then apply those results to enroll in a rebate program run by Eversource. The buildings would be audited and rebates provided, based upon the outcome of the audits. The four buildings we focused on were Town Hall, the Safety Services Building, the Highway Department, and the Georges Mills Fire Station.

The EC gathered energy usage data (electricity, propane, and fuel oil) for the four buildings from the energy providers and entered it into PM. Eversource recommended an auditor for buildings and an auditor for lighting.

The EC connected the Waste Water Treatment Plant with the Dept. of Environmental Services, who then, in December 2020, had their auditor assess and recommend process improvements.

Due to the COVID-19 virus, the EC did not meet from 2/19/2020-6/2/2020.

Keith Chrisman
Chairman,
Energy Committee
Town of Sunapee
21 Jan 2021



FIRE DEPARTMENT



On behalf of the Sunapee/Fire EMS we would like to thank the community for your support. We are so fortunate to have you by our side assisting us all the way. This partnership has allowed us the ability to train and provide essential emergency services to the Town of Sunapee.

In March I was appointed your new Fire Chief. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Retired Chief Dan Ruggles for all his dedicated years of service to the Sunapee Fire Department. His commitment has paved the path for the future of the department.

Emergency services has no set schedule, it is response at whatever time of day an occurrence takes place. With that said I would also like to thank all the members of the Sunapee Fire Department, as well as their families for the flexibility that is required for responding to calls all hours of the day and night.

Our Department responded to a record 601 calls, 299 medical calls and 302 fire related calls. We have had the busiest year to date. This number is 33 more calls than last year.

Below you will find this year's calls:

299 Medical	14 Public assist	4 Illegal burn
7 Brush fire	1 Ice rescue	6 Details
25 Mutual	4 Boat rescue	22 Investigations
4 First alarm fire	6 Tree down	5 Spills
1 Second alarm fire	11 Wires down	19 Carbon monoxide
7 General alarm fire	1 Search/rescue	1 Car fire
54 Car accidents	110 Alarm activations	

The Sunapee Fire Department has been going through a restructuring process over the past few years. As a result, the Department is moving forward in a positive manner. The overall structure of personnel is working out effectively. Another important asset to a Department is equipment and how it is utilized. We have combined tools onto one rescue truck and the refurbishment of a former police car is being utilized for Scene Command and several EMS Calls.



A refurbished police car, now used for Sunapee Fire as EMS response and fire command car.

Safety for members and for the community is a top priority. We have implemented protocols, so members of the department are properly trained on equipment. With the onset of COVID-19 proper cleaning methods had to be instituted to decrease spread of the virus keeping members and the community safe while responding to calls. Equipment such as sprayers to aid in decontaminating equipment after calls are now protocol. Members wear masks while responding to and at calls as well as in the station for meeting and training. We distance each other for safety of everyone and to set the proper example for our community. We were

fortunate to be able to accommodate outside instructors for pump training, water supply and to broaden EMS knowledge.

Due to the pandemic this year we are now only issuing burn permits online. This is for all categories from Class 1 seasonal permits to Category 3 brush piles. The cost is \$3.00 for the permit and a link to the burn permit is under the fire department tab of the town website.

A couple of reminders. In an emergency it is imperative that we locate your residence as soon as possible. With this said I would like to ask all residents to please make sure you have your house numbers visible from the road. Also, a reminder to change your batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors twice a year.

During these difficult times of the past year the Sunapee Fire Department was able to spread some joy by coordinating parades for celebrations, and several members read books to the younger generation to help pass the time while they were staying at home. Other town events we have assisted with is the Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot and we even delivered Santa to the Harbor for visits with our youth.

As we move forward in 2021 we will continue to respond to the needs of the community by adapting to the changes in strategies and science related to the pandemic, continuing our training efforts to provide efficient and responsive service and maintain equipment and facilities. As we eventually get away from the COVID we are excited to try to institute a Junior Program to pique the interest of high school aged youth interested in some experiences in the Fire and EMS Service.

The Sunapee Fire/EMS is an on-call department; therefore, we do not have a staff at the fire house. We respond from home or family activities when it is possible. Many members work out of town or have employment from which they cannot leave to go to calls. We are always seeking new members for both Fire and EMS positions. Please contact me, or any member of the Sunapee Fire Department to learn more.

From the 30 members of the Sunapee Fire/EMS Department we wish all our neighbors, supporters, and visitors a very safe and healthy 2021. Please contact me if you have any questions or any concerns with which I can assist.



Sunapee Fire Fast Response Utility Truck, used for brush fires, trees and wires down and also transport of additional members to calls.

EMERGENCY- DIAL 911
Chief John Galloway
Sunapee Fire Department
PO Box 15
9 Sargent Rd.
Sunapee, NH 03782
Phone # 603-763-5770
Fax # 603-763-7358
Cell # 603-520-5593

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Winter Maintenance: The Highway Department began winter maintenance operations on the Town's roads in November 8, 2019 and continued them through April 23, 2020. The winter of 2019/2020 saw 34 storm events with approximately 64.5" of snow, 2.3" of sleet, 2.2" freezing rain, and 5.6" of rain. Our winter maintenance efforts resulted with the use of approximately 385 tons of straight rock salt that were applied to the roads, 2,284 tons of super sand (2 part sand & 1 part salt mixture), 207 tons of straight sand and 2,135 tons of chip-stone (sand and 3/8" chip-stone mixture). Much of the winter saw average to above average temperatures, and in mid-January our gravel roads experienced a significant thaw! We used slightly more chip stone and slightly more rock salt in 2019/2020 than in previous years as a result of the numerous sleet and freezing rain events that we experienced. We continued spreading 3/8" chip stone and sand mixture on our gravel roads during winter maintenance operations for improved traction and for enhanced road stabilization during the spring thaw. We also applied approximately 425 tons of 3/4" and 1 1/2" crushed stone to our gravel roads during the January thaw and during the spring thaw in April.



Photograph of Jobs Creek Road Bridge over Jobs Creek replaced with a laminated wood beam and laminated wood deck bridge, paved over and with new wood and corr-10 steel guardrails.

Bridge Maintenance & Repair: In August through October of 2020, we reconstructed the Jobs Creek Road Bridge over Jobs Creek. This project was funded with the Bridges Capital Reserve Plan. The project consisted of the removal of the existing bridge and replacing it with a laminated wood beam and laminated wood deck bridge, installation of new wood post and wood beam guardrails on the bridge and corr-10 steel guardrails with wood posts extending along the bridge approaches, and repaving the bridge and the approaches with 3-inches of asphalt.

Roadway Maintenance & Repairs: We completed multiple roadway maintenance and repair projects in 2020. We began the 2-season process of a total rehabilitation of Youngs Hill Road, resurfaced Chase Street, Dowd Lane and Orchard Circle, and completed drainage repair projects for the aforementioned roads in conjunction with the projects. The Highway Department's Road Management Plan provides the schedule and the estimated cost for the annual road repairs and the repairs are funded in the Highway Department's paving line item.



Photograph of the resurfacing of Dowd Lane with the rehabilitated stone-lined drainage ditches on both side of the road.

Harbor Boat Launch Replacement Project:

In 2019 we developed plans and secured the necessary wetlands permit from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services to replace the existing failing Harbor boat launch with a new boat launch. In early-November 2020, after dewatering the boat launch area, we began removal of the existing boat launch and in late November 2020 the boat launch project was completed. This project consisted of installing a steel sheet pile curtain around the existing boat launch area, dewatering



the area inside the curtain, removing the existing concrete boat launch pads, preparing a stable subbase for the new concrete boat launch pads to rest on, installing the new concrete boat launch pads, improving the drainage along the south side of the boat launch, and the installation of a boulder scour pad at the bottom of the concrete pads to prevent scour and erosion of the lake bottom as a result of power loading boats onto trailers. This project was funded by the Hydroelectric Revenue Fund.

Leaf Removal & Fall Cleanup: We began our fifth year of the leaf removal program using the Town's leaf vacuum. The program includes vacuuming leaves from our roads, shoulders, and drainage ditches, into the leaf vacuum's 30 cubic yard storage container and delivery to the transfer station where they are used in the compost program. This year we were able to remove leaves from the majority of the Town's paved roads as a result of the decent weather that extended through November.

Annual Tree Management: We completed our fifth full year of the Tree Management Plan in 2020. During this time a private contractor removed numerous dead and hazardous trees from within the Town's rights-of-way and continued an aggressive tree pruning program within the Town's rights-of-way to remove tree limbs that were hazards to the traveling public and/or pedestrians. We were also assisted by utility companies for the removal of trees that had the potential to damage overhead utility lines.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

2020 found the Buildings and Grounds Department reprioritizing it's schedule due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In March 2020 we refocused our efforts to sanitizing and cleaning the Town's buildings in accordance with CDC guidelines. Our efforts were assisted by a private company for cleaning of the public restrooms outside of normal working hours. Our goal was to help keep the employees and/or the public safe while working in or visiting the Town's buildings. That said, we were not able to complete some of the buildings and grounds maintenance projects that were scheduled. However, the staff did complete the replacement of the existing failed clap boards at the Safety Service Building and on the Highway Garage as well as many other small projects throughout the Town.

Should any resident of the Town have questions, comments, or suggestions regarding Highway Department operations, or Buildings & Ground Maintenance please do not hesitate to contact me at (603) 763-5060 Ext 11, or please feel free to stop in at my office at 621 Route 11.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott A. Hazelton, CPESC

HYDROELECTRIC PLANT

I am pleased to provide this, my 21st, report for the Town's hydro-electric generating plant. The Plant officially went online in February 1985 and has generated over 78,000,000 GREEN kilowatt hours and almost 6.4 million dollars in revenue in its 35 year history. 2020 ended down about 20% LOWER than 2019 in generation, at 1,661,440 kWh. The first six months were very productive. However, the Plant went off line at the end of May and, I'm sure most of you were aware of the extremely dry summer and fall so, as a result, the Plant did not resume operations until the very end of November. A pretty wet December contributed to 20% of the year's generation.

2020 was the second full year of net metering, which qualified the Town to receive the default energy price from Eversource, which was \$0.08825/kWh for the 1st half and \$0.07625/kWh for the 2nd half. The Town reimbursed Standard Power, our Net metering aggregator, a total of \$16,828.79 in 2020, which was the difference above \$0.075 in the 1st half and above \$0.06 for the 2nd half. In addition to this rate, the Plant still was able to generate and sell 1,544 Renewable Energy Credits, which provided an additional \$0.026/kWh or \$38,618.03. A very wet late fall allowed the Plant to operate at full capacity for all of December, in addition to the Water Department operating their water pumping turbine.

Total revenue generated for 2020 was just under \$150,000.00.

The dollar amounts in this report may be different from the amounts shown in the Revenue section of this Town Report due to the timing of payments.

In closing, I would like to thank Joe Adams and Jeff Collins for their continued commitment as assistant Plant Operators.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Collins, Plant Operator



PLANNING BOARD

This past year brought many changes to how everyone conducts their everyday activities, from how they do their job, go to school, and simply interact socially with friends and family.

Sunapee, along with many other rural areas, experienced a sudden & sustained influx of folks seeking a safer and less stressful environment to reside in. To address new social distancing guidelines and the Governor's executive order, most, if not all town public meetings went to a hybrid online/in person format. As with any new process, there was, and is, a learning curve to this new way of meeting. Overall, things worked out well and are continuing to improve with user familiarity of the interface and procedure. Whether this is a permanent shift to a new way of conducting business or a temporary adjustment remains to play out.

Over the past few years, town meetings were available online to watch but not to participate. This new format lets anyone, from anywhere be included in the board's discussion and process. We hope you take this opportunity to join us, and any town board, to express your thoughts and have input.

As usual, the Planning Board acted on several minor sub-divisions, lot line adjustments and lot mergers this past year. Many of the cases reviewed and/or approved were site plans for proposed or changing businesses, along with subdivisions for residential use. A few of our cases were directly tied to our changing societal norms, such as:

- Working with a local restaurant to allow an expanded outdoor patio eating area.
- A Farmer's Market by a local institution to sell locally grown and made products.
- Discussion of short-term rental units and their impact on the community and resources and what, if any, kind of land use regulations would be appropriate to address resident's concerns.
- Review and discussion regarding farming, specifically home grown produce, livestock and poultry. The board reviewed regulations and definitions used by other local towns and the state of NH in addressing non-commercial farming practices. One of the main concerns was in what part of our town should these activities be allowed or not allowed.
- The LSPA, in conjunction with their new entry addition and site layout, was granted approval of an additional solar panel array to help offset current electrical costs and dependencies.

With suggestions from the ZBA and public input, we review and recommend proposed Zoning Amendments for the town to consider at the March town vote. Most of this year's proposed amendments are clarifications to our ordinance thru added definitions to help applicants better understand the ordinance.

If these proposed amendments are approved, they will become part of the Town Zoning Ordinance. The boards encourage all residents to become familiar with the proposed changes and recommend they contact the Zoning Administrator or Town Planner or come to one of our meetings if you have any questions or concerns.

Your involvement as citizens of Sunapee is greatly appreciated by the board and we encourage your continued input & participation, especially since you can now join us from just about anywhere.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter J. White, Chair

PLANNING BOARD APPLICATIONS

	<i>Approved</i>	<i>Denied</i>	<i>Withdrawn</i>	<i>Pending</i>	<i>Total</i>
Subdivisions*	3	0	0	0	3
Site Plans	7	0	1	0	8
Mergers^	2	1	0	0	3
Total Cases	16	1	1	0	14

*Two (2) new lots were approved in 2020. ^Two (2) lots were merged.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Marquise ~ Town Planner

POLICE DEPARTMENT



The members of the Sunapee Police Department are as happy as everyone else to get put the year 2020 behind us!

In March when Covid-19 hit the country, our Town felt the impact as everyone else did. The police department saw changes in our world that we have never seen or experienced before. The police department had dedicated a lot of time to meeting and communicating with our citizens and that would all change. Events such as "Coffee with the Chief", "Restorative Justice" and even our department trainings were postponed until we could get direction and guidance on how to deal with Covid-19 in such a way we

could be safe. The police department would alter our responses to emergency/routine calls such as not entering homes, wearing protective gear and closing our lobby to visitors. In a way we felt we were shutting down the outside world. During this time the police department had officers that were subjected to quarantine with possible Covid exposures which left holes and coverage issues in the scheduling. Thankfully, none of the Police officers have been infected and the quarantine was for a safety measure pending test results. As time went on and Governor Sununu and staff educated us all with hour long phone calls 3 days a week, like everyone else, we began to open up and provide our service in a manner that was safe for the officers and the community. We now allow visitors, hold our department meetings/training and "Coffee with the Chief". We are not back to the way we were but I am not sure any of us will ever see those days again. We are operating under what we can all recognize as the "new normal".

As a police agency dealing with the pandemic we also are dealing with the crisis around the country with the allegations of mistreatment by law enforcement. New Hampshire would also be required to respond to those civil issues by way of Governor Sununu's office. Governor Sununu created a commission called Law Enforcement Accountability, Community and Transparency. This commission was made up of law enforcement professionals, judges, the NH Attorney General, the NH Commissioner of Safety, the Director of the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council, and members from Black Lives Matter, the NAACP and the ACLU. There were many training concepts, policies and procedures that were implemented by Governor Sununu as a result of the Commission's hard work. That implementation will impact all police departments and all police officers in the State, to include mandated body worn cameras for law enforcement, policy changes in the amount of training at the police academy when dealing with suspects or during the de-escalation of an incident and what types of force to use such as barring all choke holds unless deadly force is authorized by statute. This means we will spend more time on training concepts to meet the guidelines and requirements for New Hampshire.

During 2020 Officer Joseph Merullo graduated the full time police academy filling the open position left by Officer Timothy Therrien. The police department is at full staff ending in 2020.

Below are the department's statistics for the year 2020.

- 1,421 vehicle stops
- 75 in custody arrests
- 6,160 calls for service
- 237 field interviews
- 8,295 total calls for service
- 914 people visited our lobby
- 3,368 phone calls answered separate from dispatch



As we entered into the summer the Town saw not only our summer residents arrive but the visitors were steady as well each weekend. We received numerous complaints about the way people were operating their boats that raised concern for the safety of others on the lake. The Sunapee Officers conducted boat patrols as often as our schedules would allow us checking on registrations, licensing and safe passage to name a few violations that they observed. NH Marine Patrol does have a boat on Lake Sunapee and we worked closely with them during our patrols.

2020 was the year for two new police cars and we chose the full size Chevy Tahoe as our new patrol car. Both of our old police cars were reused by the Water & Sewer Department as well as the Sunapee Fire Department. Through generous donation of citizens and the Sunapee Police Benevolent Association we continue to purchase the electric speed signs. As you may have seen we have two on Route 11 in both east and west directions in an effort to reduce the speed of vehicles as they travel through Sunapee. These signs also provide us with data which you can find on our website.

Moving into 2021, the police department will really need to focus on our training more than usual as the Governor's LEACT Commission required training for police officers not only added more hours for each officer but outlined specific training topics for all law enforcement. This is to make sure there are forged relationships within the communities to ensure there is a model of "Community Policing" that is present. The additional training hours and classes are also being introduced at the police academy for recruit level training.

Another large recommendation coming from the Governor's LEACT commission is the mandatory use of Body Worn Cameras for all of New Hampshire Law Enforcement. In an effort meet the recommendation the Sunapee Police has placed an article on the Town warrant to authorize the expense for the Sunapee Police to be outfitted with such cameras.

While the Sunapee Police and citizens have been through a lot this year we remain committed to providing a professional level of service to our citizens and visitors alike. While we are not perfect we strive to do the best we can do in our service.

I want to thank all of the Sunapee Police staff for their hard work and professionalism as well as their dedication to the work they do everyday. I also want to thank the families of the Sunapee Police employees for all their unwavering support that makes our jobs that much easier.

As always I honored to serve as your Chief of Police if there is anything me or my staff can do please do not hesitate to call us.

David P. Cahill
Chief of Police



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Sunapee Recreation Department has many things to be proud of during this year in which we were dealt with a worldwide pandemic. Normally, I would take this opportunity to write about all the programs that were offered and the ever increasing participation numbers and all about the wonderful volunteers that make it all possible, but 2020 was anything but a typical normal year.

As spring and summer approached and Covid-19 progressed, we made some difficult decision to cancel the spring athletic season, July 4th fireworks display, swimming and sailing lessons, but thankfully, following guidelines and procedures from the State of NH Governor's office we were successful in opening Dewey Beach, our town playgrounds and a few of our normal summer programs. Safety procedures such as regular cleanings, social distancing and limiting equipment usage was our new normal and the Recreation Dept. summer staff did an amazing job following these required protocols.

As summer turned into fall and the number of positive Covid cases remained low the Recreation Department was able to provide a modified, but very enjoyable, youth soccer season. Over 100 players equipped with shin-guards, cleats, and face masks made the best of a season filled with lots of skill and drill and only a few actual games. Special thanks to our dedicated coaches for their strong willingness to make the best of a tough situation.

The 14th Annual Turkey Trot 5k continued to be a live race this fall thanks to guidance from Millennium Racing, the Governor's office and support from the Police, Fire and Highway Departments. A couple new events offered this year that will continue to be part of the annual offerings was a Pumpkin Carving party at Veterans Field and Letters to Santa. These events brought joy to the families that participated making the holidays very special.

Winter has blessed us with perfect weather for a beautiful Skating Rink at Veterans Field and the start of youth basketball is underway thanks to Mount Royal Academy for the use of their gymnasium. Throughout this year, more than ever, residents and visitors of our wonderful town appreciate the value that recreation brings to our community. Dewey and Georges Mills Beaches, Dewey and Veterans Athletic Fields, Tilton Park playground and our extensive trail network are used and enjoyed by many promoting their quality of life.

2021 is shaping up to be very exciting with the addition of a summer day camp and junior adventure camps for kids. Expanded programs, classes and special events will also be provided for seniors, pre-school children and families. We strive to identify the needs of the community and make them our highest priority.

Veterans Field continues to be our main focus for facility improvements. Donations and fundraising efforts continue to be successful as we approach our final plans for phase one, which includes an improved parking lot, basketball court, skate park and concession stand. It is our hope that we can break ground in 2022 with this exciting project so that we can continue to provide quality Recreation opportunities for all generations to enjoy.

Thank you for another year of continued dedication and support for Recreation in Sunapee!

Scott Blewitt
Recreation Director

Recreation Committee Members:
Charleen Osborne - Chair
Dan Hayward
Megan Oxland
Melissa Trow

SUNAPEE WELCOME CENTER



At the Welcome Center, every effort was made to keep our door open this season, and we managed to do it! And while we didn't see as many longer-term guests visiting our area as in past years, we saw a substantial increase in the number of "day trippers". Fortunately, the boat tours, local dining spots and shops, along with local hiking trails remained open for folks to enjoy. Many of our regular summer seasonal residents returned, as well; some of whom extended their stays.

For all those people who stopped by, thank you for taking care to protect yourselves and others by observing recommended safety protocols as posted. Every effort was important, and much appreciated! We really are all in this together!

No doubt, caution kept many people from traveling this year, but we hope they'll be visiting next year, bringing new friends to enjoy our very special town and area, and that we'll all see a return of brighter days to ever-beautiful Sunapee Country in 2021!

Until then, be safe and stay well!

We will be open on weekends from Memorial Day through June, and Labor Day through Columbus Day. In July and August we'll be open daily!

Respectfully submitted,
Margery Bradie
Lois Gallup
Joan Pankhurst

TRANSFER STATION

The Town processed approximately 1,230 tons of municipal solid waste (MSW) in 2020, compared to 1,060 tons in 2019, and we processed approximately 574 tons of construction and demolition debris (C&D) in 2020 compared to 588 tons in 2019. The cost to dispose of MSW and C&D in 2020 was \$55.48/ton.

Gross revenues from the sale of recyclables was \$27,881 in 2020, compared to approximately \$29,693 in 2019. This translates to about \$0.025 on the tax rate. Market conditions for the sale of recyclables were lower than normal this year as a result of the tariff's the Federal Government placed on China. We hope that the market will turn around at some point during 2021, and we hope to be headed in the right direction of our goal to reach \$50,000 in gross revenues for recyclables.

We continue to explore more innovative ways to remove additional solid waste products from our waste stream that we pay to dispose of. Specifically, we generated approximately 160 tons of glass in 2020 compared to 125 tons of glass in 2019, at a disposal cost of \$35/ton in 2020. We are working with the NRRA and their program that uses crushed glass as an aggregate product for the production of insulation. Another option residents should consider is purchasing items that come in plastic or aluminum containers because these items generate revenue when recycled.

In 2020 we paved the main access road through the transfer station for improved safety for the public delivering solid waste commodities and recyclables to the transfer station. We began providing composted leaf material back to the public at no cost, and we completed our fourth year with the "Take-it or Leave-it" shack. We estimate that approximately 30-40 tons of solid waste material was removed from the waste stream in 2020 as a result of the compost program and the Take-it or Leave-it Shack.

Remember, please make a conscious effort to keep all recyclable materials out of your household trash to help save on MSW disposal costs, please continue to do your part by recycling, and encourage other residents in the Town to recycle as well. Recycling helps save tax dollars and the environment.

Should you have any questions, comments or suggestions regarding operations at the transfer station, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Transfer Station staff, or myself at 763-5060 Ext. 11.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott A. Hazelton, Highway Director





"Partnering to make recycling strong through economic and environmentally sound solutions"

Northeast Resource Recovery Association, 2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234
 Telephone: (603) 736-4401 or 1-800-223-0150 Fax: (603) 736-4402
 E-mail: info@nrna.net Web Site: www.nrra.net

Town of Sunapee, NH

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact your recycling has had on our environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling organization, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

Recyclable Material	Amount Recycled In 2020	Environmental Impact! Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than manufacturing products from virgin resources
Aluminum Cans	32,255 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a television for 3,283,559 hours!
Electronics	14,296 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to power 1.8 houses for one year!
Paper	67 Tons	Saved 1,150 trees!
Plastics	25,740 lbs.	Conserved 19,305 gallons of gasoline!
Scrap Metal	169.8 gross tons	Conserved 475,308 pounds of iron ore!
Steel Cans	11 gross tons	Conserved enough energy to run a 60 wall light bulb for 641,160 hours!
Tires	10.6 tons	Conserved 7 barrels of oil!
<p>Avoided Emissions: Recycling uses much less energy than making products from virgin resources, and using less energy means fewer greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere. By recycling the materials above, you have avoided about 1,255 tons of carbon dioxide emissions. This is the equivalent of removing 267 passenger cars from the road for an entire year.</p>		



Benefits of NRRA Municipal Membership

- *Voting privileges at NRRA annual/special member meetings
- *Free subscription to NRRA's E-Newsletter-"Full of Scrap"
- *Access to all of NRRA's cooperative marketing programs, providing consistently high value revenue, consistent movement for all recyclables, and the entire waste stream including MSW
- *Access to NRRA's monthly pricing guide
- *Access to NRRA Members' only section of website
- *Access to NRRA's cooperative purchasing programs
- *NRRA monthly/quarterly/annual activity reports
- *Annual NRRA environmental impact reports
- *Discounts to NRRA award winning annual conference
- *Discounts to NRRA workshops, bus tours, other events
- *NRRA SWAT team assistance as needed on site
- *Technical assistance from NRRA's member services team
- *Attendance at NRRA's member's only "M.O.M". meetings
- *Opportunities for NH DES credit towards operator training
- *Free NRRA membership for all K-12 schools in your municipality
- *Discounts on all NRRA School CLUB recycling programming
- *Grant processing assistance for any NH the Beautiful Bins/Grants/Signs
- *Financing assistance for recycling infrastructure - NRRA will assist with the purchase of balers, skid steers, trailers and storage containers, both with NHtB grant applications and with commodity payments over time

Membership Fee is .07/capita (\$ 100 minimum/\$ 1,800 maximum)

Municipal dues year runs from April 1 through March 31*
(option for July 1 thru June 30 available upon request)

*Municipal membership fees can be prorated for new members

TRANSFER STATION & BEACH PASSES

The owner or owners of the residential property will be given a 3-year decal pass for entrance to the Transfer Station and Dewey Beach. The decal pass is to be affixed to the inside of the driver's side windshield, upper corner. If not affixed and the decal pass is lost, a fee of \$25 will be charged for a replacement pass. The owner may request as many passes as he wants, but each decal pass must have a plate number.

Relatives of owners and long-term renters will be issued 1-year decal pass for entrance to the Transfer Station and Dewey Beach with a plate number. Seasonal or short-term renters will be issued a temporary "card stock" pass with the make and color of their vehicle, plate number and expiration date.

Land only and Boat Slip "card stock" passes will be reviewed and issued on a case-by-case basis.

If the property is a business, for example: Sunapee Cottages, which has 11 units, they would get 11 "card stock" guest passes that would be good for the current summer season. Owners must request a contractor's pass. They will be issued a temporary pass with their make and color of vehicle, plate number and expiration date.

There is a fee for any materials placed in the open-top container. The tickets necessary for placing materials in this container are available at the Selectmen's Office or at the Transfer Station. Brochures explaining the fee schedule and the materials covered, are also available at the Selectmen's Office.

To request a new or replacement transfer station sticker, please go to:

<https://www.town.sunapee.nh.us/transfer-station> and click the button that says "Transfer Station Sticker Renewal / Replacement Form"

TRANSFER/RECYCLING STATION HOURS

603-763-4614

Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday ~ 8:00 am - 4:15 pm

Sunday ~ 8:00 am – 11:45 am. Closed Tuesday and Wednesday

The Town of Sunapee adopted an Ordinance at the Annual Meeting March 12, 1985 (amended March 1989 and 1990) covering our Transfer/Recycling Facility. Copies are available at the Sunapee Town Office or on the town's website:

www.town.sunapee.nh.us

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Vaughn, Administrative Assistant



TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

The Sunapee Trustees of the Trust Funds (STOTF) met three times in 2020 to discharge its fiduciary duties under both the Town of Sunapee's Investment Policy and the State of New Hampshire's Revised Statutes, Title III (2014) (**RSA 31:19, Trusts, Reserve Funds and the Role of Trustees**), regarding the 47 existing Trust Funds to ensure that the monies therein are fully protected and prudently invested with sufficient liquidity to satisfy any demands for funds from various town departments. As stated in last year's report, all funds shall be invested and maintained in a professional manner that adheres to the principals of:

- Safety – preserving the value of principle through conservative investments that minimize the impact of negative influences and guard against loss due to error or fraud.
- Liquidity – maintaining the ability to convert investment assets into cash, when and as needed, without incurring financial penalties.
- Investment Return – obtaining the highest investment return possible, consistent with the concern for safety and liquidity.
- Convenience – maintaining a system of operational controls that facilitates the investment and reporting processes, while minimizing associated administrative and cost burdens.

The Town's 47 Trust Funds are invested with TD Bank, N.A. through its Government Banking Department and held in a multi sub-account deposit product which is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). TD Bank, N.A. is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Canadian multinational Toronto Dominion Bank. Any amounts above the \$250,000 FDIC limit are collateralized through a TD bank N.A. Trustee agreement with Bank of New York (BONY) Mellon utilizing a Letter of Credit (LOC) from the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Pittsburgh of which BONY Mellon is a member.

Aggregate Trust Funds began the year at \$3,087,609.08. There was \$540,600.00 added in principal, \$15,994.44 in interest earned at a average rate of 0.48% and \$672,124.98 withdrawn for various needs, leaving a year end 2020 aggregate balance of \$2,972,078.54. The drop in the interest rate earned from the prior year was substantially due to the Federal Reserve reducing the targeted fed funds rate early in the Spring of 2020 in response to the decline in the economy from the COVID-19 virus.

Late in 2019, The **STOTF** asked TD Bank, N.A. to submit a written attestation, to be provided annually, stating that, subject to its examination, the **STOTF** was in compliance with the requirements of NH RSA 31:25 (Custody; Investment). On January 10, 2021, TD Bank, N.A. provided such attestation to the **STOTF**. In addition, the **STOTF** reviewed TD Bank, N.A.'s performance as Trustee and concluded that TD Bank, N.A. had performed satisfactorily in 2020 and, therefore, shall continue to act as Investment Advisor to the **STOTF** in 2021.

The **STOTF** also asked TD Bank, N.A., to provide a monthly review of yield curve large (over \$100,000) Certificate of Deposit (CD) rates to determine if there were opportunities within some of the 47 trust funds to increase the yield on investments for those funds which had sizeable balances and little need to invade those balances for known or anticipated 2020 draw downs. TD Bank, N.A. agreed to provide such monthly updates and has done so in accordance with said agreement. Because of the retraction in the economy, the impact thereon caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the resultant continuation of a historically low yield curve, no such opportunities have been available. **STOTF** will continue to review such opportunities periodically to enhance investment returns where merited.

Given the above, we, the Trustees of the Trust Funds, believe we have faithfully discharged our fiduciary duties for the fiscal year 2020 and we respectfully submit this report as evidence thereof.

Brian Garland (Chairperson), Lynn Smith (Trustee), John Berger (Trustee)

WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

The Department had a bit of a challenging year in 2020 and I would like to begin by thanking the Water and Sewer Commissioners for their support during the past year and by also thanking the Highway, Fire, and Police Departments for all their assistance during 2020.

This year in the water systems, the department repaired eight water main breaks, replaced two curb stops and one fire hydrant, defrosted one frozen water service, replaced 675 feet of summer water line and tested all commercial backflows in town. The department flushed hydrants at night again this spring and in the fall tested fire flows while flushing hydrants. The Department has been striving to fully utilize our Water Asset Management program to keep track of updates, issues and repairs.

The Georges Mills well system ran quite well and only had one call out during the year. The Georges Mills plant processed 11,647,504 gallons of potable water, which is about 1.2 million gallons more than in 2019.

The Slow Sand Filter plant also ran quite well with only three call outs. Each of the three filters were cleaned once during the year. The Slow Sand Filter plant processed 51,057,214 gallons of potable water, which is 6,134,180 more than in 2019. Currently we are just beginning the construction phase of installing the new Ultraviolet disinfection system which will reduce the amount of chlorine needing to be added to the filtered water. This is still being pursued even though the system is back in compliance with the Tri-halomethanes, as we think that less chlorine use is better and will help reduce the chance of any future issues with it or any disinfection by-products.

The Water Department has been changing out the 20 plus year old meters in Town for new ones that read via radio and we would like to encourage customers that still have old meters to call and set up a time to have a new one installed.

The Wastewater Treatment plant ran quite well with thirteen call outs during the year. The plant treated and returned just under 127 million gallons of clean water back to the river to be used again. This is approximately 2 million gallons more than 2019. In doing so we produced nearly 87 tons of sludge that was dewatered utilizing our centrifuge, then trucked to Merrimack's Wastewater Treatment plants where they treat and prepare it for land application. The Wastewater Treatment Plant was re-roofed and the chlorine contact chamber was coated.

The Collection System also ran well this past year with fifteen pump station alarms. Twelve manholes were repaired and upgraded as part of our collection system yearly maintenance. Pump Station three received new siding, roofing and electrical. The Department vacuumed all pump station wet wells, recorded the condition of approximately 500 feet of sewer main looking for any problems, jetted out 400 feet of sewer main.

We wish to remind all sewer users that many items you purchase may say that they are flushable, when in all reality they create expensive problems in household plumbing as well as in all types of sewer and septic systems. These types of items should only be disposed of in the trash! Never flush non-woven products such as baby or other cleaning wipes, toilet cleaning items, sanitary items or dental floss, and please everyone can their household FOG (fats, oils and grease) for disposal in the trash as well. This is very important to help to prevent sewer system problems within your own sewer lines as well as in the Town's system.

The department personnel continue to do the daily routines of plant inspections, water and wastewater sampling, and taking classes to keep current with the ever additional and changing rules and regulations for drinking water and water reclamation.

In closing, I would like to thank the Water and Sewer Department personnel for their commitment. We are on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. I would like to invite all citizens to tour the Sunapee Water and or Wastewater Plants. To arrange for a tour, or to ask questions, please call (603) 763-2115.

Respectfully submitted
David Bailey- Superintendent

SUNAPEE WATER QUALITY REPORT—2020

TEST RESULTS FOR 2019

Introduction

Like any responsible public water system, our mission is to deliver the best-quality drinking water and reliable service at the lowest, appropriate cost.

Aging infrastructure presents challenges to drinking water safety, and continuous improvement is needed to maintain the quality of life we desire for today and for the future.

In 2020, we replaced a hydrant, replaced 675 feet of summer water line, repaired eight water main breaks, replaced two curb stops, and tested all commercial backflow preventors in Town. We flushed hydrants in the spring and in the autumn we flushed hydrants and tested fire flows. We have been learning how to best utilize our asset management plan for the water systems to help prioritize items to be replaced within the systems. In 2020 we were planning to be fully up and running with the new Ultraviolet disinfection system but are behind schedule and will be starting the construction of the new system planning to have it fully completed by summer 2021. We have been back in compliance with the TTHM limits for all of 2020 but are still pursuing this project to help reduce the amount of chlorine needed within the Sunapee Water System. In 2021 we are also planning to replace another hydrant, another 800 or so feet of summer water line and pursue the idea of pigging the water lines on High Street and Central Street to try and alleviate some discolored water problems there.

We are trying to get all of the 20 plus year old meters in town replaced with new ones that allow for radio readings and would appreciate any customers that still have the old meters to call us and set up an appointment to have a new meter installed.

These new investments along with on-going operation and maintenance costs are supported solely by water user fees. When considering the high value we place on water, it is truly a bargain to have water service that protects public health, fights fires, supports businesses and the economy, and provides us with the high-quality of life we enjoy.

What is a Consumer Confidence Report?

The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) details the quality of your drinking water, where it comes from, and where you can get more information. This annual report documents all detected primary and secondary drinking water parameters, and compares them to their respective standards known as Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

What is the source of my drinking water?

The Sunapee water systems source is surface water from Lake Sunapee. The water intake pipe is about 35 feet below the surface and is located in Sunapee Harbor. The water is filtered in the Slow Sand Filter Plant located on Harbor Hill and is treated with Soda Ash to raise the pH and disinfected with chlorine.

The Georges Mills water system source is ground water from two bedrock wells located on Pleasant Street. The water is aerated to remove radon, treated to prevent corrosion and disinfected with chlorine.

Why are contaminants in my water? Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Do I need to take special precautions? Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Source Water Assessment Summary

DES prepared drinking water source assessment reports for all public water systems between 2000 and 2003 in an effort to assess the vulnerability of each of the state's public water supply sources. Included in the report is a map of each source water protection area, a list of potential and known contamination sources, and a summary of available protection options. The results of the assessment, prepared on 10/24/2002, are noted below.

For Lake Sunapee, no susceptibility factors were rated high, 4 were rated medium, and 8 were rated low.

For Georges Mills Water Works, no susceptibility factors were rated high, 2 were rated medium, and 10 were rated low.

Note: This information is over thirteen years old and includes information that was current at the time the report was completed. Therefore, some of the ratings might be different if updated to reflect current information. At the present time, DES has no plans to update this data.

The complete Assessment Report is available for review at the Sunapee Water & Sewer Department office located at 23 Edgemont Road. For more information, call David Bailey-Water and Sewer Superintendent at 603-763-2115, or visit the DES Drinking Water Source Assessment website at <http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dwgb/dwspp/dwsap.htm>.

How can I get involved?

For more information about your drinking water, please call David Bailey, Sunapee Water and Sewer Superintendent, at 603-763-2115. The Water and Sewer Office is located in the Town Hall at 23 Edgemont Road. The Water and Sewer Commission meets the last Thursday of each month, unless otherwise posted. Meeting notices are posted in the Town Hall, on the Town Web Site, in the Abbott Library and in the Sunapee Post Office.

Violations and Other information: Sunapee had no violations during 2020.

Definitions

Action Level or AL: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Abbreviations

BDL: Below Detection Limit

NA: Not Applicable

NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit

ppm: parts per million

TTHM: Total Trihalomethanes

mg/L: milligrams per Liter

ND: Not Detectable at testing limits

ppb: parts per billion

RAA: Running Annual Average

Drinking Water Contaminants:

Lead: If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. This water system is responsible for high quality drinking water, but we can't control the variety of materials used in your plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing cold water from your tap for at least 30 seconds before using water for drinking or cooking. Do not use hot water for drinking and cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://water.epa.gov/drink/info/lead/index.cfm>

2021 TEST RESULTS FOR SUNAPEE, NH SYSTEM #2271010

LEAD AND COPPER						
Contaminant (Units)	Action Level	90 th percentile sample value *	Date	# of sites above AL	Violation Yes/No	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper (ppm)	1.34	.088	11/19/20	0	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (ppb)	15	3	11/19/20	0	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
DETECTED WATER QUALITY RESULTS						
Contaminant (Units)	Level Detected	MCL	MCLG	Violation YES/NO	Likely Source of Contamination	
Radioactive Contaminants * Represents 2015 Test Results						
Compliance Gross Alpha (pCi/L)	.3*	15	0	NO	Erosion of natural deposits	
Combined Radium 226 + 228 (pCi/L)	.3*	5	0	NO	Erosion of natural deposits	
Microbiological Contaminants						
Coliform and E. coli Bacteria	No samples tested positive.	0	0	NO	Human and animal fecal waste	
Turbidity (NTU) RAA Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water, and is used because it is a good indicator of how well the filtration treatment process is functioning.	.042	TT	N/A	NO	Soil runoff	
Inorganic Contaminants						
Arsenic (ppb)	1	10	0	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.	
Barium (ppm)	.017	2	2	NO	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits	
Fluoride (ppm)	.6	4	4	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	
Glyphosate	4.2*	700	700	NO	Runoff from herbicide use	
Volatile Organic Contaminants						
Haloacetic Acids (HAA) (ppb) RAA	45.93	60	NA	NO	By-product of drinking water disinfection	
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) (Bromodichloro-methane Bromoform Dibromomethane Chloroform) (ppb) RAA	90.95	100/80	NA	YES	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
SECONDARY CONTAMINANTS						
Secondary MCLs (SMCL)	Level Detected	Date	Treatment technique (if any)	AL (Action Level), SMCL or AGQS (Ambient groundwater quality standard)	Specific contaminant criteria and reason for monitoring	
Chloride (ppm)	23	7/16/20	N/A	250	Wastewater, road salt, water softeners, corrosion	
PH (ppm)	8.1	7/16/20	N/A	6.5-8.5	Precipitation and geology	
Sodium (ppm)	12	7/16/20	N/A	100-250	We are required to regularly sample for sodium	
Sulfate (ppm)	8.3	7/16/20	N/A	250	Naturally occurring	
Zinc (ppm)	.0052	7/16/20	N/A	5	Galvanized pipes	

2021 TEST RESULTS FOR SUNAPEE, NH SYSTEM #2271020

LEAD AND COPPER						
Contaminant (Units)	Action Level	90 th percentile sample value *	Date	# of sites above AL	Violation Yes/No	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper (ppm)	1.3	.14	9/18/17	0	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (ppb)	15	7	9/18/17	0	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
DETECTED WATER QUALITY RESULTS						
Contaminant (Units)	Level Detected*	MCL	MCLG	Violation YES/NO	Likely Source of Contamination	
Microbiological Contaminants						
Coliform and E. coli Bacteria	No Samples tested positive.	0	0	NO	Human and animal fecal waste	
Radioactive Contaminants * Represents 2018 Results # Represents 2015 Test Results						
Compliance Gross Alpha (pCi/L)	10.4*	15	0	NO	Erosion of natural deposits	
Uranium (ug/L)	14*	30	0	NO	Erosion of natural deposits	
Combined Radium 226 + 228 (pCi/L)	1.3 #	5	0	NO	Erosion of natural deposits	
Inorganic Contaminants * Represents 2018 Results						
Barium (ppm)	.015*	2	2	NO	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits	
Fluoride (ppm)	.48*	4	4	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	
Volatile Organic Contaminants * Represents 2019 Results						
Haloacetic Acids (HAA) (ppb)	None Detected*	60	NA	NO	By-product of drinking water disinfection	
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) (Bromodichloromethane Bromoform Dibromomethane Chloroform) (ppb)	6.21*	100/80	NA	NO	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Secondary Contaminants * Represents 2018 Results						
Sodium (ppm)	13*	250	250	NO	Action Level 100-250	
Zinc (ppm)	.10	5	5	NO	5	

WATER QUALITY HEALTH EFFECTS INFORMATION

Health Effects Information:

Copper—Copper is an essential nutrient, but some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over a relatively short amount of time could experience gastrointestinal distress. Some people who drink water containing copper in excess of the action level over many years could suffer liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor.

Lead—(15 ppb in more than 5%) Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). (Above 15 ppb) Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.

Coliform and E. coli Bacteria—*E. coli* are bacteria whose presence indicates that the water may be contaminated with human or animal wastes. Human pathogens in these wastes can cause short-term effects, such as diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. They may pose a greater health risk for infants, young children, the elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems.

Compliance Gross Alpha—Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. Some people who drink water containing alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Uranium—Some people who drink water containing uranium in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer and kidney toxicity.

Combined Radium—Some people who drink water containing radium 226 or 228 in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Barium—Some people who drink water containing barium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure.

Turbidity—Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea, and associated headaches.

Glyphosate—Some people who drink water containing glyphosate in excess of the MCL over many years could experience problems with their kidneys or reproductive difficulties.

Fluoride—Some people who drink water containing fluoride in excess of the MCL over many years could get bone disease, including pain and tenderness of the bones. Fluoride in drinking water at half the MCL or more may cause mottling of children's teeth, usually in children less than nine years old. Mottling also known as dental fluorosis, may include brown staining and/or pitting of the teeth, and occurs only in developing teeth before they erupt from the gums.

Haloacetic Acids—Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Trihalomethanes—Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

As everyone knows this has been an unusual year to say the least. We started out the year as any other and then the whole world came to a screeching halt! No one went anywhere or did anything for a short while. Then people got desperate.

In April and May we hit our peak – dispensing approximately 50 bags of food a week from our tiny food pantry. During that time, we ran dangerously low on canned meats, fish, and poultry due to processing plant shutdowns.

Gratefully, the vast number of generous donors in our Town were able to keep up with the pressure. Thanks to them, we never ran out of supplies and were able to offer gift cards to purchase fresh produce, meats, and dairy to help our neighbors through the difficult time.



Then came the additional unemployment benefits and food stamp allotments. Fortunately, those programs stabilized many households. The moratoriums on evictions and electrical disconnections put everything on hold while the Community Action Programs processed an overwhelming number of applications for the traditional programs as well as the Covid-19 housing, heating, and utility relief programs. The utility companies were also working with customers - allowing them up to two years to pay their back bills.

In November we had a large uptick in food pantry usage once again. With the arrival of cold weather, Thanksgiving, and government programs cut back, residents were feeling the pinch. Fortunately, we were able to keep up with demand once again due to multiple holiday food drives, business donations,

and generous individual donors.

Once more, the Sunapee Middle High School Service Club arranged to have a modified “Empty Bowl” dinner which raised money for the Food Pantry. Students orchestrated the take-out dinner and used the money to supply food to Giving Tree program participants. Service Club Members were able to include grocery gift cards in each of the bags - crediting the generosity of many of the contributors.

The Giving Tree this year was, once again, a great success. I received multiple declarations of appreciation from participants. Thanks to the Safety Services for allowing us to put the tree in their vestibule this year and for the Police Department for letting us take over the station to pull it all together. Initially we were a bit concerned about the number of tags on the tree – but in true Sunapee style, every one of them was taken before the deadline. THANKS SO MUCH TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED KEEP THE HOLIDAYS SPECIAL!!

Unfortunately, we are still amid Corona Virus shut-downs, moratoriums, and general upheaval. There is no way to know what 2021 will bring. Perhaps the Community Action Programs will eliminate any additional need. However, I speculate that there will be more need than ever once the evictions and disconnections are allowed to be executed.

Fingers are crossed for a happier and healthier 2021. Thank you again to the entire Sunapee community for your continued support!

Respectfully Submitted,
Laura Trow
Welfare Administrator



ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

In 2020, Bill Larrow stepped down as an alternate, and a new alternate Jamie Silverstein was elected to fill his position on the Board. While we will miss Bill Larrow's insights, we are excited about the new perspective Jamie Silverstein brings to our deliberations. George Neuwirt chose to not seek reelection and Jeff Claus, who had been serving as an alternate, was elected as a write in candidate to fill George Neuwirt's seat. Jeff Claus was subsequently nominated Vice Chair. Dan Schneider, James Lyons and Clayton Platt continued to serve as full members and Bob Henry continued to serve as an alternate member. Zoning Administrator Nicole Gage ably assisted us in adapting to the pandemic, working tirelessly with applicants remotely and assisting the Board in taking its meetings virtual. The revised Rules of Procedure that had been drafted last year were reviewed and adopted by the Board. The Board continues to seek additional alternate members. I encourage interested residents to submit an application at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Aaron Simpson, Chair

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT APPLICATIONS

	Approved	Denied	Dismissed / Withdrawn	Total
Special Exceptions	06	00	00	06
Variances	11	03	01	15
Rehearing	00	00	00	00
Administrative Appeal	00	00	00	00
Equitable Waivers	00	00	00	00
Total Applications	17	03	01	21

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

CERTIFICATE OF ZONING COMPLIANCE (CZC'S) PERMITS ISSUED IN 2020

New Single Family Homes (includes replacements)	23
Residential Alternations, Renovations, Additions	21
Garages and Outbuildings	32
Manufactured/Mobile Homes	00
Municipal Structures/Renovations	00
Commercial Structures, New	01
Commercial Structure Additions / Renovations	02
Multi-Family Homes	01
Decks, Porches, etc.	06
Miscellaneous, Boat Houses, Solar Units, Cell Tower Additions, etc.	10
Total	96

ESTIMATED VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION **\$18,375,988**

10 YEAR SUMMARY

	<u>Total CZCs</u>	<u>New Single Family Homes*</u>
2020	104	23
2019	89	14
2018	104	11
2017	127	21
2016	113	19
2015	136	19
2014	117	12
2013	112	14
2012	110	10
2011	94	12

*Includes Replacements

OTHER PERMITS ISSUED IN 2020

Demolition Only Permits	13
Tree Cutting	38
Driveway Permits	09
Land Disturbance Permits	24
Sign Permits	05
Total Applications	89

Respectfully submitted,
Nicole Gage, Zoning Administrator

AUSBON SARGENT LAND PRESERVATION TRUST

The mission of the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (Ausbon Sargent) is to protect the rural landscape of the twelve towns of the Mt. Kearsarge/Ragged/Lake Sunapee region. This area comprises the towns of Andover, Bradford, Danbury, Goshen, Grantham, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner and Wilmot. Since our founding in 1987, Ausbon Sargent has completed 158 projects and protected 13,081 acres – including sixteen working farms and over eight miles of lake frontage. All of these conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two-thirds of these properties offer public access.

Quality of life is very important to the residents of New Hampshire and the state consistently ranks in the top ten as one of the best places to live in the United States. Contributing to this ranking are our clean water, scenic places and outdoor recreation. Open spaces also contribute significantly to the economic well-being of the State and our communities.

Although 2020 has been an interesting year, to say the least, Ausbon Sargent has kept busy with the completion of 8 projects, five of which are now owned by the land trust. These projects represent just over 1,000 acres in the towns of Andover, Grantham, Newbury, New London, Sunapee, Springfield, Warner, and Wilmot.

One exciting project was completed in 2020 in the town of Sunapee! On October 19th, in partnership with your Conservation Commission and dozens of private donors, the 84-acre Nutting Family Farm on Stagecoach Road was conserved with a conservation easement. The property is highly ranked for wildlife habitat, has prime agricultural soils, forestland, wetlands, and has been managed for forestry in the past. It connects over 500 acres of already-conserved land, creates a vast wildlife corridor, and further accentuates the rural character of the area. The Nutting Family Farm lies just across the road from the Webb Forest Preserve, also protected by an Ausbon Sargent Conservation Easement, now totaling 376.1 acres after it was expanded by 6.1 acres this summer. We are so pleased that the Nutting family made the decision to protect this beautiful piece of property.



Our website (www.ausbonsargent.org) indicates which of the land trust's protected properties have trails open to the public for hiking, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing, and includes both trail maps and driving directions. Be sure to look under the heading "Connect With the Land" for these details. For information on all of Ausbon Sargent's protected properties, please visit our website and join our email list. Find us on Instagram, and be sure to "Like" us on Facebook!

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Ausbon Sargent had to cancel all in-person activities, including hikes, workshops and celebrations. We look forward to being able to gather again to promote our mission and include all interested individuals to experience and learn about our wonderful region. As time moves on, please check our activities calendar on our website to see what we've got planned. In the meantime, look for our "DIY" hiking programs, which cover all 12 towns in our region. Event updates are sent periodically, so signing up to be on our email list is the best way to keep abreast of our upcoming events. We hope to see you in 2021!

Even though we were in the midst of a pandemic, Ausbon Sargent was thrilled to work distantly with over 200 volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring, committee support, and clerical work. The Land Trust is required to visit each of our properties once a year to check the boundaries and take note of any changes. Since this is almost entirely done outside, the program continued, and we are thankful for all our monitors who helped with this task. If you would like to join us in our work to protect these special places, there are many ways to get involved: you could become a conservation easement donor, volunteer your time to the organization, encourage the town officials throughout our twelve town region to conserve our rural character by supporting land conservation, and if you are not already, please consider becoming a member of Ausbon Sargent.

It has been a pleasure to work with the Town of Sunapee. We look forward to future events, collaborations and land projects with you!

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah L. Stanley
Executive Director

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COA CHAPIN SENIOR CENTER



Established in 1992, the Kearsarge Area Council on Aging (COA) has become an important social service organization dedicated to meeting the needs of our communities' seniors, and their families, friends, and neighbors. The mission of COA is to promote, develop, and reinforce programs that support and enhance the health, well-being, dignity, and independence of older people in the nine towns we serve in the greater Kearsarge area. COA is a focal point for many area seniors who depend on us to help support their independence, help them find their sense of purpose, and provide the opportunity to help others through our many volunteer opportunities.

The year 2020 has been extraordinarily challenging for our organization and for many area individuals. COVID-19 caused COA to close on March 6, 2020 in response to the pandemic. Immediately after closing, our staff began to examine the possibilities for continuing to provide services to area seniors. We determined that it was feasible to continue our Durable Medical Equipment Program by developing non-contact procedures and launching our "Mobility to Go" program.

While we could not subject our clients or volunteers to the risks of a continued Transportation Program, we contacted our Transportation clients to make sure that their basic needs were being met. Recognizing that the social isolation caused by the NH Stay at Home order would be a source of anxiety for many, we launched #ALONEWESTAYTOGETHER and provided calls to many of our members. We partnered with local organizations to aid those who asked for help or who were identified as needing assistance.

Our staff worked diligently during the time COA was closed to plan for the resumption of services and programs. We developed an extensive re-opening plan and safely launched a revised Transportation Program. We are now operating with a paid driver to ensure adherence to established safety protocols. We re-opened our doors on July 6, 2020 with many programs needing only minor changes and others extensively re-designed for safety and social distancing.

COA is currently operating with 2.5 staff and will work diligently to reestablish our senior volunteer base in 2021. We continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation. We are prepared to make necessary changes to our operations as the need arises. We are proud to be a resource center, operate the second largest free Mobility Lending Equipment Program in New Hampshire, and to provide free transportation to our clients in the nine towns we serve.

We appreciate our partners, volunteers, members, donors, business sponsors, Board members and staff. It is with their guidance and support that we continue to provide a high level of health and well-being opportunities for our senior neighbors.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelley F. Keith, BA, MS
Executive Director

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

This year we experienced challenging wildfire conditions which led to deep burning fires in remote locations that were difficult to extinguish. Your local fire departments and the Division of Forests & Lands worked throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. The towers' fire detection efforts are supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger is especially high.

Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Every year New Hampshire sees fires which threaten or destroy structures, a constant reminder that wildfires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildfire 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 help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

Between COVID-19 and the drought conditions, 2020 was a unique year. The drought conditions led to the need to have a Proclamation from the Governor, which banned much of the outdoor burning statewide. This, along with the vigilance of the public, helped to reduce the number of serious fires across New Hampshire. However, the fires which we did have burned deep and proved difficult to extinguish due to the lack of water. While the drought conditions have improved, we expect many areas of the state to still be experiencing abnormally dry and drought conditions this spring. For this reason, we ask everyone to remember Smokey's message about personal responsibility and follow his ABC's: Always Be Careful with fire. If you start a fire, put it out when you are done. **"Remember, Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!"**

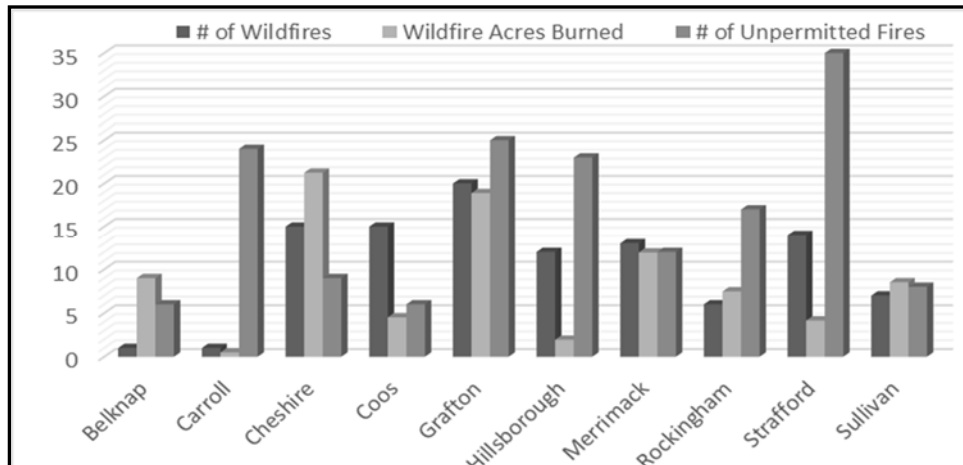
As we prepare for the 2021 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the local fire department for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information, please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nh.gov/nhdfl/. For up to date information, follow us on Twitter: **@NHForestRangers**

Scan here for Fire
Permits



2020 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of December 1, 2020)



HISTORICAL DATA			
YEAR	NUMBER of WILDFIRES	WILDFIRE ACRES BURNED	NUMBER OF UNPERMITTED FIRES*
2020	113	89	165
2019	15	23.5	92
2018	53	46	91
2017	65	134	100
2016	351	1090	159

*Unpermitted fires which escape control are considered Wildfires.

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED (These numbers do not include the WMNF)	
Arson	4
Debris Burning	22
Campfire	21
Children	4
Smoking	3
Railroad	1
Equipment	4
Lightning	10
Misc. *	44

*Miscellaneous includes power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc...

KLS FOOD PANTRY



The Mission of the KLS Community Food Pantry is to help meet the emergency and on-going food and household needs of people in the Kearsarge Lake Sunapee region who are experiencing financial hardship. The towns included in this outreach effort are: Andover, Bradford, Danbury, New London, Newbury, Salisbury, Springfield, Sunapee (including Georges Mills), Sutton, Warner, and Wilmot. New and existing clients may visit us on Wednesdays from 5:30 PM to 7 PM and Saturdays from 10 AM to 11:30 AM at the First Baptist

Church of New London, 461 Main Street, New London.

The Food Pantry is a non-profit supported by local area individuals, businesses and organizations. We rely solely on donations and our amazing volunteers as we have no paid staff. In 2020 we served 3,483 people in 1,216 family visits to the Food Pantry. This includes 95 new families, and 110 families from Sunapee.

The year 2020 was a challenge for the food pantry, as it has been for everyone. During this time of COVID-19 and job insecurity people have been coming to the food pantry who haven't used it in the past. We had to relook at how we served our clients and at the same time keep our volunteers safe. Due to food shortages in the grocery stores we had to search for different suppliers. We had to deal with aging refrigeration and inadequate heating and cooling systems in the food pantry.

We continue to receive food from the New Hampshire Food Bank and Hannaford Feed America Fresh Rescue Program, but to ensure that we had enough food for our clients we partnered with the USDA, Warner Food Pantry, Kearsarge Food Hub, New Hampshire Gleaners, Helping Hands and the SCPA. We are thankful for the fresh produce from Musterfield Farm, Colby-Sawyer College, and our twice weekly delivery of fresh bread from Blue Loon. We partnered with Kearsarge Neighborhood Partners to deliver food to those who cannot come to the food pantry. We obtained grants to purchase a commercial refrigerator and freezer, as well as a new heating and cooling system.

We are grateful to the many individuals, organizations, churches and businesses who made donations, collected food, contributed to bake sales, shared their garden's bounty, received and distributed the food we collect, and otherwise volunteered. We also would like to thank the First Baptist Church for their continued support of the food pantry on their premises.

It has been a challenge to operate the food pantry at its full capacity and the year 2021 promises to be a challenge as well. So we will continue to search for new ways to ensure that we are able to serve those who come to the food pantry.

We are fortunate to live in a community where people truly care about those who have less. We would not have been able to keep the food pantry open if we didn't have community support. Together we make a difference!

Respectfully submitted:
Clara Sheehy & Marilyn Paradis
Co-Chairs

LAKE SUNAPEE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

EDUCATION: With the COVID upon us, LSPA was not able to visit in person at schools, or have as many live programs. However, our environmental educators did succeed in having virtual programs and distanced outdoor sessions with students in cooperation with area teachers. We also revamped LSPA's Resource Page for ideas, articles, things to do, as well as LSPA Kid's Ecology Corner page highlighting Winter Activities, to learn how trees, birds and many mammals cope with the cold. The Flash of the Beacon was and is published monthly, with news, ideas, and interesting short articles. To subscribe and join over 1000 other viewers, simply send your email to lspace@lake sunapee.org.

WATER QUALITY:

Another COVID challenge was if and how to open the Water Quality Lab at Colby-Sawyer College for seasonal water quality testing and analysis of samples. The lab serves 25 local lakes and ponds. Working with CSC and NHDES to design and implement proper and safe protocols for lake volunteers, lab staff, and CSC we were able to arrive at methods in which this could be done safely. During that time, it was unknown whether we could have our interns per usual, but with careful protocols, we were delighted that we could fulfill our commitment to our college interns. We could not, however, have our Research Fellows onsite. So we worked remotely with them and their work and report went well.

Another item in 2020 was the issue of stray voltage in the lake. While this is a new issue, and one that no one as yet appears to totally understand, Eversource and the town of Sunapee responded to their local problem. LSPA is researching the issue, to have a better understanding of the phenomena. Meanwhile, other NH lakes do not appear to have awareness of this issue. Electricity and water of course do not mix. So, anyone having electrical connections on their dock, in a boathouse, etc. should have a licensed electrician do the install and check for frayed wires, etc.

WATERSHED

The Watershed Plan (WSP) proceeded well, with several follow-on grant applications and specific site improvements. The 2019 WSP is a ten-year commitment to improving stormwater conditions, with specific sites, and educational goals. General education and "advertising" to encourage good environmental behaviors were implemented in 2020 with more being planned for 2021.

INVASIVES

COVID again posed some challenges, but with proper protocols, we managed all 5 boat ramps with Lake Hosts, and had two "saves", milfoil and fanwort segments. We also had our busiest year ever with over 6,000 inspections! LSPA volunteers and staff once again surveyed nearly 70% of the lake's peripheral area.

SCIENCE

A recent research paper, using LSPA Lake Sunapee data, among other lakes', indicated that under the winter ice, there is a lot happening! The biological activity is alive and thriving, much more than expected. Stay tuned to what this means overall.

The survey that many of you took last year showed that, upon learning about the relationship between the land and the lake or pond, the detriment of untreated or polluted stormwater was understood. However, many were hesitant to install a buffer, due to the perception that it might be unattractive. LSPA will work on this, as some "buffer" landscaping can be very enhancing to properties.

In 2020, LSPA's Renovation Project went well and is finishing in December. During this COVID year, supplies were slowed, but all went reasonably well. LSPA looks forward to reopening, having many programs in the new classrooms, and welcoming more visitors to its improved spaces!

Thank you to our staff, our members, and our wonderful community!

Respectfully submitted,

June Fichter, Executive Director

LAKE SUNAPEE REGION VNA & HOSPICE

On behalf of the staff and volunteers of Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health, hospice, personal care and community-based programs in Sunapee. 2020, our agency's 50th Anniversary, was truly an extraordinary year. Together we found creative ways to celebrate this exciting milestone and engage our community. But 2020 also brought an unprecedented pandemic. As we have since our founding in 1970, we responded to community need and supported one another in order to sustain our core mission to provide health care and supportive services in home and community settings with the safety of staff, patients and the community always our priority. COVID-19 forced us to adapt dramatically, sometimes daily. I could not be prouder of how our team came together to do whatever was needed under difficult and stressful circumstances. The impact of this dedication and compassion in providing needed services in Sunapee and more than thirty other area towns cannot be underestimated. I am perhaps prouder than ever to report that, for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2020, LSRVNA served residents of Sunapee in the following ways:

- Provided skilled nursing, therapy, hospice and in-home supportive care to 146 residents;
- Provided free/reduced fee in-home nursing, therapy and social work visits to residents; visits also provided under various Medicaid programs (NH Medicaid reimburses at less than 65% of cost);
- Provided 14 months of bereavement support to hospice families after the death of their loved ones at no cost, including free virtual bereavement support groups throughout the pandemic for these families and the community at large;
- Residents benefited from the expansion of our Palliative Care program, overseen by a physician and dedicated to specialized care that focuses on the navigation of chronic or serious illnesses with an emphasis on symptom management and personal goals;
- Due to COVID-19, our regularly scheduled Foot Care and Blood Pressure clinics were suspended in late March 2020; however, due to high demand and clinical need, Foot Care was carefully reinstated in limited locations for the last few months of 2020;
- Even with limited locations available to do community Flu Clinics due to COVID-19, we partnered with 15+ organizations in order to offer flu vaccines, which were especially important to receive this past year;

With special funding from State and Federal programs and with a strong financial foundation to start from, we did not lay off a single employee during the pandemic even when work hours were reduced. We knew we would need our team to be intact and ready to serve when demand rebounded, which it did. We took all available safety measures such as quickly setting up remote, at-home workstations for office staff and researching every avenue to secure vital PPE. We were also able to retain employee benefits and offer extra measures of support such as the "COVID-19 Employee Assistance Fund", all with the goal of keeping our staff whole.

Our competent and compassionate team remains dedicated to quality of life for every person and to the overall wellness of our community. This past year underscores this so very clearly. We rely on your confidence in order to remain a leading provider of home care in the region, be the best place to work and volunteer, and remain an enduring presence for years to come. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is any way we may be of service to you, your loved ones or your Town's residents. Thank you.

With gratitude,
Jim Culhane, President & CEO

NEW LONDON HOSPITAL

Despite the hardships endured this past year, they helped highlight and affirm the value of community and the critical role of every member. As COVID-19 challenged our health, hopes and patience, signs of unity flourished—offering confirmation that we are not alone. At New London Hospital (NLH), our mission to provide safe and quality care never wavered as we adapted to rapidly changing protocols. We achieved excellence in healthcare delivery due to our committed staff, the support of our system members within Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health (D-HH) and our generous community, and were still able to meet 2020 goals and focus on opportunities for the New Year.

Strength of the System

As the pandemic worsened, our strategic relationship as a member of D-HH proved vital as we were able to share information and resources critical for supplies, testing and vaccine distribution. This partnership not only provided additional safety support for staff but also enabled NLH to avoid implementing furloughs during this crisis.

Entering 2020, our priority was to make the transition to Epic, the same electronic health record system used at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center and many other healthcare institutions across the country. COVID-19 initially forced us to place a hold on our plans, but the lessening of cases during the summer provided resources and time for our dedicated employees to successfully execute NLH's migration to Epic in early October. This launch also included the transition to the new patient portal, myD-H. Providing our patients with a single health record securely unifies their information with our other member hospitals, and more importantly, allows them more control over their personal data and appointments. This transition is a work in progress and will become more seamless over time.

Leadership

In March—the same week COVID-19 was declared a global pandemic—we welcomed our new President and CEO, Tom Manion. His previous experience at a small community hospital that, like NLH, is part of a larger health system, continues to prove valuable as we navigate the pandemic and the advancement of the D-HH system. While it was our hope to introduce Tom to the community through a series of local events, a lockdown and social distancing measures derailed these plans, forcing introductions through a variety of digital platforms. Even though the summer months allowed for some small outside meetings, we hope to revisit these efforts during the summer of 2021.



Recognition and Appreciation

In a year that demanded so much of our providers and staff at NLH and Newport Health Center, we are grateful for their dedication and commitment. Our staff willingly assumed new roles and responsibilities required to meet our changing daily needs, while maintaining a shared passion to provide the best care possible. It was uplifting to witness.



Financial Performance

Like many hospitals in the nation, NLH suffered financial losses as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. In order to keep patients and staff safe, we reduced elective procedures and experienced a drop in outpatient care volume. While NLH received funds from the CARES Act and several other federal initiatives, we ended our fiscal year with a \$2.5 million loss. The year ahead will be even more challenging financially. Now, more than ever, we need our community to access its hospital and clinics so that NLH will still be here for the next 100-year-pandemic.

Community Counts

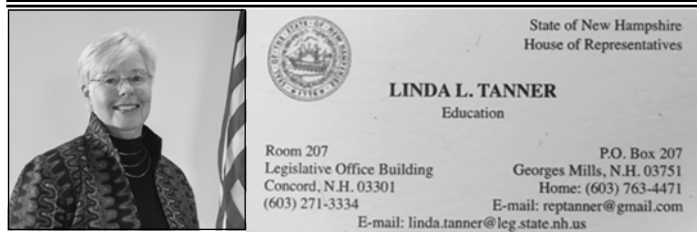
One of the biggest challenges for all of us this past year was losing the interaction we share as a community. It was heartbreaking to see the empty streets and town greens during times typically bustling with farmer's markets, fairs and Hospital Days. What didn't surprise us was the tremendous amount of support demonstrated by community members—not only to NLH, but also to each other. It's what makes living here so special. We are humbled and grateful that we are able to provide care to such a thoughtful and appreciative community. We all hope for a healthier and happier year ahead. We look forward to sharing smiles and new initiatives with you in the coming months.

Warm wishes,
M. Tom Manion
President and CEO

Douglas W. Lyon
Chair, Board of Trustees

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STATE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE, LINDA TANNER



I am honored to serve my fourth term as State Representative for Sullivan County, District 9, serving the towns of Cornish, Croydon, Grantham, Newport, Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee, and Unity. I will again be a member of the House Education Committee. At the County Level I will be a member of the Executive Finance Committee.

Last March when the Covid pandemic caused a shutdown of all non-essential businesses, much of the legislation from the House was no longer moving forward to the Senate. Bills to address the education committee's priorities and to provide adequate funding for our public schools and colleges were, for the most part, tabled or vetoed. However, the independent Commission to Study School Funding had started their work and continued through the year. Based on independent data and input from many and various stakeholders, the commission released its report. The full report can be found at, https://carsey.unh.edu/sites/default/files/media/2020/12/final_report_forcommission_v5_12012020.pdf

Some of the findings from the study indicated that, "the current funding system does not provide for an equitable opportunity for an adequate education for all New Hampshire Students." The Commission adopted an Education Cost Model formula that takes in several factors, "specific to the school district, including information about the students who attend schools of varying sizes and at different grade levels." I look forward to the hard work it will take in this budget year to meet the challenges of school funding addressed in the Commission report and other issues that affect our schools and colleges.

I would like to thank our public schools, administrators, teacher, and staff who continue to meet the challenges of the pandemic which made more visible the underfunded role of our schools in meeting needs of students such as food, health and safety, access to the internet and technology, and mental and behavioral supports, special education, and building requirements and safety. In addition, thank you to all those in town government, our police, fire, and EMS along with essential workers in all fields for their commitment to serve, protect, and help all of us through these tough times. We are stronger together.

We know that many people and many small businesses in our communities are suffering. I will continue to work to help our communities, schools, small businesses, and those who have lost their livelihoods, jobs, and homes to recover from this pandemic.

Thank you for giving me the honor of representing you in the New Hampshire House. Please get in touch with me with comments or concerns.

Linda Tanner
State Representative
Sullivan District 9
RepTanner@gmail.com

SUNAPEE GARDENERS

Around 1990, Ellie Goddard and a few others had a mission to take care of the “historic” hydrangeas that graced the property by the former Ben Mere Hotel in the Sunapee Harbor. Others joined her, and to Ellie’s surprise, her inspiration evolved from a clean-up committee to a beautification committee to what has now become the Sunapee Gardeners.

The Gardeners now plant and maintain many gardens and planters around Sunapee which include our Town Hall, Hames Park, Georges Mills, Dewey Beach, and several gardens in the harbor.

Our window boxes at The Information Booth welcome those arriving to our Town. The Hames Park and the Watering Trough by Sunapee’s Livery welcome all to the harbor. In the 1800’s and the early 1900’s, this watering trough refreshed the horses that were boarded at The Livery. The Livery, which is on The Historic Register, is now a lively venue for music, art, events, and more.



In the harbor, the Sunapee Gardeners maintain the Memorial Garden and the Serpentine Garden, both near the tour boats, and the Long Garden, located in front of the Knowlton House, the home of the Lake Sunapee Protective Association, as well as the Bridge Boxes which cross the dam that regulates the water in our precious lake.

During a typical year, the Gardeners would have sponsored three informational programs at the Abbott Library, all of which would have been open to the public. This year, we canceled all these due to COVID-19 as well as the field trips we had planned

for our membership. We hope that we may sponsor public programs in 2021.

We recognized that, while the Sunapee Gardeners’ mission is to beautify Sunapee, our social connections to one another bind us together as a group. To maintain these connections, given the current COVID environment, we elected to have socially distanced meetings with picnic lunches or dinners to enjoy near the Gazebo / Ben Mere Bandstand during the summer. Lots of energy ensued to continue our mission beyond just the planting and maintaining of the respective Sunapee gardens and planters.

Many of the Sunapee Gardeners decided to contribute to a fund to honor Tony Bergeron who died in August. Tony was well known throughout Sunapee for his decades of service to the Town as the Road Agent and as Fire Chief. Under Tony’s guidance, he and the Town Crew supported the Sunapee Gardeners by planting more than 20 trees, placing small boulders in the gardens, spreading stone, and even dividing perennials. Some have dubbed him “Mr. Sunapee”.

For this memorial, the Gardeners raised enough funds to purchase polished boulder(s) from the Stockers’ granite yard to be placed on the banks of the Sugar River in front of the old Information Booth on River Road. Muriel, Tony’s wife, who is also a Sunapee Gardener, chose this location which overlooks the covered bridge, yet another project that Tony helped to complete. The River Walk was a favorite stroll of theirs and this is perhaps the perfect place to reflect upon Tony’s many contributions to the Town. Muriel envisions this spot as one where folks can contemplate the Sugar River and perhaps cast a fishing line.





The Sunapee Harbor Riverway Alliance (SHRA) asked the Sunapee Gardeners to choose some shrubs, funded by the SHRA, to be planted in this vicinity to enhance this special area in the spring. Pleasant Acres has generously offered to do the planting at no cost.

A committee, chaired by Judy Redfern, was formed to create scrapbooks of the Sunapee Gardeners' history. When this is completed, these scrapbooks will be on display at the Abbott Library. It will showcase the 30 years of history

of the Sunapee Gardeners. Please do come take a look!

The gardening team that oversees the Memorial Garden decided that it was time to renovate the garden. With guidance from Cherie DeAgustinis, and our Memorial Garden Captain, Carol Wallace, this mission has begun. The Town's crew led by Craig Heino brought small boulders from the Town's rock pile to the garden, carefully placed them, and relocated some evergreen shrubs. The small boulders and shrubs give this garden some structure. Do see the evolution of this project in the spring!



The Sunapee Gardeners would like to express our sincere gratitude to the Town crew, led by Craig Heino, not only for the crew's help with the Memorial Garden, but also for their help to restore the garden along the fence in the Town's park in the harbor. Last spring they relocated the large boulders, removed dead trees, extended the garden, mulched, and edged it. The Sunapee Gardeners are sincerely grateful for this partnership with the Town.

In November, in remarkably warm 70 degree weather, the Gardeners "greened" the harbor with evergreens, red stick dogwood, painted white sticks, and red bows. The Town crew hung swags, made by Muriel Bergeron, on the signs that announce "Welcome to Sunapee" and added red bows. Ellie and Walt Goddard purchased a tree for the Ben Mere Bandstand / Gazebo has been festooned with lights for all to enjoy in December, 2020.

This year, we welcomed five new Gardeners and three returning Gardeners to our team. All are welcome to join us! All that is asked is a desire to support beautification efforts for our community.

For more information, please contact us via email at SunapeeGardeners@gmail.com or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/sunapeegardeners.

THINK SPRING! We hope that there will be an explosion of daffodils in the harbor in the spring of 2021. We planted a few hundred bulbs!

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Chrisman, Chairman

Officers: Judy Redfern, Assistant Chairman

Muriel Bergeron, Secretary/Treasurer

Kate McCloy, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Patty Eaves & Donna Rowe, Co-Head Gardeners



Photographer: Barbara Cooper

SUNAPEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
FLANDERS-OSBORNE MUSEUM AND SUNAPEE ARCHIVES



Certainly 2020 was a different sort of year. And yet we were still busy. As the year began, we planned our usual variety of events—programs at the museum, open hours, and two history cruises. All that—along with just about everything else—came to a grinding halt in March. But then we started thinking about work-arounds—things that we could do in spite of the pandemic to engage and entertain our community.

Displays. Although the museum had to remain closed all summer, the big glass doors provided the opportunity for a rotating series of displays of artifacts from various parts of Sunapee's history. We covered everything from summer sports to the train era to women's suffrage embodied by summer lake resident Armenia White, a noted New Hampshire suffragist. We ended, when the timely functioning of the USPS became an issue, with a review of all the post offices that have served our town.

Programs turned into videos. There was no way we could hold our usual Thursday evening programs at the museum, so we turned two of them into videos: one on the coming of the train to Lake Sunapee and what that meant for our economy and one on the history of the Granliden Hotel. Both remain available on our YouTube channel or via links on our website. Although we missed seeing folks, we are gratified that exponentially more people have seen the videos than would have come to an in-person program.

History Cruises. Our popular cruises were postponed to Summer 2021 when we hope to be able to run them as usual.

Questions. Perhaps because people have had more time available, we have received more questions than usual regarding family histories. And we have been able to respond, thanks in large part to the research Barbara Chalmers has been doing for her series of books on historic properties of Sunapee—books that will end up documenting much of Sunapee's 250+ years of history.

Accessions. We continued to collect artifacts from generous donors: a painting, a Victrola, a souvenir plate, a christening gown and more. Anyone who has Sunapee photos or items they'd like to share can simply contact us, and we'll make arrangements to meet.

Covid-19 memorabilia. We collected--and continue to collect--things and photos of things that never would have been without the pandemic. Today may not feel like history now, but it will before long!

NH State Register of Historic Places. In July, our application to the state for inclusion of the Sunapee Archives building on the New Hampshire State Register of Historic Places was approved, officially marking the historic importance of the building which was created in 1926, served as the Abbott Library for nearly 90 years, and now is home to many records and artifacts documenting our town's rich history.

HVAC at the Archives. Since the Archives had to be closed anyway, 2020 turned out to be a great time to complete the major renovation that was planned when we purchased the building—installation of a new heating and air conditioning system that will provide a healthier, more energy-efficient, and more climate-controlled atmosphere for our artifacts. We are forever grateful to the generous donors who have made that project possible and thank the Thrift Shop volunteers for their cooperation and patience during the work.

An 1805 Grandfather Clock. Sudden, unexpected discoveries are part of the fun of historical society work. As the year came to an end, we learned, quite by chance, that a grandfather clock made in Sunapee in 1805 was available. The clock was made by Whittier Perkins who had come to Sunapee in 1788, owned a farm on North Road, served as selectman, and was known as a superb craftsman. This clock is a rare example of his work and of wooden works clocks of that era. Although we hardly ever purchase items for our collection, relying instead on donations, we believed this was too good an opportunity to miss. So we ended the year gathering funds for its purchase and excited by the prospect of having such a fine example of Sunapee craftsmanship to put on display for all to enjoy.

As always, we are grateful to the Sunapee community for its interest and support!

Together we will...

Preserve the past to enrich the future!

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Fitts Rylander, President

Officers:

Barbara Chalmers, Vice President
Secretary, Lucy Mueller

Lela Emery, Treasurer

Directors:

Sandy Alexander, Lois Gould, Gail Bosse, Patricia Halpin, Rosemary Gates



SUNAPEE-RAGGED-KEARSARGE GREENWAY



The Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition was founded in 1993 to promote hiking and land conservation in our area. The coalition has pieced together a 75 mile hiking trail, known as the SRK Greenway, which forms a loop that links the regions three most prominent peaks: Mt Sunapee, Ragged Mountain, and Mt Kearsarge.

The SRKG Coalition is a community based, all-volunteer organization governed by an active Board of Directors. The Board oversees trail maintenance work, publishes a newsletter, and maintains a website (www.srkg.org). Sunapee directors are Tim Eliassen and Dan Whitmoyer.

The year 2020 had more than the usual number of challenges for all organizations, including SRKG. Meetings went to Zoom, seasonal guided hikes had to be canceled due to COVID-19, and trailwork had to be done with COVID rules in mind. On the positive side, though, trail usage was at an all-time high as hiking became one of the few outdoor activities that could really go on in a more or less normal way with all of the COVID restrictions.

Much of the trail passes over private property and would not exist without the generosity of many landowners, including several in the town of Sunapee. Thank you to all of these landowners.

The website has maps of the entire 75 mile SRK Greenway. Also on the website are a schedule of hikes sponsored by the organization, a calendar of events, landowner information, membership information, and links to other hiking trails in New Hampshire. There is a map of the entire trail and a guide book, updated in 2019. Both are available for purchase on our website and at selected locations around the area.

In Sunapee, from the south, the trail goes from the Webb Forest on Harding Hill Road, north to Hells Corner, then North to Tilton Park and the town offices. The next section follows lower Main Street to North Road, then North Road past the Middle-High School to Hilltop Road, and finally North Road to its end in a class VI road that continues on to the Springfield section of the trail.

Tim Eliassen
Dan Whitmoyer
Sunapee representatives, SRKG Board of Directors

SUNAPEE SENIORS

The Sunapee Seniors Organization is open to all Sunapee and surrounding towns residents who are 55 years of age or older. Meetings are held at the Lake Sunapee Methodist Church on the second and fourth Monday of every month from September through June, unless the Monday falls on a holiday. All meetings are held beginning with lunch at noon. Dues are \$10 per year. Interested people are always welcome to visit.

Our year started on a positive note in January with a performance by local singers and a presentation by Larry Eaton from the Newport Senior Center. In February, we had to cancel our annual Valentine's Day luncheon due to snow, but were able to have town officials provide information and answer questions at our second meeting. In March, we were treated to a performance by the elementary school kindergarten and first grade classes. However, due to COVID-19, we had to end our meetings for the remainder of the year. In September, Lorraine Mathiesen organized a flu shot clinic in conjunction with the VNA at the Lake Sunapee Methodist Church. Many thanks to all involved who provided a safe event for over eighty Sunapee Seniors to receive flu shots. Another one of our members, Patty Eaves, made masks at the beginning of the pandemic and also later, as time necessitated, replacements. The free masks were placed in the vestibule of the town building. Lastly, during this trying year, communications continued with the Seniors through email and phone calls.

Our volunteers continue to operate The Thrift Shop in the basement of the Sunapee Historical Society Archives in spite of the challenges this past year presented. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, the shop had to close in March. When it was deemed safe by officials, it reopened in July with guidelines for safety. The shop was only open one day a week with both outside and inside shopping. Once again it had to close in September and October for a new heating / air conditioning system to be installed by the Historical Society. The shop reopened in November on Saturday mornings from 10:00—12:00, and plan to continue this schedule. The shop is always looking for additional volunteers to help with sorting clothes or staffing the shop. It also accepts donations of clothing and linens in good condition during open hours, or they can be dropped off at the town transfer station. The shop volunteers would like to thank the transfer station employees for their assistance in collecting our trash and in bringing donations to the shop. The profits from the shop are donated to local organizations, and annual scholarships are awarded to deserving students. Unfortunately, our donations were reduced this year due to COVID-19. However, all students who applied for scholarship were deserving to receive one. The local organizations include Sunapee and Newport food pantries, Southwest Community Services Fuel Assistance, VNA, Council on Aging, Fast Squad, Police Benevolent Association, Sunapee schools art, music, and physical education programs, Abbott Library, Sunapee Historical Society, and The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust. A total of \$7,000 was donated by the Thrift Shop in 2020. This amount varies each year depending on how much the shop makes/ In addition, the thrift shop operation saved the town disposal fees and saved the environment by recycling good clothing and linens.

If you have any questions, wish to learn more about the Sunapee Seniors, or visit for lunch and programs please contact Bryan or Beverly Trainor at 763-4710.

Respectfully submitted,
Bryan Trainor
President

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION



UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Serving 27 communities in Grafton, Sullivan, and Merrimack Counties since 1963, the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) has been providing professional planning assistance to municipal boards, along with providing inter-municipal planning services, acting as a liaison between local and state/federal agencies, and providing assistance on development, public health, transportation, and environmental issues throughout the region.

Although 2020 presented a new challenge to the world, UVLSRPC still had a successful year. Highlights of our work and accomplishments in 2020 include:

Regional Plans

- **Regional Corridor Transportation Plan** – We continued work on a corridor-based plan for each of the eight identified regional corridors. The staff has met with municipal staff throughout the region to gather information on transportation concerns and areas of improvement. A final plan is expected to be completed by June 30, 2021, and will include a prioritized action plan with shovel-ready projects.
- **Keys to the Valley Housing** – We continued working with partners in New Hampshire and Vermont to develop and enhance the Regional Housing Needs Assessment. The report will be out in Spring 2021. We encourage you to visit www.keystothevalley.com to participate in Community Engagement and receive frequent updates on regional housing.

Regional Programs

- **EPA Brownfields** - We continued identifying sites and performing environmental assessments for hazardous material and petroleum within the region. We are always looking for more sites to evaluate.
- **USDA** – We continued our work on Household Hazardous Waste Collections, solid-waste facility training, and worked with schools on new compost programs.
- **NHDOT** – We developed funding applications for regionally prioritized transportation improvements for the State Ten Year Plan. Our NHDOT contract funds our traffic counts, and in 2020 we conducted over 120 counts throughout our region. Our NHDOT contract also funds some engineering services for our member communities. With this program, we provided 3 of our communities with engineering cost estimates for nine transportation projects. Finally, NHDOT funds our Transit Assistance programming. We worked with Advance Transit and Southwestern Community Transportation to discuss improvements and long-term planning of how transit fits into the rural transportation system in our region.
- **UV Strong** – We participated in weekly meetings to support Upper Valley residents and businesses throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Local

- **Circuit Riders** - Staff provided planning board support in varying degrees to Charlestown, New London, Newport, Orford, Springfield, and Wilmot and GIS support for Claremont.
- **Completed Stream Assessments** in Claremont, Grafton, Orange, and Plainfield.
- **Completed a Road Surface Management study** in Newport.
- **Provided Master Plan and Land Use Support** for Acworth, Charlestown, Goshen, New London, and Piermont.

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Foundation (UVLSRPF)

The UVLSRPF was established in 2019. The UVLSRPF non-profit's sole focus is to support the work of UVLSRPC. We have identified three focus areas for the coming years based on regional needs: Public Health, Housing, and Community Engagement. We expect the non-profit to provide another source of revenue through outreach to alternative funding sources unavailable to the RPC to leverage the work we do throughout the region and enhance and implement regional planning efforts that are not solely dependent on government funding.

Please contact us at (603) 448-1680 or mbutts@uvlsrpc.org to share your thoughts and suggestions about how we can better serve our community. It is a pleasure to serve the municipalities of this region. Thank you for your support over the decades.

Meghan Butts
Interim Executive Director
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission

***BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020***

DATE	CHILD	FATHER / PARTNER	MOTHER	PLACE
Jan 9	Jacob August Socci	Jesse Socci	Rebecca Socci	Lebanon
Mar 23	Carsyn Robert Heino	Brian Heino	Samantha Heino	Lebanon
Mar 26	Palmer Rosemary Kuhns	Joseph Kuhns	Katherine Kuhns	Lebanon
Mar 31	Zoey Elizabeth Barrett	Jonathan Barrett	Meghan Soby	Concord
Apr 3	Charlotte Marie Hibbs	Jeremy Hibbs	Cree Wilcox	Lebanon
Apr 4	Owen Andrew Burchfield	Charles Burchfield	Kayleigh Burchfield	Lebanon
Apr 13	Erik Calder Richardson	Tyler Richardson	Abigail Richardson	Lebanon
May 21	Sawyer Pax Monroe	Joshua Monroe	Emily Monroe	Lebanon
May 23	Jericho Lajuan Choice		Israel Choice	Lebanon
Jul 17	Consolata Hope Lombardi	John Lombardi	Mariah Lombardi	Manchester
Aug 24	Walter John Cooney	John Cooney	Veronica Lewis	Lebanon
Aug 31	Brooks Robin Benedict	Christopher Benedict	Lindsay Hartzell	Lebanon
Sept 29	Caroline Ella Manning	Michael Manning	Kattie Manning	Lebanon
Oct 31	Jasper James Grant-Hannigan	Heidi Hannigan	Mary Grant	Lebanon
Nov 6	Kendall Austin Brown	Austin Brown	Emilie Brown	Manchester
Nov 10	Ezra Roselle Muzzey		Hayley Emery	Lebanon
Nov 12	Millie Lorraine Harris	Matthew Harris	Katie Broughall	Lebanon
Nov 13	Sylvia Bernadette Jones	Dylan Jones	Corrine Jones	Lebanon
Nov 20	Avery Gillum Kondelis	Mark Kondelis Jr	Erin Kondelis	Lebanon
Dec 1	Eleanor Jane McLaughlin	Kevin McLaughlin	Alyssa McLaughlin	Lebanon

I hereby certify the above to be correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty H. Ramspott, Town Clerk & Tax Collector

***DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020***

DATE	NAME	PLACE	FATHER	MOTHER
Jan 5	Patricia A Collins	Sunapee	Edwin Smart	Irma Parker
Jan 9	Kathryn L Denish	Lebanon	Merton Denish	Lillian LaJoie
Jan 10	Michael T Gudefin Jr	Sunapee	Michel Gudefin	Claire Burke
Jan 14	Margaret Rice	Lebanon	Daniel Gregory	Doris Manosh
Jan 22	Norma K Curtis	New London	Joseph Keegan	Irene Dugal
Jan 24	Amy C Bailey	Concord	George Bailey Jr	Sally Shimmin
Mar 9	Kri Hem Inglese	Lebanon	Tullio Inglese	Judith Caplan
Mar 9	Lloyd E Curtis	New London	Ernest Curtis	Mabel Unknown
Mar 28	Isabel B Torno	Sunapee	Warren Burnett	Lily Smith
June 5	Judith E Sargent	Lebanon	Walter Buttrick	Barbara Billings
June 7	James R Fuller	Sunapee	William Fuller	Margaret Teller
June 21	Robert A Sprague	Lebanon	Gerald Sprague Sr	Ann Beaupre
July 10	Leon C Rollins Jr	Sunapee	Leon Rollins Sr	Eleanor Cutting
July 20	Evelyn Ruth Stout	Sunapee	Richard Taubert	Nannie Hansen
July 25	Harold Marvin Hochman	Lebanon	Sam Hochman	Bessie Schneider
Aug 1	John Anthony Bergeron	Georges Mills	Arthur Bergeron	Louise Maloney
Aug 5	Linda Jean Herd	New London	Victor Bouthot	Evangeline Desroches
Aug 16	Joyce A Internicola	Lebanon	Constantine Tutein	Esther McCaffrey
Aug 17	Annabelle Waples Caffry	Sunapee	John Waples	Bertha Robinson
Aug 27	Richard L Jones	New London	Paul Jones	Marion Robinson
Sept 10	Charles Roy Mercer	Sunapee	Charles Mercer	Fannie Allen
Sept 17	Eugene M Yonchak	Lebanon	Steven Yonchak	Elinor Narbesky
Sept 18	Dorothy J Russell	New London	Henry Thompson	Frances Payne
Sept 18	Carole Ann Brophy	Sunapee	William Johnson	Eleanor Walter
Sept 19	George B Hastings	Sunapee	George Hastings	Bernice Huntley
Oct 15	David A Barnett	Lebanon	Unknown	Elizabeth Miles
Oct 25	James Parker Currier	Georges Mills	Stanley Currier	Helen Nixon
Oct 26	Aloysius Janos Hobausz	New London	Alajos Hobausz	Terezia Stagli
Oct 29	Edward A Kanu	Lebanon	Richard Kanu	Adama Kamar
Oct 30	Thomas H Richards	Sunapee	Frank Richards	Ella Higgins
Nov 16	Doreen M Zoldy	Sunapee	John Zoldy	Josephine Ferranti
Nov 29	Evarts Curtis Hall Jr	Sunapee	Evarts Hall Sr	Marion Flanders
Dec 5	John Michael Moorehouse	Sunapee	Michael Moorehouse	Joanne McCarthy
Dec 8	Richard E Raps Jr	Sunapee	Richard Raps Sr	Patricia Calnan
Dec 11	Edward Charles Shinn	Lebanon	Edward Shinn	Merriam Brandt
Dec 11	Harry Gazelle	Sunapee	Rustom Gazelle	Unknown
Dec 16	Richard Groves Aseltine	Lebanon	Ward Aseltine	Mabel Groves
Dec 18	Edward Benjamin Stoddard	Sunapee	Wayne Stoddard	Christine McKenna
Dec 18	Dwight Paul Erickson	Georges Mills	Alfred Erickson	Sylvia Martin
Dec 23	Paul Richard Courant	Georges Mills	Reginald Courant	Elizabeth Carroll

I hereby certify the above to be correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty H. Ramspott, Town Clerk & Tax Collector

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SUNAPEE
JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020**

DATE	GROOM/BRIDE	RESIDENCE	GROOM/BRIDE	RESIDENCE
Feb 24	Nathanael M Simmons	Sunapee	Jacilyn E Briggs	Sunapee
Mar 20	Wayne A Flanagan	Sunapee	Stacey K Smith	Tulsa, OK
Mar 23	Julius P Gamble Jr	Sunapee	Michelle M Chadwick	Sunapee
May 13	Neal M Bramberg	Sunapee	Kathleen A Place	Sunapee
June 29	Jeremy P Maheu	Sunapee	Donna M Davis	Sunapee
July 11	Kevin P Pratt	Sunapee	Alexandra C Donovan	Sunapee
Sept 20	Kerry J Horan	Georges Mills	Mary M Sullivan	Georges Mills
Sept 26	Eric D Morin	Sunapee	Robyn C Blackwell	Sunapee
Oct 7	Ethan R Hill	Sunapee	Emily E Remillard	Sunapee
Oct 17	Michael S Cunningham	Sunapee	Melissa A Cloutier	Bradford
Oct 17	Jacob J Boisvert	Sunapee	Lindsey A Lafond	Sunapee
Oct 30	Michael A Perkins	Sunapee	Terry R Furlong	Deering
Oct 31	Nicholas A Bartlett-Samalis	Sunapee	Danielle E Gingras	Weare
Nov 1	Isaiah J Hernandez	Sunapee	Jamie N Barry	Newport
Dec 12	Ernest D Collins Jr	Georges Mills	Patricia M Hammond	Georges Mills

I hereby certify the above to be correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty H. Ramspott, Town Clerk & Tax Collector

TOWN OF SUNAPEE DIRECTORY

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FIRE DEPARTMENT NON-EMERGENCY	763-5770	763-7358-FAX
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PLANNING OFFICE Monthly: Second Thursday afternoon by appointment	763-3194	763-4925-FAX
POLICE DEPARTMENT NON-EMERGENCY	763-5555	763-4771-FAX
RECREATION DEPARTMENT	763-2212	763-4925-FAX
SAU #85 OFFICE	763-4627	763-4718-FAX
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri: 8:00-5:00; Wed: 8:00-1:00	763-2212	763-4925-FAX
SUNAPEE CENTRAL ELEMENTARY	763-5675	763-9627-FAX
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