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TOWN OFFICERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Richard Bielefield (Term Expires 2015)
John J. Strasser, III (Term Expires 2014)
Margo Connors, Chairperson (Term Expires 2013)

TOWN OFFICE
Telephone 823-8468

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Jennifer P. Gaudette

TOWN CLERK
Lissa Boissonneault

TAX COLLECTOR
Lissa Boissonneault
Elizabeth Coombs Andross, Deputy

TREASURER
Amy Venezia

CHIEF OF POLICE
David D. Wentworth (Appointed)

FIRE CHIEF / FIRE WARDEN
Allan R. Clark (Appointed)

TO REPORT AN EMERGENCY
911
EMERGENCY ONLY

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
1-800-564-6911
Non-Emergency 823-8123

HIGHWAY AGENT
Douglas R. Glover

OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE
Board of Selectmen

HEALTH OFFICER
Margaret Connors

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
Allan R. Clark (Appointed)

MODERATOR
James F. Snyder (2014)

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS
Bruce S. Perlo (2015)
Allan R. Clark (2014)
David F. McPhaul (resigned 2012) (2013)

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST
Edward Cenerizio (2018)
Starcy Branch (2016)
John Colony (2014)

LIBRARY TRUSTEES
Jason Tors (2015)
Irene Amsbary (2014)
Colleen Foley (2013)

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

	Beth Perlo (2013)		
Holly Hayward	(2013)	Nancy D. Aldrich	(2015)
Kathleen Jablonski	(2014)	Meri Hern	(2015)

PLANNING BOARD

	David Thurston, Chairman (2015)		
James Keefe	(2015)	Christopher Thayer	(2014)
Robert Hayward, Jr.	(2015)	Arthur Chase	(2014)
John J. Strasser	(2013)	Gail Clark, Alternate	(2013)
Sidney Regan	(2013)	Amy Venezia, Alt. & Secretary	(2013)

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

	Michael Hern, Chairman (2013)		
Peter Anderson	(2014)	Janet Anderson	(2015)
Donald Boissonneault	(2014)	John Colony	(2015)
	Amy Venezia, Alt. & Secretary (2013)		
	Sarah Pinney, Alt (2015)		

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

	Kathie Galligan, Co-chair (2013)		
Margo Connors	(2014)	Timothy Burger	(2013)
Janel Lawton (resigned 8/12)	(2014)	Eric Jostrom	(2014)
Timothy Williams	(2014)	William Fraser	(2014)
	Ronald Cole (2015)		

**RECREATION PROGRAM
SUGAR HILL REPRESENTATIVES**

Gordon Johnk
Cynthia McLaren

All 2012 reports from various agencies not printed in this Town Report are on file in the Selectmen's Office and available upon request.

**TOWN OF SUGAR HILL
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES – RESULTS
MARCH 13, 2012**

Moderator James F. Snyder, declared the polls open at 11:00 AM for the voting by ballot on Article 1 (the election of town officers). Polls will close at 7:30 PM unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour. All other Articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon at 7:00 PM. The Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Moderator Snyder went over his rules of conduct for the meeting. Moderator Snyder made a motion to pass over the reading of the entire warrant, seconded by Bev Frenkiewich. Motion passed.

ARTICLE 1: To vote by nonpartisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

- One Selectman to serve for a term of three (3) years
- A Town Treasurer to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Town Clerk to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Tax Collector to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Moderator to serve for a term of two (2) years
- A Supervisor of the Checklist to serve for a term of six (6) years
- A Library Trustee to serve for a term of three (3) years
- One Trustee of the Trust Funds to serve for a term of three (3) years
- Two Board of Adjustment Members to serve for a term of three (3) years
- Two Board of Cemetery Trustees to serve for a term of three (3) years
- And such other Town Officers as may be required by law

RESULTS OF ARTICLE 1:

Selectman, Three Year Term	Richard Bielefield	145
	Nick De Mayo	36
Town Clerk, One Year Term	Lissa Boissonneault	173
Tax Collector, One Year Term	Lissa Boissonneault	173
Town Treasurer, One Year Term	Amy Venezia	170
Library Trustee, Three Year Term	Jason Tors	170
Trustee of Trust Funds, Three Year Term	Bruce S. Perlo	166
Two Zoning Board of Adjustment, Three Year Term	Janet Anderson	161
	John Colony	141
Two Cemetery Trustees, Three Year Term	Nancy D. Aldrich	155
	Meri Hern	151
Supervisor of Checklist, Six Year Term	Edward Cenerizio	165
Moderator, Two Year Term	James F. Snyder	174

ARTICLE 2: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges and make appropriations of the same as set forth in the following budget:

Executive	\$47,050.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	20,585.00
Payroll Taxes	28,770.00
Financial Administration	21,315.00
Property Revaluation	15,000.00
Legal Expenses	15,000.00
Planning Board	2,500.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	750.00
Insurance	152,462.00
General Government Buildings	43,100.00

Building & Grounds		31,590.00
Cemetery		4,500.00
Advertising & Regional Associations		7,482.00
North Country Council	982.00	
Franconia Notch CC	6,500.00	
Police Department		172,315.00
Fire Department		72,400.00
Ambulance		4,035.00
Emergency Management		700.00
Airport		423.00
Town Maintenance		176,669.00
General Highway Department Expense		162,963.00
Highway Block Grant		45,916.00
Street Lighting		9,100.00
Solid Waste Disposal		49,266.00
Health, Hospitals		3,972.00
NC Home Health	1,613.00	
Grafton County Senior	50.00	
American Red Cross	292.00	
WM Mental Health	692.00	
Littleton Hospital	525.00	
Ammonoosuc Com Health	500.00	
Burch House	300.00	
Welfare		6,000.00
Tri County Cap	875.00	
Unemployment		100.00
Library		19,935.00
Parks & Recreation		29,929.00
NC YMCA	150.00	
Patriotic Purposes		3,150.00
Conservation Commission		750.00
Interest Expense – Tax Anticipation		1,000.00
Long Term Notes		37,500.00
Interest Long Term Notes		30,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		\$1,216,227.00

Moved by Richard Bielefield

Seconded by Bruce Perlo

Amendment made by Gary Young to increase Police Budget by \$10,000.00 to hire administrative support so that the Police could spend more time on active duty in the community, increasing total appropriations to \$1,226,227.00.

Seconded by Rebecca Brown

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, opposed “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1976.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by James McCusker

Seconded by Greg Connors

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be used for Highway Department Roadwork. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the fund is expended or in 3 years, whichever is less. (Majority vote required)

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Bruce Perlo

Seconded by Bev Frenkiewich

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund created in 1976.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Meri Hern

Seconded by David Thurston

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Fire Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Bev Frenkiewich

Seconded by Greg Connors

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Fire Department Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2008.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation

Moved by Sarah Pinney

Seconded by Meri Hern

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 2006.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Kathleen Jablonski

Seconded by Bruce Perlo

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed, “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2009.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Bev Frenkiewich

Seconded by Bruce Perlo

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed, “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Sugar Hill Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund created in 1991.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by David Thurston

Seconded by Greg Connors

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed, “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Carolina Crapo Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2004.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Meri Hern

Seconded by Bev Frenkiewich

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed, “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to establish the Building & Grounds Equipment Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:3 for the purpose of providing funds for the purchase of new grounds keeping equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in said fund and name the Selectmen as agents of the Town to expend the fund for the objectives stated in this Article.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Bruce Perlo

Seconded by David Thurston

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to complete a Town Master Plan in cooperation with North Country Council.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by David Thurston

Seconded by Sid Regen

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed, “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to purchase 4,000’ of 4” Hose for the Sugar Hill Fire Department with Nineteen Thousand Dollars (\$19,000.00) to come from a federal grant and the remaining One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to come from taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Bev Frenkiewich

Seconded by David Thurston

Discussion

All in “Favor”, “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500) to have Cartographic Associates, Inc., complete Phase Two of the two part process to prepare Digital Parcel Maps for the Town of Sugar Hill.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Bruce Perlo

Seconded by Bev Frenkiewich

Discussion

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed, “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Eight Thousand Five Hundred (\$28,500) for the removal and repair of the Sunset Hill Sidewalk.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

Moved by Eileen Regen

Seconded by Sid Regen

Discussion

Amendment made by Jerome Segal, Seconded by Nick De Mayo to request a legal written agreement between the Town of Sugar Hill and the owners of Sunset Hill House for Sunset Hill House to maintain and assume the liability for the sidewalk existing in front of Sunset Hill House.

Discussion on amendment

All in Favor of Amendment, “Aye”, Opposed, “No”, the “No’s” have it. Amendment fails

Back to original Article:

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed, “No”, the “Ayes” have it.

ARTICLE 17: Are you in favor of the right to a sustainable energy future and community self-governance “Rights Based Ordinance to Protect the Health, Safety, and Welfare, of Residents and Ecosystems of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire?” A copy of the proposed ordinance is posted with a copy of the warrant and copies of the proposed ordinance are available at the Town Clerk’s Office.

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

Moved by Doug Evelyn

Seconded by Bruce Perlo

Discussion

Amendment made by Tom Brigman, Seconded by Nick De Mayo to change the verbage in Section 5 (a) to read “Any person representing a corporation or other entity” (rest of section to remain the same)

Discussion

All in Favor of Amendment, “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “No’s” have it. Amendment fails.

Back to Original Article:

All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “Ayes” have it. Article passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 18: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Selectperson Margaret Connors spoke on the Community Forest for Sugar Hill and Easton project currently and actively pursuing the opportunity to acquire an 840 acre property. This land would be used for public recreation, wildlife and long term timber income. The land is located in Easton and can be accessed from Sugar Hill. She asked that all interested Sugar Hill residents please join in the effort to make the project happen.

Lissa Boissoneault, a member of the 50th Birthday Celebration Committee for Sugar Hill, spoke of the upcoming festivities which will happen on July 4th at the Carolina Crapo office building. There will be a pot luck dinner, music, recognition of honored guests, Sugar Hill Historical Museum activities and fireworks. All Sugar Hill residents and their guests are welcome.

Richard Bielefield conveyed his thanks to all elected, appointed and volunteer residents who give tirelessly of their time to make our Town the special place that it is today and in the past 50 years. Special thanks go to Kitty Bigelow for the design of this year’s Town Report, Lissa Boissonneault, Anne DeRham and Roger and Nancy Aldrich for their photographs used in the Town Report. Meri and Mike Hern got special thanks for the delicious dinner they provide for all the election workers at Town Meeting. Thanks, also, to Dennis Cote for the sound system setup. Luther Kinney and Peter Carbonneau for their years of service on the Conservation Committee, Judy Weisenberger for her years as Supervisor of the Checklist, Rose Ellms for her years as Library Trustee and Lloyd and Ellie Card for grounds and building maintenance.

Meri Hern thanked our Board of Selectmen for doing an excellent job for our Town and not accepting pay for it.

Eileen Regen spoke on behalf of the Sugar Hill Historical Museum going over this year's program which focuses on Sugar Hill's 50 years as a Town. She also spoke on upcoming fundraising to help defray the cost of foundation work on the barn. Mrs. Regen recognized all those who tirelessly contribute to the successful operation of our wonderful museum.

Nick De Mayo asked about the status of the Veteran's Committee and was informed that it is reestablished with three members.

Irene Amsbary spoke on behalf of the Sugar Hill Library which is celebrating its 100 year birthday this year. She urged all to take advantage of our wonderful library facility with lots to offer both adults and children. The Library enjoys a very active patronage from our Town as well as surrounding Towns.

Lissa Boissonneault thanked all the election workers that participate as Ballot Clerks, Counters and the Supervisors of the Checklist. This year many hours are spent with six elections having to be dealt with.

Upon completion of Town Business, Moderator James F. Snyder adjourned the 2012 Sugar Hill Town Meeting at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted:
Lissa M. Boissonneault
Town Clerk

BALANCE SHEET
(As at December 31, 2012)

ASSETS

Current Assets	
Cash - Unrestricted Checking	\$ 572,939.80
Cash - Restricted Savings Conservation Fund	82,176.96
Cash – Money Market	113.22
Total Checking/Savings	\$655,229.98
Other Current Assets:	
Due from State of NH (Grant)	1,300.00
Property Taxes Receivable Current Year	213,089.52
Tax Liens Receivable	149,917.58
Total Current Assets	\$1,019,537.08
 Taxes Deeded Property Subject to Resale	 <u>6,172.58</u>
 Total Assets	 \$1,025,709.66

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
School District Tax Payable	\$634,510.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$634,510.00
 Total Liabilities	 \$634,510.00
 Reserved for Tax Deeded Property	 6,172.58
Reserved for Conservation Fund	82,176.96
Reserved for Article Carried Forward	60,000.00
Surplus	225,606.82
Net Income	<u>17,243.30</u>
Total Equity	\$ <u>391,199.66</u>
 Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	 <u>\$1,025,709.66</u>

SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Crapo Building

Beginning Balance 1/1/12	\$613,848.88
2012 Payment	<u>40,570.54</u>
 Ending Balance 12/31/12	 \$573,278.34

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Land Under Current Use (At Current Use Values)	\$ 707,476.00
Land	63,987,900.00
Buildings	83,151,633.00
Public Utilities	<u>2,339,072.00</u>
Total Valuation Before Exemptions	150,186,081.00
Elderly and Blind Exemptions	<u>55,000.00</u>
Net Valuation On Which Tax Rate Is Computed for Municipal, County and Local Education	150,131,081.00
Less Utilities	<u>2,339,072.00</u>
Net Valuation On Which Tax Rate For State Education Tax Is Computed	\$147,792,009.00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Tax Rate</u>
Total Town Appropriations	\$ 1,539,227.00	
Less: Revenues	(357,222.00)	
Add: Overlay	25,455.00	
War Service Credits	<u>5,200.00</u>	
Net Town Appropriations	1,212,660.00	
Municipal Tax Rate		8.07
Net Local School Budget	0.00	
Regional School Apportionment	1,459,950.00	
Less: Equitable Education Grant	0.00	
State Education Taxes	<u>(384,025.00)</u>	
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	1,075,925.00	
Local Education Tax Rate		7.17
State Education Taxes		
Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x \$2.390		
160,679,829	384,025.00	
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		2.60
147,792,009		
Excess State Education		
Taxes to be Remitted to State	0.00	
Due to County	<u>241,358.00</u>	
Net County Tax Assessment	241,358.00	
County Tax Rate		1.61
Combined Tax Rate		19.45
Total Property Taxes Assessed	2,913,968.00	
Less: War Service Credits	<u>(5,200.00)</u>	
Property Tax To Be Raised	\$2,908,768.00	

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

	Land	Buildings	Equipment
Meetinghouse	\$110,700.00	\$ 275,600.00	\$ 80,000.00
Carolina Crapo	130,000.00	595,100.00	50,000.00
Library			20,000.00
Fire Department	127,500.00	101,300.00	1,108,800.00
Police Department			82,799.00
Highway Department	95,700.00	165,800.00	698,151.00
Building & Grounds			44,600.00
Parks & Commons			
Coffin Pond	50,400.00		
Tennis Courts & Land	173,000.00		
Land:			
Cemeteries	208,500.00		
Creamery Pond	33,600.00		
Pearl Lake Road	24,800.00		
Route 117	6,000.00		
Route 93	4,000.00		
Creamery Pond	6,500.00		
Pearl Lake Road	23,900.00		
	\$994,600.00	\$1,137,800.00	\$2,084,350.00
	(1)	(1)	(2)

TOTALS

Note (1) Based on Assessed Valuation

Note (2) Depreciated

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Voters of the Town of Sugar Hill:

I herewith submit my report of the financial doings of my office for the year 2012:

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:	\$121,942.66	
Dog Licenses Issued:	590.00	
Marriage & Civil Union Licenses:	342.00	
Other Permits and Fees:	<u>5,869.00</u>	
 Total		\$128,743.66
 Remittances to Treasurer:		
Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:	\$121,942.66	
Local Town Clerk Fees:	992.00	
State Town Clerk Fees:	2,988.00	
Title Application Fees:	274.00	
Dog Licenses Issued:	590.00	
Dog License Fees:	123.00	
Dog License Late Fees:	17.00	
Marriage Licenses Issued:	342.00	
Town Clerk Fees:	63.00	
Vital Statistics (First Copy):	286.00	
Town Clerk Fees:	104.00	
Vital Statistics (Second Copy):	56.00	
Town Clerk Fees:	24.00	
UCC Filing Fee:	225.00	
Filing Fees:	2.00	
Insufficient Funds Fees:	90.00	
State of NH Voter Checklist Refund	<u>625.00</u>	
 Total		\$128,743.66

Respectfully submitted,
Lissa M. Boissonneault
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2012

DEBITS

Uncollected Taxes – Beginning of Fiscal Year:	Levies of 2012	Levies of 2011...
Property Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$251,790.87
Land Use Change	0.00	5,000.00
Yield Taxes	0.00	0.00
Taxes Committed This Year:		
Property Taxes	2,908,761.24	4,818.33
Land Use Change	1,060.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	5,812.56	0.00
Overpayment Refunds:		
Property Taxes	3,068.06	10,613.54
Interest	0.00	282.94
Costs before Lien	0.00	845.00
Interest Late Tax	<u>1,469.23</u>	<u>13,002.13</u>
Total Debits	\$2,920,171.09	\$286,352.81

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	\$2,698,739.78	\$123,619.04
Land Use Change	1,060.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	5,812.56	0.00
Interest	1,469.23	13,002.13
Conversion to Lien	0.00	115,319.94
Costs Not Liened	0.00	98.00
Abatements Made:		
Property Taxes	0.00	34,030.76
Interest	0.00	282.94
Uncollected Taxes End of Year:		
Property Taxes	213,089.52	0.00
Land Use Change	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Credits	\$2,920,171.09	\$286,352.81

SUMMARY OF LIEN ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2012

DEBITS

	2010	2009	2008...
Unredeemed Liens			
Balance Beginning of Fiscal Year	\$ 0.00	\$90,667.38	\$ 49,513.03
Liens Executed			
During Fiscal Year	124,134.11	0.00	0.00
Interest & Costs			
Collected After Lien Execution	<u>2,381.67</u>	<u>3,861.31</u>	<u>15,120.26</u>
Total Debits	\$126,515.78	\$94,528.69	\$64,633.29

CREDITS

	2010	2009	2008...
Remittances to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	\$25,877.26	\$21,630.16	\$46,233.03
Interest & Cost			
After Lien Execution	5,225.58	4,308.42	15,120.26
Abatements of Unredeemed Tax	0.00	14,085.47	3,280.00
Unredeemed Liens			
Balance End of Fiscal Year	<u>95,412.94</u>	<u>54,504.64</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Credits	\$126,515.78	\$94,528.69	\$64,633.29

UNREDEEMED PROPERTY TAXES FROM TAX LIEN
BY ORDER OF THE SELECTMEN THE FOLLOWING LIST IS
INCLUDED PER 1997 TOWN MEETING

	2011	2010
Bronson, Stanley	80.14	0.00
Caporelli, Mary A. & Patricia	2,256.23	2,167.83
Eklblom, Melissa	11,531.10	11,073.37
Fadden, Aaron	130.67	0.00
Hayward, Paul	15,849.39	13,578.29
Henderson Holdings at Sugar Hill	11,583.43	0.00
Kendall, Fred W.	3,093.63	2,970.82
Moose Realty of Franconia, LLC	6,467.69	0.00
Peckett, Robert P. III.	7,643.47	0.00
Saunders, Maria Rose	2,158.25	86.67
Smith, Estate of Nancy E.	7,021.10	0.00
Staffier, Paul D	5,469.84	5,253.46
Taylor, Kate A. Burns	2,226.24	0.00
Waitkus, Lisa	6,607.71	6,346.02
Whipple, Bradford H.	9,189.39	8,824.89
Young, Gary G., Jr.	2,803.74	2,799.66
Young, Steven M.	<u>1,460.34</u>	<u>1,403.63</u>
Totals	\$95,572.36	\$54,504.64

TREASURER'S REPORT

Year ending December 31, 2012

Cash Basis

Beginning Cash Balance Checking, January 1, 2012		\$537,015.44
Beginning Cash Balance Savings, January 1, 2012		<u>802.46</u>
	Total	\$537,817.90

RECEIPTS

Tax Collector	\$3,074,235.36	
Town Clerk	128,743.66	
Selectmen	91,630.41	
Loan Proceeds (Tax Anticipation Notes)	350,000.00	
Transfers (Trust & Capital Reserve Funds)	355,669.38	
State & Federal Grants	.00	
Interest on Savings, Money Market & NOW account	<u>396.42</u>	
Total Receipts		\$4,000,675.23

DISBURSEMENTS

Orders of Selectmen	3,615,440.11	
Loans Repayments	<u>350,000.00</u>	
Total Disbursements		3,965,440.11
Ending Cash Balance NOW Checking, December 31, 2012		572,939.80
Ending Cash Balance Savings, December 31, 2012 Closed		0.00
Ending Cash Balance Money Market, December 31, 2012		113.22
		<u>\$573,053.02</u>

CHECKING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

POLICE PERMIT ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance 1/1/12	\$ 44.66
Deposits	<u>60.00</u>
Balance 12/31/12	\$104.66

CONSERVATION LAND USE FUND

Beginning Balance 1/1/12	\$82,246.75
Deposits	5,530.00
Withdrawal ACT	(5,000.00)
Withdrawal SH Landscapes	(689.50)
Interest Earned	<u>89.71</u>
Balance 12/31/12	\$82,176.96

RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Beginning Balance 1/1/12 WGSB Checking	\$1,590.77
Deposits	0.00
Interest Earned	<u>1.63</u>
Balance 12/31/12	\$1,592.40

RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Beginning Balance 1/1/12 CRB Checking	\$755.06
Deposits	378.00
Withdrawals	<u>(709.93)</u>
Balance 12/31/12	\$443.13

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Cash Basis

Local Taxes:

Property Taxes, Current Year	\$2,698,739.78
Yield Taxes, Current Year	5,812.56
Current Use Change, Current Year	6,060.00
Current Use Interest	374.79
Property Tax Interest and Cost, Current Year	2,201.28
Yield Tax Interest, Current Year	14.95
Property Taxes, Prior Year	239,830.24
Property Tax Interest and Costs, Prior Year	12,725.34
Lien Redemptions, Prior Years	87,102.19
Lien Interest & Penalties, Prior Years	<u>21,374.23</u>

Total Taxes Collected

\$3,074,235.36

From Local Sources and Miscellaneous, except Taxes:

Motor Vehicle Permits	121,942.66
Town Clerk Fees	992.00
State Fees	2,988.00
Title Application Fees	274.00
Dog Licenses, Fees, Penalty	730.00
Marriage Licenses	405.00
Vital Statistics	470.00
UCC Filing Fees	225.00
Filing Fees	2.00
Insufficient Funds	90.00
State of NH Voter Checklist Refund	<u>625.00</u>

Total Town Clerk

128,743.66

Building Permits	1,041.50
Driveway Permits	35.00
Police Department Revenue	2,093.25
Zoning Board Fees	475.00
Planning Board Fees	1,923.00
Selectmen	1,326.90
Cemetery	600.00
Fire	450.03
Highway Department	700.34
Rent of Town Property	550.00
Sale of Municipal Property	2,000.00
Insurance Reimbursements	6,639.24
Donation	50.00
Cemetery Lots Purchased	1,600.00
Cable TV Permit	1,187.38

Insufficient Fees	30.00	
NHMA Return	<u>31.83</u>	
Total Miscellaneous		20,733.47
From State:		
Highway Block	45,692.43	
Rooms and Meals	25,204.51	
Total From State		70,896.94
Interest on Checking & Savings Account	372.91	
Capital Reserve Funds	355,669.38	
Temporary Loans (TAN Notes)	<u>350,000.00</u>	
Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue		<u>706,065.80</u>
Total Receipts From All Sources		\$4,000,675.23
Cash on Hand, January 1, 2012		537,817.90
Grand Total of Receipts		\$4,538,493.13

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

General Government:

Executive	\$ 37,040.55
WA#15 Mapping	12,500.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	20,499.03
Financial Administration	17,986.11
Revaluation of Property	14,328.00
Legal Expenses	11,884.07
General Government Buildings	43,015.41
Buildings & Grounds	28,000.15
Planning Board	3,545.14
WA#13 Master Plan	15,000.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	334.10
Advertising & Regional Associations	7,482.29
Cemeteries	4,424.84
Insurance	152,838.64
Unemployment	447.21
Payroll Taxes	<u>22,592.91</u>

Total General Government Expenses

\$391,918.45

Public Safety:

Police Department	176,659.60
Fire Department	72,385.72
Franconia Life Squad/ Ross Ambulance	4,035.00
Emergency Management	<u>640.01</u>

Total Public Safety Expenses

253,720.33

Airports

423.00

Total Airports

423.00

Highway, Streets and Bridges:

Town Maintenance	168,493.21
General Expenses of Highway Department	156,728.45
Highway Block Grant	45,692.43
Highway Roadwork Non – Lapsing Fund	45,000.00
WA#16 Sunset sidewalk	14,722.40
Street Lighting	<u>8,973.65</u>

Total Highways, Streets and Bridges Expenses

439,610.14

Sanitation:

Solid Waste Disposal	<u>49,266.00</u>
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Total Sanitation

49,266.00

Health:

Health, Hospitals	<u>3,972.00</u>
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Total Health Expenses

3,972.00

Welfare:		
Assistance	2,520.16	
Total Welfare Expenses		2,520.16
Culture and Recreation:		
Library	19,933.83	
Recreation	27,900.90	
Patriotic	<u>2,510.44</u>	
Total Culture and Recreation Expenses		50,345.17
Conservation:		
Conservation Commission	475.00	
Land Use Revenue Fund	<u>5,530.00</u>	
Total Conservation Expenses		6,005.00
Debt Service:		
Principal Expense – Long Term Notes	40,570.54	
Interest Expense – Long Term Notes	26,929.46	
Interest Expense – TANS	<u>1,008.38</u>	
Total Debt Service Payments		68,508.38
Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds & Trusts:		
Article # 3 Highway Equipment	50,000.00	
Article # 5 Police	12,000.00	
Article # 6 Fire Department HE	50,000.00	
Article #7 Fire Department Building	20,000.00	
Article #8 Bridge	10,000.00	
Article #9 Highway Dept. Building	5,000.00	
Article #10 Meetinghouse	5,000.00	
Article #11 Crapo Building	5,000.00	
Article #12 Building & Grounds	<u>5,000.00</u>	
Total Capital Reserve Funds		162,000.00
Transfers to Cemetery Trust Funds:		
Lots Purchased	1,600.00	
Total Cemetery Trust Funds		1,600.00
Capital Vehicles/Equipment/Buildings/Land:		
Bridge	10,666.19	
Fire Department Building	55,692.22	
Fire Department Engine	268,165.96	
Highway Building	3,472.81	
Crapo Building	14,572.20	
Meetinghouse	<u>3,100.00</u>	
Total Capital Expense		355,669.38
Miscellaneous:		
Abatements	15,625.93	
Property Tax Refunds/Overpayments	3,068.06	

Taxes Bought by Town	124,134.11	
Total Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>124,134.11</u>	142,828.10
Unclassified:		
Payments – Tax Anticipation	350,000.00	
Total Unclassified Expenses		350,000.00
Payments to Other Government Divisions:		
Taxes Paid to County	241,358.00	
Payments to School Districts	<u>1,445,696.00</u>	
Total Payments to Other Government Divisions		<u>1,687,054.00</u>
Grand Total of Expenditures		\$3,965,440.11

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Executive:		
Selectmen – Salary	\$ 0.00	
Administrative Asst - Gaudette	23,052.78	
Office Asst. – Venezia	555.00	
Moderator	300.00	
Workshops	308.11	
Telephone	1,039.44	
Computer Consulting	1,260.00	
Internet	487.30	
Website	2,030.00	
Mapping	1,815.00	
Registry	35.35	
Printing/Notices	2,196.75	
Dues & Subscriptions	1,234.06	
Supplies	120.00	
Office Supplies	1,321.30	
Postage	638.55	
Books & Periodicals	646.91	
WA#15 Mapping	<u>12,500.00</u>	
Total Executive Expenses		\$ 49,540.55
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics:		
Town Clerk – Boissonneault	5,945.83	
Andross, Elizabeth	425.00	
Checklist	1,466.00	
Ballot Clerks	1,211.00	
Workshops/Dues	181.52	
Computer – Equipment	173.99	
Computer – Consulting	630.00	
Computer – Program Support	1,870.00	

Telephone	469.21	
Printing/Notices	214.75	
Dues	20.00	
Supplies/Dog Tags	263.11	
Office Supplies	983.77	
Postage	410.85	
Town MV Fees	1,488.00	
State MV Fees	2,988.00	
Title Fees	274.00	
Dog Fees	119.00	
Marriage Fees	63.00	
Vital Fees	128.00	
UCC Fees	225.00	
Vital Statistics	342.00	
Dog Licenses	265.00	
Marriage Licenses	<u>342.00</u>	
Total Election, Registration & Vital Statistics		20,499.03
Financial Administration:		
Tax Collector - Lissa Boissonneault	4,992.07	
Treasurer	1,750.00	
Auditor	1,200.00	
Bank Fees	243.04	
Telephone	474.23	
Computer – Consulting	630.00	
Computer Program, Training & Equipment	5,870.49	
Research Lien	358.00	
Registry	95.15	
Dues	40.00	
Office Supplies	1,524.49	
Postage	540.60	
Lien Fees	238.00	
Misc Expense	<u>30.04</u>	
Total Financial Administration Expenses		17,986.11
Total Revaluation		14,328.00
Total Legal Expenses		11,884.07
Payroll Taxes:		
Sugar Hill FICA (Town Contribution)	17,097.33	
Sugar Hill Medicare (Town Contribution)	<u>5,495.58</u>	
Total Payroll Taxes Expense		22,592.91
Planning Board:		
Secretary – Salary Amy Venezia	1,812.50	
Books	22.00	
Grafton County Registry	241.45	
Printing/Notices	36.00	

Office	5.99	
Postage	386.43	
Master Plan Expenses	1,040.77	
WA#13 Master Plan	<u>15,000.00</u>	
Total Planning Board Expenses		18,545.14
Zoning Board:		
Secretary- Amy Venezia	195.75	
Postage	47.60	
Printing	<u>90.75</u>	
Total Zoning Board Expenses		334.10
Government Buildings:		
James Keefe	15,435.00	
Telephone (Elevator)	743.97	
Electricity (Crapo & Meetinghouse)	4,481.24	
Heating Oil (Crapo & Meetinghouse)	10,316.19	
Unifirst – Rugs	1,449.15	
Meetinghouse Clock	1,520.00	
Elevator Inspection	400.00	
Sanitation	439.00	
Cluster Fly Spraying	375.00	
Rug Cleaning	376.00	
Generator Maintenance	286.10	
Alarm Monitoring & batteries, inspections	1,628.00	
Plumbing – Meetinghouse	271.68	
Plumbing – Crapo	285.95	
Heating – Meetinghouse	131.75	
Heating – Crapo	870.17	
Dues – Our Town	110.00	
Supplies	2,118.89	
New Sign	<u>1,777.32</u>	
Total Government Buildings Expenses		43,015.41
Meetinghouse Building CRF – Tree Removal		3,100.00
Grounds & Maintenance:		
Lloyd Card - Salary	19,692.75	
James Keefe	1,295.00	
Telephone	256.05	
Tree Removal	500.00	
Supplies	283.84	
Gasoline	1,060.43	
Diesel	913.73	
Grounds keeping-Equipment Maint.	1,566.42	
Vehicle Repair	<u>2,431.93</u>	
Total Grounds & Maintenance Expenses		28,000.15
Crapo Building CRF-windows, furnace, painting		14,572.20

Cemeteries:		
Tree Removal	1,600.00	
Maintenance	324.84	
Stone Cleaning	<u>2,500.00</u>	
Total Cemeteries Expenses		4,424.84
Insurance:		
Health -Highway	52,366.64	
Police	35,845.20	
Retiree – Young and Donovan (LGC reimbursed)	966.48	
Executive (partial reimbursement)	21,880.68	
Dental	6,678.04	
Property Liability	19,503.39	
Worker’s Compensation	15,123.36	
Health Grant (reimbursed)	<u>474.85</u>	
Total Insurance Expenses		152,838.64
Total Advertising & Regional Associations Expenses		7,482.29
Total Unemployment Expenses		447.21
Ambulance:		
Ross Ambulance	2,035.00	
Franconia Life Squad	<u>2,000.00</u>	
Total Ambulance Expenses		4,035.00
Police Department:		
Chief David Wentworth	61,733.02	
Sgt. Rick Ball	44,144.64	
Officer Cody MacKay	567.00	
Adm Asst. Jamie Allaire	4,876.00	
Police Retirement	21,122.66	
Prosecutor	2,000.00	
Training	350.00	
Community Service	814.82	
8123 Line	227.51	
Telephone	2,022.94	
Computer Consulting	630.00	
Computer Equipment	1,218.98	
Computer Program Support	1,220.00	
Website	796.00	
Dispatch Service	9,677.28	
Medical Services	157.00	
Uniforms	1,820.02	
Dues	2,700.00	
Supplies	253.85	
Office Supplies	1,225.20	
Postage	130.40	
Gasoline	9,075.94	
Radio Maintenance	2,551.80	
Vehicle Maintenance	2,374.79	

New Equipment	4,633.50	
Dog Control	252.25	
Books	<u>84.00</u>	
Total Police Department Expenses		176,659.60

Fire Department:

Salaries:

Hucksoll, Brett (mechanic)	93.81
Aldrich, Clifton	1,165.00
Amsbary, Douglas	1,670.00
Burger, Timothy	800.00
Chase, Eric	310.00
Christofferson, Rick	445.00
Clark, Allan	6,340.00
Cyrs, Amy	200.00
Gaitskill, Russ	580.00
Glover, Douglas	1,430.00
Hodgdon, Jody	425.00
Ireland, Brinson	1,695.00
Johnk, Gordon	2,090.00
Johnk, Samuel	1,400.00
Kenerson, Danforth	590.00
Kern, Jason	280.00
Kinney, Luther	285.00
Leighton, Timothy	445.00
Snyder, James	2,025.00
Szawlowski, Peter	1,040.00
Warren, Michael	805.00
Wilson, Ned	820.00
Mileage	1,300.00
Training	1,908.29
Telephone	814.44
Information Line 8123	227.51
Computer Services	500.00
Dispatching Services	4,232.22
Electric	1,482.33
Heating Oil	4,087.84
Building Maintenance	8,003.95
Uniforms & Protective Clothing	550.65
Dues	310.00
Supplies	2,120.94
Office Supplies	76.38
Postage	50.20
Gasoline	79.64
Diesel Fuel	1,475.08
Propane	132.45
Vehicle Maintenance	7,263.38
Equipment Maintenance	3,557.73

Radio Maintenance	2,117.71	
Books & Periodicals	310.00	
New & Replacement Equipment	6,018.60	
Communication Equipment	205.00	
Fire Pond Maintenance	<u>627.57</u>	
Total Fire Department Expenses		72,385.72
Fire Department CRF Building		55,692.22
Fire Department CRF Heavy Equipment (New Engine)		268,165.96
Total Emergency Management		640.01
Airport		423.00
Town Maintenance:		
Douglas Glover - Salary	66,765.24	
Brett Hucksoll	47,964.65	
Wes Griffith	26,426.51	
Mike Leslie	13,701.06	
Retirement	<u>13,635.75</u>	
Total Town Maintenance		168,493.21
General Highway Department:		
Telephone	1,414.06	
Computer Consulting	315.00	
Computer Internet	539.40	
Computer Equipment	749.00	
Medical	255.00	
Electricity	2,260.34	
Heating Oil	6,405.72	
Building Maintenance	550.75	
Equipment Rental	3,296.75	
Uniforms	3,214.48	
Dues	25.00	
Supplies	1,477.86	
Office Supplies	108.98	
Printing/Notices	95.00	
Licenses/Hiring	85.00	
Shop Supplies	1,940.78	
Gasoline	206.76	
Diesel Fuel	26,370.87	
Vehicle Maintenance	9,079.09	
Equipment Maintenance	12,092.29	
Radio Maintenance	1,532.70	
Road Salt	4,905.61	
Hot Top	58,075.27	
Crushed Gravel	9,958.00	
Sand	1,134.00	
Culverts	2,355.00	

Stone	798.00	
Cold Patch	5,877.12	
Miscellaneous Expense	750.00	
Non Lapsing Roadwork WA #4	45,000.00	
Street Signs	860.62	
WA#16 Sunset Sidewalk	<u>14,722.40</u>	
Total General Highway Department & WA#4 & #16		216,450.85
Highway Building CRF		3,472.81
Bridges CRF		10,666.19
Total Street Lighting Expenses		8,973.65
Total Highway Block Grant Expenses		45,692.43
Total Solid Waste Disposal Expenses		49,266.00
Total Health & Hospitals Agencies Expenses		3,972.00
Total Welfare Expenses		2,520.16
Total Parks & Recreation Expenses		27,900.90
Library:		
Librarian - Judy Weisenberger	7,946.50	
Ingrid Ogren	1,790.00	
Telephone	394.17	
Computer Consulting	315.00	
Computer Equipment	299.98	
Dues	101.99	
Supplies	182.46	
Postage	108.00	
Books & Periodicals	8,612.01	
Office Supplies	<u>183.72</u>	
Total Library Expenses		19,933.83
Patriotic:		
Lafayette Lions Parade	150.00	
Town Party	<u>2,360.44</u>	
Total Patriotic Expenses		2,510.44
Conservation Commission:		
Workshops	50.00	
Mapping	190.00	
Dues/Subscriptions	185.00	
Gifts	<u>50.00</u>	
Total Conservation Commission Expenses		475.00
Land Use Change Fund		5,530.00
Long Term Notes -Principal	40,570.54	
Long Term Notes - Interest	<u>26,929.46</u>	

Total Long Term Notes		67,500.00
Temporary Loan (TAN)	350,000.00	
TAN Interest	<u>1,008.38</u>	
Total Temporary Loan		351,008.38
Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds:		
Meetinghouse CRF	5,000.00	
Crapo Building CRF	5,000.00	
Highway Department HE	50,000.00	
Fire Department HE	50,000.00	
Fire Department Building	20,000.00	
Police Department	12,000.00	
Bridgework	10,000.00	
Highway Building	5,000.00	
Building & Grounds	<u>5,000.00</u>	
Total Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds		162,000.00
Transfers - Cemetery Trust Funds:		
Lots Purchased	<u>1,600.00</u>	
Total Transfers - Trust Funds		1,600.00
Total Taxes Paid - County		241,358.00
Total Taxes Paid - School District		1,445,696.00
Abatements		15,625.93
Property Tax Refunds/Overpayments		3,068.06
Total Taxes Bought by the Town		<u>124,134.11</u>
Total Detailed Expenses		\$3,965,440.11

AUDITOR'S REPORT

As a result of our past promptness in completing the Sugar Hill audit, we are now on a shortened form. This makes it easier to complete the audit. I wish to thank Jennifer Gaudette, Lissa Boissonneault, Amy Venezia and Bit Andross for another year of doing a great job.

I also want to thank Ralph Brigida for doing the official state accounting report (MS-5) for the town for the past 17 years. He has informed us that this is his last year so we have a new audit company in place for 2013.

Our financial records are well handled by our up to date computer programs. What few changes we may make will not be difficult to handle by our present staff.

It's been a pleasure,
William Pinney
Volunteer Town Auditor

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS
Report of the Trust Funds – December 31, 2012

PRINCIPAL INCOME

Date Of Creation	NAME OF TRUST	Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Sale of Securities	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year
09/21/1973	Louise Leazott Trust (1)	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	563.60	0.09	0.00	563.69	1063.69
11/05/1943	Annie Bowles Trust (1)	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	135.79	0.00	0.00	135.79	285.79
11/03/1937	Frank E. Bowles Trust (1)	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	135.79	0.00	0.00	135.79	285.79
10/18/1956	J.L. & Gertrude Bowles Trust (1)	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	75.49	0.00	0.00	75.49	175.49
07/11/1984	Hersom Murray Trust (1)	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	91.55	0.00	0.00	91.55	241.55
10/09/1975	Anker Trust (2)	3500.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	3500.79	1396.53	5.37	0.00	1401.90	4902.69
10/09/1975	Sunnyside Cemetery (3)	21648.09	1600.00	0.00	0.00	23248.09	5334.53	29.36	0.00	5363.89	28611.98
TOTAL CEMETERY OF TRUST FUNDS		\$38198.88	\$1600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$39798.88	\$8824.60	\$49.05	0.00	\$8873.65	\$48672.53

(1) Interest only may be used for lot care.

(2) Funds may be used at discretion of Cemetery Trustees.

(3) Funds may only be used for Sunnyside Maintenance.

All Funds Invested 100%

All Funds are deposited in PDIP.

Respectfully,
 Bruce Perlo, Greg Connors, Allan Clark
 Trustees of the Trust Funds

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS
Report of the Trust Funds – December 31, 2012

PRINCIPAL INCOME

Date Of Creation	NAME OF TRUST	Balance Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Gains or (Losses) on Sale of Securities	Withdrawals of Year	Balance End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year
10/9/1975	Gladys Jesseman Memorial Trust	\$1,841.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	1841.23	163.66	2.58	0.00	166.24	2007.47
9/21/1973	Fredericka Harnes Fund	1,564.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	1564.10	505.76	2.61	0.00	508.37	2072.47
11/5/1943	Alice Smith Fund	903.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	903.50	292.25	0.32	0.00	292.57	1196.07
1/22/2001	Richardson Memorial Trust	73,984.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	73984.55	6,386.21	87.61	0.00	6473.82	80458.37
	TOTAL LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS	\$78,293.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$78,293.38	\$7,347.88	\$93.12	\$0.00	\$7441.00	\$85734.38

All Funds Invested 100%.
 All Funds are deposited in PDIP or CD's.

Sugar Hill Improvement Association (SHIA)
Carolina Crapo Trust

NAME OF TRUST	Value Beginning of Year	Interest	Dividends	Management Fees	Gains/Losses	Value End of Year	Available to Expend
Crapo	\$505,865.69	\$2,416.33	\$14,338.90	(\$5,000.83)	\$11,458.64	\$529,078.73	\$16,806.23
SHIA - Community	\$566,041.23	\$2,436.16	\$18,007.96	(\$5,547.72)	\$15,490.57	\$596,428.20	\$20,444.12

Respectfully,
 Bruce Perlo, Greg Connors, Allan Clark
 Trustees of the Trust Funds

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

2012 was an exciting year for Sugar Hill. We celebrated 50 years as a town with fireworks - both man-made and natural. The rain, lightning and thunder did not dampen our spirits on the evening of July 4th. Everyone enjoyed the bountiful pot luck supper, Roger Aldrich's words of remembrance, the cannon fire, and particularly the camaraderie and friendship that we all share. We are fortunate to live in a special town in one of the most beautiful places in the northeast. Thanks to the 50th Anniversary Committee for their creativity and hard work.

In September, the Select Board created the Sugar Hill Road Committee. The purpose of this committee is to understand how road repair is prioritized by the Town Road Agent, Town Engineer and Select Board. Its members will familiarize themselves with the costs, different construction options, time and materials involved in taking care of town roads. The committee, made up of Carl Martland, Haley Ireland and Jody Hodgdon, will be sensitive to the fact that emergencies often force a change in planned annual maintenance. The committee will be a sounding board for the Road Agent as he drafts a comprehensive annual road repair plan. The members will be available at town meeting to provide explanation and clarification to town residents on town roads. The committee will work under the guidance of and report back to the Sugar Hill Select Board. Thank you to these dedicated volunteers!

The Select Board continues to oppose Northern Pass as proposed. Over the past year we have written letters to the Premier of Quebec and the president of Hydro Quebec stating that the power line project is not beneficial to our state and community. We wrote a letter to the NH Public Utilities Commission to express concern about activities by agents of Northern Pass Transmission LLC on the existing PSNH transmission line right of way in Sugar Hill. We signed a letter to Thomas Wagner, Forest Supervisor for the White Mountain National Forest re the NP Special Use Permit Application urging him to ensure comprehensive and rigorous scrutiny of the project and a full analysis of all reasonable alternatives. A group of Sugar Hill residents and a representative from the Select Board attended a public hearing in Plymouth in November organized by the 361 Commission. In response to concerns about Northern Pass, the Legislature created the 361 Commission to study utilities and rights-of-way issues. The commission concluded that it is feasible to put utility lines along state rights-of-way, including some interstates. And, they can be buried. The Sugar Hill group encouraged the committee to push the Legislature to developing a state-wide energy policy.

The Select Board worked with the Veteran's Committee to select a design for the veteran's memorial to be placed in front of the flagpole at the Carolina Crapo building.

The town replaced the lower windows and painted and repaired the upstairs windows in the back of the Carolina Crapo building. A hot water heater was replaced. Cavanaugh & Son completed tree trimming and removal in front of the Meeting House. The Board is very pleased with the beautiful new town office building sign.

We wrote several letters and made dozens of phone calls to the United States Postal Service over the re-classification of the Sugar Hill Post Office, to no avail. The cut back

in hours to 30 minutes a day, serviced by a rural carrier means the loss of a community gathering place in town and the ultimate demise of a post office that once served Bette Davis and US Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart. The Select Board proclaimed Sunday, June 23, 2012 as Bob Clark Day to thank Bob for his years as our postal worker.

The town signed an energy procurement agreement with Competitive Energy Solutions LLC in June. This enables us to join with other municipalities, hospitals, schools etc. to negotiate lower rates for electric and heating oil.

2012 has brought extended coverage by Fairpoint Communication which has increased access to DSL for many more residents. Trumble Associates has completed assessing two-quarters of the town. The entire town will be reevaluated by 2014. Cartographics Associates has completed the town's mapping project and we will receive the new maps this year.

Sugar Hill was the winner of the Excellence in Annual Reports' award for towns with a population of 0 – 750 by the LGC in November. The award is given for a report that is creative, accurate, informative and easy to understand. Kudos to Administrative Assistant, Jennifer Gaudette and museum director, Kitty Bigelow.

We welcomed Peter Carbonneau to the position of Cemetery Sexton and Municipal Grounds Caretaker in June. Jim Keefe continues in his role as custodian for the Carolina Crapo and Meeting House buildings as well as assisting the Highway Department with snow removal in the winter.

The Sugar Hill Select Board is in full support of the creation of the Cooley-Jericho Community Forest, an 840-acre parcel of land in Easton to be owned locally and managed by representatives from Easton, Sugar Hill, Franconia, and Landaff. Select board members from Easton and Sugar Hill and many volunteers from these towns plus Franconia, Bethlehem, Landaff, and Lisbon have been working with the Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust (ACT) on the project.

Many thanks to William Pinney for graciously agreeing to assist in the town audit again this year and to Ralph Brigida CPA for his many years of auditing.

We have a wonderful team of employees and volunteers in Sugar Hill who ensure that the town runs smoothly. The Select Board would not be able to function without their dedication, creativity and spirit.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret J. Connors
John J. Strasser
Richard Bielefield

50th Anniversary Celebration Committee

It was a double celebration on the Fourth of July in Sugar Hill ... residents not only celebrated our country's independence, they also celebrated the 50 year anniversary of the Town's independence. The official date of incorporation for the Town of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire's youngest town was July 16, 1962.

Residents braved multiple thunderstorms to gather at the Carolina Crapo Memorial Building for a potluck dinner, music, birthday cake, and fireworks. The Museum's doors were also open for the evening. During a brief lull in the weather, the crowd of more than 200 gathered on the front lawn of the town offices for presentations.

Special guests included Edith Aldrich, the Town's first clerk, two of the Town's first selectmen, Roger Aldrich (also on the Founding Committee) and Joe Cushing, as well as Charles Weston, another member of the Founding Committee. Senator John Gallus and his wife, Peggy, also attended the festivities. Senator Gallus read a proclamation from Governor John Lynch and then lead the crowd in singing "*Happy Birthday*" to Sugar Hill.

The evening was capped by an incredible fireworks display, which was further enhanced by more thunder and lightning!

Celebration Committee members included Nancy Aldrich, Kitty Bigelow, Lissa Boissonneault, Allan Clark, and Rosemary Ellms.

TOWN OF SUGAR HILL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sugar Hill, in the County of Grafton, and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire, will be held at the Meetinghouse on Tuesday, March 12, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., to act on the following subjects:

Polls will open at 11 a.m. for voting by ballot on Article 1 (the election of Town Officers). Polls will close at 7:30 p.m. unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour. All other Articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon starting at 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE 1: To vote by nonpartisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

- One Selectman to serve for a term of three (3) years
- A Town Treasurer to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Town Clerk to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Tax Collector to serve for a term of one (1) year
- A Library Trustee to serve for a term of three (3) years
- One Trustee of the Trust Funds to serve for a term of three (3) years
- One Board of Adjustment Member to serve for a term of three (3) years
- One Board of Adjustment Member to serve for a term of two (2) years
- Two Board of Cemetery Trustees to serve for a term of three (3) years
- And such other Town Officers as may be required by law.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town of Sugar Hill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Two Hundred Sixty Thousand, Two Hundred Sixty Two Dollars (\$1,260,262) to defray Town charges.

Executive	\$48,375.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	20,189.00
Payroll Taxes	31,009.00
Financial Administration	19,765.00
Property Revaluation	15,000.00
Legal Expenses	15,000.00
Planning Board	2,500.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	500.00
Insurance.....	173,846.00
General Government Buildings	43,775.00
Buildings & Grounds	29,708.00
Cemetery.....	12,000.00
Advertising & Regional Associations.....	7,585.00
North Country Council.....	1,085.00
Franconia Notch CC.....	6,500.00
Police Department.....	175,751.00
Fire Department	73,025.00
Ambulance	4,000.00

Emergency Management	700.00
Airport.....	423.00
Town Maintenance	178,174.00
General Highway Department Expense	174,658.00
Highway Block Grant	34,607.00
Street Lighting	9,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal	55,367.00
Health, Hospitals.....	4,730.00
North Country Home Health	1,613.00
Grafton County Senior.....	100.00
American Red Cross	250.00
WM Mental Health.....	692.00
Littleton Hospital	525.00
Ammonoosuc Community Health	1,250.00
Burch House	300.00
Welfare	6,000.00
Tri County Cap	900.00
Unemployment.....	100.00
Library	23,795.00
Parks and Recreation.....	29,330.00
Patriotic Purposes	2,000.00
Conservation Commission	750.00
Interest Expense-Tax Anticipation Notes	1,100.00
Long Term Notes	37,500.00
Interest Long Term Notes	30,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,260,262.00

The Selectmen recommend these Appropriations.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1976.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be used for Highway Department Roadwork improvement projects to be chosen at the discretion of the Road Agent and Selectmen. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI and will not lapse until the fund is expended or in 3 years, whichever is less. (Majority vote required)

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund created in 1976.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Fire Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Fire Department Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2008.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 2006.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2009.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Carolina Crapo Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2004.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$20,800) to purchase 4,000' of 4" Hose for the Sugar Hill Fire Department with Nineteen Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$19,760.00) to come from a federal grant and the remaining One Thousand and Forty Dollars (\$1,040.00) to come from taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for support of the Boys & Girls Club of the North Country. The Boys & Girls Club is a fun, safe, positive place for all children of the North Country under the guidance of caring adults. The Club offers after school care and all day care during winter & spring vacation weeks and for 9 weeks in the summer.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for support of the Center for New Beginnings. A non-profit that offers general counseling for any mental health issues, alcohol and drug counseling, psychiatric testing and employee assistance program services.

The Selectmen recommend this Appropriation.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) for support of the Above the Notch Humane Society (ATNHS). ATNHS is a non-profit; no kill organization that serves the communities of Northern New Hampshire. The organization provides training and low cost spay/neuter clinics for the local communities.

Article submitted by Petition.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the tax exemptions for Solar Energy Systems (RSA72:62), for Wind-Powered Energy Systems (RSA72:66), and for Wood Heating Energy Systems (RSA72:70), all as defined in the relevant state statutes. Such property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the assessed value of the qualifying equipment under these statutes up to a maximum of \$20,000 for each solar energy system, wind-powered energy system or wood heating energy system.

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to direct the Select Board to appoint a representative to a governing body that will be formed for the purpose of holding and managing the Cooley-Jericho Community Forest?

The Selectmen recommend this Article.

ARTICLE 17: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 25th day of February, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

SUGAR HILL BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John J. Strasser, III
Richard Bielefield
Margaret Connors

RETURN OF POSTING

We hereby attest that the within Warrant is a true copy of the Warrant for the Town Meeting described therein, and further certify that we have caused to be posted an attested copy of this Warrant at the place of the Meeting and a like copy in one other public place in the Town of Sugar Hill, namely the Sugar Hill Post Office fourteen (14) days before the day of the Meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2013, not counting the day of posting or the day of the Meeting.

SUGAR HILL BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John J. Strasser, III
Richard Bielefield
Margaret Connors

This Warrant and Return of Posting has been duly recorded in the Office of the Town Clerk of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire, this 25th day of February, 2013.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL – REVENUE
(Modified Accrual Basis)

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated 2012	Actual 2012	Estimated 2013
Revised MS-1			
Taxes:			
Yield Taxes	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,812.00	\$ 2,500.00
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	35,000.00	39,971.00	5,000.00
Land Use Change Tax	6,000.00	1,060.00	2,500.00
Intergovernmental Revenues - State:			
Highway Block Grant	45,692.00	45,692.00	34,600.00
Rooms & Meals	25,209.00	25,204.00	20,000.00
State Grants	0.00	0.00	225.00
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Licenses and Permits:			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	130,000.00	126,197.00	120,000.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	1,464.00	1,727.00	500.00
Building Permits	1,662.00	2,264.00	2,000.00
Business Licenses & Permits	195.00	225.00	100.00
From Federal Government:	19,000.00	0.00	19,760.00
Charges For Services:			
Income from Departments	6,500.00	8,194.00	5,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue:			
Interest on Deposits	500.00	486.00	250.00
Sale of Municipal Property	0.00	2,000.00	0.00
Income from Trusts	0.00	0.00	7,500.00
Rent of Town Property	0.00	550.00	0.00
Other Refunds & Insurance:			
Reimbursements	5,500.00	6,721.00	6,000.00
Sale of Municipal Property (Cemetery)	0.00	1,600.00	0.00
From Capital Reserve Funds:	0.00	355,669.00	0.00
Fund Balance (“Surplus”)	<u>75,000.00</u>	<u>75,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Revenues and Credits	<u><u>\$357,222.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$698,372.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$225,935.00</u></u>

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL EXPENDITURES
(Modified Accrual Basis)

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriation 2012	Actual 2012	Estimated 2013
General Government:			
Executive	\$ 47,050.00	\$ 36,609.00	\$ 48,375.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	20,585.00	20,405.00	20,189.00
Financial Administration	21,315.00	17,880.00	19,765.00
Revaluation of Property	15,000.00	14,328.00	15,000.00
Legal Expenses	15,000.00	11,884.00	15,000.00
Personnel Administration	28,770.00	22,593.00	31,009.00
Planning & Zoning	3,250.00	3,879.00	3,000.00
Gen Gov Buildings & Grounds	74,690.00	70,778.00	73,483.00
Cemeteries	4,500.00	4,425.00	12,000.00
Insurance	152,462.00	152,839.00	173,846.00
Advertising & Regional Association	7,482.00	7,482.00	7,585.00
Unemployment Compensation	100.00	447.00	100.00
Public Safety:			
Police Department	182,315.00	174,729.00	175,751.00
Ambulance	4,035.00	4,035.00	4,000.00
Fire Department	72,400.00	72,386.00	73,025.00
Emergency Management	700.00	640.00	700.00
Airport:			
Airport Operations	423.00	423.00	423.00
Highways, Streets and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance	176,669.00	165,318.00	178,174.00
General Highway	162,963.00	156,729.00	174,658.00
Highway Block Grant	45,916.00	45,692.00	34,607.00
Street Lighting	9,100.00	8,974.00	9,000.00
Sanitation:			
Solid Waste Disposal	49,266.00	49,266.00	55,367.00
Health:			
Health and Hospitals	3,972.00	3,972.00	4,730.00
Welfare:			
Assistance	6,000.00	2,520.00	6,000.00
Culture and Recreation:			
Parks and Recreation and YMCA	29,929.00	27,901.00	29,330.00
Library	19,935.00	19,934.00	23,795.00
Patriotic Purposes	3,150.00	2,510.00	2,000.00

Conservation:			
Conservation Commission	750.00	475.00	750.00
Debt Service:			
Principal Long Term Bonds	37,500.00	40,571.00	37,500.00
Interest Long Term Bonds	30,000.00	26,929.00	30,000.00
Interest Tax Anticipation Notes	1,000.00	1,008.00	1,100.00
Operating Transfers Out:			
Capital Outlay	0.00	355,669.00	0.00
To Special Revenue Fund	0.00	5,690.00	0.00
To Fiduciary Funds	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,600.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$1,226,227.00</u>	<u>\$1,530,520.00</u>	<u>\$1,260,262.00</u>
Spec Warrant Articles Recommended	237,000.00	207,000.00	210,000.00
Ind Warrant Articles Recommended	76,000.00	42,222.00	22,100.00
Total Appropriations Recommended			\$1,492,362.00
Less Estimated Revenues and Credits			<u>225,935.00</u>
Amount Of Taxes To Be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)			\$1,266,427.00

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
(Year Ending December 31, 2012)**

	Appropriation 2012	Actual 2012	Unexpended or Overdrafts
Executive	\$ 47,050.00	\$37,040.55	\$ 10,009.45
Election, Registration and Vital Statistics	20,585.00	20,499.03	85.97
Financial Administration	21,315.00	17,986.11	3,328.89
Revaluation of Property	15,000.00	14,328.00	672.00
Legal Expenses	15,000.00	11,884.07	3,115.93
Payroll Taxes	28,770.00	22,592.90	6,177.10
Planning & Zoning	3,250.00	3,879.24	(629.24)
Government Buildings & Grounds	74,690.00	71,015.56	3,674.44
Cemeteries	4,500.00	4,424.84	75.16
Insurance	152,462.00	152,838.64	(376.64)
Advertising and Regional Association	7,482.00	7,482.29	(.29)
Unemployment	100.00	447.21	(347.21)
Police Department	182,315.00	176,659.60	5,655.40
Ambulance	4,035.00	4,035.00	0.00
Fire Department	72,400.00	72,385.72	14.28
Emergency Management	700.00	640.01	59.99
Airport	423.00	423.00	0.00
Town Maintenance	176,669.00	168,493.21	8,175.79
General Highway	162,963.00	156,728.45	6,234.55
Highway Block Grant	45,916.00	45,692.43	223.57
Street Lighting	9,100.00	8,973.65	126.35
Solid Waste Disposal	49,266.00	49,266.00	0.00
Health and Hospitals	3,972.00	3,972.00	0.00
Welfare	6,000.00	2,520.16	3,479.84
Parks & Recreation	29,929.00	27,900.90	2,028.10
Library	19,935.00	19,933.83	1.17
Patriotic Purposes	3,150.00	2,510.44	639.56
Conservation Commission	750.00	475.00	275.00
Interest Tax Anticipation Notes	1,000.00	1,008.38	(8.38)
Long Term Notes & Interest	67,500.00	67,500.00	0.00
	<u>\$1,226,227.00</u>	<u>\$1,173,536.22</u>	<u>\$52,690.78</u>
Special Warrant Articles	237,000.00	207,000.00	30,000.00*
Individual Warrant Articles	76,000.00	42,222.40	33,777.60
Grand Total	\$1,539,227.00	\$1,422,758.62	\$116,468.38

*To Non Lapsing Roadwork Fund

CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT

The year 2012 saw the continuation of projects the Trustees had approved. John Hanks of Littleton Monument repaired the monuments at Sunnyside and was able to complete 60% of the restoration work at the Streeter Pond Cemetery with completion slated for 2013.

We were able to finally locate an ironworker; Stand Fast Worksforge from Parsons Field Maine. We will do one half of the fence restoration this year with completion scheduled for 2014. We are looking for grants that will assist in paying for the project.

This fall we were able to replace the rotting rail fence Sunnyside and will be putting gravel into the west side entrance in the spring. We continue to work to remove dead trees and trim overgrown bushes.

We would like to thank Pete Carbonneau the sexton and caretaker for his outstanding maintenance of the grounds in his first season. We will miss Lorraine Hunt a former trustee and keeper of all Veteran Affairs at the cemeteries. Special thanks to her family for remembering our Veterans with flags for Memorial Day. Additional thanks to Doug Glover and his crew for the road maintenance and assistance with burials as needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Perlo, Chairperson
Nancy Aldrich
Holly Hayward
Meri Hern
Kathleen Jablonski
Cemetery Trustees

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

The lack of snow during the winter of 2012 led to a short mud season and the Town of Sugar Hill Highway Department made good progress during the summer. We were able to pave the bad section on Dyke Road, all of the paved section of Grandview Road, a short portion of Peckett's Crossroad and the top of Sunset Hill Road to the intersection. We started next season's paving preparation by grinding the Lisbon end of Pearl Lake Road and the majority of Blake Road. In the spring we hope to put some more gravel and stabilization fabric on both Blake Road and Pearl Lake Road.

Culverts were changed on Blake Road, Lafayette Road and Grandview Road. In addition we were able to complete much needed ditch work.

Top Notch Tree Experts were called upon to remove a number of hazardous trees that are too large for us to remove.

The Crane Hill Bridge continues to be an area of great concern for the Town and also the residents of Crane Hill Road. The State of NH Bridge Department has been doing inspections on all Town bridges for as long as I can remember. They apparently missed some of the damaged I-Beams that are underneath. Temporary repairs were made in November to the surface of the bridge and we have posted a weight limit. We are in the process of seeking help in making the proper repairs to the bridge before the condition worsens. The Town hired H.E. Bergeron Engineers to complete an inspection report and Town Engineer William McCarthy has also been involved in the process. I have met with additional companies to review all options for the Town. The safety of the bridge is of utmost importance and with State Bridge Aid relief not available until 2022 we will continue to look for a cost effective solution.

In August we hired a new employee, Mike Leslie from Bethlehem. We are glad to have Mike as part of our team.

We completed the Sunset Hill sidewalk project well under budget and hope that residents are happy with the results.

The Select Board recommended the formation of a Road Committee to assist the Department on the condition of and the future of Sugar Hill Road maintenance. The committee report is also included in this report. Carl, Haley and Jody have been great to work with and I appreciate their assistance.

I would also like to thank the Sugar Hill Fire and Police Departments for the help they have given our Department over the past year. As always it has been a pleasure working for the people of Sugar Hill and our elected officials.

As I write this report the roads are snow covered and we are waiting for spring so we can get started again. We look forward to seeing you on the roads of Sugar Hill and as always you can contact me seven days a week, 24 hours a day. (616-8467)

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas Glover, Road Agent

SUGAR HILL ROADS COMMITTEE

The Select Board created the Roads Committee in 2012 in order to provide input to the Road Department and the Select Board regarding priorities for roadwork. The Committee is working with Doug Glover, the Town's Road Agent, to address issues such as the following:

- Is Sugar Hill using the right policies for maintaining roads?
- What are the most efficient and most effective ways to maintain roads?
- How can we develop a better long-term strategy, taking into account options both for maintaining road and for financing road improvements?

On November 3rd, Doug Glover and the Sugar Hill Road Committee drove along nearly all of the roads in Sugar Hill. Doug pointed out the types of problems that are encountered, the types of maintenance activities that are necessary, and the types of activities recently completed or planned for completion in the near future. We assessed the quality of the Town's major paved roads based in part upon the roughness experienced on our road trip and in part upon surface quality, which Carl Martland documented in photographs taken at 0.1 mile increments on each major road. We now have a data base that shows the average condition of the major roads, the locations with the worst condition, and the average condition for all roads. Only a small portion of Sugar Hill roads are in poor condition; about half are in excellent or good condition, and the rest are "OK". The great majority of roads provide a smooth ride for cars traveling at the speed limit, and there only a few locations where roughness requires cars to slow down (see Figures).

Figure 1 Roughness (11/2012)

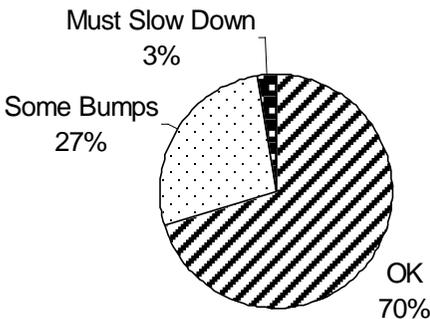
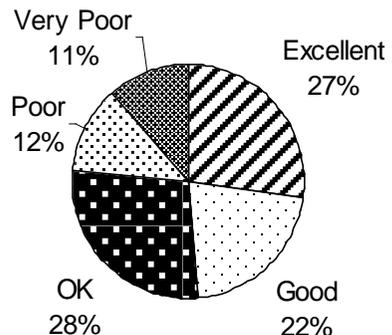


Figure 2 Surface Quality (11/2012)



The Committee scheduled a public meeting for February 25th in order to review road conditions, options for maintaining roads, factors affecting priorities for road work, and long-term plans for achieving our goals for Sugar Hill roads. In 2013, the committee will continue to work with the Highway Department and Select Board in setting priorities for road work and in examining long-term strategies for maintaining and improving our roads.

Sugar Hill Roads Committee
Jody Hodgdon
Haley Ireland
Carl Martland

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board meets the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30PM at the Carolina Crapo Memorial Building.

The Planning Board approved the following activity for 2012:

Major Subdivisions:	0
Minor Subdivisions:	1
Lot Line Adjustments:	2
Voluntary Mergers:	1

The Board began the task of reviewing and updating the Master Plan with the guidance of the North County Council. The Board held a public meeting in August to get input on what was important to members of the Town. Using this input the Board put together a survey that was mailed to all voters and residents in November. The Board will continue to work on this through the beginning of 2013 and will have this completed by mid-year.

Any resident interested in serving on the Planning Board should write a letter of interest to the Select Board.

Appreciation is due to all the members who generously volunteer their time and work to maintain the quality and beauty of our Town.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Venezia, Secretary

SUGAR HILL NORTHERN PASS ACTION COMMITTEE (SNOPAC)

The Sugar Hill Northern Pass Action Committee (SNOPAC) has continued to work with the Select Board to oppose the Northern Pass Transmission Project that is slated to run through seven miles of our Town. After the successful passage of a Rights Based Ordinance to prevent this type of project at Town Meeting, SNOPAC organized an informational meeting in July. Leaders of the opposition representing the Forest Society, the Appalachian Mountain Club, the Conservation Law Foundation, REAL and Bury the Northern Pass presented the latest information to an appreciative crowd of over 100 people at the Crapo Building. SNOPAC is presently at work drafting an energy policy to present to the Town for its approval.

SUGAR HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT

I would like to start this year's report by letting you know how much I sincerely appreciate the fact Gary Young stood up and proposed money for an Administrative Assistant and to THANK ALL of you who voted to approve it. I was pleasantly surprised by the number and quality of the candidates who applied for the position. Although it was not an easy decision, we made an excellent choice in hiring Jamie Allaire. She has prior experience related specifically to law enforcement administration and her expertise has been invaluable to the Sugar Hill Police Department. If you haven't had the pleasure of meeting Jamie, please feel free to stop in on Tuesday or Thursday between 8:00 am and 1:00 pm to say hello.

Although we didn't meet our goal to hold one Information Sharing meeting per month in 2012, we did have some very successful meetings on topics including: Burglary Prevention, Bear Prevention and Social Media Safety. This year we will set a more realistic goal to hold four, quarterly Information Sharing meetings in 2013. Please come join us, we would love to see you.

The Department is also working on a Hawkers and Peddlers Ordinance for the Town. This will make sure that door to door salespeople will have to register with the Police Department.

One of my favorite moments of the year happened in December when I was able to host Chief Jose Pequeno's return to Sugar Hill for the first time since he left in 2006. Many members of local, county and state law enforcement came to welcome Chief Pequeno back. During his visit, Ed Garone, Chief of Police for the Town of Derry and Secretary of the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police (NHACoP), presented Chief Pequeno with a lifetime membership in the NHACoP. Margo Connors, Chairperson for the Sugar Hill Select Board, also presented Chief Pequeno with a plaque thanking him for his dedication and service to the Town of Sugar Hill. Last, but not least, Chief Pequeno was able to take a moment sit behind his desk in the Police Department one more time. It was truly heartwarming to see Chief Pequeno back in Sugar Hill again.

In closing, I would like to let all of you know how honored I am to work for such an outstanding community. I would like to thank the Sugar Hill Fire Department as well as the Sugar Hill Highway Department, both of whom have always gone out their way to assist the Police Department whenever we have needed them. I do not take for granted the wonderful relationship we have with our community as well as with my coworkers in the Fire Department and Highway Department.

Sincerely,

Chief David D. Wentworth
On behalf of the
Sugar Hill Police Department

Calls For Service

	2011	2012
Arrests	16	17
911 Hang Up	18	12
Abandoned MV	1	2
Alarm, Burglar	51	53
All Spots Inquiries	17	10
Assault	1	4
Assist Citizen	14	9
Assist Other Agency	3	0
Building Check	4	6
Burglary	5	6
Civil Stand-By	3	6
Directions	2	0
Disabled MV/Lock Out	21	24
Disturbance/Fight/Brawl	2	2
Dog Complaint	39	32
Domestic Disturbance	6	2
Drug Issues	0	2
Fish & Game	0	33
Follow Up Investigations	57	36
Intoxicated Person (Not DWI)	1	0
Lost/Found Property	1	3
Missing Person	1	0
Motor Vehicle Complaint	8	8
Motor Vehicle Crash	15	10
Motor Vehicle Stop	281	152
Noise Complaint	0	2
Paperwork Service	2	3
Police Admin	170	119
Road Hazard/Wire or Tree Down	27	41
Shots Fired	6	0
Suicidal Person	1	0
Suspicious Person	2	12
Suspicious Vehicle	3	15
Telephone Harassment	2	6
Theft/Fraud	5	8
Threats	3	3
Traffic Detail	2	1
Trespass	3	6
Unknown/Other	17	7
Vandalism	7	5
VIN Verification	9	6
Wanted Person	4	3
Welfare Check	4	6
TOTAL	834	672

SUGAR HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT

During 2012 your Fire Department continued to be very active in training and with emergency calls. We responded to 56 emergency calls in 2012 which represents an average year. We did have one potentially serious structure fire, however a quick stop was made and damage although significant the house was saved. This fire was started due to the improper installation of a masonry fireplace.

Your Fire Department is well equipped, adequately staffed and highly trained. The Department has 21 dedicated Firefighters who are all very active. Although the Firefighters are part-time, they are committed to providing the Town with the coverage and the services usually found only in full time Departments.

We continue our extensive training a minimum of two times per month. The skill level of your Firefighters is very high for a community our size. Although our call volume is not very high, when we do have a structure fire or other serious emergency we must have the training and equipment to professionally handle the fire or emergency.

We took possession of a new engine to replace Engine 3 which was 28 years old in September. The new Engine was purchased for \$254,000 and is a very basic engine that meets the unique needs of Sugar Hill. All Firefighters have been trained with it and we are very pleased with its performance and expect it to last 25 years. We also upgraded our rescue truck with a new light tower that will make scenes much safer.

We were hopeful that our other Engine which has a steel body could have the rust repaired, however the rust is so severe that it was determined that spending over \$50,000 to repair the truck body and pump that is over 36 years old was not sound management. We are hopeful that this Engine will continue to function until we can purchase a new one in 2017. Once that Engine is replaced we will no longer have truck bodies that are steel and susceptible to rust.

The Fire Department responded to the following:

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Brush/Grass Fires	3	1	0	1	0	1
Chimney Fires	0	2	0	1	2	1
Dumpsters	0	0	0	0	0	1
Alarm Activations	21	24	12	10	17	10
Furnace Problems	1	2	1	1	2	3
Hazardous Conditions	4	5	12	2	15	10
Hazardous Materials	0	0	2	0	0	5
Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	2	7	5	5	9
Mutual Aid – Cover	3	5	9	2	4	8
Mutual Aid – Scene	13	11	9	11	30	6
Rescues	1	1	1	2	0	1
Service Calls	4	4	2	0	5	1
Smoke Investigations	2	1	5	2	4	5
Structure Fires	2	1	1	2	0	8
Vehicle Fires	0	1	0	1	1	0
TOTAL	56	60	62	40	85	69

As of December 31, 2012 the Fire Department's active roster consisted of twenty-one of your neighbors who are as follows:

	Chief Allan R. Clark	
Asst. Chief Doug Glover		Asst. Chief Doug Amsbary
Captain Gordie Johnk	Lieutenant Jim Snyder	Lieutenant Cliff Aldrich
Engineer Peter Szawlowski	Engineer Brinson Ireland	Engineer Ned Wilson
Tim Burger	Leslie Burton	Eric Chase
Richard Christoffersen	Russell Gaitskill	Jody Hodgdon
Sam Johnk	Dan Kenerson	Jason Kern
Luther Kinney	Tim Leighton	Michael Warren

We enjoy holding our annual Open House where many of the residents of the Town stop by and spend a little time looking at our equipment and chatting with the firefighters. We sincerely appreciate all of the kind words expressed to the Firefighters.

It is truly an honor to serve such a wonderful community as Sugar Hill as the Fire Chief. Thank you for your support and thank you to the Firefighters for their support and dedication. I especially thank the spouses of the Firefighters for tolerating the many disruptions to their family life for the good of the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Allan R. Clark
Fire Chief

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Emergency Management in Sugar Hill is a cooperative effort of the Highway Department, Fire Department, and Police Department working together toward a common goal. Sugar Hill is fortunate to have Departments that work very well together. Both Chief David Wentworth and Highway Superintendent Doug Glover are extremely competent and service oriented.

It seems that every year there is a major incident due to natural causes that has a significant detrimental effect on the Town. In prior years we have had significant wind storms, ice storms and torrential rain storms and flooding. Fortunately in 2012 we avoided significant damage while other towns in the region were not as fortunate.

The Town has worked hard to identify the hazards the community can face and developed a plan and the infrastructure necessary to mitigate those hazards. We continue to work to seek grant funds to pay for the mitigation.

We are working to seek funds to dredge the gravel bars in the Gale River downstream of the Crane Hill Road bridge in order to minimize ice dams. We also are seeking funds to continue the efforts of the Road Crew to upgrade culverts throughout Town in an effort to minimize roadside flooding and washouts.

The most significant natural disaster threat that we face in Sugar Hill is the loss of power for an extended period of time. The Town is well prepared to deal with power out for an extended period of time. We have the provision to utilize the Crapo building as a shelter and have solicited a crew of volunteers to staff the shelter if needed. Arrangements have also been made with the Sunset Hill House to utilize their facilities if overnight accommodations are required or citizens seek a hot shower.

Many have addressed the potential for loss of power for an extended period of time by installing or purchasing home generators. Should you have a generator at your home be certain that it is properly connected to the house wiring and that the generator is located outside in a well ventilated area. It is of critical importance to have a carbon monoxide detector in your home if operating a generator.

Please do not hesitate to contact your emergency services by calling 823-8123 should you require any assistance. It does not need to be a true emergency. The Fire Department, Highway Department and the Police Department are willing to help the citizens and visitors to Sugar Hill during a time of need.

Respectfully submitted,
Allan R. Clark
EM Director

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

The Sugar Hill Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services prohibits burning of household waste.

Outdoor burning is only allowed after 5pm and must be out the following morning by 9am unless it is raining or the ground is covered by snow. Permits are always required unless the ground is covered with snow. Permits in Sugar Hill can be obtained from the Warden or Deputy Wardens. It is asked that you contact our dispatch at 823-8123 if burning when the ground is covered by snow. Sugar Hill burn permits can be obtained utilizing our website at www.sugarhillfd.org and going to the permit section and following the directions. Permits may be denied due to weather conditions or what is intended to be burnt.

As has been the case over the last few years, State budget constraints have limited the staffing of the statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers to high fire danger days. Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, the fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Several of the fires during the 2012 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees.

2012 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of October 2012 and do not include fires in the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	3.6	7
Carroll	5.5	25
Cheshire	8.3	43
Coos	11.8	35
Grafton	96.5	59
Hillsborough	34.2	64
Merrimack	20.8	31
Rockingham	6.4	21
Strafford	12.9	19
Sullivan	6	14

State Forestry Director
Brad Simpkins - 271-2214

State Forest Ranger
Steven Sherman - 788-4157

Warden
Allan R. Clark - 823-5748
549-2220-Pager

Deputy Warden
Doug Glover - 823-7007
823-8788-Work

Deputy Warden
Jim Snyder - 823-7704

FRANCONIA LIFE SQUAD

The Ambulance Service currently has five (5) members who are certified to provide Advanced Life Support, three (3) of which are nationally registered paramedics. The Franconia Ambulance at year's end, has fourteen (14) active members and a paramedic advisor, for a total of fifteen (15) members. A membership well prepared to assist our citizens and visitors to our area with quality emergency medical care.

All members are Nationally Registered Emergency Medical Technicians. They are continually training and improving their skills. Each member must have a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education each year plus every two years must take an additional 24 hour of classroom refresher and an extensive practical exam, where members must demonstrate their proficiency to State examiners.

Many of the members have other specialized training including ice rescue, swift water rescue, high angle rescue and motor vehicle extrication certifications. All of the members are certified in advance CPR and in the use of the heart monitor and defibrillator. Most importantly, all of our members are dedicated to providing compassionate emergency medical care from the scene to the hospital.

The Ambulance Service continues to seek its' membership by recruiting from the Towns of Franconia, Sugar Hill and Easton, the same communities it provides service to. All volunteers are welcome to join. Each member is dedicated to providing the highest quality emergency care to the communities we serve.

Active members of the Franconia Life Squad at year end were:

Chief Paul Schmucker – EMT-B

Asst. Chief Steve Czarnecki – EMT-P	Capt. Pam Oakman – EMT-I	
Ned Wilson – EMT-B	Mark Taylor – EMT-B	Bill Blackwell – EMT-I
Ryan O'Hara – EMT-B	Allan Clark – EMT-B	William Mead – EMT-P
John Ireland – EMT-B	Zach Mangione – EMT-B	Linda Mordhorst – EMT-B
Susan Simpson – EMT - B	Gareth Slattery – EMT-B	Jeff Stewart – EMT - P

The Franconia Ambulance responded to 191 calls for assistance during 2012, of those 77 required transport.

In 2012, the operating expenses were \$45,020. Income obtained from patient billing and subsidies from Sugar Hill and Easton totaled \$33,117 with the net cost for the operation of the Franconia Ambulance to the Town of Franconia being \$11,903.

Your Ambulance is currently operating at the Advanced Life Support – paramedic level.

Again, I sincerely thank the townspeople for their continued support and the privilege of serving them. I especially thank the men and women of the Franconia Ambulance for their countless hours of dedication and sacrifice, serving others in their community.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Schmucker, Chief
Franconia Life Squad

RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Richardson Memorial Library began 2012 with a continued focus on weeding, updating, replacing and developing whole sections of the birth through 13 year old materials. A \$2000 book collection from the CLiF Foundation and two wonderful presentations nearly completes our goal of modernizing the children's collections. Close to 250 old books were weeded, 105 remain in the classics and 350 new items have been added. Thanks to the Connors family for their cozy couch. Before we determine any technology needs for children we will be working with the community to develop a plan for the future.

In 2013 we increased hours from 11 to 20 more closely reflecting the actual time needed to operate our non-automated library, a condition that will need to be remedied in the near future. Open hours were modified based on patron surveys (see below). We also created a substitute position from these hours to provide coverage and additional support. Thanks to Ingrid Ogren for her willingness to be so flexible. Circulation remained strong at over 5,000 items. Online catalogued-books exceeds 9000 titles, over 2,000 older books and paperbacks are yet to be scanned, 321 movies, 324 audio books, and other materials give our 400 or so patrons of all ages many choices.

The all-consuming task of weeding continues with over 500 adult titles removed or donated and ready for our next book sale. We acquired over 400 titles and increased collection diversity via patron's requests. We joined the NHDL Consortium where patrons can download E-Books and audio books for free. Directions for use are at the library and online on our new Facebook page thanks to Jason Tors. Our catalog can be accessed at LibraryThing.com

We look forward to your continued support, especially in upgrading the technology and adult programming in 2013 and increasing total visits above the current 2800.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Weisenberger
Librarian

Hours:
Mon – 2:30pm – 5:30 pm
Tue – 10-1pm and 2:30 -5:30
Sat – 9-2pm Sun: 12-3pm

Library Trustees
Irene Amsbary
Colleen Foley
Jason Tors

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Our major project this past year has been to develop a Conservation Plan that will be part of the Town Master Plan. We have evaluated our town in terms of agricultural lands, rivers streams, ponds and wetlands, wildlife, forests, scenic views, and recreation. These resources are described in maps as well as text. Rather than contract out this analysis to outside professionals we have elected to do most of the work ourselves in an effort to produce a report that is more meaningful, less technical, and a lot less expensive. Our aim is to have a concise and useful report but we need input from residents and property owners. We will have displays at the town meeting which will encourage comments. Please contact us if you have any concerns or would like to provide input on these subjects.

As part of the 50th anniversary of Sugar Hill we designed new plantings for the front lawn of Crapo building in cooperation with the Sugar Hill Improvement Association. The plantings are now completed and will provide a pleasing introduction to the Town Hall for visitors and townsfolk.

A small but significant step in conservation was achieved when we reviewed and approved a Public Service of New Hampshire proposal to remove a power line that cut across fields and through woods to the south and east of Lovers Lane. The vistas from this scenic byway are greatly improved by the removal of power poles and overhead wires. Trees will soon grow back over the right of way through the wooded areas to produce a more continuous forest

Other conservation issues included support of the town's opposition to the high voltage DC power line. As proposed by Northern Pass it would literally cut the town in half. We are also monitoring the establishment of the proposed Cooley-Jericho Community Forest in Easton which abuts Sugar Hill and have committed \$5000.00 from the conservation fund toward the establishment of this community resource (at no cost to taxpayers).

We thank Peter Carbonneau, Luther Kinney and Janel Lawton for their years of service to the town and welcome new members Ron Cole, Tim Burger and Bill Fraser to the commission.

We continue to assist property owners with issues related to state conservation laws by reviewing applications for wetlands permits and we encourage people to contact us before they complete a permit if they have any questions. We are available to assist other town boards as the need arises. We participate in the Adopt a Highway program by cleaning refuse from Rt. 117, review the intent to cut forms filed with the Town for logging operations, and monitor invasive and harmful species of plants, animals and microorganisms reported to us.

The Conservation Commission has limited funds available for grants to individuals or groups proposing projects that would benefit the Town as a whole. Applications are available in the Town office and we encourage informal discussions with the Conservation Commission before application. We meet the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Town building; all are welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted
Katherine Galligan, Chair
Conservation Commission

TRI-TOWN TRANSFER STATION

Even though the paper commodities were down slightly (3%), we still managed to have another successful year in 2012.

- Newspaper -- 2.6 tons
- Cardboard -- 2.1 tons
- Mixed paper -- 44.1 tons
- Aluminum -- 3.1 tons
- Tin -- 5.3 tons
- #1 Plastic -- 3.3 tons
- #2 Plastic -- 5.1 tons
- Scrap Metal -- 19.4 tons
- Glass -- 88.2 tons
- Textiles -- 6.2 tons
- Electronics -- 11.9 tons

On behalf of your employees Kevin, Nate, Troy and myself, Thank You.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Wells
Transfer Station Manager

ENERGY COMMITTEE

The following graph shows energy use in the Town of Sugar Hill for 2012.

Department	Electric	Gas	Diesel	#2 Heating	Total
Meetinghouse	1,053.56			4,528.79	5,582.35
Crapo	3,427.68			5,787.40	9,215.08
Fire	1,482.33	79.64	1,475.08	4,087.84	7,124.89
Highway	2,260.34	206.76	26,370.87	6,405.72	35,243.69
Police		9,075.94			9,075.94
Build & Grounds		1,060.43	913.73		1,974.16
Streetlights	8,973.65				8,973.65
Total	\$17,197.56	\$10,422.77	\$28,759.68	\$20,809.75	\$77,189.76

PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

This past year the Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District continued its cooperative efforts to promote waste reduction, increase recycling, and to provide residents with a means of properly disposing of their household hazardous wastes (HHW). The District held two (2) one-day collections, one in Littleton and the other in Plymouth. A total of 230 vehicles came to the two sites – one of our highest turnouts in the last six years. Some of this can be attributed to the low turnout last year in Littleton due to weather conditions. We also disposed of significant volumes of waste from two member communities that had material stored at their recycling facilities. As a result, a lot of material was collected. At both sites our contractor remained for over four hours after the close of the collection to pour off and consolidate the material. The total disposal costs were \$32,460. The District was awarded a grant from the State of NH for \$5,305. The net expenditure for the program was \$27,155 (a cost of \$.90 per resident). The table below highlights the District's HHW collection data since 2007. The District also coordinated the pickup of fluorescent light bulbs that had been collected at member towns' recycling facilities. Over 38,000 feet of straight fluorescent tubing and 850 compact fluorescents were recycled at a cost of just over \$2,900.

In 2013, the District will hold collections in Littleton and Plymouth. The actual dates have not been set at this time. Watch for them in early spring. The District takes great effort to provide these collection programs in a cost effective means, but the reality is that they are very expensive to hold. Individual residents can help keep the District's disposal costs down and reduce the toxicity of the environment by remembering a few of these helpful tips; Buy only what you need. If you have leftover product, properly store it so it will last. Use biological controls and organic products for pests and diseases in the garden when feasible. Apply chemical pesticides only as a last resort and be sure to follow the directions on the label. Lastly, air-dry your leftover latex paint. When completely dried, latex paint maybe disposed of in your household trash.

2012 also saw the District sign a waste disposal agreement/extension with North Country Environmental Services (NCES) giving the District members a long-term waste disposal option with very competitive pricing. The agreement which will take effect May 1, 2013 is for ten (10) years. The base tipping fees will be \$59.75/ton for MSW (currently \$65.65/ton) and \$61.75 for C & D (currently \$69.13/ton). Rates will be adjusted annually on May 1st thereafter by a percentage equal to the increase in the Consumer Price Index for the Northeast Region. NCES also agreed to contribute \$5,000 annually to the District to help off-set expenditures associated with its one-day HHW collection program. This will help to lower District Dues for everyone.

As always, citizens interested in participating in the development of the District's programs are welcome to attend the District's meetings. Information regarding the place and time of the meetings is available at all municipal offices and recycling centers. If at any time an individual community needs assistance in regards to their solid waste/recycling program, please contact the District at 838-6822 or by email at pemibakerswd@yahoo.com

Respectively submitted, Dan Woods, District Coordinator

*Note in 2009, the District took part in North Country Council's HHW program and was assessed \$15,428 based on our participation numbers.

THE WILLING WORKERS SOCIETY

The Willing Worker's Society is a non-sectarian, non-profit, charitable organization whose purpose is to serve the community.

In January the Willing Workers served refreshments to approximately 135 people at a memorial service for lifelong resident Fred Hunt. The Willing Workers provided sandwiches, desserts and beverages with Allan and Gail Clark providing additional sandwiches.

In April we lost a dedicated friend and member, Lorraine Hunt. She was a former officer, who sewed and baked for every sale for years until her passing. She is missed. Donations were made in her memory to the Sugar Hill Historical Museum and the Richardson Library. The Willing Workers provided refreshments for Lorraine's memorial service.

Two new members have joined in 2012; they are Alice Hunt and Jean Goehlen. We welcome them to our group.

In 2012 we had a Meetinghouse kitchen cleaning and six ambitious workers did a great job. Shelves were relined, dishes stacked according to size, drawers of cooking utensils and dish towels arranged. The towels are for the use of anyone having a meeting at the Meetinghouse but we hope they will be used and returned in the condition that they are found. The 100 cup coffee maker is now stored upstairs and will be available when needed, just ask. A 12 cup Mr. Coffee was donated by Tina Shores and is on the kitchen counter for the convenience of others. We purchased pump thermal coffee containers to keep beverages hot during sales and services. Brenda Aldrich contributed to this purchase. We would like to acknowledge Kitty Bigelow's contribution of tablecloths and napkins for our business luncheons and also our cash cards and posters for our sales.

Once again I would like to thank everyone who worked, cooked and donated items for the July and November Sales, and also to the workers who carried all the items up and down the stairs. At our November Sale we had corn chowder and tomato bisque made by Sylvia Hutchinson and Sue Rysanek. Both were a great success!

The 2012 Willing Workers Scholarship was awarded to Profile Senior Megan Brown.

New in 2013, we will not be having a July Sale but will participate June 8th & 9th at the Lupine Festival to be held at the Meetinghouse. Please watch for posters and advertisements about this new venture. The November Christmas Sale will be held as usual.

In December we enjoyed our annual Christmas potluck luncheon at the home of Kitty Bigelow. This year marked the 120th year of the Annual Sugar Hill Christmas Party. The Willing Workers provided gifts for sixty one children. Santa surprised two Sugar Hill Natives with special ornaments. Nancy Aldrich 80 years of attending received an ornament with a fox eating pancakes and Gary Young 70 years received an ornament with a banjo, fiddle and mandolin. Two of Santa's long time helpers, Beverly Frenkiewich and Tricia Coyle have retired. Refreshments are now being coordinated by

Mike Warren and Kathy Jablonski who contacted parents for donations of cookies with a great response. The tree was donated by Sugar Hill Landscapes and the holiday table arrangement donated by Floradale was later given to a senior Sugar Hill resident. In addition ten shut-ins were given Christmas plants.

2012 Donations were made to the St. Matthews Episcopal Church in memory of Kay Lipson, and North Country Home Health Agency, Littleton Senior Center, Bancroft House, David's House, Franconia Life Squad, and the Robin Hood Foundation (to aid the victims of the Sandy Hook Hurricane).

I am grateful to everyone who continues to support the Willing Workers.

Respectfully submitted,
Sylvia Hutchinson, President

2013 Officers:

President: Sylvia Hutchinson
Treasurer: Ann Kristofferso
Secretary: Maxine Aldrich

Vice President & Publicity: Elaine Burpee
Asst. Treasurer: Sue Rysanek
Hospitality & Food Contributions: Carol Young

SUGAR HILL HISTORICAL MUSEUM REPORT

July 16, 1962! Sugar Hill claimed independence as a town! To commemorate this event, the Sugar Hill Historical Museum hosted a bell ringing celebration on July 16, 2012. Jim Keefe and others climbed up into the Meetinghouse belfry, and we all listened to the fifty peals of the Sugar Hill Meetinghouse bell at 11:08 a.m. Ice cream, maple syrup and lots of stories followed.

Roger Aldrich recounted his personal recollections of that day, a day he thought would never happen. In the Q and A period that followed, longtime residents had a great time recollecting personal memories in response to “What were you doing on July 16, 1962 when you heard the bells peal and fire engines wail?”

Looking back at summer 2012, we acknowledge a great season, even though our visitor count was down by 28 percent. Guests found the main exhibit, divided into decades, very informative, but many were puzzled that the town was only “*50 Years Young*.” Though we are a tiny town, a lot happened in fifty years. Our non-industrial history since 1874 has been one of tourism. Three of our major hotels, Peckett’s on Sugar Hill, Sunset Hill House, and Hotel Look-Off, were razed, leaving us as a seasonal second-home community.

In 1973, the town built a new fire station, and in 1976, the Sugar Hill Historical Museum debuted as a bi-centennial project created in the old firehouse.

The grade school children were moved to Lafayette Regional School in Franconia. The opportunity arose to consolidate the Town Clerk’s office from the Meetinghouse, the Richardson Library from up the street, and the Sugar Hill Police office from the present day post office building into the Crapo School building which had been remodeled from 1998 to 1999. This building reopened as the Carolina Crapo Memorial Building and was dedicated on July 16, 2000.

Residents of Sugar Hill are active. One of the main projects of 2006 was to build a new special home in support of Jose Pequeno, our Police Chief, who had been severely wounded in Iraq. Through a series of events, funds were raised to build the home for the Pequeno family. Starting in 2011, the ongoing issue in Sugar Hill has been protesting against the proposed massive hydro-electric towers from Canada. The 125 to 150-foot towers will severely scar our magnificent North Country landscape.

Judy Weisenberger and Kathy Jabalonski created a wonderful “Sunflower House” garden next to the Sleigh Shed. Children learned to plant seeds, including sweet peas, vegetables, and a great variety of sunflowers. Thanks to Amy and Bill Roy, the garden was de-stoned and tilled for this project. Jim Keefe added a couple of his gargantuan pumpkin seeds to the garden area. What fun to check weekly progress during the summer! Thank you to all for the flower baskets on the museum terrace and to Jean Goehlen and the Jesseman family for the two Christmas wreaths.

Amy, Aden, and Jack Mitz planted and tended the two front window boxes of the museum. These colorful arrangements offered cheery greetings beside each one of newly painted front doors.

The museum is held together by forty-plus dedicated volunteers. We have curators, painters, cleaners, docents, a gift shop manager and workers, an editor, a clock winder, a treasurer, groundskeepers, a volunteer coordinator, and many active board members. We thank each and every one.

Chairperson Maxine Aldrich stepped down this year after many years of dedicated service. Elaine Burpee retired from the board. Wendy Cole joined the board, and John Bigelow is now the board chairman. Two devoted volunteers, Rita and Chuck Besaw, informed us that they will retire. Their excuse is that they are each ninety-five years old! That is dedication!

The Carriage Barn floor has buckled and needs repair. We need to raise funds for this huge project. At this time, we are proceeding very slowly with ideas and estimates and perusing all angles, for we want a good job to preserve the longevity of the building and precious contents.

The museum is most fortunate to have an unusual collection of documents and artifacts. Sugar Hill friends have been most generous with their treasures to be conserved and shared. Museum curators work all year long to accession objects and plan exhibits for our annual change of theme.

In honor of the kitchen, the core of every Sugar Hill home, hotel and boarding house, the 2013 theme will be "*The Cookery*." An added feature will be a new cookbook filled with recipes from our archives. The book will be on sale in the museum gift shop.

The Sugar Hill Historical Museum opens its doors at 11 a.m., May 31, 2013. The season ends October 14. At the top of the museum wish list is to have more Sugar Hill residents come in ... a visit costs nothing but time.

Katharine H. Bigelow, Director/Curator

SUGAR HILL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Founded in 1890, the Sugar Hill Improvement Association is a community-based charitable organization dedicated to the benefit of its citizens and the betterment and beautification of the village of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire.

The Carolina Crapo Trust Fund and the Sugar Hill Improvement Association Trust Fund are managed by the Trustees of The Trust Funds of the Town of Sugar Hill. To assure, as mandated by New Hampshire Attorney General's Office, these assets are not depleted, interest only may be expended. This year with these funds we were able to expand the playground to include a toddler section, have the iron historic highway signs painted and contribute funds to the new landscaping for the front of the Crapo Building in honor of the town's 50th birthday. We also purchased the 30 American Flags that adorned the telephone poles last summer welcoming residents and tourist into our town, more flags will be added for the 2013 summer season. We have approved funding for the plaque that will be placed in front of the Crapo Building "In memory and Honor of all Sugar Hill Veterans who served our country". We will also be placing two benches on the front lawn in front of the building.

In keeping with Mr. Crapo's Will the association gives Book Awards to Sugar Hill residents graduating from High School, who will continue with their education. This year we gave out a first year book award in the amount of \$800.00 to Megan Brown. Second Year awards in the amount of \$600.00 are given when students show evidence they will continue with their education and have met the grade level requirements Libby Gaitskill received this award in January.

All residents of Sugar Hill of legal voting age are members of the association. The Officers of the Board of Directors include Beverly Frenkiewich, President, Lissa Boissonneault, Vice President, Kathie Cote, Secretary and Sid Regen, Treasure. Our meetings are held downstairs of the Crapo building. We meet at least quarterly, more often if deemed necessary. Please consider coming out and joining us.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly A Frenkiewich

LAFAYETTE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Lafayette Recreation Department has had another great year. A huge THANK YOU goes out to all who made this happen.

The Old Home Day, Franconia Scramble, Halloween Cup Soccer Tournament, Pumpkin Festival, Wobble & Gobble 5k Road Race and the Summer Concert Series were all very successful, bringing people and revenue to our towns. We hope to improve upon all of the above and add new events when possible.

The ice skating has been very good and the rink is getting lots of use; Family Skate Night, birthday parties, after school activities, Lafayette Elementary School Winter Program, tourist, second home owners and local residents have all come out to play.

The rink received a fresh coat of paint, and nets for tennis and basketball. Thanks to the proceeds from the Top Notch Triathlon

There are abundant trails in the three Towns and we are in a continuous process of inventorying, maintaining, mapping and making signs with trail information. We have organized a group of trail enthusiasts for this purpose, called the “Franconia Area Trails” group or FAT for short. A map is available at local stores. Anyone interested in adopting a trail should email recreation@franconianh.org

With the help of the Profile High School Project Venture Class, we built a bridge on the Gale River Trail and built new benches for the Dow Park.

Youth soccer, baseball, softball and basketball had excellent attendance and successes along the way. Thank you very much to all the coaches who give so much of their time to these programs and our kids.

Kris Kappler has done another outstanding job of organizing all the youth teams, and the summer program. Without her dedication and organizational skills our heads would spin. A good leader brings out the best in the staff and our team of recreation counselors proved just that.

The Lafayette Recreation Committee meets the first Thursday of every month the location to be announced. Check the Town website www.franconianh.org for more details, and check out www.lafayetterecreation@weebly.com for all kinds of fun.

Watch for next summer’s schedule and participate in the “SNAP SHOT CHALLENGE.” You’ll find the pictures at www.franconianh.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Lafayette Committee Members

Franconia: Jeff Malcolm, Beth Horan & Adam Boyer

Sugar Hill: Gordie Johnk & Cindy McClaren

Easton: Sue Ford & Matt Koehler

Kris Kappler, Youth Program Director

Kim Cowles, Park & Recreation Director

FRANCONIA NOTCH REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Franconia Notch Regional Chamber of Commerce thanks the residents, select boards and community staffs of our three towns for their continuing support of our chamber. Without this, we would be unable to accomplish our mission, goals and purpose in marketing our Franconia Notch Region and the villages in our western White Mountains. As with all entities in today's governance and economy, marketing and technology constantly change and operational costs rise accordingly. We continually assess our service area as well as our prominence in hospitality, tourism, and as the center of natural resources and history in our Western White Mountains.

2012 was a year of assessment and change. The attempt to operate a chamber office by converting the information booth to a welcome center and keeping it open year-round, proved to be an additional burden to carrying out the duties and responsibilities of the organization in serving its members, communities, guests and visitors. Storage space for our ever growing supply of brochures, rack cards and visitor guides became critical, while lessening the small working and production space. The lack of privacy and asset safety issues rose exponentially with the growth of membership, walk-in member and vendor contact, walk-up visitor service, access to financial records, computer programs-many which were verbally and visibly obvious to visitors, guests and locals when attending the window.

The board of directors made a decision to seek an affordable office space and hire a full time attendant for the information center for the high tourism season. Office space was offered at both ends of the village, but with no potential for visitor amenities or parking, and both further from the center of the village. A committee, chaired by volunteer Andy Smith, was formed to seek a space in the middle of Franconia Village where true welcome walk-in service could be provided with separate office space and restroom possibilities. Based on the statistics of visitor traffic and requests, an in-town presence provides visible answers to many questions regarding services and hospitality, and better directions to Routes 116, 117, scenic routes and loops and our sister villages, as well as keeping visitors on Main Street to support our local economy. . We sought space that could provide respite amenities and internet service, if needed. The former flower Shop building belonging to Sherman Allen Inc. became available. After much planning and six months of negotiation between Mr. Allen and Andy Smith, the chamber proposal was summarily dismissed with the owner's decision to leave the property vacant. At the close of the fall season, the property at 320 Main Street became available for far less than proposed for the property across the street, and fit the same needs of improvement. Negotiations with the owner, Franconia Village Store, allow the same renovation plans proposed for the flower shop. Meanwhile, the office equipment has remained at the executive director's home under the same circumstances of the first two winters of employment. The onset of winter has delayed some of the moving, but we plan to be fully operational by mid-May for the 2013 tourist season.

We continue to keep the rack cards and bulletin board supplied at the "booth", as well as our display racks at Cannon Mountain Ski Area and the Tramway welcome center. The Wi-Fi has been given to the Town of Franconia for ease of access by the locals and others from the parking lot.

The new location will have two internet service stations available for short time use by members, guests and visitors as necessary. The board of directors will be making a decision on the current information property, whether to attend it this coming season, make it available to the Town, or move it to 320 Main Street for outside brochure rack availability. The latter might be more feasible as the parking demands of the library and Town business continue to increase. Moving the inside racks and supplies from the booth have revealed some structural problems, but it still has a viable use.

The year has ended on a positive note with realistic goals for bigger and better. The communities will be better served, our membership will receive better benefits, and our visitors will have much to welcome them to our Franconia Notch Region. We continue our collaboration with our neighboring chambers and have planned joint events and marketing to promote our North Country. We have a new events committee that has planned new events to attract visitors and families here to enjoy, celebrate and support our hospitality economy (New Hampshire's Rooms & Meals tax). June will mark the 20th anniversary of the annual Lupine Festival, providing a special celebration for our towns.

The chamber is grateful for the support from the communities, residents and our members. We can and will continue to promote our region's economic growth, provide superb hospitality and remain attentive stewards of our area's history and attractions with better tools to do so because of it.

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Tortorice, President / Barbara Ashley, Executive Director
Franconia Notch Regional Chamber of Commerce

FRANCONIA NOTCH REGION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

January 2012 through December 2012

INCOME

Brochure Ads	\$ 5,525.00	
Business Discount Cards	1730.00	
Chamber Annual Dinner	5,711.00	
Event Income	405.00	
Lupine	10,436.00	
Membership Dues	35,159.75	
News Letter Ads	336.25	
Public Mailer Ad	150.00	
Town Contribution Income	16,500.00	
Web Site Ads	1,590.00	
Total Income	77,543.00	
Cost of Goods Sold		
Events	0.00	
Lupine Expenses	13,320.46	
Chamber Annual Dinner Event	<u>4,480.90</u>	
Gross Profit		\$59,741.64

EXPENSES

Advertising	\$17,296.82	
Bank Charges	256.82	
Business Office	1,066.75	
General Donations	800.00	
Dues and Subscriptions	136.00	
Insurance	1,771.00	
Miscellaneous	69.00	
Payroll Expenses	39,056.05	
Petty Cash	165.77	
Postage and Mailings	326.98	
Professional Fees	250.00	
Utilities	2,479.49	
Welcome Center	<u>958.34</u>	
Total Expense		<u>\$64,693.02</u>
Net Ordinary Income		\$-4,951.38

NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL

The first thing I would like to do is thank all of you for your support of the North Country Council this past year. Once again, I would like to reaffirm the Council's commitment to serve the community and regional needs.

We continue to be very active in transportation planning. We are the recipient of a grant from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation that enables us to provide assistance to communities and staff the Transportation Advisory Committee for the region. I urge all of you if you have not been involved with the advisory committee to give us a call and arrange to attend one of our meetings.

In economic development we continue our strong relationship with the Department of Commerce and the Economic Development Administration (EDA) in bringing funding and project development to the region. Two projects that we are very involved with is the reuse of the Groveton Mill and Dartmouth Regional Technology Center (DRTC) incubator in Grafton County. These along with other economic opportunities will continue to be a focus in the coming year.

The planning department has also been busy and as you look through this report you will see a variety of technical assistance activities that were provided to a number of communities in our region. We also began a major program to update and expand our regional plan thanks to a grant received by the nine planning commissions from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This project, called the Granite state Futures (GSF) project will be continuing this year. There will be many opportunities for participation by residents and member community representatives to the Council. Community input is at the core of GSF project and we need your input. Go to or use the QR code on this page to help us develop a vision for the future of the region. Grantiestatefuture.org/get-involved/add- and I urge you to attend some of the meetings that we will be having throughout the region. Community input is at the core of the GSF project and we need your input.

Again, thank you for all your support for the Council. I hope that my staff and I can continue to be of service to your community. The Council is here to serve you. It is your organization. Our staff and Board are committed to responding to community needs. If there is a project or a need in your town, please call us. We are dedicated to both supporting our individual towns and promoting regional unity in the North Country.

Respectfully submitted;
Michael King
Executive Director

2012 REPORT TO THE PEOPLE OF DISTRICT ONE

By Raymond S. Burton, Executive Councilor

As one of five members of the Executive Council, I will again take the Oath of office on January 3, 2013. I am now representing 108 Towns, four cities – Berlin, Laconia, Claremont and Lebanon spread across all or parts of seven of NH' ten Counties, - Carroll, Grafton, Belknap, Coos, Sullivan, Strafford and Merrimack. I was sorry to lose, through the redistricting process, the towns of Belmont and Charlestown.

Governor Hassan will be the tenth Governor I have served with in the last 35-36 years of public service to the 263,000 people of this large Northern Rural District. The Governor is required to nominate citizens to serve on the dozens of volunteer Boards and Commissions which the Council will vote on. I urge anyone who is interested in serving to send a letter of interest and resume to the Governor's Office, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301. For a list of the Boards and Commissions go to <http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm>, contact my office or utilize your local town or city library.

With the support of the NH Health and Human Services Department, I have three District Health Councils which meet about every 4 months with Commissioner Nick Toumpas and his staff for about 2 hours. We receive updates and respond to local health concerns, consumers, providers and elected officials – local, county and state. These 2 hour sessions are open and frank discussions about the health of all NH citizens. The notification is all by email. Please send me your email to add to the list if you are interested at ray.burton@myfairpoint.net.

2013-2014 is the year of the 10 year NH Transportation Plan. The five member council will work closely with the local Regional Planning Commissions; hold required hearings on the recommendations for the next ten years for all modes of transportation-highways, rail, air and public transportation. We then submit our recommendations to the Governor by December 15, 2013. The Governor reviews and submits her recommendations of the plan to the NH House and Senate by February 15, 2014 which will become a legislative bill concluding with a new 10 year transportation plan by July 1, 2014. Keep in touch with my office of the NH Dept. of Transportation Planning Office at 271-1484 on this. There will be some interesting and in depth discussion and votes.

Please contact my office anytime I can be of assistance. I enjoy participating and speaking at local events and consider it an honor to serve you.

Sincerely,
Ray Burton
Executive Councilor

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WHITE MOUNTAIN MENTAL HEALTH AND COMMON GROUND - 2012 Director's Report

This year Northern Human Services/White Mountain Health has provided 96.78 hours of outpatient mental health services to 6 residents of Sugar Hill who were either uninsured or underinsured. In addition Common ground has spent 2,410 hours supporting citizens of Sugar Hill with a developmental disability to live full lives. These numbers do not include the many people seen at the local hospitals for emergency care.

This year has been a particularly busy one for our emergency services clinicians. Our 24/7 service has seen a dramatic increase in the number of people requiring emergency mental health assessments, both in our offices and at the local hospital emergency rooms. This change may be related to the difficult economy and the resulting increase in depression, anxiety, family problems and substance abuse. As the number of people requiring hospitalization has increased, the beds available at New Hampshire Hospital have decreased, leaving many people who have been found in need of emergency psychiatric hospitalization in the local hospital for hours or even days. The resulting increase in demands on our staff, and the personnel at the local hospitals, has been substantial. Two clinicians are occupied full-time daily handling unscheduled emergency situations. During nights and weekends we provide an on-call clinician and a psychiatrist to support local residents and local emergency rooms.

As citizens of a town from whom we request financial support, you may not expect to need psychiatric care. Like physical health emergencies, no one "chooses" to find themselves or their family member at the emergency room dealing with a mental health crisis, but it is crucial that mental health professionals are available when the need arises. Your support of Northern Human Services will continue to assure that we are available when you need us.

Perhaps you or your family have benefited from our services. We are the "safety net" for North Country residents who are uninsured or underinsured. The good news is that our towns support allows their residents to access services that are provided by highly competent mental health professionals at a fraction of the full cost. Our development services program, Common Ground, provides homes, jobs and support to more than 100 persons with a developmental disability. We thank you, in advance for continuing to help us make these services available.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane C. MacKay
Area Director

AMMONOOSUC COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

ACHS has been a vital part of the community since 1975 and **provides comprehensive primary preventive health care to anyone, regardless of their ability to pay.**

While many of our services are paid for through Medicare, Medicaid and grants, our reimbursements through federal, state and county programs fall short of actual expenses and recent budget cuts at all levels have made it even more difficult. Support from the Town of Sugar Hill is extremely important in the continued effort to provide affordable health care services to our community.

Our uninsured and under-insured patient populations have been on the rise due to economic conditions – mainly loss of jobs and employer benefits. Our sliding fee scale for payment of services provides a vehicle for these patients to get the health care they need in a timely manner, preventing a possible costly emergency room visit or, worse yet, hospitalization because they could not afford to go to the doctor prior to the emergent episode. Keeping just one patient out of the ER could save taxpayers \$1000-\$1500 (average cost of an ER visit).

Services Provided

- Comprehensive Primary Preventive Medical Care - Wellness Screening, Pediatrics, Chronic Disease Management, Geriatrics, Acute Illness Care
- Prenatal Care - Childbirth Education, Nurse/Midwife Service and Newborn Care
- Family Planning - Birth Control, STD and HIV Testing and Counseling
- Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening Program
- Behavioral Health - Counseling
- Partners in Health - Support for Families with Children with Chronic Health Conditions
- Oral Health Referrals and Voucher Program
- Pharmacy Services - In-house Pharmacy, Medication Management, Low-Cost Drug Program
- Financial Services - Sliding Fee Scale for eligible patients

ACHS Statistics

- Number of Unduplicated Medical Clients Served – 8,566
- Number of Medical Visits – 32,008
- Client/Payor Mix: 15.4 % Medicaid, 19.1% Medicare, 17.7% Uninsured, 46.5% Insured
- Value of free or reduced cost medications provided to our patients - \$909,786
- Value of reduced cost health care services provided to our patients - \$643,309 (Sliding Fee Scale)

Town of Sugar Hill Statistics

- Total # of Patients – 179
- Total # of Medicaid Patients – 9
- Total # of Medicare Patients – 37
- Total # of Self-Paying Patients – 13
- Total # of Sliding Fee Scale Patients – 12

Respectfully submitted,
Edward D. Shanshala II, MSHSA, MSEd
Chief Executive Officer

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our communities' older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln; and sponsors the Grafton County ServiceLink, Resource Center and RSVP and the Volunteer Center. Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, community dining programs, transportation, outreach and counseling, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2011-12, 16 older residents of Sugar Hill were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Littleton Area Senior Center and 4 residents were assisted by ServiceLink:

- Older adults from Sugar Hill enjoyed 89 balanced meals in the company of friends in the center's dining room.
- They received assistance with access to benefits, caregiver support or issues of long-term care through 4 contacts with ServiceLink.
- Sugar Hill's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 75 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Sugar Hill residents in 2011-12 was \$826.49.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Sugar Hill's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner,
Executive Director

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension's mission is to provide New Hampshire citizens with research-based education and information, to enhance their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources, and improve the economy.

Four Extension Field Specialists are based out of our North Haverhill office: Deborah Maes, Food Safety and Community Economic Development; Kathleen Jablonski, Youth and Family; Heather Bryant, Food & Agriculture; Dave Falkenham, Natural Resources; and State Dairy Specialist, Michal Lunak. Donna Lee is in the newly created position of 4-H and Master Gardener Coordinator. Lisa Ford, Nutrition Connections, is located at the Whole Village Family Resource Center in Plymouth. Our staff is supported in the office by Kristina Vaughan and Teresa Locke.

Volunteers serve on the Grafton County Extension Advisory Council and provide local support for our programs. Membership for 2011-2012 included Martha McLeod, Franconia; Frank Hagan, Bethlehem; Cheryl Taber, Littleton; Luther Kinney, Sugar Hill; Mary Ames, Bath; Pauline Corzilius, Pike; Joan Pushee of Plymouth; Jon Martin of Bristol; Emilie Shipman, Enfield; Joan Osgood, Piermont; and Catherine Flynn of North Haverhill. They are joined by State Representative Kathleen Taylor and County Commissioners, Ray Burton, Michael Cryans and Omer Ahern, Jr.

During the 2012 year, UNH Cooperative Extension reorganized to work more effectively to meet the needs of the NH Citizens. This new approach looks at regional programming and focuses on using individual staff expertise. Here are some of our noteworthy accomplishments during the past year.

Maes and Bryant worked with UVM Extension and USDA Rural Development of NH/VT to provide training in the Stronger Economies Together curriculum to "Keep Growing" a four county initiative. The goal is to strengthen the local economy through support of local agriculture. Maes also worked with a volunteer panel in Franconia to explore the Town's need for police coverage, staffing and office space. Falkenham conducted a National Resources Inventory for the Town of Easton and also completed site visits on 10,000 acres of forestland to help landowners manage their private woodlots. Bryant is collaborating with the Grafton County Farm to conduct a variety trial, testing 8 varieties of sweet potatoes for yield and quality.

Grafton County Master Gardener volunteers work on a number of educational projects around the County. One example, the Memorial Gardens at the County Complex is in its 7th season. This year volunteers added new plants and began work to update the interpretive signs.

Jablonski worked with Lakeway Elementary School to teach a healthy living and nutrition curriculum as part of a grant funded by the WalMart Foundation. Jablonski and Colpitts continued to work with local after school organizations to use inquiry science and technologies curriculums. Ford is part of the ECO Learning Garden located at Whole

Village where she and other volunteers worked with youth and parents in planting, harvesting and cooking the garden yields. Three participants in a nutrition/cooking class taught by Ford volunteered to assist with the next series. Lunak helped coordinate a State wide workshop on Understanding Animal Handling featuring noted expert Temple Grandin that attracted over 200 participants.

Be sure to look for us on Facebook and Twitter.

Respectfully submitted:
Deborah B. Maes, Extension Field Specialist
& County Office Administrator



50th Anniversary Float



REPORT FROM STATE REPRESENTATIVE RECECCA BROWN

I am honored to represent Sugar Hill in the N.H. House of Representatives. Along with Franconia, Lisbon, Monroe, and Lyman, we are Grafton Country District 2.

The state House is an unusual legislative body. Sooner or later, every bill that's introduced makes it to the floor of the full Legislature. Nothing dies in committee; committees merely make recommendations to the full body. So on issues of particular concern to you, or to our community, I urge you to let me know your views. In our Legislature, it's possible for every citizen to be heard

I am serving on the Agriculture and Environment Committee. I hope this will be a good place to help revitalize our agricultural economy and build a strong local food system in the North Country and in the state as a whole. This sector is growing and shows real potential, and we have great assets in our region to build on.

Over the next few months, the budget will be the most important focus, and we understand that the governor will be holding listening sessions around the state. Related to the budget is the key issue of casino gambling, which appears to be gaining favor as a source of state revenue. Let me know what you think about this.

I'll be keeping a close watch on bills related to the Northern Pass. It will be critical to have a strong North Country presence when these come up in committee. There are also many bills that could affect town government, and I'll stay in touch with the select board on these.

The Legislature is in session on Wednesdays through June. If you'd like to visit (I recommend it: you really have to see it to believe it), please let me know. Committee hearings are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Our Legislature is the last citizen, volunteer legislature in the country. The Capitol really is the people's house in New Hampshire, so make it yours.

You can reach me at 991-7408, Rebecca.brown@leg.state.nh.us. I have a column in the Courier most weeks highlighting what's happening in Concord and asking for your input, and also keep a blog, www.nhstaterepbrown.org.

VALUATION OF TOWN EQUIPMENT

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Equipment	Purchase Price	Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
2005 Motorola Radios Mobile (7)	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 16,800.00	15	\$1,600.00
2006 Motorola Radios Portable (18)	54,000.00	32,400.00	15	3,600.00
2007 Motorola Base Radio (1)	8,000.00	5,330.00	15	534.00
1939 Ford Antique Truck	1,000.00	0.00	10	-0-
1984 GMC Engine	82,000.00	0.00	25	-0-
1990 Chevrolet Pickup	13,400.00	0.00	5	-0-
1998 Freightliner Engine	75,000.00	33,000.00	25	3,000.00
2004 Ford Light Rescue Truck	105,000.00	71,400.00	20	4,200.00
2006 Sterling Fire Engine	175,000.00	133,000.00	25	7,000.00
2013 International – Fire Engine	254,000.00	254,000.00	25	10,160.00
4,000 ft. 4” Hose	20,000.00	-0-	15	-0-
Stationary SCBA Air Compressor	20,000.00	-0-	20	-0-
22 Sets of PPE	66,000.00	-0-	10	-0-
10 SCBA with Spare Cylinders	50,000.00	-0-	10	-0-
Mobile SCBA Fill Station	10,000.00	-0-	20	-0-
Infrared Camera	9,000.00	-0-	15	-0-
25 Pagers	9,700.00	-0-	10	-0-
Portable Pump	4,000.00	-0-	15	-0-
Floating Portable Pump	2,500.00	-0-	15	-0-
Honda 6kw Generator	5,000.00	-0-	15	-0-
Light Tower – Rescue Truck	6,000.00	6,000.00	15	400.00
Fire Hose 2.5 – 400’	1,200.00	1,200.00	15	80.00
Miscellaneous Equipment	<u>110,000.00</u>	<u>-0-</u>	15	<u>-0-</u>
TOTAL	\$1,108,800.00	\$553,130.00		\$30,574.00

POLICE EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Purchase Price	Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
2010 Chevy Tahoe	\$33,000.00	\$0.00	3	\$11,000.00
Cruiser Equipment	3,000.00	1,200.00	5	600.00
Digital Ally Cruiser Video System	4,000.00	1,600.00	5	800.00
Motorola Mobile Radio	2,500.00	1,000.00	5	500.00
Motorola Portable Radios (4)	24,000.00	8,000.00	6	4,000.00
Base Radio Kenwood 2008	965.00	965.00	5	193.00
Radar Equipment	1,000.00	400.00	5	200.00
Radar Kustom	1,000.00	-0-	2	0.00
Body Armor (3)	2,700.00	-0-	2	-0-
Office Equipment	4,684.00	1,764.00	3	588.00
Sig 40mm Handguns (4)	2,400.00	400.00	6	400.00
Mossburg Shotgun	500.00	225.00	20	25.00

Taser	950.00	950.00	5	190.00
AR 15	900.00	630.00	10	90.00
AR 15	<u>1,200.00</u>	<u>960.00</u>	10	<u>120.00</u>
TOTAL	\$82,799.00	\$18,094.00		\$18,706.00

HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Purchase Price	Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
1995 Brush Bandit Chipper	15,000.00	2,250.00	20	750.00
1996 Motorola Mobile Radio	600.00	120.00	20	30.00
Miscellaneous Mobile Equipment	45,000.00	20,500.00	20	2,250.00
Rosco Hydropac Hot Top Roller	10,000.00	0.00	10	1,000.00
York Rake	3,000.00	1,200.00	20	150.00
Culvert Thawer w/Trailer	4,500.00	1,100.00	10	450.00
2003 Sweepster Brom for 416 Cat	8,500.00	2,368.00	15	566.00
2004 Hudson Trailer 10 ton	8,900.00	5,340.00	20	445.00
2005 Sander E2020	14,000.00	4,665.00	15	933.00
2007 Komtsu Excavator	93,500.00	70,125.00	20	4,675.00
1985 Cat 130 Motor Grader	65,000.00	56,334.00	15	4,333.00
1993 Ford Tractor	12,000.00	6,300.00	20	600.00
2000 Cat 416C Loader/Backhoe	87,500.00	16,334.00	15	5,833.00
2005 Mack Dump Truck	107,543.00	70,660.00	15	7,170.00
2011 Ford F350 Pick Up	43,000.00	32,250.00	8	5,375.00
2008 Chevrolet 3500 Dump Truck	50,483.00	14,808.00	5	10,096.00
2011 Mack Dump Truck	124,925.00	107,344.00	15	8,328.00
2011 Fischer Sander	<u>4,700.00</u>	<u>3,760.00</u>	10	<u>470.00</u>
TOTAL	\$698,151.00	\$415,458.00		\$53,454.00

BUILDING & GROUNDS

2006 Chevy Pickup Truck	\$ 28,870.00	-0-	5	-0-
2010 JD Pro Mower/ Bag System	10,650.00	6,390.00	5	2,130.00
2006 JD 21" Commercial Mower	780.00	0.00	5	0.00
2002 JD JX85 Commercial Mower	800.00	0.00	5	0.00
2000 PAS 65x14 Trailer	2,750.00	1,100.00	20	137.50
2000 JD 21" Commerical Mower	<u>750.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	5	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$44,600.00	\$7,490.00		\$2,267.50

**BIRTHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL, NH
For the Year Ending December 31, 2012**

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father & Name of Mother
July 31, 2012	Rowan Tyler Robinson	Blakley Robinson Sarah Letourneau
September 30, 2012	Noah Gregory Rush	Corey Rush Tory Burdick

**DEATHS REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL, NH
For the Year Ending December 31, 2012**

Date Of Death	Name Of Deceased	Name & Surname Of Father	Maiden Name Of Mother
January 21, 2012	Fred Hunt, Sr.	George Hunt	Mattie Pierson
April 20, 2012	Lorraine Hunt	James Stewart	Alice Haynes
September 1, 2012	John Foley	John Foley	Christina Loughnane
September 27, 2012	Janet Tewksbury- Anderson	Roger Tewksbury	Charlotte Gowitzke

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED
IN THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL, NH
For the Year Ending December 31, 2012**

Date of Marriage	Name and Surname Of Groom & Bride	Residence of Each At Time Of Marriage
June 9, 2012	Leslie M. Burton Catherine Williams	Sugar Hill NH Sugar Hill NH
August 4, 2012	Kenneth C. Hollis Jessica L. Hunt	Sugar Hill NH Sugar Hill NH
November 17, 2012	Michael W. Derby Jennifer M. Marquis	Sugar Hill NH Sugar Hill NH

I hereby certify the above information is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Lissa Boissonneault, Town Clerk

In Memorium

This page is to honor those no longer with us, who gave their time, their heart, and their energy to our community so that others may benefit.

This year, we said goodbye to —

Lorraine Hunt



Lorraine was a long-time Member of the Board of Cemetery Trustees, the Sugar Hill Grange and the Willing Workers Society. Many will remember Lorraine for her dedication to the remembrance of Veterans' as she could be seen each year placing markers and flags for Memorial Day. For others it will be her treasures offered for sale at the annual Willing Workers Sale. A life-long resident, her history of the area was greatly appreciated by all and she will be missed.

Janet Anderson



Janet was a North Country native and an active Member of the recently formed Sugar Hill Northern Pass Advisory Committee. Janet served as Co-chair lending her voice and time for this worthy cause. In addition, Janet spent over fourteen years as a Member of the Sugar Hill Zoning Board of Adjustment. We will miss her commitment to our community.