



# Town of Sugar Hill

New Hampshire



## 57th Annual Report



## Year ending December 31, 2018

*This 2018 Town Report is dedicated to*

*Lissa Boissonneault*

*45 Years of Service*



*Lissa started serving her community in 1974 as the Town Treasurer and is currently in her 15<sup>th</sup> year as Town Clerk/Tax Collector. In addition, she currently serves as the President of the Sugar Hill Improvement Association. Lissa also started the Annual Fourth of July Party that is enjoyed by the community each year.*

*Thank you for 45 years of commitment to Sugar Hill.*



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# **TOWN OFFICERS**

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Richard Bielefield, Chairman (Term Expires 2021)  
Margaret Connors (Term Expires 2019)  
John J. Strasser, III (Term Expires 2020)

**TOWN OFFICE**  
Telephone 823-8468

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
Jennifer P. Gaudette

**TOWN CLERK**  
Lissa Boissonneault

**TREASURER**  
Amy Venezia

**TAX COLLECTOR**  
Lissa Boissonneault  
Elizabeth Andross, Deputy

**CHIEF OF POLICE**  
Robert M. Mancini, Jr.

**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  
Haley Ireland, Deputy

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**  
Allan R. Clark (Appointed)

**MODERATOR**  
James F. Snyder (2020)

**TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS**  
Ray Dionne (2021)  
Allan Clark (2020)  
Greg Connors (2019)

**SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST**  
Edward Cenerizio (2024)  
Starcy Branch (2022)  
John Colony (2020)

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**  
Jason Tors (2021)  
Irene Amsbary (2020)  
Ann Christoffersen (2019)

**CEMETERY TRUSTEES**

	Beth Perlo (2019)		
Holly Hayward	(2019)	Susan Stith (resigned 2018)	(2021)
Kathleen Jablonski	(2020)	Meri Hern	(2021)

**PLANNING BOARD**

	Robert Hayward, Jr., Chairman (2021)		
James Keefe	(2021)	Searle Redfield	(2020)
David Thurston	(2021)	Arthur Chase	(2020)
John J. Strasser	(2019)	Sidney Regan	(2019)
	Amy Venezia, Alt (2019)		
	Chris Thayer, Alt (2020)		

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

	Michael Hern, Chairman (2019)		
Rick Christoffersen	(2020)	James Keefe	(2021)
Donald Boissonneault	(2020)	John Colony	(2021)
	Amy Venezia, Alt. & Secretary (2019)		
	Sarah Pinney, Alt (2021)		

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

	Cathy Strasser, Chair (2019)		
Margaret Connors	(2020)	Timothy Burger	(2019)
Charles Wolcott	(2020)	Chris Ellms	(2021)
Timothy Williams	(2020)	Eric Jostrom, Alt	(2020)
	Robert Mancini, Jr. Alt (2019)		

**RECREATION PROGRAM  
SUGAR HILL REPRESENTATIVES**

Launa Glover  
Haley Ireland

All 2018 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, 2018**

Moderator James F. Snyder declared the polls open at 11 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 PM. Moderator Snyder went over his rules of conduct for the meeting, The Moderator asked that all newly elected officers stay after the meeting to get sworn in by the Town Clerk. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Article 1 to be passed over until all ballots are counted at which time Moderator Snyder will read the results.

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

- One Selectman to serve for a term of three (3) years
- One Moderator to serve for a term of two (2) 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
- Two Board of Adjustment member to serve for a term of three (3) years.
- Two Board of Cemetery Trustees to serve for a term of three (3) years
- One Board of Checklist Member to serve for a term of six (6) years
- And such other Town Officers as may be required by law

**RESULTS OF ARTICLE 1:**

<b>Selectman, Three Year Term:</b>	<b>Richard Bielefield</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>Town Clerk, One Year Term:</b>	<b>Lissa Boissonneault</b>	<b>82</b>
<b>Tax Collector, One Year Term:</b>	<b>Lissa Boissonneault</b>	<b>81</b>
<b>Treasurer, One Year Term:</b>	<b>Amy Venezia</b>	<b>82</b>
<b>Library Trustee, Three Year Term:</b>	<b>Jason Tors</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>Trustee of Trust Funds, Three Year Term:</b>	<b>Raymond A. Dionne</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>Two Zoning Board of Adjustment, Three Year Term:</b>	<b>James Keefe</b>	<b>76</b>
	<b>John Colony</b>	<b>65</b>
<b>Two Cemetery Trustee, Three Year Term:</b>	<b>Meri Hern</b>	<b>74</b>
	<b>Susan Stith</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Supervisor of the Check List, Six Year Term:</b>	<b>Edward Cenerizio</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>Moderator, Two Year Term:</b>	<b>James F. Snyder</b>	<b>81</b>

**ARTICLE 2:** To see if the Town of Sugar Hill will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Million, Three Hundred Ninety Nine Thousand, Six Hundred Forty One Dollars (\$1,399,641.00) to defray Town charges.

Executive .....	\$49,850.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics .....	21,795.00
Financial Administration .....	22,890.00
Property Revaluation .....	15,828.00
Legal Expenses .....	35,000.00
Payroll Taxes .....	30,000.00
Planning Board .....	2,000.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment .....	500.00
General Government Buildings .....	39,720.00
Buildings & Grounds .....	33,175.00
Cemetery .....	8,000.00
Insurance .....	172,181.00
Advertising & Regional Associations .....	1,200.00
North Country Council .....	1,200.00
Unemployment .....	100.00
Police Department .....	231,953.00
Ambulance .....	23,256.00
Fire Department .....	83,425.00
Building Inspections .....	1,500.00
Emergency Management .....	1,000.00
Airport .....	820.00
Town Maintenance .....	206,584.00
General Highway Department Expense .....	180,475.00
Street Lighting .....	6,600.00
Highway Block Grant .....	40,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal .....	49,929.00
Health, Hospitals .....	5,909.00
North Country Home Health .....	1,775.00
Grafton County Senior .....	100.00
American Red Cross .....	292.00
White Mt. Mental Health .....	692.00
Ammonoosuc Community Health .....	1,250.00
Burch House .....	300.00
Above the Notch .....	500.00
Center for New Beginnings .....	500.00
Franconia Children's Center .....	500.00
Welfare .....	6,000.00
Tri County Cap .....	1,300.00
Parks and Recreation .....	26,353.00
Library .....	32,398.00
Patriotic Purposes .....	2,000.00
Conservation Commission .....	700.00
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation .....	1,000.00
Long Term Notes .....	37,500.00
Interest Long Term Notes .....	30,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS .....	\$1,399,641.00

The Select Board recommends these Appropriations.

Moved by: Richard Bielefield

Seconded by: Greg Connors

Holly Hayward spoke on behalf of the Cemetery Trustees concerning the extensive damage at the cemetery after the October, 2017 storm. Many more headstones have to be repaired than initially thought. She asked that the Cemetery Trustees be authorized to expend \$3,000 from the Anker Fund and \$4,000 from the Sunnyside Cemetery Fund to complete the repairs needed. This is no expense to the taxpayers, just approval to use funds already available for use.

Moved by Holly Hayward

Seconded by David Thurston

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

Russell Talbot spoke on behalf of the Tri Town Franconia Notch Chamber of Commerce. Through a miscommunication the chamber appropriation was eliminated from the budget in the amount of \$6,500. Mr. Talbot made an amendment motion to reinstate this amount back into the budget which would raise the total to \$1,406,141

Seconded by Kathie Cote

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 Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

Moved by: Rebecca Brown

Seconded by: Nick DeMayo

Explanation of Article by Road Agent Doug Glover

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 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 Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

Moved by: Rebecca Brown

Seconded by: David Thurston

Explanation of article by Road Agent Doug Glover

**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 Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000) to be placed in the Fire Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

Moved by: Russell Talbot

Seconded by: Rebecca Brown

Explanation of article by Fire Chief Allan Clark

**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 Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Fire Department Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2008.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation

Moved by: Holly Hayward

Seconded by: Brenda Aldrich

Explanation of article by Fire Chief Allan Clark

**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 Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 2006.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

Moved by: Mark Desrochers

Seconded by: Doug Amsbary

Selectperson Margo Connors explained the article

**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 Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2009.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

Moved by: Rebecca Brown

Seconded by: David Thurston

Road Agent Doug Glover explained the article

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 FiveThousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Carolina Crapo Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2004.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

Moved by: Gail Clark

Seconded by: Doug Glover

Selectperson Richard Bielefield explained the article as being used for window replacements for the upstairs of the Carolina Crapo building as far as the allocation will go for the replacements.

Brenda Aldrich made a motion to amend the request by \$5,000 bringing the article to a total of \$10,000 so that more replacement work can be done.

Seconded by Dennis Cote

All in favor. “Aye”, Opposed “No”, the “ayes” have it for the amendment

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 Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund created in 1976.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

Moved by: Mark Desrochers

Seconded by: Cathy Strasser

Police Chief Robert Mancini explained the article

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 Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) 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.

Moved by: Kathie Cote

Seconded by: Allan Clark

Discussion

**All in Favor, “Aye”, Opposed “No” he “Ayes” have it**

**ARTICLE 12:** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Holly Hayward questioned whether the \$7,000 in cemetery trust funds approved for the repairs at the cemetery had to be reflected in the bottom line of the budget which was already approved in Article 2. After much discussion it was decided since these monies were not being raised by the taxpayers, it was not necessary to make changes to the already approved budget of 1,406,141.

Kenneth King questioned the Selectboard on the new transfer station hours. He stated that by being closed for ten Monday holidays and no longer being open on Wednesdays, it was too long a stretch to hold refuge until Friday, the next day that the station would be open. The Selectboard will look into this.

Moderator James Snyder paused the meeting to read the results of Article 1.

Fire Chief Allan Clark spoke on his position as Emergency Management Director for Sugar Hill. This has been a very difficult job due to the two major storms that Sugar Hill experienced in July and October of 2017. Sugar Hill resources and labor took care of the first storm and FEMA monies should cover most of it but that being said reimbursements have not been seen as of yet. Total storm damage ran between \$700,000 and \$800,000 coverage to be covered between FEMA and that State of NH. Chief Clark stated that it has been extremely difficult working with both agencies and the paper work required is overwhelming. The floor applauded Chief Clark’s efforts on behalf of Sugar hill.

Howard Mitz requested that the Selectboard delve into finding alternative sources of energy to defray Sugar Hill’s energy costs in the form of solar panels Judy Weisenberger asked that the request be expanded to include any alternative energy sources, not just solar. Selectperson Margo Connors stated that the Board had been working on this but were waylaid by other issues. Ed Cenezio asked for volunteers to help with this mission as the Selectboard have so many projects they are involved in.

Holly Hayward made a motion to have the Selectboard come back at the 2019 town meeting with a report on the energy question.

Nick DeMayo seconded

All in Favor, "Aye", Opposed "No", the "Ayes" have it

Chairman of the Select Board Richard Bielefield thanked Kitty Bigelow for the wonderful photo on this year's town report with a panoramic photo of the mountains seen from Sugar Hill with a rainbow to boot! Also thanks to Dennis Cote for the sound system for town meeting, Rose Ellms for all her hard and ongoing work for Sugar Hill's very special 4<sup>th</sup> of July party and our Christmas party which has been ongoing for over 100 years, thanks to all who contributed to the Northern Pass legal fund which raised \$29,000 to pay for our latest and most successful, to date, campaign to stop Northern Pass. Thanks, too, to all our dedicated road, police and fire departments and emergency management especially in 2017 with the major damage that Sugar Hill experienced.

There being no further business, Moderator Snyder adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM. Newly elected town officials were sworn in by Town Clerk, Lissa Boissonneault and Moderator James Snyder.

Respectfully submitted,

Lissa M. Boissonneault, Town Clerk

**BALANCE SHEET**  
(As at December 31, 2018)

**ASSETS**

Current Assets		
Unrestricted Checking		\$393,946.02
Money Market/Roll		2,794.46
Roll (Bank Investment)		<u>526,269.98</u>
Total Checking/Savings		923,010.46
Other Current Assets:		
Due From Trust Funds – Roadwork Closed		1,171.58
Property Taxes Receivable Current Year		120,021.75
Tax Liens Receivable		<u>33,641.94</u>
Total Other Current Assets		<u>154,835.27</u>
Total Current Assets		1,077,845.73
Taxes Deeded Property		<u>17,183.34</u>
Total Assets		<u><u>\$1,095,029.07</u></u>

**LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY**

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
School District Tax Payable		\$ 650,791.00
Due to Conservation Commission		-2,390.00
Deferred Revenue		<u>65,331.83</u>
Total Liabilities		713,732.833
Equity		
Reserved for Tax Deeded Property	17,183.34	
Reserved for Article Carried Forward	45,000.00	
Surplus	343,463.10	
Net Income	<u>-24,350.20</u>	
Total Equity		<u>381,296.24</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity		<u><u>\$1,095,029.07</u></u>

**SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS**

Crapo Building

Beginning Balance 1/1/18	\$ 341,786.28
2018 Payment	<u>52,547.00</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/18	<u><u>\$ 289,239.28</u></u>

## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Land Under Current Use (At Current Use Values)	\$ 567,577.00
Land	54,795,500.00
Buildings	89,465,900.00
Public Utilities	<u>3,852,700.00</u>
Total Valuation Before Exemptions	\$148,681,677.00
Elderly and Blind Exemptions	<u>20,000.00</u>
Net Valuation On Which Tax Rate Is Computed for Municipal, County and Local Education	\$148,661,677.00
Less Utilities	<u>\$3,852,700.00</u>
Net Valuation On Which Tax Rate For State Education Tax Is Computed	\$144,808,977.00

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

	<u>Amount</u>		<u>Tax Rate</u>
Total Town Appropriations	\$1,677,641.00		
Less: Revenues	(291,886.00)		
Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	(80,000.00)		
Add: Overlay	18,378.00		
War Service Credits	<u>15,900.00</u>		
Net Town Appropriations		\$1,340,033.00	
Municipal Tax Rate			\$ 9.02
Net Local School Budget	0.00		
Regional School Apportionment	1,468,687.00		
Less: Equitable Education Grant	0.00		
State Education Taxes	<u>(304,606.00)</u>		
Approved School(s) Tax Effort		1,164,081.00	
Local Education Tax Rate			7.83
State Education Taxes	<u>304,606.00</u>	304,606.00	2.10
Due to County	<u>256,026.00</u>		
Net County Tax Assessment		255,460.00	
County Tax Rate			1.72
Combined Tax Rate			20.67
Total Property Taxes Assessed		3,064,746.00	
Less: War Service Credits		<u>(15,900.00)</u>	
Property Tax To Be Raised		\$3,048,846 .00	

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

	Land	Buildings	Equipment
Meetinghouse	\$ 89,500.00	\$210,900.00	\$ 80,000.00
Carolina Crapo	125,100.00	292,600.00	50,000.00
Library			20,000.00
Fire Department	98,300.00	62,500 .00	1,327,045.00
Police Department			118,889.00
Highway Department		144,800.00	849,227.25
Building & Grounds			60,585.00
Parks & Commons			
Coffin Pond-SHCC	45,400.00		
Tennis Court	35,000.00		
Town Forest-SHCC	146,300.00		
Land:			
Cemeteries	187,900.00		
Nason Road	65,900.00		
Creamery Pond	27,600.00		
Creamery Pond-OD	40,700.00		
Pearl Lake Road	24,800.00		
Route 117	3,000.00		
Route 93	4,000.00		
Creamery Pond Corner	42,900.00		
Pearl Lake Road	18,300.00		
	\$ 954,700.00	\$710,800.00	\$2,505,746.25
	(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 2018:

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:	\$155,189.00	
Dog Licenses Issued:	505.50	
Other Permits and Fees:	<u>6,080.00</u>	
Total		\$161,774.50
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:	\$155,189.00	
Local Town Clerk Fees:	1,872.00	
State Town Clerk Fees:	2,811.00	
Title Application Fees:	270.00	
Dog Licenses Issued:	505.50	
Dog License Fees:	115.00	
Dog License Late Fees:	15.00	
Marriage Licenses Issued:	172.00	
Town Clerk Fees:	28.00	
Vital Statistics (First Copy):	96.00	
Vital Statistics (Second Copy)	70.00	
Town Clerk Fees:	154.00	
UCC Filing Fee:	165.00	
Insufficient Fund Fees	85.00	
Filing Fee	2.00	
Sale of Checklist	<u>225.00</u>	
Total		\$161,774.50

Respectfully submitted,  
Lissa M. Boissonneault  
Town Clerk

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**  
**Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2018**

**DEBITS**

<b>Uncollected Taxes – Beginning of Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Levies of 2018</b>	<b>Levies of 2017</b>
Property Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$106,543.06
Land Use Change	0.00	5,000.00
Yield Taxes	0.00	0.00
<b>Taxes Committed This Year:</b>		
Property Taxes	3,049,349.00	0.00
Land Use Change	0.00	0.00
Yield Taxes	198.24	0.00
<b>Overpayment Refunds:</b>		
Property Taxes	4,102.26	0.00
Interest & Penalties	<u>846.67</u>	<u>6,247.11</u>
<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>\$3,054,495.97</b>	<b>\$117,790.17</b>

**CREDITS**

<b>Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:</b>		
Property Taxes	\$2,930,102.14	\$ 61,955.55
Land Use Change	0.00	5,000.00
Yield Taxes	198.24	0.00
Interest	846.47	5,657.61
Penalties	0.00	589.50
Conversion to Lien	0.00	44,587.51
<b>Abatements Made:</b>		
Property Taxes	3,327.37	0.00
Yield Taxes	0.00	0.00
Current Levy Deeded	0.00	0.00
<b>Uncollected Taxes End of Year:</b>		
Property Taxes	121,471.12	0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance	(1,449.37)	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes	0.00	0.00
Yield Tax	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$3,054,495.97</b>	<b>\$117,790.17</b>



**SUMMARY OF LIEN ACCOUNTS**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018**

**DEBITS**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Unredeemed Liens			
Balance Beginning of Fiscal Year	\$ 0.00	\$24,972.56	\$36,706.51
Liens Executed			
During Fiscal Year	47,930.28	0.00	0.00
Interest & Costs			
Collected After Lien Execution	<u>1,636.48</u>	<u>3,016.35</u>	<u>16,153.29</u>
Total Debits	<u>\$49,566.76</u>	<u>\$27,988.91</u>	<u>\$52,859.80</u>

**CREDITS**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Remittances to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	\$28,033.09	\$10,473.79	\$36,706.51
Interest & Cost	1,636.48	3,016.35	16,153.29
Abatements of Unredeemed Tax	754.00	0.00	0.00
Liens Deeded to Municipality	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unredeemed Liens			
Balance End of Fiscal Year	<u>19,143.19</u>	<u>14,498.77</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Credits	<u>\$49,566.76</u>	<u>\$27,988.91</u>	<u>\$52,859.80</u>

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

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
Caporelli, Mary A. & Patricia	3,831.14	4,305.05
Raspberry Patch Trust	378.62	0.00
Staffier, Paul D	7,247.90	2,343.05
Stephenson, Sam P.	72.19	0.00
Waitkus, Lisa	8,531.10	9,947.99
Young Jr. Gary Gene	134.83	147.83
Young Jr. Gary Gene	<u>1,096.12</u>	<u>1,269.13</u>
Totals	\$21,291.90	\$18,013.05

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**Year ending December 31, 2018**  
**Cash Basis**

Beginning Cash Balance Checking, January 1, 2018		\$826,407.41
Beginning Balance Roll/ Money Market, January 1, 2018		<u>78,303.56</u>
	Total	<u>\$904,710.97</u>

**RECEIPTS**

Tax Collector	\$3,144,956.53	
Town Clerk	161,774.50	
Selectmen	40,167.09	
Transfers (Trust & Capital Reserve Funds)	528,045.45	
State & Federal Grants	248,271.18	
Interest on Money Market & NOW account	<u>919.95</u>	
Total Receipts		\$4,124,134.70

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Orders of Selectmen	\$4,105,835.21	
Loans Repayments	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Disbursements		4,105,835.21

Ending Cash Balance NOW Checking, December 31, 2018		393,946.02
Ending Cash Balance Roll/Money Market, December 31, 2018		529,064.44
		\$ 923,010.46

**CHECKING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS**

**POLICE PERMIT ACCOUNT**

Beginning Balance 1/1/18 (Mascoma)		\$473.94
Deposits		
Withdrawals		(474.04)
Interest Earned		<u>.10</u>
Balance -Account closed 6/15/18 opened new account WGSB		\$0.00

**POLICE PERMIT ACCOUNT**

Beginning Balance 6/15/18 (WGSB)		\$474.04
Deposits		612.04
Withdrawals/sc \$8		<u>(458.00)</u>
Balance 12/31/18		\$154.04

**POLICE SPECIAL DUTY FUND**

Beginning Balance 1/1/18	\$2,277.77
Deposits	2,260.00
Withdrawals/sc \$10	2,310.00
Interest Earned	<u>1.07</u>
Balance 12/31/18	\$2,228.84

**CONSERVATION LAND USE FUND**

Beginning Balance 1/1/18	\$64,396.74
Deposit	5,000.00
Interest Earned	<u>1,194.25</u>
Balance 12/31/18	\$70,590.99

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Beginning Balance 1/1/18 WGSB	\$7,775.60
Interest Earned	<u>3.91</u>
Balance 12/31/18	\$7,779.51

**RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

Beginning Balance 1/1/18 WGSB Checking	\$996.41
Deposits	
Interest Earned	<u>.50</u>
Balance 12/31/18	\$996.91

**RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

Beginning Balance 1/1/18 Mascoma Checking	\$ 82.90
Deposits	2,920.00
Withdrawals	<u>(2,965.27)</u>
Balance 12/31/18	\$ 37.63

**RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

Beginning Balance – new Mascoma Account	\$ 0.00
Deposits	1,071.00
Withdrawals/s/c \$3	<u>(590.14)</u>
Balance 12/31/18	\$ 480.86

**NORTHERN PASS DEFENSE FUND**

Beginning Balance 1/1/2018	\$142.82
Deposits	650.00
Service Charge	(30.00)
Interest	<u>.15</u>
Balance 12/31/2018	\$762.97

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

### Cash Basis

#### Local Taxes:

Property Taxes, Current Year	\$ 2,930,105.78
Yield Taxes, Current Year	198.24
Current Use Change, Current Year	5,000.00
Property Taxes, Prior Year	106,543.06
Lien Redemptions, Prior Years	75,213.39
Interest & Costs	<u>27,896.06</u>

#### Total Taxes Collected

\$3,144,956.53

#### From Local Sources and Miscellaneous, except Taxes:

Motor Vehicle Permits	155,189.00
Town Clerk Fees	1,872.00
State Fees	2,811.00
Title Application Fees	270.00
Dog Licenses, Fees, Penalty	635.50
Marriage Licenses	172.00
Vital Statistics	166.00
UCC Filing Fees	165.00
Town Clerk Fees	182.00
Insufficient Funds/Wire Transfer	85.00
Filing Fee	2.00
Checklist	<u>225.00</u>

#### Total Town Clerk

161,774.50

Building Permits	3,373.20
Driveway Permits	105.00
Planning Board Fees	537.00
Zoning Board Fees	525.00
Selectmen	399.38
Police	4,353.56
Cemetery Burials/plot purchases	2,225.00
Highway Department	1,460.00
Rent of Town Property	625.00
Sale of Municipal Property	12,500.00
Cable TV Permit	<u>1,606.45</u>
Total Miscellaneous	

27,709.59

From State:		
Highway Block	51,393.06	
Rooms and Meals	<u>29,463.10</u>	
Total from State		80,856.16
From Federal Government:		
FEMA	167,415.02	
Total from Federal		167,415.02
Interest on Checking & Savings Account	919.95	
Capital Reserve Funds	527,545.45	
Insurance Reimbursements	5,780.00	
Refund Callex	977.50	
Trust Funds –Cemetery	500.00	
Donations –	<u>5,700.00</u>	
Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue		<u>541,422.90</u>
Total Receipts From All Sources		\$4,124,134.70
Cash on Hand, January 1, 2018		904,710.97
Grand Total of Receipts		\$5,028,845.67

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

General Government:		
Executive	\$ 43,119.86	
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	20,876.78	
Financial Administration	22,461.68	
Revaluation of Property	15,828.00	
Legal Expenses	12,938.11	
Payroll Taxes	28,175.92	
Planning Board	1,978.69	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	523.65	
General Government Buildings	45,137.93	
Buildings & Grounds	32,692.25	
Cemeteries	15,876.88	
Insurance	163,982.49	
Advertising & Regional Associations	7,698.63	
Unemployment	<u>0.00</u>	
Total General Government Expenses		\$411,290.87
Public Safety:		
Police Department	236,134.18	
Fire Department	80,233.79	
Golden Cross Ambulance	21,318.00	
Emergency Management	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Public Safety Expenses		337,685.97
Total Building Inspections		1,228.20
Total Airports		817.92
Highway, Streets and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance	203,032.07	
General Expenses of Highway Department	177,302.99	
Highway Block Grant	51,393.06	
FEMA	96,083.19	
Highway Roadwork Non – Lapsing Fund	85,684.01	
Street Lighting	<u>6,449.81</u>	
Total Highways, Streets and Bridges Expenses		619,945.13
Sanitation:		
Solid Waste Disposal	<u>50,029.00</u>	
Total Sanitation		50,029.00
Health:		
Health, Hospitals	<u>7,409.00</u>	
Total Health Expenses		7,409.00
Total Welfare Expenses		6,340.02
Culture and Recreation:		
Recreation	26,353.00	
Library	32,051.65	
Patriotic	<u>1,697.50</u>	
Total Culture and Recreation Expenses		60,102.15

Conservation:		
Conservation Commission	561.00	
Land Use Change Fund	<u>5,000.00</u>	
Total Conservation Expenses		5,561.00
Debt Service:		
Principal Expense – Long Term Notes	52,546.86	
Interest Expense – Long Term Notes	14,953.14	
Interest Expense – TAN	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Debt Service Payments		67,500.00
Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds & Trusts:		
Article # 3 Highway Equipment	50,000.00	
Article # 5 Fire Department HE	45,000.00	
Article #6 Fire Department Building	10,000.00	
Article #7 Bridge	50,000.00	
Article #8 Highway Dept. Building	10,000.00	
Article #9 Crapo Building	10,000.00	
Article #10 Police	20,000.00	
Cemetery Lots Purchased	<u>1,500.00</u>	
Total Capital Reserve Funds & Trusts		196,500.00
Capital Vehicles/Equipment/Buildings/Land:		
Bridges	25,095.03	
Meetinghouse	5,854.49	
Fire Apparatus	331,590.76	
Police Vehicle	33,491.86	
Crapo Building	11,736.23	
Highway Dept. Truck	<u>120,137.08</u>	
Total Capital Expense		527,905.45
Miscellaneous:		
Abatements	4,219.43	
Property Tax Refunds/Overpayments	500.00	
Taxes Bought by Town	47,930.28	
Motor Vehicle Refund	68.00	
Payroll Adjustment	<u>20.79</u>	
Total Miscellaneous Expenses		52,738.50
Unclassified:		
Payments – Tax Anticipation	0.00	
Total Unclassified Expenses		0.00
Payments to Other Government Divisions:		
Taxes Paid to County	256,026.00	
Payments to School Districts	<u>1,504,756.00</u>	
Total Payments to Other Government Divisions		<u>1,760,782.00</u>
Grand Total of Expenditures		\$4,105,835.21

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Executive:

Selectmen - Salary	\$	0.00	
Administrative Asst - Gaudette		27,934.39	
Office Asst- Amy Venezia		346.50	
Office Asst – Kesley Venezia		723.56	
Moderator		300.00	
Workshops		160.00	
Telephone		1,014.12	
Computer Consulting		2,500.00	
Internet		1,199.88	
Website		539.88	
Computer Equipment		410.50	
Mapping		1,800.00	
Registry		32.99	
Printing/Notices		2,131.00	
NHMA Dues & Subscriptions		1,274.00	
Office Supplies		2,242.62	
Postage		494.49	
Books & Periodicals		15.93	
<b>Total Executive Expenses</b>			<b>\$ 43,119.86</b>

Election, Registration & Vital Statistics:

Town Clerk - Boissonneault		5,955.08	
Town MV Fees - Boissonneault		2,340.00	
State MV Fees - Boissonneault		2,811.00	
Title Fees - Boissonneault		270.00	
Dog Fees - Boissonneault		115.00	
Marriage Fees - Boissonneault		28.00	
Vital Fees - Boissonneault		154.00	
UCC Fees - Boissonneault		150.00	
Supervisors of the Checklist		1,652.50	
Ballot Clerks		1,228.25	
Computer - Consulting		1,200.00	
Computer - Program Support BMSI		2,102.00	
Telephone		235.51	
Dues		20.00	
Supplies/dog tags		268.62	
Office Supplies/copier		1,055.27	
Postage		724.55	
Books & Periodicals		19.00	
Vital Statistics		252.00	
Dog Licenses		210.00	
Marriage Licenses		86.00	
<b>Total Election, Registration &amp; Vital Statistics</b>			<b>20,876.78</b>

Financial Administration:

Tax Collector - Lissa Boissonneault		5,376.32
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Elizabeth Andross	175.00	
Lien Fees - Boissonneault	194.00	
Treasurer	1,850.00	
Auditor	5,100.00	
Bank Fees	437.06	
Telephone	238.92	
Computer - Consulting	1,350.00	
Computer Program & Support	4,753.00	
Research Lien	247.00	
Registry	84.70	
Dues	20.00	
Office Supplies/copier, checks, tax bills	1,585.37	
Postage	<u>1,050.31</u>	
Total Financial Administration Expenses		22,461.68
Total Revaluation		15,828.00
Total Legal Expenses		12,938.11
Payroll Taxes:		
Sugar Hill FICA (Town Contribution)	21,285.72	
Sugar Hill Medicare (Town Contribution)	<u>6,890.20</u>	
Total Payroll Taxes Expense		28,175.92
Planning Board:		
Secretary - Salary Amy Venezia	1,716.00	
Registry	143.00	
Printing/Notices	60.00	
Books	16.00	
Postage	<u>43.69</u>	
Total Planning Board Expenses		1,978.69
Zoning Board:		
Secretary - Amy Venezia	346.50	
Printing/Notices	110.00	
Postage	<u>67.15</u>	
Total Zoning Board Expenses		523.65
Government Buildings:		
James Keefe	17,549.43	
Telephone (Elevator & Meetinghouse)	1,119.77	
Electricity (Crapo & Meetinghouse)	5,385.73	
Heating Oil (Meetinghouse)	3,813.83	
Propane (Crapo)	4,511.14	
Unifirst – Rugs	1,969.50	
Meetinghouse Clock	1,762.00	
Elevator and Boiler Inspection	855.00	
Sanitation	337.50	
Cluster Fly Spraying	375.00	
Rug Cleaning	385.00	
Alarm Monitoring	652.00	
Boiler Maintenance & Repair	1,061.78	

Tri State Extinguisher Inspections	744.72	
Generator Service	755.89	
Up North Electric	1,338.50	
Water Filter MH	60.00	
Supplies	2,461.14	
Total Government Buildings Expenses		45,137.93
Crapo Building CRF -Windows	11,736.23	
Meetinghouse CRF - Furnace	5,854.49	
		17,590.69
Grounds & Maintenance:		
Peter Carbonneau - Salary	22,648.29	
James Keefe	2,852.94	
Telephone	431.16	
Supplies	182.20	
Maint & Repair	333.68	
Gasoline	1,236.10	
Diesel	1,068.64	
Grounds keeping - New Equipment	770.91	
Vehicle Repair	3,168.33	
Total Grounds & Maintenance Expenses		32,692.25
Cemeteries:		
Supplies - Gravel, Cold Patch, Signs	464.75	
Fencing	10,215.00	
Littleton Monument	755.00	
StandFast Fence Repair	2,830.00	
New Flag Pole & Flags	1,212.13	
Lot Payback	400.00	
Total Cemeteries Expenses		15,876.88
Cemetery Budget Offset by Insurance, SHIA, Donations		
Insurance:		
Health - Highway	61,835.04	
Police	47,664.56	
Executive	19,323.48	
Building & Grounds	3,397.02	
Dental	6,756.96	
Property Liability	18,768.00	
Worker's Compensation	14,475.00	
Employee Reimbursed	(8,237.57)	
Total Insurance Expenses		163,982.49
Total Advertising & Regional Associations Expenses		7,698.63
Total Unemployment Expenses		0.00
Ambulance:		
Golden Cross	21,318.00	
Total Ambulance Expenses		21,318.00

Police Department:

Chief Robert Mancini	81,044.96
Officer Zack Chicoine	52,464.17
Officer Gary Emerson	6,960.00
Officer Cody MacKay	1,300.00
Adm Asst. Jamie Allaire	9,264.05
Prosecutor	2,000.00
Police Retirement	39,053.44
Training	656.87
Community Service	69.75
8123 Line	250.00
Telephone Wireless	1,591.05
Telephone Office	509.39
Body Camera Storage	1,872.00
Computer Consulting	750.00
Computer Program Support	1,480.00
Computer Equipment	934.69
Internet	240.00
Website	431.00
Dispatch Service	12,206.60
Uniforms	1,992.64
Firearms	1,001.28
Dues	275.00
Supplies	278.05
Office Supplies	460.69
Postage/Box Rent	198.33
Gasoline	5,333.56
Vehicle Maintenance	2,461.48
Radio Maintenance	127.95
Books	34.00
New Equipment	9,014.75
Canine Expense	<u>1,878.48</u>

Total Police Department Expenses

236,134.18\*

\*Budget Offset by Grants Received \$4,188.86

Police Department Capital Reserve Fund New Cruiser

33,491.86

Fire Department:

Salaries:

Aldrich, Clifton	1,541.00
Amsbary, Douglas	1,896.00
Burger, Timothy	833.00
Chase, Eric	782.00
Clark, Allan	10,210.00
Collins, Jeffrey	782.00
Crowe, Nelson	884.00
Glover, Douglas	1,879.00
Hodgdon, Jody	255.00
Ireland, Brinson	2,330.00

Johnk, Gordon	2,584.00
Johnk, Samuel	1,780.00
Kenerson, Danforth	663.00
Low, Kevin	459.00
Quintal, Richard	1,100.00
Rasmussen, Eric	1,292.00
Roussel, Cort	595.00
Snyder, James	2,354.00
Talbot, Rusty	629.00
Warren, Michael	828.00
Wilson, Ned	794.00
Training	2,164.78
Mileage	2,678.84
Fire Prevention	533.26
Telephone	474.43
Information Line 8123	250.00
Website	275.00
Consulting Contract-SNS	898.55
Internet Provider	540.00
FF Response System	300.00
Dispatching Services	5,231.40
Medical Services	258.50
Electric	1,874.41
Heating Oil	2,676.76
Building Maintenance	1,045.98
Uniforms & Protective Clothing	1,255.80
Dues	667.00
Supplies	3,473.91
Postage	7.00
Gasoline	31.58
Diesel Fuel	796.41
Propane	775.38
Vehicle Maintenance	1,752.16
Equipment Maintenance	1,448.59
Fire Pond Maintenance	1,140.00
New & Replacement Equipment	9,356.62
Communication Equipment	<u>5,857.43</u>

Total Fire Department Expenses		80,233.79
Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve-		331,590.76
Total Emergency Management		0.00
Total Building Inspections – Allan Clark		1,228.20
Total Airport		817.92
Town Maintenance:		
Douglas Glover - Salary	73,400.90	
Brett Hucksohl	54,178.72	
Todd Nelson	49,618.79	
Peter Carbonneau	5,668.47	

Retirement	<u>20,165.19</u>	
Total Town Maintenance		203,032.07
General Highway Department:		
Engineering - McCarthy	4,515.00	
Telephone	1,081.83	
Computer Internet	539.40	
Computer Consulting	200.00	
New computer & software	689.98	
Medical	73.50	
Electricity	2,562.27	
Heating Oil	4,338.95	
Building Maintenance	3,261.49	
Equipment Rental	3,065.00	
Uniforms	2,886.43	
Dues	105.00	
Supplies	2,469.05	
Office Supplies	74.99	
Shop Supplies	1,596.09	
Diesel Fuel	21,713.10	
Propane	263.38	
Vehicle Maintenance	13,339.55	
Equipment Maintenance	11,313.34	
Radio Maintenance	684.73	
Road Salt	20,822.27	
Crushed Gravel	5,378.00	
Sand	18,384.05	
Stone	4,631.00	
Cold Patch	27,101.99	
Non-Lapsing Roadwork WA #4 & FEMA	184,173.90	
New Equipment	22,656.40	
Street Signs	774.50	
Animal Control	<u>375.00</u>	
Total General Highway Department & WA#		359,070.19
Budget Offset by FEMA & Non-Lapsing Funds		
Highway Department CRF Truck		120,137.08
Highway Department Bridges Capital Reserve Fund		25,095.03
Total Street Lighting Expenses		6,449.81
Total Highway Block Grant Expenses		51,393.06
Total Solid Waste Disposal Expenses		50,029.00
Total Health & Hospitals Agencies Expenses		7,409.00
Total Welfare Expenses		6,340.02
Total Parks & Recreation Expenses		26,353.00
Library:		
Librarian - Judy Weisenberger	15,930.00	

Wendy Kern	690.00	
Sue Rysanek	330.00	
Telephone	503.54	
Computer Program Support	602.39	
Computer Equipment	194.97	
Dues/Fees	654.00	
Library Supplies	1,476.63	
Office Supplies	703.76	
Miscellaneous Expense	354.71	
Books/Movies/Audio	<u>10,611.65</u>	
Total Library Expenses		32,051.65
Patriotic:		
Town Party	<u>1,697.50</u>	
Total Patriotic Expenses		1,697.50
Conservation Commission:		
Printing	40.00	
Dues	<u>521.00</u>	
Total Conservation Commission		561.00
Land Use Change Fund		5,000.00
Long Term Notes -Principal	52,546.86	
Long Term Notes - Interest	<u>14,953.14</u>	
Total Long Term Notes		67,500.00
Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds:		
Crapo Building CRF	10,000.00	
Highway Department HE	50,000.00	
Fire Department HE	45,000.00	
Fire Department Building	10,000.00	
Bridgework	50,000.00	
Police Department CRF	20,000.00	
Highway Building	<u>10,000.00</u>	
Total Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds		194,000.00
Transfers - Trust Funds		
Cemetery Plots Purchased	1,500.00	
Total Transfers - Trust funds		1,500.00
Total Taxes Paid - County		256,026.00
Total Taxes Paid - School District		1,504,756.00
Motor Vehicle Refund		68.00
Payroll Liability		20.79
Abatements		4,219.43
Property Tax Refunds/Overpayments		500.00
Total Taxes Bought by the Town		<u>47,930.28</u>
Total Detailed Expenses		\$4,105,835.21



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## ACCOUNTANTS' COMPILATION REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Sugar Hill:

Management is responsible for the accompanying financial statements of Town of Sugar Hill, which comprise the balance sheet as of December 31, 2018, and the related statements of revenue and expenditures for the year then ended, included in the accompanying prescribed form MS-535. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the financial statements included in the accompanying prescribed form MS-535 nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, nor provide any form of assurance on the financial statements included in the accompanying prescribed form MS-535.

The financial statements included in the accompanying prescribed form MS-535 are intended to comply with the requirements of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, and are not intended to be a presentation in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Crane & Bell, PLLC*

February 14, 2019

## CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

Report of the Trust Funds – December 31, 2018

### 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
06/19/76	Highway Dept. CRF	\$70,137.08	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$118,390.21	\$1,746.87	\$0.00	\$1,746.87	\$1,746.87	\$0.00	\$1,746.87
06/23/76	Police Department CRF	13,429.57	20,000.00	0.00	32,997.37	432.20	62.29	432.20	494.49	0.00	432.20
12/31/91	Meetinghouse CRF	11,299.61	0.00	0.00	5,646.60	5,653.01	0.00	207.89	207.89	0.00	5,653.01
03/17/99	Highway Dept. Roadwork CRF	690.45	0.00	0.00	690.45	0.00	459.89	21.24	481.13	0.00	0.00
08/01/04	Carolina Crapo CRF	4,096.06	10,000.00	0.00	11,567.37	2,528.69	0.00	168.86	168.86	0.00	2,528.69
07/19/93	Fire Department CRF	297,441.94	45,000.00	0.00	325,925.07	16,516.87	3,792.62	1,873.07	5,665.69	0.00	16,516.87
08/09/06	Highway Bridge	247,668.61	50,000.00	0.00	19,287.59	278,381.02	380.51	5,066.93	5,447.44	0.00	278,381.02
11/20/08	Fire Department Building	7,870.18	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	17,870.18	0.00	241.41	0.00	241.41	18,111.59
03/10/09	Highway Department Building	8,486.96	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	18,486.96	54.82	253.74	0.00	308.56	18,795.52
03/13/12	Building & Grounds	6,442.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,442.82	35.83	120.03	0.00	155.86	6,598.68
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS		\$667,563.28	\$195,000.00	\$0.00	\$514,504.66	\$348,058.62	\$4,785.96	\$10,132.24	\$14,212.37	\$705.83	\$348,764.45
03/14/14	Northern Pass Defense	\$717.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$717.99	\$0.00	\$14.29	\$0.00	\$14.29	\$732.28

Respectfully,  
 Chairman Allan Clark, Greg Connors, Ray Dionne  
 Trustees of the Trust Funds

**All Funds Invested 100%**  
**All Funds are Bank Deposits at**  
**Connecticut River Bank N.A. or PDIP**



## CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Report of the Trust Funds – December 31, 2018

### 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
10/09/1975	Sunnyside Care Fund (1)	\$12,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,500.00	\$1,312.13	\$247.06	\$0.00	\$1,559.19	\$15,059.19
09/21/1973	Louise Leazott Trust (1)	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	579.86	20.01	0.00	599.87	1,099.87
11/05/1943	Annie Bowles Trust (1)	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	140.14	5.39	0.00	145.53	295.53
11/03/1937	Frank E. Bowles Trust (1)	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	140.14	5.39	0.00	145.53	295.53
10/18/1956	J.L. & Gertrude Bowles Trust (1)	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	78.15	3.30	0.00	81.45	181.45
07/11/1984	Hersom Murray Trust (1)	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	95.23	4.55	0.00	99.78	249.78
10/09/1975	Anker Trust (2)	3,500.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,500.79	1,478.17	92.26	0.00	1,570.43	5,071.22
10/09/1975	Sunnyside Cemetery (3)	11,985.40	0.00	0.00	172.29	11,813.11	103.89	223.82	327.71	0.00	11,813.11
<b>TOTAL CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS</b>		\$28,536.19	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$172.29	\$29,863.90	\$3,927.71	\$601.78	\$327.71	\$4,201.78	\$34,065.68

(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,  
Chairman Allan Clark, Greg Connors, Ray Dionne  
Trustees of the Trust Funds

# LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS

Report of the Trust Funds – December 31, 2018

## P R I N C I P A L

## I N C O M E

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	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year
10/9/1975	Glady's Jesseman Memorial Trust	\$1,841.23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,841.23	\$37.75	\$0.00	\$234.57	\$2,075.80
9/21/1973	Fredericka Harmes Fund	1,564.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,564.10	38.99	0.00	578.93	2,143.03
11/5/1943	Alice Smith Fund	903.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	903.50	22.50	0.00	333.32	1,236.82
1/22/2001	Richardson Memorial Trust	73,984.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	73,984.55	1,514.38	0.00	9,262.66	83,247.21
	TOTAL LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS	\$78,293.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$78,293.38	\$1,613.62	\$0.00	\$10,409.48	\$88,702.86

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

# SUGAR HILL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION FUNDS

December 31, 2018

## P R I N C I P A L

## I N C O M E

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	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year
06/01/2009	SHIA (community)	\$781,615.00	\$0.00	\$-57,416.33	\$0.00	\$724,198.67	\$19,997.06	\$0.00	\$70,627.53	\$794,826.20
1948	CRAPO (education)	689,273.21	0.00	-53,450.29	0.00	635,822.92	17,646.89	20,000.00	73,157.00	708,979.92
	TOTAL SHIA FUNDS	\$1,470,888.21	\$0.00	\$-110,866.62	\$0.00	\$1,360,021.59	\$37,643.95	\$20,000.00	\$143,784.53	\$1,503,806.12

Respectfully,  
Chairman Allan Clark, Greg Connors, Ray Dionne  
Trustees of the Trust Funds

## SELECT BOARD'S REPORT

Another year has come and gone – thankfully one less tumultuous than its predecessor. With things quieter, it allowed the town to catch up on the damage from the July and October 2017 storms and begin to get back to where we were prior to the July 1 storm. Nevertheless, much remains to be done before we can truly say we are where we were a year or so ago.

Much of the early effort went into getting trees cleaned up at Sunnyside Cemetery. Thanks to Doug Glover and the Highway Department there was a savings of some \$20,000 there.

Solving remaining road and bridge damage will hinge at least in part, on receipt of FEMA monies which will allow the replacement of the Indian Creek Bridge on Streeter Pond Road. Damage here resulted from the state's installation of a larger bridge up stream on Route 18 meaning a great volume of water was coming down. That replacement is scheduled for late June or early July of 2019 to avoid conflicts with busses picking up and discharging students. Special thanks to Chief Allan Clark for all his work with procuring funding from FEMA. A thankless job that he has worked tirelessly on.

As discussed at our last Town Meeting, we will be replacing street lights with LED's in cooperation with Eversource, which should result in a significant savings. Other energy savings will result in finally replacing the last few windows in the Crapo building, and whatever may come from our study of alternative energy solutions.

On a significant note, the Sugar Hill Improvement Association after several years of planning and study is working at the Meeting House to remove the peg board, insulating, installing sheetrock and whatever acoustical materials will ensure the auditorium provides the appropriate sound for concerts, etc. We deeply appreciate their efforts toward these long overdue improvements.

One of our priorities in the next year or so, will be the replacement of the Crane Hill Bridge on Streeter Pond Road. We are on the state list for 2022. Cost will be an 80/20 sharing by State/Town, but we must expend that 20% before we are reimbursed. So, we will need to add to the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund to ensure we have the monies to carry out the project while, at the same time, arriving at a solution for the removal of the current bridge.

Lastly, we very much appreciate the efforts of all those who work toward the betterment of Sugar Hill. It really does take all of us working together to make it the "best small town in New Hampshire". So many thanks to everyone who serves in any position-Planning or Zoning Boards, our various commissions, ALL of the Town's employees, and anyone else who adds their efforts and interest toward the town whether they be elected, volunteer or employee. THANK YOU ALL!!!!

## **CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT**

The year 2018 saw the Cemetery recovering from the 2017 winds. The Sugar Hill Highway Department of Road Agent Doug Glover, Brett Hucksoll and Todd Nelson worked diligently to remove over 100 trees that had fallen in the storm. A rough estimate would be a savings of over \$20,000 by doing this work. John Hanks of Littleton Monument repaired the damaged stones and StandFast Works repaired the fencing. In addition, new wooden fencing was installed after removing the damaged metal fencing that surrounds the cemetery. The Trustees were fortunate to receive funding for repairs from the Towns' insurer Primex, the Sugar Hill Improvement Association and a very generous donor.

The Trustees requested bids for the construction of roads in the previously mapped extension. Three bids were received and after discussion with both the Sexton and Road Agent the winning bid was awarded to Presby Construction with the project slated to begin in June.

Peter Carbonneau is a wonderful Sexton and Caretaker and does an outstanding job of maintaining the grounds. It is hoped that one section of the new area will have lots available for sale once the roads are complete. A special thank you to the Littleton Veterans' of Foreign Wars for their participation at Sunnyside on Memorial Day.

Special thanks to Lorraine Hunt's 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  
Holly Hayward, Meri Hern,  
Kathleen Jablonski  
Cemetery Trustees

## **PLANNING BOARD**

The Planning Board is always open to constructive ways to improve and keep abreast current changes. The Board ended the year looking at adding a Solar Energy section to the Zoning Ordinance and will follow through for 2020 Town Meeting. The Planning Board saw the following activity for 2018:

Minor Subdivision	1	Lot Line Adjustment	1
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The Planning Board meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30PM at the Town Office. Anyone interested in serving on the Planning Board should write a letter to the Selectmen expressing their interest for an appointment to the Board as an alternate or regular member. 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

## ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

2018 started out very busy with the Department working on tree clean up from the high winds at the end of October. Once snow arrived we started our winter maintenance routine of snow removal and salting the hills. When there was a break in the weather we would go down to the cemetery and work on cleaning up the over 100 trees that had blown over. This was a slow project because many had fallen on stones, breaking 6 or 7, so we had to be careful lifting them off so not to further damage the stones.

When spring arrived we started sweeping and getting ready for the summer work season. Throughout the summer we were able to do a lot of ditch work and sloping of banks that had been slowly eroding into the ditch lines. I spent a lot of time with Town Engineer Red McCarthy on putting together plans and measurements to turn into both FEMA and NHDES Wetlands for permits that we are going to need to complete the next phase of storm damage repairs. Fire Chief Allan Clark has worked very hard to get back the money that has been spent on repairs and also for funding for projects such as replacing Indian Creek Bridge and repair work on Lafayette Road and the repair of Grandview Road which will include changes to hopefully stop the road from washing out in the future. The new owners of the property that borders Grandview graciously gave the Town an easement for a wider right of way and permission to take down some trees so the shoulders could be back sloped and better drainage installed.

With the paving budget we were able to pave a section of the hill on Hadley Road and another section of Toad Hill Road from the Iron Mine Trail to Toad Hill Pond. With cold mix we shimmed from the Easton Town Line to the intersection of Dyke Road and Easton Road. We were also able to shim a short section by Fall Wind Farm. During the last part of the fall the town received a check from FEMA through the State as a result of Chief Clark's applications. This allowed us to shim with hot top from Toad Hill Road almost to Route 117. This paving plan was approved by the Road Committee.

Today as I sit and write this report it is -10 outside and they are talking about a Nor'easter bringing us a foot of snow for the weekend. Needless to say next summer's paving and roadwork can't come soon enough for me.

As always, I would like to thank the Police and Fire Departments for their help over this past year plus the Select Board for all their help and support. And last but not least, a big thank you to the taxpayers for your support and as always you can reach me at the shop 823-8788 or my cell 616-8467 with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Douglas Glover, Road Agent

## **SUGAR HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Overall, the Sugar Hill Police Department handled 1368 calls for service. This number represents a significant increase in police activity from previous years. In fact, since 2016, calls for service involving the Police Department has nearly doubled. During 2018, the Sugar Hill Police Department continued its focus on community policing and proactive law enforcement, while also placing a major emphasis on motor vehicle enforcement.

In 2018, our Department applied for several grants through the Department of Safety. As a result of those grant applications, our Department was successful in securing funding for motor vehicle enforcement details, a new radar unit and an e-ticket printer. Our Department also applied for an equipment grant from K9's United and were fortunate to receive a donation for a K9 Hot-N-Pop Pro. In total, these grant applications resulted in nearly \$7000.00 of equipment/funds!

In 2018, K9 Ruger was instrumental in the apprehension of 3 suspects while assisting the Towns of Littleton and Bethlehem. During these three separate calls for service, K9 Ruger was deployed to track individuals that were believed to be both armed and suicidal. During each of these missions, K9 Ruger located each suspect before they could further harm themselves or someone else. It is calls like the ones noted above that remind me how important canine partners are in law enforcement! K9 Ruger has been

Upon being hired as Chief of Police in 2017, one of my initial goals was to acquire a second patrol vehicle for the Department. I would like to say THANK YOU to everyone for their support, as our Department was able to purchase a new Ford Interceptor Utility Patrol Vehicle in May of 2018. Upon putting the second patrol vehicle into service, there was a significant increase in more motor vehicle stops, citations and arrests. This is especially true when looking at the last 3 years.

In working to keep up with the ever-changing career field of law enforcement, Officers attended a variety of worthwhile training opportunities to include: Leadership for the Future course through the Mello Training Institute, Field Training Officer course through Police Standards and Training and a Police Chief Development Course through Primex. Officers also completed their annual firearms/use of force training and received additional training on less-lethal force by becoming certified on the Taser X2.

In 2018, my wife Amy and I welcomed our first child into the world. James Craig Mancini was born in August. Becoming new parents presents its share of challenges (mostly sleep deprivation), but we have been blessed with a great deal of support from our families, friends and the community! Like everyone in our community...my family is fortunate to call Sugar Hill home and we truly believe that we are lucky to be surrounded by such wonderful people. The Town of Sugar Hill really is one of the nicest and safest communities in the area!

In closing, I would like to extend a special thank you to Officer Zach Chicoine and Part-time Officer's Gary Emerson and Cody MacKay for their hard work and dedication. Officer Chicoine is a true asset to the Sugar Hill Police Department and I am grateful for

## 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, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., to act on the following subjects:

Polls will open at 11 a.m. for voting by ballot on Articles 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.
- 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 Four Hundred Eighty Nine Thousand, Seven Hundred Thirty Two Dollars (\$1,489,732.00) to defray Town charges.

Executive .....	\$60,910.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics .....	23,865.00
Financial Administration .....	26,080.00
Property Revaluation .....	30,000.00
Legal Expenses .....	25,000.00
Payroll Taxes .....	30,000.00
Planning Board .....	2,000.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment .....	550.00
General Government Buildings .....	41,220.00
Buildings & Grounds .....	34,025.00
Cemetery .....	5,000.00
Insurance .....	179,079.00
Advertising & Regional Associations .....	7,257.00
North Country Council .....	1,257.00
Franconia Notch Chamber .....	6,000.00
Unemployment .....	100.00
Police Department .....	240,961.00
Ambulance .....	25,256.00
Fire Department .....	82,625.00
Building Inspections .....	1,500.00

Emergency Management .....	2,500.00
Airport.....	808.00
Town Maintenance .....	213,881.00
General Highway Department Expense .....	188,075.00
Street Lighting .....	16,292.00
Highway Block Grant .....	40,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal .....	57,610.00
Health, Hospitals.....	6,917.00
North Country Home Health .....	1,775.00
Grafton County Senior.....	300.00
American Red Cross .....	292.00
White Mt. Mental Health .....	0.00
Ammonoosuc Community Health .....	1,250.00
Burch House .....	300.00
Above the Notch.....	500.00
Center for New Beginnings .....	500.00
Franconia Children's Center.....	500.00
Boys & Girls Club .....	1,500.00
Welfare .....	6,000.00
Tri County Cap .....	1,750.00
Parks and Recreation.....	31,851.00
Library .....	39,170.00
Patriotic Purposes .....	2,000.00
Conservation Commission .....	700.00
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation.....	1,000.00
Long Term Notes .....	37,500.00
Interest Long Term Notes .....	30,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS.....	\$1,489,732.00

The Select Board recommends 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 Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**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 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 Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to be placed in the Fire Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.



**ARTICLE 6:** 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 Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 2006.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**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 Building Capital Reserve Fund created in 2009.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 9:** 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 Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000) to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund created in 1976.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum Twenty Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) to be placed in the Building and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund created in 2012.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Meetinghouse Capital Reserve Fund created in 1991.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will to establish the Energy Efficiency Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:3 for the purpose of providing funds to make the municipal buildings energy efficient 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 Select Board recommends this Appropriation.

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to establish the Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:3 for the purpose of providing funds for the purchase of equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Five Dollars (\$17,795) to be placed in said fund; and name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. This represents the funds from the Town of Franconia from the discontinuation of the Transfer Station Recycling Special

Revenue Fund. This appropriation is contingent upon the passage of the discontinuation of the SRF article on the Franconia warrant. (Majority vote required)

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Three Thousand Dollars (\$23,000) for the purpose of building roads in the Sunnyside Cemetery with Fifteen Thousand Dollars \$15,000 to come from the Cemetery Trust Funds and the remaining Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) to come from taxation.

The Select Board recommends this Appropriation

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund created in 1976.

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created in 1976.

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from the Carolina Crapo Capital Reserve Fund created in 2004.

**ARTICLE 19:** Shall the Town express its support for the State of New Hampshire to commit to generating 100% of its energy from renewable sources by 2050, and inform Governor Sununu and the State legislature of this intention. The current Renewable Portfolio Standards (RPS) goals are insufficient for lowering energy costs and preventing economic and environmental damages to the State, as a result of the extreme temperatures and storms associated with climate change. Furthermore, the transition to 100% renewables will improve New Hampshire's economy through the addition of significant jobs and revenue. Previous renewable energy bills have seen bipartisan support.

**ARTICLE 20:** 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 Nineteen

SUGAR HILL SELECT BOARD  
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, 2019, not counting the day of posting or the day of the Meeting.

SUGAR HILL SELECT BOARD  
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, 2019.

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

<b>SOURCES OF REVENUE</b>	<b>Estimated 2018</b>	<b>Actual 2018</b>	<b>Estimated 2019</b>
Revised MS-4R			
Taxes:			
Yield Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 198.00	\$ 1,000.00
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	5,000.00	27,896.00	10,000.00
Land Use Change Tax	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Intergovernmental Revenues - State:			
Highway Block Grant	40,000.00	51,393.00	40,000.00
Rooms & Meals	27,000.00	29,463.00	27,000.00
State Grants	0.00	0.00	6,000.00
Other (Franconia)	0.00	0.00	17,795.00
Licenses and Permits:			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	150,000.00	160,142.00	150,000.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	1,000.00	1,468.00	1,000.00
Building, Driveway & Cable Permits	2,000.00	5,085.00	2,000.00
Business Licenses & Permits	0.00	165.00	0.00
From Federal Government:	0.00	167,415.00	0.00
Charges For Services:			
Income from Departments	2,500.00	9,500.00	2,500.00
Miscellaneous Revenue:			
Interest on Deposits	500.00	920.00	500.00
Sale of Municipal Property	0.00	12,500.00	0.00
Income from Trusts	0.00	500.00	15,000.00
Rent of Town Property	500.00	625.00	500.00
Donations	0.00	5,700.00	0.00
Other Refunds & Insurance:			
Reimbursements	10,000.00	6,757.50	4,000.00
Sale of Municipal Property (Cemetery)	0.00	0.00	0.00
From Capital Reserve Funds:	0.00	0.00	0.00
From Land Use Fund:	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fund Balance (“Surplus”)	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Revenues and Credits	<u>\$243,500.00</u>	<u>\$484,728.00</u>	<u>\$282,295.00</u>

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

<b>PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>Appropriation 2018</b>	<b>Actual 2018</b>	<b>Estimated 2019</b>
<b>General Government:</b>			
Executive	\$ 49,850.00	\$ 43,119.86	\$ 60,910.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	21,795.00	20,876.78	23,865.00
Financial Administration	22,890.00	22,461.68	26,080.00
Revaluation of Property	15,828.00	15,828.00	30,000.00
Legal Expenses	35,000.00	12,938.11	25,000.00
Personnel Administration	30,000.00	28,175.92	30,000.00
Planning & Zoning	2,500.00	2,502.34	2,550.00
Gen Gov Buildings & Grounds	72,895.00	77,830.18	75,245.00
Cemeteries	8,000.00	15,876.88	5,000.00
Insurance	172,181.00	163,982.49	179,079.00
Advertising & Regional Association	7,700.00	7,698.63	7,257.00
Unemployment Compensation	100.00	0.00	100.00
<b>Public Safety:</b>			
Police Department	231,953.00	236,134.18	240,961.00
Ambulance	23,256.00	21,318.00	25,256.00
Fire Department	83,425.00	80,233.79	82,625.00
Building Inspection	1,500.00	1,228.20	1,500.00
Emergency Management	1,000.00	0.00	2,500.00
<b>Airport:</b>			
Airport Operations	820.00	817.92	808.00
<b>Highways, Streets and Bridges:</b>			
Town Maintenance	206,584.00	203,032.07	213,881.00
General Highway	255,475.00	359,070.19	188,075.00
Street Lighting	6,600.00	6,449.81	16,292.00
Highway Block Grant	51,393.06	51,393.06	40,000.00
<b>Sanitation:</b>			
Solid Waste Disposal	49,929.00	50,029.00	57,610.00
<b>Health:</b>			
Health and Hospitals	7,409.00	7,409.00	6,917.00
<b>Welfare:</b>			
Assistance	6,000.00	6,340.02	6,000.00
<b>Culture and Recreation:</b>			
Parks and Recreation and YMCA	26,353.00	26,353.00	31,851.00
Library	32,398.00	32,051.65	39,170.00
Patriotic Purposes	2,000.00	1,697.50	2,000.00

Conservation:			
Conservation Commission	700.00	561.00	700.00
Debt Service:			
Principal Long Term Bonds	37,500.00	52,546.86	37,500.00
Interest Long Term Bonds	30,000.00	14,953.14	30,000.00
Interest Tax Anticipation Notes	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Operating Transfers Out:			
Capital & Outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00
To Special Revenue Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
To Fiduciary Funds	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$1,494,034.06</u>	<u>\$1,562,909.26</u>	<u>\$1,489,732.00</u>
Spec Warrant Articles Recommended	218,000.00	228,000.00	337,295.00
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended	0.00	0.00	0.00

Total Appropriations Recommended		\$1,827,027.00
Less Estimated Revenues and Credits		<u>282,295.00</u>
Amount Of Taxes To Be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)		<u>\$1,544,732.00</u>

General Highway offset by FEMA and Non-Lapsing Funds  
Police offset by Grants received  
Cemetery offset by insurance, donations and SHIA

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF  
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES  
(Year Ending December 31, 2018)**

	Appropriation 2018	Actual 2018	Unexpended or Overdrafts
Executive	\$ 49,850.00	\$ 43,119.86	\$ 6,730.14
Election, Registration and Vital Statistics	21,795.00	20,876.78	918.22
Financial Administration	22,890.00	22,461.68	428.32
Revaluation of Property	15,828.00	15,828.00	0.00
Legal Expenses	35,000.00	12,938.11	22,061.89
Payroll Taxes	30,000.00	28,175.92	1,824.08
Planning & Zoning	2,500.00	2,502.34	(2.34)
Government Buildings & Grounds	72,895.00	77,830.18	(4,935.18)
Cemeteries (offset by insurance & donations)	8,000.00	15,876.88	(7,876.88)
Insurance	172,181.00	163,982.49	8,198.51
Advertising and Regional Association	7,700.00	7,698.63	1.37
Unemployment	100.00	0	100.00
Police Department (offset by grants)	231,953.00	236,134.18	(4,181.18)
Ambulance	23,256.00	21,318.00	1,938.00
Fire Department	83,425.00	80,233.79	3,191.21
Building Inspection	1,500.00	1,228.20	271.80
Emergency Management	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Airport	820.00	817.92	2.08
Town Maintenance	206,584.00	203,032.07	3,551.93
General Highway (offset by FEMA)	255,475.00	359,070.19	(103,595.19)
Street Lighting	6,600.00	6,449.81	150.19
Highway Block	51,393.06	51,393.06	0.00
Solid Waste Disposal	49,929.00	50,029.00	(100.00)
Health and Hospitals	7,409.00	7,409.00	0.00
Welfare	6,000.00	6,340.02	(340.02)
Parks & Recreation	26,353.00	26,353.00	0.00
Library	32,398.00	32,051.65	346.35
Patriotic Purposes	2,000.00	1,697.50	302.50
Conservation Commission	700.00	561.00	139.00
Interest Tax Anticipation Notes	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Long Term Notes & Interest	67,500.00	67,500.00	0.00
	<u>\$1,149,034.06</u>	<u>\$1,562,909.26</u>	<u>\$(68,875.20)**</u>
Special Warrant Articles	228,000.00	228,000.00	0.00
**Highway FEMA Funds & Non-lapsing			\$106,767.20
Police Department Grants			\$4,188.86
Cemetery			\$10,980.00
Grand Total	\$1,722,034.06	\$1,790,909.26	\$53,060.86

his tireless work ethic and enthusiasm. Personally, I cannot thank him enough for all he has done to make the Department better. I also want to thank Administrative Assistant Jennifer Gaudette and Administrative Assistant Jamie Allaire, Road Agent Doug Glover and Chief Allan Clark for their unwavering support and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Robert Mancini, Jr.  
 Police Chief

Sugar Hill Police Department  
 Police Activity and Calls for Service

	2016	2017	2018
Arrests	7	10	21
911 Hang Up	7	14	10
Abandoned MV	3	4	5
Alarm, Burglar	44	46	31
All Spots Inquiries	27	16	36
Assault	1	2	1
Assist Citizen	6	3	19
Assist Fire/EMS	NA	27	55
Assist Other Agency	1	4	4
Building Check	49	257	138
Burglary	7	3	5
Civil Stand-By	4	0	4
Disabled MV/Lock Out	16	25	39
Disturbance/Fight/Brawl	1	1	4
Dog Complaint	25	29	26
Domestic Disturbance	3	2	2
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	2	2	2
Drug Issues	3	0	2
Drug Offensive	0	4	15
Fish & Game	0	9	24
Follow Up Investigations	29	43	25
Illegal Dumping	NA	1	2
Intoxicated Person- Not DWI	NA	1	0
K-9 Calls For service	NA	5	11
Lost/Found Property	7	0	7
Mental Person	0	0	0
Missing Person	2	1	1
Motor Vehicle Complaint	11	18	7
Motor Vehicle Citations	10	47	87
Motor Vehicle warnings	226	400	567
Noise Complaint	0	3	0
Paperwork Service	18	9	3
Parking Issues	0	0	0
Police Admin	71	72	70

Road Hazard/Wire or Tree Down	36	75	39
Shots Fired	3	5	5
Special Detail/ Parades	5	4	9
Suicidal Person	2	2	0
Suspicious Person	7	6	5
Suspicious Vehicle	10	10	24
Telephone Harassment	4	1	3
Theft/Fraud	11	6	4
Threats	1	2	1
Traffic Detail	5	7	0
Training	6	5	9
Trespass	5	5	
Vandalism	0	3	1
Vehicle Collision	15	13	12
Vehicle Repo	0	2	0
Violation of Court Order	1	0	0
VIN Verification	5	12	6
Welfare Check	8	21	24
<b>Total Call for Service</b>	<b>704</b>	<b>1237</b>	<b>1368</b>



## **SUGAR HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT**

During 2018 your Fire Department continued to be very active in training and with emergency calls. For reasons that are unclear, our call volume dropped from 91 emergency calls in 2017 which was a record high to 30 in 2018 a significant low. Fortunately, there were no structure fires in 2018 within Sugar Hill and few in the surrounding communities.

We had no drug overdose calls in 2018, but there were in our surrounding towns. The Department is trained to deal with them, and two members of the Department carry Narcan.

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 employees, they are committed to providing the Town with the coverage and the services usually found only in full time departments.

We continued our extensive training by providing drills and training a minimum of two times per month plus a weekend away at Fire School. The skill level of your firefighters is very high for a community our size. Although our call volume is not 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.

The Engine that we purchased during 2017 was delivered in May of 2018. This truck is nearly identical to the other Engine and accordingly training is simpler. All of our apparatus bodies are now either aluminum or polycarbonate which minimizes the issue of corrosion. Our oldest truck is our Rescue truck which we acquired in 2004 and is in excellent condition. The issues with the diesel engine on the Rescue truck have been resolved since we replaced the engine. We anticipate that our trucks will last 25 years.

It remains critical that we continue to place funds into our Capital Reserve account to replace our apparatus and other expensive equipment. We ask that you fund our Capital Reserve account in the amount of \$45,000 so that we have adequate funds to replace apparatus when scheduled and have funds that can be utilized in an emergency for unexpected significant repairs. We are in the process of a detailed review of the Capital Reserve analysis to determine the amount needed in the Capital Reserve to have adequate funds to replace apparatus as they end their useful lives.

We enjoy holding our annual Open House in October where many of the residents stop by and spend a time looking at our equipment and chatting with the firefighters. We sincerely appreciate all the kind words expressed to the firefighters. Please put October 12, 2019 in your calendar and stop by and observe your equipment, meet your firefighters and enjoy a free lunch.

Please do not hesitate to call our Dispatch if you require assistance even if not a true emergency. We are happy to serve our friends and neighbors. Should you desire to install a solid fuel heating appliance such as a wood stove or pellet stove do not hesitate to contact us and we will gladly inspect at no cost to be certain it meets current codes. Last year, we had two house fires that were caused by the improper installation of wood stoves.

The Fire Department responded to the following:

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Brush/Grass Fires	2	3	2	1	0
Chimney Fires	0	0	0	1	0
Alarm Activations	11	15	12	19	13
Furnace Problems	0	1	0	2	0
Hazardous Conditions	8	9	10	5	1
Hazardous Materials	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	4	7	10	12
Mutual Aid – Cover	2	4	1	3	2
Mutual Aid – Scene	3	15	11	9	9
Rescues/Medical	1	12	3	2	5
Service Calls	2	17	7	1	6
Smoke Investigations	0	3	2	1	1
Structure Fires	0	5	1	0	3
Vehicle Fires	0	3	1	1	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>52</b>

As of December 31, 2018 the Fire Department’s active roster of Firefighters was as follows:

	Chief Allan R. Clark	
Asst. Chief Doug Glover		Asst. Chief Doug Amsbary
Captain Gordie Johnk	Captain Brinson Ireland	Lieutenant Jim Synder
Lieutenant Jeffrey Collins	Lieutenant Cliff Aldrich	Lieutenant Sam Johnk
Engineer Michael Warren	Engineer Eric Rasmussen	Engineer Ned Wilson
Engineer Rick Quintal	Tim Burger	Eric Chase
Nelson Crowe	Jody Hodgdon	Dan Kenerson
Kevin Low	Cort Roussel	Rusty Talbot

Sugar Hill is extremely fortunate to have this number of very active firefighters during a period when many departments are decreasing in size due to the inability to attract new firefighters for a variety of reasons.

The commitment in time to be a firefighter is significant and Sugar Hill has been extremely fortunate to have an excellent complement of firefighters willing to make that commitment. We have very little turnover and accordingly, you have a stable and well-trained Fire Department.

It is truly an honor to serve such a wonderful community as Sugar Hill as the Fire Chief. Hard to believe, but I have been with the Department now 17 years. I am working on making sure that there is a smooth transition when I retire in a few years. Thank you for your support, the support of the Selectmen, Police and Highway crew and of course the firefighters.

I especially thank the spouses of the firefighters for tolerating the many disruptions to their family life for the good of the community without their support we would not have the Department that we have.

Respectfully submitted,  
Allan R. Clark  
Fire Chief

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR**

The responsibility of the Emergency Management Director is to coordinate the efforts of the Town during an emergency towards a unified goal and to prepare the Town for major incidents. 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.

It is the most frustrating position that I have ever held. Dealing with FEMA is hard to describe, all I can hope is that it is the most bureaucratic, dysfunctional and difficult Federal agency in the Federal Government, however I suspect it is not. The requirements of FEMA to obtain reimbursement for a President declared Federal Emergency which triggers reimbursement by right are onerous and extremely time consuming.

FEMA assumes that those in local government are corrupt and will personally benefit from a Federal Disaster. I can only assume that is because many in FEMA are corrupt and take advantage of their position to personally benefit such as the FEMA Director, Brock Long, who recently had to resign for illegally using Federal assets.

The State Homeland Security agency on the other hand is easy to work with, but are subject to the absurd rules and regulations of FEMA as they are funded by FEMA.

As was reported last year, the Town is actively seeking reimbursement for the July 1, 2017 severe storm that caused substantial damage to the Town roads and storm water system. This included the Streeter Pond Road Bridge over Indian Stream which was destroyed by the storm according to the State bridge experts.

After 7 meetings with a total of 22 FEMA employees, a meeting in Manchester with approximately 18 in attendance including the regional Director of FEMA, representatives of Senator Shaheen, Senator Hassen and the senior members of the State Homeland Security agency and testimony in Congress by Senator Hassen that identifies the incompetency's of FEMA and uses Sugar Hill and me as an example, we are finally obtaining funds that are ours by right

We have received \$14,130.74 for emergency work during the July 1, 2017 storm, however FEMA refuses to reimburse the Town for the expense of your firefighters for reasons that are impossible to understand, \$81,952.45 for emergency repairs and we have received an award of \$165,406.95 of which we have actually received \$65,331.83 for the reconstruction of Lafayette Road and Grandview Road of which reconstruction has begun on Grandview Road.

It is noted that despite initial refusal by the State Department of Environmental Services to allow proper increase in the size of culverts and proper alignment of the Streeter Pond Bridge with the assistance of the Governor and the Director of Homeland Security, the proposed repairs should prevent a reoccurrence.

I continue to fight over the cost of replacing the bridge on Streeter Pond Road that was destroyed by the storm. The cost of replacing this bridge correctly, is \$340,000 which is

based on quotes from three local contractors. FEMA believes that it should be replaced as it was and not designed to fail. They believe that the bridge can be replaced for \$200,000. With the help of the Governor we obtained all of the approvals to align the bridge with the flow of the stream something that the State would not allow when the bridge was installed and which caused the failure.

Rebuilding the bridge knowing it will fail is only something a FEMA bureaucrat can think is the correct thing to do which is contrary to Federal policy and illogical.

It is necessary to obtain Federal reimbursement for future disasters to update our Emergency Operations Plan. We have obtained a \$6,000 grant to pay the consultant who will be working with us to update that plan.

We continue to work with both the Federal and State government agencies to obtain permission to dredge the Gale River below the Crane Hill Bridge to prevent ice jams. We have obtained assurances from the State that they will issue the required State permits. We require approval from the Army Corp of Engineers as they consider the Gale River “navigable” to the Atlantic Ocean. Fortunately, the Army Corp of Engineers are far more practical than FEMA. We are hopeful that if we can gain the required approvals that we can obtain a grant to mitigate this hazard.

Chief Robert Mancini and the Police Department, Road Agent Doug Glover and his crew and the Fire Department are extremely competent and “customer” service oriented. Sugar Hill is fortunate to have Departments that are competent and willing to help others.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 603-494-1491 should you ever require any assistance. It does not need to be a true emergency; it can simply be something that requires the resources of the Town to mitigate.

Respectfully submitted,

**Allan R. Clark**

Allan R. Clark

Emergency Management Director

## REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

During 2018 we were fortunate to have favorable weather conditions in the spring and summer which limited the amount of wildfire activity throughout the state. Sugar Hill Fire Department and the Division of Forests & Lands worked throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers' fire detection efforts were supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high.

Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2018 season threatened structures and one structure was destroyed, a constant reminder that wildfires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildfire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org).

The NH Forest Protection Bureau and local fire departments will be celebrating Smokey Bear's 75 years of wildfire prevention throughout the year. Smokey's message has always been about personal responsibility – remember his ABC's: Always **Be** Careful with fire. If you start a fire, put it out when you are done. **“Remember, Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!”**



Please remember to contact your Forest Fire Warden to determine if a fire permit is required before ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are available online by visiting [www.NHfirepermit.com](http://www.NHfirepermit.com). Permits allow for burning from 5 pm to 9 am the following morning. Daytime burning is allowed only if actively raining. For more information please contact a Warden, the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdf.org](http://www.nhdf.org).

## 2018 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of December 2018)

\*Unpermitted fires that become out of control

Year	Number of Wildfires	Wildfire Acres Burned	Number of Unpermitted Fires*
2018	53	46	91
2017	65	134	100
2016	351	1090	159
2015	143	665	180
2014	112	72	53

**State Forestry Director  
Brad Simpkins  
271-2214**

**Warden  
Allan Clark  
494-1491**

**State Forest Ranger  
Steve Sherman  
788-4157**

**Deputy Warden  
Brinson Ireland  
616-9095**

**Deputy Warden  
Douglas Glover  
616-8467**

**Deputy Warden  
Jim Snyder  
348-7009**

## FRANCONIA LIFE SQUAD

The Ambulance Service continues to seek its membership from the surrounding area by recruiting from the towns of Franconia, Sugar Hill and Easton, the same communities it provides service to. Anyone willing to volunteer is welcome to apply for membership. Each member is dedicated to providing the highest quality emergency care to the communities we serve.

The Franconia Ambulance currently has four (4) members who are certified to provide Advanced Life Support, two (2) of whom are nationally registered paramedics. The Franconia Ambulance at year's end has eleven (11) active 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 20 hours of continuing education each year for a total of 40 hours after two years, at which time they must reapply for their national certification and state license.

Many of the members have other specialized training including ice rescue, swift water rescue, high angle rescue and motor vehicle extrication certifications. All of our members are certified in advanced 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 current active members of the Franconia Ambulance are:

Chief Paul Schmucker - EMT	Jeffrey Collins - AEMT
Asst. Chief Mark Taylor - EMT	Capt. Pam Oakman - Paramedic
William Mead - Paramedic	Allan Clark - EMT
Ned Wilson - EMT	Patrick Griffin - EMT
William McCarthy - AEMT	Ron Baillargeon - EMR
Katlin Varin - EMT	

The Franconia Ambulance responded to 282 calls for assistance during 2018. Of those, 154 required transport. In 2018 the total operating expenses for the Franconia Ambulance were \$81,231. Income obtained from patient billing and subsidies from Sugar Hill and Easton totaled \$114,180, generating a \$32,950 surplus to the Town of Franconia.

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. And I especially thank the men and women of the Franconia Ambulance for their countless hours of dedication and sacrifice, serving others in their community in their time of need.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul Schmucker-Chief  
Franconia Life Squad

## RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

2018 was another year of growth both in technology use (Nooks+Kindles), attendance at programs, circulation, new patrons, and fulfillment of patron's request.

### Thanks to:

**Kate** from **RSVP** and **JG** for supporting **Bone Builders** classes and the **Matter of Balance** 8-week program to be repeated this spring at Crapo.

**NH Astronomical Society**, for their workshop and telescope donation to our Night Skies Club.

**Kay**, for donating Fall and Winter Saturdays to our **watercolorists**.

**Jean**, for her **Stamping Classes** June to October.

**Kate** for the fun workshop on **Aromatherapy** and **Reflexology**.

**Liz, Peter**, and **Kay** for loans of their wonderful stained glass, photographs and paintings.

The **Puzzle Club** for maintaining our extensive new collection.

My special helpers for **Lego** day.

The **Decorating Divas**, for their yearly fabulous holiday decorations that make the seasons special.

The **Willing Workers** for their continued support of senior programs and the **Children's Tea Party**.

The parents of my favorite little patrons who supported the fledgling **Storytime with Playdate** meetings. Hopefully we'll have an extra hand in spring of 2019 to support a regular schedule.

The **Chamber Players**. Finally, we were included in their summer program. It was fabulous.

**Kim** and **Presby's** for help with much needed program advertising. Very much appreciated.

And a **HUGE** personal thank you to all the patrons who took the time to code a "great read" with a smiley face. Done correctly, weeding each book is a very time-consuming process but patron feedback ensures that our collection remains updated with our favorite books.

**Last but not least**, a personal thank you to the Select board. We'll use the money wisely to finish our makeover with better programming and technology. We'll increase the bottom line at a reasonable pace going forward with more grants and other resources.

And to Jennifer for her covering payroll and bills in her busy schedule. We'll work harder to reduce your load by taking on more of our responsibilities.

### 2018 Issues to be addressed in 2019

Inter Library Loan program (ILL) - use of Overdrive- address technology issues with expert assistance when needed and grants to improve infrastructure- hire a part timer to assist with programs-

Libraries are changing and we really need 2 part time staffers and a small but dedicated Friends Group to free up staff for grant writing, running inexpensive programs and provide more opportunities to bring us all together. In times of political, social and economic divide, as well as an overscheduled population, it can only be a good thing for libraries to find opportunities for its citizenry to know each other.



**Finally,** Welcome to our new alternative librarian, Wendy Kern, who many of you know from Lafayette, the Community Church or the Littleton Library. We know you'll be supportive.

Respectively submitted,  
Judy Weisenberger  
Director  
Irene Amsbary  
Chairperson of Trustees

\*Look for our next patron survey at the March Town Meeting to help decide what our next 5 years plan will be. Our 2019 Data report to the State will be out in March also but figures are available at Library.

### Statistics for RSA: 202-A:12

#### DATA:

Population estimate: NHSL 569 or Census estimate 724  
Patrons: 549 on 270 active cards - 2018: 47 new patrons + 22 withdrawn  
Materials Circulation: Adult 6990 + Children 4862 (includes all materials)  
Total Collection: - 13,143 books - 323CDs - 808 DVDs -25 apps - 545 books x 7  
NOOKS -  
2 KINDLES x 30 books/audio for vision/hearing needs - 326 audio titles - 30 music CDs-  
132 puzzles- 4 musical instruments - 10 puppets - 25 toys - 1 telescope - 1 SWITCH  
Weeded 2018: 1,500 items Automated: no Staff: 1 Director and 1 substitute  
Hours: 20 paid hours weekly –

#### OPERATING COST:

Warrant approved for taxes: \$ 32,398.00  
Mascoma chk: 1/1/18 \$ 82.90- Credits: \$ 2,965.27- Debits: \$ 2,920. - End Bal.: \$ 37.63  
WGB chk: 11/19/18: \$ \$ 1. - Credits: \$ 1,071- Debits: - \$ 587.14- Service \$3- End Bal. \$  
\$480.86:  
RML NOW Trust Account: 1/1/18 \$ 996.41 Credits: \$ 0 Debts: \$ 0 Int: \$ .50 End  
Balance: \$ 996.91  
Offset: spent from cash: fees, donations, out-of-town cards was \$ 3262  
Offset: spent from non-cash: service, materials, equipment, new books + media was \$  
4930  
Other Trusts: (see report of the Trust Funds pg.)- 2018 Interest balance to date- Est: \$  
\$10,000 Spent: \$ 0  
TOTAL LIBRARY OPERATING BUDGET FOR 2018 was \$ 40,402  
\*Expenses included in Town's budget: maintenance, accounting, heat, electric, cleaning -  
Estimated at \$ 6000 by Select board.

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

In 2018, the Conservation Commission completed several projects to benefit the people of the town of Sugar Hill.

The Conservation Commission has continued its work to improve the new trail at the Phillip Robertson Town Forest. The grass seed planted along the trail has grown in well along the trail, providing a pleasant walking path. The trail has been mowed and permanent trail markers placed at intervals along the path to provide clear direction on the trail. The parking area is clearly marked and benches have been provided.

Two members of the Sugar Hill Conservation Commission attended the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions on November 3, 2018. They attended several workshops and networked with other Conservation Commissions in the state.

The Conservation Commission wrote a letter of support for the Profile Jr./Sr. High School Multi-Purpose Year-Round Community Trail organization, supporting the goal of building a family friendly, multi-purpose, year-round trail between the towns of Easton, Franconia, and Bethlehem by way of Profile School.

The Town Forest Management Plan continues to be updated and revised to work toward its goals of conservation and land stewardship.

The Conservation Commission met with homeowners from Streeter Pond Road. Their major concern was the change in aquatic vegetation and growth of water lilies and pond weeds that in the past years have increasingly covered the open water and shore areas restricting navigation and recreation.

The Conservation Commission responded that this matter had been a concern for the Town of Sugar Hill for more than a decade. The Town Master Plan states that the area around Streeter Pond is the highest ranked wildlife habitat in the state and that the Pond is one of the most important recreational sites in the town. SHCC has consulted with the NH DES and twice has had DES scientists inspect the pond for foreign invasive plants. DES found no foreign invasives but did report significant vegetation growth on the pond surface from native plants.

The Conservation Commission provided homeowners on the pond with DES shoreline protection information such as erosion reducing protective vegetation zones and how to reduce nutrient runoff into the pond.

In addition to the above projects, the Conservation Commission has continued to assist property owners with issues related to state permits by reviewing applications for wetlands permits and conducting site visits for town residents seeking permits. We encourage people to contact us with any questions they might have about completing any of the above applications. Grant funds are available from the Commission to assist with projects that will benefit that town as a whole. Both the application and the criteria for selection are available on the town website. The Conservation Commission meets on the third Thursday of the month at Town Hall and we welcome guests and prospective new members.

## 2018 COOLEY-JERICHO COMMUNITY FOREST REPORT

Created in 2013, the Cooley-Jericho Community Forest is a collaborative effort of the Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust (ACT) and the towns of Easton, Franconia, Landaff, and Sugar Hill. ACT owns the 843-acre property on behalf of the communities.

CJCF offers great hiking and mountain biking, bird watching, hunting, snowmobiling, and educational opportunities around animal tracking, forestry, and trail planning and building. The main entrance to the Forest is off Trumpet Round Road in Sugar Hill. The Forest is attracting more visitors, and the Yellow Trail (suitable for mountain biking as well as hiking) is in the latest version of the AMC White Mountain Guide.

This past year, volunteers have improved the trails and added more directional signs. This work is ongoing and volunteers are always needed and welcomed! You can download a trail map on the ACT website, [www.aconservationtrust.org/explore-our-lands](http://www.aconservationtrust.org/explore-our-lands).

The Forest has been proposed as a place for glade skiing. Glade skiing is off trail, where skiers hike up and ski down through the forest. Some removal of small trees is needed to enhance the experience. The Granite State Backcountry Alliance is working with ACT and the CJCF Stewardship Team on the feasibility of this use.

The CJCF Stewardship Team has representatives of the four towns and ACT, and is charged with managing this land now and into the future. The Management Plan for the Forest is now available on-line at the ACT website, <https://act-nh.org/about-the-forest>. Printed copies will also be made available to the four towns this spring.

ACT hosts walks and exploration of the Forest, and trails work days, throughout the year. For more information e-mail ACT at [outreach@act-nh.org](mailto:outreach@act-nh.org) or call 823-7777.

Submitted on behalf of the CJCF Stewardship Team,

By Rebecca A. Brown  
Executive Director,  
Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust

## TRI-TOWN TRANSFER STATION

The Tri-Town Transfer Station underwent many changes over the past year. After the retirement of long time Director Greg Wells, Tim Blake was promoted to Supervisor of the station and its employees. Throughout the year, several different employees have held and left positions, to include Erik Rasmussen, Bruce Emmons and Gus Pinsky.

Many things were reorganized at the Transfer Station during 2018, beginning with the hours of operation and the addition of holiday closures, which were extended to the employees by the Town. We would like to thank our customers for their patience and understanding with the change in hours of operation.

At the Transfer Station itself, residents have commented positively on changes noticeable around the facility, such as the addition of a pedestrian zone in front of the recycling area, the reduction to the size of the burn pit, the relocation of the compost pile that has made it more accessible to residents, the addition of signage to identify locations and aesthetic improvements such as painting and a cleaner facility.

In 2018, the Tri-Town Transfer Station processed and recycled 76.51 tons of glass, 17.97 tons of plastic, 33.33 tons of metal, 14.43 tons of tin, 2.25 tons of aluminum and 59.4 tons of cardboard. We also processed 4.9 tons of tires, 113 freon units, 1461 feet of fluorescent light bulbs and 220 gallons of oil. We would like to say a huge thank you to the Tri-Town residents for your recycling efforts.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tim Blake, Supervisor  
Kevin Dauphine

## ENERGY COMMITTEE

The following graph shows energy use in the Town of Sugar Hill for 2018

Department	Electric	Gas	Diesel	#2 Fuel	Propane	Total
Meetinghouse	1,143.61			3,813.83		4,957.44
Crapo	4,242.12				4,511.14	8,753.26
Fire	1,874.41	31.58	796.41	2,676.76	775.38	6,154.54
Highway	2,562.27		21,713.10	4,338.95	263.38	28,877.70
Police		5,333.56				5,333.56
Grounds		1,236.10	1,068.64			2,304.74
Streetlights	6,449.81					6,449.81
Total	16272.22	6,601.24	23,578.15	10829.54	5,549.90	62,831.05

## **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 waste (HHW).

The District held two (2) one-day HHW collections, one in Littleton and the other in Plymouth. A total of 237 households participated in the program. It was estimated that over 8,200 tons of material was collected. Total expenses for this year's program (disposal costs, advertising, & insurance) were \$23,344.00. The District was awarded a grant from the State of NH for \$5,587, and received a \$5,000 donation from Casella Waste. The net expenditures for the program were \$12,757 (a cost of \$0.46 per resident).

In 2018, the District will once again hold collections in Littleton (Sunday, August 19th) and in Plymouth (Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>). Individual residents can help to minimize the District's disposal costs and reduce the toxicity of the waste stream 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 may be disposed of in your household trash.

The district also coordinated a fluorescent light bulb collection and recycling program, which involved all member towns. This year roughly 27,628 linear feet of fluorescent tubes was collected, as well as 3,247 compact fluorescent bulbs, and 1,644 units of ballasts and batteries. The total cost for this effort was \$4,161.31 covered by district dues.

When selling your recyclables, be sure to call multiple brokers as prices can vary between brokers. Even small differences can add up to significant dollars over the course of a year. Brokers also can offer a wide array of collection options (single-stream, co-mingled, split loads, etc) to best suit your recycling facility. What works for one town may not work for another, but no matter the circumstances, there are many possibilities for members to decrease waste and increase recycling efforts. We are very fortunate to have some of the best municipal recycling programs in the State as well as a knowledgeable and innovative group of facility operators. If your town has questions, issues, or concerns you would like to address, please use the resources you have available. New Hampshire the Beautiful offers grants to NH communities to help with the purchase of recycling equipment. Grants may total up to one-half of the purchase price of such things as balers, roll-off containers, collections bins, or other equipment that will assist a town in achieving a higher diversion rate. More information on the grant program is available at [www.nhthebeautiful.org](http://www.nhthebeautiful.org).

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 by email at [pemibakerswd@gmail.com](mailto:pemibakerswd@gmail.com).

## THE WILLING WORKERS SOCIETY

In 2018 the Willing Workers accomplished the following:

- Fundraisers - Held the Lupine Lunch, a Summer Tea, the Fall Festival, the Holiday Sale and Grandma's Attic sales. Fundraising also included raffling a quilt donated by Betsy Fraser and raffling a refurbished antique trunk. Funds raised are used for Education Merit Awards and donations for worthy causes.
- Education Merit Award - Since 1987 we have presented awards totaling more than \$35,000 to 36 recipients. In 2018, we presented Education Merit Awards totaling \$3,000 to three local students pursuing further education. We invested the \$20,000 grant received in 2017 in a certificate of deposit to work toward our goal of making the program more robust and sustainable. In recent years we have successfully increased the funds for the award from \$1,000 to \$3,000 annually.
- Donations - Awarded \$3,500 in donations to eleven local organizations/programs to support their charitable work. This is a \$1,000 increase over donations made in 2017.
- Memorials, Good Will, and Cheer - Provided hostess and refreshment help with two memorials. Set up a month long program to deliver meals to a family dealing with loss. Donated to the family of a child undergoing a heart transplant. Delivered holiday poinsettias to former members and longtime friends.
- Facility/Equipment Improvements - Spent \$4,000 from a grant received in 2017 to purchase equipment for the Meetinghouse Kitchen and also painted, improved lighting, and added display shelves in Grandma's Attic located upstairs in the Meetinghouse. Our members personally contributed funds to donate \$435 to the Town for repair of the Meetinghouse dishwasher.
- Town Christmas Party - Sponsored the 126<sup>th</sup> annual Sugar Hill Town Christmas Party which 63 children and many town's people attended. Rose Ellms served as Santa's party coordinator and had the help of 8 sixth graders who served as Santa's elves.

We couldn't have done all of this without the generous help of our family members and many friends, our Town officials, and Jim Keefe. We also thank area businesses (Harman's Cheese & Country Store, Shaw's, Littleton Walmart, Woodsville Walmart, Polly's Pancake Parlor, Studio 117, Loew's, Riverside Market, and JAX Jr. Cinemas) that donated to our events.

The Willing Workers is a nonprofit, nonsectarian organization whose purpose is to foster a spirit of helpfulness throughout the community. Lunch meetings are held the first Thursday of the month and membership is open to women from Sugar Hill and surrounding communities. New members are always welcome! Please contact co-presidents Wendy Cole or Betsy Fraser for information.

Respectfully submitted,  
Betsy Fraser  
Co-President, Willing  
Workers Society

## SUGAR HILL HISTORICAL MUSEUM REPORT

After last summer we all look at clocks and regard time in different ways!

Tracking the history of clock-related instruments became last winter's quest to help museum staff to best present the whole subject of time and the varied ways these instruments came to Sugar Hill. Through the great spirit of the exhibit, visitors realized how much time still rules everyone's daily routines.

Grandfather, grandmother, and mantle clocks, all styles of small clocks, watches, sundials, and sand timers were all on display. A watch and clock repair shop was the star of the show. One visitor asked if this shop was a real shop where he could leave a watch for repair!

This summer, we welcomed 1960 visitors, including one who traveled from England. Two clock specialists shared their expertise, and both were extremely surprised to view a few gems on display.

The gift shop did very well this summer with a happy and colorful presentation. More vintage tools were added to the magnificent carriage barn. The black cook stove was relocated to the Reid-Burpee home kitchen.

On the Reid-Burpee property, we love the new roof. No more leaks! The chicken coop restoration is complete, and is filled with funky birds ready to display their handsome plumage.

Starting this year, we will offer a guided behind-the-scenes tour of the museum collections. We will continue to improve the campus – many projects are yet to be undertaken, including the garden shed and garage. On December 6, the museum hosted a presentation by Ann Wasserman, a professional quilt restorer. She shared fascinating information on conservation and restoration of vintage fabrics. After 31 years at her skills, she has repaired quilts for the likes of you and me and museums. Some quilts were prepared for auction at Sotheby's.

**Sugar Hill Quilts** is the theme of the 2019 exhibit. The exhibit will display quilts that have been crafted in Sugar Hill or owned by Sugar Hill residents. The Willing Workers and the Sugar Hill Grange will have examples on display. Quilts present a very interesting part of Sugar Hill's history.

We have a great 100% volunteer work crew. I thank one and all of this great team of dedicated and energetic workers who create the annual exhibits, beautify the museum campus, and decorate the Christmas tree. Work never stops - even with the red doors closed and snow on the ground.

Come see us in 2019. Become a member to help support the growth of this Sugar Hill showcase. We also invite you to volunteer. We appreciate everyone who participates in the active life of the Sugar Hill Historical Museum.

With sincere thanks,  
Kitty and John Bigelow

## **SUGAR HILL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION**

The Sugar Hill Improvement association has remained an active and enthusiastic Committee in the year 2018.

We sadly lost one of our longtime members this year. Barbara Serafini is greatly missed for her loyal and experienced voice for Sugar Hill and our community's wellbeing. She served on our board and as an officer for more years than I know. Our former President, Beverly Frenkiewich, relocated to Goshen, NH and we thank her for all her work and dedication with the Association over the years.

Remember, if you are a resident of Sugar Hill, you are a member of the SHIA and welcome at our meetings. If you have an idea that would improve Sugar Hill and is within our legal responsibility to finance, we have an application that may be filled out for our consideration.

Our projects were many this year. Ongoing projects are to replace and maintain the American flags on the light poles along Rt. 117 and Sunset Hill Road. These lend a patriotic and festive look to our town from late May until mid-October. Thanks to our road crew for the putting up and taking down of the flags. We installed a baby changing table for the Carolina Crapo building and also children's chairs for the downstairs. We funded new wood chips for the playground at the Carolina Crapo building. A new flag pole/flag and solar light for same were installed at the SH Meetinghouse. We refurbished the surface of the tennis court in town. We handed out a survey at Town Meeting asking residents what programs they might like to see happen in Sugar Hill. From that survey, Holly Hayward gave a very interesting and informative talk on gardening. The three hour program just flew by and those that attended came away with new knowledge on healthy gardening practices. We continue to give book awards to newly graduating Sugar Hill seniors and those still attending college from previous years upon receipt of a request for said book award and the eligibility of the student. We helped financially with the extensive repairs needed at the Sunnyside Cemetery after the storm of 10/31/17.

We have an ongoing commitment for improvements at the meetinghouse which was an important project to Barbara Serafini and we will continue in memory of her. In 2019 we will replace the pegboard on the three walls in the meeting room with new sheetrock, insulation and the repainting of the entire hall. If need be, we will investigate acoustic additions for the walls. Eventually we will refinish the floors to match the newly renovated hall. We plan to sponsor more informative and interesting programs in the future. If you have an idea or any special interests, please contact us.

Respectfully submitted  
Lissa Boissonneault, President



**REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS**  
**SHIA EDUCATION FUND**  
**SHIA CRAPO COMMUNITY FUND**  
**2018**

The two funds decreased in value before withdrawals as did the market as a whole this year. The Education Fund lost -4.68% due to the stock market decline and the Community Fund lost -4.5% for the year. The index that we compare performance to was an annual loss of -3.06%. Our investment managers continue to underperform as compared to the index. Fortunately, as I write this report the market is up significantly and both trust funds should have responded favorably since year end.

The Trustees continue to analyze various strategies to enhance the performance to be closer to the market index. Community Financial Services Corporation over the past 7 years have consistently underperformed the market using their current portfolio strategy despite the attention of the Trustees to improve that performance. State law requires the Trustees to utilize an investment manager.

The Education Fund had a starting balance of \$764,783.32 and an ending balance of \$708,979.92. The income which can be distributed had a beginning balance of \$75,510.11 and an ending budget of \$73,157.00 after a disbursement of \$20,000 to SHIA. The Trustees believe that SHIA should develop a strategy to issue around \$20,000 in scholarships each year and develop a strategy to utilize a portion of the accumulated income that can be distributed. We understand that SHIA is doing that.

The Community Fund had a starting balance of \$832,245.47 and an ending balance of \$794,826.20 after no disbursements during 2018 to SHIA. The income which can be distributed had a beginning balance of \$50,630.47 and an ending balance of \$70,627.53. It is our understanding that SHIA will request a disbursement of \$50,000 for repairs to the Meetinghouse.

The Trustees continue to manage the portfolio to increase in value and not produce a specific amount of income since there is a significant surplus of undisbursed income in both accounts. Should the surplus be fully distributed, the Trustees will alter their investment strategy to produce the income that SHIA would like to distribute each year. Under the trust agreements only income can be distributed. The principal including any market gains cannot be disbursed to SHIA and are utilized to increase the value of the funds.

Should anyone have questions concerning the SHIA trust funds; please contact either myself, Greg Connors or Raymond Dionne who are the Trustees of the Trust Funds.

Respectfully submitted,

**Allan R. Clark**  
Allan R. Clark  
Chairman  
603.494.1491

## LAFAYETTE RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Lafayette Recreation Committee and staff worked throughout 2018 to provide an array of recreational activities for all ages for our community's three towns: Franconia, Sugar Hill, and Easton.

Over the past year, we continued our work to make Old Home Day, Earth Day roadside cleanup, and Halloween happenings successful community events, and for the holidays Santa visited the Abbie Greenleaf Library where we had story time, crafts and cookies.

Our youth programs continue to engage children from all three towns. We had 64 children involved in baseball, softball and spring running club; 67 played soccer; and 50 are now involved in basketball. During the summer 68 Lafayette students – 60% of the school's enrollment – joined us for the Summer Recreation program, visiting many of our area's fun spots, taking swim lessons, and learning about bike safety. Twenty-seven middle school-aged children participated in the adventure rec program, which included camping, biking, swimming and an ocean trip.

In addition to these regular programs, the Lafayette Recreation Department, in collaboration with other organizations and with a dedicated corps of volunteers, hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Touch-a-Truck, 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Top Notch Triathlon, 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Halloween Cup youth soccer tournament, 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Wobble-N-Gobble fun run, and the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Franconia Scramble 5K. Proceeds from these events have been used over the years to fund projects that benefit recreational facilities in the community, like the playground, gazebo and skating rink. This year, along with many generous donations from community members, the proceeds from these events provided funding for construction of a pavilion on the Dow.



The pavilion will be ready for use in the summer of 2019! This will be a great venue for the 2 summer soccer camps, youth recreation programs, concerts, Old Home Day, the Halloween Cup, family picnics, and other community events.

We continue in our endeavor to offer a variety of programs and activities for residents of all ages in our communities, and we welcome ideas for enhancing these. The Lafayette Recreation Committee meets the first Thursday of each month in the conference room at Lafayette Regional School, and residents are welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lafayette Recreation Committee

**Franconia:** Adam Boyer, Meghan McPhaul, and Cindy Berlack

**Sugar Hill:** Haley Ireland and Launa Glover

**Easton:** Matt Koehler and John Hynes

**Lafayette Regional School:** Gordie Johnk

Kris Kappler, Youth Program Director

Kim Cowles, Parks & Recreation Director

## FRANCONIA NOTCH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2018 REPORT

During this past year The Chambers new website enabled our members to access their business's directory page to edit & update for themselves as desired to include their offering whatever specials they wished to promote. The benefits of our now fully responsive & optimized website give our members great control over their content and provides for more efficient maintenance of the site as a whole. In 2018, the site had 24,280 unique visitors, roughly 10% ahead of 2017's 21,900 total.

The Information Booth in the center of Franconia was open and staffed by two long known residents of town, as we would like to take this moment to thank Ellie Opalinski & Greg Wells for their seasons of service enabling over 900 unique visits (cars entering the parking lot) creating interactions with more than 2000 guests & residents who were able to ask a local knowledge-able representative of our Chamber & towns for offerings of directions, to suggestions and ideas on things to do, and places to go to include Chamber member restaurants, inns, shops, and services. New this year, they also offered a perfect selection of local hiking maps and small memorabilia for sale to increase the value of interaction.

Our 71<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Annual Dinner Award & Celebration was highlighted by our honoring "the First Lady of White Mountain Attractions", long time Executive Director Mrs. Jane O'Connor, a Franconia Native, as our 3rd Annual Northern Star Award recipient for her lifelong dedication & service to the tourism industry specific to our Franconia Notch, then the greater White Mountains Region of NH and beyond through her early works with the Lincoln-Woodstock Chamber of Commerce before then taking on the reins of the White Mountain Attractions Association, from which she will soon retire. A group of over 55 guests enjoyed networking among their pier business leaders, as well as with local & state dignitaries in attendance, to include Victoria Cimino, the state's Director of Travel & Tourism for the Department of Business and Economic Affairs, who spoke in honor on behalf of O'Connor's accomplishment.

In the year ahead we aim to both solidify and grow our membership base while at the same time offering more opportunities for our members to better coordinate our efforts to achieve our mission and goals of marketing and promoting our region's natural attributes and steep history in accommodating guests & locals with much warmth & hospitality no matter the time of year. To this end we would like to thank the residents of the Town of Sugar Hill and the Board of Selectmen for all past and future support of the Franconia Notch Regional Chamber of Commerce and its unique membership. We look forward to continuing, improving and growing our workings with you all in the year ahead.

Sincerely,



Cort Roussel, President  
Franconia Notch Regional  
Chamber of Commerce

## **ANNUAL REPORT EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR JOSEPH KENNEY**

Moving into 2019, this will be my last year as your Executive Councilor, I have thoroughly enjoyed serving you and working with great local, county and state officials. I have been honored and grateful to have your trust for the past five years.

The Governor, Executive Council and Legislature have worked on many important issues such as the heroin, fentanyl and opioid crisis, workforce development, infrastructure improvement, school safety infrastructure, youth and family services and protection of our natural resources.

In 2018, I was proud to be a part of the Friendship House dedication in Bethlehem, the Fifth Glen House Hotel dedication near Mount Washington, the State Liquor store dedications in Colebrook and Lancaster and state land transfer near Mascoma Lake Park in Enfield. I have worked with dozens of small business owners to assist them throughout the regulatory process to open their businesses. The State is moving forward in a positive direction to sell the Rumney and Shelburne rest stop areas that have been closed for many years. I remain close to the Lakeshore Redevelopment Planning Commission in the development of the “Old State Property” in Laconia. Many communities such as Newport, Colebrook and Bristol are going through economic development revitalization and I have assisted them with funding ideas and with state and federal contacts.

There are over a thousand volunteers who serve on our State Boards and Commissions. I have had the pleasure to vote for many of them in District 1. The Council has confirmed 6 Circuit Court Judges, 2 Superior Court Judges and 1 State Supreme Judge(s) in 2018. In 2018, there were 1.7 billion dollars in expenditures, 6.4 billion in working capital and the Council passed 1775 contract items.

The Ten-Year Transportation Improvement Plan, working with the NHDOT and the Regional Planning Commissions will commence in the New Year. The new Council will address the needs of the State and conduct hearings later in the summer and subsequently pass on a plan to the Governor for his consideration prior to it going to the NH Legislature. In the past, the plan has focused on preservation, maintenance and safety of existing pavement and bridge infrastructures throughout the state. Over \$16 million in federal funds was provided to NH for the Congestion, Mitigation, and Air Quality (CMAQ) program of which 16 grant applications were accepted. One of those grants, is the Conway Rec Path Project for \$1.2 million. Contact William Watson at NHDOT for any additional details at 271-3344.

The Governor and Council are looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of state boards and commissions. If you are interested, please send your resume to Governor Chris Sununu, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301, attention Eliot Gault Director of Appointments/Liaison or at (603) 271-8790. A complete list of all state boards and commissions is available at the NH Secretary of State website at [www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm](http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm)

The Executive Council office has available the following informational items: NH Constitutions, tourist maps, consumer protection handbooks, etc. Some Councilors periodically email their weekly schedule and other items of note. If you would like to be included on this list, contact our office at 271-3632. There is also an active internship program for college students and others who might be interested so please contact our office to discuss this with our staff at any time.

Best Regards - Joe

## **REPORT FROM HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE BRAD BAILEY**

To the Constituents of Sugar Hill:

By the time you read this letter in your annual report, I will no longer be your state representative in the Grafton 14 District. I chose not to run for a fourth term. As I promised when I ran for office my priorities included a pro-jobs focus, keeping spending in check, protecting our property rights, and making sure we take care of those in need.

During my three terms I voted for, and the legislature passed budgets that increased funding for drug abuse services, Meals on Wheels for the elderly, and extended healthcare to low-income families. All this was done without creating a new sales or income tax.

I voted to decrease business taxes which would allow many of our North Country businesses to invest more in their operations and hire additional employees. The result has been a tremendous increase in business tax revenue above projections and an unemployment rate that has continued to drop.

I spearheaded the successful effort to defeat legislation which would have taken away free skiing for the elderly at Cannon Mountain State Park in Franconia, publically supported efforts to stop the proposed Northern Pass while voting to strengthen private property rights, worked with the Selectmen in Lyman and the NH Department of Transportation to get 10 miles of road repaved in Lyman and Lisbon, championed keeping our biomass plant open in Bethlehem, and successfully sponsored legislation renaming the I-93 exit 44 rest area after former Executive Councilor Raymond S. Burton.

Last session I devoted most of my time to bills introduced which could have had a devastating impact on many of our North Country towns. Legislation was proposed which would have changes the formula used to determine how much utilities would pay in local property taxes. The result would have increased taxes by thousands of dollars for many and driven people on fixed incomes out of their homes. Working with members across the aisle we were able to defeat these bills.

Finally, I wish to express my sincerest thanks to you, the voters. You have given me a tremendous honor to serve you over the past six years, and I will be forever grateful. I never lost that sense of awe each time I would walk up the steps of our historic State House to represent you.

Sincerely, Brad Bailey

New Hampshire House of Representatives Grafton 14

Bethlehem, Franconia, Lisbon, Littleton, Lyman, Monroe, Sugar Hill

# **AMMONOOSUC COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES, INC.**

## **Town of Sugar Hill**

In 2015, ACHS celebrated 40 years of **providing comprehensive primary preventive health care to anyone, regardless of their ability to pay**. Support from the **Town of Sugar Hill** is extremely important in our continued efforts to provide affordable health care services to the 26 rural towns in our service area. Our sliding fee scale for payment of services provides a vehicle for uninsured and underinsured patients to get the health care they need in a timely manner. Keeping just one patient out of the ER could save taxpayers \$1,000-\$1,500 (average cost of an ER visit).

Access to affordable dental and oral health care is difficult for many in the North Country who lack the means to pay for these services. Poor oral health can lead to many other serious health issues and often leads to costly hospital ER visits where the actual causes of the problem cannot be addressed. ACHS opened the first community oral health program in northern New Hampshire on the ACHS-Littleton campus 2015. This program is available to all and we offer a sliding fee scale for payment to those who qualify. For more information about this and other ACHS programs, please visit our website: [www.ammonoosuc.org](http://www.ammonoosuc.org).

### **Services Provided**

- Primary Preventive Medical Care – Family Practice - Prenatal Care through Geriatrics
- Family Planning - Birth Control, STD and HIV Testing and Counseling
- Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening Program
- Behavioral Healthcare – Counseling, Substance Misuse Disorder Assistance
- Dental & Oral Healthcare – Affordable Dental care for all ages
- Clinical Pharmacy Services - Medication Management, Low-Cost Drug Program
- Low Cost Vision Plan – Discounted Eye Exam and Glasses for those who qualify
- Financial Services - Sliding Fee Scale for eligible patients

### **ACHS Statistics (FY 2017-2018)**

- Number of Unduplicated Clients Served: Medical 9,348, dental 1,088, behavioral 488
- Number of Visits: Medical 32,544, dental 3,024, behavioral 3,399
- Client/Payor Mix: 21.0% Medicaid, 26.4% Medicare, 10.6% Uninsured, 42.0% Insured
- Value of free medications provided to our patients: \$458,483
- Value of discounted health care services provided to our patients: \$1,060,706 total; Medical \$342,244, Dental \$354,120, Behavioral Health \$11,546, Pharmacy \$352,796

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**Town of Sugar Hill**

**Total number of Patients: 211**

- Total # of Medicaid Patients – 14
- Total # of Medicare Patients – 77
- Total # of Self-Paying Patients – 5
- Total # of Sliding Fee Scale Patients – 2

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Edward D. Shanshala II". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'E' and 'S'.

Edward D. Shanshala II, MSHSA, MEd 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's 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 2017-18, 35 older residents of Sugar Hill were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Littleton Area Senior Center and 15 residents were assisted by ServiceLink:

- Older adults from Sugar Hill enjoyed 65 balanced meals in the company of friends in the center's dining room.
- Frail adults received 98 meals delivered to their homes through Meals on Wheels.
- Sugar Hill's citizens participated in 467 health, wellness, arts or continuing education activities at the Littleton Area Senior Center.
- Sugar Hill residents received assistance with access to benefits, caregiver support or issues of long-term care through 54 contacts with ServiceLink.
- Sugar Hill's citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 326 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Sugar Hill residents in 2017-18 was \$4,241.63.

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 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.

Kathleen Vasconcelos,  
Executive Director



## Annual Report 2018

The mission of UNH Cooperative Extension is to strengthen people and communities in New Hampshire by providing trusted knowledge, practical education and cooperative solutions. We work in four broad topic areas; Youth and Family Development, Community and Economic Development, Natural Resources, and Food and Agriculture.

A few highlights of our impacts are:

- Heather Bryant conducted 57 farm visits and is working on two on-farm research/demonstration projects in cooperation with the Grafton County Farm.
- Mary Choate taught 7 ServSafe® classes to 70 restaurant staff, 5 S.A.F.E. classes to 128 school and food pantry/community meals staff, and created and taught 4 home food safety classes.
- Lisa Ford brought nutrition education and food security lessons to more than 350 participants throughout Grafton County.
- Jim Frohn conducted 43 woodlot visits covering 6400 acres, and referred 26 landowners to consulting foresters. He led or assisted with 24 workshops, events, and meetings.
- With help from Lisa Knapton and predecessor Janene Robie, over 25 Grafton County Master Gardeners continued to educate community members with science based gardening guidance.
- Under the guidance of Donna Lee, 88 screened 4-H leaders worked with 235 youth (ages 5 to 18) on projects which enhanced their personal development and increased their life-skills.
- Michal Lunak completed work on a Tillotson Charitable Foundation grant to examine the feasibility for farmers to raise dairy beef using shelled corn as a main feed instead of forages.
- Geoffrey Sewake led a pilot program called Downtowns & Trails, which uses trails as an asset for community and economic development.

Respectfully submitted:  
Heather Bryant,  
County Office Administrator

## CENTER FOR NEW BEGINNINGS

Thirty-three years ago, The Center for New Beginnings was founded in Littleton to provide services mainly to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Today our nonprofit organization is dedicated to improving the lives of people who struggle with depression, anxiety, grief, trauma, marital problems, and many other difficulties. The children and teenagers we see come with a myriad of challenges that reflect the social, cultural, and economic struggles of our time. *We are also working hard to answer the need of those suffering with addiction – a widespread problem.* Our service area covers the northern third of New Hampshire, from the Kancamagus Highway north to the Canadian border, and northwest to the neighboring Vermont counties – in terms, the White Mountains, Great North Woods, and Northeast Kingdom regions. However, we do not exclude clients outside our area who wish to travel to receive services at the Center.

We are often asked “What makes you different from Northern Human Services?” We are not a federally funded community mental health center. We are an independent nonprofit. We provide short-term care for acute issues, rather than long-term care for more chronic cases. There is significant need for both types of services. We both have substantial waiting lists, and are continuously looking to hire qualified providers.

Thankfully, with the Affordable Care Act, more and more of our clients have insurance coverage. However, many of these policies carry high deductibles and co-pay, which climbing are climbing higher and higher. A deductible of three, five or even seven thousand dollars is not unusual - and for many this means getting help is out of their reach.

We are asking for your help to meet the needs of your community.

In 2018, The Center for New Beginnings provided services to 462 individuals. We logged 8700 patient appointments. Six of our clients reside in Sugar Hill. We are requesting \$500 from the town for the upcoming year. When we do have extra funds available, such as these town donations, we have the flexibility to assist our clients who have difficulty meeting their high deductibles or o-pays or a loss of insurance coverage.

When people are mentally healthy they are better employees, more conscientious parents, and are able to positively contribute to their communities. Healthy children do better in school, control behaviors that are disruptive in class, and grow up to be resilient adults. Individuals who are mentally stable are much less likely to commit crimes or wreak havoc among their families, coworkers, and communities. Everyone benefits from a population that is mentally healthy.

Sincerely,  
Board of Directors  
The Center for New Beginnings

## NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL

As the Regional Planning Commission serving 50 municipalities and 25 Unincorporated Places of Northern New Hampshire, North Country Council continues to move forward as a proactive resource for our communities, partners and the region, providing professional economic development, community, regional, transportation and solid waste planning services to serve your needs. Here are some of the highlights from the past year:

- Continue to play a key role in the administration and compliance of federal regulations for funding received for infrastructure improvements at the former Wausau paper mill site in Groveton.
- Administrator for the Pemi Baker Solid Waste District.
- Provided technical assistance and staff support to the Town of Littleton Parking Commission for a study and plan for management of parking in downtown Littleton.
- Provided grant writing and technical assistance to assist communities, highlight of this work is the awarded \$500,000 CDBG to retain and create 27 jobs at the Friendship House in Bethlehem and a feasibility study for to identify the need for expanded care in the Cottage Hospital service are through Grafton County.
- Administered and provided technical assistance to communities and organization seeking Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) grants within the region.
- Coordinated household hazardous waste collection events serving 19 towns in the region.
- Assisted NH Fish & Game, White Mountain Community College, and the Androscoggin Watershed Council with assessments of stream crossings in the Androscoggin River Watershed, as well as outreach to municipalities to help them use them information gathered to prioritize and plan culvert improvement and replacement projects.
- Completed 199 traffic counts (160 for NHDOT and 39 locally-requested counts) throughout the region to provide consistent and reliable data for use when planning infrastructure improvements.
- Facilitated the efforts of the North Country Scenic Byways Council to steward, improve, and promote the North Country's system of scenic byways." Make the second sentence a new bullet, change to "Performed pavement condition assessments of local roads for the Towns of Groton and Wentworth to assist with planning and budgeting for roadway maintenance.
- Assisted communities in the region with the development and submittal of proposals for roadway and bicycle and pedestrian safety and improvement projects to be considered for funding through the Statewide Ten Year Transportation Plan, the Transportation Alternatives Program, and the Federal Lands Access Program.
- Assisted the Town of Littleton with development of Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Improvement Plan.
- Provide technical mapping services to various communities in the region, including assistance to the Bath Conservation Commission for an Aquatic

Resource Mitigation (ARM) Fund grant application and to the Town of Bethlehem for a map of public parking areas.

- Provided member municipalities with guidance on records storage, prime wetlands designation, private development on federal land, bonding, interpretation of local regulations, and to several communities with the process for cell tower review, master plan updates and capital improvement programming. Dues provided match funding to enable some additional hands-on assistance with updates to local land use regulations, zoning amendments, downtown revitalization, and MTAG and hazard mitigation grant applications.
- Facilitated bulk purchase by communities of the NH Planning and Land Use Regulation books.
- 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. This year's highlight of our work with EDA include continuous work with the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee meeting on a bi-monthly basis to complete the five-year update by December of 2018. This effort in 2019 will take a deeper dive into the regions communities the Council will host regional roundtables focused on better understanding the needs and unique assets of the region's communities. Through this funding North Country Council Staff is able to provide various types of technical assistance and project development support around the region.

All of us here at North Country Council look forward to serving your community. The Council is your organization. We are dedicated to both supporting our individual members and promoting our region's success. We look forward to working with you in the months ahead.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen Frenette  
Co-Executive Director & COO

Michelle Moren-Grey  
Co-Executive Director & CEO

## NORTH COUNTRY HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE

North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency provides quality services that include home health, hospice, nursing, rehabilitation, social services, homemaking and long-term care in 48 towns, covering all of Coos County and northern Grafton County. **In 2018, for the Town of Sugar Hill, we provided 442 visits with services to 16 clients (2 of which were Hospice and the remaining were Home Health and Long-Term Care clients).** We are committed to our community in that we provide community health clinics and screenings such as blood pressure checks and foot care clinics, health education programs, and a bereavement support group.

Hospice Care focuses on quality of life and provides support to the patient and their caregivers in achieving their goals and wishes. Our compassionate team, made up of physicians, nurses, social workers, home health aides, spiritual counselors, therapists and volunteers, work with the patient to achieve their goal. Services provided to the patient and their caregivers include: management of pain and symptoms, assisting patients with the emotional, spiritual and psychosocial aspects of dying, and provides needed medications, medical equipment and medical supplies. Also included is family/caregiver education on the provision of care and short-term inpatient treatment for management of symptoms that cannot be managed in the home environment or is needed for caregiver respite. Bereavement counseling for surviving family members and friends is also provided. An individual electing hospice care is not giving up on living, rather, making the decision to focus on quality of life. Hospice care provides a high level of quality medical care with a different focus from the traditional medical model.

Home Health Care is critical to serving the growing health care needs of this community. Our skilled clinical team can monitor health problems and provide disease management within the comfort of the home setting, which helps prevent more costly health care such as hospitalization and long term institutional care.

North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency and our Board of Directors are extremely grateful to the Town of Sugar Hill for its support of our agency. This allows us to fulfill our mission to provide services to all individuals regardless of their ability to pay. North Country Home Health & Hospice Agency is committed to providing services in Sugar Hill to support clients and their families to remain in the comfort of their homes, in a safe and supportive environment, and to improve overall health outcomes in the community.

## **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF THE NORTH COUNTRY**

The Boys & Girls Club of the North Country (BGCNC) has a mission to provide a fun, safe and positive place for all the children of the North Country, under the guidance of caring adults.

The BGCNC serves over 200 members of the community with three programs: a daily afterschool program serving 120+ members annually with an average of 71 daily, all day vacation camps during school vacations, and in partnership with a local school, the children are offered a chance to spend time at the Club as their winter program activity. Some of the programs that we've implemented are:

- ◆ Smart Girls which helps girls develop and adopt healthy attitudes and lifestyles.
- ◆ Triple Play which improves members' knowledge of healthy habits, good nutrition and physical fitness.
- ◆ Power Hour which helps young people develop academic, behavioral and social skills through homework completion. Our goal is to continue offering programs that build character, leadership and life skills.
- ◆ Torch Club which teaches youth leadership skills.
- ◆ We also have several collaborative activities with organizations such as Copper Cannon Camp, Appalachian Mountain Club, Littleton Studio School, North Country Climbing Center, Root to Rise, Adaptive Sports Partners of the North Country and The White Mountain Science Institute.
- ◆ We also have several specialty programs that include a journalism club that produces their own member newsletter and our own radio show on North Country Community Radio.

Providing a safe, fun and healthy atmosphere are some of our main goals. Throughout the year, staff, volunteers and board of directors work hard to encourage, grow and mold our youth into accomplished individuals. Our facility provides a safe place for children to participate in a program that promotes educational growth, physical development and responsible social behavior – components in long-term healthy growth, development, and success in school and as future adults. The national BGCA slogan is “Great Futures Start Here”. We strongly believe that, and work to give our members a good start.

Working families in our area rely on BGCNC for quality after school care for their children. Because it is our policy to remain affordable, BGCNC is the only child care after-school option for most low-income families in our community.

Without the BGCNC, most families would have no affordable safe alternative for child care. Our capacity to provide care regardless of ability to pay rests on effective community support. As demand grows, we find that we need more resources in order to deliver this essential community service.

**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	\$ 7,200.00	15	\$1,600.00
2006 Motorola Radios Portable (18)	54,000.00	10,800.00	15	3,600.00
2007 Motorola Base Radio (1)	8,000.00	2,126.00	15	534.00
1939 Ford Antique Truck	1,000.00	-0-	10	-0-
2004 Ford Light Rescue Truck	105,000.00	46,200.00	20	4,200.00
2006 Sterling Fire Engine	175,000.00	91,000.00	25	7,000.00
2013 International – Fire Engine	254,000.00	203,200.00	25	10,160.00
2018 International – Fire Engine	375,000.00	360,000.00	25	15,000.00
Utility Box Trailer	3,700.00	-0-	20	-0-
4,000 ft. 4” Hose	20,000.00	-0-	15	-0-
Stationary SCBA Air Compressor	20,000.00	-0-	20	-0-
24 Sets of PPE	72,000.00	-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-
30 Pagers	11,450.00	-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	3,600.00	15	400.00
Fire Hose 2.5 – 400’	1,200.00	720.00	15	80.00
Rescue Chain Saw	2,195.00	1,536.50	10	219.50
Miscellaneous Equipment	<u>110,000.00</u>	<u>-0-</u>	15	<u>-0-</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,327,045.00</b>	<b>\$ 726,382.50</b>		<b>\$42,793.50</b>

**POLICE EQUIPMENT**

Equipment	Purchase Price	Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
2018 Ford Interceptor	\$40,000.00	30,000.00	4	10,000.00
2016 Chevrolet Silverado	33,379.00	15,576.87	5	6,675.80
Misc. Patrol Vehicle Equipment	3,000.00	-0-	5	-0-
Motorola Radio – Patrol Vehicle	2,800.00	-0-	6	300.00
Motorola Radios – Portable (5)	12,000.00	-0-	6	400.00
Kenwood Radio - Office	965.00	-0-	6	-0-
MPH Python 2 (2)	3,200.00	2,560.00	5	640.00
Radar Trailer	1,000.00	-0-	6	500.00
Body Armor (2)	2,100.00	580.00	5	420.00
Axon Body Cameras (3)	2,625.00	1,575.00	5	525.00
Office Equipment	5,684.00	-0-	3	-0-
Glock Handguns w/lights (4)	2,036.00	1,358.00	6	339.00
Benelli Shotgun (2)	900.00	810.00	10	90.00



Card Access System	4,000.00	2,800.00	10	400.00
Taser (X2) (3)	4,200.00	1,160.00	5	840.00
Ruger AR 15 (2)	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>660.00</u>	8	<u>100.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$118,889.00</b>	<b>\$57,079.87</b>		<b>\$21,229.80</b>

### HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Purchase Price	Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
1995 Brush Bandit Chipper	15,000.00	-0-	20	0.00
1996 Motorola Mobile Radio	600.00	-0-	20	0.00
Miscellaneous Mobile Equipment	45,000.00	7,000.00	20	2,250.00
2015 Sakai TW320 Roller	36,000.00	36,200.00	30	1,200.00
York Rake	3,000.00	300.00	20	150.00
Culvert Thawer w/Trailer	4,500.00	-0-	10	0.00
2003 Sweepster Brom for 416 Cat	8,500.00	-0-	15	0.00
2004 Hudson Trailer 10 ton	8,900.00	3,070.00	20	445.00
2005 Sander E2020	14,000.00	933.00	15	933.00
2007 Komatsu Excavator	93,500.00	42,075.00	20	4,675.00
1985 Cat 130 Motor Grader	65,000.00	30,336.00	15	4,333.00
2012 John Deere Loader	106,400.00	74,480.00	20	5,320.00
2000 Cat 416C Loader/Backhoe	87,500.00	-0-	15	0.00
2005 Mack Dump Truck	107,543.00	27,640.00	15	7,170.00
2016 Chevrolet 3500 Pick Up	69,436.00	34,718.00	8	8,679.50
2017 Chevrolet Dump Truck	50,423.25	37817.45	5	6,302.90
2018 Inter HV 10 Wheel Dump	180,000.00	168,000.00	15	12,000.00
2016 Fischer Sander	4,500.00	3,150.00	10	450.00
2017 Fischer Sander	<u>4,500.00</u>	<u>3,600.00</u>	10	<u>450.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$849,227.25</b>	<b>\$468,779.45</b>		<b>\$54,358.40</b>

### BUILDING & GROUNDS

2011 Ford F350 Pickup	\$43,000.00	\$ 0.00	8	\$ 5,375.00
2016 JD 935 Pro Mower/ Bag Sys	13,500.00	5,400.00	5	2,700.00
2000 PAS 65x14 Trailer	2,750.00	275.00	20	137.50
2016 Honda 21" Commercial Mower	660.00	264.00	5	132.00
2013 Honda 21" Commercial Mower	<u>675.00</u>	<u>-0-</u>	5	<u>-0-</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$60,585.00</b>	<b>\$5,939.00</b>		<b>\$8,344.50</b>

**BIRTHS REGISTERED  
IN THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL, NH  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2018**

<b>Date of Birth</b>	<b>Name of Child</b>	<b>Name of Father &amp; Name of Mother</b>
August 16, 2018	James Craig Mancini	Robert Mancini, Jr. Amy Mancini
December 27, 2018	John Thomas Collins	Jeffrey Collins Evelyn Collins

**DEATHS REGISTERED  
IN THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL, NH  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2018**

<b>Date Of Death</b>	<b>Name Of Deceased</b>	<b>Name &amp; Surname Of Father</b>	<b>Maiden Name Of Mother</b>
February 11, 2018	Glen Parker	George Parker	Lucille Smith
May 9, 2018	Gordon Francis	Gordon Francis	Catherine Concannon
June 29, 2018	Christopher Shellman	Vernell Shellman	Shirley Smith
July 11, 2018	Ronald Martin	Raymond Martin	Mildred Streeter
August 27, 2018	Barbara Serafini	Enzo Serafini	Esther Tefft
December 28, 2018	Elisabeth Spanhoff	Willy Linckens	Maria Van Frankenhuijzen

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED  
IN THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL, NH  
For the Year Ending December 31, 2018**

<b>Date of Marriage</b>	<b>Name and Surname Of Groom &amp; Bride</b>	<b>Residence of Each At Time Of Marriage</b>
August 4, 2018	Matthew R. Steele Elizabeth A. Ware	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-

### **BARBARA “SERRY” SERAFINI**

In August the community of Sugar Hill was saddened by the loss of Barbara, a lifelong resident and 5<sup>th</sup> generation descendant of the first permanent settlers Moses and Sarah Aldrich. Barbara was very active within the community as President of the Sugar Hill Improvement Association and as the coordinator for St. Matthews Chapel.

Barbara owned and operated the Sugar Hill Sampler which included a lovely museum of Sugar Hill and family history to share with all. She was all Sugar Hill and will be missed by her community.

## NOTES



# Grand Hotels of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire



1. Franconia Inn \* (1874-1907)
2. Sunset Hill House \* (1880-1973)
3. Hotel Look-Off \* (1892-1964)
4. Homestead Inn (1802-2014)
5. Miramonte Inn (-1913)
6. Phillips House (-1912)
7. Peckett's-on-Sugar Hill (1907-1968)
8. Echoes Inn (renovated in 1920s)  
\* over 350 beds

