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THE TOWN OF SUTTON NEW HAMPSHIRE



2012 ANNUAL REPORT

Here Kitty, Kitty . . . Garrett and Tara Evans "spotted" the Bobcat (Felis rufus) featured on this year's Annual Report cover in South Sutton. Our cover photo credit goes to Garrett Evans, Conservation Commission Member, who has provided us with many wonderful wildlife cover shots. Sutton offers an ideal habitat for the Bobcat, but they are reclusive and well camouflaged, and therefore sightings are rare. Fish and Game and UNH are assessing bobcat distribution in New Hampshire. To learn more about New Hampshire bobcats visit <http://militovaitis.unh.edu/Research/BobcatWeb/bobcats.htm>.



Annual Report and Vital Statistics

for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2012

Population (NHOSP)..... estimated 1,841

Registered Voters1,540

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for the Year Ending 1911

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SUTTON DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Police Department (non-emergency 927-4422).....	911
Fire (non-emergency 927-4740).....	911
Sutton Rescue Squad (New London Ambulance).....	911

OTHER INFORMATION

- TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR – Linda D. Ford, Janet Luca, Deputy**
 927-4575
P.O. Box 487, No. Sutton, NH 03260
Monday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday and Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- SELECTMEN’S OFFICE – Elly Phillips, Lynn King..... 927-4416**
P.O. Box 487, No. Sutton, NH 03260
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- SELECTMEN’S MEETINGS – Mondays at 4:30 p.m.**
All items for the agenda must be submitted to the Selectmen’s Office
By noon the Wednesday before. Appointments only at meetings.
- BUILDING INSPECTOR – Richard “Buzz” Call, Loring Ford, Deputy ..**
 927-4080
- CONSERVATION COMMISSION – Betsy Forsham..... 927-4279**
Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.
- FIRE WARDEN – Bud Nelson..... 927-2727**
- HEALTH OFFICER – David Burnham 927-4416**
- HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Paul Parker, Road Agent..... 927-4411**
- SOLID WASTE/TRANSFER/RECYCLING – John Godkin 927-4475**
Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. / Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- LIBRARY – Heidi Thoma and Jennifer Carson, Librarians 927-4927**
Monday 10:00 a.m. – noon and 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. with story and craft hour @ 10:15 a.m.
Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – noon and Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Trustees meet the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.
- PLANNING BOARD – Laurie Hayward, Land Use Coordinator..... 927-4115**
Office Hours: Monday 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Tuesday noon – 3:00 p.m.,
Wednesday and Thursday Noon – 4:00 p.m.
P.O. Box 487, No. Sutton, NH 03260
The Board meets 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
- WELFARE OVERSEER – Courtney Haase..... 927-4176**
- ZONING BOARD – Laurie Hayward, Land Use Coordinator.. 927-4115**
PO Box 487, No. Sutton, NH 03260
Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month
Office Hours: Monday 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Tuesday noon – 3:00 p.m.,
Wednesday and Thursday Noon – 4:00 p.m.

TOWN OFFICERS/EMPLOYEES

For the Year Ending December 31, 2012

** Is an elected position*

MODERATOR*

Gregory Gill

Term Expires 2014

SELECTMEN*

Robert Wright, Jr.

Walter Baker, Jr.

Patricia McMahon

Term Expires 2013

Term Expires 2014

Term Expires 2015

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Elly Phillips

SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER

Lynn King

LAND USE COORDINATOR

Laurie Hayward

TREASURER

Lorri Himes

Term Expires 2013

DEPUTY TREASURER

Charles Whitemore

TOWN CLERK*

Linda Ford

Term Expires 2013

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Janet Luca

TAX COLLECTOR*

Linda Ford

Term Expires 2013

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Janet Luca

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Paul Parker, Road Agent

Stephen Bagley, Frederick Burbee, John Csutor, Adam Hurst,

Dennis Stevens, Loring Ford

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jonathan Korbet, Police Chief

Valerie Crone, Sergeant, Duncan Domey, Police Officer

Philip Buteau, Robert D. Nelson, Ernest Rousseau, Part-time Police Officers

Jennifer Rowe, Administrative Assistant

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Matthew Grimes, Director

SOLID WASTE TRANSFER/RECYCLING CENTER

John Godkin, Solid Waste Supervisor

Alex McKinnon, David Ellis, Loring Ford, Edward Herrmann

OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE*

Courtney E. Haase Term Expires 2013

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Richard "Buzz" Call

DEPUTY BUILDING INSPECTORS

Loring "Spunk" Ford

ENVIRONMENTAL CODE RESOURCE OFFICER

Jeffrey Evans

HEALTH OFFICER

David Burnham.....Barbara MacDonald, Deputy Health Officer

LIBRARIAN

Heidi Thoma and Jennifer Carson

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Robert "Bud" Nelson, Seth Murdough, Lorri Himes, Loring Ford

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS*

Sarah Blake..... Term Expires 2015

Thomas Paul Term Expires 2014

Mark Loehr..... Term Expires 2013

BUDGET COMMITTEE*

Lynn King..... Term Expires 2015

Robert DeFelice Term Expires 2015

John Silverberg, Chair Term Expires 2014

Richard Benson..... Term Expires 2014

George Wells, III..... Term Expires 2013

Tom Paul..... Term Expires 2013

Robert Wright, Jr., Ex Officio..... Term Expires 2013

Laurie Hayward, Committee Assistant

PLANNING BOARD

Daniel Sundquist , Chair.....	Term Expires 2015
Pete Blakeman.....	Term Expires 2015
Vacant	Term Expires 2015
David Burnham	Term Expires 2014
Carrie Thomas	Term Expires 2014
Vacant (Alternate)	Term Expires 2014
Julie McCarthy.....	Term Expires 2013
Robert DeFelice	Term Expires 2013
Roger Wells (Alternate).....	Term Expires 2013
Walter Baker, Jr., Ex-Officio.....	Term Expires 2013
Laurie Hayward, Land Use Coordinator	

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

Ed Canane	Term Expires 2015
Carla Krajewski	Term Expires 2015
Dane Headley	Term Expires 2014
Doug Sweet.....	Term Expires 2014
Derek Lick	Term Expires 2013
William Hallahan, Chair	Term Expires 2013
Vacant (Alternate)	Term Expires 2013
Laurie Hayward, Land Use Coordinator	

CEMETERY COMMISSION*

Marilyn Thompson	Term Expires 2015
A. Garrett Evans	Term Expires 2014
Corbet Cochran	Term Expires 2013

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST*

Kathleen Gill	Term Expires 2014
Marilyn Thompson, Chair	Term Expires 2016
Kathleen Stowell	Term Expires 2018

TRUSTEES, SUTTON FREE LIBRARY*

Lynne Chadwick	Term Expires 2015
Shannon Storm	Term Expires 2015
Vacant.....	Term Expires 2014
Rebecca Harrington	Term Expires 2014
Carrie Thomas	Term Expires 2013
Elizabeth Cernek	Term Expires 2013

TRUSTEES, OLD STORE MUSEUM

Frederick Pratt	Term Expires 2014
Marsha Harrison	Term Expires 2014
Sheila Wilcox, Alternate	Term Expires 2014
Donald Davis, Jr.	Term Expires 2013
Robert O'Neil.....	Term Expires 2013

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Donald Davis, Jr.	Term Expires 2015
Jean LaChance	Term Expires 2015
Gerry Putnam (Alternate).....	Term Expires 2015
Garrett Evans	Term Expires 2014
Betsy Forsham, Chair.....	Term Expires 2014
Ben Dobrowski	Term Expires 2014
Vacant (Alternate)	Term Expires 2013
Rachael Ruppel	Term Expires 2013
Patricia McMahon, Select Board Representative	Term Expires 2013

ROAD COMMITTEE

Douglas Sweet, Chair	Paul Parker, Road Agent
Peter Blakeman.....	Carroll "Pete" Thompson
Alexander McKinnon	

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Matthew Grimes

SUPERVISOR – HIGHWAY NOTIFICATION PROGRAM

Charles F. Whittemore

OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE

Jean LaChance

SUTTON REPRESENTATIVE TO KRSD SCHOOL BOARD*

Emilio Cancio-Bello	Term Expires 2013
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SUTTON REPRESENTATIVE TO KRSD BUDGET COMMITTEE*

Robert "Bud" Nelson.....	Term Expires 2013
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Round Room Report

Times are challenging, so we decided to begin the 2012 Round Room Report with the happy news that the tax rate went down nineteen cents this year. This was due to a reduction in the amount we paid to the Kearsarge Regional School District. In addition, we were pleased that despite ever-rising costs, we were able to keep the Town portion of the tax rate level with 2011. The following table compares the 2011 and 2012 tax rates:

	2011	2012
State Education Taxes	2.37	2.48
Local Education Taxes	10.28	9.98
Town Appropriation	6.25	6.25
County Tax Rate	2.86	2.86
Total Tax Rate	21.76	21.57

We were concerned about the tax rate because of the potential impact of the major tax appeal that was initiated in 2010 by the New Hampshire Public Golf Courses. A significant amount of time, resources and funds were expended in response to this tax appeal. After extensive review by this Board, Town Counsel and an independent commercial appraiser, the Town reached a settlement agreement with the golf course. In the end, we paid \$72,945.47 to settle the appeal. This represented a refund for overpayment of 2010 and 2011 taxes based on the agreed upon, revised assessment. The appellant graciously waived the 6% interest that they were allowed under state law. You are probably wondering how we were able to keep the town tax rate level in the face of this unforeseen outcome. This was an instance where funds from the Town's undesignated fund balance (often referred to as "surplus" or "rainy day fund") were used. In addition, much of our legal and associated expenses were offset from our expendable legal capital reserve fund. The entire experience was a timely lesson on why it is important to maintain a healthy fund balance and to continue to fund our capital reserves even during tough economic times.

On a more positive note, we were delighted with the improvements the State made on Route 114. Although we are aware that the solution may not be long term, we are grateful for the improvements made in 2012 and especially for the efforts of Emilio Cancio-Bello, Robert DeFelice and Selectwoman Patricia McMahan for ensuring that Route 114 through Sutton remained a priority with the NH Department of Transportation (DOT). In the year to come, we will redouble our efforts to keep 114 at the top of the DOT's transportation improvement plans.

In September, the Town auctioned off several properties that we had acquired over the years through tax deed. We were pleased that many of the properties went to abutters. We probably generated more excitement than income (about \$19,000 after costs) from the sale. However, the Town is not in the real estate business, and thus, we are happy that the properties are back on the tax rolls.

Construction was slow again this year with only fifty building permits in total, but we did receive five building permits for new homes which equals the combined total of the previous two years of permitted home construction. By the amount of appraiser activity we experienced at the Town Office in 2012, we speculate that many of you are taking advantage of favorable mortgage interest rates to refinance. We thought that you might be interested to know that for assessment purposes, the average value of a home in Sutton is \$247,229, and the median value is \$221,290.

Our Planning and Zoning Departments have taken advantage of this lull in growth to take a long hard look at our Subdivision and Site Plan Review Regulations and Zoning Ordinance. The Zoning Board did a thorough job of reviewing our zoning ordinances and developing recommendations for revisions. The Planning Board presented the proposed amendments at a public hearing in January. There are 13 articles pertaining to the Zoning Ordinance on the Ballot in 2013. We encourage you to come in to the town office prior to the ballot vote on Tuesday, March 12, 2013, to familiarize yourselves with the proposed regulations.

Sutton's Conservation Commission continued to be active this year. Projects included a parking lot for the King Hill Reservation and the Maple Leaf Natural Area, removal of the dilapidated warming hut at the Reservation and a timber harvesting educational forum to name



a few. The Commission is currently pursuing an opportunity to obtain a 139-acre piece of property that has frontage along Kings Hill Road. The property also includes the King Hill Quarry, one of Sutton's Cornerstones.

For those of you who need a refresher on Sutton Cornerstones or who weren't here in the early 1990's when the Cornerstones were identified and voted on at Town Meeting, the following is an excerpt from the 1990 Town Report: *"Cornerstones are resources and treasures that help make our community what it is, that are essential to our quality of life and that you would like to see your children and grandchildren enjoy into the 21st Century."*



The following are the 21 Cornerstones that were approved by the Town: Town Pound, Fourth of July Parade, Scenic Roads, Children's Christmas, Wadleigh Homestead, King Hill Granite Quarry, Scenic High Places, South Sutton Village, Settler's Oven, Schoolhouses and Sites, Old Home Day, Indian Hearth, Palmer

Town/Sutton Gore, The Pinnacle, Harvey Homestead, Muster Field Farm, Muster Field Farm Day, North Sutton Village, Eaton Grange, Jones Grist Mill, and Sutton Mills Village.

Our Fire and Rescue Squad had another active year. Fortunately, there were no structure fires in Sutton in 2012. Our all-volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad continues to be challenged with many calls on I-89. If you see one of our Sutton Fire Fighters, Rescue Squad members or cadets, please join us in expressing your appreciation to this dedicated cadre of volunteers. (Their rosters are listed in the individual department reports). Also, we extend a big thank you to our Emergency Management Director, Matt Grimes. There wasn't a lot of aftermath in Sutton from Hurricane Sandy, but you can rest assured that Matt and the rest of our public safety personnel were monitoring and providing assistance and are fully prepared to implement the Town's Emergency Operations Plan.

This year, the Town of Sutton along with the Towns of Grantham, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sunapee, and Wilmot worked toward executing a contract with New London Hospital for ambulance services. We believe that entering into a contract will allow for a reduction or stabilization of costs. We continue to work toward that goal along with our neighboring towns.

You can help all of our public safety personnel by posting your E-911 address in 3 inch high reflective letters at the roadside entrance to your residence or structure. If you do not know your address, please contact the Selectmen's Office.

The Police Department reports an increase in criminal incidents. In addition, they continue to work with the Kearsarge School District and train to ensure that all of our regional students have a safe and secure scholastic environment. Our congratulations go to Valerie Crone who was promoted to Sergeant this year and a salute to Officer Domey for his service to our country during his deployment in 2012.

We continue to receive compliments on how well Sutton's roads are maintained by our capable road crew under the leadership of Paul Parker, our Road Agent. Paul joined our Highway Department in 1987,

so 2012 marked his twenty-fifth year of caring for Sutton's highways and byways. Our heartfelt congratulations go to Paul for his twenty-five years of public service with the Sutton Highway Department.

Regardless of where you stand, presidential elections certainly generate heightened political interest. Sutton, of course, is no exception. Linda Ford, Sutton Town Clerk, reports that for the March, 2012 election the town had 1,331 registered voters of which, 352 voted (26.5%). For the September election, we had 1342 registered voters, of which, 427 voted (31.8%). For the November presidential elections, we started the day with 1368 registered voters. An additional 172 registered the day of the election for a total of 1540. The number of voters casting their ballot was 1502. A whopping 97.5% of our registered voters turned out for the presidential election. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could have that level of participation at our Annual Meeting

It was hard to miss the changes at the Sutton Free Library in 2012 as we said goodbye to Jeanette Couch who retired after fifty years as Sutton's Librarian. Also leaving the library was Kathy Chadwick who served as a Library Trustee since 1998. We extend a warm welcome to new librarians Heidi Thoma and Jennifer Carson and our new Trustee, Shannon Storm. If you have never visited the library or haven't been by of late, we encourage you to do so; check out the many new programs and services (and perhaps some books).

Walter Simonds retired as Solid Waste Supervisor after eleven years of service. Walter guided the Solid Waste Facility through many changes during his tenure including the transition from an incinerator facility to a transfer station, as well as the closure of the old ash landfill. John Godkin was promoted to Supervisor, and we congratulate him on both his promotion and his efforts to date.

Jennifer Swett, our Land Use Coordinator and Conservation Commission Secretary, resigned to pursue a career in aviation. In addition to working for the town, Jennifer served on various boards and committees over the years. Her many contributions to this community will be missed. We wish her well in her new endeavors. Laurie Hayward has very capably assumed the duties of Land Use Coordinator, and we welcome her to our staff.

The Budget Committee experienced many changes as well. Mark Loehr did not seek re-election in 2012. Mark served as Budget Chair from 2005 through March 2012. We all appreciated Mark's thoughtful and thorough approach to the budget process. John Silverberg was elected to the Chair and has skillfully guided the Budget Committee through their deliberative sessions, beginning in September 2012. We welcome both Robert DeFelice as the Budget Committee's newly elected mem-

ber, and Thomas Paul who was appointed to fill the term left vacant by Norman Forand's resignation.

Last year we ended our Round Room Report with an acknowledgement of our many long serving board and committee members and elected public officials as well as recognition of our staff with ten years of employment or more. This year we extend a warm welcome to all the new individuals who have made a commitment to serve our local government. We certainly appreciate the new energy and knowledge that you have brought with you. Especially, we are grateful to the citizens of Sutton. It is our pleasure to serve you.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Wright, Jr., Chair

Walter Baker, Jr., Selectman

Patricia McMahon, Selectwoman

P.S. We are required to publish the following notice in the Annual Report through 2015. If you would like to learn more about restoring involuntarily merged lots, please contact our office at 927-4416.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Division of Involuntarily Merged Lots (NH RSA 674:39-aa)

Lots or parcels involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010, shall at the request of the owner, be restored to their premerger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the appropriate registry of deeds, provided:

(a) The request is submitted to the Board of Selectmen prior to December 31, 2016.

(b) No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. "Voluntarily merged" means a merger under NH RSA 674:39-a, or any overt action or conduct that indicates an owner regarded said lots as merged such as, but not limited to, abandoning a lot line.

The restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

Sutton's Historical Papers

Muster Days and the Civil War

As I write this in early January, I am in the late stages of selecting this year's round of old town documents to send off for professional preservation. Nearly all of them are more than 150 years old. They cover Sutton's muster days and the Civil War.

From 1787 until 1851 most of Sutton's men between 16 and 45 were required by law to participate in military training. The first muster day was held at Muster Field Farm in North Sutton on October 18, 1787, and included one company each from the towns of Sutton, New London and Fishersfield (Newbury). Captain William Pressey commanded the Sutton Company and was charged for 33 gallons and one quart of rum.

From 1792 until 1799 Sutton men attended the musters of the 21st Regiment's ten member towns. After that Sutton was one of the six towns in the newly formed 30th Regiment. The Towns took turns holding musters. They were held in Sutton at Muster Field Farm, Eaton Grange, and the Wadleigh Plain, but Muster Field Farm was apparently the favorite location.

Enthusiasm for musters began to wane in the 1830s and then went downhill throughout the 1840s. More people joined those who had been arguing that there was no threat whatsoever of New Hampshire being invaded, that the Mexican War was simply a trumped-up land grab made possible by military preparedness, and that the widespread drunkenness at the musters was an undeniable social evil and a great affront to the Temperance Movement. The repeated drunken brawls at some musters of New Hampshire's 42 regiments caught the attention of the Governor and the Legislators. Eventually the politicians had enough. At the Legislature's 1851 spring session, the requirement for military training was repealed. Quite ironically, New Hampshire entered the Civil War a decade later completely unprepared.

One of the muster documents being sent off for preservation shows that George Pillsbury from South Sutton (one of the Minnesota flour Pillsburys) was captain of a company of infantry.

The town owns a tremendous number of Civil War documents, and it has been quite time-consuming to sort through them. One of them shows that the "whole number of men" from Sutton who served in the war was 165 and that the enlistment bounties paid by the town amounted to \$33,688. (At least 21 Sutton men died in the war.) There are many enlistment papers, state notices sent to the selectmen to notify them of Sutton's enlistment quotas, records of those who paid

\$300 to hire a substitute, receipts for the monthly allowances that the selectmen paid to the wives or to the widowed mothers of the soldiers, and other documents.

One tightly tied and labeled packet has the names of all 54 men who enlisted in 1862 for a bonus of \$125. My guess is that the packet contains individual receipts for each man, and that one of them was for John Montgomery Palmer, my favorite Civil War soldier from Sutton. He was probably unique in town for lying about his age so he could enlist. Some over-eager youngsters may have claimed that they were older than they actually were and sneaked into the service that way, but John Montgomery Palmer at age 54 lied that he was only 44 and thus passed inspection. He was an ancestor of Darrel Palmer and Marne Palmer Thompson.

Another document of January 5, 1864, shows the reenlistment of Robert Campbell and Enoch P. Davis in the cavalry. Both men back in 1861 had enlisted without any bounty. Campbell married Mary Amanda Hazen. When Campbell was killed in battle that June, Enoch Davis wrote a letter to Mary Amanda informing her of her husband's death. Later the two of them married. Their descendant, Don Davis, has the letter.



Next year's document preservation project will likely be the Poor Farm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Noon
History of Sutton II Committee

TOWN OF SUTTON STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sutton in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at Pillsbury Memorial Town Hall in said Sutton on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, 2013 next at eight of the clock in the forenoon (Polls to be open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) to act on Articles 1 through 15. You are further notified to meet at the Kearsarge Regional High School, North Road in said Sutton on Wednesday, the 13th day of March, 2013 at seven of the clock in the evening to act upon the remaining Articles.

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

Article 2: Are you in favor of Amendment 1 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment adds a new article to the ordinance which will make the numbering of articles and sections automatic after any zoning ordinance amendment is approved by voters which would require a change in numbering in order to maintain the correct sequence.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 3: Are you in favor of Amendment 2 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment changes the spelling and grammatical usage of words contained in various articles and sections in order to have consistent usage throughout the Ordinance, including using similar conventions as those found in state statutes.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 4: Are you in favor of Amendment 3 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment changes the wording of Article III.I.1.a as follows:

*“Any property owner or lessee may *reside in or occupy* one travel trailer of his/her own or one of a non-paying guest for a single period of not more than ~~ninety(90)~~ 90 days in any one period of ~~twelve(12)~~ 12 consecutive months”;*

and, adds Article III.2 as follows:

“Such a use is permitted for the duration of one year from when construction commences, and may be renewed for a period not to exceed an additional year upon written application to the Board of Adjustment.”

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 5: Are you in favor of Amendment 4 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment changes the wording in both Article IV.A.3 and Article V.A.1 to add “*farm stand*” as a permitted use in both the Residential and Rural/Agricultural Districts.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 6: Are you in favor of Amendment 5 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment changes the wording regarding minimum lot size and frontage requirements where it occurs in the ordinances in both Article IV.C.2.a and Article V.C.2.a, as follows:

- “2. Minimum lot area per family
 - a. No single family dwelling shall be erected, or building altered to accommodate one family as a residence on less than two acres of lot area, unless such lot was a conforming lot of record at the time of its creation ~~and the owner does not own contiguous land, in which case such land shall be combined with said lot to create a conforming or less nonconforming lot.~~”

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 7: Are you in favor of Amendment 6 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment adds language to Article V.D. to make Shoreland requirements for Article V, Rural Agricultural, consistent with those of Article IV, Residential, by requiring lakefront lots to have not less than 150 feet of frontage on the lake and 75 foot setbacks from poorly or very poorly drained soils. Language was also added to include agriculture as a permitted use.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 8: Are you in favor of Amendment 7 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This Amendment changes Article VI, Special Exceptions and Variances, by removing language regarding commencement and completion of improvements authorized by special exception and adding language regarding driveways, access ways and other traffic features. Language is added to VI, A.5 to authorize the ZBA to extend the time period within which the applicant must com-

mence and complete improvements permitted by variance or special exception. And, to be consistent with recent changes to RSA 674:33, the requirements for Variance are revised as follows:

- a. No decrease in value of surrounding properties would occur;
- a. The variance will not be contrary to the public interest;
- ~~b. Granting the variance would benefit the public interest.~~
- b. The spirit of the ordinance is observed;
- ~~c. Denial of the variance would result in unnecessary hardship to the owner seeking~~
- c. Substantial justice is done;
- ~~d. By granting the variance substantial justice will be done.~~
- d. The values of surrounding properties are not diminished; and
- e. Literal enforcement of the provisions of the ordinance would result in an unnecessary hardship.
 - (i) No fair and substantial relationship exists between the general public purposes of the ordinance provision and the specific application of that provision to the property; and
 - (ii) The proposed use is a reasonable one.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 9: Are you in favor of Amendment 8 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment changes Article VII, Nonconforming Uses, by adding language to Section A.1 to provide that automatic discontinuance shall take place after a use is discontinued for one year “with evidence of intent to abandon the non-conforming use,” and by adding a new Section D “Conforming to Nonconforming Lot Changes with Annexation”.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 10: Are you in favor of Amendment 9 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This Amendment changes Article III.O, “Personal Wireless Service Facilities (PWSFs), by relocating it as Article XI. The term and definition for “average tree canopy” has been deleted and wherever used replaced by “*tree canopy*” or “*main canopy of trees*,” for which definitions have been added. The language of Section 6.1 B, Height, New Ground-Mounted Facilities has been deleted and replaced with new wording regarding limitations on the height of such facilities to include limiting the area within which the tree canopy is to be determined to within a 150’ radius of the facility. **This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.**

Article 11: Are you in favor of Amendment 10 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment replaces Table D.1 with a new Table D.1 which contains the buffer area setbacks by structure types within the Wetlands Overlay District.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 12: Are you in favor of Amendment 11 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment adds a new Article XII to the ordinance regulating small wind energy installations.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 13: Are you in favor of Amendment 12 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment deletes Article IX, Penalty, and adds a new paragraph B to Article VII, Enforcement, which provides for enforcement of the zoning ordinance and imposition of penalties pursuant to state law.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 14: Are you in favor of Amendment 13 of the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? This amendment changes the names of the entities that must approve sewage disposal systems and erosion control for Cluster Developments, Article IX, to Department of Environmental Services (DES) Subsurface Systems Bureau and Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), respectively.

This amendment is recommended by the Planning Board.

Article 15: Shall the Town of Sutton permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its income-generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchase of books, supplies and income-generating equipment?

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,011,239 which represents the operating budget recommended by the Budget Committee shown in detail below. Said sum does not include amounts appropriated in other warrant articles.

4130	Executive	\$115,624
4140	Election & Registration	3,020
4150	Financial Administration	77,654
4150	Executive Financial Administration	18,560
4152	Revaluation of Property	12,500
4153	Legal Expense	22,500
4155	Personnel Administration	121,458
4191	Planning Board and Zoning	42,849
4194	General Government Buildings	26,000

4195	Cemeteries	14,000
4196	Insurance	67,500
4197	Regional Planning Commission	1,933
4210	Police Department	393,594
4215	Ambulance	41,655
4220	Fire Department	55,325
4240	Building Inspection	11,000
4290	Emergency Management	1,300
4299	Dispatching Services	18,034
4312	Highway Department	685,284
4313	Bridges	3,000
4316	Street Lighting	9,228
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	145,600
4411	Health Administration	2,000
4415	Health Agencies	5,081
4443	Welfare Admin. & Direct Assistance	19,025
4520	Culture & Recreation	10,713
4550	Library	35,319
4583	Patriotic Purposes	1,000
4611	Conservation Commission	3,110
4711	Principal Long Term Bonds & Notes	20,202
4721	Interest Long Term Bonds and Notes	21,171
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000
4790	Other Debt Service	1,000

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$162,250 to be added to various Capital Reserve Funds previously established as follows:

Conservation Land	\$ 10,000
Forest Fire Equipment	250
Fire Equipment Replacement	50,000
Rescue Vehicle	10,000
Property Revaluation	25,000
Cemetery	5,000
Library Building Maintenance	1,000
Highway Facility Shed	10,000
Highway Pickup Truck	4,000
Fire Department Addition	25,000
Highway Backhoe	10,000
Highway Loader	10,000
Records Preservation	2,000

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to upgrade blacktop town roads.

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,000 for the purpose of upgrading gravel town roads.

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$145,000 for the purpose of purchasing a new equipped six-wheel dump truck and to authorize the withdrawal of \$125,000 from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve established in 1993 for that purpose. The balance of \$20,000 is to be raised by general taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 21: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate up to \$82,000.00 for the purchase and associated costs of a purchase for conservation purposes of a parcel of land owned by Thomas and Janet Paul, located on Kings Hill Road and identified in the Town's tax records as Map 8 Lot 527,461 and further, to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$82,000 from the Conservation Commission Land Capital Reserve Fund, established in 2005 for the purpose of acquiring land for conservation purposes, for that purpose. No amount is to be raised by general taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000 to replace an oil burner in the Pillsbury Memorial Hall and to authorize the withdrawal of \$5,000 from the Pillsbury Memorial Hall Capital Reserve established in 2011 for that purpose. The balance of \$6,000 is to be raised by general taxation. **Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Board of Selectmen.**

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of performing structural repairs and replace the roof on the Old Store Museum.

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,040 to fund the position of a full-time School Resource Officer for up to a six month period, and further to authorize the acceptance of \$25,000 from the Kearsarge Regional School District for the funding of this position, to be voted on by the Kearsarge Regional School District. The total amount to be raised by taxation is \$25,040. If the Kearsarge Regional School District does not approve the ballot vote which includes the Resource Officer funding, this article will be passed over.

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to line North Road and Gile Pond Roads. The total distance to be lined is 2 miles.

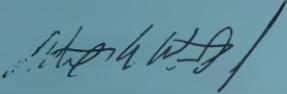
Article 26: Shall the town of Sutton accept the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d allowing the Sutton Free Library Trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which are donated to the library, said authority to remain in effect until rescinded by vote at town meeting?

Article 27: Shall the Town of Sutton change the composition of the Board of Trustees for the Sutton Free Library from six members to five, so that the Board may comply with the provisions of RSA 202-A:6 requiring an odd number of trustees?

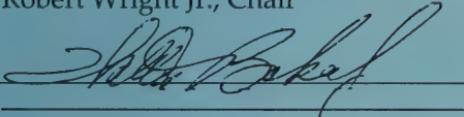
Article 28: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this Eleventh day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Thirteen.

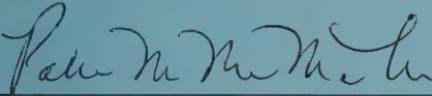
SUTTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Robert Wright Jr., Chair



Walter Baker Jr., Selectman



Patricia McMahon, Selectwoman

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

BUDGET OF A TOWN WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

OF: Sutton, New Hampshire

BUDGET FORM FOR A TOWN WHICH HAS ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): February 14, 2013

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

John Silverberg John Silverberg, Chair

George G Wells III George G Wells, III

Robert DeFelice Robert DeFelice

Richard E. Benson Richard E. Benson

L.A. King L.A. King

Thomas Paul Thomas Paul

Robert Wright, Jr. Robert Wright, Jr., Ex Officio

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)230-5090

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ACCT #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMENTS APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEES APPROPRIATIONS	
					Ensuring Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	Ensuring Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
4130-4139	Executive	16	113,956.00	109,251.00	115,624.00		115,624.00	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	16	3,850.00	5,255.00	3,020.00		3,020.00	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	16	92,114.00	87,262.00	96,214.00		96,214.00	
4152	Revaluation of Property	16	12,500.00	11,543.00	12,500.00		12,500.00	
4153	Legal Expense	16	22,500.00	31,570.00	22,500.00		22,500.00	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	16	104,747.00	98,406.00	121,458.00		121,458.00	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	16	48,909.00	41,589.00	42,849.00		42,849.00	
4194	General Government Buildings	16	32,735.00	21,493.00	26,000.00		26,000.00	
4195	Cemeteries	16	14,000.00	8,260.00	14,000.00		14,000.00	
4196	Insurance	16	53,892.00	46,697.00	67,500.00		67,500.00	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	16	1,929.00	1,929.00	1,933.00		1,933.00	
4199	Other General Government							
PUBLIC SAFETY								
4210-4214	Police	16	349,231.00	326,883.00	393,594.00		393,594.00	
4215-4219	Ambulance	16	41,400.00	40,095.00	41,655.00		41,655.00	
4220-4229	Fire	16	55,305.00	55,617.00	55,325.00		55,325.00	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	16	7,000.00	4,984.00	11,000.00		11,000.00	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	16	1,300.00	450.00	1,300.00		1,300.00	
4299	Other (Including Communications)	16	17,669.00	17,669.00	18,034.00		18,034.00	
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER								
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
HIGHWAYS & STREETS								
4311	Administration	16	685,800.00	649,036.00	685,284.00		685,284.00	
4312	Highways & Streets							
4313	Bridges	16	3,000.00	85.00	3,000.00		3,000.00	

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ACCT#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMM. APPROPRIATIONS	
					Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
HIGHWAYS & STREETS (cont.)								
4316	Street Lighting	16	9,870.00	8,789.00	9,228.00		9,228.00	
4319	Other							
SANITATION								
4321	Administration	16	144,287.00	134,762.00	145,600.00		145,600.00	
4323	Solid Waste Collection							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal							
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4328-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other							
ELECTRIC								
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH/WELFARE								
4411	Administration	16	2,400.00	1,070.00	2,000.00		2,000.00	
4414	Pest Control							
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	16	5,071.00	5,070.00	5,081.00		5,081.00	
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	16	18,896.00	13,651.00	19,025.00		19,025.00	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payemnts							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEES APPROPRIATIONS	
					Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)	Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation							
4550-4559	Library	16	20,738.00	20,215.00	35,319.00		35,319.00	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	16	1,000.00	575.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	16	17,398.00	10,313.00	10,713.00		10,713.00	
CONSERVATION								
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources	16	2,910.00	2,487.00	3,110.00		3,110.00	
4619	Other Conservation							
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing							
4651-4659	Economic Development							
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes	16	18,905.00	18,904.00	20,202.00		20,202.00	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	16	22,467.00	22,467.00	21,171.00		21,171.00	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	16	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service	16	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.							
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT								
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	- Sewer			4				
	- Water							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended) (Not Recommended)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended) (Not Recommended)
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT (cont.)						
	- Electric					
	- Airport					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Fiduciary Funds					
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL						

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Est. Revenues
TAXES					
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Yield Taxes		7,488.47	12,500.00	12,500.00
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		77,522.80	75,000.00	75,000.00
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		211.48	211.00	211.00
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		297,793.00	300,000.00	300,000.00
3230	Building Permits		3,390.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		3,863.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FROM STATE					
3351	Shared Revenues				
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		82,126.55	82,000.00	82,000.00
3353	Highway Block Grant		97,552.00	97,000.00	97,000.00
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		31.00	31.00	31.00
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		86.00	2.00	2.00
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-3406	Income from Departments		57,761.00	57,000.00	57,000.00
3409	Other Charges -- KRSD Resource Officer			25,000.00	25,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		33,236.00	500.00	500.00
3502	Interest on Investments		607.00	500.00	500.00
3503-3509	Other		3,811.00	3,811.00	3,811.00
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Est. Revenues
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN (cont.)					
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		29526	212000	212000
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds			2864	2864
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amounts Voted From Fund Balance				
	Estimated Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		80000	70000	70000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			775005.3	945919	945919

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	1,931,779.00	2,011,239.00	2,011,239.00
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	229,250.00	400,250.00	400,250.00
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	108,500.00	148,040.00	148,040.00
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	2,269,529.00	2,559,529.00	2,559,529.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	778,919.00	945,919.00	945,919.00
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1,490,610.00	1,613,610.00	1,613,610.00

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: \$2,811,345
 (See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

Notes

TOWN OF SUTTON, NH

TOWN MEETING

MARCH 14, 2012 RESULTS

7:00 p.m. meeting called to order. Moderator Greg Gill requested that all phones be turned off unless you were in safety services for the Town.

He welcomed all people present to the Kearsarge Regional Middle School. This is the first Town Meeting being held at the new Kearsarge Regional Middle School. He went over the safety routes in case they were needed.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence.

Greg Gill Moderator reported on the results of the Town of Sutton ballot from the vote on March 13, 2012 which included the School Ballot. Those elected officials present were sworn in.

Reading of the papers. Robert Wright, Jr. was asked to come forward. Greg Gill, Moderator was asked to present to Jeannette Couch a clock given to her for her 50 years of service as Town Librarian. Paul Parker, Road Agent presented to Dennis Stevens a clock and golf club for his 25 years of service as a Town Highway employee. Steve Bagley asked that Mark Loehr, former Budget Committee Chair be recognized for all his hard work.

A motion was made to suspend the reading of the Town Warrant by Charlie Whittemore. Bud Nelson 2nd.

Unanimous Vote

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

Passed by Town Vote

Article 2: Are you in favor of amendment 1 of the Building Ordinance as proposed by the Board of Selectmen? Under Article III, change to read as follows: The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Building Code Board of Appeals to be comprised of the membership of the appointed Zoning Board of Adjustment. Said Building Code Board of Appeals is to serve without compensation. Recommended by the Planning Board.

Passed by Town Vote

Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,906,779 which represents the operating budget recommended by the Budget Committee shown in detail below. Said sum does not include amounts appropriated in other warrant articles.

	Budget Committee Recommendations	Select Board Recommendations
4130 Executive	\$113,956	\$113,956
4140 Election & Registration	92,114	92,114
4150 Financial Administration	3,850	3,850
4152 Revaluation of Property	12,500	12,500
4153 Legal Expense	22,500	22,500
4155 Personnel Administration	104,747	104,747
4191 Planning Board and Zoning	48,909	48,909
4194 General Government Buildings	32,735	32,735
4195 Cemeteries	14,000	14,000
4196 Insurance	53,892	53,892
4197 Planning Commission	1,929	1,929
4210 Police Department	334,231	349,236
4215 Ambulance	41,400	41,400
4220 Fire Department	55,305	55,305
4240 Building Inspection	7,000	7,000
4290 Emergency Management	1,300	1,300
4299 Dispatching Services	17,669	17,669
4312 Highway Department	675,800	675,800
4313 Bridges	3,000	3,000
4316 Street Lighting	9,870	9,870
4324 Solid Waste Disposal	144,287	144,287
4411 Health Administration	2,400	2,400
4415 Health Agencies	5,071	5,071
4443 Welfare Admin. & Direct Assistance	18,896	18,896
4520 Culture & Recreation	17,398	17,398
4550 Library	20,738	20,738
4583 Patriotic Purposes	1,000	1,000
4611 Conservation Commission	2,910	2,910
4711 Principal Long Term Bonds & Notes	18,905	18,905
4721 Interest Long Term Bonds and Notes	22,467	22,467
4723 Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000	5,000
4790 Other Debt Service	1,000	1,000

The Budget Committee Recommends \$1,906,779

The Select Board Recommends \$1,921,784

Greg Gill, Moderator, explained that under appropriation 4140 and 4150 the amounts were transposed. Under 4140 the budget amount

requested should have been \$3,850 and under 4150 the budgeted amount requested should have been \$92,114.

Motion made by Emilio Cancio-Bello to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Bette Fredrickson.

A motion was made by Chris Donnelly and Shannon Storm to increase town employees' salaries by 3%. Carrie Thomas 2nd. This would be a "Cost of Living Adjustment" not a "raise" for all town employees and elected officials. A proposal was submitted by Chris Donnelly and Shannon Storm for review.

Failed by voice vote.

Ballot vote requested. There were 129 ballots cast.

YES = 52

NO = 77

Amendment to Article 3 to add a 3% Cost of Living Adjustment was defeated.

A motion was made by Richard Deschenes to reduce the total budget by \$175,000. George Edmunds 2nd.

Amendment to Article 3 to reduce the total budget by \$175,000 was defeated.

A motion was made by Robert Wright, Jr. to increase line item 4312 by \$10,000. Charlie Forsberg 2nd.

Amendment to Article 3 to increase line item 4312 by \$10,000 passed.

Passed with amendments

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$229,250 to be added to various Capital Reserve Funds previously established as follows:

Conservation Land	\$ 10,000
Highway Equipment Trucks	50,000
Solid Waste	5,000
Forest Fire Equipment	250
Fire Equipment Replacement	50,000
Rescue Vehicle	5,000
Property Revaluation	25,000
Highway Facility Shed	10,000
Highway Pickup Truck	4,000

Fire Department Addition	25,000
Highway Backhoe	10,000
Highway Grader	20,000
Highway Loader	10,000
Records Preservation	2,000
Pillsbury Memorial Hall	3,000

Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Select Board

Motion made by Charlie Ash to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Emilio Cancio-Bello.

Dick Deschenes made a motion to decrease Article 4 from \$229,250 to \$214,000.

As there was no 2nd this motion failed.

Brian Tilton made a motion to amend Article 4 to zero. Charlie Forsberg 2nd.

Amendment to Article 4 failed.

Dick Deschenes made a motion to amend Article 4 from \$229,250 to \$15,000 to be distributed as follows:

Fire Equipment Replacement	\$5,000
Fire Department Addition	\$5,000
Highway Grader	\$5,000

As there was no 2nd this motion failed.

Article passed as read

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to upgrade blacktop town roads.

Motion made by Bud Nelson to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Bob DeFelice.

Article passed as read

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 for the purpose of upgrading gravel town roads.

Motion made by Bud Nelson to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Emilio Cancio-Bello.

Article passed as read

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 to be known as the Cemetery Land Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of acquiring land for additional town cemetery space, and to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to be placed into this fund. Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Select Board.

Motion made by Bob DeFelice to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Larry Harper.

Article passed as read.

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$9,500 for the purpose of replacing the Penacook Road Box Culvert and further to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$9,500 from the Town Bridges Capital Reserve Fund established in 1959 for that purpose. No amount to be raised from general taxation.

Motion made by Bud Nelson to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Emilio Cancio-Bello.

Article passed as read

Article 9: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$1,500 for the purpose of obtaining an appraisal of and purchasing a parcel of land owned by Louis and Nancy Pocharski located at the corner of Gile Road and North Road, identified in the town's tax records as Map 07 Lot 876-290, and further to authorize the purchase, said purchase price to be not more than the amount of the appraisal plus taxes, interest and penalties owed at the time of the transfer, with the purchase being contingent on the seller's payment of all taxes, interest and penalties owed.

Motion made by Emilio Cancio-Bello to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Robert Wright, Jr.

Article passed as read

Article 10: To see if the town will vote to discontinue in accordance with RSA 231:43 a portion of Park Avenue beginning 955 feet from the intersection of Park Avenue and Keyser Street to the shoreline of Kezar Lake, a discontinuance of 100'+/-.

Motion made by Jennifer Rowe to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Jean LaChance.

Article passed as read

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to adopt the provisions of NH RSA 72:62, which provides for an optional property tax exemption from the property's assessed value, for property tax purposes, for persons owning real property, which is equipped with solar energy systems, intended for use at the immediate site. Such property tax exemption shall be in the amount equal to 100% of the assessed value of qualifying equipment under these statutes.

Motion made by Emilio Cancio-Bello to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Bob DeFelice.

Voice vote inconclusive. Hand vote requested.

YES = 43

NO = 71

Article failed

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Recycle Facility Capital Reserve Fund established in 1996 and modified in 2003, said funds, with accumulated interest (approximately \$10,500) are to be transferred to the town's general fund; and to further raise and appropriate \$10,500 to be added to the Solid Waste Transfer Station Facility Capital Reserve established in 1982 and modified in 2002 for the purpose of repairs, replacements, improvements and the acquisition of equipment and vehicles at the Solid Waste/Recycling Facility said amount to come from the general fund. Recommended by the Budget Committee and the Select Board

Motion made by Charlie Ash to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Bob DeFelice.

Article passed as read

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to repair a section of road, near Kezar Lake, designated as, Wadleigh Hill Road.

-Reasons-

For the health, and safety of the residents of Corporation Hill area. The distance from the North Sutton fire station, south on State Route 114, through Sutton Mills village, up Corporation Hill Road, to the last building on this route reached by fire or emergency equipment is a distance of 4 miles. The distance (now blocked) from the North Sutton

fire station to this location, through the village of North Sutton and along Wadleigh Hill Road is a distance of approximately 1.3 miles, including the .6 mile section now closed. To have Wadleigh Hill Road area closed, will pose a hazard to the health and welfare of the citizens in that area.

In the case of fire, the engine going up Corporation Hill, would be delayed because of the extra mileage involved, more than triple the mileage.

In the case of emergency services, the ambulance or Rescue squad would have to make the trip from New London down Route 114 to Sutton Mills then back in a northerly direction up Corporation Hill Road, delaying valuable emergency response time during a medical crisis.
Petitioned by Al Donati and 60 others.

Motion made by Cassie McManus to accept article as read. Motion 2nd by Bud Nelson.

Article failed

Chief of Police, Jon Korbet asked that the Town make an amendment to Article 3 to increase the operating budget from \$333,231 to \$349,236.

Motion made by Linda Ford to reconsider Article 3, appropriation 4210, to increase the operating budget for the Police Department from \$333,231 to \$349,236 to allow the police department to lease a 3rd cruiser.
Bob DeFelice 2nd motion.

Voice vote inconclusive. Hand vote requested.

YES = 36
NO = 35

Amendment Passed to bring Town of Sutton operating budget from \$1,916,779.00 to \$1,931,779.00 which includes the \$15,000 increase to the Police Department.

Article 14: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Passed

Darrel Palmer made a motion to adjourn Town Meeting. Robert Wright, Jr. 2nd. Town Meeting adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Ford
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Town Of Sutton, New Hampshire

November 6, 2012 Election Results

Total Registered Voters for Sutton, NH = 1473

President -	Obama/Biden =	654
	Romney/Ryan =	545
	Johnson/Gray =	7
	Goode/Clymer =	0
	Write Ins -	
	Big Foot =	1
	Ron Paul/Rand Paul =	1
	James T. Luca/Tony Matten =	1
	Hillary Clinton =	1
	Ron Paul =	1
Governor -	Babiarz =	24
	Hassan =	656
	Lamontagne =	510
	Write Ins -	
	James Pindell =	1
	John Lynch =	1
Representative in Congress -	Macia =	35
	Kuster =	600
	Bass =	545
	Write Ins -	0
Executive Councilor -	Ostern =	557
	Tierney =	526
	Write Ins -	
	Sarah Gray =	1
	Matthew Ronald Therrien =	1
Loring Ford =		
State Senator -	Wallenstein =	482
	Odell =	639
	Write Ins -	
	Larry Ford =	1
State Representative -	Schamberg =	578
	Cooper =	527
	Write Ins -	
	Neither =	1

Sheriff -	Hilliard =	1086
	Write Ins -	
	Matthew Ronald Therrien =	1
County Attorney -	Murray =	1077
	Write Ins -	0
County Treasurer -	Bernier =	519
	Hammond =	537
	Write Ins -	
	Andy Palmer =	1
Register of Deeds -	Soderstrom =	472
	Guay =	605
	Write Ins -	0
Register of Probate -	Bradstreet =	1071
	Write Ins -	0
County Commissioner -	Cohen =	501
	Spaulding =	577
	Write Ins -	0
Question 1 -	Yes =	569
	No =	508
Question 2 -	Yes =	493
	No =	550
Question 3 -	Yes =	382
	No =	661

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Selectboard and Management
Town of Sutton, New Hampshire

Report on the Financial Statements. We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Sutton, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements. Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from materials misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluation the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluation the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion. In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Sutton, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Report on Required Supplementary Information. The management discussion and analysis beginning on page ii and the section marked *Required Supplementary Information* is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and therefore express no opinion on it.

Report on Combining and Individual Fund Statements and Schedules. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Paul J. Mercier, Jr. cpa for

The Mercier Group, a professional corporation
Canterbury, New Hampshire
February 12, 2013

Town Administrator Report 2012

I submit the following brief financial narrative for those of you who don't find reading financial reports riveting but remain interested in the Town's bottom line. The Town's undesignated fund balance at year's end was \$517,844.88, up \$106,204.88 from the prior year. The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) suggests that municipalities retain between 8% and 17% of regular general fund operating expenditures. In NH, this is calculated by adding the municipality's general fund operating appropriations, the education tax amount, the local school net tax commitment and the county appropriation. At tax rate setting time, the Town's undesignated fund balance was very close to 5% retainage. The Town will continue to use fund balance to control spikes in tax rate, but as the economy allows, an 8% retainage should be a goal for this community's financial health.

Revenues were slightly lower this year, but a mild winter and good management on the part of Department Heads helped keep expenditures in line, resulting in the increase in fund balance. Any unexpended funds that were not encumbered at year's end were returned to the undesignated fund balance. This year the Town used \$80,000 from fund balance to offset the tax rate. An additional \$85,000 was used to settle a major tax appeal from 2010.

The total tax rate for 2012 was \$21.57, down nineteen cents from the previous year. Sutton's portion of the tax rate remained stable at \$6.25. The other factors that make up the total tax rate are the Local School Rate (KRSD) at \$9.98, the State School Rate at \$2.48 and the County Rate at \$2.86, all of which also remained stable. It is important to recognize that the overall decrease in tax rate was a direct result of the Local School Rate. In 2012, Sutton's property valuation went down by \$167,427 to a total valuation of \$268,369,650. A combination of factors including slow construction and the golf course tax appeal were the major contributors to the decline in the Town's property valuation.

If you are interested in learning more about the Town's finances, the Board of Selectmen annually prepare a short report entitled Management's Discussion and Analysis or MD&A. This report is included in the Town's annual audit and copies are available upon request. The MD&A report contains a summary of Financial Highlights, an Overview of Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements and Analysis, a discussion of governmental activities, a summary of Capital Assets and Debt Administration and an opinion on the town's economic outlook and major initiatives.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, suggestions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Elly Phillips

Town Administrator

2012 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: SUTTON

Gross Appropriations	2,269,529.00
Less: Revenues	745,063.00
Less: Shared Revenues	0.00
Add: Overlay	84,874.00
War Service Credits	68,000.00

Net Town Appropriation	1,677,340.00	
Special Adjustment		
Approved Town/City Tax Effort	1,677,340.00	TOWN RATE 6.25

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp.- Revenue)	0.00	
Regional School Apportionment	3,702,663.00	
Less Adequate Education Grant	(367,584.00)	
State Education Taxes	656,791.00	LOCAL
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	2,678,288.00	SCHOOL RATE 9.98

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	2.39	
274,807,947		656,791.00
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)		STATE
265,162,688		SCHOOL RATE 2.48

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	768,360.00	
Less: Shared Revenues		
Approved County Tax Effort	768,360.00	COUNTY RATE 2.86

TOTAL RATE
21.57

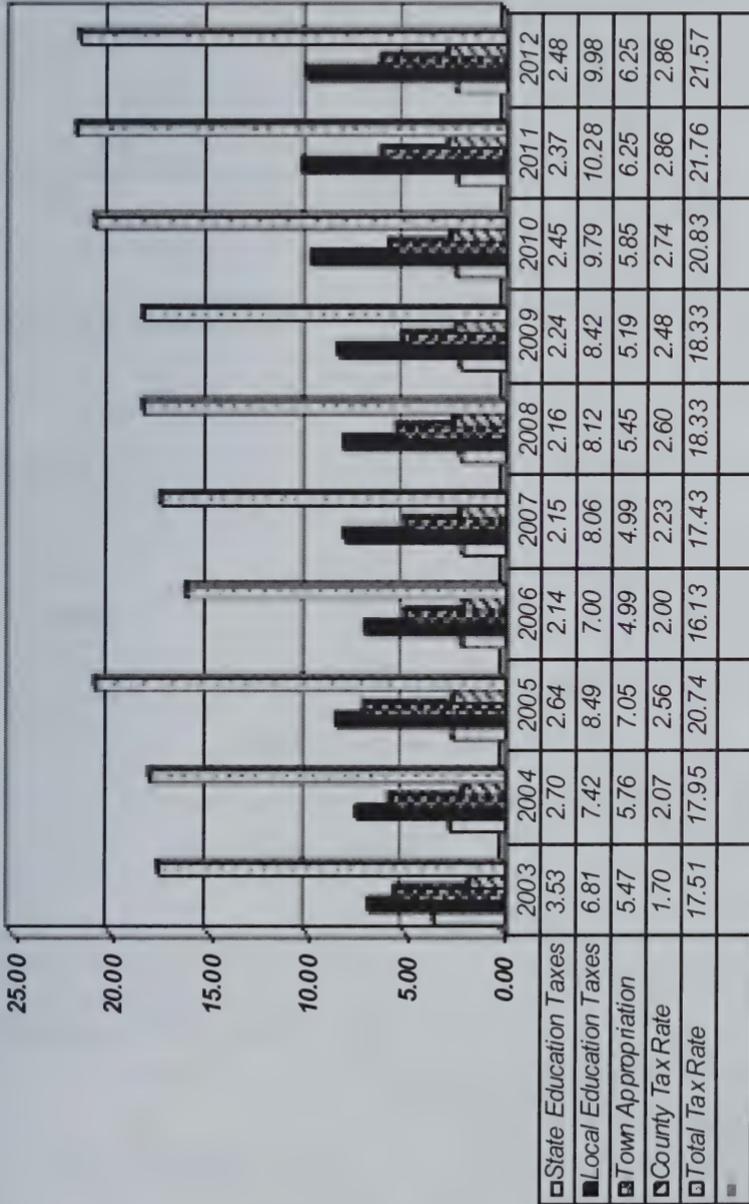
Total Property Taxes Assessed	5,780,779.00
Less: War Service Credits	(68,000.00)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	0.00
Total Property Tax Commitment	5,712,779.00

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	265,162,688.00	2.48	656,791.00
All Other Taxes	268,369,650.00	19.09	5,123,988.00
			5,780,779.00

2012 Sutton Tax Rate Comparison

Tax Rate Comparison with Educational Breakdown



2012 Inventory Valuation

Value of Land Only

	Number of Acres	2012 Assessed Valuation
Current Use at Current Use Values	18,518.26	\$1,548,585.00
Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved)	4,818.13	\$109,092,740.00
Commercial Industrial Land	490.39	\$2,904,903.00
Total of Taxable Land	23,826.78	113,546,228.00
Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Land	2,013.37	\$11,589,804.00

Value of Buildings Only

Residential		\$143,806,660.00
Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31		\$85,610.00
Commercial & Industrial (not including utilities)		\$8,344,190.00
Total of Taxable Buildings		\$152,236,460.00
Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Buildings		\$25,643,510.00
Utilities		\$3,206,962.00
Valuations Before Exemptions		\$268,989,650.00

Elderly Exemption

Total # Granted	9	\$620,000.00
Net Valuation		\$268,369,650.00
Less Utilities		\$3,206,962.00
Net Valuation without Utilities to Computer State Education Tax		\$265,162,688.00

Veterans Tax Credit

Veterans Tax Credit \$500	120	\$60,000.00
Tax Credit for Service Connected Disability \$2000	4	\$8,000.00

Current Use Report

Farmland	516.02	\$190,353.00
Forestland	16939.13	\$1,336,018.00
Forestland with documented Stewardship	97.96	\$4,210.00
Unproductive Land	359.39	\$6,091.00
Wetland	605.76	\$11,913.00
Total	18518.26	\$1,548,585.00

Acres Receiving 20% Recreational Adjustment	8017.03
Removed From Current Use During the Year	2.3
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	305
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	454

Town of Sutton Balance Sheet

December 31, 2012

	2012	2011
Assets		
Cash & Investments in hands of Treasurer:		
Cash in Checking	\$ 1,451,689.61	\$ 1,527,764.10
Investment Account		
Sutton Free Library	459.34	9,198.84
Conservation Commission	96,801.51	75,704.35
King Hill Reservation	8,437.31	10,197.97
Cash in performance deposits	<u>21,662.42</u>	<u>19,651.91</u>
Capital & Non-Capital Reserve Funds:	\$ 1,579,050.19	\$ 1,642,517.17
Town Bridges	177,317.19	186,614.51
Forest Fire Equipment	3,740.44	3,486.58
Solid Waste/Transfer Station	52,227.22	36,686.45
Legal Fees	22,992.71	32,957.52
Highway Department Equipment	196,998.41	146,836.20
Revaluation	61,907.96	36,866.57
Recycling Facility	-	10,515.02
Highway Garage Addition	20,251.34	10,239.91
Highway Pick-up Truck	4,110.54	110.26
Highway Grader	302,223.31	281,915.10
Highway Loader	215,311.86	205,088.03
Fire Equipment	199,732.25	149,566.76
Conservation Land	151,572.03	141,417.50
Highway Emergency Equipment	19,674.03	19,652.54
Milfoil	22,704.22	22,679.46
Fire Department Maintenance	2,309.10	2,306.01
Library Maintenance	1,153.81	1,153.55
Cemetery Maintenance	1,153.81	1,153.55
Fire Department Addition	191,330.20	166,147.97
Records Preservation	5,407.69	3,403.91
Highway Backhoe	20,011.87	10,000.67
Rescue Vehicle	15,011.65	10,000.67
Pillsbury Memorial Hall	6,003.50	3,000.00
Cemetery Land	5,000.28	-
Forest Fire Salaries	4,502.64	4,497.76
Accrued Benefits	<u>3,267.51</u>	<u>3,263.82</u>
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of current year	347,795.04	322,301.30
Levies of prior years	1,732.51	17,873.91
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levies of 1 prior year	130,274.41	87,059.39
Levies of 2 prior years	47,400.12	62,044.22
Levies of prior years	12,349.07	10,276.34
Statutory deferrals	9,031.22	9,031.22
Allowance for uncollectible taxes	<u>(5,000.00)</u>	<u>(5,000.00)</u>
Miscellaneous receivables - NSF Checks & other	2,061.00	51.00
	<u>\$ 3,830,609.13</u>	<u>\$ 3,635,714.87</u>
Liabilities and Equity		
Accounts Payable		\$ 8,603.82
Accrued Payroll & Benefits		-
Deferred Revenue	250,000.00	250,000.00
Encumbrances:		
10/03 Highway Garage (balance to reduce debt)	-	32,853.67
11/04 Upgrade Blacktop Roads	25,480.00	25,480.00
11/05 Upgrade Gravel Roads	-	30,267.00
12/03 Cemetery Tree Removal	900.00	
12/05 Upgrade Blacktop Roads	50,000.00	
12/06 Upgrade Gravel Roads	30,266.00	
FEMA 1812	1,460.00	14,221.50
FEMA 4026	<u>9,191.17</u>	<u>9,191.17</u>
	117,297.17	112,013.34
Sutton Free Library	459.34	9,198.84
Conservation Commission	96,801.51	75,704.35
Conservation Commission - 100% of Land Use		
Change Tax Collections Due from General Fund	-	91.42
King Hill Reservation	8,437.31	10,197.97
Performance Deposits	21,662.42	19,651.91
Due to cemetery trusts - Lot sales	-	1,200.00
Due to School District	1,112,159.45	1,247,852.95
Due to State NH - vital statistics	31.48	-
Capital Reserve Funds	<u>1,705,915.57</u>	<u>1,489,560.32</u>
	3,312,764.25	3,224,074.92
Unreserved Fund Balance	<u>517,844.88</u>	<u>411,639.95</u>
	<u>\$ 3,830,609.13</u>	<u>\$ 3,635,714.87</u>

Report from the Town Clerk Tax Collector's Office

Our office hours have been changed to:

Monday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday and Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

I would like to welcome Janet Luca to the office as my deputy. She will be a great asset to the office.

All dogs need to be registered by April 30th of each year. If they are not you may be faced with a \$25.00 civil forfeiture fee for each dog as well as any licensing and late fees.

REMEMBER Per RSA 261:148 if you do not supply an expired(ing) registration or the renewal letter at the time of registration renewal, we will not be able to process your request. It is against the law to look up any registration information. If you are not listed on the registration, you will be unable to obtain that registration without the proper paperwork. If you have lost your paperwork there is an \$18.00 fee for the printing of a new one so that you can show it to us.

I have set-up an e-mail database for updates from this office. If you want to be added, please send me a note at suttontctc@yahoo.com and I'll add you to the list.

I want to THANK you all for being such wonderful residents. You all make my job easier and I look forward to each and every day.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Ford
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Report Of The Town Clerk

For The Period Of

January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012

Location Town MA Fee	\$ 8,951.00
Location Town Permit Fees	\$295,000.52
Location Town Clerk Fees	\$ 2,922.00
Location Town Title Fees	\$ 748.00
Location Town Transfer Fees	\$ 984.00
Aquatherm	\$.50
Dog License – Basic	\$ 173.50
Dog License – Group of 5+ Dogs	\$ 117.00
Dog License – Altered	\$ 1,480.00
Dog Civil Forfeiture	\$ 269.50
Dog License – Late Fee	\$ 64.00
Dog License – Senior Owner	\$ 118.50
Dog License – State Fees	\$ 792.00
Dog License – State Tag Fee	\$ 240.00
Marriage Licenses	\$ 405.00
Miscellaneous Fees	\$ 2.60
UCC Fees	\$ 420.00
Vital Records – 2 nd Copies	\$ 60.00
Vital Records – 1 st Copy	\$ 620.00
Wetland Filing Fee	\$ 20.00
Mail in Fee – DES Application	\$ 11.50
 Total Remittance to Treasurer for 2012	 \$313,399.62

Respectfully submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Report of the Trust Funds

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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF SUTTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012

YTD

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND (COMMON FUND)	Purpose of Trust	HOW INVESTED	PRINCIPAL				***INCOME***			GRAND TOTAL Principal & Income of Year	
				Balance beginning of year	New Funds Created	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year	Balance beginning of year	Income during Year	Expended During Year		Balance End of Year
various	126 CEMETERY TRUSTS (COMMON FUND)	PERPETUAL CARE	NHPDIP*	29,775.81			29,775.81		25.16	32.61	57.77	29,833.58
1966	CEMETERY GEN'L TRUST	GEN'L CARE	NHPDIP*	13,019.24	1,200.00		14,219.24		1.52	15.31	16.83	14,236.07
1916	ORIN NELSON	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00		1.88	0.00	1.88	1,001.88
1918	JOHN PRESSEY	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00		1.88	0.00	1.88	1,001.88
1943	LEWIS RICHARDS	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	300.00			300.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
1967	DOUGLAS ANDERSON	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00		1.88	0.00	1.88	1,001.88
1971	GRACE P. NELSON	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	48,560.10			48,560.10		108.54	53.18	161.72	48,721.82
1988	ADA P. ANDERSON	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	3,000.00			3,000.00		6.42	3.39	9.81	3,009.81
1988	F B WADLEIGH	BOOKS, LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	4,168.21			4,168.21		9.40	4.37	13.77	4,181.98
2000	AMELIA CHAPMAN**	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	10,000.00			10,000.00		22.59	10.82	33.41	10,033.41
1909	MARY EATON	SCHOOLS	NHPDIP*	150.00			150.00		29.73	0.00	29.73	179.73
1916	ORIN NELSON	WORTHY POOR	NHPDIP*	1,085.00			1,085.00		1,899.35	3.34	1,902.69	2,987.69
1930	JOHN EATON	SCHOOLS	NHPDIP*	500.00			500.00		95.06	0.00	95.06	595.06
1944	FRED E. NELSON	TOWN	NHPDIP*	1,770.97			1,770.97		0.00	2.27	2.27	1,773.24
1944	FRED E. NELSON	MISC. TOWN	NHPDIP*	4,366.73			4,366.73		0.57	4.66	5.23	4,371.96
1966	HELENA W. WELLS	OLD STORE MUSEUM	NHPDIP*	10,118.25			10,118.25		2,706.64	13.99	2,720.63	12,838.88
1989	SUTTON RESCUE**	RESCUE	NHPDIP*	3,001.46			3,001.46		299.85	3.72	303.57	3,305.03
1990	VOL. FIRE DEPT**	FIRE DEPT	NHPDIP*	20,540.73			20,540.73		6,797.56	29.70	6,827.26	27,367.99
1994	FOREST FIRE SALARIES**	SALARIES	NHPDIP*	3,404.11			3,404.11		1,093.65	4.88	1,098.53	4,502.64
1994	ACCRUED BENEFITS**	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	NHPDIP*	3,199.93			3,199.93		63.89	3.69	67.58	3,267.51
2003	N SUTTON CEM R FUND**	REP & MAINT	NHPDIP*	31,245.82			31,245.82		3,059.23	37.35	3,096.58	34,342.40
2008	FAY PUGLIESE LIBRARY	LIBRARY	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00		1.88	0.00	1.88	1,001.88
	CUMULATIVE TOTALS - ALL TRUSTS			192,206.36	1,200.00	0.00	193,406.36		16,226.68	223.28	16,449.96	209,856.32

* NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL

** EXPENDABLE TRUST

Report of the Trust Funds

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF SUTTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012

Date of Creation	NAME OF FUND	Purpose	HOW INVESTED	PRINCIPAL				***INCOME***				GRAND TOTAL	
				Balance beginning of year	New Funds Created	Withdrawals	Balance End of Year	Balance beginning of year	Income during Year	Expanded During Year	Balance End of Year		Principal & Income End of Year
1959	TOWN BRIDGES	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	179,470.09		2,173.41	177,296.68	7,144.42	202.68	7,326.59	20.51	177,317.19	
1980	FOREST FIRE EQUIPMENT	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	2,636.74	250.00		2,886.74	849.84	3.86		853.70	3,740.44	
1982	SOLID WASTE/ TRANSFER STATION	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	35,159.09	15,500.00		50,659.09	1,527.36	40.77		1,568.13	52,227.22	
1988	CEMETERIES	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	0.00			0.00				0.00	0.00	
1988	LEGAL FEES	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	32,832.49		9,842.91	22,989.58	125.03	35.19	157.09	3.13	22,992.71	
1993	HIGHWAY EQUIP	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	146,596.77	50,000.00		196,596.77	239.43	162.21		401.64	196,998.41	
1996	REVALUATION	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	36,856.22	25,000.00		61,856.22	10.35	41.39		51.74	61,907.96	
1996	HIGHWAY GRADER	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	10,505.98			10,505.98	9.04	10.78	19.82	0.00	20,251.34	
1998	RECYCLE FACILITY	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	10,238.62	10,000.00		20,238.62	1.29	11.43		12.72	20,251.34	
1998	HWY PICKUP TRUCK	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	109.61	4,000.00		4,109.61	0.65	0.28		0.93	4,110.54	
2000	COMPUTER UPGRADE	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	0.00			0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	
2001	HIGHWAY GRADER	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	286,000.00	20,000.00		306,000.00	15,915.10	308.21		16,223.31	302,223.31	
2001	HIGHWAY LOADER	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	191,000.00	10,000.00		201,000.00	14,088.03	223.83		14,311.86	215,311.86	
2001	TOWN HISTORY	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	0.00			0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00	
2005	FIRE EQUIP	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	144,500.00	50,000.00		194,500.00	5,066.76	165.49		5,232.25	199,732.25	
2005	CONSERVATION LAND	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	141,313.06	10,000.00		151,313.06	104.44	154.53		258.97	151,572.03	
2002	HWY EMERGENCY	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	18,000.00			18,000.00	1,652.54	21.49		1,674.03	19,674.03	
2002	MILFOIL	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	20,000.00			20,000.00	2,679.46	24.76		2,704.22	22,704.22	
2003	DRA RECERTIFICATION	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	0.00			0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00	
2005	FIRE DEPT MAINT	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	2,000.00			2,000.00	306.01	3.09		309.10	2,309.10	
2005	LIBRARY MAINT	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00	153.55	0.26		153.81	1,153.81	
2005	CEMETERY MAINT	NON-CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	1,000.00			1,000.00	153.55	0.26		153.81	1,153.81	
2007	FIRE DEPT ADDN CRF	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	162,500.00	25,000.00		187,500.00	3,647.97	182.23		3,830.20	191,330.20	
2010	RECORD PRESERVATION	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	3,403.61	2,000.00		5,403.61	0.30	3.78		4.08	5,407.69	
2011	HIGHWAY BACKHOE CRF	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	10,000.00	10,000.00		20,000.00	0.67	11.20		11.87	20,011.87	
2011	RESCUE VEHICLE CRF	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	10,000.00	5,000.00		15,000.00	0.67	10.98		11.65	15,011.65	
2011	PILLSBURY MEMORIAL CRF	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	3,000.00	3,000.00		6,000.00	0.00	3.50		3.50	6,003.50	
2012	CEMETERY LAND	CAPITAL RESERVE	NHPDIP*	5,000.00	5,000.00		10,000.00	0.00	0.28		0.28	5,000.28	
	TOTAL RESERVE FUNDS			1,428,122.28	244,750.00		1,672,872.28	53,676.46	1,622.48		7,503.50	1,698,145.42	
	TOTAL ALL TRUSTS			192,206.36	1,200.00		193,406.36	16,226.68	223.28		0.00	16,449.96	209,856.32
	TOTAL ALL FUNDS			1,620,328.64	245,950.00		1,843,756.34	69,903.14	1,845.76		7,503.50	1,908,001.74	

* NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL

Treasurer's Report

	General Fund	Conservation Commission	King Hill Reservation	Performance Deposits	Total
Beginning Balances	1,527,764.10	75,704.35	10,197.97	19,651.91	1,292,828.96
Receipts:					
Tax Collector	5,941,369.12				5,941,369.12
Town Clerk	313,399.62				313,399.62
Town Office & Other Departments	90,849.22			4,319.00	95,168.22
Federal Support	625.00				625.00
State of New Hampshire	179,764.63		445.00		180,209.63
Proceeds of Long-Term Debt	-				-
Withdrawal from Capital Reserves	30,025.80				30,025.80
Tax Anticipation Notes	-				-
New Deposits Received	-				-
State Revolving Loan Drawdowns	-				-
Conservation Income(Land Use Change 100%)		25,291.42			25,291.42
Interest on deposits	606.96	137.74	14.34	11.28	770.32
Other	-				-
	6,556,640.35	25,429.16	459.34	4,330.28	6,586,859.13
Disbursements:					
Selectmen Orders Paid	6,263,570.23			2,319.77	6,265,890.00
Uncollected Taxes Converted to Liens	174,002.21				174,002.21
Conservation Commission Orders Paid		4,332.00	2,220.00		6,552.00
Variance	195,142.40				195,142.40
	6,632,714.84	4,332.00	2,220.00	2,319.77	6,446,444.21
Ending Balance	1,451,689.61	96,801.51	8,437.31	21,662.42	1,433,243.88
Bank Balances:					
Lake Sunapee Savings Bank	1,451,689.61				1,451,689.61
Lake Sunapee Savings Bank	-				-
Mascoma Savings Bank	-				-
TD Banknorth	-	96,801.51	8,437.31	21,662.42	126,901.24
	1,451,689.61	96,801.51	8,437.31	21,662.42	1,578,590.85

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Lorri Himes, Treasurer

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Treasurer's Agency Report

TOWN OF SUTTON

Agency Funds - Summary of Changes in Assets and Liabilities
 FYE December 31, 2012

Depositor	Date Established	Purpose	Type of Deposit	Bank/Ins. Company	Account/Policy Number	Balance Beginning	Additions			Balance Ending
							Deposits Received	Interest Credited	Deductions	
Z Ventures Corporation	051229	Performance bond	Cash	TD Bank North	9721940298	15,068.34	-	8.17	-	15,076.51
TKI Construction, LLC	110203	Performance bond	Cash	Lake Sunapee	210563144	4,583.57	2,319.00	2.29	-	4,585.86
Joyce Rose Inc.	120420	Performance bond	Cash	Lake Sunapee	210598702	-	2,000.00	0.77	(2,319.77)	-
Granite State Forestry Service, Inc.	121210	Performance bond	Cash	Lake Sunapee	210616322	-	4,319.00	0.05	-	2,000.05
						19,651.91	4,319.00	11.28	(2,319.77)	21,662.42

Conservation Commission 2012

Sutton Conservation Commission
2012

Conservation Account King Hill Reservation General Fund Total

Revenues				
LUCT	25,291.42			25,291.42
Interest on deposits	137.74	14.34		152.08
F & G Mowing Grant		445.00		445.00
Total revenues:	25,429.16	-	459.34	25,888.50

Expenditures				
Maple Leaf Parking Lot	4,332.00			4,332.00
Mowing		2,220.00		2,220.00
Total expenditures:	4,332.00	-	2,220.00	6,552.00

Excess(Deficiency)of Revenues &
Other Financing Sources Over(under)
Expenditures

	21,097.16	(1,760.66)		19,336.50
Balances - January 1, 2012	75,704.35	10,197.97		85,902.32
Balances - December 31, 2012	96,801.51	8,437.31		105,238.82

Summary of Account Balances

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Treasurer

2012 Expenditure Statement

4130 Executive Office		\$	109,251.49
Selectmen's Salaries	7,500.00		
Town Administrator's Salary	48,576.84		
Secretary & Clerk Wages	20,163.14		
Health Insurance	8,724.09		
Telephone	1,409.17		
Other Professional Services	1,905.02		
Computer	9,907.09		
Equipment Maintenance	570.00		
Printing Costs	5,940.32		
Advertising	192.50		
Dues/Conferences/Publications	1,870.09		
Office Supplies	1,304.47		
Postage and Envelopes	491.87		
Mileage Reimbursement	696.89		
Office Equipment	0.00		
Petty Cash	0.00		
4140 Election and Registration		\$	5,254.60
Supervisors Wages	1,815.41		
Ballot Clerk Wages	2,835.79		
Advertising	274.00		
Supplies	143.83		
Postage	185.57		
4150 Financial Administration		\$	70,684.03
Tax Collector/Town Clerk Salary	31,444.92		
Deputy Tax Collector/Town Clerk Wages	3,315.71		
Health Insurance	17,448.20		
Recording Fees	682.90		
Telephone	672.78		
Mortgage Research	1,611.00		
Equipment Maintenance	2,656.13		
Printing	1,879.79		
Dues/Conferences/ Publications	2,123.69		
Office Supplies	2,691.17		
Postage & Envelopes	5,244.70		
Mileage Reimbursement	913.04		
4151 Financial Executive		\$	16,578.94
FA Deputy Treasurer Salary	196.15		
FA Treasurer Salary	4,903.65		
FA Budget Committee Secretary	630.00		
FA Budget Committee	126.50		
FA Auditing Services	8,821.00		
FA Telephone DSL/Fax	190.63		
FA Postage and Envelopes	591.35		
FA Professional Services	84.87		
FA Mileage Reimbursement	1,034.79		

2012 Expenditure Statement

4152 Revaluation of Property		\$	11,543.00
RP Appraisal Services	11,543.00		
4153 Judicial and Legal Expenses		\$	31,569.56
Legal Expenses and Services	17,371.49		
Litigation Expenses	14,198.07		
4155 Personnel Administration		\$	98,405.76
PA Contingency	388.44		
Group Insurance - Life/D/S-L	5,737.97		
Group Insurance - Dental	6,169.41		
FICA	35,359.21		
Medicare	10,100.19		
Police Retirement Contribution	24,270.54		
Highway Retirement Contribution	12,379.12		
Executive Retirement Contribution	2,428.92		
Financial Retirement Contribution	1,571.96		
4101 Planning Board		\$	41,588.82
Secretarial Services	28,007.95		
Professional Services	476.00		
Health Insurance	5,717.02		
Recording Fees	577.88		
Telephone	901.01		
Printing	186.94		
Notices	459.50		
Dues/Conferences/Publications	301.50		
GIS Mapping	2,168.62		
Office Supplies	1,106.36		
Postage	1,380.79		
Mileage Reimbursement	305.25		
4194 General Government Buildings		\$	21,492.87
Custodial Wages	1,787.20		
Electricity	2,162.76		
Heating Fuel	9,437.96		
Repairs & Maintenance	7,336.83		
Supplies	768.12		
4155 Cemeteries		\$	8,260.00
Cemetery Services	8,260.00		
4196 Insurance		\$	46,697.12
Unemployment Insurance	2,416.36		
Workers Compensation	14,510.39		
Property/Liability	29,770.37		
4197 Advertising & Regional Associations		\$	1,929.00
Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission	1,929.00		
4210 Police Department		\$	326,883.29
Full Time Wages	53,278.80		
Part Time Wages	36,519.85		
Special Duty Wages	8,928.00		
Building and Grounds	0.00		
On Call Wages	7,656.00		
Overtime Wages	4,631.55		

2012 Expenditure Statement

Police Chief Salary	52,999.93		
Part Time Secretary	20,703.60		
Health Insurance	60,173.01		
Court Representation	0.00		
Court Witness Fees	0.00		
Telephone	6,462.49		
Computer Services	1,710.00		
Animal Control Expenses	0.00		
Electric	1,826.90		
LP Gas	1,710.51		
Maintenance	2,978.72		
Dues/Conferences/Publications	4,224.00		
Training	3,176.87		
Office Supplies	5,183.41		
Investigative Supplies	3,984.66		
Postage	186.35		
Mileage	421.30		
Cruiser Lease/Equipment	30,820.18		
Cruiser Fuel	11,815.86		
Cruiser Repair/Maintenance	5,184.55		
Uniforms	2,306.75		
4215 Ambulance		\$	40,095.00
Sutton Rescue Squad	6,500.00		
Support Ambulance	0.00		
New London Ambulance	33,595.00		
4220 Fire Department		\$	55,616.63
LP Gas	0.00		
Telephone	1,157.12		
Electricity	3,400.62		
Heating Fuel	5,696.97		
Building Maintenance	2,697.70		
Equipment Fuel	1,306.46		
Training	872.52		
Fire Warden	8,108.59		
Maintenance Fee Gen Air	4,392.90		
Miscellaneous & Supplies	4,786.27		
Vehicle Repairs and Maintenance	12,065.44		
Training Supplies/Equipment	2,901.13		
Equipment	224.91		
Radios	8,006.00		
4240 Building Inspection		\$	4,984.06
Inspection Services	4,034.06		
Wetlands Inspection	950.00		
4290 Emergency Management		\$	449.60
Emergency Management Services	300.00		
Emergency Management Supplies	149.60		
4299 Dispatching Services		\$	17,669.00
Dispatching Services	17,669.00		
4312 Highway Department		\$	649,035.56
Wages	245,572.71		
Part Time Labor	2,815.88		

2012 Expenditure Statement

Part Time Mechanic	500.00		
Overtime Wages	28,315.19		
Part Time Secretary	553.44		
Health Insurance	93,348.09		
Telephone	1,201.58		
Other Professional Services	23,503.61		
Radio Repairs/Purchase/Lease	304.71		
Electricity	2,918.15		
Heating Oil	10,381.24		
LP Gas	0.00		
Building Repairs/Maintenance	417.07		
Dues/Conferences/Publications & Adv.	222.50		
Equipment Rental	18,471.06		
Mileage Reimbursement	99.90		
Vehicle Fuel	50,766.64		
Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	13,246.61		
Oil & Filters	4,587.49		
Tires	4,854.80		
Materials & Supplies	4,841.98		
Cutting Edges	6,946.88		
Equipment Repair/Maintenance	15,309.04		
Chains	320.00		
Culverts	8,771.45		
Hand Tools	627.09		
Shop Equipment	1,133.96		
Sand & Salt	61,748.21		
Gravel	41,912.33		
Asphalt Products	1,800.23		
Signs	1,603.92		
Liquid Calcium Chloride	1,939.80		
4313 Bridges		\$	85.11
Bridge Expenses	85.11		
4316 Street Lighting		\$	8,788.51
Street Lighting Expenses	8,788.51		
4324 Solid Waste Disposal		\$	134,761.56
Wages	61,876.29		
Telephone	745.08		
Water Testing	2,170.00		
Electricity	2,300.33		
Diesel	3,361.22		
Dues/Conferences/Publications	391.85		
Maintenance/Supplies	2,744.72		
Uniforms	749.35		
Safety Equipment	417.78		
Operator Certification	353.81		
Repairs	3,516.85		
Lagoon Maintenance	3,104.83		
Demo Dumpster/Tipping Fee	18,273.40		
Electronic Recycling	720.30		
Newspaper Containers	0.00		
Hazardous Waste	1,170.50		
Cardboard Dumpster	1,829.21		
Aluminum/Steel Cans	750.00		
Freon Recycling	0.00		
Tire Removal	0.00		

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Florescent Bulb Recycling	0.00	
MSW Tipping	20,962.79	
MSW Trucking	5,632.84	
Propane	1,258.29	
Calcium Chloride	838.00	
Glass	1,594.12	
4411 Health Administration		\$ 1,070.00
Inoculations & Tests	570.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	500.00	
4415 Lake Sunapee Regional VNA		\$ 5,072.12
Lake Sunapee Regional VNA	5,072.12	
4442 Direct Assistance		\$ 13,651.47
Worthy Causes	650.00	
Miscellaneous Direct Assistance	4,605.75	
Services	4,284.72	
Community Action Program	4,111.00	
4520 Culture and Recreation		\$ 10,313.00
South Sutton Common	300.00	
Historical Society	6,000.00	
Council on Aging	2,000.00	
Churches	263.00	
Youth Recreation Programs	1,000.00	
North Sutton Improvement Society	750.00	
4550 Library		\$ 20,214.76
Salaries	8,749.78	
Library Telephone	799.68	
Library Electricity	1,111.91	
Library Heating Fuel	1,926.21	
Library Repairs and Maintenance	5,560.41	
Library Advertising	217.50	
Library Programs	500.00	
Library Supplies/Equipment/Postage	25.00	
Library Books	1,124.27	
Library Maintenance	200.00	
4583 Patriotic Purposes		\$ 575.00
Patriotic Purposes Expenses	575.00	
4611 Conservation Administration		\$ 2,487.28
Secretarial Services	832.66	
Dues/Conferences/Publications	525.00	
Expenses	912.00	
Supplies	217.62	
4700 Debt Service		\$ 41,371.36
Principal LT Bonds/Notes	18,904.36	
Interest LT Bonds/Notes	22,467.00	
Interest on Tans	0.00	
Interest on Abatements	0.00	
4194 Capital Reserve Funds		\$ 229,250.00
Highway Emergency	0.00	

2012 Expenditure Statement

Conservation Land	10,000.00		
Highway Equipment	50,000.00		
Town Bridges	0.00		
Solid Waste Facility	5,000.00		
Forest Fire Equipment	250.00		
Fire Equipment Replacement	50,000.00		
Rescue Vehicle	5,000.00		
Property Revaluation	25,000.00		
Highway Sand Shed	10,000.00		
Pickup Truck	4,000.00		
Fire Department Addition	25,000.00		
Highway Department Backhoe	10,000.00		
Highway Grader	20,000.00		
Highway Loader	10,000.00		
Historical Records Preservation	2,000.00		
Pillsbury Memorial Hall	3,000.00		
2012 Warrant Articles		\$	48,000.00
Gravel Road Upgrade	32,000.00		
Blacktop Upgrade	0.00		
Capital Reserve Cemetery	5,000.00		
Penacook Box Culvert	9,500.00		
Pocharski Land	1,500.00		
GRAND TOTAL		\$	2,073,628.50

Statement of Receipts and Actual Revenues

for the year ending December 31, 2012

	Estimated Revenues	Actual Revenues	Over (Under) Budget
TAXES			
Timber Tax	7,400.00	7,488.47	88.47
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	57,000.00	77,522.80	20,522.80
Excavation Tax & Activity Tax	211.00	211.48	0.48
LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	285,000.00	297,829.59	12,829.59
Building Permits	2,500.00	3,390.00	890.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	4,000.00	3,863.10	(136.90)
FROM STATE /FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			
Shared Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00
Meals & Room Tax Distribution	82,006.00	82,126.55	120.55
Highway Block Grant	97,552.54	97,552.00	(0.54)
State Forest Land	31.00	31.00	0.00
Other State/Federal Aid	0.00	85.54	85.54
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Departments	60,000.00	57,761.45	(2,238.55)
Other/Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00
MISC. REVENUE			
Sale of Municipal Property	32,000.00	33,236.45	1,236.45
Interest on Investments	500.00	606.96	106.96
Other/Cable, Insurance, Dividends & Reimbursement	4,000.00	3,811.00	(189.00)
TRANSFERS IN			
Capital Reserve Funds	30,000.00	19,525.80	(10,474.20)
Income from Expendable Capital Reserves	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Trust Funds	<u>2,863.00</u>	<u>2,863.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
PROCEEDS LONG TERM NOTES			
Proceeds - L/T Notes & Bonds	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
FUND BALANCE USED TO SET TAX RATE	<u>80,000.00</u>	<u>80,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>745,063.54</u>	<u>777,905.19</u>	<u>32,841.65</u>

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures for the year ending December 31, 2012

	Appropriations	Expenditures	Balance
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
4130 Executive	113,956.00	109,251.49	4,704.51
4140 Elections and Registrations	3,850.00	5,254.60	(1,404.60)
4150 Financial Administration	73,903.50	70,684.03	3,219.47
4151 Financial Executive	18,210.00	16,578.94	1,631.06
4152 Appraisal Services	12,500.00	11,543.00	957.00
4153 Legal Expenses	22,500.00	31,569.56	(9,069.56)
4152 Personnel Administration	104,747.00	98,405.76	6,341.24
4191 Planning Board/Zoning	48,909.00	41,588.82	7,320.18
4194 General Government Buildings	32,735.00	21,492.87	11,242.13
4195 Cemeteries	14,000.00	8,260.00	5,740.00
4196 Insurance	53,892.00	46,697.12	7,194.88
4197 Regional Association	1,929.00	1,929.00	0.00
PUBLIC SAFETY			
4210 Police Department	349,231.00	326,883.29	22,347.71
4215 Ambulance	41,400.00	40,095.00	1,305.00
4220 Fire Department	55,305.00	55,616.63	(311.63)
4240 Building Inspection	7,000.00	4,984.06	2,015.94
4290 Emergency Management	1,300.00	449.60	850.40
4299 Dispatching	17,699.00	17,699.00	0.00
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			
4312 Highway Department	685,800.00	649,035.56	36,764.44
4313 Bridges	3,000.00	85.11	2,914.89
4316 Street Lighting	9,870.00	8,788.51	1,081.49
SANITATION			
4324 Solid Waste Disposal	144,287.00	134,761.56	9,525.44
HEALTH ADMINISTRATION			
4411 Inoculations, Tests and Expenses	2,400.00	1,070.00	1,330.00
4415 Health Agencies	5,071.00	5,070.12	0.88
WELFARE			
4442 Welfare/Worthy Causes/CAP	18,896.00	13,651.47	5,244.53
CULTURE & RECREATION			
4520 Churches, Commons, Museum, Recreation	17,398.00	10,313.00	7,085.00
4550 Library	20,738.00	20,214.76	523.24
4583 Patriotic Purposes	1,000.00	575.00	425.00

Inventory 2012

Map/Lot	Location	Value
02-895,218	Old Sutton Road (old gravel pit)	6,500
04-246,386	Old Store Museum and Land	120,370
04-262,377	Soldiers Monument on Common	16,750
04-313,462	N/S Route 114 (ash disposal area)	112,810
04-387,478	Solid Waste Facility and Land	129,250
05-609,563	Kearsarge Valley backland	3,000
05-821,512	Settlers Oven	27,230
06-341,143	Highway Garage and Land	782,990
06-365,163	Village Road	120
06-403,240	Library and Land	146,170
06-428,236	Pillsbury Memorial Hall and Land	472,500
06-513,305	Chalk Pond Road	30,600
06-544,342	Chalk Pond Road	30,600
07-912,283	Fire Station/North Road and Land	359,860
07-913,302	Police Station/North Road	242,540
07-927,424	Old Fire House	24,530
09-284,237	Charles Avenue/R-O-W.	3,480
09-906,090	W/S Route 114 adj. to I-89	13,500
09-935,453	Crockett Circle	3,750
	Total Town Property	2,526,550

Kearsarge School District

05-402,352	Kearsarge Regional High School and Land	359,510
05-505,365	Kearsarge Regional High School and Land	10,035,230
05-909,431	Kearsarge Regional Middle School and Land	11,976,760
06-472,183	Sutton Elementary School and Land	995,590
	Total School Property	23,367,090

Conservation Land

01-113,554	North Road and I-89 (Cloues Natural Area)	380
03-126,029	North Road (Redington Dam Area)	1,500
03-998,313	Eaton Grange Road (Webb/Crowell Forest)	8,220
04-070,198	off Eaton Grange Road (Sprout Lot)	12,300
04-391,036	Rte 114 & Russell Pond (Spiers)	2,880
06-038,545	W/S Route 114 (Town Wetland)	2,500
06-068,565	Wadleigh Hill Road (Town Forest)	154,000
07-926,552	Rte 114 - Enroth Gift	56,100
08-018,336	Lefferts Natural Area	165,200
08-018,340	Lefferts Natural Area	101,700
08-109,368	E/S Penny Ante Alley (Sundell Lot)	78,100
08-171,362	off Park Ave. on Kezar Lake (Seymour Lot)	49,350
08-367,498	Maple Leaf Natural Area	4,199
08-369,498	King Hill Reservation	313,390
	Total Conservation Property	949,819

Inventory 2012

Tax Deeded Property

03-293,290	Saddleback Road	34,850
04-110,318	Gamsby/Wells	9,300
04-327,098	Unknown Owner	21,470
06-500,272	Langley Property	18,230
07-662,017	Mary B. Page Estate	20,400
07-790,226	Emerson Baily Heirs	1,200
	Total Tax Deeded Property	105,450

Cemeteries

01-162,131	Sutton Lane	N.A.V.*
03-277,473	Gore Road	540
04-124,402	Meeting House	110
04-358,511	Millswood, Route 114	110
06-365,163	near Union Church, Sutton Mills	120
07-203,396	Mastin, Baker Road	7000
07-939,404	North Sutton, Route 114	5400

*Reflects parcel with "no assessed value"

Tax Collector's Report

Linda D. Ford

Summary of Tax Accounts
for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2012

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEG. OF YEAR*		Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)					
			2011	2010	2009 ...			
Property Taxes	#3110		\$322,139.80		\$1,732.51			
Resident Taxes	#3180							
Land Use Change	#3120				\$16,141.40			
Yield Taxes	#3185							
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		\$145.00					
Interest			\$0.05					
Property Tax Credit Balance**		< >						
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**		< >						
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR			For DRA Use Only					
Property Taxes	#3110	\$5,717,561.40						
Resident Taxes	#3180							
Land Use Change	#3120	\$8,700.00						
Yield Taxes	#3185	\$7,488.47						
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187							
Utility Charges	#3189							
OVERPAYMENT REFUNDS								
Property Taxes	#3110	\$5,282.79	\$37,269.16	\$35,676.31				
Resident Taxes	#3180							
Land Use Change	#3120							
Yield Taxes	#3185							
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187							
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	\$2,053.50	\$19,263.73		\$25,185.89			
Resident Tax Penalty	#3190							
TOTAL DEBITS		\$5,741,086.16	\$378,817.74	\$35,676.31	\$43,059.80			

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

**Enter as a negative. This is the amount of this year's amounts pre-paid last year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a.

**The amount is already included in the warrant & therefore in line #3110 as positive amount for this year's levy.

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Summary of Tax Accounts
for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2012

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for Year of This Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2011	2010	2009 ...
		Property Taxes	\$5,367,724.57	\$148,900.14
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	\$8,700.00			\$16,141.40
Yield Taxes	\$3,804.13			
Interest (include lien conversion)				
Penalties				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd		\$145.00		
Interest	\$2,053.50	\$17,053.23		\$25,185.89
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		\$174,002.21		
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				
ABATEMENTS MADE				
Property Taxes	\$6,008.40	\$38,717.16	\$35,676.31	
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	\$3,032.00			
UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080				
Property Taxes	\$343,899.22	\$(0.05)		\$1,732.51
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes	\$3,684.34			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Interest		\$0.05		
Property Tax Credit Balance**				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance**	< >			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$5,738,906.16	\$378,817.74	\$35,676.31	\$43,059.80

**Enter as a negative. This is the amount of taxes pre-paid for next year as authorized by RSA 80:52-a
(Be sure to include a positive amount in the appropriate taxes or charges actually remitted to the treasurer).

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Summary of Tax Accounts for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2012

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
	2011	2010	2009	2008 ...
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beg. Of Year	\$185,112.27	\$87,059.39	\$62,044.22	\$10,276.34
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year				
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$4,462.28	\$10,397.86	\$14,105.06	\$2,052.70
TOTAL DEBITS	\$189,574.55	\$97,457.25	\$76,149.28	\$12,329.04

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER		Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2011	2010	2009	2008 ...
Redemptions		\$48,303.37	\$39,659.27	\$46,203.89	\$10,276.34
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	\$4,462.28	\$10,397.86	\$14,105.06	\$2,052.70
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens					
Liens Deeded to Municipality		\$6,534.49		\$3,491.26	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	#1110	\$130,274.41	\$47,400.12	\$12,349.07	
TOTAL CREDITS		\$189,574.55	\$97,457.25	\$76,149.28	\$12,329.04

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? _____

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

Report of the Budget Committee

The Budget Committee began work last September with the addition of two new committee members and a new chairman. During December and January Sutton's department heads presented their 2013 budget requests to the Committee that was comprised of Chairman John Silverberg, together with Dick Benson, Bob DeFelice, Lynn King, Tom Paul, and Jody Wells. The Selectboard's ex-officio member was Bob Wright.

During this budget cycle we spent time reviewing the town's capital reserves for large ticket items in the Highway and Fire Departments. The effects of inflation, a low level financial disease in recent years, are noticeable. For instance, during the years 2002 through 2004 Sutton replaced three snowplow/dump trucks with an average cost of around \$91,000 each. We bought another in 2007 for \$125,000 and another replacement is now included in the 2013 budget for \$145,000.

Healthcare and pension benefits are also continuing their upward climb. Healthcare as a ratio to salaries and wages was approximately 28 percent in 2011 and is budgeted to be 33 percent in 2013. Police are mandated by the state to participate in a state run pension fund. The state contribution to the pension fund, which had been as high as 30% in 2010, is now zero. The contribution by Sutton has increased by over five percent, to a total of 25 % of police salaries and wages, starting in mid-2013.

Having an interstate highway run from top to bottom in the center of our town has benefits and responsibilities. While it provides easy and speedy access to other parts of our state it is also our responsibility to be a first responder for vehicle incidents in our portion of that highway. A vehicle with a 4 - 6 man crew cab is now deemed to be the standard for first response for fires or to avoid what can often be a dangerous situation for our volunteers on an interstate highway. The future cost for a new fire department pumper with a crew cab will likely be near \$400,000; the capital reserve (trust fund money on deposit) for this purpose totaled almost \$200,000 at the end of 2012 and the requested addition for 2013 is \$50,000.

The budget includes additional funds for an improvement in our library service. Increased open hours, stress on electronic modes of transmission and presentation for books, media and data are planned.

One of our police officers returned to full time status after a lengthy armed forces training assignment during 2012. The result is an increase in our police budget as we are now at full staff. In addition, the recent events at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, CT have caused another serious look at the need for a school resource officer (SRO) position at KRSD. Approval of an SRO by KRSD voters at their

next annual meeting on March 12th will require Sutton to add to our police budget at our annual meeting on March 13th. Complicating this somewhat is the fiscal year budgeting at KRSD (July 2013 through June 2014) versus Sutton's 2013 calendar year.

We want to thank everyone who came to our meetings and hearings. Your participation is essential to achieving a good budget result.

John Silverberg – Chairman
Richard Benson
Robert DeFelice
Lynn King
Thomas Paul
George Wells, III
Robert Wright, Jr., Ex-Officio

Report of the Highway Department and Road Agent

Another year gone – not good. We at the Highway Department had a busy year. Not much of a winter, but I think “mud season” made up for it. We used many tons of stone to make the roads passable as best we could. The only good thing was that “mud season” was short. As in the past couple of years, we did a lot of brush cutting (with more to come) with the help of prisoners. We also replaced the box culvert on Penacook Road. After we did the box culvert, we had a very dry year. The rest of the year was spent replacing several culverts, ditching, road sweeping, roadside mowing on all roads, grading of dirt roads – some several times and gravel road upgrades to Winslow Circle Road, Rowell Hill Road, Wadleigh Hill Road, Barker Road, Stevens Brook Road and North Road. I want to thank the town residents for their support.

I also want to thank Jimmy and Billy Chadwick for keeping all the lawns in the highway garage area looking great. Paul Little for snow removal on Grist Mill Bridge. Also City Hall “girls,” Selectmen, Police Department, Fire and Rescue and my crew: Dennis Stevens, John Csutor, Steve Bagley, Adam Hurst, Fred Burbee, Lorri Himes and U too Spunk Ford.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Parker
Road Agent

Report of the Sutton Police Department 2012

This year we saw a slight decrease in our calls for service, handling over 3,700 calls. Although our general calls for service were down slightly, our criminal incidents were up. In 2012 the Department affected 39 arrests, more than doubling last year's arrests.

The year 2012 started off as a challenge with Officer Duncan Domey's deployment with the Army Mountain Warfare to Spain for approximately ten (10) months. We were able to cope with this challenge with Part-Time Officer Ernest Rousseau covering those open shifts.

The department purchased a new police cruiser switching from the Ford Crown Victoria to the Dodge Police Charger.

This year Sergeant Valerie Crone (Peters) successfully completed an intense two (2) week supervision school at Roger Williams University in Rhode Island. In helping with the cost of this school, the Department applied for and was granted tuition assistance from the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council.

Remaining a priority of the Sutton Police Department, we still continue improving our relationship with the Kearsarge Regional School District as we are committed to ensuring that all staff and students receive an education in a safe environment free from threats, harassment, violence, and drugs.

Sutton is blessed to have groups of dedicated employees, volunteers, and elected boards and committees working on everyone's behalf to make our community a most desirable place to call home. Our residents are not only very knowledgeable about their community, but they become engaged in what happens, lend thoughts and ideas and, above all else are very supportive.

I wish to express my sincere gratitude and support to all our department heads and their staff for their dedication and efforts over these past twelve months. To my Administrative Assistant and the men and women of the Sutton Police Department, I offer my deepest appreciation and thanks for a job well done and for all they do. Working with such a fine group of people makes coming to work both enjoyable and my job more than a bit easier knowing that they will excel in their duties and always be there for support.

To the Board of Selectmen I offer my thanks for their continued understanding, patience, and support.

To the residents of Sutton, and on behalf of all town employees, I extend our heartfelt appreciation and thanks for the interest you show in each of our departments and for the community as a whole. As always our doors are open. We welcome your input as we move forward into this coming year and encourage you to share your thoughts and ideas.

I respectfully submit to the Residents of the Town of Sutton the annual report and statement of duties performed by the Sutton Police Department for the calendar year January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Korbet
Chief of Police

Alarms	62	Motor Vehicle Stops	479
Disturbance	3	Motor Vehicle Complaint	33
911 Hang-up	12	Motor Vehicle Pullout	3
Abandoned Vehicles	22	Motor Vehicle Unlock	22
Traffic Accident	48	Neglect	6
Animal Complaints	72	Neighborhood Disputes	2
Arrest	39	Noise Disturbance	10
Assist Ambulance	55	OHRV Complaint	7
Assist Citizens	130	Open Door/Window	9
Assist Fire	31	Paperwork Service/Relay	151
Assist Motorist	60	Parking Violation	8
Assist Police	74	Possession of Alcohol by a Minor	3
Assist Public Works	6	Report Request	22
Assist Social Service Agencies	8	Ride Along	2
Assault	9	Pistol Permits	37
Be on lookout	27	Police Information	42
Building Checks	423	Property Lost/Found/Returned	25
Bullying	1	Protective Order	2
Burglary	7	Protective Order Violation	1
Civil Issue/Stand by	44	Public Relations-Talk/Lecture	4
Community Policing	8	Road Hazard/Obstruction	43
Computer Crimes	2	Selective Enforcement Request	2
Criminal Mischief	12	Sexual Assault	1
Criminal Threating	9	Sex Offender Registration	9
Criminal Trespass	5	Sex Abuse	5
D.A.R.E.	9	Shots Fired	3
Directed Patrol	790	Stalking	1
Dogs, loose, bite, barking	31	Attempted Suicide	1
Domestic Dispute	11	Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Incident	60

Drugs/Possession	6	Theft	20
Driving While Intoxicated	2	Tobacco Violation	9
Fingerprinting	12	Traffic Control	4
Case Follow up	265	Truancy	4
Fraud	9	Unwanted Subject	7
Harassment	9	Vacant Property Checks	748
Harassing Communication	12	VIN Inspection	19
Internet Crime other than ICAC	1	Weapon Violation	4
Involuntary Emergency Admission	2	Welfare Check	18
Illegal Burn	4		
Interview	7		
Juvenile Complaints	19		
Parking Violation @ KRHS	2		
Littering-Illegal Dumping	5		
Residential Lockout	1		
Log Note	39		
Mental Person	3		
Missing Person	4		

Report of the Solid Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Facility 2012

As of Oct 1, 2012, Walter Simonds retired and I have taken over as supervisor of the TRANSFER STATION. My new responsibility is to have the transfer station run smoothly and fairly for the people of Sutton. The office has been remodeled to be more efficient and cleaner, thanks to the volunteered time of Neal Nelson.

A special thanks to my assistant, Dave Ellis. He is a good asset to the town and for me. Thanks also goes to my substitute team of Alex McKinnon, Ed Hermann and Loring Ford.

With your help this year, we managed to take in over \$31,000 from the recycling of cardboard, tin cans, aluminum, septic, construction and electronics. This income helps offset other costs incurred in the recycling processes.

We are always open for suggestions or improvements for the operations at the Transfer Station; please stop in and tell us about them.

The Transfer Station hours are:

Tuesday 9:00am - 5:00pm
Thursday 9:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday 8:00am - 4:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

John Godkin
Solid Waste Facility Supervisor

Planning Board – 2012 Annual Report

The Sutton Planning Board meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Pillsbury Memorial Town Hall. Hearings are held on the 2nd Tuesday and work sessions are held on the 4th Tuesday. Applications are due by the 15th of the preceding month. The Subdivision Regulations and applications are available at the Town Hall and online.

The following is a look at the year's activities:

- | | |
|------------|---|
| 01/24/2012 | Beth Poulin/ PSNH
Shadow Hill Rd
Tree removal on a scenic road
Approved |
| 01/24/2012 | PSNH
Penacook Road
Tree removal on a scenic road
Approved |
| 01/24/2012 | Dennis O'Connell
Barker Road and Roby Road
Map/Lot# 01-988,525 &02-133,405
Lot Line Adjustment
Approved |
| 01/24/2012 | Dennis O'Connell
Barker Road and Roby Road
Map/Lot# 01-988,525
Subdivision
Approved |
| 03/27/2012 | Buteau Family Trust
Baker Hill Road
Map/Lot# 06-499,285 &06-543,243
Voluntary Merger
Approved |
| 04/24/2012 | Christine Kuhlman
Penacook Road
Map/Lot# 08-182,050
Site Plan Review
Approved with conditions |

- 05/8/2012 David & Nancy Brazier
Summit Road
Map/Lot# 10-484,191 &10-505,185
Lot Line Adjustment
Approved
- 05/22/2012 St. Cyr/ Duquette
Jolly Farm Road
Map/Lot# 02-413, 537&02-436,517
Lot Line Adjustment
Approved
- 07/10/2012 David Burnham
Route 114
- Map/Lot# 06-208,196
Site Plan Review
Approved with conditions
- 08/16/2012 Trinity Bible Church
Route 114
Map/Lot# 04-306,120
Site Plan Review
Approved with conditions
- 09/25/2012 Laurie Hayward
Main Street and Grist Mill Street
Map/Lot# 06-427,248 &06-422,248
Voluntary Merger
Approved

This year, the Planning Board continued to work on the revision of the Subdivision and Site Plan Regulations. There has also been some preliminary work on a combination of computerized database and Geographical Information Systems (GIS) mapping which will combine data about specific Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment decisions with tax map and lot information and display this data on a base map of the town. Initially, this combination of electronic data will provide town employees with fast and efficient ways of accessing information about Planning and Zoning decisions made since the mid-1980's and will be a resource when answering questions about specific pieces of property. Looking forward, the plan is to make this information as well as mapping of various natural resources (soils, wetlands, wildlife habitat, etc.), trails, and cultural features available to the public for their own research on a computer located at the Sutton Town Hall.

The Planning Board is actively recruiting new membership. Anyone with an interest in or background in community planning in N.H., and with a working knowledge of the town, may apply by letter to the Select Board seeking an appointment.

Board Members:

Dan Sundquist, Chair	Carrie Thomas	Peter Blakeman
Bob DeFelice	David Burnham	Walter Baker Jr., Ex-Officio
Julie McCarthy	Roger Wells, Alternate	

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Hayward
Land Use Coordinator

Report of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Building Code Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) schedules public hearings for the 3rd Wednesday of the month upon receipt of a request for a Special Exception or a Variance to the Sutton Zoning Ordinance, or for an Appeal from an Administrative Decision. Applications are due by the 15th of the preceding month. The Zoning Ordinance and applications are available at the Town Hall or online.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment spent much of the year 2012 in various work sessions developing recommendations for changes and additions to the Sutton Zoning Ordinance. This revision will be presented in March 2013 to the voters. This is the most comprehensive revision of the Sutton Zoning Ordinance undertaken in more than 20 years and included making language consistent internally and with state statute where appropriate.

There were no hearings before the Building Code Board of Appeals in 2012.

The ZBA held public hearings on the following appeals in 2012:

- | | |
|----------|---|
| 01/18/12 | Case# 2012-01
Kevin & Heidi Scarlett
Rowell Hill Road
Map/Lot# 09-975,471
Variance
Road Setback/Rural-Agricultural
Approved |
| 03/21/12 | Case# 2012-02
Patricia & Gregory Mapes
Shaker Road
Map/Lot# 07-726,194
Variance
Commercial to family dwelling/Rural-Agricultural
Approved with conditions |
| 03/21/12 | Case# 2012-03
David Burnham
Route 114
Map/Lot # 06-208,196
Special Exception
Automotive repair/Rural-Agricultural
Approved with conditions |

06/25/12	<p>Case# 2012-04 Todd & Chris St. Cyr Jolly Farm Road Map/Lot# 02-413,537 Variance Commercial/Residential Approved with conditions</p>
07/18/12	<p>Case# 2012-05 Jeff Evans & Garrett & Tara Evans Pound Road Map/Lot# 04-053,447 Administrative Appeal Approved</p>
08/15/12	<p>Case# 2012-06 Howard Malone Rowell Hill Road Map/Lot# 09-993,411 Special Exception Amateur Radio Tower/Rural-Agricultural Approved</p>
10/17/12	<p>Case# 2012-07 O'Connell, Dold Penacook Road Map/Lot# 08-182,248 Variance To construct a garage within setback from property line/Rural-Agricultural Approved with conditions</p>
10/17/12	<p>Case# 2012-08 Kirk Chadwick Chalk Pond Road Map/Lot# 06-562,357 Variance To construct a garage within setback from road/ Rural-Agricultural Approved with conditions</p>

10/17/12

Case# 2012-09

Merrimack County Telephone Company

For Charles, Veda & Debra Hosmer

Route 114/Blaisdell Lake

Map/Lot# 02-675,512

Variance

Utility Corridor for remote equipment/Residential

Approved with conditions

Board Members:

William Hallahan, Chair

Dane Headley

Ed Canane

Doug Sweet

Derek Lick

Carla Krajewski, Alternate

Sue Reel, Alternate

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Hayward

Land Use Coordinator

Report Of The Building Inspector/ Code Enforcement Officer

Fifty building permits were approved this year which is less than last year. It is heartening to see that there were five building permits approved for new houses.

The following table represents ten years worth of permit tracking:

As always, I would like to offer a warm welcome to the new residents of Sutton who filed for building permits this year. Anyone needing a

Permit	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Houses/Apartments /Camps***	34	33	29	22	17	13	14	9	3	2	5
Additions/Alterations Replacements	12	11	13	9	4	6	6	2	3	5	3
Roofs/Siding	2	3	4	5	3	2	4	2	3	9	2
Barns/Garages/Carports	16	11	15	13	8	5	6	11	16	2	5
Outbuildings/Sheds	12	13	9	7	13	5	6	9	14	5	9
Deck/Sunroom/Porch	14	18	11	10	9	4	8	6	3	6	5
Docks	**1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Renovations/Repairs	3	11	12	16	10	5	11	11	9	14	14
Commercial/ Government Structure	2	*1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	
Wireless Tower	1	1	0	3		0	0	5	3	3	2
Antennas Ham Radios											
Demolition of Existing Buildings	3	1	6	4	3	2	2	1	1	1	2
Renewals	1	1	1	0		0					
Pools/Hot Tubs	0		2	1	1	3		2			
Miscellaneous-Dugout, pavilion, gazebo, solar panels, outdoor furnaces, pellet stoves, generators			1	2	2		6	5		7	3
Withdrawn				1							
	101	104	104	94	71	45	63	64	56	56	50

*Telecommunication Site

** Loading Dock

***Includes two-family

building permit may pick one up at the Selectmen's Office on Monday, Wednesday or Friday, from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. or visit the Town's website at www.sutton-nh.gov and download an application from the Building Inspector page.

If you live by a lake, river, or tidal water, it is important for you to learn more about the NH Shoreland Quality Protection Act, which requires a DES state permit for most construction, excavation or filling within the protected shoreland. Visit the following website: <http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wetlands/cspa/index.htm>.

In order to ensure a timely review of your application by the Building Inspector, Wetlands/Shoreland Scientist and Selectmen, please return your completed application to the Selectmen's Office by noon on Wednesday. Every effort will be made to process your building permit at the next Selectmen's Meeting. Finally, if you need questions answered or an inspection conducted, I can be reached at 927-4080.

Thanks to both townspeople and their builders for your continued cooperation.

'Nuf Sed,

Richard "Buzz" Call
Building Inspector

Loring "Spunk" Ford
Deputy Building Inspector

Jeffrey Evans
Environmental Code Resource Officer

Sutton Volunteer Fire Department

In December, I was honored to be reelected as your Fire Chief by the Membership. Our department would not run smoothly without hard work, knowledge and dedication of the officers: Captain, Matt Grimes, 1st Lieutenant, Cory Cochran, and 2nd Lieutenant, Kevin Rowe. I very much enjoy working with the Officers, the Membership, the Sutton Safety Committee, the Hazmat Team, the State of NH Fire Marshall's Office and Attorney General's Office. A huge "thank you" to Firefighter, Gary Wilcox for many years of dedicated service as the Treasurer of the department. We appreciate all of your hard work and welcome Shreve Soule as our new Treasurer.

As our fire trucks get older, the maintenance costs continue to rise. All major repairs were done and all safety equipment has been repaired and inspected.

In June and July preparations for Camp Cares were completed. With the



support of the Fire Marshall's Office and Michael doCurral, the KRSD Facilities Director, we were able to allow KRMS to be used as a dormitory for this wonderful group who was working along with the Trinity Bible Church. They came into the area and donated their time to help maintain homes.

The SVFD is proud to have firefighter Lt. John Thomas serving our country in Afghanistan. We are honored that he is representing the town of Sutton. Care packages have been sent to John and other troops from the fire department, Sutton Rescue, Sutton Cadets and the Sutton Ladies Auxiliary. In return, we were sent an American Flag that was flown over his base and dedicated to the Sutton Volunteer Fire Department. This will be forever displayed at the Fire House.



In October, Fire Prevention and Bus Safety week were celebrated together at the Sutton Elementary School. With the help of Captain Matt Grimes, Cadet Chief, Wendy Grimes and Gary Snair from Goffstown Truck, we were able to simulate a burning bus and demonstrate the proper procedures. This was a huge success! It was also a pleasure to visit the kindergarten classroom and speak with the students about fire safety.

An answering machine will be installed at the Fire Station for non-emergency calls. To leave a message, please call 927-4740. The Fire Permit number will remain the same, 927-2727.

I wish to thank the Sutton Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, Sutton Rescue Squad, the Sutton Police Department, the Sutton Selectmen, the "girls" at the Town Hall, the Sutton Highway Department and our Mutual Aid System. It is the hard work of all of these people that makes Sutton such a special place to live.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Rowe

Sutton Volunteer Fire Personnel

Chief:	Chris Rowe	
Captain:	Matt Grimes	
1 st Lieutenant:	Cory Cochran	
2 nd Lieutenant:	Kevin Rowe	
Bud Nelson	Brendan Rowe	John McBroome
Garrett Evans	Wendy Grimes	Travis Sniffen
Gary Wilcox	Tom McLoughlin	Arthur Chadwick
Darrel Palmer	Andy Palmer	Hillary Grimes
Carrol Thompson	Nick Rowe	Megan Grimes
Harold Rowe Sr.	Sam Dube	
Chip Rowe	Fred Burbee	
Ken Sutton	John Chilpyian	
Kirk Chadwick	Dave Paradise	
Keith Badgley	Carl Smith	
Ken Day	Aaron Flewelling	
Steve Enroth	Robert DeFelice	
Adam Hurst	Spunk Ford	
Shreve Soule	Jon Thomas	
Peter Boucher	Whitney Grimes	

Cadets

Taylor Cochran	Joe Cornelio	Ben McLoughlin	Ashley Thompson
Tanner Boucher	Tristan Rowe	Brendan Carr	
Nate Thompson	CJ Brimm	Ian McLoughlin	
Will Cornelio	Eric Morin	Caleb Cochran	

STRUCTURE FIRES	0
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT	53
CHIMNEY FIRE	6
VEHICLE FIRE	2
FIRE ALARM	20
TROUBLE ALARM	1
WIRES DOWN	8
MUTUAL AID CALL	16
TREE DOWN	5
MEDICAL ASSIST	4
BRUSH FIRE	6
SMOKE REPORT	2
SEARCH	0
CARBON MONOXIDE	6
OTHER	7
<u>ADMINISTRATIVE CALLS</u>	
MEETINGS & PUBLIC HEARINGS	31
COMPLETING PELLET STOVE GRANTS	3
INSURANCE COMPANY PHONE CALLS RETURNED	22
OUTSIDE GENERATOR & BOILER INSPECTIONS	3
PUBLIC GATHERING INSPECTIONS	8
TOWN INSPECTIONS	3
VEHICLE INSPECTIONS & MAINTENANCE	16
CONFERENCE CALLS WITH THE STATE FIRE MARSHALL	3
ASSISTANCE FROM THE TOWN ATTORNEY	3
STATE OF NH DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE MEETINGS	2

Sutton Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary

The Sutton Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary is a wonderful organization that supports the fire personnel. We supply them with food and beverages at structure fires, help during various events, help to maintain the fire station, and supply scholarships to High School graduates who are children of fire personnel or Cadets. If you are interested in joining the Sutton Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, please feel free to contact Becca Rowe at 927-4316. We meet on the first Monday of every other month at 6:30 pm at the Sutton Fire Department. All are welcome!

Respectfully submitted,

Becca Rowe
President

Members:

Becca Rowe
Marne Thompson
Melina Cochran
Lois Palmer
Annie Gagnon
Sue Sutton
Sue Badgley
Shelly Boucher
Sheila Wilcox
Diane Sullivan
Kathy Smith

Report of the Sutton NH Forest Fire Warden for 2012

FIRE PERMIT PHONE NUMBER: 603-927-2727

The 2012 fire season was peaceful. The Sutton Volunteer Fire Department did respond to one wild land fire in Bradford and one wild land fire in New London. Thankfully we had no wild land fires in Sutton. Myself and the Deputies appreciate that our Sutton residents obtain fire permits and burn legally and safely.

We did have to issue *three* verbal warnings to residents burning without the required fire permit. Written fire permits are required before doing any outdoor burning. PLEASE call 927-2727 (this is an answering machine) to request a fire permit or information regarding outside burning. Please leave your name, address and preferably a local phone number. The deputies and I strive to check the answering machine at noon (on rainy days) and at 5 pm daily, during the non-snow covered months. During the months when the ground is covered with snow, we try to check the phones once a day. Seasonal permits may be issued for camp and cooking fires provided the area is fire safe. Seasonal permits are valid for the calendar year and need to be requested and obtained each year. Fire Permits are at NO COST but the Warden or Deputy shall inspect each request. Brush can only be burned after 5 pm unless it is raining or the ground is completely covered with snow.

Your Warden and Deputies are volunteers – we strive to answer your calls in a timely fashion.

In 2012 we issued approximately 60 Seasonal Permits, 50 brush fire permits, and with the State Forest Ranger, a Commercial Burn Permit for the Sutton Transfer Station.

The safest time to burn brush is when we have snow cover. Please call 927-2727 and leave your name, address and local phone number. No permit is required when the ground is completely snow covered. By telling us you are burning, we can save tax payer dollars by not needing a full Fire Department response if someone calls in with a 'smoke in the area' call.

Our Warden and Deputies all attended the Annual Warden/Deputy Warden training session on law updates. We also applied for two forestry equipment grants but were unsuccessful. We will keep trying if the 50/50 grant money is available.

Please join me in thanking our Deputy Wardens Cory Cochran, Garrett Evans, Matt Grimes, Darrel Palmer, Chris Rowe, Kevin Rowe and Gary Wilcox.

Respectfully,

Bud Nelson

Forest Fire Warden

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wild land fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

Due to a record warm winter and little snow, our first fire occurred on February 4th with several more early fires to follow. Normally, a large percentage of the warm windy days with low humidity occur when the ground is saturated from a long snow covered winter. By the time the surface fuels and ground dry out enough to burn, we only have a few weeks until "green up". This year however we had an extended period of these favorable spring fire conditions. Our largest fire in the state was 86 acres. The average size fire was .6 acres. Extensive summer rains kept total acreage burned to near normal levels.

As has been the case over the last few years, state budget constraints have limited the staffing of our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers to Class III or higher fire danger days. Despite the reduction in the number of days staffed, our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Several of the fires during the 2012 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

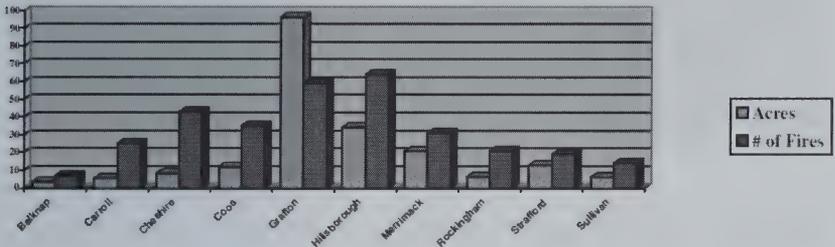
2012 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of October 2012)

(Figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS

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



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Cause	Count	Year	Total Fires	Total Acres
Arson	14	2012	318	206
Debris	105	2011	125	42
Campfire	14	2010	360	145
Children	15	2009	334	173
Smoking	17	2008	455	175
Railroad	0			
Equipment	6			
Lightning	7			
Misc.*	140	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

Report of the Sutton Rescue Squad



Fire and Rescue Personnel

Whether has the largest impact on call volume for Sutton Rescue. When the weather is crazy, we are busy. We make it a habit to never use the "Q" word (quiet). It works like a jinx for us. I-89 is our nemesis and where we had the majority of our 166 patient contacts this past year. The majority of these people wore their seatbelts and for the most part walked away unscathed. There are always a few calls at one or the other of the 3 schools for sports type injuries as well as a minimal number of house calls for a sick person, fall victim, or standby for Sutton Fire at chimney or structure fires. We work closely with Sutton Fire and Sutton Explorer Post #90 on a regular basis. We train in vehicle extrication, cold water rescue, low-angle rescue, mass casualty incidents, and trauma triage to name but a few. We attend FEMA mandated trainings so that our town qualifies for FEMA reimbursement when there is a large disaster such as Superstorm Sandy. We each attend a 24 hour refresher every two years and for EMTs, we are required to log 48 hours of continuing education. Sutton Fire and Rescue is an integral part of each of our three schools' emergency management plans in the event one of our schools experiences an event. We train closely with area departments allowing us all to work as a team for those times when we are called in for mutual aid such as a carry-out from Winslow State Park. We feel strongly that maintaining a community presence is as important as responding to medical calls. With that being said, we participate in

Farm Days and Icing Day for Muster Field Farm, Fire Prevention Day at Sutton Central School, stop by the sports fields at KRHS, and assist Sutton Fire at the annual graduation ceremony. Our goal for 2013 is to continue with state-of-the art training, outreach efforts to anyone interested in working with a great group of people, and providing care to members of our community and those who travel through it. If this sounds like something that might interest you, please come to one of our monthly meetings which are held the 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:00 pm at the Sutton Fire Station.

This is a pretty amazing group. The Town of Sutton can be proud of the continued commitment and dedication of each individual. Each of us has been late to a sporting event or play for one of our children, missed a dentist appointment, or put birthday parties and Christmas on hold for the sake of taking care of our neighbor or those passing through our fine town. We have lost hours of sleep and still gotten to work on time, all to help someone else selflessly. Not one of these individuals is looking for an award or a pat on the back. They do it because they care. When you see a fire fighter or EMS person out and about, please take a moment to just say thanks. They truly are unsung heroes!

As always we extend a huge thanks to the Sutton Police Department, Highway Department, Fire Department, Explorers, Auxiliary, and the Board of Selectmen and office personnel for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Grimes, Chief

Deb Bede, EMT-I
David Biron, EMT
Brendan Carr, EMT-Pending
Ken Day, EMT-I
Garrett Evans, 1st Responder
Aaron Flewelling, EMT
Bette Fredrickson, EMT
Bev Gagnon, EMT
Matt Grimes, EMT

Wendy Grimes, EMT
Susan Henley, EMT
Cicely Markoff, EMT
Heather Rowe, EMT-I
Kevin Rowe, 1st Responder
Alf Rylander, Paramedic
Shreve Soule, 1st Responder
Brenda Spencer, EMT-I

Sutton Explorer Post #90

Over the past year Sutton Explorer Post #90 has gained four new members interested in learning about firefighting and emergency medical response. This year the cadets in the explorer program have been involved with hands on training through our response to chimney fires, motor vehicle accidents and drills. We assisted Sutton Fire and Goffstown Truck Company (our bus company) with a bus evacuation drill at Sutton Central School. We participated in a walk-through at Labsphere. We learned how to operate the pumper by washing town bridges, and we assisted Sutton Fire with wires and trees down because of Hurricane Sandy. The majority of cadets attended nearly all meetings and trainings offered by Sutton Fire and Sutton Rescue. Cadets are not required to attend these meetings and trainings but are strongly encouraged. We are told that academics come first, then sports and then fire and rescue. We all would rather do fire and rescue of course. This program is all volunteer and we try to attend as much as possible. We are able to go on fire calls and learn and help with what is going on at a real fire/accident scene. If a medical call is deemed appropriate and we are able to participate without jeopardizing patient care, then we are able to attend these as well. As cadets, we have restrictions about what we can and cannot do. A cadet responding to a call is to report to the firehouse if there is an emergency, check in and await instructions from an officer or explorer advisor. We are not allowed to operate hydraulic equipment, go inside a burning building, go out on the state highways or climb a ladder over 35 feet. At the scene of an emergency we are active with the department, fulfilling many needed jobs. We haul lots of hose line, backboards, axes, shovels, brooms, oxygen tanks, scribe for EMS and hold hose when spraying down a fire. We thank all of our cadets for their hard work helping the fire department and rescue squad with what needs to be done. If you are between the ages of 14-21 and are interested in joining Sutton Explorer Post #90, please contact a cadet or Wendy Grimes at (603) 927-4321 or come to the Sutton Fire Station the last Monday of the month at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Nathan Thompson & Tanner Boucher

Co-Captains

Cadets: Tanner Boucher, CJ Brim, Brendan Carr, Caleb Cochran, Taylor Cochran, Joe Cornelio, Will Cornelio, Ben McLoughlin, Ian McLoughlin, Eric Morin, Tristan Rowe, Ashley Thompson, and Nathan Thompson

Office of Emergency Management – 2012



Superstorm Sandy

The Office of Emergency Management for the Town of Sutton continues to work to keep our Emergency Operations Plan current. In the near future, there will be town-wide department head training on our plan. We will host a table-top exercise and then an actual drill. Stay tuned.

Regular training on Code Red continues to be a top priority. Code Red is an emergency broadcast system that can be used by Sutton to notify residents of important information. It can be used to help find a lost person, notify residents where to seek shelter in an emergency, and it has even been used to notify residents when an unusual rash of burglaries were taking place. Residents **MUST** sign up for this feature. If you have internet access you can go to http://www.sutton-nh.gov/public_documents/index click on “Welcome to Sutton, NH” and scroll to the bottom of the page to the box marked



Follow the instructions. If you do not have computer access please contact me or the Office of the Selectmen to have your phone numbers added to this list. Your telephone numbers and demographic information will not be shared with anyone. You can rest assured that this is only used in emergency situations. This saves a huge

amount of time and energy for Fire, Rescue and Police when we are trying to reach as many people as possible with important information.

I attended a 4-day training at the NH Fire Academy which allows the town of Sutton to seek additional resources when there is a large scale incident as well as it enables us to be better prepared to deal with these incidents with area towns. This office works closely with Sutton Fire, Rescue, Police and the Office of the Selectmen to coordinate efforts in a streamlined fashion. I would like to express my thanks for their on-going support.

Respectfully submitted,
Matt Grimes

Report of the Conservation Commission



From Left To Right: Ben Dobrowski, Betsy Forsham, Garrett Evans, Rachel Ruppel, Gerry Putnam, Don Davis and Jean LaChance
(Missing: Ricia McMahan)

King Hill Reservation and Maple Leaf Natural Area

Maple Leaf Natural Area now has a parking lot, which serves both Maple Leaf and the Kings Hill Road entry to King Hill Reservation. A sign has been fabricated and will be installed in the spring.

As part of an ongoing 3 year cycle, a large section of King Hill Reservation's trails were mowed in late summer, to keep the trails open for summer and winter recreation and to provide clearings for wildlife. Responding to concerns of local citizens, the SCC evaluated the deteriorating condition of the warming hut on the Reservation; over the years, a campfire had burned through the decking, falling trees had crushed sections of the deck and roof, and the building had been knocked off most of its foundation piers. Sadly, the damage to the structure was so profound that the SCC arranged for its demolition may we hold tight to our memories of taking a break in the warming hut in years past.

Timber Harvesting - Education and Cooperation

On Sept. 5th, the SCC sponsored an educational program entitled "More Than a Chainsaw", presented by Eric Johnson, Program Director with the NH Timberland Owners Association (NHTOA). This program covered logging operations specific to Sutton as well as offering a review of modern logging systems and how to learn to match ones' goals with loggers using the right tools for the job. The program was very

informative and well attended by both Sutton residents and folks from neighboring towns. We are always looking for topics of interest for our programs, so if you have an idea, please share it with us!

The SCC cooperated with a private landowner who was conducting a timber harvest on land adjacent to our Webb-Crowell Forest lot, on Eaton Grange Road West. The logger negotiated with the SCC to use both the existing log landing on our lot as well as a small portion of our land for access to the private lot, in exchange for clearing small trees and brush in that area for wildlife habitat improvement and recreational access. A small performance bond was placed on the project. At its completion, an inspection by SCC members found that the area was left in very good condition, with access greatly enhanced.

Japanese Knotweed

Japanese knotweed is an invasive plant with populations growing along roadsides throughout town; it looks similar to bamboo but with heart-shaped leaves. Knotweed is a problem because it grows in dense thickets that crowd out native plant species and make roadside and streambank habitats less diverse. Less diverse habitats mean fewer types of food and shelter for wildlife.

On Route 114, concerned resident Paul Bohn spearheaded an effort to control knotweed patches with help from the SCC, Doug Cygan of the Department of Agriculture, and District 2 staff at the NH Department of Transportation. On the Sundell property on Keyser Street, the SCC pulled young plants and then covered the bare ground with an old carpet to smother any new shoots. We hope to continue eradication efforts in the spring.

Goodbye and Hello

The SCC would like to thank our secretary, Jennifer Swett, for her years of service to the SCC. She recently moved to Arizona to attend helicopter flying school! We wish her all the best in the wild blue yonder. Thanks also to retired members, Leslie Ward and Ron Murray. On the plus side, we welcomed Gerry Putnam back to the SCC, after a brief hiatus.

Looking Ahead to 2013...

Sutton residents, Tom & Janet Paul, have generously offered an exceptional parcel of land to the town for purchase, at a bargain price. Like the King Hill Reservation (KHR) which it abuts, it will be protected by a conservation easement to be held by the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, thus ensuring that it remains forever as open space. The 139-acre lot has frontage on both the class V seasonally maintained and the class VI sections of Kings Hill Road. It is the primary site of the King Hill Quarry, one of Sutton's 21 Cornerstones, as chosen by a

vote at the 1991 town meeting. The property also includes the summit of King Hill, which, as a scenic high place, affords it a place on the Cornerstones' roster as well. The King Hill balancing rock is found there, too. Future timber harvests providing income for the town could be conducted on the property. In addition, the property lends itself to recreational trails and provides an access to the upper slopes of the KHR for recreation and forestry activities there.

The Sutton Conservation has submitted a warrant article which proposes that up to \$82,000 be taken out of the Conservation Capital Reserve Fund to pay for this property, with no amount to be raised from taxes. The final selling price and associated costs may be less. The offer of this property gives the town a rare opportunity to preserve and protect two of its "Cornerstones for the 21st Century", a property with both natural and historic sites of interest and wonderful recreational opportunities. We hope you think so too, by voting yes on warrant article 21. We also hope that you will get out and explore this property as well as the others that you have helped protect, properties which enhance Sutton's quality of life for all.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Forsham (Chair)

Don Davis

Garrett Evans

Jean LaChance

Rachel Ruppel

Ben Dobrowski

Gerry Putnam (Alternate)

Ricia McMahon (Select Board's representative)

Sutton Historical Society 2012 Annual Report

The Sutton Historical Society, established in 1985, is a non-profit organization whose objective is the preservation of the history of the Town of Sutton, the education and awareness of the importance of that history, as well as the preservation of our buildings and the historical items given to our care. We cooperate with other societies as appropriate for the furtherance of these purposes. Special fund-raising activities are conducted to assure the achievement of this mission.

In addition to these objectives, the SHS is proud to be the administrator of the *BARROWS and JANE B. PRATT SCHOLARSHIP*. This fund was established in 1999 by Frederick (Fritz) Pratt in memory of his in-laws. His hope was that the fund might encourage young people to become more interested and active in the Society. With the passing of his wife Jane in 2008, the fund now includes her name. Fritz continues to contribute generously to the scholarship fund on an annual basis. The standard application criteria for the \$1000.00 scholarship are as follows:

- *Student is a Sutton resident, and parents or guardians have been members of the SHS for the past two years.*
- *A High School senior accepted to a higher-level educational institution, and provide school name and location in submission.*
- *Essay of three or more pages about how living in Sutton has shaped his/her life and contributed to future plans and goals.*
- *Provide GPA average, any extra-curricular activities and community service student is involved in.*
- *Essay will be typed in a Word document format that can be e-mailed as an attachment. We ask that the essay portion of your submission contains at least 800 words.*

In keeping with Fritz's original hopes, we encourage more residents to be involved in their community and with the SHS. We are happy to report that we have 20 new members in 2012, a total of 244 currently active members.

The biggest thing that happened in 2012 was all about the South Sutton Meeting House. It started in November 2011 when we discovered that the plaster that's cracked and chipping away inside the Meeting House was being caused by seepage from the deteriorated shingles on the roof. We asked for bids and received eight, which ranged from \$8500.00 to \$21,000.00. The job was awarded to John Chadwick of CLF Builders in Sutton who did the shingles and molding for the \$16,590.00 they had quoted, even though it cost them \$215.00 more. CLF also repaired the cornice over the front doors for \$2407.00, totaling \$18997.00. We received

two bids on the plaster work and Dave Buchar, who has done work on the Bradford Center Meeting House, did a super job of patching; but painting still needs to be done.

We started our fund-raising activities on Sunday, January 29th, again by holding our Pancake Breakfast on Muster Field Farm Museum's Ice Harvest Day. Despite the fact there was no ice cutting on Kezar Lake, our fourth annual breakfast was a success with close to 160 cold and hungry folks coming to the Free Will Baptist Church for a hot and tasty breakfast.

The Potluck supper in April was well attended and the food was great. NH Humorist Rebecca Rule got the crowd laughing in no time, and our own local poet, Jody Wells, shared his poem about NH Town Meetings.

On May 16, Jean LaChance was awarded the prestigious "Women Who Make a Difference Award" at Colby Sawyer College. This event is sponsored by the Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurses Association. This was the first time a woman from Sutton has won the award in the 13 years they've been giving it.

On an unusually warm and lovely late May evening, Tom & Janet Paul opened their home for a Will Ogmundson piano concert. In addition, a painting by Carlton Bradford was auctioned off by Roger Rodewald. The proceeds from this event paid for a much needed new electrical panel at the Cressey House.

Also in May, we sent a letter to approximately 1000 local residents of Sutton, asking for donations towards the repairs of our historically significant Meeting House. To date, we have received over \$13,800.00. Some donations included cards, notes, or photos of remembrances of the Meeting House. It is certainly a very generous outpouring from folks near and far. We appreciate every contribution, large and small. You can view the list of donors on the Town of Sutton web site, www.sutton-nh.gov, and click on Historical Society. If you have not yet done so, we continue to accept donations dedicated directly to this cause. We'll update the donor list periodically.

On June 30, the SHS joined forces with the Sutton Volunteer Fireman's Association for a terrific community event; an old fashioned Ham & Bean "Suppah", with all proceeds going towards repairs at the Meeting House. Marne Thompson was at the helm as volunteers from both organizations set-up, served and cleaned up after about 180 paid diners at the Fire House. We thank the Fire Department for instigating this idea, and for all their financial and physical help and support.

On a gorgeous mid-July Sunday, The South Sutton Homesteaders held

“Raising the Roof”, a concert & ice cream social at the South Sutton Meeting House which was to help raise funds for the repairs. There were songs and skits performed by the Lowe sisters, plus a whole cast of characters. A wonderful time was had by all who participated.

On August 11, a seven town meeting house tour took place with South Sutton being involved along with Warner, Bradford, Springfield, New London, Wilmot and Newbury. Attendees received a map and each meeting house provided docents and tours of the buildings. The proceeds were divided equally among the seven meeting houses.

Sutton’s 97th Old Home Day took place on Sunday, Aug. 19. The Reverend Dick Dutton presided over the service and Susan Cancio-Bello and the NH Troubadours provided the music. The South Sutton Homesteaders did a great job on the B-B-Q lunch. We also held a Yard Sale at the Cressey House, which turned out well. How Old Home Day will be handled in the future is still under discussion. In 3 years, it will be Sutton’s 100th Old Home Day. We would like to get the other Sutton Community Associations involved in the planning and execution to help make this NH tradition as truly special as it was intended to be.

The SHS Annual Meeting was called to order at the Free Will Baptist Church on Sunday, October 21st at 2:07 PM. Don Davis reported on the death of George S. Pillsbury, the grandson of Charles A. Pillsbury, the founder of the Pillsbury Flour Company. They are direct descendants of the Pillsbury’s of Sutton. The meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM and refreshments were enjoyed at intermission. Town Historian, Jack Noon, gave an interesting presentation on the early days of Perrystown and the Harvey family, including showing some great maps through the ages of Sutton’s history.

On October 27th, Tom & Janet Paul hosted a fall Will Ogmundson piano concert. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the music and the array of hors d’oeuvres and fine wine.

Our Cookie & Candy Walk took place on Saturday, December 2nd. Over 50 people visited the Cressey House, enjoyed the festive and creative decorations and were thrilled by the fantastic selection of homemade holiday cookies and candies. New this year was unique, handmade holiday crafts, which were a very successful addition. We were especially happy to have Jim “Santa” Lowe back for a return engagement.

At the Cressey House, Jack Noon and Carlton Bradford have settled into their offices and continue to do research and uncover more exciting documents and stories about our town. Fritz Pratt continues to do many jobs and wear many hats. Art Robbins did a terrific job on the

herb garden and added two barrels of cutting flowers to the mix this year. Barbara Smith has been cleaning the inside of the house; Gary Wilcox has been mowing and plowing. During the summer and early fall, the Cressey House was open to the public on Saturday mornings, welcoming folks to stop by to see our collection of artifacts, photos and memorabilia. We plan to continue and to expand on this by holding educational events and historical walks. Also, our Sutton sign, history books, notecards, mugs and magnets are available.

A new benefit the SHS has gained this year is Vernondale Store. Bob DeFelice has purchased a large number of our SHS history books and mugs to sell at the store. He's also been willing to advertise and support our events. Having Don Davis there surely helps promote the history of Sutton and the SHS!

In the past year, Ex-officio, Judy Lowe, has put together and delivered a dozen Welcome to Sutton baskets to new residents. In addition, Judy is the Sutton correspondent for the InterTown Record and she publicizes everything the SHS has going on in her weekly column. We're glad she's still active with the SHS.

An interesting story unfolded this year...During the early stages of budgeting for the Meeting House repairs, we began to question who actually owned the Meeting House and Schoolhouse. After digging around Town Hall and investigating on-line, I discovered that neither building was recorded as belonging to the SHS. In fact, in June of 1992, the Meeting House was granted by the Town of Sutton to the South Sutton Community Meeting House Association on a Quitclaim Deed. In August of 1992, the Schoolhouse was granted by the Sutton Old Home Day Association to the Friends of the South Sutton Schoolhouse, Inc. on a Warranty Deed. More probing revealed that in August of 1995, the South Sutton Community Meeting House Association and the Friends of the South Sutton Schoolhouse merged with the Sutton Historical Society. Amazingly, Judy Lowe had saved an InterTown Record announcing the merger by SHS President, Jane Pratt. The article also mentioned that Attorney Charles Russell of Concord had done the legal work for the merger. Charlie Russell is a direct descendant of Silas Russell, one of the first settlers of Perrystown. In 1793, Silas built a house in South Sutton on what is now Foxchase Road. The house is still standing today, owned by Paul & Judy Bohn. Coincidentally, I just happen to know Charlie and his wife Jane (who was my Realtor when I came to Sutton). I contacted Charlie and gave him all the information I had gathered. He then researched, drafted and prepared the deeds for recording. On December 21, 2012, both buildings were recorded in the Merrimack County records as belonging to the Sutton Historical Society. Attorney Russell's detailed bill shows the \$403.00 in fees as a charitable donation to the SHS. He notes; "Consider this work and

the donation of my legal services as a further renewal of my lifetime membership previously and graciously granted to me for prior work." History does repeat itself, Silas would be proud!

President's note: I would like to thank all the officers, directors and chair people for the support and encouragement they have provided me during my first year as SHS President. Many other members and non-members devoted their time and energy to help make 2012 an exceptional year for the Sutton Historical Society. I am grateful to each and every volunteer who's behind the scenes, especially those who go "above & beyond the call of duty".

Respectfully submitted,
Carole O'Connell, President

2012 Officers:

Carrie Thomas, Vice President

Don Davis, Clerk

Kristin Brooks, Treasurer

2012 Board of Directors:

Bob DeFelice

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The cast of "Raising the Roof"



CLF Builders shingling the north side of the Meeting House.

Report of the Health Officer

This year our office conducted the usual inspections at our regional schools, miscellaneous complaint inspections and referrals to the proper state agencies.

For those of you that may require the services of your local Health Officer, the following is a summary of my duties and responsibilities:

- To enforce the NH public health rules and regulations;
- To serve as a liaison between state officials and the local community on issues concerning public health;
- To inspect foster homes, day care facilities, septic systems and nuisance complaints such as garbage;
- To inspect food establishments;
- To deal with any food borne and communicable disease outbreaks or any issue that would impact the public health of the citizens of Sutton.

A reoccurring problem that we have in Sutton is with dumpsters not being emptied. Times are tight, but it is important that dumpsters get emptied on a regular basis, otherwise they create a nuisance (health hazard). I am including the Town's public health ordinance here so that everyone can see that if the Town has to enforce this ordinance it is not likely that you will be saving any money by not emptying your dumpsters. If we have to go to court, that costs everybody, so please familiarize yourselves and comply with the town's Public Health Regulations.

TOWN OF SUTTON Public Health Regulations

Section 1. Authority

These regulations were recommended by the Health Officer and approved by the Board of Selectmen of Sutton under the authority granted in RSA 147:1, entitled "Local Regulations".

Section 2. Purpose

To provide for the prevention or removal of any nuisance or other thing which is injurious to the public health, as authorized pursuant to RSA 147.

Section 3. Unlawful Act

A. No person shall suffer or permit within the town the

accumulation or deposit upon his premises or upon lands occupied by him or under his control any garbage, trash, animal or vegetable matter, offal, household waste or any other matter or thing in such a manner as may be injurious to public health.

B. No person shall sweep, throw, cast, lay or deposit or suffer any agent or employee to sweep, throw, cast, lay or deposit any garbage, trash, animal or vegetable matter, offal, household waste or rubbish of any kind whatsoever in any land, alley, street, storm drain or other public place; nor shall any person throw or deposit any refuse in any stream or other body of water within the town.

C. No person shall pick over, interfere with, disturb, remove or scatter any garbage, rubbish or other matter placed into a disposal container of any kind or otherwise accumulated for disposal by another person.

D. No person shall haul, convey or transport through or upon any street within the town limits any ashes, garbage, trash, rubbish or other refuse except in properly covered containers or vehicles totally enclosed or covered with canvas or tarpaulins, so fastened down around the edges as to prevent any of the contents from falling upon the streets and to protect the same from flies and to prevent the escape of any offensive odors therefrom.

Section 4. Enforcement

A. The Town of Sutton Health Officer is hereby authorized to enforce the observance of the provisions of these regulations.

B. Pursuant to RSA 147:3, the Health Officer is authorized to examine any building, vessel, premises or property for the purpose of conducting an investigation of sanitary conditions.

Section 5. Violations

Any person who violates any of the provisions of these regulations shall be guilty of a violation. Such person shall be deemed to be guilty of a separate offense for each and every day during any portion of which any violation of these regulations is committed, continued or permitted by such person and shall be punishable therefor as provided herein. A penalty in the amount of \$35.00 may be imposed for the first violation, \$70.00 for the second violation, and \$100.00 for each successive violation.

Section 6. Notice of Removal With or Without Notice

A. Upon a determination by the Health Officer that a nuisance or other thing is injurious to the public health, the Health Officer may notify, in writing, the owner or occupant of the building, vessel, premises or property to remove or destroy the identified nuisance or other thing within a specified time period. The written notice may be given to the owner or occupant or left at the owner's or occupant's abode.

B. Pursuant to RSA 147:4, in the event the owner or occupant fails to remove or destroy the identified nuisance or other thing within the specified time period, the Health Officer is authorized to effectuate the required removal or destruction.

C. Pursuant to RSA 147:6, in the event the owner is unknown to the Health Officer or does not reside in town, and the premises is unoccupied or the Health Officer determines the occupant is unable to remove the identified nuisance or other matter, the Health Officer may, without notice, immediately effectuate the removal or destruction of the identified nuisance or other thing.

Section 7. Liability for Cost of Removal or Destruction

The owner or occupant shall be liable for the costs incurred by the town in removing or destroying the identified nuisance or other thing. Pursuant to RSA 147:7 and 147:7-b, the town may collect the costs incurred either through filing a civil action pursuant to RSA 147:7 or by attaching a lien on the property pursuant to RSA 147:7-a, which may result in loss of the property if the lien is not satisfied.

To facilitate a referral to the Health Officer, please contact the Selectmen's Office at 927-4416.

Respectfully submitted,

David Burnham
Health Officer

Welfare Report - 2012

Surprisingly, welfare activity was slow through most of the year. Everyone in town, clients included, tried to stay within a reasonable budget. It also helped to have a somewhat easier winter January through March of '12.

However, with the coming of winter and the end of the year, activity grew. We still managed to have something left in the budget. I think the Town folks really understanding the role of Town Welfare as INTERIM ASSISTANCE. It is not meant to be monthly or in anyway long term. Whether it is help with electricity, or partial rent, generally speaking, once suffices. Occasionally, a client will reappear, but it doesn't happen too often. The client is able to get on their feet with a little extra to carry forward the next month. Nowadays, very few people have lots of extras, but many retain their pride.

What has been a wonderful help are the food cards so generously donated by organizations, private businesses and individuals. Some were donated with conditions, which I honored, so we don't have a lot left from the holiday donations to carry through the year. When they are gone, they are gone!

A few major donations were given to the local food bank at Trinity Bible Church. It is well run and organized. The Pastor and parishioners are very grateful.

I have been overseer since 1991. Your trust in my abilities is deeply appreciated.

Not much else to report. Our wonderful small town continues to go forward, helping others as each of us can, knowing that our graciousness and generosity do not go unnoticed by our equally gracious and generous God.

Respectfully submitted,

Courtney Haase
Overseer of Town Welfare

Report of the Sutton Free Library

Sutton Free Library's past year began business as usual. It hosted two NH Humanities Council programs in May: *Sennett, Chaplin, Keaton and the Art of Silent Films* and *The Great Sheep Boom*. The annual summer children's summer reading program entitled "Dream Big, Read" was held July through August. These events were well attended and enjoyed by all.

Building maintenance projects included outside trim and window painting, roof and plumbing repairs. These projects plus the air conditioner eliminating the basement mildew problem have improved the quality of the entire building. Adding to its fresh appearance is a new American flag, donated by Lyman and Barbara Smith of S. Sutton, and extra gardening by Sutton volunteers.

Trustees attended two state-sponsored workshops: Small Library Summit and Library Trustee Training Session. The first workshop



centered on free databases available to town libraries. You will find links to these online resources from the library web page under the town site. A library email account was established to enhance communication with patrons. Information from a second workshop showed the library to be out of compliance with several state regulations. Actions taken to come into compliance thus far include: adjusting the number of trustee seats to an odd number, maintaining a separate checking account for non appropriated library funds, and ensuring the privacy of library circulation records. Other areas of concern included a need

to meet the goals set by the town's Master Plan of 2005 and having a plan to move toward on-line cataloging. In view of these concerns and the knowledge that approximately \$5500 is spent annually by Sutton residents to use neighboring libraries, the trustees designed a survey to find what residents wanted most from this library.

This was the first half of 2012. The fall proved to be a little busier.

Jeanette Couch, our dedicated librarian for 50 years, took a leap of faith to retirement. She presented a letter of resignation at our October meet-

ing. Jeanette said that she began the position in the fall and wanted to stop at the end of her 50th year. Kathy Chadwick also retired from her trustee chairmanship of 12+ years bringing the number of trustees in compliance. So, while most residents were inundated with US Presidential campaigning, the trustees planned a retirement party worthy of 50 years of service and rapidly learned to write, post and contact the best possible librarian candidates. It was a lot of extra time but good energy. The outcomes of both these tasks were very successful.

The party for Jeanette was held on Oct. 31st. Over 150 well-wishers attended to share cake and goodies, memories and thanks. Family and friends from Sutton and around celebrated by being there or through written notes. Sutton elementary students and staff sang and thanked Ms. Couch for being their town librarian. Thanks to Wally Baker the new granite bench dedicated to Jeanette's years of service was in place for this event. The trustees presented her with a concrete cocker spaniel to watch over her home. It was a wonderful celebration.

The business of finding a new librarian proved equally successful. Eighteen applications were received from in and out of NH for the temporary library directorship. Others inquired on-line and still more responded after the search closed. Most candidates interviewed had library science degrees. Realizing that changes were imminent, the trustees froze spending except for salary and maintenance. Many thanks to our town select board for helping review each step of this hiring process. Happily, for a third time in a row, the town of Sutton provided the library with the best possible candidate, in fact two!



Our temporary library director is Heidi Thoma of N. Sutton with a MS in Library Science. From Sutton Mills, Jennifer Carson, a published author with a BA in Creative Writing, is our assistant librarian. They were hired by the end of October and were in attendance at Jeanette's party.

Keeping up this busy schedule, the trustees and new librarians finalized the community survey. Launched at the town hall on voting day, Nov. 6, the surveys were available to residents through Nov. 20 at various locations around town and online. Thanks to the 181 respondents (approx. 12% of Registered Sutton Voters) who gave their ideas. The results are summarized here and help set our goals.

November and December added new offerings at the library: WiFi service, preschool story time, rotating display of historic public photos, computer tech assistance and an email newsletter list a few of the new offerings. A few electronic resources were acquired to attend to cataloging needs and assist with upcoming patron programs. The year ahead proves to be equally exciting: adding the inter-library loan program and downloadable books. More plans are being made for both adult and children's activities and applications have been submitted for grants to help fund programs and materials beyond the basic operating expenses covered by the town appropriation.

The trustees wish to recognize the many people who helped during the last quarter of 2012. From the town hall: Linda Ford, Lynn King and Elly Phillips. Our selectmen: Walter Baker, Ricia McMahon and Robert Wright. Sutton residents: Chris Carson, Kathy Chadwick, Jeanette Couch, Robert DeFelice, Chris Donnelly, Greg Gill, Rebecca Harrington, Seth Murdough, Shannon Storm, Carrie Thomas and Annette Vogel. These people donated needed information, technical assistance and/or goods. Thank you all for your generous support and encouragement.

If you have not been to the library lately it is always a great place to relax with a cup of coffee and find a book, get tech support or meet with a friend or tutor. Your input is encouraged at the contacts below or in person. Remember, all roads and computers lead to Sutton Free Library.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Cernek

Heidi Thoma

Chair, Sutton Free Library Trustees

Temp. Library Director

Trustees:

Assistant Librarian:

Lynne Chadwick

Jennifer Carson

Becky Harrington

Shannon Storm

Carrie Thomas

Kathy Chadwick (Resigned)

Current hours: Mon. 10:00 -12:00

3:00 - 7:00

Wed. 8:00 - Noon

Sat. 10:00 - 1:00

Phone: 927 4927

Email: suttonlibrarian@gmail.com

Trustees: suttontrustees@yahoo.com

Sutton Free Library Community Survey Fall 2012 – Responses (n=181)

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Question	Number Who Selected	Question	Number Who Selected
Which Materials are Important		How Many Hours	
Books	148	More Hours	81
Computers	87	Same Hours	57
internet	85	Fewer Hours	13
audiobooks general	84	No Answer	30
DVD General	72		
ebooks	69		
DVD kid	67	Best Time of Day	
Museum Passes	67	Morning	28
audiobooks kid	61	12-3 pm	31
Fax	36	3-5 pm	50
		After 5	59
Which Programs are Important		No Answer	13
ILL	135		
Adult	95		
After School	74	Do you use another Library	
Tutoring	69	Yes	97
Story Time	64	No	74
		No Answer	10
Which Days of the Week			
select up to 3			
Monday	53	How Often Do You Visit	
Tuesday	46	Never	51
Wednesday	63	Yearly	36
Thursday	45	Monthly	27
Friday	43	Weekly	8
Saturday	114	Other	58
Sunday	54	No Answer	1

Report of the Sutton Free Library

Sutton Free Library 2012 Budget

Line Item	2012 Budgeted Town Appropriation	2012 Expenditures Town Appropriation	2012 Expenditures Library Account
Salary	\$7,937	\$8,749.78	
Telephone	\$900	\$799.68	
Electricity	\$1,500	\$1,111.91	
Heating Fuel	\$1,611	\$1,926.21	
Repairs and Maintenance	\$5,100	\$5,560.41	\$4,100.00
Advertising	\$400	\$217.50	
Programs	\$500	\$500.00	\$481.10
Supplies	\$640	\$0.00	
Office Supplies/Equip/Postage	\$150	\$56.97	\$2,407.14
Books	\$2,000	\$1,092.30	\$1,242.39
Building Maintenance		\$200.00	
			\$25.00 Background Check Fee
			\$997.00 Book Drop, Outdoor
			\$109.98 Furniture, Library
			\$310.00 Granite bench
Budget Total	\$20,738	\$20,214.76	\$9,672.61

Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission

28 Commercial Street Suite 3 ✪ Concord, New Hampshire 03301
✪ phone: (603) 226-6020 ✪ fax: (603) 226-6023 ✪ internet: www.cnhrpc.org

Established in accordance with state law, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 communities in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties. The Town of Sutton is a member in good standing of the Commission. Emilio Cancio-Bello and Robert DeFelice are the Town's representatives to the Commission.

CNHRPC's mission is to comply with State statute by preparing and adopting regional land use and transportation plans and a regional housing needs assessment. CNHRPC also evaluates developments of regional impact and provides data, information, training, and high-quality, cost-effective services to our member communities. CNHRPC advocates for member communities and assists and encourages them in both municipal and regional endeavors.

In 2012 the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission undertook the following local and region-wide activities:

- Undertook Hazard Mitigation Plan update development assistance in nine communities through funding from the NH Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (NH HSEM) through funding from the NH Department of Environmental Services (NH DES).
- Completed a Land Protection Study for the Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee (UMRLAC). This project included the distribution of a survey to each community's Planning Board and Conservation Commission on their resource information needs, and the preparation of information sheets tailored to each community's needs, mapping, and the development of a region-wide report on recent development trends to assist communities with watershed protection efforts.
- Provided technical assistance services for member communities, including zoning ordinance development, grant writing assistance, plan review services, local master plan development, and planning board process training.
- Undertook energy planning assistance to local communities through the New Hampshire Energy Technical Assistance and Planning Program (ETAP) using American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding provided through the NH Office of Energy and Planning. Facilitated monthly meetings

of the Central NH Regional Energy Committee Roundtable in 2012. This is an informal group of local Energy Committee members in the region whose mission is to share ideas and resources, pursue cooperative projects, and bring a collective regional voice to energy issues that face communities in Central New Hampshire.

- Began work in conjunction with the Southern NH Planning Commission (SNHPC) on the preparation of a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the Central NH Region through funding provided by the US Economic Development Administration. The CEDS will cover the 20 CNHRPC communities as well as five communities in the SNHPC area. In 2012, a CEDS Strategy Committee was established that is comprised of both public and private sector representatives of the two regions. The CEDS development process is expected to be complete in fall 2013.
- Coordinated the activities of the CNHRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). Emilio Cancio-Bello is the Town's TAC representative. Among its transportation planning services, CNHRPC offers its member communities a Road Surface Management System (RSMS) program which provides an overview and estimate of a municipal road system's condition and the approximate costs for future improvements. RSMS provides a systematic approach for local officials to answer basic questions about their road system, to gauge current network conditions and to guide future improvement and investment in line with municipal Capital Improvement Programs. CNHRPC, working through the TAC, has assisted five member communities since 2011 to set up a local RSMS system. For more information see www.cnhrpc.org/transportation/road-surface-management-system-rsms.
- Worked with the TAC to complete the preparation of the 2013-2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Information related to the TIP update process can be found at www.cnhrpc.org/transportation/transportation-improvement-program-tip.
- Completed over 250 traffic counts in the region as part of its annual Transportation Data Collection Program. These figures are available on the CNHRPC website at www.cnhrpc.org/gis-a-data/traffic-count-data.
- Continued to work together with the town and NHDOT to advance the rehabilitation of NH Route 114. Through ongoing efforts which were initiated in 2011, significant drainage and engineering improvements were made to sections of the roadway in 2012.

- Tracked state highway paving projects and coordinated with municipalities to ensure the lane striping on the new pavement met community needs, with a particular emphasis on bicycle and pedestrian safety.
- CNHRPC staff, working with the Mid-State Regional Coordinating Council for Community Transportation (Mid-State RCC), worked to secure NHDOT funding to offer enhanced transportation options for elderly and disabled residents in the region through an enhanced network of volunteer drivers. For more information see midstatercc.org.
- Provided assistance to nine communities with Safe Routes to School (SRTS) projects including grant writing, comprehensive travel plan preparation, and technical assistance for infrastructure projects.
- Conducted monthly Park & Ride vehicle occupancy counts at eleven New Hampshire Park and Rides around the region as part of CNHRPC's transportation planning work program.
- Provided assistance to the Regional Trails Coordinating Council, a coalition of local rail trail and shared-use path groups in roughly the Salem-Manchester-Concord corridor. In 2012, the group developed a draft Regional Trails Plan for the region.
- Began development of an updated Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. All 20 communities were visited and bicycle and pedestrian conditions were reviewed and reported. Work on the Plan will continue in 2013.
- Continued to work on the NH Regional Broadband Mapping and Planning Program. Data collection on existing internet service as continued including the identification of unserved and underserved areas and the collection of broadband service information for community anchor institutions. CNHRPC also organized a regional Broadband Stakeholder's group, which will work to improve Broadband in the region.
- Continued to acquire, update, and utilize Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data for planning, cartography, and analysis across all projects.
- Staff began the process to develop an updated regional Master Plan, entitled the Central New Hampshire Regional Plan. This Plan will be based upon local values and needs that together present a vision for how we can improve our communities, region, and the state. The Central New Hampshire Regional Plan will be an advisory document that communities may use as a resource when updating their own municipal Master Plans. This three-year project is part of a statewide effort by all

nine New Hampshire Regional Planning Commissions (RPCs) known as A Granite State Future. In 2012, staff coordinated numerous public outreach events and opportunities throughout the region and coordinated the initial meeting of the Central NH Regional Plan Advisory Team.

- Provided coordination assistance to the Commute Green New Hampshire program, working with public, private, and non-profit partners. Work has focused on bringing partners together, establishing a strategic plan, and improving communications around the state on what transportation options are available to residents. The Planning Team established a sustained marketing campaign to encourage people to carpool, bicycle, walk, take transit or telecommute to work. The Team established a goal of reducing 4,000 single occupancy vehicle trips from May until the end of 2012 and exceeded that goal by helping NH residents reduce more than 10,000 trips. For more information see www.commutegreennh.org.
- Continued to staff the Program for Alternative Transportation and Health (PATH), and focused this year on integrating under the Commute Green New Hampshire umbrella to better connect commuters in our region with transportation options in the I-93 corridor. Staff participated in the Main Street Concord redesign process by providing technical assistance to the design team on how to best incorporate bicycling, walking and transit options and infrastructure into the design. More information on PATH can be found at www.path-nh.org.

For additional information, please contact the CNHRPC staff or visit us at www.cnhrpc.org. CNHRPC Commission meetings are open to the public and interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

Kearsarge Council on Aging, Inc. Report 2012

COA CHAPIN SENIOR CENTER

37 Pleasant Street, New London NH 03257

COA's motto in fulfilling its basic mission is
"People Helping People".



COA provides multiple ongoing opportunities for area seniors to get out and participate in activities and programs which keep their minds and bodies in action and improve the quality of their lives. COA Chapin Senior Center operates on \$199,000 budget each year. COA relies on private donations from

members and businesses for 70% of its operating funds. The remaining 30% comes from the nine towns it serves.



COA's ability to keep its budget very low is due to its large workforce of volunteers. Currently COA has 200 active volunteers who run all of the programs offered, act as receptionists, data entry clerks, drivers, instructors, etc. Because of our excellent volunteers we are able to offer so many programs and services for no cost to anyone who participates.

In 2012 COA volunteers drove members from the nine town area 52,000 miles. COA's volunteer transportation program provides door through door service to people who are unable to drive, all this at no charge and with no reimbursement to the volunteers. To put this overwhelming statistic in perspective, COA maintains separate listings of "ongoing rides" - those people who require treatment at the VA Hospital, White River Jct, Concord or Hitchcock Hospitals. Oncology patients can often receive treatments only at hospitals other than the New London Hospital, sometimes requiring transportation on a daily basis.

COA has a thriving senior center with over 54 programs. The center is open M-F 9-4. Come for exercises, Medicare questions, attend an enriching educational program, or just have coffee with friends! A full library and video library awaits - a multitude of volunteer opportunities and most importantly a community of people who care about each other.



Muster Field Farm Museum

An 18Th Century Historic Homestead,
Restored Farm Buildings
and Bicentennial Working Farm



Muster Field Farm Museum's 250 acres and historic homestead have been a part of Sutton's culture and heritage for generations. The homestead, built by Matthew Harvey, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and housed Sutton's first library collection. The Harvey family served New Hampshire and the nation in civil service for over 50 years. When the farm passed beyond the Harvey Family, Robert S. Bristol began his stewardship. Mr. Bristol served as a select board member in Sutton and preserved the lands and buildings of Muster Field for future generations through the development of a trust that supports the mission of the Farm Museum. The fields surrounding the homestead once provided space for local troops to muster in preparation for duty, giving the farm its current name. Today, the Farm Museum is a vibrant example of New Hampshire's agrarian heritage. Annual events throughout the year highlight the collection of farm buildings brought to Muster Field from around the region as well as the present-day working farm that produces unbelievable flowers, fruits, vegetables, hay and cordwood.

Muster Field is grateful for the dedication of families and individuals who volunteer throughout the year as well as an incredible staff work-

ing seasonally and year-round. If you would like to learn more, visit the website or email for membership details and more.

The Farm Museum is open to the public daily for self-guided tours and exploration. You are encouraged to visit, take a step into the history of Sutton and enjoy the resources made possible by the generous vision of Bob Bristol. Details on Annual Events are available on the website: www.musterfieldfarm.com .

Respectfully submitted by:

Board of Directors 2012

Larry Ballin, Chair

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Chip Rowe, Kevin Rowe, Kathleen Stowell and Heidi Thoma

Year Round Staff 2012

Steve Paquin, Farm Manager

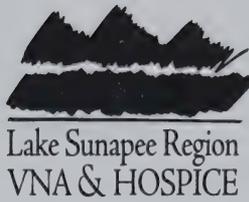
Imelda Mimnaugh, Jack Noon, Museum Historian, Beth Morrill,
Administrative Assistant

Community Acton Program Report 2012

SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNITS OF SERVICE	HOUSEHOLDS/PERSONS	VALUE
COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM is a nutrition program that offers participants free nutritious foods to supplement their daily diet. The program serves children under six years of age, women during pregnancy and up to 12 months after the birth of their baby. *(An individual may not be enrolled in both the WIC Program and CSFP but a family may have members in both programs.)			
	STATS NOT AVAILABLE		
CONGREGATE MEALS- All elders are welcome to our congregate meal sites/ Senior Centers for nutritious hot meals, social/recreational activities and special events. Value \$5.58 per meal.	MEALS--78	PERSONS--14	\$435.24
MEALS-ON-WHEELS provides the delivery of nutritionally balanced hot meals to homebound elderly or adult residents five days per week. Value \$6.69 per meal.	MEALS--2805	PERSONS--11	\$18,765.45
TRANSPORTATION provides regularly scheduled demand response to and from towns in Belknap and Merrimack Counties to medical and professional facilities, shopping centers, and congregate meal sites. Value \$14.58 per ridership.	RIDES--8	PERSONS--1	\$116.64
EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRIES provide up to five days of food for people facing temporary food crisis. Value \$5.00 per meal.	MEALS--940	HOUSEHOLDS--94	\$4,700.00
FUEL ASSISTANCE is available to income eligible households to help with energy costs during the prime heating season. Priority is given to the elderly and disabled. The average benefit for the 2011-12 program was \$648.00.	APPLICATIONS--45	PERSONS--111	\$38,130.00
ELECTRIC ASSISTANCE program is a statewide program funded by all electric rate payers which provides a specific tier of discount from 7% to 70% on electric bills for income eligible households.	ENROLLED HH--36		\$14,652.00
WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN provides specific food to supplement daily diet of pregnant or nursing women as well as children under five. Participants receive medical/nutritional screening, counseling and education. Value includes value of vouchers and clinical services.	STATS NOT AVAILABLE		

SERVICE DESCRIPTION	UNITS OF SERVICE	HOUSEHOLDS/PERSONS	VALUE
<p>HEAD START is a child development program serving children before they enter public school. Classroom and in-home learning services are provided for both children and their families. Value \$8000 per child.</p>	CHILDREN-0		\$-
<p>WEATHERIZATION improves the energy efficiency of income eligible households. Supplemental program also includes furnace replacement, water heater replacement and roof repair. Value includes average material and labor.</p>	HOMES-3	PERSONS-9	\$45,732.00
<p>NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR provides emergency energy assistance up to \$300 for those not eligible for fuel assistance.</p>	GRANTS-0		\$-
GRAND TOTAL			\$122,531.33

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL—CAP provides utility, landlord/tenant, legal and health counseling as well as referrals for housing, transportation and other life concerns. These support/advocacy services are not tracked.



Report of the Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association 2012

January 2013

Dear Friends:

On behalf of all staff, volunteers and the trustees of Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health and hospice services, long-term care and community health services in Sutton.

Our Mission remains unchanged and LSRVNA personnel strive to support the dignity and independence of all Sutton residents. As in previous years, the LSRVNA Board of Directors has pledged that, within its financial resources, our Agency will continue to provide your community with all its services, except for long-term private duty care, regardless of insurance coverage or any individual's ability to pay for care.

I am proud to report that, in 2012, LSRVNA employees:

- Provided 1,462 hours of nursing, therapy and in-home supportive care to 56 residents;
- Provided 1,165 in-home nursing, therapy and social work visits to these residents. 48 visits were provided without any remuneration to LSRVNA. 254 visits were provided under the NH Medicaid program. The NH Medicaid program reimburses LSRVNA at roughly 60% of the Agency's visit cost;
- Three residents received 44 visits through our hospice program and, thanks in part to our support, they were able to spend their last days at home. Their families and loved ones are provided bereavement support and counseling at no cost; and
- 114 Sutton residents utilized foot care, flu and blood pressure clinics as well as parent-child, bereavement and other support groups provided by LSRVNA.

LSRVNA staff remain committed not only to individual health and well-being, but to fostering community support and involvement which enables residents to help their friends and neighbors. Please do not

hesitate to call me at 526-4077 if there is any way that we may be of service to you, your friends, or loved ones or if you have an idea how we can help foster the overall health and well being of the community.

Sincerely,

Scott Fabry, RN
President and CEO

UNH Cooperative Extension Merrimack County 2012

We served citizens in every community in Merrimack County through our diverse programming such as 4-H, Nutrition Connections, Food & Agriculture, Community & Economic Development, and Youth & Family, from October 2011 to September 2012, reaching residents in all 27 towns in the county.

Who we are:

UNH Cooperative Extension, the public outreach arm of the University of New Hampshire, has engaged New Hampshire residents for 98 years with a broad variety of non-formal educational offerings.

What we do:

UNH Cooperative Extension provides a direct link between UNH and people throughout the state. In partnership with local residents and volunteers, Cooperative Extension plans and conducts educational programs responsive to N.H. people and the issues they identify that are important to them.

How we do it:

County Extension field staff bring these programs to county residents through hands-on workshops, site visits, seminars, conferences, phone consultations, video-conferences, printed materials, correspondence courses, a statewide toll free Info Line, and a large statewide Web site, as well as partnering with other programs to bring the best to the citizens of Merrimack County. Our program areas include:

- **Food & Agriculture:** UNHCE, part of the Land Grant University, provides educational programs and applied research to promote safe and local food production, dairy and small-scale livestock and poultry production, and the state's large and diverse ornamental horticulture industry. Programs are offered in food safety for homeowners, farmers markets, and food service industries, as well as, Pesticide Applicator Training, soil and plant diagnostic services and livestock production.
- **Natural Resources:** Managing and protecting N.H.'s natural resources is critical to a healthy environment, our quality of life and the tourism industry, as well as for current and future economic opportunities. Our Natural Resources Team provide research, education and stewardship throughout the state with a "boots on the ground" approach in extending state-wide programs in forestry and wildlife, natural resource development, land and water conservation, and marine fisheries.
- **Community & Economic Development:** UNHCE has a long history of supporting N.H.'s economy through its agriculture, forestry and fishing industry efforts. In addition to this, UNHCE has become well-known and appreciated for our staff's ability to convene and facilitate community members and groups, helping them to develop leadership skills and

make sound decisions regarding the future. UNHCE's Community and Economic Development team (CED) will continue providing research-based education and assistance to individuals, families, businesses and communities to help them identify opportunities to enhance their competitive advantage, build upon their assets and create conditions that foster local and regional economic growth.

- **Youth & Family:** Preparing youth to become caring and productive citizens is critical to N.H.'s future. We will pursue this goal through community-based positive youth development, utilizing the 4-H program as a primary vehicle. UNHCE has always been well-known and is highly regarded for nutrition education programs for families and children across the state. Federal funding from USDA provides resources for continued support to programs that focus on the specific needs of limited resource families (Supplemental and Nutrition Assistance Program and the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program). We will address high priority issues including obesity as both a personal health and public health/economic issue. Educational resources for parents and families will be provided through creative delivery mechanisms, including web-based outreach, e-newsletters and train-the-trainer programs. UNHCE will provide N.H. citizens with research-based education and information, enhancing their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen families.

UNH Extension trains and supports more than 5,000 volunteers statewide: 4-H leaders, master gardeners, wildlife coverts, community tree stewards, water quality monitors, marine docents, and others, who extend the reach of Extension programs into many domains of New Hampshire life.

Our state-wide Home & Garden Center toll-free Info Line staffed by volunteers fielded 420 calls alone from Merrimack County residents.

Our efforts contribute to the good health of our state and its people – helping foster a strong economy, healthy environment, productive youth and the vibrant communities that make New Hampshire a great place to live, visit and work.

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Extension also distributes a wide range of information from our Web site: www.extension.unh.edu.

UNH Cooperative Extension operates a statewide Education Center and Info Line (toll-free at 1-877-398-4769) which is staffed Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Bradford Newbury Sutton Youth Sports

Though 2012 seems to have passed us all by in the blink of an eye, there were several exciting and monumental events celebrated within Bradford Newbury Sutton Youth Sports (BNSYS). During our annual season opening baseball/softball tournament, which attracted twenty four area youth teams to Warren Brook Park, we paused for an emotional mid-morning dedication of the new Sam Emery Memorial Baseball Field. With seventy foot base paths and a permanent regulation distance homerun fence, this facility will afford BNSYS many opportunities for tournament play and all-star events, as it is the only field of its kind in the area. This new asset will also relieve scheduling conflicts for younger players and provide a tremendous transitional experience for twelve year old boys as they grow into the full size diamond.

Despite the decline in softball registrations, BNSYS girls continued to achieve remarkable success on the field in 2012. Thanks to the hard work of Rod and Jaime McConnell within this entity, we received much complimentary feedback from the players, parents, and visitors to our dedicated softball facility.

One of the most exciting events of the baseball/softball season was the home opener of the newly added, Junior American Legion Baseball team, sponsored by American Legion Post 40. Many former baseball directors, including myself, have proposed adding a program which would allow sixteen and seventeen year old players to continue pursuit of their summer passion; Dennis Heiner, who completed his fifth and final season as BNSYS baseball director in 2012, was the first to succeed in this endeavor. Mr. Heiner was fittingly called to the mound on the Frank E. Mayo Memorial Field, offering up the ceremonial first pitch, as several members of Post 40 enjoyed the spectacle.

Even with the addition of several competing opportunities in our region, the BNSYS mid-summer soccer camp continued to grow this year. The dedication of camp organizer, Jen Dow, has kept many families returning for so long that she was able to add a high school age group of boys and girls to hone their skills under the tutelage of visiting European coaches.

The Fall soccer program, efficiently conducted by our newest Director, Katherine McCandless, witnessed 126 players making up ten teams. The participation of seventy one children, under age eight, makes us very optimistic that youth soccer will continue to be successful for many years. BNSYS hosted the fifth/sixth grade Merrimack Valley Soccer League tournament in 2012, where our team of tremendous role models coached by Andy Young and Travis Dezotell won first place in the A division. Our fifth/sixth grade boys soccer team, coached by Harry Mellott and Dan Benedict, showed off their talent with a second

place finish in the C division tournament held at Henniker.

As we have been for over twenty years, BNSYS is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, which provides quality athletic opportunities for local youths. In 2012 we continued the tradition of never turning a child away due to inability to pay or lack of proper equipment. All programs are run and organized by volunteers. All Board members (listed below) are volunteers. Coaching, fundraising, most field and facility maintenance, as well as most refereeing and umpiring are done by volunteers. Our largest expenses at BNSYS are insurance and athletic equipment, with additional expenditures for uniforms, electricity, toilet rental, field/facility upgrades and supplies, fuel, criminal background checks for all volunteers and advertising. Our revenue is derived predominately from fundraising efforts. The “ snack shacks” operated during athletic events have become well known and appreciated throughout the regional youth sports community, and the annual golf tournament held at The Country Club of N.H. remains a highly anticipated event by area businesses and individuals. BNSYS players are charged a nominal fee for participation, and we are very grateful to receive generous donations from local residents and establishments, as well as the contributions which the three towns we serve provide to us through taxation.

During the off season, the Board of Directors continues to work on improvements to our current array of programs, and also explore new opportunities for activities and fundraising. By the time snow melts from the fields and we get to enjoy a hot dog and coffee at a ball game once again, we at BNSYS hope to have our new website (still at bnsys.org)up and running, where it will be easy for all of you to follow our progress and find current events. Thank you for your support!

Respectfully submitted,
Steven S. Patten President

- Jen Dow Treasurer
- Sarah Reynolds Secretary
- Steve Bailey Field maintenance
- Rod McConnell Baseball
- Katherine McCandless Soccer
- VACANT Softball
- VACANT Equipment
- VACANT Fundraising

Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust

In 2012, the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (Ausbon Sargent) celebrated its 25th anniversary as a leader in the conservation of our natural resources in the Mt. Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee Region. The mission of this non-profit, citizen-based group is to protect the region's rural landscape. Since its founding in 1987, Ausbon Sargent has completed 120 projects and protected 9,742 acres – including nine working farms. All of these conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two thirds of these properties offer public access.

Many Sutton residents are Ausbon Sargent volunteers. They include: Dave and Nancy Brazier, Doug Sweet, Rachel Ruppel, Adam Bronstein, Betsy Forsham, John Heiden, Virginia Johnson, Alice Perry and Jane Williamson. Also, Don Davis serves as Sutton's representative on the Ausbon Sargent Outreach Committee.

Twice a year, Ausbon Sargent's Outreach Committee sponsors a roundtable discussion for the chairmen of Conservation Commissions in the land trust's 12-town region, which includes Sutton.

In November the Ausbon Sargent Outreach Committee, in cooperation with UNH Cooperative Extension, sponsored a workshop on invasive species of plants and insects at Kearsarge Regional Middle School in North Sutton. More than 80 people attended this session and learned how these species threaten the region's fields and forests and what they can do to mitigate or prevent the spread of invasive plants and insects.

Other events the land trust sponsors during the year include progressive dinners, hikes on protected properties, and the popular Holiday Party.

Ausbon Sargent's website indicates which of the land trust's protected properties have trails open to the public. These trails, many of which cross privately owned land, are open to hiking, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. The website includes trail maps and driving directions.

During 2012, Ausbon Sargent hosted many activities commemorating its 25th anniversary. During the last two weeks of August, Sutton hosted Ausbon Sargent's traveling digital exhibit, which was on display for one week at the Sutton Town Library and for one week in the Town Office Building. The New London Hospital's Art Show held from May through September depicted an extensive sampling of Ausbon Sargent protected properties. Other events included a tour of Spring Ledge Farm in New London led by owner, Greg Berger; marking

Ausbon Sargent's birthday with a community picnic in June on the New London Common; and a celebration in July at Star Lake Farm in Springfield. Our 25th Annual Meeting was held at the historic Newbury Center Meeting House followed by a reception at the newly renovated Newbury Veteran's Hall.

We find we are at a critical juncture where we must consider carefully how to support expansion of the number of our conserved lands and meet the current and future stewardship obligations. During the next several years we will concentrate on the importance of the commitment that Ausbon Sargent has made to tending to the land it has protected and seeing that the terms of each easement are observed.

Ausbon Sargent is accredited by the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance. Ausbon Sargent is one of five land trusts in New Hampshire to earn this accreditation. Fewer than 11 percent of land trusts in the United States have achieved this distinction.

Land conservation is a partnership that often involves not only the landowner and Ausbon Sargent, but also other conservation organizations and local conservation commissions. In Sutton, nearly 800 acres are protected by conservation easements held by Ausbon Sargent. Conservation easements are written specifications governing future use of a property. These parcels are privately owned and their owners continue to pay property taxes on their land. Currently, Ausbon Sargent is working on new projects in Sutton which you will be hearing more about in the near future. We are grateful for the partnership we have with the Sutton Conservation Commission. The Commission is a dedicated group which is committed to conserving Sutton's conservation resources.

Sutton has many "special places" that contribute to making your town a place you are proud to call home. If you would like to participate in protecting these places, you could become a conservation easement donor, support Ausbon Sargent financially, volunteer your time to the organization, and encourage your town officials to protect Sutton's rural character by supporting land conservation. If you are interested in learning more about Ausbon Sargent's land projects and events, you may visit our website at www.ausbonsargent.org, or stop by the office at 71 Pleasant Street, New London.

Sincerely,

Deborah L. Stanley
Executive Director

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The Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition



The Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway Coalition (SRKGC) was founded in 1993. It is an all volunteer, non-profit organization to promote hiking and land conservation. A 75 mile hiking trail forming a loop known as the SRK Greenway was built to link the most prominent peaks in the area – Mt Sunapee, Mt Ragged and Mt Kearsarge.

The SRK Greenway extends through ten towns and of the 75 miles, 9.6 miles are in Sutton. Entering from Mount Kearsarge State Forest along the Lincoln Trail from the north, the Greenway arrives at Kearsarge Valley Road, passes under I-89 at Exit 10, enters Shadow Hill State Forest, then the perimeter of Kearsarge Regional Middle School. It crosses NH 114 below Music Hill Road and arrives at Wadleigh Hill Road near the Pressey Bridge over the Lane River. From there it passes the Town Forest and into Wadleigh State Park. From Wadleigh the SRKG heads toward Chalk Pond in Newbury by following Penacook Road to King's Hill Road, ascends King's Hill Road and descends to the Newbury town line at Stone House Road. Much of the trail passes over private property and would not exist were it not for the generosity of many land owners.

With approximately 200 members, the SRK Greenway is a thoroughly community-based, all volunteer organization governed by an active Board of Directors which oversees trail maintenance work, a newsletter, a website (www.srkg.com), a trail guide book (sold at local book stores), a 3-season hiking schedule and an annual meeting in March of every year. Jean LaChance, representing the Sutton Conservation Commission, and Dave Gardner currently serve as Sutton Directors on the Greenway Board. Iain Gilmour manages sales of the SRKG Trail Guide book and Art Robbins keeps Sutton's portion of SRK Greenway trails repaired and blazed.

Our website at www.srkg.com has maps of all 14 trail sections. There you will find hike schedules, landowner information, membership details and links to other hiking trails in New Hampshire.

Hiking trails are an important feature of the region's tourism economy and an important benefit to the community. Preserving and maintaining a Green Corridor in Sutton and the surrounding towns has an enormous impact with its associated recreational, economic and health benefits. To improve awareness of hiking trails generally, SRK Greenway representatives continually meet with several town boards, conservation commissions, and others including the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT), SPNHF, the Mount Sunapee State Park Advisory Committee, the NH Trails Bureau and the Statewide Trails Advisory Committee.

Marriages Recorded for the Town of Sutton

for the Year Ending December 31, 2012

<u>Date of Marriage</u> <u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Name of Groom</u> <u>Name of Bride</u>	<u>Residence of Groom</u> <u>Residence of Bride</u>
January 21, 2012 Whitefield, NH	Therrien, Matthew R. Mango, Taylor R.	North Sutton, NH North Sutton, NH
April 28, 2012 Sutton, NH	Alexander, Brian D. Doran, Ann Marie	Sutton, NH Sutton, NH
June 02, 2012 Sutton, NH	Stafford, Daniel J. Mahoney, Leslie A.	Sutton, NH Sutton, NH
June 30, 2012 Sutton, NH	Lagos, Matthew P. Graham, Janis L.	South Sutton, NH South Sutton, NH
August 18, 2012 South Sutton, NH	Eckert, Jeffrey L. Brook, Kelsie M.	South Sutton, NH South Sutton, NH
August 25, 2012 Henniker, NH	Marzelli, Vincent T. Soper, Michelle L.	Sutton, NH Sutton, NH
September 22, 2012 Croydon, NH	Duncan, Christopher D. Cima, Marissa E.	Sutton, NH Sutton, NH
October 7, 2012 Deerfield, NH	Gaynor, Sr., Robert J. Mowry, Mari P.	South Sutton, NH South Sutton, NH
October 14, 2012 Holderness, NH	Sundquist, Daniel A. Clark, Sara L.	North Sutton, NH North Sutton, NH
October 20, 2012 Sutton, NH	Milne, Malcolm B. Ricker, Marilyn F.	North Sutton, NH North Sutton, NH

All information gathered from the Department of Vital Records, NH as of January 3, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk

Births Recorded in the Town of Sutton

for the Year Ending December 31, 2012

Child's Name	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Father's/Partner's Name	Mother's Name
Perkins, Bridger Lynn	01/11/2012	Concord, NH	Perkins, Travis	Perkins, Stephanie
Carter, Sebastian Pierre	03/08/2012	Concord, NH	Carter, Drew	Carter, Emilie
Butler, Jack Bryan	05/08/2012	Concord, NH	Butler, Benjamin	Butler, Rachel
Grover, Abigail Mary	05/26/2012	Concord, NH		Grover, Lianora
Rosenthal, Jaxon James	06/14/2012	Lebanon, NH	Rosenthal, Evan	Rosenthal, Jill
Cooper, Josie Mae	07/22/2012	Lebanon, NH	Cooper, Stuart	Cooper, Emily
Martlew, Jude Daniel	10/06/2012	Sutton, NH		Martlew, Michelle
Sliter, Marley Lorraine	11/27/2012	Concord, NH	Sliter, Timothy	Sliter, Lizette

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Respectfully submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk

Deaths Recorded in the Town of Sutton

for the Year Ending December 31, 2012

Decedent's Name	Date of Death	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Bailey, Elsie R.	02/03/2012	South Sutton, NH	Regan, John	Goudey, Elsie
Simoneau, Wayne	03/18/2012	Lebanon, NH	Simoneau, George	Abdallah, Celia
Stensby, Eva	04/30/2012	Concord, NH	Svensson, Pontus	Wennstroem, Maerta
Knudson, Paul	05/07/2012	Concord, NH	Knudson, Clarence	Unknown, Virginia
Bettoney, Robert	06/13/2012	Tilton, NH	Bettoney, Fred	Brust, Alice
Bailey, Reva	06/22/2012	New London, NH	Bailey, Roi	Solt, Ruth
Hoffman, Cynthia	06/24/2012	Sutton, NH	Ware, Leon	Tyson, Joanne
Hodgkins, Scott	06/28/2012	New London, NH	Hodgkins, Earl	Spaulding, Bernice
Long, Adelbert	07/19/2012	New London, NH	Long, Unknown	Beam, Unknown
Ulf, Marshall	09/14/2012	Newport, NH	Ulf, Marshall	Hunter, Dorothy
Clark, Robert	12/21/2012	Lebanon, NH	Clark, Lester	Denommez, Jeanne

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Respectfully submitted,

Linda D. Ford
Town Clerk

Are you considering logging your land in Sutton?

The Sutton Conservation Commission reminds owners of forest land that your timber is a valuable asset. Be wary of unsolicited offers to log your land or buy timber. Before you have your property logged, we *strongly* recommend you:

- Hire a licensed professional **forester** to represent your financial interests and to protect the long-term health and productivity of your woodlot.
- Obtain a good written timber harvesting **contract**.
- Learn more about current **wood markets** and prices.
- Obtain **free** forestry **advice** from Merrimack County Cooperative Extension. County Forester, Tim Fleury will arrange to visit your woodlot. Please call Tim at (603) 796-2151 or 225-5505.
- Learn more about NH **forestry laws** including: the Intent to Cut permit, the NH Timber Yield Tax, Wetlands permits, Best Management Practices for Erosion Control, Basal Area law for Stream and Shoreland Protection zones, Slash laws and Timber Trespass laws.
- Visit the resource library in the Town Hall. **Free fact sheets** include an excellent publication entitled: *Selling Timber? Do It Right!* Other publications include information on: Forest Management Plans, Marking Boundaries, Logging Contracts, Best Management Practices, Timber Harvesting Laws, Cost-Share Programs, Licensed Foresters and Certified Loggers in NH.

A timber tax monitor reviews Intent to Cut permits and visits timber harvests in Sutton as necessary to insure accurate reporting of timber yields.

NH Division of Forests & Lands inspecting foresters visit logging operations to insure compliance with NH timber harvesting laws and to respond to complaints of timber law violations. Call (603) 271-2217.

Proper timber harvesting provides multiple benefits: income, improved habitat, trails, views, and long-term forest health. Uncontrolled, exploitive cutting results in lost revenue, environmental degradation, public resentment and legal liability.

**Your forest has been growing for many years.
It will continue to increase in value over time.
A timber sale should be an informed decision.
Please do your homework!**

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