

Annual Reports

Of the Selectmen and Other Town Officers



of the Town of

Langdon, N.H.

For the year ending December 31st

2021

Town Meeting
March 8th, 2022

Notice of Town Hours

All meetings are held at the Langdon Municipal Building unless otherwise noted.

Board of Selectmen

October through May: Every Monday night at 7:00 p.m.

June through September: 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays of the month at 7:00 p.m.

The Selectboard does not meet on federal holidays.

Selectmen's Office

Mondays and Wednesdays: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Town Clerk

Mondays: 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Thursdays: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

First Saturday of the month: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Planning Board

3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

4th Thursday of the month as needed at 7:00 p.m.

Cemetery Trustees

2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Heritage Commission

1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. (March through December Meetings held at the Meeting House)

Coffee Hour

1st Wednesday: 10-Noon, October through May

Langdon Community Club

3rd Thursday of every month at 1:00 p.m.

Langdon Sewing and Craft Group

2nd Thursday of each month 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Contact Information

Town Office: 603-835-2389
603-835-6055 (fax)

Tax Collector: 603-835-6260
langdontaxcollector@yahoo.com

Town Web Site: www.langdonnh.org
email: townoflangdon@yahoo.com

Building Inspector: 603-835-6032

Zoning Board: 603-835-2138

Planning Board: 603-835-2376

Highway Garage: 603-835-2882

Police Department:
Dispatch: 603-355-2000
Emergencies: **911**

Fire Department: 603-835-6353
Emergencies: **911** or 352-1100
Forest Fire Warden: 603-835-6959

Transfer Station Town of Alstead Facility
Wednesdays and Saturdays: 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 603-835-2425

Shedd-Porter Library Tuesday: 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
835-6661 Wednesday: 11:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Alstead, NH Thursday: 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Friday: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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Elected Officers

MODERATOR FOR 2 YEAR TERM

Jeffrey Holmes

Term Expires 2022

SELECTMEN FOR 3 YEAR TERM

Devin Gallagher
Lucien Beam
Nathan Chaffee

Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2023
Term Expires 2024

TOWN CLERK FOR 3 YEAR TERM

Diane Collins

Term expires 2024

TAX COLLECTOR FOR 3 YEAR TERM

Andrea Cheeney

Term Expires 2022

TREASURER FOR 3 YEAR TERM

Linda Campbell

Term Expires 2023

SEXTON FOR 1 YEAR TERM

Curtis Barnes

Term Expires 2021

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUND

Patricia Comeau
Tina Christie
Steve Holmes

Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2023
Term Expires 2024

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

Douglas Beach
Gina Beach
Ronald Batchelder

Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2023
Term Expires 2024

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST FOR 6 YEAR TERM

Kathryn Holmes
Myrna Harrington
Robert Cunniff

Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2025
Term Expires 2023

FIRE CHIEF FOR 1 YEAR TERM

Gregory Chaffee

Term Expires 2021

FALL MOUNTAIN SCHOOL BOARD FOR 3 YEAR TERM

Mary Henry

Term Expires 2023

Appointed Town Officers

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK: Tina Christie

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR: Tina Christie

DEPUTY TREASURER: Kathleen Beam

HEALTH OFFICER: Lisa Robichaud

POLICE CHIEF: Selectboard

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Everett Adams

FOREST FIRE WARDEN: Curtis Barnes

DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS:

Greg Chaffee, Greg Cheeney, Curtis Barnes, Virginia Foote

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR: Virginia Foote

PLANNING BOARD

(7 members)

Mark Collins, Chair

Robert "Chops" Polcari, Vice Chair

Lucien Beam

Gregory Comeau

Stephen Coffey

Term Expires 2022

Term Expires 2024

Ex Officio

Term Expires 2024

Term Expires 2022

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

(5 members)

Virginia Foote, Chair

Greg Chaffee, Vice Chair

Ray L'abbe

Kenneth Hart, Secretary

Ronald Batchelder

Term Expires 2022

Term Expires 2022

Term Expires 2023

Term Expires 2022

Term Expires 2023

RECREATION BOARD

Andrea Cheeney, Kim Mastrianni, Jessi Dussault, Jess Jarvis

HERITAGE COMMISSION

(7 members)

Dennis McClary, Chair	Term Expires 2022
Mike Sweeney (Alternate)	Term Expires 2023
Cliff Oster	Term Expires 2023
Bud Ross	Ex-Officio
Andrea Cheeney	Term Expires 2024
Lorraine Chaffee (Alternate)	Term Expires 2022
Laura Rheume	Term Expires 2022

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31st, 2022

(Assessed Values)

5408	Town Hall, Lands & Buildings	\$264,950
	Town Hall Furniture & Equipment	500
5404	Old Fire Department Land & Buildings	115,300
5305	Highway Department Land & Buildings	171,110
	Highway Department Vehicles & Equip	340,000
5427	Municipal Building & Land	615,980
	Municipal Building Contents	100,000
	New Fire Station	178,800
	Fire Department Vehicles & Equipment	585,000
	Police Department Vehicles & Equipment	80,000
5408.1	Town Common	6,300
5401	Village Road	4,200
5414	Tory Hill Road	400
TOTAL		\$ 2,462,540

Town of Langdon
216th Annual Meeting
Langdon Town Hall
Tuesday March 9th, 2021

Moderator, Jeff Holmes, commenced the meeting at 7:10 pm and led the pledge of allegiance. Rodney Campbell moved and Shelly Barnes seconded a motion to recess and reconvene at the Fall Mountain Regional High School for the safety of the people attending the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was recessed at 7:20 pm.

Moderator, Jeff Holmes, reconvened the meeting at 7:32 pm at the Fall Mountain Regional High School. Jeff went over the rules of the meeting and stated that people were viewing the meeting via zoom.

Article 1:

To choose, in a manner provided by law, all necessary officers for the ensuing year.

Selectman (3 years): Nathan G. Chaffee	105 votes
Town Clerk (3 years): Diane L. Collins	104 votes
Supervisor of the Checklist (6 years): Kathryn Gallagher	107 votes
Cemetery Trustee (3 years): Ronald Batchelder	105 votes
Fire Chief (1 year): Greg Chaffee	106 votes
Trust Fund Trustee (3 years): Steven B. Holmes	106 votes

Article 2:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Two Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars (\$902,625) for the purpose of, furnishing, constructing, and installing facilities and equipment to make a Fiber Optics based high speed broad band network available to service the Town. With Nine Hundred Two Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars (\$902,625) of such sum to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, obtain and accept Federal, State or other aid, gifts, and donations if any, which may be available for said project and to comply with all laws applicable to said project. To authorize the Selectmen to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof, and to authorize the Selectmen to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto, and furthermore to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Eight Dollars (27,398) for the first years bond payment. **The Selectmen recommend this article (3-0). 3/5 Ballot Vote Required.**

Shelly Barnes moved and Steve Homes seconded. Nate Chaffee, Selectman, spoke to this article. Nate discussed that a committee had been formed to look into a broadband network proposed for Langdon. Nate asked John Revilla, Chairman of the broadband committee to speak to the article. John stated that the committee started meeting in August and Consolidated Communications was the only company to come back with a proposal for the town. He explained the procedure for the bond. The town raises the funds through the bond process, but does not affect the property taxes. The payments are made through the users and if there is a shortfall in the bond payment, Consolidated Communications covers this shortfall. Fiber optic cables would be installed to each household that is interested in upgrading. Steve Holmes asked that if there was a change in ownership of Consolidated Communications, is the town responsible for the bond. John responded that this was a contractual obligation that would be acquired under a new ownership. Griffin Dussault questioned if all houses were guaranteed service if you would have to go through another

town to get to a property. John stated that broadband would be available for all houses. With no more discussion on the article, Jeff opened the polls for a written ballot for one hour commencing at 7:43 pm to vote on Article 2.

Article 3:

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Eight Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Eight Dollars (\$608,698) for the general operating expenses of the Town. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. **The Selectmen recommend this article. (3-0)**

Shelly Barnes moved and Steve Holmes seconded. Lou Beam, Selectman spoke the 2021 budget was up 2.8% from the previous year. Lou spoke to a one-time stipend, \$11,000 for the police, fire and ambulance departments because of COVID. The town pays this up front, which put the fire department budget. When reimbursed, the money goes back into the general fund. Also, Lou mentioned a truck payment for \$17,000 was missed in 2016 that was paid in this year. The warrant articles for 2021 total \$130,000 and were \$140,000 for last year, therefore there is not an increase in taxes if the warrant article pass. Article 3 passed by voice vote.

Article 4:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capitol Reserve Fund, previously established. **The Selectmen recommend this article. (3-0)**

Kathy Beam moved and Greg Chaffee seconded. Devin Gallagher, Selectman, spoke to this article. With COVID, the rescue truck was not delivered last year, so the money is still in the capital reserve account. The new truck will be delivered this June or July. The next major purchase in in 6-7 years, and with the current cost of equipment, the Selectmen increased the capital reserve amount by \$10,000. Article 4 passed by voice vote.

Article 5:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. **The Selectmen recommend this article. (3-0)**

Shelly Barnes moved and Amanda Chaffee seconded. Nate Chaffee, Selectman, spoke to this article. Nate mentioned we purchased a new truck last year and just saving for future purchases. Shelly Barnes asked if the truck purchased last year was all paid for and Nate responded that it had been paid in full. Article 5 passed by voice vote.

Article 6:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (5,000) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established. **The Selectmen recommend this article. (3-0)**

Shelly Barnes moved and Rodney Campbell seconded. Nate Chaffee, Selectman, spoke to this article. Nate commented that Johnathan Delisle was our only police officer. The police cruiser we are using is in good shape. Article 6 passed by voice vote.

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for Town Hall Repairs and raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the fund. Further to name the Langdon Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. **The Selectmen recommend this article. (3-0)**

Kim Mastrianni moved and Kate Gallagher seconded. Lou Beam, Selectman, passed the explanation of this article to Dennis McClary of the Langdon Heritage Commission. Dennis stated that the town had received a lot of money through the LCHIP grant and other donors. In order to receive more grants through LCHIP, the town hall has gone through an extensive review. The findings of this review targeted three areas of concern: Roof, windows and plaster in the building. The roof is slate from 1851 and would cost roughly \$75,000 to repair. The cost of the window repair is estimated at \$52,000 and the plaster repair is unknown at this time. All improvements must be done to preserve the historic aspects of the building. In order to receive the grants, matching funds are necessary, therefore the reason for this new capital reserve fund. Article 7 passed by voice vote.

Article 8:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000) for the purpose of improving the Upper Hemlock Road and Kelley Road to include gravel, culverts, and ditching. Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) to come from general taxation, Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000) to come from State of New Hampshire infrastructure grant. **The Selectmen recommend this article. (3-0)**

Shelly Barnes moved and Kim Mastrianni seconded. Devin Gallagher, Selectman, spoke to this article. He explained that upper Hemlock Road and Meany road would have stone and gravel put on the road and Kelley Road would have culverts replaced and gravel put on the road. Article 8 passed by voice vote.

Article 9:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$25,800) for the purpose of paving of aprons to Tory Hill Rd., Tory Hill Rd. Extension, Mellish Road, Highway Garage Apron, and Kelly Road. **The Selectmen recommend this article. (3-0)**

Shelly Barnes moved and Steve Holmes seconded. Devin Gallagher, Selectman, spoke to this article. He explained the aprons of the roads, including Russell Road, had not been done in over 20 years. Rodney Campbell questioned that this was just resurfacing and not paving new roads. Devin responded that this was just resurfacing the aprons. Article 9 passed by voice vote.

Article 10:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$27,900) for the sandblasting of the 2011 International Dump Truck. Work to include sandblasting of the chassis and dump body along with the replacement of all hydraulic hoses and painting. The sum to come from unassigned fund balance with no impact on taxation. **The Selectmen recommend this article. (2-1)**

Shelly Barnes moved and Kim Mastrianni seconded. Nate Chaffee, Selectmen, asked Road Agent Todd Porter to speak to this article. Tod stated the 2011 International truck was a good solid truck but the body needed work. He stated the capital reserve was down because of the purchase of the new truck last year and the replacement for this truck is roughly \$180,000. This would give a chance for the capital reserves to build up. Keith Short spoke that this was a steel body and real rusty. He thought a stainless-steel body purchase would be money better spent and could be taken off and put on a new truck when purchased. Keith moved and Shelly Barnes seconded a motion to table this article and come back next year with warrant article to purchase a new stainless-steel body. Motion passed. Article 10 is tabled by voice vote.

Article 11:

To allow all accounts:

Lou Beam \$2200

Devin Gallagher \$2200

Nate Chaffee \$2500

Kathy Beam moved and Steve Holmes seconded. Article 11 passed by voice vote, unanimous.

8:43 pm Jeff Holmes, moderator, closed the polls on Article 2. Results by written ballot YES 85 and NO 2. Article 2 passed. Jeff thanked the tech people from the school for helping televise this meeting for anyone that was unable to attend.

Article 12:

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

Nate Chaffee, Selectman, spoke about the police department. The Selectman would like to form a committee to look into options for the police department. The Selectman had advertised for a chief and have had no one interested. If anyone is interested in being a part of the committee, he asked to contact the Selectmen.

Marilyn Martin, member of the Community Club, mentioned that they had a quilt to raffle, but have no opportunities to sell tickets. They are looking for new membership and will start meeting again on the third Thursday of each month at the municipal building starting in April at 1 pm. Julia Cunniff is the current president.

Adjourn:

Shelly Barnes moved and Steve Holmes seconded a motion to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Collins, Town Clerk

The State of New Hampshire

Town of Langdon

Town Warrant

To the inhabitants of the Town of Langdon, County of Sullivan, in said State; qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Municipal Building in said Langdon on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, 2022 at Ten of the clock a.m. until Seven p.m. Regular business meeting will commence at Seven-Fifteen p.m. at the Town Hall.

(Article 1 will be voted on by ballot, Eleven in the clock a.m. until Seven p.m.

Article 1: To choose, in a manner provided by law, all necessary officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2: through 8 Planning Board changes to be voted on by ballot during Election Hours Ten a.m. to Seven p.m.

Article 2: (Buildings) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Langdon Building Code and Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add a new Section 1(B)(2): "Building" means buildings as defined and interpreted by the International Code Council's International Building Code 2015 as amended by the State of New Hampshire Building Code Review Board and ratified by the Legislature in accordance with RSA155-A10.

Article 3: (Foundations) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Langdon Building Code and Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Repeal Section 2, C (Foundations) and replace it with Chapter 18 of the International Building Code which provides criteria for geotechnical and structural considerations in the selection, design and installation of foundation systems to support the loads imposed by the structure above. No Foundation shall be erected or used for any purpose which does not comply with the State of New Hampshire Building code and State Fire Code Chapter 155-A New Hampshire Building Code.

The Planning Board Recommends this Article. 5 Yes 0 No

Article 4: (Swimming Pools) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Langdon Building Code and Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add a new Section 2(L) Swimming Pools: A swimming pool requires a Building permit in the Town of Langdon. A swimming pool is defined as "any structure intended for swimming or recreational bathing that contains water more than 24 "inches deep". This includes In-Ground, Above ground, Hot tubs and Spas and are subject to the rules and regulations as outlined in the International Building Code 2015 (ISPSC 2015) Chapters 7, 8, as amended by the State of New Hampshire Building Code and Fire Code Chapter 155-A New Hampshire Building Code.

The Planning Board Recommends this Article. 5 Yes 0 No

Article 5: (Generators) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Langdon Building Code and Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add a new Section 2(M) Generators: A Generator requires a Building Permit. A Standby generator is a backup power solution that provides power to your Residence, Business, Commercial or Industrial application in the event of a power outage. Standby generators are usually stationary and automatically kick on to provide electricity to a Commercial building or Residence. The Town of Langdon requires that emergency generators providing power to emergency systems that are wired into the electrical panel of a structure, be installed, tested and maintained in accordance with NFPA 110 (12) Section 7.9.2.4 and National Fire Code chapter 155-A New Hampshire Building Code.

The Planning Board Recommends this Article. 5 Yes 0 No

Article 6: (Solar Systems): Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Langdon Building Code and Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add a new Section 2(N) Solar systems: A Solar System requires a Building Permit in the Town of Langdon. The Fee for a Solar Permit will be determined by the amount of square footage of the total panels at \$0.05 cents per square foot or a standard fee of \$25.00 dollars whichever is larger. All Solar, Water Heating, Electricity Generation must comply with the manufacturer's requirements and State Building Codes pursuant to RSA155-A:1,1V including the National Electric Code 2017, NFPA 70 and any applicable codes or ordinances.

The Planning Board Recommends this Article. 5 Yes 0 No

Article 7: (Commercial and Public Buildings) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Langdon Building Code and Zoning Ordinance as follows:

To delete the existing Section 3(C), Regulations on Commercial or Public Buildings, and replace it with the following Section 3(C): No Commercial or Public Building intended or designed to be used Commercially, Industrially or for Public Use shall be erected or used for any purpose which does not comply with the State of New Hampshire Building Code and the State Fire Code Chapter 155-A NH Building Code.

The Planning Board Recommends this Article. 5 Yes 0 No

Article 8: (Change in Planning Board structure) To see if the Town will vote pursuant to RSA 673:2, II to change the size of the Planning Board from seven (7) to five (5) members.

The Planning Board Recommends this Article. 5 Yes 0 No

Article 9: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **Seven Hundred Seventy Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One Dollars (\$770,841)** for the general operating expenses of the Town. This article does not include special or individual articles addressed.

The Selectmen recommend this article. (3-0)

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Forty Thousand Dollars** (\$40,000) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, previously established to be raised by taxation.

The Selectmen recommend This Article. (3-0)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Six Thousand Dollars** (\$6,000) for the repair and purchase of gauges and hose for the Fire Truck. The sum of **Six Thousand Dollars** (\$6000) to come from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This Article will have no impact on Taxes.

The Selectmen Recommend This Article. (3-0)

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000)** to purchase and install a new stainless steel dump body on the 2011 International dump truck. Work to include the sandblasting and painting of the frame as well as the replacement of hydraulic hoses. The sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$41,000) to come from the Highway Capital Reserve Fund and the balance of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$9,000) to come from Taxation.

The Selectmen Recommend This Article. (3-0)

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Dollars** (\$10,000) to be added to the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

The Selectmen Recommend This Article (3-0)

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifteen Thousand Dollars** (\$15,000) to be added to the Town Hall Capital repairs fund previously established to be raised by taxation.

The selectmen recommend this article (3-0)

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand Dollars** (\$5,000) for the purpose of stockpiling gravel for future use. Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to come from general Taxation

The Selectmen Recommend this Article (3-0)

Article 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand twenty five dollars (\$14,025) for the purpose of painting and minor repair of the Food Shelf portion of the Municipal building. This amount to be raised from taxation.

The Selectmen recommend this Article (3-0)

Article 17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000)** for the purpose of Surveying and placement of location markers in the upper cemetery and repair and maintenance of Headstones in the upper and lower cemeteries, the sum to come from Langdon Fund Balance December 2021.

The Selectmen recommend this Article. (3-0)

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to cancel the Trustee of Trust Funds Trustee Working Fund 1996 and transfer the monies to Langdon General Fund.

The Selectmen recommend this Article. (3-0)

Article 19: To allow all accounts

Article 20: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting

Given under our hands and seal this 18th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two.

Devin Gallagher, Chair

Lucien Beam

Nathan Chaffee

A true copy of the Warrant-attest

Devin Gallagher, Chair

Lucien Beam

Nathan Chaffee

MS-6		Budget - Town/City of LANGDON			FY 2022		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Acct. #	Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3.V)	Warr. Art # 2021	Warr. Art # 2022	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Recommended)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (Not Recommended)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
4130-4139	Executive (Town Officers Salaries)			29,500	26,848	30,000	
4140-4149	Election, Reg & Vital Statistics			500	810	1,500	
4150-4151	Financial Admin (Town Officers Exp.)			35,000	49,653	100,000	
4152	Revaluation of Property			16,000	18,690	16,000	
4153	Legal Expense			2,000	250	1,000	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning			3,700	5,767	2,500	
4194	General Government Buildings			25,000	24,002	25,000	
4195	Cemeteries			10,650	7,415	23,922	
4196	Insurance			28,000	21,065	28,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.			1,500	1,874	800	
4199	Heritage Commission			500	500	500	
PUBLIC SAFETY							
4210-4214	Police			63,258	62,508	62,722	
4210-4214	School Resource Officer			72,000	59,767	60,000	
4215-4219	Ambulance			8,424	8,424	8,424	
4220-4229	Fire			32,500	32,500	43,000	
HIGHWAYS & STREETS							
4312	Highways & Streets			205,350	319,804	226,800	
SANITATION							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal			45,500	45,500	45,500	
HEALTH							
4414	Pest Control (Dogs)			100	0	100	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other			1,500	1,197	1,500	
WELFARE							
4441-4442	Admin. & Direct Assistance			1,000	0	1,000	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other			500	551	500	
CULTURE & RECREATION							
4550-4559	Library			5,100	5,100	5,100	
4583	Patriotic Purposes			225	250	225	
	Fall Mtn. Food Shelf Donation			3,000	3,000	3,000	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation			1,200	500	1,200	
DEBT SERVICE							
4711	Principal Long Term Bonds & Notes			18,819	15,897	69,408	
4721	Interest Long Term Bonds & Notes			25,720	11,134	13,140	
CAPITAL OUTLAY							
4902	Highway Paving	#9		25,800	25,800	0	
4902	Broadband	#3		902,625	730,969	0	
4902	Stainless Steel Truck		#12			50,000	
4902	Painting Part Baker		#16			14,025	
4909	Surveying Cemetery		#17			5,000	
4902	Fire Dept Equipment		#11			6,000	
4909	Stockpiling Gravel		#15			5,000	
4909	Gravel & Ditching	#8		17,000			
4909	Highway Truck Paint	#10		27,900			
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund						
	Highway Equipment	#5		40,000	40,000		
	Police Dept. Cruiser	#6	#14	5,000	5,000	10,000	
	Fire Dept Equipment	#4	#10	30,000	30,000	40,000	
	Town Hall	#7	#15	15,000	15,000	15,000	
	Refunds:			0	0	0	
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS				1,702,821		915,866	
LESS REVENUES				1,331,603		596,975	
TAXES TO BE RAISED				371,218		318,891	

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct. #	Source of Revenue	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES					
3120	Land Use Change Tax		0	0	200
3185	Timber Taxes		3,000	5,666	3,000
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		6,000	0	6,000
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		100	278	100
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		0	0	0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		160,000	172,903	220,000
3230	Building Permits		250	2,625	250
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		1,200	1,097	1,200
	Forest Fire Reimbursement		0	330	25
OTHER GOVERNMENTS					
3379	From FMRSD (School Resource Officer)		72,000	61,969	60,000
3379	From FMRSD (Detail)		0	0	0
3351	Shared Revenues		0	0	0
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		30,000	51,252	30,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		60,000	61,619	60,000
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		300	467	300
3359	Misc. State Revenues		6,000	35,804	60,000
3379	From Other Governments (Court Fines)		0	100	100
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-3406	Income from Departments (Police)		4,000	660	4,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		1,500	2,365	10,000
3502	Interest on Investments		600	376	400
3503-3509	Other (Copies, Maps, Histories)		25	0	
3503-3509	Others (Refunds & Insurance Payment)		100	0	
3503-3509	Reimbursement from Food Shelf		10,000	5,214	10,000
3503-3509	Broadband Payments		27,398	37,566	60,000
3503-3509	Other (Rent of Property)		19,400	17,688	19,400
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
3916	Cemetery Perpetual Care		900	5,489	0
3915	Cemetery Stones (Fund Balance)				0
3915	Truck Painting Fund Balance		27,900		
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		0	0	47,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
9999	Fund Balance		902,625	902,625	5,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			1,331,603		596,975

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

	Jan. 1 st , 2021	Jan. 1 st , 2022
Current Assets:		
Cash and equivalents:	\$ 523,572	\$ 642,719
Taxes Receivable:	\$ 277,430	\$ 514,570
Liens Receivable:	\$ 62,850	\$ 46,899
Accounts Receivable:	\$186,992	\$ 447
Total Assets:	\$1,050,844	\$1,204,635
Liabilities and Fund Equity		
Due to School District:	\$490,698	\$ 533,591
Warrants and Accounts Payable:	\$152,546	\$ 321,656
Total Liabilities:	\$ 643,244	\$ 855,247
Fund Equity:		
Unassigned:	\$ 484,027	\$ 349,388
Total Fund Equity:	\$ 484,027	\$ 349,388
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity:	\$ 993,703	\$ 903,129

Summary of Inventory Valuation 2021

<u>Land Type</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
Current Use	8140.65	\$ 900,852
Residential	1331.15	\$ 22,639,100
Commercial/Industrial	155.64	\$ 1,355,500
Total of Taxable Land:	9,627.44	\$ 24,895,452
Tax Exempt and non-taxable	583.78	\$ 1,703,399
 <u>Value of Buildings Only:</u>		
Residential		\$ 43,965,570
Manufactured Housing		\$ 1,018,640
Commercial / Industrial		\$ 1,749,740
Total of Taxable Buildings:		\$ 46,733,950
Tax Exempt and Non Taxable		\$ 10,251,230
 <u>Public Utilities:</u>		
		\$ 1,906,280
 Total Valuation before Exemptions:		
		\$ 73,535,682
Less Elderly Exemptions		\$ 230,300
Net Value for Municipal Tax Rate:		\$ 73,305,382
Less Utilities		\$ 1,906,280
Net Value for State Education Tax Rate		\$ 71,399,103

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021

Cash Balance on hand on January 1, 2021		\$523,571.98
Remittance from the Tax Collector	\$1,379,234.98	
Remittance from the Town Clerk	172,445.96	
Total – Town of Langdon		1,551,680.94
Remittance from State of NH		
Highway Block Grant	63,256.96	
Rooms & Meals Tax	51,252.17	
Reimbursement State Forest Land	329.88	
GOFERR funds	35,803.85	
Fire Suppression	132.62	
Total – State of NH		150,775.48
Miscellaneous Receipts		
School Resource officer Reimbursement	61,969.19	
Local Police Officer Details	660.00	
Permits	2,025.00	
Rent – Municipal Building	13,638.00	
Interest Income	410.89	
Cemetery Interest	6,416.69	
Food Shelf – reimbursement	9,263.69	
Fines	100.00	
Refunds	114.43	
UCC Filings	270.00	
Misc. Void Checks	2,766.17	
Tax Lien Deposit	35,059.99	
Sale of Fire Truck	1,555.00	
Rescue Truck Loan	46,500.00	
Miscellaneous Income	1,662.99	
Funds from Capital Reserve	131,000.00	
Broadband Loan	902,625.00	
Consolidated Communications	37,566.00	
Total Miscellaneous		1,253,603.04
Total Income		3,479,631.44
Paid on Selectmen's Orders	2,649,487.12	
Police, Highway & Town Officer Payroll Acct	180,000.00	
DMV Account/ACH to State	3,339.46	
Debit Memo	3,500.00	
Returned Checks/Stop Payment Fee	586.00	
Total Expenditures		2,836,912.58
Balance on Hand December 31, 2021		642,718.86

Respectfully Submitted, Linda L. Campbell, Treasurer

2021 Tax Rate Calculation

Gross Town Appropriations	\$ 1,671,521	
Less Revenues	(\$ 1,318,985)	
Less Fund Balance Used:	0	
Add overlay	\$ 10,500	
Add War Service Credits	\$ 18,500	
Net Town Appropriation:	\$ 381,681	
Regional School Apportionment	\$ 1,369,865	
Less Adequate Education Grant	(\$ 331,278)	
Less State Education Taxes	(\$ 109,140)	
Net Local School Appropriation:	\$ 929,447	
State Education Tax	\$ 109,140	
County Tax	\$ 181,458	
Total Property Taxes Assessed:	\$ 1,601,726	
Less War Service Credits	(\$18,500)	
Total Property Tax Commitment:		\$1,583,226

2019 Tax Rate:

Town	\$ 5.20
School	\$ 12.68
State Education	\$ 1.53
County	\$ 2.48
TOTAL RATE:	\$ 21.89

Report of the Langdon Tax Collector Fiscal Year 2021

I hope you are all well and staying safe. If you receive a late notice from the Town and your taxes are escrowed please contact your bank first to determine where the payment is, Thank you!

Payment options:

- By mail to; Langdon Tax Collector PO Box 335 Alstead NH 03602
I accept the **postmark** as the payment date.
- Secure **payment drop box** on the outside of the municipal building for collection of check or money order payments.

For security reasons I do not accept payments at my home and the Town Clerk is not authorized to accept tax payments.

I am also available by appointment; email Langdontaxcollector@yahoo.com or call 603-835-6260.

2022 Tax Year Important Dates

February –Mail Notice of Arrearage (unpaid taxes and interest for 2021)

March – Notice of Arrearage Due (unpaid taxes and interest for 2021)

April – Lien Notices issued (unpaid taxes and interest for 2021)

May – Lien Notice due (if 2021 taxes and interest are unpaid lien issued with the Sullivan County Registry of Deeds and additional fees are added to balance)

June –2022 1st issue tax bills are mailed.

Deed notices mailed for 2019 taxes, fees and interest

July – 2022 1st issue tax bills due

Deed notice due for 2019. taxes, fees and interest are due.

October – Receive new tax rate from NH Department of Revenue Administration

November – 2022 2nd issue tax bills are mailed

December – 2022 2nd issue tax bill due

Interest Rates for Late Payments:

Current Years Tax bills – 8%

Taxes currently in the Lien or Deed process – 14% (also subject to additional fees and costs for filing and research)

Land Use Change Tax (Current Use Changes) – 18%

Yield Tax (Timber Tax) – 18%

Excavation Tax (Gravel Tax) – 18%

Tax Exemptions and Help: The Veteran’s credit has changed and now applies to anyone honorably discharged from the military, regardless of your time of service. The Low to Moderate Income forms and Elderly Exemptions forms are also available at the town office.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea J. Cheeney

Tax Collector

“I don’t suppose we will ever get to the point where people are pleased to pay taxes, but we owe it to them to see that the collection is done as efficiently as possible, as courteously as possible, and always honestly.”

-Lyndon B. Johnson



Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning and ending

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

Instructions

Cover Page

- Specify the period begin and period end dates above
- Select the entity name from the pull down menu (County will automatically populate)
- Enter the year of the report
- Enter the preparer's information

For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division

Phone: (603) 230-5090

Fax: (603) 230-5947

<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

ENTITY'S INFORMATION

Municipality: County: SULLIVAN Report Year:

PREPARER'S INFORMATION

First Name Last Name

Street No. Street Name Phone Number

Email (optional)



Debits								
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)					
			Year:	2020	Year:	2019	Year:	2018
Property Taxes	3110			\$273,980.02				
Resident Taxes	3180							
Land Use Change Taxes	3120							
Yield Taxes	3185			\$5,755.15				
Excavation Tax	3187							
Other Taxes	3189				(\$594.09)		(\$441.43)	
Property Tax Credit Balance				(\$1,269.68)				
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance								
Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies					
			2020					
Property Taxes	3110	\$1,583,238.25						
Resident Taxes	3180							
Land Use Change Taxes	3120							
Yield Taxes	3185	\$6,338.33						
Excavation Tax	3187	\$586.84						
Other Taxes	3189							
prepayment	#3110	(\$14,648.28)						
Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2020	Prior Levies				
				2019	2018			
Property Taxes	3110							
Resident Taxes	3180							
Land Use Change Taxes	3120							
Yield Taxes	3185							
Excavation Tax	3187							
prepayment	#3110	\$471.73						
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$176.32	\$2,934.00					
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190							
Total Debits		\$1,576,163.19	\$281,399.49	(\$594.09)	(\$441.43)			



Credits				
Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2020	2019	2018
Property Taxes	\$1,069,320.62	\$237,639.70	(\$191.19)	(\$441.23)
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes	\$5,666.44	\$2,777.60		
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$176.32	\$2,934.00		
Penalties				
Excavation Tax	\$586.84			
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$33,080.65		
prepayment	(\$14,156.89)	(\$630.59)	(\$402.90)	(\$0.20)
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2020	2019	2018
Property Taxes		\$2,620.58		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes		\$2,977.55		
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Current Levy Deeded				



Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2020	2019	2018
Property Taxes	\$514,352.49			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes	\$671.89			
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$454.52)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance				
Total Credits		\$1,576,163.19	\$281,399.49	(\$594.09)
			(\$441.43)	

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$514,569.86
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$46,889.15



Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2020	Year: 2019	Year: 2018
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year		\$30,027.29	\$26,859.13	\$5,963.54
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	\$35,059.99			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$364.37	\$2,498.24	\$5,480.11	\$73.48
Total Debits	\$35,424.36	\$32,525.53	\$32,339.24	\$6,037.02

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2020	2019	2018
Redemptions	\$9,876.48	\$17,206.73	\$18,211.07	\$5,726.52
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190	\$364.37	\$2,498.24	\$5,480.11	\$73.48
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110	\$25,183.51	\$12,820.56	\$8,648.06	\$237.02
Total Credits	\$35,424.36	\$32,525.53	\$32,339.24	\$6,037.02

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$514,569.86
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$46,889.15



LANGDON (251)

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

Preparer's First Name	Preparer's Last Name	Date
Andrea J.	Cheaney	2/16/2022

2. SAVE AND EMAIL THIS FORM
Please save and e-mail the completed PDF form to your Municipal Bureau Advisor.

3. PRINT, SIGN, AND UPLOAD THIS FORM
This completed PDF form must be PRINTED, SIGNED, SCANNED, and UPLOADED onto the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal (MTRSP) at <http://proptax.org/nh/>. If you have any questions, please contact your Municipal Services Advisor.

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

Andrea J. Cheaney
Preparer's Signature and Title

Town of Langdon, NH Trustee of the Trust Funds For the year Ended December 31, 2021

Name and Date Created	Purpose	How Invested	Beg Bal	New Funds	Interest Earned	Expended	End Bal
Cemtery Funds 1996	Mascoma	Saving	\$ 6,047.21		\$ 0.60		\$ 6,047.81
Grand Total Cemetery Funds			\$ 6,047.21		\$ 0.60		\$ 6,047.81
MBIA Capital Reserves:							
Trustee Working Fund 1996	Working Fund	MBIA	\$ 10,506.51		\$ 2.19		\$ 10,508.70
Higway Equipment 1996	Highway Equip	MBIA	\$ 1,208.39	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 0.33		\$ 41,208.72
Fire/Rescue Truck 1996	Fire/Rescue	MBIA	\$ 132,680.08	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 8.92	\$ 131,000.00	\$ 31,689.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care 1996	Perpetual care	MBIA	\$ 42,094.09	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 8.78	\$ 259.24	\$ 44,643.63
Cem Major Improvements 99	Cemetery Land	MBIA	\$ 10,511.46		\$ 2.19		\$ 10,513.65
Police Cruiser 2005	Police Cruiser	MBIA	\$ 20,624.86	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4.29		\$ 25,629.15
Langdon Elem School 2009	Elem School	MBIA	\$ 73,745.18		\$ 15.33		\$ 73,760.51
Fire Scott Air Packs 2017	Fire/Rescue	MBIA	\$ 388.62		\$ 0.12		\$ 388.74
Town Hall Repairs 2021	Town Hall	MBIA	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 0.02		\$ 15,000.02
Grand Totals MBIA Capital Reserves			\$ 291,759.19	\$ 92,800.00	\$ 42.17	\$ 131,259.24	\$ 253,342.12
Winch Perpet Care Fund 1958	Perpetual Care	Putnam Funds	\$ 67,096.47		\$ 3,769.13		\$ 70,865.60
Mascoma Savings Bank		Checking	\$ 11,893.52	\$ 229,548.41		\$ 230,216.69	\$ 11,225.24
(*Debits & credits of checkbook)							
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS			\$ 376,796.39	\$ 322,348.41	\$ 3,811.90	\$ 361,475.93	\$ 341,480.77

Steven Holmes
 Patricia Comeau
 Tina Christie
 Trustees of the Trust Funds

Langdon Town Clerk Report 2021

January 1st, 2021 – December 31st, 2021



Town Clerk Hours

Mondays: 1:30pm to 3:00pm

Wednesdays: 4:00pm to 7:00 pm

The First Saturday of the Month

8:00am to 11:00am

Fees Collected 2021

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	1215
Total Registration & Title Fees Collected	\$ 164,326
Vital Records Fees	\$ 0
Dog Licenses and Fines	\$ 1,146
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Total	\$ 165,472

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Collins

Town Clerk

2021 Dog License Information

Puppies (4-7 Months)	\$7.50
Neutered or Spayed	\$7.50
Unaltered	\$10.00
Senior discount	\$3.00

(Owner who is 65 years of age or older, for their first dog only)

New Hampshire Law requires that all dogs must be registered by APRIL 30TH of each year. Please remember to bring a valid rabies certificate for each animal.

**your VOTE
is your VOICE**



Town of Langdon 2021 Selectboard Report

Dear Residents of the Town of Langdon,

2021 was both a busy and productive year for the Selectboard and for our Town. A year that has proven it's the people who work, volunteer & give their time and energy to overcome challenges that continues to make the Town of Langdon a great community.

For 218 years, it has been a steadfast tradition for our Town to hold its annual town meeting at our Town Hall. Despite the difficult hurdles of social distancing guidelines and space to accommodate them, it was going to be tough to keep this tradition alive while keeping our residents safe. However, we were able to overcome this challenge. With the help of a small group of residents, Selectboard members and Town Moderator, we opened the town meeting at the Town Hall and promptly recessed to the high school's auditorium where the town's residents were waiting. The high school provided the space for us all to spread out, socially distance, and finish out the Town's business of the day. A special thank you to one of our residents and technology director Lynne Phillips and her team at Fall Mountain, for ensuring everything ran smoothly for those present in-person, as well as for our residents who were attending virtually. We are very much looking forward to continuing our tradition next year and expect to hold our full meeting at the Town Hall once again.

With your overwhelming support at town meeting, work began this past year to bring broadband services to every residence in Langdon who wanted it. For the last two years, COVID-19 has pushed many of our residents to work from home and our students to attend classes remotely causing a strain on current internet connectivity. A big thank you to John Revilla and all the members of the Broadband Committee for all your detailed work, time, and energy to ensure this was a success for our Town. This upgraded infrastructure will have a positive impact to our Town for years to come.

Additional improvements are also underway with regards to our Town's technology. Utilizing a federal grant the Town received, we have been able to update our outdated website. Although we won't see the final product until 2022, we expect the new site to have the option for online vehicle registration, vital records requests, and dog license registrations.

On the night of July 29th, we, along with our neighboring communities, experienced severe flooding throughout our Town which resulted in property damage to some of our residents and significant road damage to a number of our roads, making some impassable for weeks following the event. As always, the members of the Town's fire, police, and highway departments all stepped in to respond. Not only were they diligently focused on ensuring our residents and infrastructure were safe, but they also assisted residents with pumping flooded basements, closed damaged roads to divert traffic, conducted welfare checks and stood by for emergency evacuations. A big thank you to Greg Chaffee and to all of the fire department volunteers for their dedication to our residents. Thank you to Jonathan DeLisle for his work not only that night, but also for protecting our community every day. A special thank you to Todd Porter in our highway department who played an important role in responding that night and working to help protect our roadways. Todd and our highway department would work tirelessly over the following weeks to restore our roads and make passable again those that had been washed out and destroyed.

The flooding and damage to our neighboring town roads in both Charlestown & Acworth, caused a significant increase in traffic as it was diverted through our town. Not only were Langdon's roads damaged, but the devastating damage to Crane brook in Acworth and Route 12 in Charlestown shut both of them down causing Langdon to become one of the main alternate routes for travel. The increased traffic brought additional maintenance costs to the Town. By the end of 2021, the total costs we had incurred to repair our roads, as well as the continued upkeep of roads as a result of the diverted traffic, was over \$115,000. This cost has been paid out of our fund balance. The Town promptly engaged with FEMA and we anticipate that a significant portion of these costs will be covered and reimburse to the Town. The Selectboard would like to recognize and thank our Town's Emergency Management Director, Virginia Foote for the countless hours she put into working with FEMA and for navigating the requirements involved to get reimbursed. In addition to these efforts, Virginia took on the enormous task of managing the paperwork for COVID-19 federal funding. Virginia willingly undertook both of these processes on behalf of our Town and we are grateful for all of her hard work. Additionally, a very special thank you to Linda Christie for all that you did for the Selectboard in helping us manage this very challenging year.

In closing, on behalf of the entire Board of Selectman, a final thank you to all the numerous volunteers, Town Officers, boards, commissions, and committees for all their tremendous work and especially to you our residents for making Langdon the special place that it is.

Devin Gallagher

Chairman, Board of Selectman

Langdon Fire Chief's Report 2021

The Langdon Fire and Rescue responded to 97 calls in 2021.

Rescue Calls	57	Co detector	1
Mutual Aid	12	Tree down	6
Structure Fire	2	Tree and Wires down	5
Chimney Fire	1	Wires down	2
Brush Fire	2	Flooded basement	5
Smoke investigation	2	Welfare check	1
Service call	1		

The department continues to train weekly. We hold our fire training and drills on the first and third Thursday of the month. Rescue training is held every second Thursday of the month. On Sunday mornings we meet at the station to do an equipment check. In addition to our weekly in-house drills, we were able to host the following drills:

- * We attended a virtual Forest Fire Warden training put on by the state of NH Forest and Lands

During this past year, we held the following drills with area towns:

- * 4-inch pumping drill at Vilas Pool with Alstead
- * Forestry drill with Alstead utilizing their new UTV
- * Wilderness rescue drill with Westminster using their off-road equipment

We continue to stay up to date with certifications. Nine rescue members were recertified in CPR this year.

We enjoyed staying active in our community and were able to participate in many events this year.

- * We joined the district towns in escorting the Fall Mountain Girls' Basketball team from North Charlestown back to the high school after the championship game.
- * We attended a drive by parade in North Walpole for a sick 4-year-old child.
- * We attended a parade in Charlestown to honor a member of the Charlestown Fire Department celebrating 48 years of service.
- * We assisted in the Fall Mountain Regional High School Graduation, supplied EMS services, and participated in the drive by parade.
- * We attended a drive by parade in Walpole to honor their retiring Police Chief.
- * We provided our food booth during the Langdon Fall Festival.
- * We attended the 133rd annual Fire Parade in Bellows Falls, VT.
- * We visited the Sarah Porter School in October for Fire Prevention Education.
- * The town of Langdon held Trunk or Treat at the Municipal building this year on Halloween. We joined the community by handing out candy.
- * The department escorted Santa Claus as he toured the town in December.

Yearly fire inspections for life safety took place in November for both Fall Mountain Regional High School and Sarah Porter School.

The Smokey Bear Fire Danger sign was placed in front of the Fire Station in May. This new sign is dedicated to long time firefighter and Forest Fire Warden Fred Roentsch.

Whelen generously donated two pioneer scene lights to the department. These were installed on our 17 Engine 1.

I would like to thank all the members of the Langdon Fire and Rescue for unselfishly giving their valuable time to our community fire and rescue department. The commitment and dedication shown by our members is something to be proud of. I would also like to thank the Langdon Police Department, Selectman Office and the Highway Department for working so closely with us.

To report an emergency, you may dial 911 or 352-1100

We are always looking for new volunteers. If you are interested in joining the department, please call me at 835-6418.

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Chaffee
Langdon Fire Chief

Langdon Forest Fire Warden Report 2021

This was a mild year for us; we had a few smoke investigations, s brush fires, and 1 mutual aid to Charlestown for a rush fire. Thank you to all that call to get permits, or to let me know that you are burning during the times that there is snow on the ground when permits are not needed. To obtain a permit we have signed up with the state to use the state to use the state web site: www.NHfirepermit.com, this has been working very well, we get notification every time a permit is obtained, which helps us in tracking the permits. We have also been keeping up to date with our Smokey sign in front of the station for updates on the fire danger day that we receive from the state.

To report an emergency, please call 911 or 603-352-1100

Respectfully submitted,

Curtis Barnes

Langdon Forest Fire Warden

2021 Report of the Emergency Management Director

2021 brought continued monitoring and mitigation of COVID and its concerns. Fortunately, as cases dropped and restrictions lessened, we were able to safely hold some of our Town's annual events. Much time is still being spent monitoring all the information and regulations as they change with the State. It is now our hope that this Pandemic will shortly be an Endemic. I am proud of this town for staying safe, and relatively healthy, through all of this. If there are any Covid related questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me or you can go to <https://www.nh.gov/covid19/> for lots of Covid related information.

July 29-30 brought lots of rain in a very short amount of time to parts of Cheshire and Sullivan Counties. At the height of this storm Emergency Management, the Fire Department, Police Department, Road Agent, and Selectmen, were working together to make sure our townspeople were safe and could receive help if needed. Unfortunately, some of our Town Roads did receive several thousand dollars worth of damage. In October, the July 29-30 storm was declared a Major Disaster for the State of NH by President Biden. This declaration ensured funding to assist in paying for the repairs. The Road Agent, Selectmen, and I have spent the last several months working with State and Federal partners to hopefully receive reimbursement for some, if not all of the monies spent repairing the damage to our Roads from this storm. We have also been keeping track of the extra money being spent to maintain Hemlock and Meany Roads while Route 12 is closed in Charlestown, and should be receiving at least a partial reimbursement for that as well.

In the next few months we will begin work on updating our Town's Emergency Operations Plan. This was supposed to be done over a year ago, but due to Covid and lack of State Funding, it was delayed. If anyone has any interest in assisting with this project, please let me know ASAP as we will be starting as soon as the State gives the ok.

Thank you to all Town Partners for the time and dedication that you show this Town. The events of the last two years have shown the importance and necessity of all of us working together. I am proud to be part of a Town where everyone can work together for a common goal.

If anyone has any questions, comments, or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Stay Safe!

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia Foote
Emergency Management Director
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Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Despite a brief flurry of wildfire activity across the state this spring, the summer and fall months saw weather conditions which kept the fire danger consistently at low levels. Your local fire departments and the Division of Forests & Lands worked throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. The towers' fire detection efforts are supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger is especially high.

Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Every year New Hampshire sees fires which threaten or destroy structures, a constant reminder that wildfires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildfire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

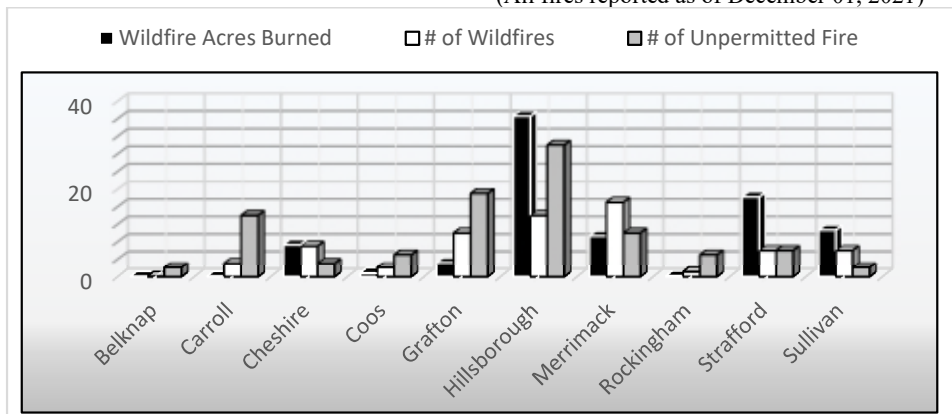
The long lasting drought effects in Coos County are showing some minor signs of improvement but a good portion of northern Coos remains in the abnormally dry category with the northeastern portion still remaining in moderate drought. While the drought conditions have improved, we expect some areas of the state may still be experiencing abnormally dry or drought conditions this spring. For this reason, we ask everyone to remember Smokey's message about personal responsibility and follow his ABC's: **Always Be Careful** with fire. If you start a fire, put it out when you are done. **"Remember, Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!"**

As we prepare for the 2022 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting www.NHfirepermit.com. The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the local fire department for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information, please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nh.gov/nhdf/. For up to date information, follow us on Twitter and Instagram: @NHForestRangers



2021 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of December 01, 2021)



*Unpermitted fires which escape control are considered Wildfires.

Year	Number of Wildfires	Wildfire Acres Burned	Number of Unpermitted Fires*
2021	66	86	96
2020	113	89	165
2019	15	23.5	92
2018	53	46	91
2017	65	134	100

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

(These numbers do not include the WMNF)

Arson	Debris Burning	Campfire	Children	Smoking	Railroad	Equipment	Lightning	Misc.*
1	81	25	0	7	1	4	2	41

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

Road Agent's Report 2021

In 2021 the whole community felt this year's challenges, as we faced major flooding though out the area. These unexpected events took precedence over any projects.

Roads graveled in 2021 include Hemlock and Meany Road. With Route 12 being closed more money has been concentrated on these two roads to keep up with daily uptick in traffic.

Culverts that were replaced this year unexpectedly due to the flood were: Winch Hill, Egerton, Russell and Meany Roads.

Russell Road was the only road we were able to do any roadside mowing this year due to the flood damage.

Ditching was done on Egerton, Meany, Winch Hill and Tory Hill.

We were able to re-surface the aprons on Tory Hill, Kelley, Russell and Mellish Roads. 2022 we will re-surface Walker Hill if possible.

Repair costs were average as we had no major expenses.

Projects for 2022 would be replacing 40 feet of culvert on Hemlock Road. As well as continuing to maintain Hemlock and Meany Roads with ditching, gravel and stone due to increase of traffic with Rout 12 being closed.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to my part time helper, Kevin Beal, and as always thank you to all the towns people, the Fire Department, the Police Department, Select Board, Porter and Sons Construction, JP Trucking, Valley View Trucking, Keith Short Trucking, Pelton's Construction and Ron Batchelder for roadside mowing. I would also like to thank Virginia Foote for all her hard work during the flood situation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd A. Porter

Langdon Road Agent

Building Inspector's Report for 2021

This year was very active not only for Permits but also a lot of interests in land and residential homes available in Langdon from other states.

- 2 – Residential Homes
- 3 – Residential Foundations
- 4 – Residential Garages
- 1 – Residential Addition
- 3 – Tents for Fall Mountain Regional High School
- Commercial Buildings at Hubbard Farms
- 1-A-Plasant Valley Farms: 3-Barns: 6 Out Buildings
- 1-B-Centennial Farm: 3-Barns 6 Out-Buildings

19 Total Permits for 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,
Everett L. Adams
Langdon Building Inspector

2021 Report of the Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment had another very quiet year. We met twice during the year to discuss two separate projects on Cheshire Turnpike. In 2022 we hope to continue our work to set clearer guidelines of operation. If there are any townspeople with expertise in zoning rules and regulations, and time to give, we would love to hear from you. We meet on an as needed basis and currently have an open slot on the board. If you have any questions, or would like to request a meeting, please contact any member of the Zoning Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia Foote
Chair, Zoning Board of Adjustment
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Members:

Virginia Foote- Chair- term expires 2024
Greg Chaffee- Vice Chair- term expires 2022
Ray L'abbe- term expires 2023

Kenneth Hart – Secretary – term expires 2024
Ronald Batchelder – term expires 2023
Alternate - vacancy

Alternate- vacant- term expires 2022

2021 Planning board report

It has been a very busy year for the planning board.

Early in the year there was discussion and then a vote to change the board from a seven-member board to a five-member board, some of the factors discussed included the lack of volunteers to be on the board and the difficulty getting a quorum due to weather, vacations and the pandemic. Going to a five-member board will allow us to have legal meetings with a three-member quorum, thus minimizing the times we have to cancel the meeting. A warrant article was put together and is on the ballot at town meeting in March 2022

Hubbard farms replaced some buildings on their existing property in Langdon and they also expanded their operation into an adjoining property with the addition of three new buildings. The Planning board in conjunction with the building inspector worked with Hubbard for several months and conducted a public hearing before giving them a permit for the expansion. Hubbard was very agreeable to changes we requested during vetting of this expansion and we feel they are a very worthwhile member in our community.

Throughout the year we continued our work with the Southwest Regional Planning commission to finish up the last two chapters of our master plan. The final Master plan has been finished and you can request a copy from the town office or download it from the new town website.

We have continued to work with Cold River materials (Eurovia) as they progress through their excavations and reclamations. Cold River has a multiyear phased approach to their operation with the town and are currently working through their third phase and starting their fourth in 2022. Cold River materials is looking to expand excavation into a new section of their property and we are working with them through the process.

In August Peter Palmiotto director of forest operations at Antioch College approached the board about installing a Solar array on their parcel on Cheshire turnpike next to Glovers ledge. The State of New Hampshire has verbose guidelines for such an installation but there was nothing in the Langdon building codes about solar installations. To keep full transparency and allow the board and town to know what was going on Antioch and their solar contractor Revision Energy presented to the planning and zoning boards and town residents at a public town hearing. In the subsequent meeting the zoning board granted an exception to allow the array installation as the town only has residential and agricultural zones. The planning board then voted to give them permission to proceed with the project.

The planning board is fully cognizant that the town residents do not want onerous code or permitting and continue to keep our process and code as streamlined as possible. But it would be irresponsible of the board to allow work to be done in town that will change the look and feel we all expect as residents or endanger their safety.

In conversations with the building inspector throughout the last couple of years it was determined that the building code in Langdon is lacking in some areas and does open us up to issues where projects could be done in town with no oversight from the town. This is especially concerning in regards to health, fire support, electrical safety and other items that could impact abutters and public safety. In

conjunction with the building inspector the planning board has been working on shoring up Langdon's building code, regulations and creating new permits and forms. A public meeting was held to discuss the proposed code changes and regulations for feedback.

The result is that at town meeting this year there will be warrants on the ballot asking for the approval of codes concerning foundations, pools, fixed place generators, solar array and installations. The planning board is asking the residents of the town to support adding these regulations to our code.

There have been some changes on the board this year, in March we accepted the resignation of Larry Harper from the board, we appreciate the work and input that Larry provided during his time on the board and wish him the best in his endeavors. Robert Sadowski has joined our board this year and has jumped right in to help out as needed. I believe he will be a great addition to the board.

I would like to recognize all the work the past and current members of the planning board have put into the work we have done this year. Chops, Mike, Lou, Steve, Larry, and Robert it has been a true pleasure to work with such a team of earnest, hardworking and respected members. I would especially like to thank Lou Beam for stepping up and being our secretary for the board. It is not an easy task and we do not take your work lightly.

As always, I would like to ask you the residents for your input, our meetings are always open and you are invited to attend. We are always looking for new board members and alternates if you want to keep abreast of what is going on in this town and have a voice in the decisions being made working on any of the boards in the Town of Langdon board would be a great way to start so please volunteer.

Respectfully submitted

Mark Collins

Committee members:

Mark Collins, Chair

Chops Polcari, Vice Chair

Lou Beam, Ex-Officio

Mike Holmes

Steve Coffey

Robert Sadowski

Langdon Police Department's Annual Report 2021:

The Langdon Police Department held strong for the 2021 year- also finishing within our allotted budget.

The following are some of Langdon Police Department's statistics for 2021-

- **845 calls for service:** LPD covered 845 calls for service in areas of criminal, investigation, civil matters, motor vehicle, animal control, administrative, fire/ems, agency assists, highway, school, community policing, directed patrol, sex offender registry, and DCYF calls.
- **6,720 total miles were put on the 2016 Tahoe cruiser:** LPD uses the newest 2016 Tahoe cruiser for current patrol. This cruiser has been outfitted with the proper equipment for patrol and response to calls for service.
- **27,975 ending mileage on LPD's 2016 Tahoe cruiser.**
- **89 warnings/summonses/arrests** for: inspection, speed, registration, solid line violations, OHRV violations, stop sign, change of address, negligent driving, drugs/alcohol, and cell phone use.
- **1054.5 regular hours worked**
- **104 Fall Mountain Regional High School graduation/athletic game requested detail hours worked**

For those of you that may not know, the Langdon Police Department has been staffed by one officer, me, since 2020. Unfortunately, with the era we are in, it has proved impossible to find additional part-time police officer(s) that fit the Langdon Police Department. I work tirelessly to achieve goals and standards I have; all while doing the best I can to provide the police service you deserve.

I would like to extend my greatest appreciation and thanks to Linda Christie; our town highway crew: Todd Porter and Kevin Beal; the Langdon Fire and Rescue Department; NH State Police-Troop C; and the Board of Selectmen: Lou Beam, Nathan Chaffee, and Devin Gallagher. These folks go above and beyond to assist me every day.

Lastly, I want to thank our community for its continued support of the Langdon Police Department. Being a part-time police department has its challenges, but I can't stress enough that having a small-town police department like ours focused on community policing and pro-active patrol is an invaluable asset to our community and area. The Langdon community has supported LPD more than I can describe. I am privileged and honored to work in the community of Langdon. Thank you for all your continued support!

The Langdon Police Department is fair, professional, and most dedicated in providing the best trusted and respected law enforcement service for the Town of Langdon. LPD serves our community with honor, integrity, commitment, and pride.

Respectfully Submitted,

-Jonathan

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Town Meeting Report, Langdon Heritage Commission for the year 2021

For a second year, the pandemic has impacted our usual meeting schedule and our projects. We had one actual meeting on October 27, 2021 and otherwise, stayed on top of issues and opportunities by email as necessary.

Of note was the completion of a list of several small repairs to the Meetinghouse, completed by Griffin Construction, that were recommended in a Historic Building Assessment (HBA) by Steve Bedard of Bedard Preservation and Restoration and Jenna Lapachinski of Board and Batten Historic Resource Specialists. The HBA was necessary to qualify for future LCHIP grants. The report prompted the Selectboard to ask at last year's Town Meeting to set up a Capital Reserve Fund in anticipation of replacing the slate roof in the foreseeable future. The rough estimated cost was \$75,000.

An official from LCHIP met with Dennis on October 26, 2021 to perform a due diligence inspection of the Meetinghouse. They have awarded the Langdon five grants since 2010 totaling \$187,805. We passed the inspection with compliments on the Town's care.

Speaking of LCHIP, we congratulate the Congregational Church for their December 14, 2021 match grant of \$212,800 toward rehabilitation of their 1842 historic building. Let's chip-in as private individuals, to speed them on their way to raising the matching funds.

Griffin Construction presented a "not to exceed" estimate for the stabilization of the original plaster work in the Meetinghouse. It was Mr. Dussault's opinion that stabilizing failing sections of plaster would prevent entire sections from falling during work to the roof. The selectboard will consider the matter.

In our October meeting, we sadly accepted the retirement of Kathie Beam, stalwart member of the Commission. She has been a creative, energetic and reliable member. She will be greatly missed. However, we received commitments from the current LHC commissioners to stay on for additional terms office. It was also the unanimous decision to invite Larry Harper to join the Commission, to which he has agreed. Welcome Larry.

We have much to do when it becomes advisable to physically gather in closer proximity: Restore the Town Pound behind the Salt Shed, inventory and file papers, photos, ledgers, artifacts in the Town's possession, plan a Langdon Photos Scanning / Ice Cream social day and more.

As chair of the LHC, I am grateful for the consistent participation of our commissioners, for their good ideas, enthusiasm for our mission to preserve, promote, protect the historical and cultural resources of our town.

We are all grateful for your support of our work.

Dennis McClary: Chairman, Lorraine Chaffee: Recording Secretary, Andrea Cheeney: Corresponding Secretary, Lu Beam: Ex Officio, Cliff Oster, Laura Rheame, Mike Sweeney

Langdon Recreation Committee



It was wonderful to see you all at the Langdon Fall Festival and Tail-gate trick or treat this year. We are looking forward to holding both of these events again this year.

Trick or Treat: Save the date 10/31/2022

Volunteers needed - Please let us know if you are interested in helping with setup, spooky house, parking, etc.

Fall Festival: Save the date 9/17/2022

The committee is looking for vendors, sponsors and volunteers to help make this community event a success. If your company is interested in sponsoring the festival, please contact Andrea at 603.835.6999 or email langdonfallfestival@gmail.com If you would like a booth for the 2022 festival, please contact the festival committee for information. The festival committee must approve all booth spaces. Also, if you have a quilt you would like to display please let us know.

For festival updates follow us on facebook : Langdonfallfestival

Please save the date for this year's festival: September 17, 2022 from 10am-3pm.

We are always looking for volunteers: setup, clean up, children's area, raffle, and more. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Andrea Cheeney at 603.835.6999 or Kim Mastrianni 603.835.6488 or email Langdonfallfestival@gmail.com

Thank you again for your help and support hope see you at the festival:

Andrea J Cheeney | Kim Mastrianni | Katie Gallagher | Kathie Beam

STOKES SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Stokes Scholarship Committee held their annual selection meeting on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Langdon Municipal Building.

Committee members attending were: Bob Cunniff, Linda Simoneaux, Kathy Beam, Tina Christie, Amanda Chaffee, Kristen Gesick and Jeff Holmes.

Motion (Beam/Cunniff) to elect Jeff Holmes as chairman and Tina Christie as recording secretary. Passed unanimously.

The board signed the certification letters, reviewed the committee standards and guidelines and discussed the elderly relief section of the scholarship.

Applications from 5 candidates were discussed and reviewed. Motion (Simoneaux/Chaffee) to recommend the following to the Charitable Management's Services Discretionary Account Administrative Committee of Bank of America:

1. Taylor Patch	Fordham University, Bronx, NY	\$24,000
2. McKenna Bingham	SNHU, Manchester NH	\$7,000
3. Ella Stewart	Cornell University, Ithaca NY	\$24,000
4. Hailey King	UNH, Durham NH	\$10,000
5. Daniel Grover	Plymouth State, Plymouth, NH	\$5,000

Motion passed unanimously. Total of awards: \$70,000.

No lineal descendant of any committee member has received an award.

The board discussed the application process. It was agreed to have the application completed online next year, which can be found on the town website.

Motion made to adjourn. (Cunniff/Chaffee) Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

***** PLEASE NOTE - STOKES APPLICATION PROCESS GOING ONLINE IN 2022*****

Application deadline May 30, 2022

Vital Records Report 2021

Resident Birth Report

Child's Name	Birth Date	Birth Place	Father's Name	Mother's Name
SCHEFFER, HALLIE LORRAINE BARNES,	10/15/2021	KEENE,NH	SCHEFFER JR, DENNIS	SCHEFFER, KAYLIE
MACI, ANN	10/22/2021	KEENE,NH	BARNES, MATTHEW	BARNES, MOLLY MCGUIRK,
SAWYER, VICTORIA	11/26/2021	KEENE,NH	MCGUIRK, MATTHEW	MCGUIRK, SHANDI

Resident Death Report

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father'sName	Mother's Name
HIGGINS,ANN	02/22/2021	LANGDON	ORDWAY, RICHMOND	SHOREY, KATHERINE
BARNISH, SANDRA MARIE	05/01/2021	LEBANON	WOOD, ALFRED	LEGERE, IRENE
DUFFY, PATRICK WILLIAM	06/03/2021	WALPOLE	DUFFY, ARTHUR	CRUMP, MARGARET
MENTON, MARY SUE	08/07/2021	LANGDON	HOFFMAN, SIDNEY	CLARK, HELEN
URBANSKI, KENNETH	11/21/2021	KEENE	URBANSKI, FRANK	COLLERAN, GAIL

PAYROLL - WAGES PAID BY TOWN IN 2021

Adams, Everett	Building Inspector	\$ 1,000
Barnes, Curtis	Sexton	\$ 740
Barnes, Michelle	Cemetery Labor	\$ 578
Beal, Kevin	Highway	\$25,570
Beam, Kathleen	Treasurer	\$ 500
Beam, Lucien	Selectman	\$ 2,200
Campbell, Linda	Dep. Treasurer	\$ 2,000
Chaffee, Greg	Fire Chief	\$ 1,000
Chaffee, Nathan	Selectman	\$ 2,500
Cheaney, Andrea	Tax Collector	\$ 7,000
Christie, Linda	Administrative Asst	\$ 9,084
Christie, Tina	Dep. Town Clerk	\$ 623
Collins, Diane	Town Clerk/Administrator	\$ 9,789
Cunniff, Robert	Checklist Supervisor/ Administrator	\$ 3,110
DeLisle, Jonathan	Police Officer	\$28,764
Gallagher, Katherine	Checklist Supervisor	\$ 140
Gallagher, Devin	Selectman	\$ 2,200
Harrington, Myrna	Checklist Supervisor	\$ 100
Holmes, Jeffrey	Moderator	\$ 145
Moore, Jesse	Animal Control Officer	\$ 90
Porter, Todd	Road Agent	\$64,117

SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Librarian Report

Despite the tumult of the pandemic, I am pleased to report that Shedd-Porter is strong and vibrant! We will continue to review, rethink and redesign our library services for the community as conditions evolve and change. Staying healthy is of utmost importance as we head into 2022.

Shedd-Porter is robust as we all learn to live with COVID. Throughout the year:

- 7,018 patrons visited the library.
- We welcomed 68 new patrons to Shedd-Porter.
- 14,897 items were checked out by the community.
- Our computers were only open for a portion of the year due to social distancing protocols, but in that time, we saw 162 patrons make use of our computers.
- The NH Inter-Library Loan system was widely used by patrons throughout the year. In 2021, we borrowed 671 items from other libraries in NH. We lent 483 items to libraries throughout the state.
- We added 1,262 items to our shelves.

In 2021, we needed to adapt our programs to COVID protocols, and we hosted many programs outside. Feedback from attendees was very positive, and we will continue to host programs outside when appropriate. I'm thrilled to report that we hosted The Marion Holmes Summer Reading Program: "Tails and Tales" in-person this year. It was a highlight of the year! Area children read, learned, and engaged their creativity through 7 programs:

- Summer Reading began with a visit from Wildlife Encounters - a crowd favorite!
- Janet Warren brought some new furry friends - yes, brand new puppies! - to Storytime and patrons of all ages were smitten. Thank you, Janet!
- The Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) awarded Shedd-Porter a Summer Readers Grant. Local author Marty Kelley came to the library with a delightful mid-summer presentation. Every child got to take home two free books to keep!
- Through a Summer Learning grant provided by the NH State Library, we hosted two afternoons of "Art on the Lawn". Young patrons painted and created their own graphic novels. Thank you to Kat Stiles and Lindsey Elsesser for leading these creative endeavors.
- Kindness Rocks! was a huge favorite this summer. Even adults from our Adult Coloring group joined in painting these rocks with positive messages. You may find one around town spreading kindness.
- Chief Steve Murrell and Corporal Wendy Rawlings came to the library and talked to an enthusiastic young crowd about safety, as well as how our local police help animals in the area. Thank you, Chief Steve and Corporal Wendy!
- At our Celebration Party, Alstead Area Masons thrilled our participants by offering two bicycles as Grand Prizes. What a finale to summer of fun! Thank you!
- As we celebrated all the reading, learning and fun of the summer, Janet and Phil Warren once again generously shared their animals with our young readers. Everyone was treated to wagon rides through the village with the Warren's beautiful Belgian horses. Thank you, Janet and Phil, so very much.

We continued throughout the year to host programs as protocols and safety allowed:

- Throughout the year, we hosted Storytimes on Fridays for our youngest patrons.
- I'm excited to report that during the 2021-2022 school year, I have been able to resume Storytimes in the local schools. Some classrooms even walk over to Shedd-Porter for Storytime and to pick out books!
- We piloted an Adult Genre-Based Book Club via Zoom. The group met three times, with fun and lively discussions. In 2022, this Book Club is going to change shape and adapt as well! Look forward to our online Book Group via social media - we would love to have you join us!
- Civil Conversation returned outside in the Spring and met every 3rd Saturday through the fall. This is an opportunity for stimulating, moderated discussion about politics and the events of the day. All are welcome. Thank you to Joel McCarty for being a great host! We are looking forward to this program beginning again when we can gather outside in the spring.
- Cinnamon Bun Saturday also returned in the Spring of 2021, offering the delectable Cinnamon Buns baked by Karn McShane. Like Civil Conversation, this program continued into the fall, and we look forward to its return in the Spring.
- Our annual Scarecrow Party was back, providing fun decoration for the front of the library.

During 2022, we undertook building and infrastructure maintenance.

- We upgraded the technology in the library, purchasing 5 new computers. Four are public access computers available for public use. A special thank-you to Charlie Brady for his assistance in the set-up of the new machines - it was quite a project and we are so grateful.
- Restoration work was undertaken in our front vestibule and on our ceiling. The painting and plastering was possible thanks to a generous "Moose Plates" Historic Preservation Grant. Thank you to Joe Levesque for making the application!
- Mike Given of Given Masonry continues to expertly repair and care for our roof, making emergency repairs this year.
- We are happy to be an official stop on the Inter-Library Loan Friday van route, receiving in books for the Silsby Library in Acworth as well. In 2021, we were excited to add an additional delivery day on Tuesday. Thank you to the NH State Library!

In 2021 we continued our partnership with the LEAF School, collaborating and learning together as we hosted our second intern at Shedd-Porter. We are looking forward to hosting another intern in the Spring of 2022.

Shedd-Porter is grateful to have received funds through the American Rescue Plan Act. These funds allowed us to deliver programs and services in as seamless a manner as possible throughout the pandemic.

Many community members contributed to the library in 2021:

- We received many generous monetary donations from patrons. These funds are used to support collection development and programming.
- I am grateful for our volunteer Joanne Wildes, who helps us with book covering on a weekly basis. Thank you, Joanne!

- We are so grateful to the Holmes Family for their continued financial support of The Marion Holmes Summer Reading Program.

The resilient and cheerful staff at the library deserves special recognition. What a great team! Gaale Klein, Kat Stiles, and Lindsey Elsesser, thank you for helping to make Shedd-Porter a happy, positive place. Laura Lamears takes wonderful care of our building. Thank you, Laura!

I am especially grateful to the Library Trustees: Matt Saxton, Susan Norlander, Karn McShane, Carol Reller, Kathy Torrey and alternate Joe Levesque. They all devote countless hours to the library, ensuring through their stewardship that this treasured resource will continue well into the future. Each trustee has been an unflagging source of support and guidance during the pandemic. Thank you so very much.

As always, I am happy to help patrons find a book of interest to them or to make reading suggestions. Please never hesitate to ask! I'm also always happy to provide technology help with Overdrive/Libby over the phone or email. Feel free to check out our website - www.sheddporter.org and Like us on Facebook and Instagram.

I look forward to seeing you all in the Library in 2022!

Respectfully submitted,

Alyson Montgomery
Director



Roberts & Greene, PLLC

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION TO MANAGEMENT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Langdon
Langdon, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Langdon as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Town's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses and, therefore, material weaknesses may exist that were not identified. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified other matters that we consider important to communicate.

Cash Reconciliation and Deposit Support

The Town maintains its books using Quickbooks in the Town Office. However, we noted that the cash balance is not reconciled monthly and compared to the Treasurer's monthly reconciliations. We recommend that monthly bank statements be copied to the Town Office and a monthly reconciliation be performed and compared to the Treasurer's monthly reconciliations. Further, we noted several deposits that were not recorded in Quickbooks. We recommend copies of supporting documentation be maintained in the Town Office and attached to deposit detail reports that should be created through Quickbooks.

Encumbrances

In accordance with the Municipal Budget Law, appropriations lapse at year-end unless encumbered by a legally enforceable contract. The Town had one encumbrance at year-end that was properly supported by a contract. However, we recommend that the Board of Selectmen review and approve encumbrances at a regular board meeting prior to the end of the year in order to ensure that encumbrances are accurately accounted for and disclosed.

Capital Assets and Capital Assets Policy – Repeat Finding

The Town has not recorded its capital assets and accumulated depreciation, as required by generally accepted accounting principles. If management wishes to get an unmodified opinion on the governmental activities, the Town will need to develop a capital asset policy that addresses the dollar limit for capitalization, useful lives by asset category, safeguarding of assets, and procedures over the inventorying and recording of capital assets,

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including the ongoing evaluation of useful lives of existing assets. After adopting a policy on capital assets, the Town would need to compile a listing of its existing capital assets at historical cost.

Recording Year-End Tax Transactions – Repeat Finding

We noted tax payments that were postmarked in December and entered into the system and deposited in January were dated with December dates by the Tax Collector, but included in January deposits when reported to the Treasurer. While the accounting is proper in the tax records, it results in inconsistencies between the Tax Collector and Treasurer. We recommend that the Tax Collector segregate deposits with December dates as being in the December period, and prepare as separate deposits from January deposits received at the same time. The Tax Collector, Treasurer, and Administrative Assistant should verify that they are recording the same deposits in the same period.

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