

Town of Sharon, New Hampshire Annual Report



For the Year Ending
December 31, 2022

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TOWN OFFICERS - 2022

Moderator - Elected - 2 Years	
George W. Joyner	Term Expires 2024
Rory Goff - Deputy	Appointed
Selectmen - Elected - 3 Years	
Gary Backstrom	Term Expires 2023
Diane Callahan	Term Expires 2024
Chester Bowles - Chair	Term Expires 2025
Town Administrator - Appointed	
Debra Harling	Appointed
Town Clerk - Elected - 3 Year	
Jane Murray - Resigned	Term Expires 2024
Grace Hartman – Deputy – Resigned	Appointed
Dianne Mitchell	Appointed
Tax Collector - Elected - 3 Year	
Karen Shea Dufresne	Term Expires 2024
Juliana Kazanovicz - Deputy	Appointed
Treasurer - Elected - 1 Year	
Susan Bowles	Term Expires 2023
Trustees of the Trust Funds - Elected - 3 Years	
John MacEachran	Term Expires 2023
Rory Goff	Appointed
John LaDue	Term Expires 2024
Supervisors of the Checklist - Elected - 6 Years	
Elizabeth MacEachran	Term Expires 2023
Susan Bowles	Term Expires 2024
Anne Murrock	Term Expires 2025
Planning Board - Appointed	
George W. Joyner - Chair	Term Expires 2023
Scott Brown	Term Expires 2023
Diane Callahan – Ex-Officio	Term Expires 2023
Gerald DeBonis – Vice Chair	Term Expires 2024
Sara Tobias - Alternat	Term Expires 2024
Jeff Osgood	Term Expires 2025
Mitchell Call - Alternate	Term Expires 2025
Conservation Commission	
Beth Fernald	Term Expires 2023
Anne Fischer – Co-Chair	Term Expires 2023
Anne Booth – Co-Chair	Term Expires 2024
Jim Martens	Term Expires 2024
Belinda Backstrom	Term Expires 2025
Ian Coles	Term Expires 2025
Shane LaBrake - Resigned	Term Expires 2025

Zoning Board of Adjustment - Appointed
Chester Bowles - Chair Term Expires 2023
Rich Dufresne - Alternate Term Expires 2023
Chris Hartman Term Expires 2023
Jane Murray Term Expires 2024
Stephen Gapp Term Expires 2025
Patricia Joyner Term Expires 2025

Audit Committee - Elected - 3 Years
Tracy Tanner Craig -Resigned Term Expires 2023
Barrett Golay Term Expires 2025

Records Management Committee - Appointed
Ken Callahan, Chairman (Archive Committee)
George W. Joyner, Chairman (Planning Bd.)
Chester Bowles (ZBA)
Susan Bowles (Treasurer)
Jane Murray (Town Clerk)
Karen Shea Dufresne (Tax Collector)
Debra Harling (Town Administrator)

Emergency Management Director - Appointed
Fredrick Woodhouse - Resigned
Gary Backstrom – Deputy – Resigned
Sara Tobias

Road Agent - Appointed
Daniel (Sandy) Eneguess

Overseer of Public Welfare - Appointed
Alexis Murray-Golay

Building Site Inspector - Appointed
Pierre Groleau

Code Enforcement Officer - Appointed
Carol Ogilvie

School Board Representative - Elected - 3 Years Term Expires 2023
Jim Fredrickson

Forest Fire Wardens - Appointed
Francis Guptill - Resigned
Peter Paris, Deputy

Health Officer - Appointed
Board of Selectmen
Deputy, Vacant

TOWN OF SHARON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, New Hampshire, in the County of Hillsborough, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Sharon Meeting House in said Town on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 11:00 in the forenoon to act on Article 1. The polls will be closed at 7:00 P.M. The Business meeting will start at 8:00 P.M. on the same date at the Sharon Meeting House.

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. (By Ballot)

ARTICLE 2. To cast your ballots on the proposed amendment to the Sharon Zoning Ordinance for Article XXVI: Solar Collection Systems. Regulations to provide for the expedited approval of applications to add and/or replace additional solar collection units. The current Ordinance has no position on additional or replacing solar collection units.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$417,468 for the purposes specified, or take any action relative thereto:

DRA Account	Department	Budget
4130	Executive	\$ 29,800
4140	Election and Registration	\$ 17,000
4150	Financial Administration	\$ 26,625
4153	Legal Expenses	\$ 1,000
4155	Personnel Administration	\$ 5,800
4191	Planning and Zoning	\$ 2,000
4194	General Government Building	\$ 12,200
4195	Cemeteries	\$ 2,500
4196	Insurance	\$ 3,264
4210	Police	\$109,901
4215	Ambulance	\$ 20,010
4220	Fire	\$ 48,533
4240	Building Insp./Code Enforce.	\$ 1,000
4290	Emergency Management	\$ 2,200
4300	Highways	\$110,100
4316	Street Lighting	\$ 450
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 15,955
4411	Health Administration	\$ 300
4414	Animal Control	\$ 300
4415	Health Agencies and Hospital	\$ 1,600
4441	Welfare	\$ 2,000
4550	Library	\$ 4,000
4619	Conservation Commission	\$ 830
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation	\$ 100
		\$417,468

(Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,271 to be added to the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund, previously established, with this amount to come from fund balance. This article is designated as a special warrant article under the provisions of RSA 32:3,VI(c). (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to be added to the Assessing Reserve Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. This article is designated as a special warrant article under the provisions of RSA 32:3,VI(c). (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,026 to be added to the Welfare Services Non-Capital Reserve Fund, previously established, with this amount to be offset by revenue received from repayment of a welfare lien. This article is designated as a special warrant article under the provisions of RSA 32:3,VI(c). (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 to be added to the Town Highway Repairs Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. This article is designated as a special warrant article under the provisions of RSA 32:3,VI(c). (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote (1) to establish a Technology Upgrade Expendable Trust Fund for the upgrade of computers, printers, software, and other technology upgrades; (2) to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be placed in such expendable trust fund; (3) to designate the selectmen as agents to expend, with this amount to come from taxation. This article is designated as a special warrant article under provision of RSA 32:3,VI(c). (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote (1) to establish a Schoolhouse Educational Use Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of creating educational programs using the Old Schoolhouse and for purchasing supplies, supplying transportation, and other costs to achieve this purpose; (2) to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be placed in such expendable trust fund; (3) to designate the selectmen as agents to expend, with this amount to come from taxation. This article is designated as a special warrant article under provisions of RSA 32:3,VI(c). (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote (1) to establish an Emergency Management Communications Expendable Trust Fund for the purpose of purchasing, upgrading and maintaining communications equipment ; (2) to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be placed in such expendable trust fund; (3) to designate the selectmen as agents to expend, with this amount to come from taxation. This article is designated as a special warrant article under provision of RSA 32:3,VI(c). (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article.)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to repair the cemetery vault and remove trees around the cemetery vault at the McCoy Road Cemetery. (Majority vote required.)

(Select Board recommends this article.)

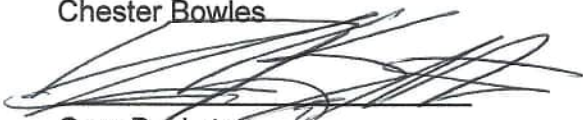
ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to readopt the Optional Veterans' Tax Credit, in accordance with RSA 72:28, II, for an annual tax credit on residential property of \$300. (Majority vote required.)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to readopt the All Veterans' Tax Credit, in accordance with RSA 72:28-b, for an annual tax credit on residential property which shall be equal to the same amount as the optional veterans tax credit of \$300 voted by the town under RSA 72:28. (Majority vote required.)

Given under our hands and seal at said Sharon, NH this 21st day of February, 2023.



Chester Bowles



Gary Backstrom



Diane Callahan

SELECTMEN OF SHARON

A true copy of this Warrant - Attest



Chester Bowles



Gary Backstrom



Diane Callahan



Proposed Budget

Sharon

For the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023

Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Annual Meeting

This form was posted with the warrant on: February 24, 2023

GOVERNING BODY 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.

Name	Position	Signature
Chester Bowles	Selectman	CS Bowles
GARY L. BACKSTROM	SELECTMAN	Signature
Diane Callahan	Selectboard	Diane Callahan

This form must be signed, scanned, and uploaded to the Municipal Tax Rate Setting Portal:
<https://www.proptax.org/>

For assistance please contact:
NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
(603) 230-5090
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
General Government						
4130-4139	Executive	03	\$28,628	\$30,530	\$29,800	\$0
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	03	\$11,795	\$16,000	\$17,000	\$0
4150-4151	Financial Administration	03	\$22,074	\$27,440	\$26,625	\$0
4152	Revaluation of Property		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4153	Legal Expense	03	\$360	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$0
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	03	\$5,129	\$5,800	\$5,800	\$0
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	03	\$1,124	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
4194	General Government Buildings	03	\$9,107	\$10,500	\$12,200	\$0
4195	Cemeteries	03	\$1,350	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
4196	Insurance	03	\$3,070	\$3,070	\$3,264	\$0
4197	Advertising and Regional Association		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4199	Other General Government		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Government Subtotal			\$82,637	\$99,840	\$100,189	\$0
Public Safety						
4210-4214	Police	03	\$98,004	\$98,000	\$109,901	\$0
4215-4219	Ambulance	03	\$18,993	\$18,992	\$20,010	\$0
4220-4229	Fire	03	\$51,090	\$50,315	\$48,533	\$0
4240-4249	Building Inspection	03	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	03	\$235	\$1,600	\$2,200	\$0
4299	Other (Including Communications)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Public Safety Subtotal			\$168,322	\$169,907	\$181,644	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center						
4301-4309	Airport Operations		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets						
4311	Administration	03	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$0
4312	Highways and Streets	03	\$183,032	\$112,400	\$98,100	\$0
4313	Bridges		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4316	Street Lighting	03	\$398	\$400	\$450	\$0
4319	Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Highways and Streets Subtotal			\$195,430	\$124,800	\$110,550	\$0



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Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Sanitation						
4321	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4323	Solid Waste Collection		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	03	\$15,930	\$15,930	\$15,955	\$0
4325	Solid Waste Cleanup		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4329	Other Sanitation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Sanitation Subtotal		\$15,930	\$15,930	\$15,955	\$0
Water Distribution and Treatment						
4331	Administration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4332	Water Services		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4335	Water Treatment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4338-4339	Water Conservation and Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric						
4351-4352	Administration and Generation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4353	Purchase Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4359	Other Electric Costs		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Electric Subtotal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Health						
4411	Administration	03	\$0	\$300	\$300	\$0
4414	Pest Control	03	\$0	\$300	\$300	\$0
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	03	\$1,018	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$0
	Health Subtotal		\$1,018	\$2,200	\$2,200	\$0
Welfare						
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4445-4449	Vendor Payments and Other	03	\$7,591	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
	Welfare Subtotal		\$7,591	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
Culture and Recreation						
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4550-4559	Library	03	\$3,750	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
4583	Patriotic Purposes		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4589	Other Culture and Recreation		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Culture and Recreation Subtotal		\$3,750	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0



Appropriations

Account	Purpose	Article	Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2022	Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
					(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
Conservation and Development						
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4619	Other Conservation	03	\$1,611	\$800	\$830	\$0
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4651-4659	Economic Development		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Conservation and Development Subtotal			\$1,611	\$800	\$830	\$0
Debt Service						
4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	03	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$0
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service Subtotal			\$0	\$100	\$100	\$0
Capital Outlay						
4901	Land		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4903	Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4909	Improvements Other than Buildings		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out						
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914A	To Proprietary Fund - Airport		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914E	To Proprietary Fund - Electric		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914O	To Proprietary Fund - Other		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914S	To Proprietary Fund - Sewer		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4914W	To Proprietary Fund - Water		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4918	To Non-Expendable Trust Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Transfers Out Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Operating Budget Appropriations					\$417,468	\$0



Special Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	04	\$22,271	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Appropriate to Town Bridge Fund</i>		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	05	\$3,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Appropriate to Assessing Fund</i>		
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	07	\$150,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Appropriate to Town Highway Repairs Fund</i>		
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	06	\$7,026	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Appropriate to Welfare Services Non-Capital Reserv</i>		
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	08	\$1,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Establish a Technology Upgrade Expendable Trust Fu</i>		
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	09	\$1,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Establish a Schoolhouse Educational Use Expendable</i>		
4916	To Expendable Trusts/Fiduciary Funds	10	\$5,000	\$0
		<i>Purpose: Establish a Emergency Management Communications Ex</i>		
Total Proposed Special Articles			\$189,297	\$0



Individual Warrant Articles

Account	Purpose	Article	Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023	
			(Recommended)	(Not Recommended)
4195	Cemeteries	11	\$1,500	\$0
<i>Purpose: Raise and appropriate for work at McCoy Road Cemet</i>				
Total Proposed Individual Articles			\$1,500	\$0



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023
Taxes					
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0
3180	Resident Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3185	Yield Tax	03	\$1,979	\$2,800	\$1,500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3187	Excavation Tax		\$0	\$0	\$0
3189	Other Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
3190	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	03	\$2,600	\$2,000	\$2,000
9991	Inventory Penalties		\$0	\$0	\$0
Taxes Subtotal			\$4,579	\$4,800	\$3,500
Licenses, Permits, and Fees					
3210	Business Licenses and Permits	03	\$270	\$225	\$100
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	03	\$89,433	\$90,000	\$80,000
3230	Building Permits	03	\$414	\$414	\$150
3290	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	03	\$2,836	\$2,000	\$2,500
3311-3319	From Federal Government		\$0	\$0	\$0
Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal			\$92,953	\$92,639	\$82,750
State Sources					
3351	Municipal Aid/Shared Revenues		\$0	\$0	\$0
3352	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	03	\$31,454	\$26,000	\$26,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	03	\$37,913	\$20,123	\$20,721
3354	Water Pollution Grant		\$0	\$0	\$0
3355	Housing and Community Development		\$0	\$0	\$0
3356	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	03	\$125	\$125	\$120
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		\$0	\$0	\$0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		\$22,271	\$0	\$0
3379	From Other Governments		\$0	\$0	\$0
State Sources Subtotal			\$91,763	\$46,248	\$46,841
Charges for Services					
3401-3406	Income from Departments	03	\$1,569	\$1,112	\$1,000
3409	Other Charges		\$0	\$0	\$0
Charges for Services Subtotal			\$1,569	\$1,112	\$1,000
Miscellaneous Revenues					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$0	\$0	\$0
3502	Interest on Investments	03	\$324	\$300	\$200
3503-3509	Other	03, 06	\$248	\$200	\$18,026
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal			\$572	\$500	\$18,226



Revenues

Account	Source	Article	Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2022	Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023
Interfund Operating Transfers In					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914A	From Enterprise Funds: Airport (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914E	From Enterprise Funds: Electric (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914O	From Enterprise Funds: Other (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914S	From Enterprise Funds: Sewer (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3914W	From Enterprise Funds: Water (Offset)		\$0	\$0	\$0
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		\$106,447	\$0	\$0
3916	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
3917	From Conservation Funds		\$0	\$0	\$0
Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal			\$106,447	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources					
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes		\$0	\$0	\$0
9998	Amount Voted from Fund Balance	04	\$0	\$0	\$22,271
9999	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Financing Sources Subtotal			\$0	\$0	\$22,271
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits			\$297,883	\$145,299	\$174,588



Budget Summary

Item	Period ending 12/31/2023
Operating Budget Appropriations	\$417,468
Special Warrant Articles	\$189,297
Individual Warrant Articles	\$1,500
Total Appropriations	\$608,265
Less Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits	\$174,588
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	\$433,677

		BUDGETED	REVENUE	UNDER/(OVER)
		2022	2022	2022
TAXES				
	Source of Revenue			
	* Property Taxes	0.00	1,357,301.00	(1,357,301.00)
	Land Use Change Tax - General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Land Use Change Tax - Conservation Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Yield Tax	2,800.00	1,979.01	820.99
	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Excavation Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Other Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	2,000.00	2,599.87	(599.87)
	TOTAL TAXES	4,800.00	4,578.88	221.12
LICENSES, PERMITS, AND FEES				
	Source of Revenue			
	Business Licenses and Permits	225.00	270.00	(45.00)
	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	90,000.00	89,433.33	566.67
	Building Permits	414.00	414.00	0.00
	Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees	2,000.00	2,836.00	(836.00)
	From Federal Government	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL LICENSES, PERMITS, AND FEES	92,639.00	92,953.33	(314.33)
STATE SOURCES				
	Source of Revenue			
	Municipal Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution	31,454.00	31,454.47	(0.47)
	Highway Block Grant	20,482.00	37,912.87	(17,430.87)
	State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement	125.00	125.25	(0.25)
	Other:	0.00	22,271.11	(22,271.11)
	From Other Governments	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL STATE SOURCES	52,061.00	91,763.70	(39,702.70)
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
	Source of Revenue			
	Income from Departments	1,112.00	1,188.21	(76.21)
	Other Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES	1112.00	1,188.21	(76.21)
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE				
	Source of Revenue			
	Sale of Municipal Property	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Interest on Investments	300.00	323.59	(23.59)
	Other	200.00	628.39	(428.39)
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	500.00	951.98	(451.98)
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
	Source of Revenue			
	From Capital Reserve Funds	0.00	106,447.23	(106,447.23)
	From Trust and Fiduciary Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00
	From Conservation Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS	0.00	106,447.23	(106,447.23)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				

	BUDGETED	REVENUE	UNDER/(OVER)
	2022	2022	2022
Source of Revenue			
Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES	151,112.00	297,883.33	(146,771.33)

		BUDGETED	EXPENDITURE	UNDER/(OVER)
		2022	2022	2022
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4130-4139	Executive	30,530.00	28,627.69	1,902.31
4140-4149	Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics	16,000.00	11,794.78	4,205.22
4150-4151	Financial Administration	27,440.00	22,073.98	5,366.02
4152-4152	Revaluation of Property	0.00	0.00	0.00
4153-4153	Legal Expenses	2,000.00	360.00	1,640.00
4155-4159	Personnel Administration (Payroll Taxes)	5,800.00	5,128.85	671.15
4191-4193	Planning and Zoning	2,000.00	1,124.50	875.50
4194-4194	General Government Buildings	10,500.00	9,106.86	1,393.14
4195-4195	Cemeteries	2,500.00	1,350.00	1,150.00
4196-4196	Insurance	3,070.00	3,070.00	0.00
4197-4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	0.00	0.00	0.00
4199-4199	Other General Government	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	99,840.00	82,636.66	17,203.34
PUBLIC SAFETY				
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4210-4214	Police	98,000.00	98,003.56	(3.56)
4215-4219	Ambulance	18,992.00	18,992.86	(0.86)
4220-4229	Fire	50,315.00	51,090.14	(775.14)
4240-4249	Building Inspection	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
4290-4298	Emergency Management	1,600.00	234.68	1,365.32
4299-4299	Other (Including Communications)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	169,907.00	168,321.24	1,585.76
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS				
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4311-4311	Administration	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
4312-4312	Highways and Streets	112,400.00	183,032.82	(70,632.82)
4313-4313	Bridges	0.00	0.00	0.00
4316-4316	Street Lighting	400.00	398.13	1.87
4319-4319	Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	124,800.00	195,430.95	(70,630.95)
SANITATION				
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4321-4321	Administration	0.00	0.00	0.00
4323-4323	Solid Waste Collection	0.00	0.00	0.00
4324-4324	Solid Waste Disposal	15,930.00	15,929.81	0.19
4325-4325	Solid Waste Cleanup	0.00	0.00	0.00
4326-4328	Sewage Collection and Disposal	0.00	0.00	0.00
4329-4329	Other Sanitation	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL SANITATION	15,930.00	15,929.81	0.19
HEALTH				
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4411-4411	Administration	300.00	0.00	300.00
4414-4414	Pest Control	300.00	0.00	300.00

		BUDGETED	EXPENDITURE	UNDER/(OVER)
		2022	2022	2022
4415-4419	Health Agencies, Hospitals, and Other	1,600.00	1,018.00	582.00
	TOTAL HEALTH	2,200.00	1,018.00	1,182.00
WELFARE				
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4441-4442	Administration and Direct Assistance	0.00	0.00	0.00
4444-4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	0.00	0.00	0.00
4445-4449	Vendor Payment and Other	2,000.00	7,590.93	(5,590.93)
	TOTAL WELFARE	2,000.00	7,590.93	(5,590.93)
	CULTURE AND RECREATION			
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4520-4529	Parks and Recreation	0.00	0.00	0.00
4550-4559	Library	4,000.00	3,750.00	250.00
4583-4583	Patriotic Purposes	0.00	0.00	0.00
4589-4589	Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION	4,000.00	3,750.00	250.00
	CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT			
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4611-4612	Administration and Purchasing of Natural Resources	0.00	0.00	0.00
4619-4619	Other Conservation	800.00	1,611.00	(811.00)
	TOTAL CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT	800.00	1,611.00	(811.00)
	DEBT SERVICE			
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4711-4711	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Principal	0.00	0.00	0.00
4721-4721	Long Term Bonds and Notes - Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
4723-4723	Tax Anticipation Notes - Interest	100.00	0.00	100.00
4790-4799	Other Debt Service	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	100.00	0.00	100.00
	CAPITAL OUTLAY			
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4901-4901	Land	0.00	0.00	0.00
4902-4902	Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00
4903-4903	Buildings	0.00	0.00	0.00
4909-4909	Improvements Other than Buildings	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4913-4913	To Capital Projects Fund (Capital Reserves)			
	Legal Expense Capital Reserve Fund	100.00	100.00	0.00
	Town Highway Repairs Fund	35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00
	Town Bridge Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
4916-4916	To Trust Funds			
	Welfare Services Non-Capital Reserve Fund	100.00	100.00	0.00
	Assessing Reserve Fund	3,000.00	3,000.00	

		BUDGETED	EXPENDITURE	UNDER/(OVER)
		2022	2022	2022
4919-4919	To Fiduciary Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	48,200.00	48,200.00	0.00
	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURE	467,777.00	524,488.59	(56,711.59)
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
	Purpose of Appropriation			
4931-4931	Taxes Assessed for County	0.00	56,311.00	(56,311.00)
4933-4934	Taxes Assessed for Local Education	0.00	906,217.00	(906,217.00)
	Taxes Assessed for State Education	0.00	70,376.00	(70,376.00)
	TOTAL PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENT	0.00	1,032,904.00	(1,032,904.00)
			0.00	
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	467,777.00	1,557,392.59	(1,089,615.59)

From the Select Board

This past year the whole town experienced the difficulty of not having a Town Clerk for several months. We know there were challenges getting vehicles registered as well as all the other functions the Town Clerk performs for citizens of the town. We thank you for your patience.

The Town Clerk must be a resident of the town they work for and, in Sharon, we have a very limited number of qualified people who are willing to take on this important position. All town clerks need State training and that takes time to complete. The Select Board wishes to thank Dianne “Dee” Mitchell for stepping up to the challenge, in addition to her other job and family responsibilities.

This is not the first instance in realizing that Sharon is at a tipping-point regarding filling the positions necessary to execute town government responsibilities. It takes a large number of people to fill all of the positions in town government, and a shortage of volunteers for those positions has been a growing problem. Many town officers have been volunteering for years, some even for decades, balancing their day jobs and their other commitments. Some of these town positions receive an annual payment, most receive no payment at all, but people volunteer out of concern for their community. As a small town we hope newcomers and longtime residents will volunteer for one of the open positions in Sharon. The Selectmen and other town officials would be happy to discuss what time commitments are involved with the various positions and how you can help the town you live in by volunteering.

Please join us in thanking new members to committees, boards and other positions: Dianne “Dee” Mitchell, Jeff Osgood, Pierre Groleau, Sara Tobias, Alexis Murray Golay, Barret Golay, Rich Dufresne, Juliana Kazanovicz, and Scott Brown. We also thank all the people currently serving in town government. They are all listed in the town report, and we are fortunate to have these friends and neighbors working to keep the town of Sharon functioning.

Sara Tobias, our new Emergency Management Director, is working on updating our Hazard Mitigation plan and Emergency Operations plans, with assistance from the Department of Homeland Security and Southwest Region Planning Commission. With these plans in place Sharon will be better able to qualify for grants.

Sara and a sub-committee of volunteers are working on a plan to deal with power outages, weather, and other emergencies. The question of how we relay information to residents when the town has lost power, traditional phone communication, cell signals and internet connectivity is of the utmost importance. As we know, not everyone has access to the internet or good cell phone reception, so communication is the key to safety in an emergency. As this plan takes shape, Sara and the sub-committee will inform residents on its progress.

Budgeting for road repair and paving is always a major expense for the town. At last year’s Town Meeting the highway budget was reduced by \$25,000, in an effort to lower the tax rate. In 2022 prices for road materials increased to such an extent that the cost of repairing and paving roads have increased threefold. There is no reason or indication to think that the cost of paving will decrease in the future. We know these costs are quite high, but not making the repairs in a timely manner only means that the project becomes more difficult and at higher costs.

We held a special meeting in December where our Road Agent presented his plans for 2023. He reviewed anticipated costs and various options at that meeting. Those that attended were able to ask questions and inject their thoughts and ideas relating to the plan. Then, at our Budget Hearing in early February, we provided more details along with the opportunity for community members to offer additional thoughts and comments. Again, we know the expenses are high, but we feel the work is necessary for the safety of residents and all those utilizing our Sharon roads.

We would also like to thank our partners in Peterborough who provide Police, Fire, and ambulance services to the residents of Sharon. You may not see them, but we know they are in Sharon quite often. Sometimes on routine patrols, but more often responding to emergencies that happen with much more frequency than you might imagine in our little town.

A special thanks, too, to the Town of Jaffrey and its library for providing an extremely valuable resource for our residents. We know many of you take advantage of the library's services and programs. We are grateful to have such a positive connection to our neighboring town.

Respectfully submitted,

Chet Bowles, Chair
Diane Callahan
Gary Backstrom

2022 Town of Sharon Audit Committee Report

The Audit Committee met on Saturday, February 11, 2023 to review the financial processes of the town, ensure state and town regulations are being followed, and complete and sign the MS-60, "Report of Locally Elected Auditor(s)" according to RSA 41:31-d. The 2022 Audit Committee was composed of Barrett Golay, and Matt Craig (unfortunately, Jaimee Rondeau was unable to attend). Assisting the Audit Committee this year again was John Kangas of Roberts and Greene PLLC.

Due to a number of unfortunate events, the Audit Committee did not meet during the 2022 calendar year, but still completed its obligations in February 2023. The following officials answered questions and stepped through procedural actions as part of the audit process: Sue Bowles, Treasurer; Karen Shea Dufresne, Tax Collector; Juliana Kazanovicz , Deputy Tax Collector; Chet Bowles, Trustee of the Trust Funds; John MacKechran, Trustee of the Trust Funds; Dee Mitchell, Town Clerk; and Debra Harling, Town Administrator. By the end of the day, the MS-60 was completed and signed by the committee.

The Audit Committee would like to thank each of the people holding offices for their participation in the audit. Each year their preparation and attention to detail makes the audit process run smoothly, making our town more efficient and reducing the cost of the audit process.

We look forward to serving the Town of Sharon next year and beyond.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Audit Committee of the Town of Sharon

Jaimee Rondeau
Barrett Golay
Matt Craig



Tax Collector's Report

For the period beginning and ending

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

Instructions

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

For Assistance Please Contact:

NH DRA Municipal and Property Division
Phone: (603) 230-5090
Fax: (603) 230-5947
<http://www.revenue.nh.gov/mun-prop/>

ENTITY'S INFORMATION

Municipality: County: 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: 2021	Year: 2020	Year: 2019
Property Taxes	3110		\$27,856.80		
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Other Taxes	3189				
Property Tax Credit Balance		(\$451.48)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance					

Taxes Committed This Year	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2021	Prior Levies
Property Taxes	3110	\$1,357,301.00		
Resident Taxes	3180			
Land Use Change Taxes	3120	\$12,300.00		
Yield Taxes	3185	\$1,979.01		
Excavation Tax	3187			
Other Taxes	3189			

Overpayment Refunds	Account	Levy for Year of this Report	2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	3110	\$60.00			
Resident Taxes	3180				
Land Use Change Taxes	3120				
Yield Taxes	3185				
Excavation Tax	3187				
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	3190	\$203.22	\$730.07		
Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes	3190				

Total Debits		\$1,371,391.75	\$28,586.87	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Credits

Remitted to Treasurer	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$1,196,886.75	\$18,144.80		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes	\$12,300.00			
Yield Taxes	\$1,979.01			
Interest (Include Lien Conversion)	\$178.22	\$653.07		
Penalties	\$25.00	\$77.00		
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Conversion to Lien (Principal Only)		\$9,712.00		
<input style="width: 300px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>				
Discounts Allowed				

Abatements Made	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes				
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
<input style="width: 300px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>				
Current Levy Deeded				



Uncollected Taxes - End of Year # 1080	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Property Taxes	\$160,027.77			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Taxes				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax				
Other Taxes				
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$5.00)			
Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance				
Total Credits	\$1,371,391.75	\$28,586.87	\$0.00	\$0.00

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$160,022.77
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 - All Years)	\$18,848.93



Lien Summary

Summary of Debits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies (Please Specify Years)		
		Year: 2021	Year: 2020	Year: 2019
Unredeemed Liens Balance - Beginning of Year			\$8,663.59	\$6,833.42
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year		\$10,185.34		
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)			\$983.13	\$683.45
Total Debits	\$0.00	\$10,185.34	\$9,646.72	\$7,516.87

Summary of Credits

	Last Year's Levy	Prior Levies		
		2021	2020	2019
Redemptions				\$6,833.42
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution) #3190			\$983.13	\$683.45
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens				
Liens Deeded to Municipality				
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year #1110		\$10,185.34	\$8,663.59	
Total Credits	\$0.00	\$10,185.34	\$9,646.72	\$7,516.87

For DRA Use Only	
Total Uncollected Taxes (Account #1080 - All Years)	\$160,022.77
Total Unredeemed Liens (Account #1110 -All Years)	\$18,848.93



SHARON (411)

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
Karen Shea	Dufresne	01/03/2023

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.

Karen Shea Dufresne
 Preparer's Signature and Title

TOWN CLERK REPORT
Year Ending 12/31/2022

	Auto	Clerk	Dog	Vital	Misc.	Ajust-	Total
Month	Registrations	Fees	Licenses	Records	Income	ments	Collected
Jan	\$4,488.00	\$144.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,632.00
Feb	\$4,375.00	\$216.00	\$35.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,626.50
Mar	\$10,409.83	\$333.00	\$99.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,841.83
Apr	\$6,364.00	\$214.00	\$67.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,645.50
May	\$12,432.00	\$367.00	\$28.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,827.00
Jun	\$5,409.00	\$192.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,601.00
Jul	\$7,628.00	\$186.00	\$59.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,873.00
Aug	\$8,540.50	\$340.00	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,882.50
Sep	\$2,008.00	\$79.00	\$18.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,105.00
Oct	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Nov	\$3,920.00	\$118.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,038.00
Dec	\$23,859.00	\$318.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,177.00
TOTALS	\$89,433.33	\$2,507.00	\$309.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$92,249.33

Motor vehicle registrations issued: Routine registrations are done by mail. You will receive a letter from the Town Clerk with vehicles listed and amounts listed. Return the letter with your checks and the new registrations will be mailed to you. If registering in person please bring government issued photo ID and an old registration.

Vital records issued:

Residents may come to the Sharon Meeting House to obtain copies of certificates of Birth, Marriage, and Death. Residents may also apply for a Marriage license.

Dog licenses issue:

All dogs and wolf hybrids must have a current rabies certificate on file with the town and be licensed by April 30 of each year per RSA 466:13, a penalty of \$25 will be imposed for any dog or wolf hybrid not licensed by June 1st. Dog licensing can also be done by mail. Mail your check to the Town Clerk with the dog's name. The cost is \$6.50 for spayed and neutered dogs, \$9.00 for un-spayed and un-neutered dogs. For Seniors the first dog is \$2,00, any other dogs are at the costs previously listed.

Office Hours: Tues and Thurs 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm, and by appointment, at The Sharon Meeting House.

Dianne Mitchell – Town Clerk 603-209-8909 (cell)

Office: 603-924-9250 during office hours, or email at: sharontownclerk@gmail.com,

The above information is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Respectfully submitted.

Dianne Mitchell, Sharon, NH Town Clerk

BIRTHS						
Report of Residents of Sharon, NH for the Year Ending December 31, 2022						
Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father/Partner	Name of Mother	Place of Birth		
3/1/2022	Whimsy James Rand	Abraham Stephen Rand	Madison Jane Marek	Peterborough, NH		
5/10/2022	Isabella Mae Karlson	Eric Gregg Karlson	Felica Ann Karlson	Keene, NH		
6/26/2022	David Josiah Hackendorf	Josiah David Hackendorf	Shondra Leigh Hackendorf	Sharon, NH		
MARRIAGES						
Report of Residents of Sharon, NH for the Year Ending December 31, 2022						
Date of Marriage	Person A's Name	Person A's Residence	Person B's Name	Person B's Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage
7/15/2022	Noah B Olson	Sharon, NH	Kaelyn M Muhonen	Rindge, NH	Rindge, NH	Greenfield, NH
DEATHS						
Report of Residents of Sharon, NH for the Year Ending December 31, 2022						
Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's/ Parents Name	Mother's/ Parents Name Prior to First Marriage/ Civil Union	Military	
Patrick Jake O'Rourke	2/15/2022	Peterborough, NH	Clifford O'Rourke	Delphine Loy	N	
Robert Alden Jackson	7/1/2022	Sharon, NH	Frank Jackson	Margeret Bumpus	N	
Francis Lee Gupstill	12/14/2022	Sharon, NH	Charles Gupstill II	Lillian Allen	N	
Vital Records are reported by the State of NH and may not reflect all						
births, marriages, or deaths. Residents have the option of having events reported.						



For reporting year Jan 1, 2022 through Dec 31, 2022.

Trustees

Name	Position	Term Expires
John MacEachran	Trustee	3/15/2023
John Ladue	Trustee	3/15/2022
Rory Goff	Trustee	3/15/2024

Ledger Summary

Number of Fund Records	28
Ledger End of Year Balance	\$324,709.65

This ledger was reviewed for accuracy and submitted electronically under penalty of perjury on January 10, 2023 by John MacEachran on behalf of the Trustees of Trust Funds of Sharon.



Fund Name		Date Of Creation					Fund EOY Balance	
Archive Supplies		7/5/2013					\$8,078.44	
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Capital Reserve (Other)			How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value	
	\$7,737.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,737.00	
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance				
	\$209.00	\$132.44	\$0.00	\$341.44				

Fund Name		Date Of Creation					Fund EOY Balance	
Assessment Reserve		1/1/2005					\$9,931.90	
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Capital Reserve (Other)			How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value	
	\$5,899.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,899.00	
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance				
	\$880.00	\$152.90	\$0.00	\$1,032.90				

Fund Name		Date Of Creation					Fund EOY Balance	
Audit Reserve		2/9/2017					\$13,301.07	
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Capital Reserve (Other)			How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value	
	\$12,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,500.00	
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance				
	\$583.00	\$218.07	\$0.00	\$801.07				

Fund Name		Date Of Creation					Fund EOY Balance	
Bacon Cemetery		12/21/1926					\$704.55	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care			How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value	
	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance				
	\$493.00	\$11.55	\$0.00	\$504.55				

Fund Name		Date Of Creation					Fund EOY Balance	
Brick School House Maint.		7/5/2013					\$7,016.01	
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Maintenance and Repair			How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value	
	\$6,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,500.00	
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance				
	\$401.00	\$115.01	\$0.00	\$516.01				



Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Bridge Reserve		1/1/2000				\$44,346.88	
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Maintenance and Repair				How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool	
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$25,577.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,577.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance			
	\$8,076.00	\$693.88	\$0.00	\$8,769.88			

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Cemetery Common Trust Fund		4/20/2008				\$15,289.67	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Trust (Other)				How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool	
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$13,950.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,950.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance			
	\$1,089.00	\$250.67	\$0.00	\$1,339.67			

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
D & C Wilson Cemetery		10/26/1938				\$150.45	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care				How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool	
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance			
	\$98.00	\$2.45	\$0.00	\$100.45			

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Donaway Family Cemetery		5/31/1990				\$418.87	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care				How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool	
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance			
	\$212.00	\$6.87	\$0.00	\$218.87			

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Edith Wilson		1/3/1983				\$930.24	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care				How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool	
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended	EOY Balance			
	\$615.00	\$15.24	\$0.00	\$630.24			



Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Ellen A Wilson		5/1/1951				\$705.59	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$200.00	\$11.59	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$211.59
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$494.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$494.00

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Flossie E Wilson		1/23/1984				\$583.56	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$374.00	\$9.56	\$0.00				\$383.56

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
G & MR Wilson		3/22/1939				\$148.42	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$96.00	\$2.42	\$0.00				\$98.42

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Indemnification Reserve Fund		1/1/2008				\$5,823.48	
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Capital Reserve (Other)		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$5,350.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,350.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$378.00	\$95.48	\$0.00				\$473.48

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
John B Shedd		1/15/1947				\$530.73	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$372.00	\$8.73	\$0.00				\$380.73



Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Keene Family Cemetery		7/1/1983				\$460.53	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$253.00	\$7.53	\$0.00				\$260.53

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Kenton M Young		11/29/1979				\$704.58	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$200.00	\$11.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$211.58
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$493.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				\$493.00

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Legal Expense Reserve		1/1/2010				\$19,533.92	
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Capital Reserve (Other)		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$18,372.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,472.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$742.00	\$319.92	\$0.00				\$1,061.92

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Newton Family Cemetery		4/22/2009				\$179.95	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$77.00	\$2.95	\$0.00				\$79.95

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Road Maintenance Reserve		1/1/2000				\$123,649.15	
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Maintenance and Repair		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$83,913.00	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$118,913.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$2,825.00	\$1,911.15	\$0.00				\$4,736.15



Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Royce Cemetery		7/23/1942				\$352.78	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$247.00	\$5.78	\$0.00				\$252.78

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Waite E Wilson		1/23/1984				\$583.56	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$374.00	\$9.56	\$0.00				\$383.56

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Welfare Reserve		2/9/2017				\$10,505.89	
Type: Capital Reserve (RSA 34/35)		Purpose: Capital Reserve (Other)		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$10,000.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,100.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$234.00	\$171.89	\$0.00				\$405.89

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
William Young School House		9/1/1955				\$3,473.97	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Maintenance and Repair		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$1,417.00	\$56.97	\$0.00				\$1,473.97

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Wilson (Jarmany)		1/23/1984				\$7,793.73	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care		How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool			
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$3,666.00	\$127.73	\$0.00				\$3,793.73



Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Wilson (McCoy)		1/23/1984				\$9,848.48	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care			How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool		
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$4,687.00	\$161.48	\$0.00				\$4,848.48

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Wilson II Fund		4/7/1987				\$39,313.50	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Discretionary/Benefit of the Town			How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool		
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$13,669.00	\$644.50	\$0.00				\$14,313.50

Fund Name		Date Of Creation				Fund EOY Balance	
Wirling Gregg		4/6/1928				\$349.75	
Type: Trust		Purpose: Cemetery Perpetual Care			How Invested: Public Deposit Investment Pool		
Principal	BOY Balance	New Funds	Unrealized Gains	Realized Gains	Cash Cap Gains	Withdrawals	EOY Fair Value
	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Income	BOY Balance	Income	Expended				EOY Balance
	\$244.00	\$5.75	\$0.00				\$249.75

Road Agent Report
2-06-2023

The Sharon Highway department is responsible for 11.2 miles of roads including Nashua Road, Temple Road, Greenleaf Road, Mountain Road, McCoy Road, Cross Road, Springhill Road, Sliptown Road, Mill Road, Swamp Road and South Road. NH state maintained roads include the Sharon portions of Route 123, Route 124, Jarmany Hill Road and Springhill Road.

Ongoing issues:

- Speeding on all roads and failure to stop at STOP signs
- Driving on South and Swamp Roads during closed months December to April
- Residential snow being pushed into town roads after they have been plowed

Bridge report on the State E2 bridges

- Sharon is responsible for 5 bridges - Mill Road, Spring Hill Road, Swamp Road, McCoy Road and Cross Road. Currently Mill and Swamp are on a grade six from grade seven NH DOT Bridge Program State Red List Ranking Process. No bridges in Sharon are scheduled for work this year.

Next year planning:

- 400-600 yards road sand - 30 tons salt (same as this year) material
- New gates on Swamp and South Roads
- Replacement of signs and designate paint for stops at major intersections.
- Maintain road surfaces pot holes, headers and culverts with seasonal trenching and ditching
- Removal of downed, dead and dangerous trees on South, Swamp and Mill Roads
- Roadside grinding and mowing tree branch to reduce shade on icy roads.
- Removed roadside debris, graffiti and trash - ongoing.
- Beaver culvert maintenance has reached crisis with flooding that endangers Mountain, Mill and Nashua Roads. A wildlife plan is necessary now.
- Pave more of Mc Coy Road from the cemetery to 123.
- Repave Nashua Road at the south end
- Grind and repave Temple Road from Greenleaf to Nashua Road
- Culverts placed, repaired or replaced on Spring Hill Road.
- Replace culvert on Temple Road, past Greenleaf Road
- Improve Cross Road drainage prior the bridge to relieve water under the road.
- Maintain all roads - shimming, grading, ditching and removing stumps or rocks from the road edge as needed.
- Seal cracks on all major roads and fill pot holes.
- Add good road grade gravel to Swamp, South, Cross and Mountain Roads as needed

Sandy Eneguess Road Agent

SHARON CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

The members of the Sharon Conservation Commission in 2022 were: Anne Booth (co-chair), Anne Fischer (co-chair), Belinda Backstrom, Ian Coles, Beth Fernald, Jim Martens, and Shane LaBrake.

Mission

The mission of the Sharon Conservation Commission is to protect wetlands and other natural resources in the town of Sharon through acquisition (the Town Forest), management, education and regulation; to act as a liaison between the public and other governmental agencies in protecting our natural resources; and to become an environmental/educational resource for citizens, groups, organizations, as well as local, state, and federal agencies.

The Cons Com meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the meetinghouse.

Activities 2022:

- Town Forest Map

Trail maintenance is on-going on the trail network designed and cut by members of the Cons Com. A map with trail descriptions has been completed.

- Hemlock Looper

The Cons Com has been closely monitoring the devastation caused by the Hemlock looper and Woolly Adelgid, which has affected many trees in Sharon including an estimated 300 acres of the Town Forest. The Cons Com is planning to have a forestry expert inventory the area and will then decide a course of action. Mike Gagnon, Hillsborough County Forester, attended the Sharon Town Picnic in August to discuss the issue.

- Beavers

The Cons Com continues to monitor roads for flooding caused by beaver activity and recommends appropriate action, when necessary.

- Conservation Easements

A main part of the Cons Com's mission is to encourage and assist property owners to protect their land with a Conservation Easement, which can be placed on all or just part of a property. Information is available on the Cons Com web page, or land owners may contact any Cons Com member. An informative display was created by the Cons Com and is in the lobby of the Town House.

- Natural Resource Inventory

The Cons Com is investigating having an updated Natural Resource Inventory completed on the Town Forest. The last one was completed in 1996. The inventory may lead to a new or updated Forest Management/Sustainability Plan.

Planned activities 2023:

- Earth Day Cleanup

Every year Sharon residents are encouraged to participate in cleaning up trash on the sides of the roads. This can be done independently at any time, or as a group. The Cons Com has bags available at the Town House for this purpose. This year's clean-up day is Saturday April 22, 2023. And thank you to the many residents who pick up litter year 'round. We hope to have a good turnout for the annual cleanup.

Sharon Planning Board

Annual Report – 2022

The Board accepted and approved applications for solar collection systems and held Public Hearings where necessary for properties at: 51 Rt. 123 ground system; 698 Rt. 123 roof system; 678 Rt. 124 roof system and 465 Rt. 124 ground system.

The Board held Public Hearings for revisions to the Board's Rules of Procedure for replacement of existing ground solar collection systems and for mandatory deadlines and transparency in acting on subdivision applications as required by HB 1661.

The Board made a site visit, with a consulting engineer, to the ongoing excavation site at Nashua Rd. and Rt. 123.

The Board will continue to review and update Regulations and Ordinances to insure compliance with State laws and the needs of the town.

Special thanks to Mitch Call who has given over twenty years of service to the town of Sharon on the Planning Board.

Bill Joyner

Gerald DeBonis

Diane Callahan

Jeff Osgood

Scott Brown

Sara Tobias

Mitch Call

Sharon Zoning Board of Adjustment

Annual Report – 2022

State Statutes provide that Zoning Boards of Adjustment in small towns do not need to meet on a regularly scheduled basis. Rather, those boards may meet only when necessary to deal with pending cases. That is how the Sharon ZBA functions.

The Sharon ZBA heard two cases in 2022.

The first case was a Request for Variance submitted by the Nichols family (51 Route 123). The family wished to install a ground mounted solar array within the 100' front setback and nearer Route 123 than is permitted by the Sharon Zoning Ordinances. After a hearing and site visit, the Board denied the Request. The Board felt there was sufficient space elsewhere on the property to locate the solar array without infringing on the setback requirements.

The second case was a Request for Variance submitted by Anthony Sabatino who now owns the Sharon Arts Center property (457 Route 123). Mr. Sabatino wished to use the building and property for classes and professional offices. A Variance was required because the entire town is zoned as Rural/Residential. The only business allowed in the Zoning Ordinances are Home Occupations and Home Based Businesses. After a hearing and site visit, the Board approved the Variance but also included a number of stipulations dealing with the types of businesses allowed, hours of operation, parking, number of people using the facility, etc.

Respectfully submitted:

Chester Bowles (Chair)
Stephen Gapp
Chris Hartman
Pat Joyner
Jane Murray
Rich Dufresne (Alternate)

Emergency Management Director Report 2022

10/22 - 2/23

Achievements:

1. Established connection with NH Homeland Security
 - a. Answered surveys for funding for storm cleanup
2. Initiated funding request for partnership with contractor to update Hazard Mitigation Plan and Local Emergency Management Plan.
3. Distributed existing emergency plans to Fire Chief Ed Walker and Police Chief Scott Guinard and requested input moving forward.
4. Attended ham radio technician course for background knowledge for radio
5. Consultation with Fire Department radio specialist Jon Hampson.
6. Obtained 3 loaner P25 radios: distributed to Emergency Management Director, Road Agent Sandy Eneguess, and Fire Warden Fred Greathead.
 - a. Formal training pending
7. Repeater station maintenance performed by Belltronics, Inc.
 - a. Quote obtained for new backup battery and field call
8. P25 truck radio evaluated by Belltronics, Inc.
 - a. Quote for installation and maintenance
9. Consultation with Pete Paris for radio program development and equipment review.
10. Established point of contact with Greater Monadnock Public Health Network (Cynthia Nichols and Tricia Zahn).
11. Established point of contact with Eversource (Connor Jennings).
12. Initiated volunteer Sharon Emergency Communications Team (Anne Murrock, Rory Goff, Brian Moore, John Ladue, Rich Dufresne to date) and had two meetings:
 - a. In draft: standard operating procedures for radio communications and meeting house use in emergencies
 - b. Twice monthly planning meetings proposed, 2 completed

The Records Management/Archive Committee Report 2022

The current archive volunteers are Gina Goff, Anne Booth, and Ken Callahan. We had a productive year in 2022. Gina continued her work of sorting and storing documents; a never-ending task. She has accomplished great things. We are now able to lay hands on what we are looking, for most of the time.

We have reproduced and displayed a number of early photographs, documents and paintings here and there in the Meeting House. The prize this year is an impressive photograph of the 1894 Sharon Town Reunion.

We had several significant donations this year, including:

- an oil painting by Ann Hites of the Gridley River (Wales Preserve)
- a photograph of the 1894 Town Reunion, donated by Chet Bowles
- a Shutterfly photobook documenting the building of the Meeting House, donated by Carole and Carl Newton
- a framed copy of the 1991 Bicentennial Map of Sharon, donated by Carole and Carl Newton
- several maps of the town, a very interesting two-page history of the Nichols Tree Farm by Ruth Killian Nichols, and two copies of **The Secret of Sharon**, all donated by Mary Kohak
- several books related to the town, or written by Sharon residents
- and most importantly, a large group of Sharon Town Reports, dating back to the 1880s, from the estate of former Selectman and long time resident John Von Adler. This wonderful gift has greatly increased our collection of Town Reports and related town publications.

We also acquired the archives of the former Sharon Arts Center. The building was being sold, and the owner at that time, New England College, had no interest in the material, so Gina and I offered to take it. We are storing it until a decision is made on what to do with it, or where it should go.

Our goal is to preserve and document the history of the Town of Sharon. There is still much to do in the archive, and new volunteers are always welcome. You might have ideas and skills in that will help us preserve what we can of Sharon's past. If so, give Ken a call at 924- 3726. We will be happy to show you around, and explain what we do.

Report of the Fire Warden, Town of Sharon, 2022

Francis Guptill retired as Fire Warden in the fall, and the Selectmen recommended to the State that Fred Greathead be appointed to be the new town Fire Warden.

We want to thank all of the residents of Sharon who asked for fire permits this year, and who burned safely. We are happy to give out permits whenever conditions are safe.

A reminder of the rules for open burning in Sharon:

All outdoor fires require a burn permit. The only exception is when there is a steady soaking rain, or when there is significant snow cover. **Even when it is raining or when there is snow cover, please call one of the fire wardens to be sure that these conditions are met. We will notify Mutual Aid to tell them that a permitted fire is occurring at your address.** Common sense is most important. If it is windy, dry, or if there is any reason to think that it might be dangerous to burn, wait and burn at another time. Call the fire wardens for information about rules for burning, or current conditions. Winter is by far the best and safest time for burning big brush piles, once there is snow on the ground.

Outdoor cooking fires are allowed without a permit if the fire is contained in a suitable device, and is off of the ground, such as a backyard grill. Open cooking or camp fires on the ground require a permit. Annual permits for seasonal campfires are available. This annual permit applies only to fire pits dug down to mineral soils and enclosed with appropriate materials. They must be inspected annually by a fire warden. Fire pit permits are not to be used for burning brush - we will give you a different permit for brush fires. The burning of residential trash and many building materials is prohibited by the State of New Hampshire.

No outdoor fire may be left unattended at any time. Means of controlling and extinguishing any outdoor fire must be readily available, including a sufficient quantity of water to drown the embers. Burn permits are issued on the day of the burn if the weather and conditions are deemed safe by a fire warden. **All outdoor fires, without exception, must be extinguished at the end of the burn. Unattended fires are the single greatest cause of brush fires.** Call either of the fire wardens for a permit or for more information.

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

This year was another year where we observed wet weather in early spring followed by rapid drying and drought conditions which extended through the summer for much of the state. Drying conditions in early May led to large fire growth on numerous fires which required multiple days to extinguish and firefighter response from local, state, and federal agencies. Wildfire activity continued through the summer months where dry conditions led to more multi-day fires. Fires burned deep into the ground, requiring firefighters to establish water supplies and to spend days digging out all the hot spots.

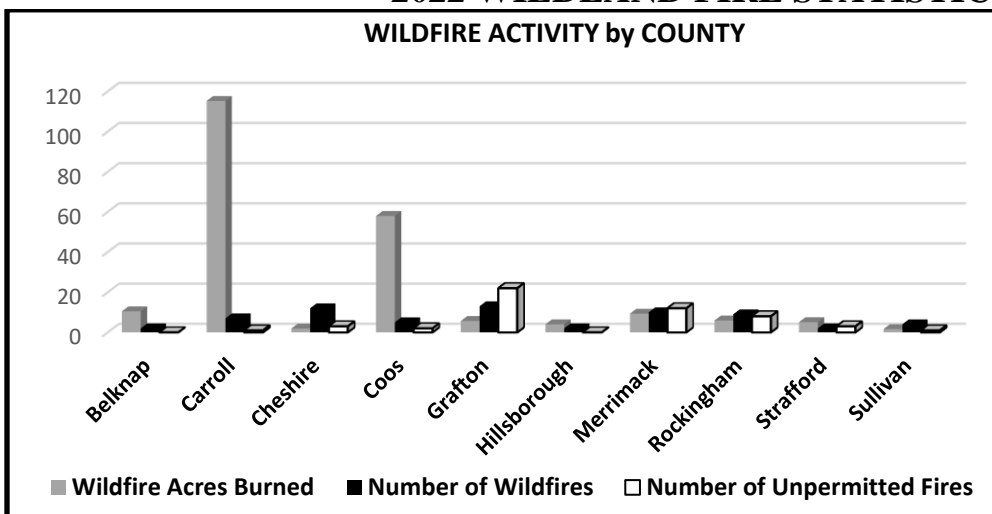
This fall we had multiple fires started by the careless disposal of woodstove ashes. Before dumping your woodstove ashes, you should place them in a covered metal container until they are out cold. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes 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 Rockingham County are showing some minor signs of improvement but a good portion of Rockingham County remains in moderate drought and much of the state is still in the abnormally dry category. 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 2023 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. You are encouraged to contact the local fire department for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information, please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nh.gov/nhdfl/. For up-to-date information, follow us on Twitter and Instagram: **@NHForestRangers**



2022 WILDLAND FIRE STATISTICS



(All fires reported as of December 01, 2022)

Year	Number of Wildfires	Wildfire Acres Burned	Number of Unpermitted Fires*
2022	66	217	52
2021	66	86	96
2020	113	89	165
2019	15	23.5	92
2018	53	46	91

*Unpermitted fires which escape control are considered Wildfires.

CAUSES of FIRES REPORTED

Railroad operations & maintenance	Firearm & explosives use	Undetermined	Recreation & ceremony	Debris & open burning	Natural	Other causes	Power generation, transmission, distribution	Smoking	Arson	Misuse of fire by a minor	Equipment & vehicle use
1	3	21	4	60	467	5	7	1	2	1	3

JAFFREY PUBLIC LIBRARY
DIRECTOR'S REPORT 2022

Thank you to the Sharon Select Board and the Town Administrator for this opportunity to be included in Sharon's Annual Town report. The Jaffrey Public Library has been providing contracted library services to the Town of Sharon since 2019. All Sharon residents have full access to all the same library services provided to Jaffrey residents, and they have become integral members of our library community.

Presently, 77 Sharon residents have library accounts. As a contract service, there is no additional cost to the Town of Sharon for all residents to join us, and we welcome your engagement with all the library has to offer. All that is required is a photo ID and proof of residency. Children ages 5 - 12 require a signed registration by a parent or guardian.

2022 brought exciting growth, with record circulation numbers and high attendance at library programs. We provide individualized service six days a week, as well as expanded digital offerings available 24/7 to cardholders.

Our services include technology help, reference assistance, professional tutoring, and countless educational programs for youth, teens, and adults. We serve local residents of Jaffrey and Sharon, all middle and high school students in the Jaffrey-Rindge district, and non-residents locally employed in Jaffrey, as well as local institutions.

Throughout the year, the library supported public welfare by providing the community with an accessible venue for the state's Covid-19 vaccination clinics, and other support services through outside organizations for fuel assistance, income tax preparation, and employment assistance programs. Our Farm Fresh Checkout program in cooperation with our local farmers provided the community with 1,200 items of fresh produce at no cost, and the sixth year of our community Seed Library distributed over 1,600 seed packets to support local gardeners and our food literacy goals. We are the safe space for our community's children and teens after school, providing activities, computer and internet access, and food through the Jaffrey Food Pantry. We are also an accessible space for adults to gather and learn about new technology, history and current events.

In 2022, library staff answered 19,739 reference and technology questions, and we had over 9,959 participants in library programs! The library provided a wide array of materials for checkout, including books, audiobooks, magazines, movies, learning tablets, microscopes, sewing machines, STEAM kits, and Wi-Fi hotspots. Circulation, the number of materials checked out from the library, totaled 54,534 in 2022, a 23% increase over last year.

Summer Learning participation and circulation exceeded pre-pandemic levels. In-person activities came back in full force, and the public responded with record engagement.

The library's collection is diverse, inclusive, and relevant, with physical holdings at 35,460, and shared downloadable digital holdings of 39,147 eBooks, 34,889 audiobooks, and 4,428 magazine copies, available through the state consortium from *Overdrive*. We also offer 1,450 always-available digital titles for youth through our *TumbleBook Library*. Access is free to all library cardholders, and many titles include added features to support varied learning styles.

We support researchers of all ages with vetted, up to date electronic resources, including an expanded subscription to *Newsbank – Access World News*, featuring local newspaper access as well as national and world newspapers, including full image editions. *Newsbank’s Special Reports* and *Hot Topics* streamline research topics, covering key global issues including business, economics, crime, politics, science, health, sports, and the arts. *Britannica Library* from *Encyclopedia Britannica* remains our most used online resource, followed by our *AtoZ World Food* and *Food America* databases, full of regional information and recipes from around the world. Residents of all ages took advantage of free language learning for over 70 languages, with an easy-to-use app from *Mango Languages*, and a special edition, *Little Pim*, for our youngest students. *Brainfuse HelpNow* continues to provide all of our local students with free professional tutoring and homework help, along with adult career resources, test prep, and even live help for filling out the FAFSA for Federal Student Aid. We continue to provide free access to *Ancestry.com* and *Heritage Hub* for your genealogy pursuits, as well as multiple, reliable and current resources for answering your reference questions on multiple topics.

In 2022, we added 1,317 new titles to our physical collection, of which 575 (valued over \$12,848) were funded by grant programs and donations, at no cost to taxpayers. 1,116 items were withdrawn from the physical collection as part of a comprehensive collection development and maintenance plan, according to professional standards. Many of these withdrawn items were donated to smaller libraries, local classrooms and preschools, Monadnock Adult Day Care, and even the local laundromat! This number also includes the deletion of titles from our system discovered missing during inventory.

We addressed a shortfall in funding for our 2022 budget request without cutting open hours or staff. We did so with dogged determination, succeeding in our commitment to bring in outside funding in 2022 through grants and donations, valued over \$48,500. The Library Trustees took that a step further by establishing two new trust funds to ensure the future of innovation in our services and the preservation of our historic facility. It was only through grants and gifts that we were able to have almost 10,000 participants in library programs, with only ten dollars in our Town funded Programming budget line. We thank all of our funders for this incredible support.

2022 was a great year at the library. We look forward to serving you in 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Perrin, MSLIS
Library Director

**TOWN OF SHARON
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 9, 2022**

Moderator: George (Bill) Joyner-Moderator
Selectmen: Fred Woodhouse, Diane Callahan, Gary Backstrom
Town Administrator: Debra Harling
Minutes: Taken by Debra Harling, prepared by Debra Harling for Jane Murray, Town Clerk
Location: Conval High School, 184 Hancock Road, Peterborough, NH 03458

Moderator Bill Joyner called the meeting to order at 7:16 pm.

Mr. Joyner thanked Kim Saunders, Superintendent of Schools, Tim Rossi, Director of Maintenance, and Frank, the current Janitor for use of the High School gymnasium. Rules of conduct were reviewed. For expediency Gary Backstrom will move articles, Diane Callahan will second articles.
 112 people voted in this election.

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

Results of the March 8, 2022 voting for Town Officers

Moderator Bill Joyner reported the results of the March 8, 2022 Town Officers voting and Ballot Question:

Selectman---3 years	C. Bowles 101; Write-ins: M. Williamson 2; F. Woodhouse 3; D. Krook 2; L. Paris 1
Treasurer--1 year	Susan Bowles 107; Write-ins: M. Williamson 1; P. Galbraith 1
Audit Board--3 years	Barrett Golay 92; M. Craig 2; A. Ellia 5; J. Martens 2
Moderator – 2 years	Bill Joyner 101; Write-ins: M. Williamson 1; M. Craig 1; P. Paris 2
Trustee of the Trust Funds – 3 years	Write-ins: J. Ladue 14; J. MacEachran 3; J. Evans 1; K.Dufresne 1; Kl. Debonis 2; D. O'Brien 1; J. Ogren 2; C. Newton 1; D. Campbell 1; C. Bowles 2; J. Rondeau 1; L Larose 1

Contoocook Valley School District Voting

Moderator Bill Joyner reported the results of the March 9, 2021 School District voting:

Question:	# of YES votes	# of NO votes
1	68	42
2	70	40
3	78	30
4	62	45
5	72	38
6	78	31
7	69	40
8	72	37
9	67	42
10	97	11
11	88	21
12	49	62

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will vote to set the following amounts which shall be paid to the Town Officers for their services, or take any action relative thereto:

COMPENSATION SCHEDULE

Selectmen	\$1,800 per year, each
Town Administrator	\$20,000 per year plus \$3,600 per year bookkeeping
Town Clerk	\$5,500 per year
Deputy Town Clerk	\$300 per year, plus \$50 per scheduled session
Collector of Taxes	\$3,600 per year plus fees
Deputy Collector of Taxes	\$1,000 per year
Road Agent	\$12,000 per year plus Fuel Allowance
Board of Auditors	\$500 per year, each
Treasurer	\$2,000 per year
Trustees of Trust Funds	\$100 per year, each
Moderator	\$100 per year plus \$125 per scheduled session
Deputy Moderator	\$125 per session
Supervisors of the Checklist	\$650 per year - Chair, 450 each per year - 2
Fire Warden	\$250 per year
Deputy Fire Warden	\$200 per year, each
Building Site Inspector	\$75 per permit issued
Code Enforcement Officer	\$30 per Hour
Emergency Management Director	\$500 per year
Emergency Management Dir.	\$25 per hour, not to exceed \$500
Deputy Emergency Management Director	\$250 per year
Deputy Health Officer	\$25 per hour

Motion to move Article 2 by Gary Backstrom, seconded by Diane Callahan.

Discussion: Gary Backstrom reviewed the compensation schedule and explained that the only change is an increase of \$100.00/year each for the Fire Warden and Deputy Fire Wardens.

Article 2 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$444,577 for the purposes specified, or take any action relative thereto: The Selectmen recommend this article.

DRA Account	Department	2021 Budget
4130	Executive	\$ 30,530
4140	Election and Registration	\$ 16,000
4140	Archive Material Expense	
4150	Financial Administration	\$ 27,440
4153	Legal Expenses	\$ 2,000
4155	Personnel Administration	\$ 5,800
4191	Planning and Zoning	\$ 2,000
4194	General Government Building	\$ 10,500
4195	Cemeteries	\$ 2,500
4196	Insurance	\$ 3,070
4210	Police	\$ 98,000

4215	Ambulance	\$ 18,992
4220	Fire	\$ 50,315
4240	Building Insp./Code Enforce.	\$ 1,000
4290	Emergency Management	\$ 1,600
4300	Highways	\$149,800
4316	Street Lighting	\$ 400
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	\$ 15,930
4411	Health Administration	\$ 300
4414	Animal Control	\$ 300
4415	Health Agencies and Hospital	\$ 1,600
4441	Welfare	\$ 2,000
4550	Library	\$ 4,000
4619	Conservation Commission	\$ 800
4723	Interest on Tax Anticipation	\$ 100
	TOTAL	\$444,577

Motion to move Article 3 by Gary Backstrom, seconded by Diane Callahan.

Discussion 3: Fred Woodhouse reviewed the budget and highlighted the categories that have increased. The voters were informed that there is a typographical error in the printed budget on the warrant, the 4300 Highways line should read \$149,400, the total of \$444,577 is correct. There was discussion about the increase in the highway budget. Pete Paris spoke about lowering the budget by \$50,000. Sandy Eneguess, Road Agent, explained that prices have increased, there are drainage issues on the roads where culverts have failed, as well as other road issues that need to be addressed. Voters asked if the highway budget would be this high going forward, Mr. Eneguess explained that some items, like culverts, would be completed and could be removed from the budget until they need to be replaced again. Motion by Peter Paris, second by Carl Newton to amend article 3 to \$419,577 by removing \$25,000 from the budget, with the suggestion that this amount be removed from the 4300 Highway line item. Amendment was a tie by a show of hands 15 yes to 15 no, Moderator George W. Joyner broke the tie by voting yes for the amendment. Amendment to reduce the budget passed by a show of hands, 16 yes, 15 no.

Amended Article 3 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 to be added to the Legal Expense Capital Reserve Fund, previously established, or take any other actions thereto. This article is designated as a special warrant article under the provisions of RSA 32:3, VI(c).

Motion to move Article 4 by Gary Backstrom, seconded by Diane Callahan.

Discussion: Fred Woodhouse explained that this article is to add money to the Legal Capital Reserve Fund.

Article 4 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be added to the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund, previously established, or take any action relative thereto. This article is designated as a special warrant article under the provisions of RSA 32:3, VI(c).

Motion to move Article 5 by Gary Backstrom, seconded by Diane Callahan.

Discussion: Diane Callahan explained that this article is to continue to put money away to rebuild/repair bridges.

Article 5 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 to be added to the Assessing Reserve Capital Reserve Fund, previously established, or to take any action relative thereto. This article is designated as a special warrant article under the provisions of RSA 32:3, VI(c).

Motion to move Article 6 by Gary Backstrom, seconded by Diane Callahan.

Discussion: Debra Harling, Town Administrator, explained that this article is to put money away to cover the 2024 cost of the assessment update. The Board is requesting this so that the entire cost does not have to be raised in 2024.

Article 6 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 to be added to the Welfare Services Non-Capital Reserve Fund previously established, or take any action related thereto. This article is designated as a special warrant article under the provisions of RSA 32:3, VI(c).

Motion to move Article 7 by Gary Backstrom, seconded by Diane Callahan.

Discussion: Gary Backstrom explained that this article is to help fund this reserve fund to put money away for unanticipated welfare costs. The Town is required to help if a person meets the guidelines.

Article 7 passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to be added to the Town Highway Repairs Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. This article is designated as a special warrant article under the provisions of RSA 32:3, VI(c).

Motion to move Article 8 by Gary Backstrom, seconded by Diane Callahan.

Motion to amend article 8 to \$35,000 by Gary Backstrom, second Diane Callahan.

Discussion: It was explained that the \$75,000 amount in the warrant is an error, the amount approved by the Board was \$35,000. This correct amount appears in the MS-636 and this amendment is to correct the posted warrant.


Amendment passed by voice vote.

Amended Article 8 passed by voice vote.

Other: Carl Newton was recognized for his contributions to the town.

Moderator Bill Joyner adjourned the meeting at 9:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Grace E. Hartman, Deputy Town Clerk

**WINTER ROAD POLICY
TOWN OF SHARON
(Revised 2005)**

A written policy is essential to receive the full benefit of the liability protection found in RSA 231:92-a.

Sharon's Winter Road Policy is to try and maintain and make our roads as safe as possible during the winter season. The roads maintained by the Town of Sharon are: Nashua Road, Temple Road, Greenleaf Road, Mountain Road, McCoy Road, Cross Road, Sliptown Road, Spring Hill Road starting at the intersection of Jarmany Hill Road to the Jaffrey/Sharon town line, and Mill Road. State maintained roads are: Route 123, Route 124, Jarmany Hill Road, and Spring Hill Road from the intersection of Jarmany Hill Road to the Sharon/Peterborough town line.

Sharon's school bus route will be maintained first because of the need to have our roads as safe as possible for the transporting of our students.

Sharon does not use a large amount of salt, therefore, our roads, depending on the season, could be ice and snow covered for a period of time. The town will do its best to try and remove as much as possible from the surface of the road by means of a grader or other equipment.

Per order of the Selectmen pursuant to RSA 41:11, the town has adopted a Winter Parking Ordinance which states that:

No person shall park any vehicle upon any Town highway at any time of the day between November 15th and April 1st. Violation of this ordinance shall be deemed to be the responsibility of the registered owner of the vehicle.

Each date during or on which a violation shall occur or continue shall be considered a separate offence. The penalty for each Violation shall be \$25.00. Unlawfully parked vehicles may be towed and stored at the expense of the registered owner.

If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect the other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

The purpose of this winter parking ban is to allow winter maintenance crews unobstructed snow removal and ice control methods, as much as possible, to maintain the maximum effectiveness of their efforts. Private roads, private drives, private businesses and parking areas, per RSA 231:93 imposes no duty to maintain such an area.

Roads to summer cottages open for summer maintenance only, because RSA 231:79-81 exempts the municipality from duties of winter maintenance.

Plowing our roads will not commence until snow has accumulated to a sufficient amount, unless slippery road conditions occur first. Roads will continue to be plowed according to the accumulation of snow as determined by the Road Agent. Four inches of a "cold" snow provides better traction than two inches of wet snow on a frozen road surface.

After completion of each snow and or ice storm, roads will be sanded if necessary, to help the covered roads melt and make our roads safe. It should be noted that salt has a much slower effect on melting snow and ice at

temperatures below 25 degrees, extremely slow at 20 degrees and at 10 degrees it stops and turns into an icy condition.

Driveway plowing across Town roads will not be allowed. This narrows the road and compacts the snow bank, making it much more difficult for our contractors to plow and push back snow. This will be enforced by the Road Agent.

During the course of the winter, as snow depths get increasingly higher, and our roads get narrower, roads will be widened and snow pushed off to the sides as much as possible.

The town has one part-time Road Agent who engages the services of contractors to carry out its winter maintenance operations.

For communication the town is equipped with radios and its own frequency enabling operators to communicate amongst themselves, the Emergency Management Director and a Selectman.

Emergency situations that arise during an event, equipment can be diverted at the request of a police or fire officer, emergency management director or an incident commander, from a planned snow removal route, responding to a motor vehicle accident, fire or a medical emergency. (RSA 154:7)

It should be noted that the town is not held responsible for damage to private property that is located within the public right-of-way. (RSA 231:92-a) The right-of-way (ROW) is often 50' wide, and is often confused by property owners as their own property. In most cases, the ROW often extends 10 to 20 feet of either side of the paved or graveled road. Home owners often cultivate extensions of their lawns, place mailboxes, erect fences or stone walls in these areas, which improves the appearance of the street greatly, but is obstructive to good maintenance from being conducted on the roadway.

In the event of personal property damage, the Town of Sharon will only be responsible to repair or replace damaged property having been in actual contact with the snow removal equipment that is on private property and not within the public right-of-way.

RSA 215-A:6 states OHRV's are not permitted to operate on the traveled portion or within the right-of-way or any public way, including roads, streets, highways, bridges, parking lots, sidewalks or ways that are maintained by any city, town, county, state or federal agency, except when specifically allowed and posted.

It is unlawful to:

- Operate as to endanger any person or damage property
- Operate on any road or within the right-of-way except where authorized and posted
- Chase or harass wildlife
- Operate on **town roads** or sidewalks unless posted for OHRV's
- Operate on or across any highway bridge unless posted as open for OHRV's
- Tow any person or sled without a rigid hitch.

The town does not allow snowmobiling on town roads.

It is important that people take into account and be aware of weather and road conditions while driving Sharon's roads. Please drive cautiously and safely at a reasonable rate of speed, so as not to endanger other vehicles and or pedestrians.

TO ALL A SAFE WINTER