



Town of Enfield



Narrative Reports



Building Inspector/Health Officer/Fire Inspector

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

To provide the citizens of Enfield, NH with as safe and healthy living environment as possible, by applying the applicable codes and laws adopted by the Town and the State of NH in a timely and fair manner; to assist other departments and administration with information and knowledge necessary to achieve the common goal of betterment of the Town of Enfield.

The year 2016 continued to be very busy for this department. 134 Building Permits were issued during the year with 18 new single family housing units being applied for. Included in this total were 11 residential solar installs, the Town of Enfield offers tax saving incentives for energy saving related installations. Further information can be gotten through the assessing office about this program. 3 commercial projects were permitted, Enfield Storage has erected their final phase on Lovejoy Brook Road, Eastern Propane is nearing completion of their 60,000 gal LPG storage facility on Whaleback Mountain Rd., with the assistance of the Lebanon Fire Dept., and the Enfield Fire Dept this facility has been designed and will be constructed to the latest NFPA standards required to assure it's safe operation, also on Whaleback Mountain Rd. a mini storage facility has been completed.

Fire prevention and life safety issues are items that we all need to be aware of making sure everything possible is being done to make our homes safe as possible. Remember to check your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, never remove the battery or disable the unit. If the alarm sounds trust it and call 911 so the situation can be checked properly. Develop a family escape plan, have a designated meeting place in case of an emergency and wait for emergency services to arrive, never reenter the building.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip K. Neily
Building, Health, Fire Inspector



Capital Improvement Program Committee

The Town closed out the 2016 fiscal year and is pleased to report that after five years the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) continues to meet expectations. The strategy developed by the CIP Committee was to:

1. Implement a purchasing plan
2. Develop an affordable long term funding strategy
3. Facilitate a smooth, affordable tax rate
4. Leverage funding sources that fit our needs

We are starting fiscal year 2017 with a balance of \$ 822,351.43 in the CIP Capital Reserve Fund (CRF). The Town has outstanding liabilities to be funded from the CIP CRF of \$201,380. In 2017, the Town will be asked to support the long term lease purchase of Emergency Service and Public Works vehicles and equipment, and appropriate \$29,747.13 for the first year's payment. The CIP CRF will be used to offset this payment for the life of the 10-year lease.

1. One Cruiser	\$35,000
2. Fire Support Vehicle	45,000
3. Excavator	30,000
4. Low Bed Trailer	30,000
5. Vibratory Roller	60,000
Total	\$200,000

We have also included in the upcoming budget several smaller projects that will be paid for with cash on hand. They are as follows; the replacement of two furnaces for the Fire Department, one at Union St. and the other at Shedd St for a total appropriation of \$16,000. The Union St. Fire Station roof will be resurfaced at a cost of \$50,000. Whitney Hall will have some chimney repair done for a cost of \$10,000. The Town is also asking for \$40,000 to complete the engineering, permitting and repair and replacement of 10 road culverts on the Crystal Lake Road.

To continue this program and meet the future needs of the Town, voters will be asked to support an appropriation of \$367,983 to be deposited in the CIP CRF.

The Town is fortunate to have a CIP Committee with the experience, knowledge, and devotion to develop and maintain this program. We hope that the Town will continue to support this important initiative, which is critical in helping the Town maintain a sound fiscal program.



Cemetery Trustees

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

The Mission of the Cemetery Trustees is to ensure that ample resources are available to maintain all cemeteries (stones, fences, grounds, stone walls, trees, etc.) for which the Town of Enfield is responsible, on an ongoing basis, ensure that all cemetery records are accurately and completely maintained in a timely manner, and advocate on behalf of those who can no longer represent themselves.

We were able, using trust funds, to remove two, large, sugar maples from Paddleford Cemetery.

Trees posed a danger to the home that is located next to Paddleford Cemetery. The two trees were examined by an arborist and found to have decay on their interior, therefore the trees were removed.

Another tree was knocked down by a powerful wind, rain event at the Enfield Center Cemetery located behind the Union Church on NH Route 4A. Damage to stones, and a cast iron surround occurred. The Town Sexton, Will Shoemaker, will look into and repair the damaged area.

Will Shoemaker, the Town's Sexton, and his crew once again have Enfield's cemeteries looking really good. Will's expertise and leadership has been appreciated.

The Trustees also wish to report the on-going construction of the scattering of ashes park, to be located at Countryside Cemetery. Will Shoemaker and his crew, once again had the foresight to create this park.

On a sad note, the Cemetery Trustees and the Townspeople have lost a "giant" when it comes to the care and knowledge of Enfield's Cemeteries. Longtime Trustee and friend, Richard Henderson, has passed on. Richard provided so much to his past as Cemetery Trustee and historian, and will be sorely missed.

After many years of service, Trustee, Mary Quintana, is retiring at the end of this term.



Conservation Commission

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

To protect the National Resources of Enfield and preserve them for future generations.

The Commission made a \$2000 donation from its Conservation Fund to the Upper Valley Land Trust to help preserve 995 acres in Enfield known as the Smith Pond Forest. This property, in addition to NH Fish & Game acreage, make for over 5000 contiguous acres of forest land in Enfield which is open to the public. To celebrate this achievement during Old Home Days, Conservation Commission Chairman Strickland and Kurt Gotthard led hikes to Smith Pond.

The Commission sponsored several educational programs. In January, Jim Oehler, NH Fish & Game Department, gave a talk entitled *Land of Shakers, Land for Wildlife*, describing how the NH Fish & Game Department manages its land in Enfield. In April, Chairman Strickland led an *Introduction to Moss Identification* hike. In May, Enfield's own Bill Warren, chair of the NH Chapter of the Appalachian Mountain Club, talked on how to eat while hiking, *Fuel for your Body, Food for the Trail*.



Moss identification hike, Colette Trail



Culvert maintenance at Harris Brook



North Bridge, Harris Brook Scenic Area



The Harris Brook Scenic Area was the site of several Commission projects. Volunteers from the Commission, directed by Canaan resident and retired engineer Lee Peltier, constructed a foot bridge at the north end of reservoir. Perhaps for first time in history, there was a nesting loon couple sited on the reservoir. The loons established a nest, but unfortunately no chicks survived. After the season, NH Loon Preservation Committee member, Ethan Gorman, examined the nest and found eggshell fragments. Harris Brook Reservoir will be added to the sites that the NH Loon Preservation Committee monitors. To help Enfield's Department of Public Works comply with state regulations, the Commission removed brush and tree saplings fifteen feet from the base of the Harris Brook dam and assisted in the removal of abandoned boats and garbage. Mascoma Valley High School senior, Maia Zawilinski, painted blazes on the Harris Brook trail. Maia also built a bridge on the Suky Marsh trail to help achieve her Girl Scout Gold Award goal: "getting people active in the outdoors."



Spotted Salamander in vernal pool

Also of note: The Commission's ongoing inventory of Enfield's vernal pools increased from 19 to now over 60 identified vernal pools. The Commission monitored the environmental impacts of installation of the new Boys Camp Bridge, Eastern Propane's parking lot impact on a wetland near Whaleback Ski area, and a culvert replacement on Lockehaven Road.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Strickland, Chairman



Energy Committee

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

**To identify energy savings opportunities for the Town
and residents of Enfield.**

After a very successful “Solarize Upper Valley” campaign in 2015, the Committee’s renewable energy production initiatives await developments at the NH PUC, where new rules regarding solar net metering are being drafted. In addition, Enfield citizens strongly encouraged the Zoning Board to rule against solar arrays which send energy to offsite users (community net metering) in the R - 1 district, thus discouraging large arrays in built-up residential areas. The Committee duly drafted an amendment to that effect, which was adopted at the Town Meeting in March. Meanwhile, this year saw the installation of 16 Solarize Enfield arrays, averaging 6 Kw for a total of nearly 100 new renewable Kw in town.

In 2016 the Committee turned to projects focusing on energy efficiency. Along with Friends of Mascoma, it sponsored a button- up workshop, presented in October at the renovated high school by New Hampshire Saves. This may become an annual event. The Committee is working with the Town building inspector to encourage energy efficient design in new buildings and major additions. The NH energy building code is part of the building permit process in Enfield. Extensive efficiencies in lighting at the Public Works facility have been achieved through the installation of LED tubes, operated by motion sensor switches. The Committee’s budget funds and Liberty Utilities rebates financed this upgrade. A similar effort is planned for the Town library.

Late in 2016 the Committee began to facilitate a power purchase agreement (PPA) between the Town and a selected investor/installer, who will sell discounted electricity to the Town from a 50-60 Kw solar array, installed at the investor’s expense, on the DPW salt shed roof. This power will offset DPW use only. The discount is made possible through current NH net metering rules plus a 30% federal investment tax credit.



Finally, the Committee will prepare for and take a resolution to the 2018 Town meeting to include Enfield in an Upper Valley initiative called “100 by 2050”. This is a campaign to get all municipalities to achieve 100% renewable energy use by 2050.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles DePuy
Chairman



F.A.S.T. Squad

(First Aid Stabilization Team)

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

The Mission of the Enfield FAST Squad is to establish, train and maintain a life saving squad that will serve the citizens of Enfield and to sponsor and promote public programs of First Aid, CPR, AED training and disease/accident prevention.

Enfield FAST Squad was dispatched to a total of 382 calls for service in 2016. We have staffed the ambulance with on call staff for prompt coverage at night. Lebanon Fire Department provides day time coverage. The Enfield FAST Squad could still use more members that would be available to respond to calls. If you are interested in an on call Emergency Medical Technician position, the Enfield FAST Squad would welcome and assist interested candidates. Please call 632-5200 or email efirefighter32@yahoo.com.

The FAST Squad is currently upgrading our service. We currently have 6 members in class for their Advanced EMT Certification, An additional 155 hours of training. One member has made the commitment to pursue his Paramedic certification, an additional 2 years of training. We continue to focus on training both our FAST Squad members and the general public (including Enfield Town personnel, Teachers, Coaches, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and additional organizations). In addition, First Aid, AED and CPR training sessions are held free of charge to the public. We also hold monthly training sessions for our Squad members to cover topics and current protocol changes that would help better serve the residents and guests of Enfield.

The Enfield FAST Squad is proud to educate, serve and provide compassionate life-saving services to our fellow townspeople.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Martin
EMS Chief



Current F.A.S.T. Squad Membership

EMS Chief – Richard Martin, EMT
Assistant Chief – John Nugent, EMT
Training Officer/Capt. – Michael Mehegan, AEMT

Jordyn Bagalio, EMT
Joel Coehlo, Paramedic
Lt. Daniel Huff, AEMT
Cassidy Jacques, EMT
Christian Killmer , EMT
Doug Miller, FR
Samuel Provenza, Paramedic
Christopher Valley, EMT
Joshua Wessells, EMT
Kimberly Withrow, EMT



Fire Department

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

The Enfield Fire Department endeavors to provide *safe, effective and efficient* fire protection services to the residents of Enfield and to provide comprehensive education to reduce the causes of fire.

Many thanks to our volunteer firefighters who are there to protect the lives and property of our community residents. These individuals respond at all hours, in all kinds of weather, to do a difficult job: Leaving their families in the wee hours to help out someone they may not even know; Willing to enter burning buildings for us. We couldn't be more thankful for their bravery and dedication.



Heritage Commission

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

The Enfield Heritage Commission will properly recognize, protect, and promote the historic and esthetic resources that are significant to our community, be they natural, built, or cultural. The commission will work co-operatively with other educational and civic organizations in fulfilling its mission.

The Heritage Commission began 2016 by welcoming Jeanie McIntyre, President of the Upper Valley Land Trust, to its January meeting. Ms. McIntyre informed the Commission of the recent easement the UVLT has negotiated for Smith Pond and surrounding land. This easement will protect 995 acres from future development and protect precious Shaker artifacts contained within the conserved land, including parts of the Shaker aqueduct system.

Also early in the year, the Commission was asked by Pathways Engineering to review the upcoming sewer work to be undertaken within a National Historic Register District along Route 4A. This request brought new information to the Commission; that Enfield boasts a second National Historic Register District which, up until this requested review, no one was familiar with. Upon further study, it was discovered that this “new” NHR District was actually a very early one, having been listed in the first years of the National Register with an application submitted by Rob Emlen (now a Professor at Brown University).

Just as the Commission was celebrating knowledge of a second National Historic District in Enfield, it also learned that Enfield has a NH Department of Transportation Shaker Scenic Byway. When the NH DOT was contacted, the Commission was informed that Enfield was about to lose its Scenic Byway designation due to lack of interest. When it was explained that Enfield had no knowledge of the Byway and thus, the lack of interest, the NH DOT allowed the Town to get the Byway back in good standing by establishing an Advisory Board and creating a plan for sustaining the Byway. The Advisory Board has been formed and is working closely with the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission on moving forward. This Scenic Byway will be important for future tourism in Enfield, since it will place the Byway on State of NH tourism maps and highlight local attractions.



The Enfield Center Town House is an on-going concern of the Heritage Commission. Marjorie Carr and historic researcher Andrew Cushing have been working on the application to place the Enfield Center Town House on the National Historic Register. It is expected that the application will be completed and submitted to the Division New Hampshire Historic Resources for approval to be sent on to the US Department of the Interior early in 2017. It should be noted that Mr. Cushing, who recently received his Masters Degree in Historic Preservation, has donated many hours of research to the Town of Enfield's Heritage Commission. Many thanks to Andrew Cushing from the Heritage Commission!

The Heritage Commission continues to address possible design guidelines for the Historic District. It should be noted that guidelines are simply that; suggestions of best practices for historic buildings and districts. The Commission continues to study this issue and is researching comparable towns that have such guidelines in place. Advantages of design guidelines would be grant opportunities for the historic district and encourage best practices of historic preservation.

The Heritage Commission wishes to thank the Enfield Village Association for their tireless work in preserving the historic Greeley House. This important historic building in the heart of the Historic District is now providing office space for the Enfield Village Association and a beautiful and energy efficient apartment for a new Enfield family. Historic preservation efforts like Greeley House are vitally important to our town, insuring that our past architectural history is secured for future generations.

The Division of NH Historic Resources celebrated its 50th anniversary in October with an all-day celebration of workshops and seminars in Concord, NH. The Enfield Heritage Commission was represented by Heritage member, Linda Jones.

The Mascoma Lakeside Park continues to be an interest of the Heritage Commission, especially as it relates to the historic artifacts listed in the 2003 archeological survey on Lot 44. Detailed in that survey are remarks about what is described as a "railroad house", the foundation of which is still visible. Linda Jones has had some correspondence with the Boston and Maine Railroad Historical Society and they believe the building at the site, referred to as a railroad house, was, in fact, a storage building for railroad equipment. Linda has since received a thank-you letter from the Railroad Historical Society for the information and map she sent to them.

As the Heritage Commission moves forward in the New Year, we will work to find a solution to the Enfield Center Town House and submit the necessary documentation to get the building listed on the National Historic



Register. We will also work with the Upper Valley Land Trust in their efforts to preserve 995 acres around Smith Pond, land that was once owned by the Enfield Shaker Community, to insure Shaker artifacts will be preserved within the conserved land. On-going efforts to promote the historic plaque program, supporting and working with the Enfield Shaker Scenic Byway Advisory Board, establishing design guidelines, and working on an oral history project focused on Enfield Center (in conjunction with efforts to list the Town House on the National Register) will be our goals for 2017. We welcome input from the Enfield Community as it relates to town history.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith C. Smith, Chair



Human Services Department

The Town of Enfield, Human Services Department is a branch of local government that provides relief to Enfield residents in need of financial assistance.

The Human Services Director is responsible for dispersing aid in the form of vouchers for rent, security deposits, prevention of eviction, fuel, utilities, food, and prescriptions.

The Human Services Director works in unison with a number of local service agencies, including but not limited to, Social Security Administration, State of NH Health & Human Services, Visiting Nurse Alliance, WIC, LISTEN, Tri-County Community Action Programs, in order to provide information, referrals, and assistance to residents.

In the year 2016, a total of \$9,898.70 was disbursed to 23 households consisting of 31 adults and 19 children. Of these clients, 2 were part of the homeless population, and have been placed into housing of their own.

The breakdown of the money disbursed in 2016, is as follows:

Rent/Security Deposits	8,895.70
Mortgage	0.00
Electric	0.00
Heating Fuel	0.00
Prescriptions	3.70
Direct Cremation	1000.00
TOTAL	\$9,898.70

The Fuel Fund was established in October 2008 by the Board of Selectmen after being approached by residents who were concerned with the problem of rising fuel prices and the drastic measures residents in need were taking to heat their homes. The ending balance of the Fuel Fund for 2016 is \$7,677.19.

Throughout the year, we depend on support of the community to provide food cards from local grocery stores to provide meats, milk, bread, eggs, baby formula, diapers and other perishable items not available at our local pantry to help families through their time of need.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who made donations to the Fuel Fund to keep it going along with Food Card for the year of 2016.

Grantham Recreation
Eastman Recreation
Mascoma Savings Bank Foundation
Vanessa Stone/Realtors
Community Lutheran Church, Women's Fellowship
United Methodist
Lake Sunapee Bank
Mascoma Football Boosters
Christine LaBombard
Rich & Carol Lammert

Respectfully submitted

Diane Heed
Director of Human Services



Library

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

The mission of the Enfield Public Library is to be a focal point of the Enfield community by providing all residents and community members with a variety of resources and activities that educate, enrich, and entertain. The library strives to provide a welcoming environment that inspires lifelong learning and community engagement.

The Enfield Library had another productive year in 2016, we are continuing to serve more of you than ever. This year we had 2,934 patrons borrow 30,024 items. In addition to these physical items, patrons borrowed 1,291 ebooks and 1,476 audiobooks using the New Hampshire Downloadable Books (Overdrive) website. The library also provides the following museum passes: Shaker Museum, the Fort at No. 4, VINS, and Billings Farm. These passes were borrowed 99 times. Finally, we had 920 people using the 3 public access computers and free wi-fi.

Programs offered by the Library continued to evolve. Our biggest event by far was the June 5th Benefit Concert held at the Shaker Museum. About 200 people attended and we raised \$2,054 for the new library project plus \$300 for Willa's Nook. Following that, we had a very busy summer. In June we partnered with the Mascoma Recreation department and held a Games Day in which almost 50 kids participated. Our Summer Reading Program had 50 kids and 39 adults sign up. We had a month of story times and puppet workshops ending with a performance by No Strings Marionettes at the Community Building. We took a small breather in August before welcoming back the students from the Enfield Village School. This year we had 7 classes visiting the library on a rotating schedule. Not forgetting the adults, we hosted Chris Schadler in October to talk about coyotes in New England.

Our ongoing programs are also going strong. Over the course of the year, we had 353 people attend our weekly knitting group, 59 attend the monthly book group, and 862 children and adults attend our weekly Baby and Toddler story times. We have also started a book group for students that are home schooled and the Mascoma Pre-School visits once a month for stories and crafts.

All of this adds up to just over 12,600 people using the Library and attending programs and events! But we don't do this alone. We thank you for your support, with special thanks to the following for making all of our events



this year possible: the Mascoma Recreation Department, the volunteers who helped set up the book sale, the Shaker Museum, Mickey's Restaurant, Enfield House of Pizza, 56 Main, Carpenter and Main, Poor Thom's Tavern, Morano Gelato, and last but not least, the Dauphinais Family.

We hope 2017 will be just as great.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Melissa Hutson".

Melissa Hutson
Town Librarian



Library Trustees

The Enfield Public Library is a heavily used town service. As of the end of 2016, there were nearly 2,700 residents holding library cards. This is significantly more than half of the population of Enfield. We are delighted that so many townspeople take advantage of this remarkable institution.

Aside from charging out printed books, CDs, DVDs, magazines, and e-books, the library provides many other services such as free access to computers and Wi-Fi so that residents can prepare resumes and apply for jobs, do genealogical research using free access to Ancestry and Heritage Quest, download and print tax forms, or play games. Patrons can and do, borrow passes to area museums and historical sites.

The Trustees are encouraged that new and innovative programs are being developed. These are, unfortunately, being hampered by a lack of space for programming. In the planned new facility, there will be space for many more programs that can be utilized by more and more of our patrons. In several new libraries in the state, it has been reported that use of the facility and its programs increased from 75% to 100%.

In late 2015, the Trustees decided to move the new library project forward by asking the 2016 Town Meeting to permit borrowing sufficient funds to construct the facility. An article was placed on the warrant to this effect. Unfortunately, neither the Selectboard nor the Budget Committee supported the article which caused the Trustees to withdraw the motion at Town Meeting. The Trustees continued this year to fundraise for a new facility.

Again this year, the Selectboard, at the request of the Trustees, has appointed Jennifer Seiler-Clough as Trustee Alternate.

Among the events sponsored by the Trustees, the Ice Cream Social held on the Saturday afternoon of Old Home Days, is very popular. Free ice cream sundaes are given to everyone and there is face-painting, drawings for books and games, and other activities for the young and the young at heart. We are grateful to the many volunteers who make this event possible. Special thanks to Mickey Dowd for his help with the ice cream. Please join us again this coming year for treats and fun. Look for the tent behind Whitney Hall.

The Trustees meet on the second Monday of each month at 6 PM in the Whitney Hall Conference Room. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend our meetings.



Respectfully Submitted,

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Philip Cronenwett, Chairman

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Shirley A. Green".

Shirley A. Green, Treasurer

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Francine R. Lozeau".

Francine Lozeau, Secretary

Jennifer Seiler-Clough, Alternate



Old Home Days Committee

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

The mission of the Old Home Days Committee is to organize an annual weekend of events which celebrate our community and honor our heritage.

The Enfield Old Home Days Committee continued to grow upon its tradition of community activities for 2016.

Old Home Days is the current presentation of Old Home Week, which was originally created by New Hampshire Governor Frank West Rollins in 1899. The goal of the weeklong celebration was to encourage citizens that had left the state to return to their hometowns and buy abandoned farms for summer homes, donate money to spruce up the village commons, and support the town libraries and meeting houses. In a time where New Hampshire was losing population and the state government was in debt, he hoped the reunion would help the towns out of what he perceived to be a moral slumber. The weeklong festival was not only recognized by the state as a permanent festival, but eventually the idea spread to other New England states. As with so many things past, though, the tradition eventually died out.

Recently, many New Hampshire towns have begun to resurrect the festival, and Enfield is no exception. 2016 saw our fourth running year after reviving the celebration following the town's 250th celebration.

The 2016 celebration brought back some familiar events as well as some new options. On Friday evening, the Methodist Church put on a pulled pork supper, which provided a tasty takeout option to enjoy the Upper Valley Community band concert sponsored by the Lionesses at Huse Park.

Saturday saw our second annual parade, which was prefaced this year by a breakfast put on by the Lionesses at the Community Building. The grand opening of the Lakefront Park and a community pic followed the parade. Folks were able to demo paddle boarding with Yoga by Land and Lake as well as try out Pakboats. Other events that day included a quilt show at the Methodist Church, an ice cream social at the library, and an old time flea market at Huse Park.

On Saturday evening, the community dance returned to its Huse Park location in the Community Building. The dance was very well attended with music by Jim Hollis, line dancing by Jamie Orr, and refreshments provided by Enfield House of Pizza.



Whaleback hosted their traditional pancake breakfast on Sunday morning. Those more diet-conscious were able to attend a gentle yoga class at the Mary Keane Chapel led by Yoga by Land and Lake. Sunday afternoon saw the third annual vintage car show at the Enfield Shaker Museum hosted by Shaker Valley Auto and a concert by the Mascoma Valley Guitar Orchestra in the Mary Keane Chapel. The second annual artisan craft fair was held concurrently though it had to be moved indoors due to the weather.

Other events on Sunday included a guided hike by the Conservation Commission, a historic reenactment at the Lockehaven Schoolhouse, and sailing lessons by the Mascoma Sailing Club. This year's events came to a close with an Old Fashioned Summertime Sing-A-Long hosted by George and Donna Butler and held in the Mary Keane Chapel. It was the perfect ending to a perfect weekend.

This year, the committee added Halloween Dance to their repertoire to fundraise for the 2017 event as well as to provide an additional opportunity for our community to come together and enjoy each other's company. The first annual Halloween Dance was held on Saturday, October 29, 2016. For our first run, we were quite pleased with attendance. DJ Tim Lenihan donated his services and once again Jamie Orr added to the entertainment by leading us in Thriller and the Monster Mash. We hope this can become a tradition as well.

The Old Home Days Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30PM in the Whitney Hall conference room. We meet every month other than August and December, and we are always looking for new members to bring their ideas and energy.

As always, we welcome any ideas for adding to the festivities from the community. Contact information can be found on the town website.

We look forward to the 2017 Old Home Days to bring our wonderful community together to celebrate our town.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin M. Harrington
Co-Chair



Parks and Recreation Department

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

The mission of the Enfield Recreation Commission is to provide safe and varied recreational activities in our community for residents of all ages.

Recreational activities in the Mascoma Valley have continued to grow with the combined efforts of Mascoma Valley Parks and Recreation, and the Recreation Commissions in Canaan and Enfield! Continue to check the town websites, Facebook and the listservs for updates.

Three days a week, Chair Yoga and Exercise continues to be offered (formerly Low Impact Stretching and Exercise). The class meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30-10:30 in the Community Building. There is a modest fee of \$3 to help cover the cost of the instructor.

Our annual Egg Hunt at Huse Park was a big success with approximately 150 children on hand to find more than 1,000 eggs left behind by the Easter Bunny. Those youngsters lucky enough to find a purple slip of paper were able to pick from an assortment of prizes.

Lifeguard coverage continues at the Shakoma Beach from 10a-5pm starting around Memorial Day weekend and going through Labor Day weekend. We were lucky to have several returning lifeguards this summer, as well as hiring one new lifeguard. This year we also introduced two sessions of training for our lifeguard staff to help prepare them for emergencies at the beach. We plan to continue providing scenario based training for our lifeguards in 2017.

We continued to offer Swim Lessons at Shakoma Beach for our summer camp and the community. We welcomed three new swim instructors to the Recreation staff and they worked with approximately 50 children throughout July and August. The lessons were reasonably priced at just \$20 for each two-week session.

The Enfield Recreation Camp and our amazing staff returned for another great summer. This year was a little smaller than usual, with 28 children signed up for summer camp. We offered morning camp for children K – 6th grade and afternoon and full day options for children 2-6th grade.





Our staff planned a different theme for each week, including Animal Week, Pirate Week and Olympics Week. Our afternoon campers visited the beach to participate in swim lessons, and went on several field trips including the Montshire Museum. Camp concluded with the annual “Talent Show and Potluck” and another great summer came to an end.



The Halloween Party continues to be at the Fire Station on Union Street on Halloween night. We had lots of candy, cookie decorating, apple cider, bean bag toss, Halloween music, coloring and more! The Enfield Public Library joined the Recreation Commission again this year to offer “Halloween Story Time” for trick-or-treaters. An estimated 250 people visited the Fire Station on Halloween night and we saw some great costumes. I would like to thank the Friends of Mascoma for donating snacks, the National Honor Society students who volunteered their time, and the members of the Enfield Recreation



Commission and Enfield Public Library for their help in making the party a success.

If you have any suggestions, or ideas for other programs or activities, please let us know. The best way to contact is by email: mvalleyrec@gmail.com. Updates are regularly sent out via the listserv and Facebook. The Recreation Commission meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Whitney Hall Conference Room. Thank you for another great year!

Respectfully Submitted,

Katharine Lary Jopek
Enfield Recreation Director



Planning Board

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

The mission of the Planning and Zoning Department is to provide excellent customer service, ensure compliance with Planning and Zoning regulations and ordinances; to assist the respective boards with administration and information and to complete other projects as assigned.

The Planning Board held ten (10) Meetings in 2016. Business items acted on included:

- Town approval of special exceptions permitting net metered solar arrays in residential and commercial districts of the Town.
- Approved an update to the Subdivision Regulations
- The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission provided an update to the Wellhead Protection Plan and a Groundwater Protection Plan through a Grant from NH Dept. of Environmental Services.
- Development on two commercial lots on Whaleback Mountain Road: One for self-storage, the other a Fuel Distribution complex.
- Held a Public Hearing on Tree Cutting on Scenic Roads
- Discussed the findings of the CDFA Food Availability Grant for Enfield and four surrounding Towns with a potential developer and existing businesses. The recommendations included information for existing stores on the strength of the markets currently in the Towns, with details on what markets may be underserved.
- Continued work with the Mascoma Lake Public Access Committee and other local organizations. Worked with the Mascoma Lake Sailing Club to receive permission from DOT and DES to build an improved launching ramp for non-motorized boats. The Town was able to install benches and a temporary sign for the Park.
- Heard and conditionally approved five (5) Site Plan Review Applications. These included: A parking lot extension, new storage units, a new fuel business and revision to fuel storage, a new garage on an existing business site, and an expansion of an apartment building.
- Approved three Minor Subdivisions.



- Approved two Boundary Line Adjustments.
- Heard and approved two Home Businesses that involve interaction with the public.
- Accepted two Voluntary Mergers.
- Reviewed eleven Intents to Cut.
- Approved three Intents to Excavate.
- Reviewed State Permitting for:
 - Four State Wetlands Permit applications.
 - Three Project reviews by the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources.
 - Two Dredge and Fill Applications.
 - One Shoreland Permit application.
- And one Letter of Amendment from FEMA

The Board and Town Planner met with a variety of businesses and individuals to offer guidance on land use issues. The Town Planner continues to work with the Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Committee to help plan future work and monitor finances as well as the Enfield Village Association and Economic Development Committee to encourage improvement and development of properties in Town. A new chair was elected to the board. Dan Kiley is now the Board Chairman. Tim Taylor now serves as Vice Chairman after many years as Board Chairman.

The Town Planner position was made full time with the inclusion of the duties of Zoning Administrator. The Planning Board Chairman and Town Manager continue as the Town Representatives on the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. Attendance at meetings of the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee as well as the Upper Valley Transportation Management Association continue so as to be able to benefit from the long range planning and economic development guidance help these groups can provide. The Town Planner had discussions with the UNH Economic Development Academy director on the benefits of having a business retention forum done with the Town. This will be pursued in 2017. Also met with the North Country Industrial Agent Benoit LaMontagne for Grafton County and gave him a tour of the town. He was very impressed with the variety of great natural, community and geographic assets Enfield has. A follow-up meeting will be scheduled in 2017 with the Development Director.

The Town Planner met with representatives of the Northern Border regional Commission, a Federal Agency that works to bring economic growth to the northern towns in the New England and New York State. The Planner worked with the Enfield Village Association to apply for a grant to help fund construction of a pavilion at the Mascoma Lake Waterfront Park. Though not



successful, the Town was encouraged to reapply by the representatives of the Council.

The Town Planner attended the Biannual Meeting of the Upper Valley Housing Coalition to be informed of the local housing market as far as vacancies and new initiatives in Real Estate in the area regarding housing and community developments in the Hanover/ Lebanon area.

An Article on the Town Warrant requesting an additional allowed use in the Zoning Ordinance for Community Net Metered Solar Arrays was approved by the voters. The arrays are allowed by Special Exception in the R3, R5 and business districts with the exception of R1 and those lots on the Historical Building Register.

Work was done this year on updates to the Zoning Ordinance. New definitions and updated definitions will be on the 2017 Town Ballot as well as changes to zones allowing accessory dwelling units, formally known as “in-law” apartments as well as authority over Timber Harvesting Activity. Changes recommended were mostly brought about due to changes in State Law.

Looking ahead to 2017 the Board will undertake the process to update the Master Plan as well as to continue aiding in the economic development of all appropriate sections of the Town and to build on the interest in creating a Town resource on the waterfront lots at the north end of the new Shaker Bridge.

The Board welcomed the appointment of Rita Seto as a new member of the Board. Rita is a Planner with the Two Rivers - Ottaqueechee Planning Commission based in Woodstock Vermont, a new Mom and a new resident of Enfield and married to the Nate Miller, the prior Planning Administrator for Enfield.

The Board schedules meetings on the second and forth Wednesday of every month, with both meetings held when there is business to discuss.

Respectfully Submitted

Scott Osgood
Enfield Town Planner



Police Department

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

It is the mission of the Enfield Police Department to fairly enforce the law in an impartial and sensitive manner; to secure a safe and healthy environment for the community; and to provide competent, professional and dedicated police service, which places emphasis on protecting the fundamental Constitutional rights and privileges of all people.

I would like to introduce our new full time police officers, Michael Crate, Alyssa Conley and Jared Scholand. The three officers have successfully completed the rigorous 16 week training at the NH Police Standards and Training Academy. These officers filled the three vacancies we had at the beginning of 2016. Master Patrol Officer Luke Frye was promoted to Sergeant.

Although the department was not at full staff for a majority of 2016 our traffic activity increased along with arrests for illegal drugs. The abuse of heroin continues to be a major concern and the department's high visibility patrols continue to prove successful in detecting and deterring burglary and thefts. Most abusers of opiates report having a \$500-\$5,000 a week habit. This explains why there are so many robberies and theft.

We conducted several joint investigations with the Attorney Generals Drug Task Force and the Lebanon Police Department resulting in several arrests for drug sales.

We all have a role to play in protecting our community, I have been asked many times how do we solve the heroin crisis. There is not going to be a quick or easy fix, sadly this problem will persist for many years. Only by working together can we improve this situation. Disposing of unused medication, reporting suspicious or illegal activity are two ways you all can help. If someone you know is suffering from addiction, help get them into treatment. Accompany them to AA or NA meetings.

I would like to acknowledge all my staff for their continued support and dedication to our mission. I also want to thank our citizens for supporting the work we do. Please contact us whenever you have a concern. No issue is to small; we are here to serve you.



Police Activity Report

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Service Calls	9,962	9,807	10,186	10,761	11,237	10,722
Reportable Motor Vehicle Accidents	149	141	139	66	75	66
Fatal	0	0	0	0	1	0
Assaults	22	30	10	25	48	46
Burglary	8	6	5	4	19	8
Theft	26	23	70	29	49	64
Sexual Assaults	4	8	5	14	7	15
Auto Thefts	2	0	0	0	0	0
DWI	30	35	17	34	28	24
Homicides	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drugs	50	41	28	59	82	50
Criminal Arrests	206	248	298	355	297	258
MV Summons	303	179	153	242	198	218
MV Warnings	4,561	3,829	3,301	2,571	2,743	2,479

“Dedicated to Our Community”

Respectfully submitted

Richard A. Crate, Jr.
Chief of Police



Public Works Department

The year 2016 began with a gentle winter for the Enfield Public Works Department. This weather was appreciated after the two previous difficult winters. The crew also responded to an above average number of storm events in December. The Highway Department oversaw several paving projects including pavement overlay applied to a section of Lockhaven Road, starting from Jones Hill Road extending to Crystal Lake Road, George Hill Road from NH Rte 4A to Palmer Road, Mountainview Drive, and Patricia Court. The Highway Department replaced numerous culverts and improved ditches on many streets around Town including a culvert on Bog Road located in a Town designated prime wetland requiring extensive permitting and erosion controls. The State of New Hampshire paved Main Street and Shaker Hill Road. The highway department placed a new F-550 truck in service replacing the 2003 F-550. Steve Stebbins retired from the department after just under six years of service and Michael Stearns was hired to fill the position.

The paving of Main Street and Shaker Hill Road required the water and sewer department to repair and adjust over forty structures located in the paved areas of those streets. Updated controls were installed in the McConnell Road water pump house. Several water leaks were repaired over the spring and summer on Main Street, Stevens Street and one major break was repaired on Shedd Street near the old highway garage. Several sections of sewer mains were scoped and jetted. The department worked closely with representatives from Lakeview Condominiums and Shaker Landing Condominiums to fund and design a sewer extension that would allow their complexes to hookup to the Town system. This project will be out to bid in early 2017. While working on this project it became necessary for Lakeview to haul a portion of their wastewater and dispose of it in the Town system. The department experienced several sewer pump failures in the Shaker Village and Wells Street Stations and replaced and water pump in the Marsh Well.

The Solid Waste Department saw a significant decline recycling market prices. Metals were especially hard hit with per ton prices received barely a third of the prices two years ago. It was the year of the bear, literally, with the department dealing with numerous bear issues during the spring and early summer. The mild winter brought the bears out of hibernation before their traditional food sources were available. This caused them to migrate into Enfield residential areas to dine on food residue in trash and recycling containers leaving messes wherever they went. Andy MacDonald retired after 13 years of dedicated service managing the Transfer Station. The curbside system is diverting 35% of



the waste stream on average from the landfill which is down from 37% a year ago.

The Enfield Boat Launch was completely rebuilt and includes a dock to tie boats to while parking vehicles and trailers. Buildings and Grounds Department spent the summer maintaining Town cemeteries and parks. The ball fields were plugged in June and the sand was replaced at the volleyball court at Shaker Rec. Park. The Shaker Rec. Park was home field for the Mascoma High School varsity softball team while the school renovations are happening in Canaan. The grounds department planted a tree on Arbor Day with the Boy Scouts and assisted with thirteen burials in various cemeteries.

The public works crew attended and hosted several training sessions over the year with several crew members earning certificates in the "Road Scholar" program offered through the University of New Hampshire. The Public Works Department hours are daily 7AM-4PM or other times by appointment. Public Works information is available on the Town Website www.enfield.nh.us.

Respectfully Submitted,

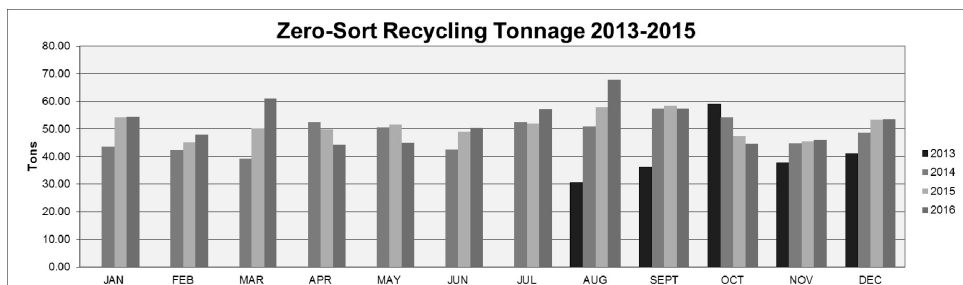
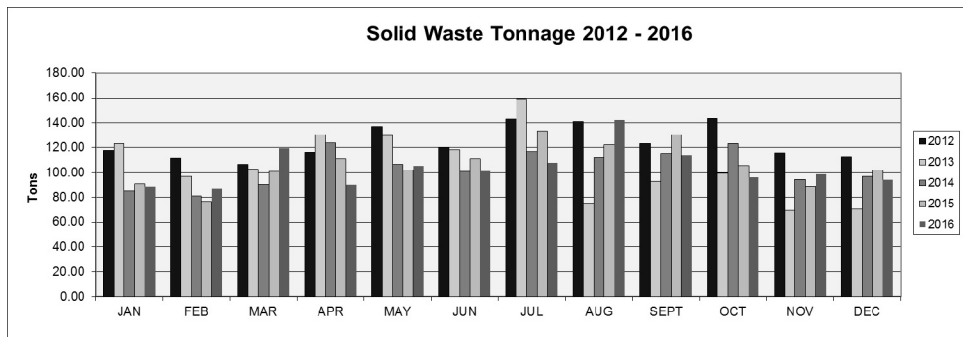
James L. Taylor
Director of Public Works



Solid Waste & Recycling Reports

Beginning in August 2013, the Town of Enfield adopted a curbside rubbish and zero-sort recycling collection program. We've now had three full years with this program in place. Solid waste tonnage in 2016 decreased by **30.07** tons over the previous year. Solid waste tonnage in 2016 was just over 150 tons lower than the average of solid waste collection for the previous 5 years (2011-2015) and 244.35 tons less than the last full year without curbside collection. A reduction of 30.07 tons collected, at \$68.68 per ton, equates to a savings in 2016 of **\$2,065.21**.

We saw an increase in recycling from 614.56 tons in 2015 to 629.08 in 2016. Recycling costs \$35.62 per ton to process for a savings of \$33.06 for every ton not disposed of as solid waste. That's a total savings of **\$20,797.38** in 2016. In fact, the Town has saved a whopping **\$67,502.01** since inception of the curbside zero-sort program.





Electronics Tonnage Report

Disposal Date	Weight in Pounds		
	2014	2015	2016
February	0	0	5,680
March	0	6,250	0
April	5,600	0	
June	0	0	5,460
August	0	6,850	4,850
September	5,750	0	0
November	0	0	5,240
Total Weight in Pounds	11,350	13,100	21,230
Total Weight in Tons	5.675	6.55	10.615

Recycling Collections

Recyclable Items	Quantity	
	2015	2016
Air Conditioners	21	21
Dehumidifiers	7	14
Fax Machines, Copiers and Printers	19	26
Freezers	5	1
Hard Drives/CPU's	27	0
Microwaves	25	40
Monitors	15	20
Propane Tanks (20 lbs)	4	46
Propane Tanks (Other)	180	145
Radios	12	4
Refrigerators	28	129
Small Components	16	22
Televisions	39	205
Tires	162	311
VCR's/DVD's	13	11
Waste Oil (gallons)	633.25	552.25
Fluorescent Bulbs	508	521
Other Bulbs	147	86
Scrap Metal (Gross Tons)	57	70.75



Tax Increment Finance District Advisory Committee

During 2016, the Enfield Tax Increment Finance Committee met twice. The annual bond debt service for the Route 4 Water/Sewer Construction project totals \$162,246 per year. Since 2009, the revenues to the TIF District have exceeded that figure, with significant increases in 2014 (\$260,365) and 2015 (\$303,843). The revenue for 2016 is (\$324,731). These increases are partially the result of the economic development that has taken place along the Route 4 Corridor as a result of the Water/Sewer improvement project.

Given the TIF District's strong financial position, the Committee voted in 2016 to make an unscheduled principal payment on the bond for the Route 4 Water/Sewer project using the remaining TIF funds accrued through 2015. The Committee will need to review projected 2016 TIF revenues before making a final determination for the 2016 additional payment.

In addition to the unscheduled principal payment on the Route 4 Water/Sewer project, the Committee voted to approve funding for two items.

- A new fence at the recreational field behind the Community Center for \$16,450
- Fund the Town portion of the Hazard Mitigation Grant for the Lovejoy Brook Culvert Replacement. This cost is 25% of the Federal Grant of \$283,468, with the Towns portion of \$70,287.

Over the coming year, the Committee will focus on updating the TIF District Plan and project list as a number of the projects on the current list have now been completed. The committee would welcome any and all suggestions on improvements to the District.

TIF Committee Members

Nathan Miller, Chair
Rob Malz, Vice Chair
Lori Bliss Hill
Shara Buffington
Holly Plumley West

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Osgood
TIF District Administrator

TIF District Administrator
(Town Staff) Scott Osgood



Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Enfield Zoning Board of Adjustment held a total of 10 Hearings during 2016.

Two hearings were to discuss personnell and to update the Zoning Board Policy

Cases this year involved hearing six requests for Variances and two for Special Exceptions as provided in the Zoning Ordinance.

The two Special Exceptions were for Signage: One for an internally lit sign in the C/I district; and one for additional area of a sign for a nonprofit. Both were approved.

One variance for encroachment of a property line setback was approved.

One variance for a subdivision with less than the designated road frontage was approved.

Four variances were for encroaching on wetlands or shoreline setbacks. Three were approved, and one denied. The denied applicant has filed for a court hearing

Updates to the Zoning Board Policy manual were approved. The Board added the rights of applicants to a full board, revised the description of the clerk and administrator, and approved a change to the definition of abutter to match with the other Town Ordinances and other revisions in accordance with updates to the State Office of Planning and Zoning Handbook.

The Board welcomed a new Chair, Mike Diehn, in 2016. Thanks and best wishes to Ed Scovner, the previous chair, for his service.

Three new members were welcomed to the Board, Ed McLaughlin and Kurt Gotthardt were elected as members, John Pellerin's term ended and he and Tom Blodgett were appointed as alternates.

Town Planner Scott Osgood was appointed Zoning Administrator, with Phil Neily stepping down after many years. We thank Phil for his years of service.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Osgood
Zoning Administrator