## Town Report $\infty$

 YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023
## Required Information for Annual Town Reports

The following information is required by statute to be included in the Annual Town Report. This is not necessarily an exhaustive list, since there is no one repository of statutory requirements for the Annual Town Report:
$\square$ Copy of Municipal Budget (Form MS-6 or MS-7); RSA 32:5, VII
Final budget and ballot questions in official ballot communities; RSA 40:13, II
$\square$ Balance Sheet as of December 31 of the previous year (June 30 in fiscal year municipalities); RSA 41:9, IV and RSA 41:13

Selectmen's Report; RSA 41:13 and RSA 41:14
$\square$ Tax Collector's Report (including summaries of tax warrants and tax lien accounts); RSA 41:35

- Treasurer's Report; RSA 41:29, III
- Report of the highway agent; RSA 231:68
- Summary of report of trustees of trust funds; RSA 31:33

Report of municipal auditors; RSA 41:31-d
Report of independent auditor's findings and recommendations; RSA 21-J: 21

- Report of Library Trustees; RSA 202-A: 12
- Report of Conservation Commission; RSA 36-A: 2

Report of Public Works Commissioners; RSA 38-C: 5
Report Utility Systems; RSA 38:21
Expenditures from contingency fund; RSA 31:98-a
D Notice regarding involuntarily merged lots; RSA 674:39-aa, VI (required in annual reports from 2011-2015)

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| Office | Appointee | Expires |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Selectmen | William Schroeter | 2024 |
|  | Garry Bator | 2025 |
|  | Gary Ross | 2026 |
| Supervisor of the Check list | Cathy Lombardo | 2027 |
|  | Sally Teague | 2028 |
|  | Kelli Bator | 2029 |
| Town Clerk | Ramona Labrie | 2024 |
| Treasurer | Cathy Lombardo | 2024 |
| Library Trustee | Gordon Brann | 2024 |
|  | Judith Huff | 2025 |
|  | Mary Norris | 2026 |
| Planning Board | Thomas Farmen | 2024 |
|  | Robert Trabka | 2024 |
|  | David Pardy | 2025 |
|  | Mark Richards | 2026 |
| Planning Board Ex Officio | William Schroeter |  |
| Trustee of the Trust Funds | Shaylor Duranleau | 2024 |
|  | Sally Teague | 2025 |
|  | Mary Norris | 2026 |
| Zoning board of Adjustments | Nancy Zekos | 2024 |
|  | Sally Teague | 2025 |
|  | Cathy Lombardo | 2025 |
|  | Robert Trabka | 2026 |
|  | Susan Schroeter | 2026 |

## APPOINTED TOWN POSITIONS

| Deputy Town Clerk | Kevin Brenker |
| :--- | :--- |
| Deputy Tax Collector | Jennifer Connelly-Amell <br> Ballot clerks <br> Judith Rastallis <br> Gata Hudson <br> Nancy Zekos <br> Leslie Taylor |
| Assistant Moderator | Edward Gregory |
| Health Officer | Gary Ross |
| Building Inspector | Paul Moeller |
| Deputy Health Officer | Paul Moeller |
| Deputy Treasurer | Vanessa Keith Trabka |
| Conservation Commission Chair | Tim Davis |
| Fire Chief | Bruce Adams |
| Deputy Fire Chief | Bruce Adams |
| Fire Warden | Tim Davis |
| Deputy Fire Warden | Pen |


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## Proposed Budget <br> Unity

For the period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024
Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Annual Meeting
This form was posted with the warrant on:


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.


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/
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| Account | Purpose | Article | Expenditures for period ending 12/31/2023 | Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2023 | Proposed Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2024 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | (Recommended) | (Not Recommendod) |
| General Government |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4130 | Executive | 03 | \$73,124 | \$84,000 | \$84,000 | \$0 |
| 4140 | Election, Registration, and Vital Statistics | 03 | \$109,141 | \$116,920 | \$135,720 | \$0 |
| 4150 | Financial Administration | 03 | \$115,281 | \$158,700 | \$162,700 | \$0 |
| 4152 | Property Assessment | 03 | \$17,624 | \$22,500 | \$22,500 | \$0 |
| 4153 | Legal Expense | 03 | \$27,486 | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | \$0 |
| 4155 | Personnel Administration | 03 | \$155,692 | \$152,525 | \$188,500 | \$0 |
| 4191 | Planning and Zoning | 03 | \$3,432 | \$4,750 | \$4,750 | \$0 |
| 4194 | General Government Buildings | 03 | \$115,036 | \$106,100 | \$120,600 | \$0 |
| 4195 | Cemeteries | 03 | \$6,631 | \$17,000 | \$17,000 | \$0 |
| 4196 | Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated | 03 | \$0 | \$29,200 | \$32,000 | \$0 |
| 4197 | Advertising and Regional Associations |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4198 | Contingency | 03 | \$0 | \$0 | \$500 | \$0 |
| 4199 | Other General Government |  | \$0 | \$28,500 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | General Government Subtotal |  | \$623,447 | \$760,195 | \$808,270 | \$0 |

Public Safety

| 4210 | Police | 03 | $\$ 56,313$ | $\$ 60,500$ | $\$ 64,000$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4215 | Ambulances | 03 | $\$ 10,294$ | $\$ 10,300$ | $\$ 10,300$ |
| 4220 | Fire | 03 | $\$ 72,250$ | $\$ 72,250$ | $\$ 75,150$ |
| 4240 | Building Inspection | 03 | $\$ 3,122$ | $\$ 6,200$ | $\$ 6,200$ |
| 4290 | Emergency Management | 03 | $\$ 5,351$ | $\$ 6,000$ | $\$ 6,000$ |
| 4299 | Other Public Safety | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  | Public Safety Subtotal |  | $\$ 147,330$ | $\$ 155,250$ | $\$ 161,650$ |

## Airport/Aviation Center

| 4301 | Airport Administration | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4302 | Airport Operations | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
| 4309 | Other Airport | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  | Airport/Aviation Center Subtotal | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  |  |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  |  |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |

Highways and Streets

| 4311 | Highway Administration | \$288,476 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4312 | Highways and Streets 03 | \$602,974 | \$541,200 | \$551,150 | \$0 |
| 4313 | Bridges | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4316 | Street Lighting | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4319 | Other Highway, Streets, and Bridges | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Highways and Streets Subtotal | \$891,450 | \$541,200 | \$551,150 | \$0 |

Sanitation

| 4321 | Sanitation Administration |  | \$62,268 | \$54,000 | \$0 | \$0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4323 | Solid Waste Collection | 03 | \$893 | \$900 | \$900 | \$0 |
| 4324 | Solid Wacte Nienneal |  | E22 180 | eanman | -n | an |

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| 4325 | Solid Waste Facilities Clean-Up |  | \$0 | \$0 | So | \$0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4326 | Sewage Collection and Disposal | 03 | \$2,506 | \$2,600 | \$2,600 | \$0 |
| 4329 | Other Sanitation | 03 | \$0 | \$0 | \$106,000 | \$0 |
| Sanitation Subtotal |  |  | \$98,836 | \$97,500 | \$109,500 | \$0 |
| Water Distribution and Treatment |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4331 | Water Administration |  | \$0 | So | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4332 | Water Services |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4335 | Water Treatment |  | \$0 | so | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4338 | Water Conservation |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | ter Distribution and Treatment S |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |


| Electric |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4351 | Electric Administration | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4352 | Generation | \$0 | \$0 | So | S0 |
| 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 | Health Administration | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | So |
| 4414 | Pest Control 03 | so | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$0 |
| 4415 | Health Agencies and Hospitals | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4419 | Other Health | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Health Subtotal | \$0 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$0 |

Welfare

| 4441 | Welfare Administration |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 5,000$ |  |  |
| ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 4442 | Direct Assistance | 03 | $\$ 100$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 5,000$ |  |
| 4444 | Intergovernmental Welfare Payments |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4445 | Vendor Payments |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4449 | Other Welfare |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
|  |  | Welfare Subtotal | $\$ 100$ | $\$ 5,000$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |

Culture and Recreation

| 4520 | Parks and Recreation | 03 | $\$ 4,717$ | $\$ 9,700$ | $\$ 9,700$ |  |
| ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 4550 | Library | 03 | $\$ 27,913$ | $\$ 38,540$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4583 | Patriotic Purposes | 03 | $\$ 3,031$ | $\$ 3,000$ | $\$ 3,000$ | $\$ 0$ |
| 4589 | Other Culture and Recreation |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
|  | Culture and Recreation Subtotal |  | $\$ 35,661$ | $\$ 51,240$ | $\$ 49,712$ | $\$ 0$ |

Conservation and Development

| 4611 | Conservation Administation | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4612 | Purchase of Natural Resources | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |

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| 4619 | Other Conservation | 03 | $\$ 1,500$ | $\$ 1,500$ | $\$ 2,700$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| 4631 | Redevelopment and Housing <br> Administration | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4632 | Other Redevelopment and Housing | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4651 | Economic Development Administration | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4652 | Economic Development | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4659 | Other Economic Development | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  | Conservation and Development Subtotal | $\$ 1,500$ | $\$ 1,500$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |


| 4711 | Principal - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt | 03 | \$70,000 | \$70,000 | \$75,000 | \$0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4721 | Interest - Long Term Bonds, Notes, and Other Debt | 03 | \$39,081 | \$39,000 | \$36,824 | \$0 |
| 4723 | Interest on Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4790 | Other Debt Service Charges |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Debt Service Subtotal |  |  | \$109,081 | \$109,000 | \$111,824 | \$0 |

Capital Outlay

| 4901 | Land | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4902 | Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
| 4903 | Buildings | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
| 4909 | Improvements Other than Buildings | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 322,307$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  | Capital Outlay Subtotal | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 322,307$ | $\$ 0$ |

Operating Transfers Out

| 4911 | To Revolving Funds | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4912 | To Special Revenue Funds | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4913 | To Capital Projects Funds | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |  |
| 4914 A | To Airport Proprietary Fund | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |  |
| 4914 E | To Electric Proprietary Fund | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 49140 | To Other Proprietary Fund | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |  |
| 4914 S | To Sewer Proprietary Fund | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |  |
| 4914 W | To Water Proprietary Fund | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4918 | To Non-Expendable Trust Funds | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 4919 | To Fiduciary Funds | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |  |
|  | Operating Transfers Out Subtotal | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  |  |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |  |


| Total Operating Budget Appropriations | $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 8 0 0 , 8 0 6}$ | $\mathbf{\$ 0}$ |
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| Account | Purpose | Article | Proposed Appropriations for period <br> ending $12 / 31 / 2024$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4902 | Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment |  | 12 | (Recommended) (Not Recommended) |
|  |  | Purpose: | Generator Purchase | $\$ 20,000$ |

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| Account | Source | Article | Actual Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023 | Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2023 | Estimated Revenues for period ending 12/31/2024 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Taxes |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3120 | Land Use Change Taxes for General Fund |  | so | \$5,000 | \$0 |
| 3180 | Resident Taxes |  | so | \$0 | S0 |
| 3185 | Yield Taxes |  | \$0 | \$10,000 | \$0 |
| 3186 | Payment in Lieu of Taxes |  | so | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3187 | Excavation Tax |  | \$0 | \$70 | \$0 |
| 3189 | Other Taxes |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3190 | Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes | 03 | so | \$36,000 | \$31,564 |
|  | Taxes Subtotal |  | \$0 | \$51,070 | \$31,564 |

Licenses, Permits, and Fees

| 3210 | Business Licenses and Permits |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 100$ | $\$ 0$ |
| ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 3220 | Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 03 | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 300,000$ | $\$ 315,568$ |
| 3230 | Building Permits | 03 | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 6,600$ | $\$ 2,696$ |
| 3290 | Other Licenses, Permits, and Fees | 03 | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 2,200$ | $\$ 2,648$ |
| Licenses, Permits, and Fees Subtotal |  |  |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 308,900$ |

From Federal Government

| 3311 | Housing and Urban Development | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3312 | Environmental Protection | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 3313 | Federal Emergency | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 3314 | Federal Drug Enforcement | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |  |
| 3319 | Other Federal Grants and Reimbursements | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  | From Federal Government Subtotal | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  |  |  | $\$ 0$ | $\$ 0$ |

State Sources

| 3351 | Shared Revenues - Block Grant |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3352 | Meals and Rooms Tax Distribution | 03 | \$0 | \$143,740 | \$143,740 |
| 3353 | Highway Block Grant | 03 | \$0 | \$108,177 | \$143.089 |
| 3354 | Water Pollution Grant |  | \$0 | \$0 | so |
| 3355 | Housing and Community Development |  | so | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3356 | State and Federal Forest Land Reimbursement |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3357 | Flood Control Reimbursement |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3359 | Railroad Tax Distribution |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3360 | Water Fillration Grants |  | \$0 | \$0 | So |
| 3361 | Landfill Closure Grants |  | \$0 | \$0 | S0 |
| 3369 | Other Intergovernmental Revenue from State of NH | 03 | \$0 | \$0 | \$24,995 |
| 3379 | Intergovernmental Revenues - Other |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| State Sources Subtotal |  |  | \$0 | \$251,917 | \$311,824 |

## Charges for Services

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| 3402 | Water Supply System Charges | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3403 | Sewer User Charges | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3404 | Garbage-Refuse Charges 03 | \$0 | \$0 | \$49,777 |
| 3405 | Electric User Charges | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3406 | Airport Fees | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3409 | Other Charges 03 | \$0 | \$0 | \$1,615 |
| Charges for Services Subtotal |  | \$0 | \$55,000 | \$51,392 |

Miscellaneous Revenues

| 3500 | Special Assessments |  | \$0 | So | \$0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3501 | Sale of Municipal Property | 03 | \$0 | \$240,000 | \$55,616 |
| 3502 | Interest on Investments | 03 | \$0 | \$3,500 | \$2,792 |
| 3503 | Other |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3504 | Fines and Forfeits | 03 | \$0 | \$0 | \$625 |
| 3506 | Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3508 | Contributions and Donations | 03 | \$0 | \$0 | \$2,594 |
| 3509 | Revenue from Misc Sources Not Otherwise Classified | 03 | \$0 | \$129,300 | \$124,800 |
| Misceilaneous Revenues Subtotal |  |  | \$0 | \$372,800 | \$186,427 |


| 3911 | From Revolving Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3912 | From Special Revenue Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3913 | From Capital Projects Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3914A | From Airport Proprietary Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3914 E | From Electric Proprietary Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 39140 | From Other Proprietary Fund | \$0 | \$0 | So |
| 3914 S | From Sewer Proprietary Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3914 W | From Water Proprietary Fund | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3915 | From Capital Reserve Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3916 | From Trust and Fiduciary Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3917 | From Conservation Funds 15 | \$0 | \$0 | \$18,600 |
|  | Interfund Operating Transfers in Subtotal | \$0 | \$0 | \$18,600 |

Other Financing Sources

| 3934 | Proceeds from LT Notes/Bonds/Other Sources | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9998 | Amount Voted from Fund Balance 18,19 | \$0 | \$0 | \$605,339 |
| 9999 | Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Other Financing Sources Subtotal |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$605,339 |
|  | Total Estimated Revenues and Credits | So | \$1,039,687 | \$1,526,058 |

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| Item | Period ending <br> $\mathbf{1 2 / 3 1 / 2 0 2 4}$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Operating Budget Appropriations | $\$ 1,800,806$ |
| Special Warrant Articles | $\$ 1,149,439$ |
| Individual Warrant Articles | $\$ 20,000$ |
| Total Appropriations | $\$ 2,970,245$ |
| Less Amount of Estimated Revenues \& Credits | $\$ 1,526,058$ |
| Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised | $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 4 4 4 , 1 8 7}$ |

Unity
The inhabitants of the Town of Unity in the County of Sullivan in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)
Date: $3 / 12 / 24$
Time: 8:00-7pen
Location: Town Hall 592 2 Ned NH Turnpite
Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)
Date: $3 / 16 / 24$
Time: 12:00- yin
Location: 864 hd NH Turnpike wily School
GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION
We certify and attest that on or before <DATE>, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at <LOCATION> and that an original was delivered to <OFFICIAL>.


## Article 01 Continue the Meeting

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. The business meeting will reconvene at 12:30 PM, March 16th at the Unity Elementary School for the continuation of business. Motion to continue the meeting.

## Article 02 Receive Officers Reports

To receive reports of Town Officers and take action thereon.

## Article 03 Operating Budget

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the Board of Selectmen's recommended amount of $\$ 1,800,806$ for General Municipal Operations. (Majority vote required)

## Article 04 Mica Mine Road

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 100,000$ for the purpose of paving Mica Mine Road. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the paving of Mica Mine Road is completed or by $10 / 31 / 28$, whichever is sooner. SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE. (Majority vote required).

## Article 05 Landfill Well Monitoring

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 20,000$ to be added to the Landfill Well Monitoring Capital Reserve previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE.

## Article 06 Town Building Maintenance

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 35,000$ to be added to the Town Building Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE.

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To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 52,000$ to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Vehicle previously Established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE.

## Article 08 Vital Records Restoration ETF <br> To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 5,000$ for the purpose of adding to the Vital Records Restoration Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE.

## Article 09 Establish New Cemetery

To see if the town will vote to Establish a New Cemetery on Mica Mine Rd on town owned land to be established within 4 yrs. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND YES VOTE.

Article 10 Establish Mica Mine Road Cemetery Fund<br>If Article 9 passes, to see if the town will vote to establish a Mica Mine Road Cemetery Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the building of a cemetery on Mica Mine Road and to raise and appropriate $\$ 50,000$ to put in the fund, with this amount to come from taxes; further to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. SELECTMENT RECOMMEND A YES VOTE. (Majority vote required)

## Article 11 Roads and Bridges Fund

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 100,000$ to be added to the Roads and Bridges Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of continuing construction repair of Stage Rd. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND YES VOTE.

## Article 12 Generator Purchase

To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 20,000$ for a generator for the town offices to be used in times of power outages.
(Majority vote required) SELECTMEN
RECOMMEND YES VOTE.

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## Article 13 Transfer Station Bag Fund

To see if the town will vote to establish a Transfer Station Bag Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for purpose of purchasing Transfer Station trash bags and to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 5,500$ to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE (Majority Vote Required)

## Article 14 Revere Bell

To see if the town will vote to approve moving the Revere Bell from the Town Hall Bell Tower to a display on the Town Common.

Article 15 Conservation Commission Funds
To see if the town will appropriate $\$ 18,600$ to be placed in the Conservation \& Recreation Expendable Trust Fund, with said funds to come from the closure of the Conservation Commission checking account. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE. There is no impact on taxes.

## Article 16 Fire Department Emergency Vehicle Fund

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 50,000$ to be added to the Fire Department Emergency Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND YES VOTE.

## Article 17 Fire Department Building CRF

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 50,000$ to be added to the Fire Department Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND YES VOTE

## Article 18 Bridges and Culverts

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $\$ 77,339$ to be added to the Bridges and Culverts Capital Reserve Fund previously established to come from Unassigned Fund Balance.
SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE.

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taxes.

## Article 19 Lear Hill FEMA Project

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 586,000$ for the purpose of removal and replacement of a culvert on Lear Hill Road with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance to be reimbursed by FEMA at $90 \%(\$ 528,000)$. SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE (Majority vote required) There is no impact on taxes.

## Article 20 Other Business

To transact any other business as my come before said meeting.

# TOWN WARRANT <br> TOWN OF UNITY STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE <br> 2024 

To the inhabitants of the Town of Unity, in the County of Sullivan, in the state of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the $14^{\text {th }}$ of March at 10:00 AM in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. The business meeting will reconvene at 12:30 PM, March 16th at the Unity Elementary School for the continuation of business. Motion to continue the meeting.

Article 2: To receive reports of Town Officers and take action thereon.
Article 3: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 8 0 0 , 8 0 6}$ for General Municipal Operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT
Executive
Election, Reg., \& Vital Statistics
Financial Administration
Property Assessment
Legal Expense
Personnel Administration
Planning and Zoning
General Government Buildings
Cemeteries
Insurance Not Otherwise Allocated
Contingency Fund
PUBLIC SAFETY
Police
Ambulance
Fire
Building Inspection
Emergency Management
HIGHWAY \& STREETS
SANITATION
Solid Waste Collection
\$808,270
\$84,000
\$135,720
\$162,700
\$22,500
$\$ 40,000$
\$188,500
\$4,750
\$120,600
\$17,000
\$32,000
$\$ 500$
\$161,650
\$64,000
\$10,300
\$75,150
\$6,200
\$6,000
\$551,150
\$109,500
$\$ 900$

| Sewage Collection and Disposal | $\$ 2,600$ |
| :---: | :--- |
| Other Sanitation | $\$ 106,000$ |
| HEALTH | $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 0 0 0}$ |
| Pest Control |  |
| WELFARE | $\mathbf{\$ 5 , 0 0 0}$ |
| Direct Assistance | $\mathbf{\$ 4 9 , 7 1 2}$ |
| CULTURE AND RECREATION | $\$ 9,700$ |
| Parks and Recreation | $\$ 37,012$ |
| Library | $\$ 3,000$ |
| Patriotic Purposes (Old Home Day) | $\mathbf{\$ 2 , 7 0 0}$ |
| CONSERVATION | $\mathbf{\$ 1 1 1 , 8 2 4}$ |
| DEBT SERVICE | $\$ 75,000$ |
| Principal | $\$ 36,824$ |

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 100,000$ for the purpose of paving Mica Mine Road. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the paving of Mica Mine Road is completed or by $10 / 31 / 28$, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 5: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 20,000$ to be added to the Landfill Well Monitoring Capital Reserve previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 6: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 35,000$ to be added to the Town Building Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 7: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 52,000$ to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Vehicle previously Established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 5,000$ for the purpose of adding to the Vital Records Restoration Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 9: To see if the town will vote to Establish a New Cemetery on Mica Mine Rd on town owned land to be established within 4 yrs. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 10: If Article 9 passes, to see if the town will vote to establish a Mica Mine Road Cemetery Expendable Trust Fund per RSA 31:19-a, for the building of a cemetery on Mica Mine Road and to raise and appropriate $\$ 50,000$ to put in the fund, with this amount to come from taxes; further to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 100,000$ to be added to the Roads and Bridges Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of continuing construction repair of Stage Rd. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 12: To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 20,000$ for a generator for the town offices to be used in times of power outages. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 13: To see if the town will vote to establish a Transfer Station Bag Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for purpose of purchasing Transfer Station trash bags and to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 5,500$ to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 14: To see if the town will vote to approve moving the Revere Bell from the Town Hall Bell Tower to a display on the Town Common. (Majority vote required)

Article 15: To see if the town will approve the transfer of unused funds and closure of the Conservation Commission checking account to the Conservation \& Recreation Expendable Trust Fund in the amount of $\$ 18,600$ or total remaining balance. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE. No tax impact.

Article 16: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 50,000$ to be added to the Fire Department Emergency Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 17: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 50,000$ to be added to the Fire Department Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $\$ 77,339$ to be added to the Bridges and Culverts Capital Reserve Fund previously established to come from Unassigned Fund Balance. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE. No tax impact.

Article 19: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 586,000$ for the purpose of removal and replacement of a culvert on Lear Hill Road with said funds to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance to be reimbursed by FEMA at $90 \%(\$ 528,000)$. (Majority vote required) SELECTMEN RECOMMEND A YES VOTE. No tax impact.

Article 20: To transact any other business as may come before said meeting.

Respectfully,

$\frac{\text { Daryl. Ross }}{\text { Gary Ross }}$

## 2023 Unity Selectboard annual Report

The July 2023 rainstorm significantly damaged roadways in Unity. The Federal Emergency
Management Agency (FEMA) declared a FEMA Event this past July as was done in 2021. The Selectboard Chairperson has spearheaded the application process for Federal relief, as well as a Federal Grant for the replacement of a failing Lear Hill Road Culvert.

Unity has received or has been obligated FEMA reimbursements for the 2021 Event:

|  | O 12/31/23 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 528,000 | Obligated 2021 Federal Grant for Lear Hill culvert mitigation |
| 158,930 | Received 2021 Storm reimbursement received |
| 47,032 | Obligated 2021 Administration storm reimbursement |
| 146,000 | Obligated 2021 Storm reimbursement received (received Jan. 2024) |
| 350,000 | Filed 2023 Storm reimbursement being sought |
| 1,229,962 | Total 2021 \& 2023 FEMA Relief |

Unity's office staff worked hard filing for and receiving Grant Funds as well:

| - | 143,740 | Received State Rooms \& Meals Distribution |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| - | 143,089 | Received Highway Block Grant |
| - | 23,056 | Received Bridge Block Grant |
| - | 2,439 | Received Moose, PPE, \& Wellness Grants |
|  | $\mathbf{3 1 2 , 3 2 4}$ | Total all other Grants |

The Town Clerk implemented the ability for the towns to accept \& process credit cards, and is working towards being able to approve registrations on-line.

Mica Mine received a significant repair upgrade this past year by the Highway Department, preparing the road for final paving in 2024.

The Selectboard would like to thank all Departments, Commissions, and Services for the effort and care given by them for the town of Unity.

The Selectboard would also like to thank all of its Unity residents for their support this past year, especially those volunteers who gave of their time \& energy in our community. Events like our Roadside Spring Cleanup, Volunteer Fire Departments breakfasts, Unity's Old Home Day, the Halloween Trunk or Treat, Holiday decorating of the Town Common, the Schools Christmas Bazaar, Crescent Lake Snow Riders vintage snowmobile ride, bring us together while adding



SCHEDULE 1
TOWN OF UNITY, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Estimated and Actual Revenues (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2022

|  |  | Estimated |  | Actual | Variance <br> Positive <br> (Negative) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Taxes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Property | \$ | 1,207,950 | \$ | 1,272,333 | \$ | 64,383 |
| Land use change |  | 5,000 |  | 10,630 |  | 5,630 |
| Yield |  | 10,000 |  | 9,357 |  | (643) |
| Excavation |  | 70 |  | - |  | (70) |
| Interest and penaities on taxes |  | 40,000 |  | 36,130 |  | $(3,870)$ |
| Total from taxes |  | 1,263,020 |  | 1,328,450 |  | 65,430 |
| Licenses, permits, and fees: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Business licenses, permits, and fees |  | - |  | 90 |  | 90 |
| Motor vehicle permit fees |  | 280,000 |  | 300,061 |  | 20,061 |
| Building permits |  | 3,700 |  | 6,663 |  | 2,963 |
| Other |  | 2,100 |  | 2,246 |  | 146 |
| Total from licenses, permits, and fees |  | 285,800 |  | 309,060 |  | 23,260 |
| Intergovernmental: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| State: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Meals and rooms distribution |  | 131,569 |  | 131,569 |  | - |
| Highway block grant |  | 105,855 |  | 186,748 |  | 80,893 |
| Other |  | 15,394 |  | 100,308 |  | 84,914 |
| Federal: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| COVID-19 grants |  | 128,798 |  | 128,798 |  | - |
| Total from intergovernmental |  | 381,616 |  | 547,423 |  | 165,807 |
| Charges for services: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income from departments |  | 42,000 |  | 54,903 |  | 12,903 |
| Miscellaneous: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sale of municipal property |  | 50,000 |  | 167,760 |  | 117,760 |
| Interest on investments |  | 4,800 |  | 3,788 |  | $(1,012)$ |
| Other |  | 31,802 |  | 18,124 |  | $(13,678)$ |
| Total from miscellaneous |  | 86,602 |  | 189,672 |  | 103,070 |
| Other financing sources: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transfers in |  | - |  | 8,903 |  | 8,903 |
| Total revenues and other financing sources |  | 2,059,038 | \$ | 2,438,411 | \$ | 379,373 |
| Unassigned fund balance used to reduce tax rate |  | 30,000 |  |  |  |  |
| Amounts voted from fund balance |  | 200,000 |  |  |  |  |
| Total revenues, other financing sources, and use of fund balance | \$ | 2,289,038 |  |  |  |  |

## SCHEDULE 2

## TOWN OF UNITY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Major General Fund Schedule of Appropriations, Expenditares, and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2022

|  | Encumbered from Prior Year | Appropriations | Expenditures | Encumbered to Subsequent Year | Variance <br> Positive <br> (Negative) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current: |  |  |  |  |  |
| General government: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Executive | \$ | 145,325 | \$ 119,874 | \$ 10,547 | § 14,904 |
| Election and registration | - | 96,355 | 96,355 | - | - |
| Financial administration | - | 99,000 | 97,869 | - | 1,131 |
| Revaluation of property | - | 22,200 | 15,528 | - | 6,672 |
| Legal | - | 82,602 | 62,809 | - | 19,793 |
| Personnel administration | - | 115,700 | 118,073 | - | $(2,373)$ |
| Planning and zoning | - | 6,000 | 3,831 | - | 2,169 |
| General government buildings | 23,511 | 94,000 | 85,925 | - | 31,586 |
| Cemeteries | - | 9,200 | 5,875 | - | 3,325 |
| Insurance, not otherwise allocated | - | 27,000 | 25,010 | - | 1,990 |
| Other | - | 40,000 | - | - | 40,000 |
| Total general government | 23,511 | 737,382 | 631,149 | 10,547 | 119,197 |
| Public safety: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Police | - | 52,740 | 56,737 | - | $(3,997)$ |
| Ambulance | - | 10,300 | 10,294 | - | 6 |
| Fire | - | 69,185 | 68,962 | - | 223 |
| Building inspection | - | 5,000 | 6,808 | - | $(1,808)$ |
| Emergency management | 4,820 | 6,000 | 5,892 | 4,928 | - |
| Total public safety | 4,820 | 143,225 | 148,693 | 4,928 | (5,576) |
| Highways and streets | - | 419,000 | 314,371 | 85,000 | 19,629 |
| Sanitation: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration | - | 34,000 | 33,207 | - | 793 |
| Solid waste collection | - | 900 | 683 | - | 217 |
| Solid waste disposal | - | 57,375 | 40,899 | - | 16,476 |
| Sewage collection and disposal | - | 2,600 | 2,507 | - | 93 |
| Total sanitation | - | 94,875 | 77,296 | - | 17,579 |
| Health: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pest control | - | 1,000 | - | - | 1,000 |
| Health agencies | - | 5,944 | 5,944 | - | - |
| Total health | - | 6,944 | 5,944 | - | 1,000 |
| Welfare: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration and direct assistance | - | 5,000 | - | - | 5,000 |
| Intergovernmental welfare payments | - | 2,225 | 2,161 | - | 64 |
| Total welfare | - | 7,225 | 2,161 | - | 5,064 |
| Culture and recreation: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parks and recreation | - | 9,000 | 8,068 | - | 932 |
| Library | - | 30,000 | 35,773 | - | $(5,773)$ |
| Patriotic purposes | - | 3,000 | 3,027 | - | (27) |
| Total culture and recreation | - | 42,000 | 46,868 | - | $(4,868)$ |
| Conservation | - | 1,500 | 1,500 | - | - |

SCHEDULE 3
TOWN OF UNITY, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Major General Fund
Schedule of Changes in Unassigned Fund Balance
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2022

| Unassigned fund balance, beginning (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis), as restated (see Note 17) | \$ | 1,423,819 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Changes: |  |  |
| Unassigned fund balance used to reduce 2022 tax rate |  | $(30,000)$ |
| Amounts voted from fund balance |  | $(200,000)$ |
| 2022 Budget summary: |  |  |
| Revenue surplus (Schedule 1) \$ 379,373 |  |  |
| Unexpended balance of appropriations (Schedule 2) 111,665 |  |  |
| 2022 Budget surplus |  | 491,038 |
| Decrease in nonspendable fund balance |  | 8,105 |
| Increase in restricted fund balance |  | $(84,138)$ |
| Unassigned fund balance, ending (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) |  | 1,608,824 |
| Reconciliation on Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis to GAAP Basis |  |  |
| To record deferred property taxes not collected within 60 days of the fiscal year-end, not recognized on a budgetary basis |  | $(89,593)$ |
| Elimination of the allowance for uncollectible taxes |  | 7,500 |
| Unassigned fund balance, ending, GAAP basis (Exhibit C-1) | \$ | 1,526,731 |

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## Tax Collector's Report

## For the period beginning Jan 1,2023 and ending $\operatorname{Dec} 31,2023$

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

## Instructions

## Cover Page

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

For Assistance Please Contact:

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

## ENTITY'S INFORMATION

| Municipality: UNITY | County: | SULLIVAN | Report Year: 2023 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

PREPARER'S INFORMATION

| First Name | Last Name |
| :--- | :--- |
| Rhonda King <br> Street No. Street Name <br> 13 Center Road unit \#2 <br> Email (optional)  <br> taxcollector@townofunitynh.org  |  |

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| Taxes Committed This Year | Account | Levy for Year of this Report | 2022 | Prior Levies |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Property Taxes | 3110 | \$4,037,674.00 | \$89,434.91 |  |
| Resident Taxes | 3180 |  |  |  |
| Land Use Change Taxes | 3120 | \$430.00 |  |  |
| Yield Taxes | 3185 | \$8,333,04 | \$2,178.83 |  |
| Excavation Tax | 3187 |  | \$184.00 |  |
| Other Taxes | 3189 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |


| Overpayment Refunds | Account | Levy for Year of this Report | Prior Levies |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Property Taxes | 3110 | \$139.00 |  |  |  |
| Resident Taxes | 3180 |  |  |  |  |
| Land Use Change Taxes | 3120 |  |  |  |  |
| Yield Taxes | 3185 |  |  |  |  |
| Excavation Tax | 3187 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest and Penalties on Delinquent Taxes | 3190 | \$1,625.94 | \$17,389.34 |  |  |
| Interest and Penalties on Resident Taxes | 3190 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total Debits | \$4,047,688.98 | \$1,543,545.71 | \$0.00 | \$26.50 |

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| Credits |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Remitted to Treasurer | Levy for Year of this Report | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 |
| Property Taxes | \$3,755,821.87 | \$1,338,962.29 |  |  |
| Resident Taxes |  |  |  |  |
| Land Use Change Taxes | \$100.00 |  |  |  |
| Yield Taxes | \$5,501.75 | \$2,178.83 |  |  |
| Interest (Include Lien Conversion) | \$1,625.94 | \$13,824.34 |  |  |
| Penalties |  | \$3,565.00 |  |  |
| Excavation Tax |  | \$184.00 |  | \$26.50 |
| Other Taxes |  |  |  |  |
| Conversion to Lien (Principal Only) |  | \$176,559.33 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Discounts Allowed |  |  |  |  |
| Abatements Made | Levy for Year of this Report | Prior Levies |  |  |
| Property Taxes | \$7,099,00 | \$7,172.92 |  |  |
| Resident Taxes |  |  |  |  |
| Land Use Change Taxes |  |  |  |  |
| Yield Taxes |  |  |  |  |
| Excavation Tax |  |  |  |  |
| Other Taxes |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Current Levy Deeded |  |  |  |  |

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| Uncollected Taxes - End of Year \#1080 |  | Levy for Year of this Report | Prior Levies |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Property Taxes |  | \$275,360.42 | \$1,099.00 |  |  |
| Resident Taxes |  |  |  |  |  |
| Land Use Change Taxes |  | \$330.00 |  |  |  |
| Yield Taxes |  | \$2,831.29 |  |  |  |
| Excavation Tax |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other Taxes |  |  |  |  |  |
| Property Tax Credit Balance |  | (5981.29) |  |  |  |
| Other Tax or Charges Credit Balance |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total Credits | \$4,047,688.98 | \$1,543,545.71 | \$0.00 | \$26.50 |

## For DRA Use Only

| Total Uncollected Taxes (Account \#1080 - All Years) | $\$ 278,639.42$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Total Unredeemed Liens (Account \#1110-All Years) | $\$ 88,582.84$ |

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## Lien Summary



Summary of Credits


| For DRA Use Only |  |
| :---: | ---: |
| Total Uncollected Taxes (Account \#1080 - All Years) | $\mathbf{\$ 2 7 8 , 6 3 9 . 4 2}$ |
| Total Unredeemed Siens (Account \#1110-All Years) | $\mathbf{\$ 8 8 , 5 8 2 . 8 4}$ |

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## UNITY (457)

## 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 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Rhonda | Callum-King | $01 / 08 / 2024$ |

## 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


## Town of Unity, New Hampshire 2023 Treasurer's Report

| Beginning Balanc |  | General Fund <br> \$1,984,600.22 | Conservation Commission \$17,957.42 | $\frac{\text { Total }}{\$ 2,002,557.64}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Receipts: |  |  |  |  |
| Tax Collector |  | \$4,035,313.00 |  |  |
| Town Clerk |  | \$315,567.79 |  |  |
| Transfer Station |  | \$51,442.09 |  |  |
| State of New Hampshire |  | \$311,824.12 |  |  |
| Consolidated Bond Reimbursement* |  | \$124,800.00 |  |  |
| Sale of Municipal Property |  | \$52,444.75 |  |  |
| Interest on Deposits |  | \$2,785.99 |  |  |
| Other Income |  | \$312.00 | \$1,200.00 |  |
|  | Total: | \$4,894,489.74 | \$19,157.42 | \$4,913,647.16 |
| Disbursements: |  |  |  |  |
| Selectboard Orders Paid |  | \$2,371,535.81 |  |  |
| School Payments |  | \$2,564,451.50 |  |  |
| Broadband Bond Payment* |  | \$108,346.26 |  |  |
| Conservation Orders Paid |  | - | \$557.00 |  |
|  | Total: | \$5,044,333.57 | \$557.00 | \$5,044,890.57 |
| Ending Book Balance: | Total: | \$1,839,331.72 | \$18,600.42 | \$1,857,932.14 |
| Bank Balances: |  |  |  |  |
| BHBT - General Account |  | \$1,839,331.72 |  |  |
| BHBT - Payroll Account |  | \$57,093.86 |  |  |
| BHBT - Debit Accounts |  | \$4,592.06 |  |  |
| BHBT - Town Clerk Account |  | \$5,178.73 |  |  |
| BHBT - Conservation Commission |  | - | \$18,600.42 |  |
|  | Total: | \$1,906,196.37 | \$18,600.42 | \$1,924,796.79 |



Numbers reflect bank statements and reports from 1/1/2023 to 12/31/2023

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# Town Clerk's Year End Report <br> Summary of Collections <br> January 1-December 31, 2023 

| Motor Vehicles | $314,948.40$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Dog License | $1,384.00$ |
| Marriage License | 200.00 |
| Vitals | 462.00 |
| Misc. Fees | $\mathbf{1 9 9 . 0 0}$ |
| Totals | $317,193.40$ |

Advancement in Serving Unity Residents

In 2023, the Town Clerk's office supported the continued excellent work by the Unity Historical Society, specifically Jim Romer who has been instrumental in restoring vital Unity documents for many years. The Deputy Town Clerk Kevin Brenker coordinated the 2023 Moose Plate grant application to the New Hampshire State Library and the New Hampshire Department of Cultural Affairs. Portions of proceeds from every Moose Plate deployed on vehicles across the state are returned to the towns in the form of grants for, typically, historical, and cultural efforts by the towns.
Unity is the recipient of many now-cleaned, restored, and digitized documents that have significant historical value. Next up will be Unity School District registers (basically report cards), across the number of school districts then established in Unity in the mid-1800s. In 1850, the state consolidated Unity into a single school district, and these Unity School District registers have a lasting record on the "scholars" (that's the term for student in Unity in 1850), that attended Unity schools. This year's award will clean and save approximately 330 Unity School District "scholar" registers. The value from the state is over $\$ 7,000.00$ and we greatly appreciate the support from New Hampshire State Library and the Department of Cultural Affairs. We are most indebted to Jim Romer - Jim has been leading the project on this restoration effort for years. Many thanks, Jim, for your leadership and passion.

The Town Clerk's office deployed a new software operating environment supporting all Clerk functions in early 2023. This includes all motor vehicle, dog registration, vital statistics, and reporting requirements. This initiative was part of a larger effort to "re-open" the Town Clerk's to all residents and has resulted in accepting a single check (rather than 1 for Town, 1 for State) for all your Town Clerk services. In addition, this platform has reduced wait times considerably and has been favorably reviewed by most every resident visiting the Clerk's office. Town Clerk can now accept payment for some services via credit/debit cards. Watch for more info on this.

The Town Clerk's office was moved in 2023 to the town offices entryway which has received positive remarks from nearly all residents, making in-person transactions once again. Let us know about your visit, please!


## Highway Agent's Report

The selectmen would like to offer a special thanks to Harold Booth for the Exceptional leadership that he has exhibited over this last year. The amount of work he has managed, completed and spearheaded has not only made our town a model to all other surrounding towns but has improved our infrastructure immensely for the benefit of the Town of Unity. Thank You.

Currently we have 3 full time employees and one part time employee who are doing an exceptional job. Thank you for all the Hard work and dedication.

Work completed for the year 2023:
-Mica Mine rd excavation and rebuilding
-Town Hall parking lot improvements
-Mowing of the sides of road ways and coverts
-Cold pond rd. Squash culvert repair and replacement
-Stoning and grading of dirt rds. throughout the town
-Town highway shed brought in water lines power and remove and replace retaining wall
-Asphalt various locations through out the town
-Culvert upgrades repair and replace 13 different locations
-FEMA Road washouts throughout the town rebuilt back

- Tree pruning and removal along road ways

Stage Rd is still under construction with town engineer working on deficiencies.

## Future Projects:

-Mica Mine Rd. paving
-Lear Hill Rd. Culvert replacement
-Continuation of Stage Rd.
-Gilman pond Rd. structural repair
New Equipment:
-10-wheel dump truck to update our aging fleet

Town of Unity Vehicle and Equipment Inventory

|  |  | 2024 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Year | Make Model | VIN | Dept |
| 1996 | Eager Beaver Trailer | S5115616 | Highway |
| 2000 | John Deere Grader | DW672CH577465 | Highway |
| 2002 | JB Snowmobile Trailer | 457SAOCOX21014665 | Highway |
| 2002 | Ford F550SD Firetruck | 1FDAF57F92ED49220 | Fire |
| 2002 | FRHT FL80 Pump Firetruck | 1FVABXAK22HJ72868 | Fire |
| 2004 | International 7400 Dump Truck | 1HTWDAAR74J018130 | Highway |
| 2008 | FRHT M2106 Firetruck | 1FVACYBS78HY77403 | Fire |
| 2010 | Caterpillar 924H Loader | CAT0924HKHXC01579 | Highway |
| 2013 | Dodge Ram Dump Truck | 3C7WRNAL9DG513919 | Highway |
| 2017 | Bomag BW177DH Roller | 1011586041160 | Highway |
| 2018 | Western Star 4700 Dump Truck | 5KKHAVDV3JLE4882 | Highway |
| 2018 | Ram 3500 Pickup | 3C63R3GL2JG305251 | Fire |
| 2018 | International CE School Bus | 4DRBUC8P1JB522203 | School |
| 2018 | International CE School Bus | 4DRBUC8PXJB522202 | School |
| 2020 | Polaris INDLSUV | 3NSTAE99XLN229241 | Fire |
| 2020 | Bravo STJ20TA2 Trailer | 542BC2021LB03232 | Emer Mngmt |
| 2021 | Triton Fit1272 | 4TCSU121XMHF00284 | Emer Mngmt |
| 2021 | Western Star 4700SF Dump Truck | 5KKHAVDVOMLML4893 | Highway |
| 2022 | John Deere 310SLHL Backhoe | 1T0310HLNF420337 | Highway |

## Town of Unity Property Inventory

 2024| PID | Address |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1-55-0-K5 | Old Bible Hill Rd |
| 1-658-0-J3 | Old Bible Hill Rd |
| 3-747-0-A5 | Off Mica Mine Rd |
| 7-621-0-G6 | Lemere Rd |
| 7-834-0-E1 | Mica Mine Rd |
| 7-837-0-F6 | 164 Mica Mine Rd |
| 11-887-0-L2 | Carroll Brook Rd |
| 12-231-0-F3 | Center Rd |
| 12-398-0-F2 | 2nd NH Tpke |
| 12-515-0-F1 | 2nd NH Tpke |
| 12-772-0-F2 | 2nd NH Tpke |
| 12-780-0-B2 | Carroll Brook Rd |
| 12-781-0-E1 | 864 2nd NH Tpke |


| PID | Address |
| :--- | :--- |
| 12-793-0-F2 | 2nd NH Tpke |
| 12-793-1-F2 | 4 S Hedgehog Hill |
| 12-900-0-J6 | 1153 2nd NH Tpke |
| 13-774-0-E4 | Eastman Loop |
| $13-888-0-\mathrm{G1}$ | Gilman Pond Rd |
| $13-890-0-\mathrm{K} 1$ | Unity Springs Rd |
| $14-639-3-\mathrm{D} 2$ | Thurber Rd |
| $15-16-4-\mathrm{J} 2$ | Stage Rd |
| $15-16-5-\mathrm{J} 2$ | Quaker City Rd \& Stage Rd |
| $15-665-0-\mathrm{K} 2$ | Quaker City Rd |
| $15-814-0-\mathrm{K} 2$ | Quaker City Rd |
| $16-697-0-\mathrm{E} 2$ | Quaker City Rd |
| $17-196-0-\mathrm{B} 2$ | Center Rd |
| $19-895-0-\mathrm{E} 5$ | Emerson Rd |

## Town Of Unity

## Building Inspector's 2023 Report

| Garages | 3 |
| :---: | :--- |
| Demolitions | 3 |
| New Home | 4 |
| C of A's | 4 |
| Alterations | 4 |
| Mobile Homes | 3 |
| Additions | 2 |
| Solar Installations | 3 |
| Barns | 3 |

Any Unity homeowner who intends to construct, enlarge, or alter a building, or move any electric, gas, mechanical, or plumbing must obtain a building permit according to state code RSA 155A.
For assistance, call Paul Moeller at 603-3984017.






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## Town of Unity, NH

## 13 Center Road Unit \#3

Unity, NH 03603

Trustee of Trust Funds Check Disbursement Report

| Date | Amount | To | From Account |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $2 / 1 / 23$ | $328,788.45$ | United Construction | Roads And Bridges |
| $3 / 8 / 23$ | 375.00 | Avitar | Revaluation |
| $4 / 12 / 23$ | $1,040.00$ | Stantec | Landfill and Well Monitoring |
| $4 / 25 / 23$ | 700.00 | Stantec | Landfill and Well Monitoring |
| $4 / 25 / 23$ | $3,854.13$ | Stantec | Landfill and Well Monitoring |
| $4 / 25 / 23$ | $51,160.65$ | John Deere | Highway Vehicles |
| $5 / 10 / 23$ | $20,859.98$ | Twin State Door | Building Maintenance |
| $6 / 27 / 23$ | 370.00 | Avitar | Revaluation |
| $8 / 14 / 23$ | $9,280.25$ | Stantec | Landfill and Well Monitoring |
| $9 / 19 / 23$ | 370.00 | Avitar | Revaluation |
| $10 / 31 / 23$ | 370.00 | Avitar | Revaluation |



Trustee of the Trust Funds

## TOWN OF UNITY, NEW HAMPSHIRE INVESTMENT POLICY

## Purpose:

This policy covers the investment of all funds for which the Trustees of Trust Funds assume responsibility. These funds are listed under the Report of the Trust Funds in the Town of Unity Annual Report and include:

- Non-expendable Cemetery Perpetual Care
- Expendable Capital Reserve Funds
- Designated Expendable Funds
- Designated General Funds
o Designated Non-Expendable Funds
- Designated School/Scholarship Funds


## Investment Objective:

The primary investment objective for all Trust Funds is preservation of capital. A secondary objective is to earn interest to preserve purchasing power over the long term.

## Investment Authority:

The Trustees of Trust Funds shall have sole authority for investing the funds listed above. The Trustees will consult with the Board of Selectmen to determine the Town's needs for cash from expendable funds prior to selecting investments of fixed duration.

## Approved Investments:

Investments shall be made and accounts kept consistent with the requirements of RSA Chapter 35, Section 35:9. Investments shall be made only in a federally or State Chartered Bank in New Hampshire or in obligations with principal and interest fully guaranteed by the United States Government.

In 2023 all funds have been invested in Mascoma Bank either in CD's or interest earning checking accounts.

## Reporting:

Reports of all Trust Fund Accounts will be prepared annually and included in the Annual Report of the Town of Unity.

## Review:

This investment policy will be reviewed annually, by the Trustees of Trust Funds, and modified as circumstances and the needs of the Town of Unity dictate.

## APPROVED:




Plodzik \& SANDERSON
Professional Association/Certified Public Accountants
193 North Main Street • Concord • New Hampshire • 03301-5063 • 603-225-6996 • EAX 603-224-1380

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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

## Report on the Financial Statements

## Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Unity as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

## Summary of Opinions

| Opinion Unit | Type of Opinion |
| :--- | :--- |
| Govemmental Activities | Adverse |
| General Fund | Unmodified |
| Capital Project Fund | Unmodified |
| FEMA Project Fund | Unmodified |
| Aggregate Remaining Fund Information | Unmodified |

## Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter described in the "Matters Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities" paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the financial position of the governmental activities of the Town of Unity, as of December 31,2022, or the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Unmodified Opinions on Each Major Fund and Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major general and capital project fund and aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Unity as of December 31, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Basis for Adverse and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town of Unity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

## Matters Giving Rise to Adverse Opinion on Governmental Activities

As discussed in Note 13-B to the financial statements, management has not recorded the long-term costs of retirement healthcare costs and obligations for other postemployment benefits for the single employer plan in the governmental activities. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that those costs be recorded, which would increase the liabilities, decrease the net position, and increase the expenses of the governmental activities. The amount by which this departure would affect the liabilities, net position, and expenses on the govemmental activities is not readily determinable.

## Town of Unity

Independent Auditor's Report

## Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The Town of Unity's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Unity's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shorlly thereafter.

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with G^AS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.
In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Unity's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town of Unity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

## Change in Accounting Principle

As discussed in Note 2-D to the financial statements, in fiscal year 2022 the Town adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, Leases. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Required Supplementary Information - Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of Amcrica require that the following be presented to supplement the basic financial statements:

- Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability,
- Schedule of Town Contributions - Pensions,
- Schedule of the Town's Proportionate Share of the Net Other Postemployment Benefits Liability,
- Schedule of Town Contributions - Other Postemployment Benefits, and
- Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the
information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Management's Discussion and Analysis - Management has omitted a Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

Supplementary Information - Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Unity's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.
The combining and individual fund schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

# Unity Free Library 

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2023

## Expenditures

Salaries (Angela Beater) (Angela Huetas (Gatt Hudson) 18355.02

Library Expenses The Park Street Downloadable and Community Center 516.21
Legal Expenses Graham \&Veroff, PC Library Audit 6694
Postage 45
Media 1235.45
Supplies Books, Paper Etc. 835
Criminal Background Check 25
Telephone 207.58
Total
27913.26

2023 Library Budget
38540 Spent 27913.26
Under 10626.74

Revenues Donations and Interest 344.55
Assets

| Perkens Reed |  | 11645.71 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Library Support | Non Expendable | 106.19 |
| Debit Card |  | 1239.95 |
| Library Savings |  | 416.86 |
| Building Account |  | 10334.69 |
|  |  | Total |
|  |  | 23742.72 |

Electronic Grant Beginning Balance 8417.09
Ending Balance 4824.07
Monies Used For Internet Service


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## CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT FOR 2023

The Unity Conservation Commission meets at 7PM on the second Monday of every month. The meetings are held at the Town Hall. We welcome anyone interested to attend our meetings.

The annual water testing took place on Crescent Lake. The water quality remains good except for a slight decrease in the clarity of the water.

July $1^{\text {ts }}$ the Crescent Lake Association hosted a water-quality forum at the Unity school. Over 100 people came to see presentations by NHDES personnel about water quality and what needs to be done to maintain clean water in New Hampshire lakes.

A notable concern is cyanobacteria. A "bloom" can develop when there is excess phosphorus in the water. Once it is in the lake it is very costly to treat and it can kill pets and sicken humans.

Later in July the Crescent Lake Association formed a water-quality group with members from the Unity Conservation Commission, the Acworth Conservation Commission, the Sullivan County Conservation District, and the Crescent Lake Association board of directors. Their aim is to build awareness of watershed issues that have an effect on Crescent Lake. They hope to receive grant funding from state and federal sources to assist with improvements to the infrastructure around the lake that have had an impact on water quality.

July $30^{\text {th }}$ we had a booth at Old Home Day. We brought maps from our natural resource inventory, flyers about trails, and information about invasive plants. Many people, young and old, also enjoyed painting rocks at our booth.

We continue to promote well water testing. It is especially important for families with small children to test their water frequently. Some substances like arsenic and lead are invisible and can cause brain damage and other problems for children. Test kits are available at the Transfer Station. A comprehensive panel of tests at the DES lab in Concord costs a little more than $\$ 100.00$.

We continue to monitor the situation with the proposed development on Perry Mountain. A group of neighbors from Unity, Acworth and Charlestown formed the "Perry Mountain Community Group". They submitted an appeal to the state housing appeals board. However, that became unnecessary when it was discovered that the Borough Road extension that leads to the property was discontinued as a town road at town meeting in 1898. The Charlestown Selectboard was forced to revoke the building permits that they had approved in the fall of 2022. We are relieved that this development - which would have been on the Charlestown side of the mountain, near the Unity town line - has been stopped.

Respectfully submitted by the Unity Conservation Commission:
Vanessa Keith (Chair), Jenny Wright, Nancy Walker, Gary Ross,
Sara Valli, Stan Rastallis (Alternate)


2023 TRANSFER STATION REPORT

After 3 years of elevated amounts of Bulky/Construction waste in 2023 our tonnage went down to 67 tons. During the Covid shutdown in 2020 and 2021, many residents undertook projects at home. So our Bulky/Construction waste increased to over 90 tons per year. Our other numbers held steady in 2023. We shipped 146 tons of household trash made 37 bales of plastic, 31 bales of cardboard and 10 bales of aluminum cans.

In August we welcomed Angela Huertas to our staff. Her friendly attitude and desire to connect with the town since moving here in 2021 is pleasing to see.

## ROADSIDE CLEANUP

Roadside clean up was held April $29^{\text {th }}$ and lunch was served at the school to thank all the volunteers. We appreciate everyone's efforts to tidy up the road ways. The 2024 cleanup will be April $27^{\text {th }}$. Blue bags are available at the transfer station. Call Evelyn Page at (603) 542-6888 or speak to an attendant at the transfer station to get involved.

## HALF PRICE DAYS

Many residents took advantage of our two $1 / 2$ price days to clean up tires and electronics on their property. We accepted 313 tires and $\$ 327$ worth of electronics. That brings us up to 1629 tires and $\$ 4030$ worth of electronics collected at our half price days since we started offering them in 2015. Watch for an announcement of half price days in 2024.

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Some materials like oil based paint, pesticides, pool chemicals, antifreeze, old gas or contaminated oil, CAN NOT be disposed of with household trash. The UVLSRPC (Upper Valley Lake Sunaee Regional Planning Commission) coordinates 5 hazardous waste collections each summer in our region. Unity residents can bring their materials to the collections for free. In 2024 the collections will be in Lebanon, Claremont, and Sunapee.
Watch for an announcement of the dates.
In November the area where our metal bin used to sit was smoothed out and our storage containers were consolidated on the left hand side of the recycling building. This improvement makes it easier to plow and gives us more space for people to park while they unload their trash and recycling.

Remember, we are always willing to answer any questions or give you a hand with heavy items.
Respectfully submitted:
Vanessa Keith (Manager)
John Kotuli, Clarence Gee, Herb Wheelden and Angela Huertas.


13 Center Road, Unit 3 Unity, NH 03603

## Annual Fire Chief's Report

Dear Unity Residents,
In 2023 the Unity Fire Department responded to 242 calls for service. The 11 members of the department had (666) responses collectively, averaging (2 to 3 ) responders per call. We have documented 3,264 hours divided up between calls, training and station work for the year 2023.

The call breakdown was as follows:

- Medical Calls - 116
- Medical Assist-42
- Mutual Aid to assist neighboring towns - 21
- Fire Alarm Activations - 15
- Motor Vehicle Accidents - 11
- Basic Fire Call - 10
- Trees on Wires-11
- Illegal Burn-10
- Structure Fire-3
- Service Call-1
- Flooding - 2

2023 was an extremely busy year for The Unity Fire Department, along with training of new members, we were up 22 calls over the previous year. The members of the fire department would like to say thank you to the community for your continued support. With the community's continued support and private donations, the department was able to purchase some much-needed equipment and update some more of our PPE.

We would like to ask all residents in the community to please make sure that your addresses are clearly labeled and can be seen from the roadway in both directions. This allows us to save precious time when responding to you in the event of an emergency. We are always looking for people that would like to volunteer some time and become a member of the department. Experience is helpful but is not always necessary, just a desire to help your community. If interested, please stop by the station any Wednesday from 4 pm to 7 pm to pick up an application or just look around and meet the members.

Please follow us on Facebook at: Unity Fire Department. Thank you to the residents of Unity for your continued support and we look forward to continuing to serve you.

Sincerely,

Timothy Davis
Unity Fire Chief

## Unity Fire Department Association

Financial Report 2023

| Starting Balance | \$10,923.68 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Donations: | $\$ 29,146.06$ |
|  |  |
| Total: | $\$ 40,069.74$ |
|  |  |
|  |  |
| Expenditures: |  |
|  |  |
| * R\&R Communications (Pagers, Radio equipment, Batteries) | $\$ 548.20$ |
| * State of NH (Yearly Audit and State Filing) | $\$ 75.00$ |
| * State of NH Natural \& Cultural Resources | $\$ 633.08$ |
| * Municipal Marketing | $\$ 1,511.90$ |
| * Forestry Equipment | $\$ 3,567.10$ |
| * Uniforms, Personal Protective Equipment | $\$ 2,838.70$ |
| * Books for first graders | $\$ 142.00$ |
| * Dan's Max Saver, equipment | $\$ 1,614.92$ |
| * US Post Office | $\$ 395.27$ |
| * Interstate Sign Products (reflective signs, Red) | $\$ 771.97$ |
| * Supplies, Food etc. | $\$ 1,204.58$ |
| * Fire Prevention | $\$ 309.00$ |
| * Office Supplies | $\$ 285.97$ |
| * Miscellaneous | $\$ 150.60$ |
| * Claremont Savings Bank | $\$ 68.61$ |
| Total Expenditures: | $\$ 14,116.90$ |
| Ending Balance: | $\$ 25,952.84$ |

The members of the Unity Fire Department Association would like to say thank you to the residents of the Town of Unity for their generous donations and continued support.

Respectfully Submitted

Bob Brown
Unity Fire Department Association, Treasurer


Unity Fire Deportment
13 Center Road, Unit 3 Unity, NH 03603
Phone: 603-543-3838
E-mail: firechief@townofunitynh.org

Unity Board of Selectmen,

The members of the Unity Fire Department would like these Articles added to the 2024 TOWN WARRANT.

Article \# To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 50,000$ to be added to the Fire Department Emergency Vehicle Fund previously established. Selectmen Recommend

Article \# To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 50,000$ to be added to the Fire Department Fire Station Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Selectmen Recommend

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Davis
Unity Fire Chief


# Offico of the CSharif? <br> SULLIVAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE JOHN P. SIMONDS, High Sheriff 

14 Main Street
P.O. Box 27

Newport, New Hampshire 03773-0027

Email: jsimonds@sullivancountynh.gov<br>Phone: 603-863-4200<br>Fax: 603-863-0012

I would like to thank the citizens of Unity for allowing us the opportunity to continue to provide law enforcement services for another year. 2023 has brought a few significant changes. To start, Chief Deputy Jeremy Wilson has retired from the Sheriff's Office after nine years of service to the County, and over thirty years of law enforcement service to the State of New Hampshire. Jeremy was a major asset to the Sullivan County Sheriff's Office overseeing daily operations.

He was also responsible for our successful drone program. Our drones have been used many times over the past two years for a range of law enforcement and non-law enforcement calls for service. Emergency service agencies throughout the county have used the drone service for natural disasters, fires and other needs that have arisen.

Over the past year, we have acquired an additional, much larger drone, that will allow us to fly in more situations than ever before. We will be able to fly in inclement weather with increased flight times and a longer range of visibility. New technology acquisitions are always sought after and well utilized to help keep the Sheriff's Office current with the ever-changing landscape of law enforcement. Please join me in thanking Jeremy for his hard work and dedication. Congratulations on a well-deserved retirement. Everyone here at the Sheriff's Office wishes you well.

Since the retirement of Jeremy Wilson, former Sergeant Ethan Yazinski has taken his place and will be the new Chief Deputy. We have also recently hired Charles Mcleman who was a long-time sergeant and former lieutenant from the Newport Police Department. Charlie brings many years of law enforcement and leadership experience to the Sheriff's Office, and we look forward to having him on the team. We further anticipate the acquisition of another full-time deputy within the next few months to bring us back to a full staff.

Another project I would like to mention from this past year is a grant from the New Hampshire Department of Highway Safety. This is a federal grant that is given to law enforcement agencies across the country. The primary function is to provide extra motor vehicle enforcement patrols throughout the county and Unity. These patrols include "Safe Commute", which is based on speed and cell phone use, "Join the New Hampshire Click", as well as "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over". The main goal of these Highway Safety grant patrol details is to try and reduce the increase in traffic fatalities that have occurred across the state over the past few years. New Hampshire has had fifteen fatalities this year-to-date. The Sheriff's Office has applied for the 2024 grant year. Please do not get behind the wheel if you feel under the influence to any degree.

The Claremont Dispatch Center received 518 calls for service as of December 18,2023. If you need assistance or believe that you are the victim of a crime, please contact the Claremont Police Dispatch Center at 603-542-9538. They will dispatch the Sheriff's Office or New Hampshire State Police to assist you. Best wishes for 2024.

"It's all about public service"

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## School Report

## Unity School District Personnel 2023-2024

Jaclyn Moore
Dorothy McClay
Fred Bellimer
Plodzik \& Sanders

Shannon Popescu, Chair
Rocco Ruggeri, Vice Chair
Atonya Hart
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District Clerk
District Treasurer
District Moderator
Auditors

## School Board Members

Term Expires 2025
Term Expires 2024
Term Expires 2025
Term Expires 2026
Term Expires 2026

School Administrative Unit \#6 Personnel

Christopher Pratt
Michael Koski
Benjamin Nester
Mary Henry
Angela Vivian
Jeffrey Small
Catlin McLaughlin
Chelsea Weatherford
Megan Fagans
Susan Cantara
Jennifer Guess
Lori Landry
Lori Mowrey
Danielle Skinner
Karen White
Kimberly Hamel
Heidi Sprague

Superintendent of Schools
Assistant Superintendent
Director of Special Education
Business Administrator
Director of Human Resources
Director of Technology
Director of Curriculum
Admin. Asst. ~ Superintendent
Admin. Asst ~ Asst. Superintendent
HR Asst/Receptionist
Admin. Asst. ~ Special Education
Grants Management
Staff Accountant
Data Manager/Food Service
Payroll Specialist
Accounts Payable
Medicaid Specialist

## Unity Elementary School Personnel

Susan Schroeter
Dorothy McClay
Lisa Bessler
Suzanne Boyington
Gerard Buchko
Karen Coronis
Susan Dalessio
Lauren Garrecht
Lindsey Grasso
Barbara Griffin
Kraig Harlow
Andrea Hart
Sherie Hodge
Dawn Kokiel
Joseph Mercado
Patricia Nix
Matthew Osgood
Edward Peckham
Nicolae Popescu
Janice Porter
Maria Smith
Carolyn Stiles
Viv Borneisen, Kraig Harlow, Shaun Hathaway,
Melinda Stupka, Liz Orcutt
Patrick Prince

Principal
Administrative Assistant
Grades $1 \& 2$
Music \& Art
Special Education
Speech/Language Pathologist
Librarian
School Counselor
Nurse
Grades Pre-K, K \& 1
Phys. Ed. \& Health
Grades 3 \& 4
Special Ed \& Title I
Bus Driver/Kitchen
Science Gr. 6, 7, 8
Grade 5
Custodian (night)
Bus Driver
Custodian
Lang.Arts \& Social Studies Gr. 6,7,8
Mathematics Gr. 6, 7, 8
Title I/Tutoring

Paraprofessionals
Chef, The Abbey Group

## SAU6 Interim Superintendent Annual Letter

2023-2024

As Interim Superintendent of SAU6, I can honestly say without hesitation that we have some of the strongest, most dedicated faculty, staff, board members, parents, and administrators that I have ever worked with in my 30 years of education. Unity \& Claremont continue to move in the direction of transforming all of our schools into 21stcentury learning environments. Academic success for each student is the primary goal of every staff member and administrator in SAU6. We believe that every student achieves at the highest level, and we are prepared to offer more time and support to each and every student in order to prepare them to be innovative learners.

As Interim Superintendent, I hope that the SAU 6 continues to advance in providing a 21stcentury education for all students that reflects the collaboration from the community and schools. This approach is intended to prepare students to be innovative, productive citizens in an interconnected world. Your building Principals have worked diligently with myself and School Boards to present you with a school budget that is a reflection of the level of equitable education and vision that we need to provide to our kids.

To conclude, the SAU6 is proud of all of our accomplishments and progress that we have made. As we move forward, we will continue to provide our students with an excellent education that the communities can be proud to have.

The proposed budgets reflect all of the goals, skills and initiatives that we feel are crucial for all of our students' education. Once again, thank you for the ongoing support of the schools in the SAU6 district.

Sincerely,


Christopher A. Pratt
SAU6, Interim Superintendent of School

# Unity Elementary School School Board Report 2023-2024 

The primary responsibility of the Unity Elementary School Board is to provide the best educational environment possible for our children while maintaining fiscal accountability to our community. As a small, rural community we face a number of challenges to meeting our educational responsibilities including a fluctuating student population, navigating the regulatory and economic impact of a global pandemic that is only now subsiding and ensuring that our needs are met in a School Administrative Unit (SAU) heavily biased towards our partner district, Claremont. We are lucky to have a school community, comprised of the school board, school staff and administration, students, parents, and the greater Unity community, all working together to find solutions to these many challenges to provide the warm, welcoming, safe, and enriching environment that is so important to ensuring student growth and achievement. The Board is grateful for the support that our school community continues to provide as we strive to fulfill our responsibilities effectively.

While we have not seen an end to COVID-19, we have been able to safely lift the restrictions that were put in place to keep children and staff safe during the height of the pandemic and we are now back to "normal." The Board is very pleased to join with the greater community to enjoy the return of community luncheons, athletic events, concerts, and plays. As always, these events highlight much of the work that our students and staff do all year as well as providing excellent opportunities for the community to come together to celebrate the achievements of our students. These student, staff, family, and community events, as well as the many other extracurricular programs that our school offers are so important for enriching the lives of our children and the greater community.
With the return to "normal" after the pandemic, the many federal pandemic relief programs are also winding down, meaning an end to the federal dollars that flowed into Unity Elementary School (UES) via the Elementary Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) program. Much of this money was used to upgrade our facility with new furniture and equipment, particularly our Media Center (Library) that received a complete overhaul. Pandemic era funds were also used to support free breakfast for all students each morning, and to support a four week summer camp program that combined academic work with extracurricular and recreational activities to enhance learning while providing a fun and active atmosphere. Because of the huge success of these two endeavors, the Board is pleased to continue support for both of these programs post COVID, working creatively with staff to ensure that programs can continue with little impact to the budget. ESSER funds were also used to great benefit to upgrade our STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) facilities including outdoor and indoor classroom areas, upgrades to technology used to enhance learning in the classrooms, provide resources for curriculum development and assessment, provide additional professional development opportunities for teachers, and provide additional hours of counseling support for our students. These federally supplied funds provided a wonderful boost to our efforts to expand educational opportunities for our students and staff. The Board is working with staff to ensure the ongoing support for these many programs and upgrades, now that federal pandemic programs are over.
Our small elementary school is one of very few in New Hampshire to hold accreditation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). Accreditation is renewed every ten years and we are nearing the end of the accreditation renewal cycle in the spring of 2024. Our UES staff has been working diligently over the past several years to make significant progress in the areas identified by NEASC; developing a detailed "vision of a learner," developing a consistent, written curriculum, developing a long term growth plan, and redesigning and upgrading our library/media center. Committees formed to address these four areas have made great progress this past year developing and implementing improvement strategies. The curriculum team is working to develop and implement a fully, vertically aligned curriculum that will provide consistency of expectation across all grade levels and provide for data collection and trend analysis that will enable regular review of curriculum efficacy. The curriculum is strongly based in our "vision of a learner" and is a key aspect of our long term growth plan. The redesigned and upgraded library is complete and provides a much more welcoming, enticing area for students to read, gather for teaming, conduct research, create, and learn. All of the progress made in these areas will be reviewed during the upcoming visit of the NEASC accreditation team.
Our UES staff are the key element to successfully meeting our educational goals. Their commitment to our children is clearly evident in their work to create a safe, supportive, and enriching environment in which all of our students can grow and thrive to become independent, self-directed, life-long learners, and responsible citizens. The Board values and respects these motivated individuals and strives to maintain a solid working relationship with UES staff. The Board is pleased to announce negotiation of a new, 3-year, teacher and staff contract that is competitive with other districts in the
area. Our goal is to provide a rewarding and encouraging environment that acknowledges competence and promotes growth and longevity.

The Board continues efforts to keep a consistent budget without gross fluctuations that can wreak havoc on tax rates. Towards this end, we continue to promote the building of trust funds to cover both anticipated (fluctuations in high school tuitions and new buses) and unanticipated (Special Education tuitions and some capital improvements) expenses and we take great care in the development and review of the annual budgets and expenditures that get presented to taxpayers during the annual meeting. Because the town has voted to put money into both the tuition and special education trust funds over the past few years, we now have funds available that we can use to offset the continuing large "bubble" in high school tuitions expected in the $24 / 25$ school year without further impacting the tax rate. We are also most grateful for the continued support of the Oberkotter Foundation that provides funding for professional development of our staff, funding for purchase of new art equipment and funding for many other materials and events that benefit our students.

Among the challenges faced by the Board and UES staff over the past few years has been ensuring that our administrative needs are met in a SAU whose resource expenditure is heavily biased towards the much larger Claremont School District. The UES Board desires relationship parity in district management and thus, has begun to consider options that include leaving SAU 6 to join a similar-sized district, or to form our own SAU. To pursue this idea further, we have included Warrant Article 9 on the 2024 Annual School Meeting agenda asking the town to approve the formation of a committee, pursuant to RSA 194-C, I, to study all options for school district management to determine the option that best meets the needs of our students, staff, school families and taxpayers. We strongly encourage a "yes" vote!
As always, the Board continues to encourage community members to participate on the PTA, School Board, or to connect directly with students by sharing your skills and knowledge with our young people. This interaction will greatly benefit these future leaders of our community. All members of the Unity community are encouraged to attend School Board meetings and all school functions that are offered to the community. Please visit the sau6.org website for more information on events and School Board meeting times and agendas.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie Erickson, Shannon Popescu - Chair, Rocco Ruggeri -Vice Chair, Atonya Hart, Kelly Simpson

## Unity Elementary School <br> Report of the Principal <br> 2023-2024

It is my pleasure to present to you my fourth Annual Report regarding the many happenings here at Unity Elementary School. It is great to be able to offer our students many different activities and events each and every day this year.

Our traditions and activities are in full swing: soccer and basketball - boys and girls in grades 3 through 8, Kiwanis KKids, Art Club, Theater Club, and Baking Club. We added Kiwanis Builders Club for grades 6 through 8 and Film Club for grades 6 through 8.We have had 2 Community Luncheons: one at Thanksgiving and one at Christmas. As I write my report, our next community luncheon is March 15, 2024 for St. Patrick's Day. We welcome all! Thank you to The Abbey Group for their continued support of our luncheons. We continued our patriotic remembrances this year: 911 remembrance, Veterans Day, and Memorial Day.

## Welcome Our New Staff:

We welcomed Patricia Nix as our 5th grade teacher, Janice Porter as our Middle School ELA/SS teacher, and Lindsey Grasso as our school nurse this year. ~ Welcome to UES!

## New England Association of Schools \& Colleges (NEASC)

It is hard to believe that we are getting ready for our decennial visit in March 2024. As with many things, NEASC has updated their standards and process for recertification.

I am pleased to share that our staff has been hard at work on our Priority Areas. Our Priority Areas were determined from our Self-Reflection Report. We have formed 3 committees that include staff members, school board members, and parents. These committees are Curriculum Committee, School Improvement Committee, and a Library Committee. I am extremely proud of our school community and our staff for their perseverance in meeting the Standards of Accreditation at an acceptable level.

We are excited to roll out our new Panther PRIDE Core Values along with our Portrait of a Learner:

## Core Values

Pawsitive Attitude: Students control their actions \& emotions in a safe and positive way
Responsibility: Students take care of themselves \& work hard in their learning
Independent Learner: Students speak up for themselves \& direct their learning
Determination: Students work together to learn from mistakes, overcome obstacles, and solve problems.
Empathy: Students understand \& respect others' feelings and opinions

## Portrait of a Learner

## Making Pawsitive Tracks Toward Mastery

Utilize responsible citizenship skills

- Respect others and their property
- Take responsibility for my actions
- Demonstrate good character by being truthful in words and actions
- Consider the needs of others in decision-making
- Reflect on words and actions and take responsibility to repair and restore relationships with individuals or the community
- Embrace the diversity of all cultures

Never stop learning

- Strive to be a lifelong learner
- Pose meaningful questions about the world and its people and seek to learn more
- Cultivate perseverance and overcome the challenges that may arise on my continuous path to learning I can communicate, collaborate, and contribute
- Identify personal perspectives and respect the perspectives of others
- Contribute to both school and local community
- Articulate thoughts through writing, speaking, visual representations and/or through physical gesture
- Flexible and adaptable when collaborating

Think critically and ethically Problem Solve

- Develop substantive questions to guide inquiry
- Propose potential solutions to existing problems using knowledge and creativity
- Seek to understand differing points of view when solving a problem

You can Succeed (thrive) PANTHER PRIDE

- Share their knowledge
- Productive citizens to the best of their abilities
- Approach circumstances with an open mind


## Leaving Pawsitive Prints for a Lifetime

## Some highlights of the past year...

## Summer Camp

We used some of our CARES money to fund a four (4) week summer camp for our students at no cost to our families. The staff planned 4 wonderful weeks of academics and fun! Each week had a different theme: Farm, Space, Olympics, and Ocean with academics, activities, field trips, and water play. Breakfast and lunch were served each day through The Abbey Group. What a wonderful time we had and looking forward to doing it all over again this summer 2023.

## Band

Our 4th and 5th graders continued our Panther Cubs band and wow are they good!. The Unity Panther Pride Band continues to work on challenging music and from what I hear every day they are an amazing group of developing musicians. We are looking forward to another well attended outdoor spring concert in May 2024. Both bands along with our K-3 students will show off their artwork and music abilities. Stay tuned for details.

## Other items:

Our wonderful Unity Volunteer Fire Department spent the day with us for Fire Safety Week. They taught our students the importance of being safe, showing them the fire equipment, and having a bit of fun with the fire hoses. Mr Randy Bragdon "the Good Humor Man" came by with his yearly donation of ice cream for our students. We had a beautiful day enjoying the yummy desserts. In December, KKids sponsored our food drive. We were able to help our needy families in Unity at Christmas and the extra food went to the Claremont Soup Kitchen.

Our 8th graders this year are planning their class to trip to Lake George, NY, developing their capstone projects, and finally graduation. Time is flying by!

It is a privilege and my pleasure to work with the outstanding and dedicated staff here at Unity Elementary School. We are truly blessed each day with the excellent students that make our motto come to life:
"Respect yourself; Respect others; Respect your school."
I look forward to continuing the great things here at UES and the community in the upcoming years. My door is always open and you are always welcome at UES.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan L. Schroeter
Principal

## Unity Elementary <br> School Nurse Report <br> 2023-2024

I have enjoyed working with the incredible staff, students, parents, and the community at Unity Elementary School this past year.

The student population consists of approximately 100 students in grades PreK through 8. The annual immunization survey has been completed and sent to the New Hampshire, Division of Public Health. Currently we are in $95 \%$ compliance.

The annual screenings will begin in February. The screenings provide a unique opportunity for nurses to positively impact the health of students. Screenings may act as a safety net for children who may not have regular access to primary care. Screenings also provide an additional point of contact for the student to develop a rapport with the school nurse, and evaluate the overall well-being of the student. The screenings include height, weight, blood pressure, in grades 5 through 8 , with scoliosis checks in grades 7 and 8 . Vision and hearing will be completed in all grades. The screenings do not replace the yearly school physical.

We continue to have The Sullivan County Dental Initiative Program again this year. This year we have about $35 \%$ of our students participating in the program. This program provides the child with Classroom Education:
A registered dental hygienist visits your child's classroom and teaches children about healthy dental habits, how to keep teeth clean and the importance of good nutrition. Dental Screenings: A FREE brief visual check of your child's teeth and mouth. It is an educational and fun experience for the child to enjoy with their classmates. The Northeast Delta Foundation sponsors the Fluoride Rinse Program. This year the dental hygienist applied fluoride to the teeth of all the participants of the program. We thank them for their generous support.

It has been a pleasure to be the Unity Elementary School nurse. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at school or lgrasso@sau6.org.

Lindsey Grasso, R.N

Unity Elementary School Nurse

# UNITY ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING 

March 18, 2023
10:00 am
Unity Elementary School Gymnasium
Board Members
Marjorie Erickson - Chair, Shannon Popescu - Vice Chair, Garry Bator, Rocco Ruggeri, \& Atonya Hart

SAU \#6 Central Office Administration
Michael Tempesta, Superintendent
Michael Koski, Asst. Superintendent
Ben Nester, Director of Special Education Jeff Small, Director of Technology
Richard Seaman, Asst. Superintendent for Finance, Operations and Human Resources
Core Value \& Mission Statement

## Vision

"SAU \# 6 inspires self-driven excellence for all stakeholders through rigorous curricula and effective home-school-community partnerships, emphasizing individual strengths and goals in a safe and supportive environment where all students will learn, grow, and become contributing members of our society."

## Mission

It is our mission at Unity Elementary School to provide a safe and supportive environment in which students are guided in becoming independent, self-directed, life-long learners and responsible citizens. We strive to meet the unique needs of all students through a curriculum enriched by partnership with home and community

Unity School Board Goals
2022-2023

1. To acknowledge and reward the spirit and self-directed learning by students and staff through the celebration and expansion of academic, social and community opportunities. 2. To support the collection and use of data related to student accomplishments and challenges; and the development of action based upon the data results
2. To maintain fiscally responsible facility maintenance and use for students and community members and increase community awareness.
3. To attract and retain highly qualified staff who foster family support and participation in children's education.
4. Provide increased opportunities for family engagement with school and home based academic and social development including opportunities that cultivate student's artistic, athletic, social and cultural interest.

## MINUTES

## I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

1. Moderator Fred Bellimer opened the meeting at 10:06 am.
II. General Business
2. Turn off cell phones and electronic devices.
3. Reading of Special Warrant and Articles
a. Marjorie motioned to move Article I: Hearing of Reports; Atonya seconded the motion.
b. Fred read the results of the school district officer vote from March 14, 2023: School Board Member 3 Years, Marjorie Erickson, 114 votes; School Board Member 3 Years, Kelly Simpson, 72 votes; Moderator, 1 Year, Fred Bellimer, 147 votes; Treasurer, 1 Year, Dorothy McClay, 139 votes; School District Clerk, 1 Year, Jennifer Thompson, 140 votes. No discussion. Motion approved; Article I passed.
4. Article II: District Officer Compensation
a. Fred read Article II. Shannon motioned to move; Atonya seconded. No discussion. Motion approved; Article II passed.
5. Article III: Main Budget
a. Fred read Article III. Marjorie motioned to move; Shannon seconded. Discussion:
b. Marjorie explained that the budget reflects a slight increase from last year. The board worked closely with the principal and staff to create the budget in light of inflation. She said that there are some articles for further consideration.
c. Principal Susan Schroeter began an explanation of the budget as written in the town report. She said there will be a huge increase in high school tuition for next year because of the large sizes of this year and next year's outgoing grade 8 class. The school board recommends taking out $\$ 150,000$ from the tuition expendable trust to offset the tax rate, which would otherwise need to be increased if that does not happen. Therefore, if citizens approve Articles II and III but reject Articles IV and V, the tax rate will go up. She explained the fluctuations in the special education budget. The extended year and athletics programs have not changed. There is a slight reduction in the guidance budget, slight increase in the health budget, and slight increase in the media salaries and benefits budgets. The information management budget shows a slight increase for data communications costs but has otherwise stayed level. The cycling-out schedule for student Chromebooks has worked well to ensure there are few major fluctuations in expenses year after year. Sue explained the portion of the services we pay SAU 6 and why they show increases. School administration salaries show an increase.
d. School District Clerk Jen Thompson asked community members to complete the "Unity Community Vision of a Learner" survey.
e. Sue continued to review the maintenance and transportation budgets and asked that anyone who is willing to become a bus driver or to substitute to contact her. She said that we now fully own two buses and the transportation reserve fund will continue to support their maintenance.
f. There is an overall general fund increase of $\$ 233,309$ to the general fund reflecting a $6.93 \%$ increase overall. Richard Seaman, Asst. Superintendent for Finance, Operations and Human Resources explained the Budget Estimated Revenues and expenditures on pages 93-94 of the town report. He explained that the district assessment increased, which is what ultimately impacts the taxpayers of Unity as shown on page 94 because it dictates the estimated local rate (per $\$ 1,000$ ) and estimated state rate, and thus the total estimated tax rate; these figures are considered when the board and administration create the main budget. The warrant articles are proposed to offset the increases resulting from the tax rate increases that are the result of the district assessment figure from the state.
g. Fred re-read Article III before calling for a vote. Discussion:
i. Gordon Brann pointed out a discrepancy between the figures in the articles in the town report; this will be clarified in the minutes.
ii. Sue responded to Cathy Lombardo's request for clarification regarding how the warrant articles impact the tax rate.
iii. Linda Callum asked for the number of students at UES; Sue replied 99 plus one 3 -year-old.
iv. Cathy Lombardo asked why we have a three-year-old student. Sue responded that it is because of special education laws, which also require us to educate students until age 22.
v. Fred called for a vote on Article III as written. No objections. Article III approved.
6. Article IV: Use of High School Tuition Expendable Trust Funds
a. Fred read Article IV. Atonya motioned to move; Shannon seconded. Discussion:
b. Lorrie Bunnell asked if this is something that will continue to be built upon. Garry explained the board is trying to keep the budget on an even keel by maintaining a reserve fund that would support a baseline number of students, thereby avoiding a tax increase.
c. Fred called for a vote on Article IV as written. No objections. Article IV approved.
7. Article V: Use of Special Education Expendable Trust Funds
a. Fred read Article V. Rocco motioned to move; Marjorie seconded. No discussion.
b. Fred called for a vote on Article V as written. No objections. Article V approved.
8. Article VI: Special Education Reserve
a. Fred read Article VI. Garry motioned to move; Shannon seconded. No discussion.
b. Fred called for a vote on Article VI as written. No objections. Article VI approved.
9. Article VII: Transportation Reserve
a. Fred read Article VII. Marjorie motioned to move; Shannon seconded. No discussion. Article VII approved.

## 9. Article VIII: Tuition Reserve from Fund Balance

a. Fred read Article VII. Marjorie motioned to move; Shannon seconded. No discussion. Article VIII approved.
10. Article IX: Other Business
a. Fred read Article IX. Marjorie motioned to move; Shannon seconded. Discussion:
b. Principal Schroeter shared that the school now has a 15 -passenger bus thanks to funds from the Oberkotter Family Foundation and that the building is functioning properly. The staff will be trained to drive the new van. She said that we are fully staffed and do not have a staff shortage.
c. Jim Rohmer shared that a long time ago there were 12 different schools in Unity with as many school boards. He's been compiling records of those schools' records. He asked whether there are records at the SAU 6 main office that indicate how those many school districts became unified.
d. Chair Marjorie Erickson wanted to thank the staff and administration for their work toward the NEASC decennial accreditation, in particular, Jen Thompson who is leading the curriculum development committee; the library committee, the Vision of a Learner committee, and the school improvement committee. Marj also thanked Garry Bator, who is stepping down from the school board, and welcomed new school member Kelly Simpson.
III. Motion for Adjournment

1. Marjorie made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Shannon seconded. Motion approved; meeting adjourned at 11:07 am.

Respectfully submitted,


Jennifer Thompson
Unity School District Clerk




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[^1]Unity School District
FY25 Proposed Budget Summary

|  |  | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 | FY25 | INCREASE/ | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Actual | Actual | Appropriated | Proposed | (DECREASE) | Change |
|  | Expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Instruction: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1100 | Regular Instruction | \$ 1,471,879.40 | \$ 1,487,967.32 | \$ 1,806,935.35 | \$ 1,799,246.57 | \$ (7,688.78) | -0.43\% |
| 1200 | Special Education | \$ 419,563.47 | \$ 410,664.18 | \$449,189.36 | \$ 412,824.60 | \$ $(36,364.76)$ | -8.10\% |
| 1400 | CO-Curricular Programs | \$ 2,694.00 | \$ 3,911.02 | \$ 5,152.73 | \$ 6,295.19 | \$ 1,142.46 | 22.17\% |
|  | Total Instruction | \$ 1,894,136.87 | \$ 1,902,542.52 | \$ 2,261,277.44 | \$ 2,218,366.36 | \$ (42,911.08) | -1.90\% |
|  | Support Services |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2120 | Guidance | \$ 30,105.97 | \$ 32,297.64 | \$ 37,539.16 | \$ 79,150.92 | \$ 41,611.76 | 110.85\% |
| 2130 | Health Services | \$ 17,440.67 | \$ 21,620.83 | \$ 20,396.68 | \$ 22,149.23 | \$ 1,752.55 | 8.59\% |
| 2220 | Media | \$ 44,902.48 | \$ 45,600.60 | \$ 52,883.39 | \$ 74,923.79 | \$ 22,040.40 | 41.68\% |
| 2225 | Technology | \$ 58,033.81 | \$ 59,148.20 | \$ 68,716.75 | \$ 42,570.00 | \$ $(26,146.75)$ | -38.05\% |
| 2310 | School Board | \$ 26,306.06 | \$ 13,706.82 | \$ 32,205.73 | \$ 29,880.73 | \$ (2,325.00) | -7.22\% |
| 2321 | SAU Services | \$ 175,050.00 | \$ 173,019.00 | \$ 234,827.00 | \$ 193,565.00 | \$ $(41,262.00)$ | -17.57\% |
| 2410 | Office of the Principal | \$ 177,892.19 | \$ 183,838.47 | \$ 208,689.80 | \$ 216,200.68 | \$7,510.88 | 3.60\% |
| 2600 |  <br> Maintenance | \$ 170,262.29 | \$ 182,734.36 | \$ 205,877.92 | \$ 199,930.57 | \$ (5,947.35) | -2.89\% |
| 2700 | Pupil <br> Transportation | \$ 107,200.93 | \$ 93,268.17 | \$ 69,885.75 | \$ 72,061.00 | \$ 2,175.25 | 3.11\% |
|  | Total Support Services | \$ 807,194.40 | \$ 805,234.09 | \$ 931,022.18 | \$ 930,431.92 | \$ (590.26) | -0.06\% |
| 5100 | Debt Service | \$ 556,662.80 | \$ 540,649.89 | \$ 519,763.38 | \$ 482,848.13 | \$ (36,915.25) | -7.10\% |
| 5221 | Transfer to Food Services Fund | \$ - | \$ 62,594.30 | \$ 18,000.00 | \$ 25,000.00 | \$7,000.00 | 38.89\% |
| 5250 | Transfer to Trust Funds | \$ 215,000.00 | \$ 180,312.39 | \$ 40,000.00 | \$ - | \$ (40,000.00) | -100.00\% |
|  |  | \$ 771,662.80 | \$ 783,556.58 | \$ 577,763.38 | \$ 507,848.13 | \$ (69,915.25) | -12.10\% |
|  | Total General Fund | \$ 3,472,994.07 | \$ 3,491,333.19 | \$ 3,770,063.00 | \$ 3,656,646.41 | \$ (113,416.59) | -3.01\% |
|  | Operating Budget | \$ 3,472,994.07 | \$ 3,491,333.19 | \$ 3,770,063.00 | \$ 3,656,646.41 | \$ $(113,416.59)$ | -3.01\% |

## Unity Estimated Tax Rate

## FY 2025 Budget

State \& Local Ed Tax Comparison Schedule

|  | $\frac{\text { FY } 2022 \text { Local Tax }}{\text { Assessment }}$ | FY 2023 Local Tax Assessment | $\frac{\text { FY } 2024 \text { Local }}{\underline{\text { Tax }}}$ | FY 2025 Local Estimated Tax |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TOWN |  |  |  |  | \$ Change | \% Change |
| Unity | \$2,037,395 | \$2,088,904 | \$2,237,534 | \$2,182,834 | $(\$ 54,700)$ | -2.44\% |
| Unity <br> SWEPT | 236,416 | 172,316 | 245,021 | 230,823 | $(14,198)$ | -5.79\% |
| TOTAL | \$2,273,811 | \$2,261,220 | \$2,482,555 | \$2,413,657 | $(\$ 68,898)$ | -2.78\% |


|  | FY 2022 | FY 2023 | FY 2024 | FY 2025 |  | Estimated Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Local Education | Local Education | Local <br> Education | Estimated Local | Increase/ | on a Property |
| TOWN | Tax Rate | Tax Rate | Tax Rate | School Tax Rate | (Decrease) | $\frac{\text { Assessed at }}{\$ 100,000}$ |
| Unity | \$15.07 | \$15.38 | \$16.29 | \$15.89 | (\$0.40) | (\$39.83) |
| Unity SWEPT | \$1.79 | \$1.30 | \$1.82 | \$1.72 | (\$0.11) | (\$10.57) |
|  | 2022 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |  |  |
|  | Net Assessed | Net Assessed | Net Assessed | Net Assessed | Increase/ |  |
| TOWN | Value w/Utilities | Value w/Utilities | Value w/Utilities | Value w/Utilities | (Decrease) |  |
| Unity | \$135,196,264.00 | $\begin{gathered} \$ 135,828,393.0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 137,342,985.0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 137,342,985.0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | \$0.00 | 0.00\% |
| Unity w/o Utilities | \$131,728,164.00 | $\begin{gathered} \$ 132,691,393.0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 134,370,385.0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 134,370,385.0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | \$0.00 | 0.00\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Note: Represents only the tax impact of the proposed budget. Warrant articles covering labor settlements, facilities improvements and/or any other money items will increase the above. Furthermore, all calculations are only for the school portion of your property tax bill and are based on the current total assessed valuation

## UNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## DISTRICT SHARE OF SAU6 EXPENSES \& SALARIES

## DISTRICT SHARE OF SAU6 EXPENSES 2024-2025 School Year



## DISTRICT SHARE OF ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES 2024-2025 School Year

|  |  | Claremont | Unity | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Allocation | $92.22 \%$ | $7.78 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Superintendent |  | 140,160 | 11,824 | 151,984 |
| Assistant Superintendent |  | 119,777 | 10,105 | 129,882 |
| Business Administrator |  | 124,860 | 10,534 | 135,394 |
| Director, Special Education |  | 106,551 | 8,989 | 115,540 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL |  | $\mathbf{4 9 1 , 3 4 8}$ | $\mathbf{4 1 , 4 5 2}$ | $\mathbf{5 3 2 , 8 0 0}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |

## UNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL TUITION 2024-2025 STUDENT ENROLLMENT PROJECTION

|  | 2023-24 <br> Budget | 2023-24 <br> Actual | Less <br> Seniors | Add <br> Fr./New | 2024-25 <br> Total | 2024-25 <br> Rates | 2024-25 <br> Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Claremont | 19 | 19 | 6 | 0 | 14 | $\$ 16,000$ | $\$ 224,000$ |
| Fall | 23 | 16 | 4 | 9 | 21 | $\$ 17,094$ | $\$ 358,974$ |
| Mountain | 23 | 10 | 6 | 1 | 5 | $\$ 17,125$ | $\$ 85,625$ |
| Newport | 11 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 11 | $\$ 16,000$ |

UNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
2024-2025 Projected Salaries

| Name | Description | Step |  | FY24 | FY25 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SCHROETER, SUSAN L | Principal |  |  | \$95,000.00 | \$99,750.00 |
| MCCLAY, DOROTHY M | Secretary |  |  | \$35,583.60 | \$42,760.00 |
| BUCHKO, GERARD J | Special Ed Teacher | Step 15 | (MA+30) | \$59,810.00 | \$64,850.14 |
| BOYINGTON, SUZANNE | Music Teacher | Step 25 | [MA] | \$52,519.20 | \$55,038.47 |
| BOYINGTON, SUZANNE | Art Teacher | Step 25 | [MA] | \$13,130.00 | \$13,759.62 |
| TBH | Librarian/Media Specialist |  |  | \$34,430.00 | \$36,525.07 |
| HARLOW, KRAIG | PE Teacher | Step 2 | [BA] | \$24,954.60 | \$26,987.73 |
| BESSLER, LISA B | Teacher | Step 22 | [BA] | \$59,641.00 | \$64,629.55 |
| GRIFFIN, BARBARA A | Teacher | Step 15 | [MA+15] | \$56,945.00 | \$61,820.85 |
| HART, ANDREA J | Teacher | STEP 1 | [BA] | \$40,641.00 | \$44,029.55 |
| HODGE, SHERIE S | Special Ed Teacher | Step 20 | [MA+15] | \$62,645.00 | \$66,829.55 |
| MERCADO, JOSEPH A | Teacher | Step 25 | [BA] | \$62,991.00 | \$66,820.85 |
| NIX, PATRICIA L | Teacher | Step 16 | [BA+15] | \$55,604.00 | \$59,385.47 |
| PORTER, JANICE | Teacher | Step 25 | [BA+15] | \$66,104.00 | \$69,985.47 |
| SMITH, MARIA | Teacher | Step 28 | (MA+30) | \$68,860.00 | \$73,050.14 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BORNEISEN, VIVIAN | Special Ed Paraprofessional | $15 \mathrm{hrs} /$ week |  | \$14,175.20 | \$16,422.00 |
| HARLOW, KRAIG | Special Ed Paraprofessional | $10 \mathrm{hrs} /$ week |  | \$5,734.00 | \$7,812.00 |
| HATHAWAY, SHAUN C | Special Ed Paraprofessional | $35 \mathrm{hrs} /$ week |  | \$19,279.40 | \$23,622.00 |
| ORCUTT, ELIZABETH A | Special Ed Paraprofessional | $35 \mathrm{hrs} /$ week |  | \$22,043.00 | \$26,386.00 |
| STUPKA, MELINDA L | Special Ed Paraprofessional | $35 \mathrm{hrs} /$ week |  | \$24,806.60 | \$29,149.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OSGOOD, MATTHEW B | Custodian - night | $20 \mathrm{hrs} /$ week |  | \$16,380.00 | \$18,720.00 |
| POPESCU, NICOLAE Q | Custodian | $40 \mathrm{hrs} /$ week |  | \$34,944.00 | \$41,600.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| KOKIEL, DAWN | Bus Driver |  |  | \$16,079.00 | \$17,500.00 |
| PECKHAM, EDWARD II | Bus Driver |  |  | \$19,937.96 | \$17,500.00 |

## Proposed Budget

Unity Local School
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year from:
July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025
Form Due Date: 20 Days after the Annual Meeting
This form was posted with the warrant on: February 20, 2024

SCHOOL BOARD 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.


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 perlod onding 6/30/2023 | Appropriations for period ending 6/30/2024 | Appropriations for period ending 6/30/2025 <br> (Recommended) | Appropriations for period ending 6/30/2025 <br> (Not Recommended) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| instruction |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1100-1199 | Regular Programs | 03 | \$1,487,967 | \$1,806,935 | \$1,802,257 | \$0 |
| 1200-1299 | Special Programs | 03 | \$410,664 | \$449,189 | \$409,755 | \$0 |
| 1300-1399 | Vocational Programs |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 1400-1499 | Other Programs | 03 | \$3,911 | \$5,153 | \$6,295 | \$0 |
| 1500-1599 | Non-Public Programs | 03 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 1600-1699 | Adult/Continuing Education Programs | 03 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 1700-1799 | Community/Junior College Education Programs |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 1800-1899 | Community Service Programs |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Instruction Subtotal |  | \$1,902,542 | \$2,261,277 | \$2,218,307 | \$0 |
| Support Services |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2000-2199, | Student Suppoit Services | \% 036 | $\because$, $\$ 57,919$ | \$57,936 | 4 1 - $\$ 95,121$ | $\mathrm{s}^{+}+1 \times \$ 0$ |
| 2200-2299 | Instructional Staff Services | 03 | \$104,749 | \$121,600 | \$120,822 | \$0 |
|  | - Support Services Subtotal |  | \$162,668 | \$179,536 | \$215,943 | \$0 |
| General Administration |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2310 (840) | School Board Contingency |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 2310-2319 | Other School Board | 03 | \$13,707 | \$32,206 | \$29,881 | \$0 |
|  | General Administration Subtotal |  | \$13,707 | \$32,206 | \$29,881 | \$0 |
| Executive Administration |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2320 (310) | SAU Management Services | 03 | \$173,019 | \$234,827 | \$193,565 | \$0 |
| 2320-2399 | All Other Administration |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 2400-2499 | School Administration Service | 03 | \$183,837 | \$208,690 | \$219,110 | \$0 |
| 2500-2599 | Business |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 2600-2699 | Plant Operations and Maintenance | 03 | \$182,734 | \$205,878 | \$199,931 | \$0 |
| 2700-2799 | Student Transportation | 03 | \$93,268 | \$69,886 | \$72,061 | \$0 |
| 2800-2999 | Support Service, Central and Other |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Executive Administration Subtotal |  | \$632,858 | \$719,281 | \$684,667 | \$0 |
| Non-Instructional Services |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3100 | Food Service Operations | 03 | \$84,000 | \$84,000 | \$84,000 | \$0 |
| 3200 | Enterprise Operations |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Non-Instructional Services Subtotal |  | \$84,000 | \$84,000 | \$84,000 | \$0 |

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## Appropriations



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## Special Warrant Articles




Individual Warrant Articles

| Account | Purpose | Article | Appropriatlons for Appropriations for perlod ending period ending 6/30/2025 6/30/2025 (Recommended) (Not Recommended) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | \$0 \$0 |

## Revenues



State Sources

| 3210 | School Building Aid | 03 | \$152,007 | \$149,757 | \$152,007 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3215 | Kindergarten Building Aid |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3220 | Kindergarten Ald |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3230 | Special Education Aid |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3240-3249 | Vocational Aid |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3250 | Adult Educatlon |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3260 | Child Nutrition | 03 | \$5,011 | \$500 | \$500 |
| 3270 | Driver Education |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 3290-3299 | Other State Sources |  | \$9,407 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | State |  | \$166,425 | \$150,257 | \$152,507 |


| Federal Sources |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4100-4539 | Federal Program Grants | 03 | \$125,480 | \$71,000 | \$71,000 |
| 4540 | Vocational Education |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4550 | Adult Education |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4560 | Child Nutritlon | 03 | \$45,098 | \$52,500 | \$52,500 |
| 4570 | Disabilities Programs |  | \$61,690 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4580 | Medicaid Distribution | 03 | \$5,637 | \$15,000 | \$15,000 |
| 4590-4999 | Other Federal Sources (non-4810) |  | \$164,037 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4810 | Federal Forest Reserve |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Federal Sources |  | \$401,942 | \$138,500 | \$138,500 |

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## Revenues

| Account | Source | Article | Actual Revenues for Period ending 6/30/2023 | Revised Estlmated Revenues for Period ending 6/30/2024 | Estimated Revenues for Period ending 6/30/2025 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Other Financing Sources |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5110-5139 | Sale of Bonds or Notes |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 5140 | Reimbursement Anticipation Notes |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 5221 | Transfers from Food Service Special Revenues Fund |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 5222 | Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 5230 | Transfer from Capital Project Funds |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 5251 | Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 5252 | Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds | 04 | \$0 | \$175,000 | \$150,000 |
| 5253 | Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 5300-5699 | Other Financing Sources |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 9997 | Supplemental Appropriation (Contra) |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 9998 | Amount Voted from Fund Balance | 07 | \$0 | \$0 | \$150,000 |
| 9999 | Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes |  | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Other Financing Sources Subtotal |  | \$0 | \$175,000 | \$300,000 |
| Total Estimated Revenues and Credits |  |  | \$725,614 | $\$ 589,350$ | \$719,507 |

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## Budget Summary

| Item | Period ending <br> $6 / 30 / 2025$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Operating Budget Appropriations | $\$ 3,811,646$ <br> Special Warrant Articles |
| Individual Warrant Articles |  |
| Total Appropriations | $\$ 355,000$ |
| Less Amount of Estimated Revenues \& Credits | $\$ 4,166,646$ |
| Less Amount of State Education Tax/Grant | $\$ 719,507$ |
| Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised | $\$ 1,114,305$ |

## Special Election Warrant

## Unity School District

## Unity, New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Unity, in the County of Sullivan, in the said State, qualified to vote in School District affairs, you are hereby notified to meet on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at the Unity Town Hall to act on the following subject:

To elect a Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, each for one-year terms, and two (2) School Board members for three-year terms by official ballot.

Voting will be held at the Unity Town Hall and polls will be open from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Newly elected officials will assume office at the conclusion of the March 16, 2024 Annual School District meeting, except for the Treasurer whose term of office will commence on July 1, 2024.

GIVEN UNDER THE HANDS AND SEAL AT SAID Unity this day of February, 2024.


Shannon Popescu, Unity School Board, Chair


Rocco Ruggeri, Unity School Board, Vice Chair


Marjorie Erickson, Unity School Board


Atonya Hart, Unity School Board


Kelly Simpson, Unity School Board

School District Warrant<br>Unity School District<br>Unity, New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Unity in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to attend the Annual District Meeting at the Unity Elementary School in Unity, New Hampshire on Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 10:00am to act upon the articles set forth in this warrant.

## Article I: HEARING OF REPORTS

To hear reports of Agents, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote related thereto.

## Article II: DISTRICT OFFICER COMPENSATION

To determine and fix salaries of school district officers as follows: School Board Members at \$500 per member per year; School District Treasurer at \$300 per year; School District Moderator at $\$ 75$ per meeting; and School District Clerk at $\$ 75$ per meeting. The salaries determined by the School District under this article are included in the amount raised and appropriated under Article III: MAIN BUDGET.
(The School Board recommends This Article)

## Article III: MAIN BUDGET

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million, Eight Hundred Eleven Thousand, Six Hundred Forty-Six Dollars, $\mathbf{( \$ 3 , 8 1 1 , 6 4 6 )}$ for the support of the schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between estimated revenue and appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes $\$ 3,656,646$ for the general fund, $\$ 84,000$ for the food service fund, and $\$ 71,000$ for the federal project fund.

Note 1: The above operating budget includes the sum necessary to fund the cost items in the 2024-2025 fiscal year for a three-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Unity School Board and the Unity Education Association. This agreement calls for the following estimated net increase in salaries and benefits for the 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027 fiscal years:

| Year | Estimated Increase |
| :--- | :--- |
| $2024-25$ | $\$ 90,726$ |
| $2025-26$ | $\$ 59,014$ |
| $2026-27$ | $\$ 49,294$ |

(The School Board recommends this Article. This includes a Statewide Property Tax of \$1.72 and a Local Property Tax of $\$ 15.89$, for a total Tax rate of $\$ 17.61$ )

## Article IV: USE OF HIGH SCHOOL TUITION EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand $(\$ 150,000)$ for High School Tuition and authorize the withdrawal of One Hundred Fifty Thousand $(\$ 150,000)$ from the High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose.
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. The tax impact is a decrease of (\$1.09). Majority vote required.)

## Article V: SPECIAL EDUCATION RESERVE

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars $(\mathbf{2 5} \mathbf{0 0 0})$ to be placed in the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund. (Balance as of December 31, 2023 - ~ $\$ 86,320$ )
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. The tax impact is $\$ 0.18$ )

## Article VI: TRANSPORTATION RESERVE

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars $(\mathbf{\$ 3 0} \mathbf{0 0 0})$ to be placed in the Transportation Expendable Trust Fund. (Balance as of December 31, 2023-\$15,000)
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. The tax impact is \$0.22)

## Article VII: TUITION RESERVE FROM FUND BALANCE

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand $\mathbf{( \$ 1 5 0 , 0 0 0 )}$ to be added to the High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This sum to come from the June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised from taxation.
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. There is no tax impact)

## ARTICLE VII: CREATE A PLANNING COMMITTEE

Shall the Unity School District pursuant to RSA 194-C, I, create a planning committee to study the advisability of the withdrawal of the Unity School District from SAU 6 in accordance with RSA 194-C:2, IV(a), for its organization, operation and control, and the advisability of constructing, maintaining, operating a School Administrative Unit to serve the needs of the Unity School District?
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. There is no tax impact)

## ARTICLE IX: OTHER BUSINESS

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

New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

Unity Local School
The inhabitants of the School District of Unity Local School in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in School District affairs are hereby notified that the Annual School District Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)
Date: MARCH IZ, ZOZ4
Time: 8:00 Am To 7:00 Pm
Location: UNITY TOUN HHLL
Details: ELECTION VUTE
Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)
Date: MARCH 16,2624
Time: 10.00 Am
Location: UN ITY ELENENTRARY SL HOCK
Details: WAKEANT VOTE
GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION
We certify and attest that on or before <DATE>, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at <LOCATION> and that an original was delivered to <OFFICIAL>.


## Article 01 Hear Reports of Agents, Committees, or Officers ch <br> Article I: HEARING OF REPORTS

To hear reports of Agents, Committees, or Officers chosen and pass any vote related thereto.

Yes
No

## Article 02 District Officer Compensation

Article II: DISTRICT OFFICER COMPENSATION
To determine and fix salaries of school district officers as follows: school Board Members at $\$ 500$ per member per year; school district Treasurer at $\$ 300$ per year; school district Moderator at $\$ 75$ per meeting; and school district Clerk at $\$ 75$ per meeting. The salaries determined by the School District under this article are included in the amount raised and appropriated under Article III: MAIN BUDGET.
(The School Board recommends This Article)

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\begin{array}{|l|l|l}
\hline \text { Yes } & \text { No }
\end{array}
$$

## Article 03 Main Budget

Article III: MAIN BUDGET
To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million, Eight Hundred Eleven Thousand, Six Hundred Forty-Six Dollars $(\$ 3,811,646)$ for the support of the schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between estimated revenue and appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes $\$ 3,656,646$ for the general fund, $\$ 84,000$ for the food service fund, and $\$ 71,000$ for the federal project fund. Note 1: The above operating budget includes the sum necessary to fund the cost items of the 2024-2025 fiscal year for a three-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Unity School Board and the Unity Education Association. The Agreement calls for the following estimated net increases in salaries and benefits for three fiscal years: Year Est. Increase 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027 fiscal years:

| Year | Estimated Increase |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2024-2025 | $\$ 90,726$ |
| $2025-2026$ | $\$ 59,014$ |
| $2026-2027$ | $\$ 49,294$ |

(The School Board recommends this Article. This includes a Statewide Property Tax of \$1.72 and an estimated Local Property Tax of $\$ 15.89$, for a total Tax rate of $\$ 17.61$ )

Article 04 To withdraw $\$ 150,000$ from the Tuition Expendable Trust
To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand ( $\$ 150,000$ ) for In State High School Tuition and authorize the withdrawal of One Hundred Fifty Thousand ( $\$ 150,000$ ) from the High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose.
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. The tax impact is a decrease of (\$1.09). Majority vote required)

| Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- |

## Article 05 Special Education Reserve

Article IV: SPECIAL EDUCATION RESERVE
To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars ( $\$ 25,000$ ) to be placed in the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund. (Balance as of June 30, 2023-\$~87,282.16)
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. The tax impact is $\$ 0.18$. Majority vote required)

| Yes | No |
| :--- | :--- |

## Article 06 Transportation Reserve

Article V: TRANSPORTATION RESERVE
To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars ( $\$ 30,000$ ) to be placed in the Transportation Expendable Trust Fund. (Balance as of June 30, 2023-\$15,108)
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. The tax impact is $\$ 0.22$. Majority vote required)

## Article 07 To add fund balance to the Tuition Reserve

Article VI: TUITION RESERVE FROM FUND BALANCE
To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand $(\$ 150,000)$ to be added to the High School Tuition Expendable Trust Fund. This sum to come from June 30 fund balance available for transfer on July 1. No amount to be raised from taxation.
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. There is no tax impact. Majority vote required)

Yes
No

## Article 08 Create a Planning Committee

Shall the Unity School District pursuant to RSA 194-C, I, create a planning committee to study the advisability of the withdrawal of the Unity School District from SAU 6 in accordance with RSA 194$\mathrm{C}: 2$, $\mathrm{IV}(\mathrm{a})$, for its organization, operation and control, and the advisability of constructing, maintaining, operating a School Administrative Unit to serve the needs of the Unity School District?
(The Unity School Board recommends this Article. There is no tax impact. Majority vote required)

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## Article 09 Other Business

ARTICLE VII: OTHER BUSINESS
To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.



[^0]:    *Broadband Bond Payment is made with the Consolidated Bond Reimbursement not with Town funds

[^1]:    ${ }^{\circ}$

