

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH

Annual Report

2024

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2024

2025 Town Meeting Warrant



Shapleigh Community Building: Built 2024- 2025

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH DIRECTORY

22 Back Road, Shapleigh, Maine 04076

Mailing Address: PO Box 26, Shapleigh, ME 04076-0026

www.shapleigh.net

<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Ext.</u>	<u>Internal Ext.</u>	<u>Email address</u>
Town Administrator/Board of Selectmen/Assessor	636-2843	0	4401	townadmin@shapleigh.net
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	636-2844	1	4415	townclerk@shapleigh.net
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector	636-2844	6	4413	deputytownclerk@shapleigh.net
Treasurer	636-2843	2	4403	treasurer@shapleigh.net
Code Enforcement Officer	636-2844	3	4409	ceo@shapleigh.net
Planning Board/Land Use Secretary	636-2844	4	4404	planningboard@shapleigh.net
Office Assistant	636-2843	5	4407	officeassistant@shapleigh.net

Fax Line: 207-636-3905

Clerk/Tax Collector Fax Line: 207-636-1144

Clerk/Tax Collector

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday (closed 12-12:30 for lunch)	9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Thursday Evening	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
First and Third Saturday of month (excluding Holiday weekends)	9:00 am – 12 noon

Code Enforcement Officer

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday	9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Thursday Evening	4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
First Saturday of month (excluding Holiday weekends)	9:00 am – 12:00 pm

* When calling in on 636-2211, 636-2839, 207-636-2843 or 207-636-2844 the extension selection is 9.

Fire Department and Rescue Squad*	636-2211	Station/Message Number	
Fire Chief*	432-4388	Steve Guillemette	firechief@shapleighfire.org
Rescue Chief *	636-2211	Gene Streck	rescuechief@shapleigh.net
Emergency Management Agency*	793-8416	Director - Darren Rogers	
Ross Corner Fire Company	247-7070	Chief - Ethan Hunt	RCFCSecretary1787@gmail.com
Road Commissioner - North	793-8416	Darren Rogers	
Road Commissioner - South	432-0566	Jeff Goodwin	
Animal Control Officer	432-6321	Brandon Mee	

Meeting Schedule

Board of Selectmen

Every Tuesday evening at 5:00 p.m.

Planning Board

2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm

Zoning Board of Appeals

1st Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. as needed

Conservation Committee

2nd Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m.

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Solid Waste Facility • 636-3688

Summer Hours (May – September)

Tuesday & Thursday, 9 am to 4 pm
Saturday & Sunday, 8 am to 4 pm

Winter Hours (October – April)

Wednesday, 10 am to 4 pm
Saturday & Sunday, 10 am to 4 pm

Shapleigh Community Library • 636-3630

Summer Hours (June – August)

Tuesday, 3 pm to 8 pm
Wednesday, 10 am to 2 pm
Thursday, 9 am to 2 pm and 6 pm to 8 pm
Saturday, 9 am to 1 pm

Winter Hours (September – May)

Tuesday, 3 pm to 6 pm
Wednesday and Thursday, 10 am to 2 pm
Saturday, 10 am to 2 pm

TABLE OF CONTENTS

DIRECTORY	INSIDE COVER
DEDICATION	1
MEMORIAL	2
ELECTED OFFICIALS/APPOINTMENTS	3
TRANSMITTAL LETTER	7
US SENATOR SUSAN COLLINS	9
US SENATOR ANGUS KING	11
US REP CHELLIE PINGREE	12
MAINE SENATOR JAMES LIBBY	13
GOVERNOR JANET MILLS	14
RSU #57 SUPERINTENDENT STEPHEN MARQUIS	15
EXEMPTIONS	18
CERTIFICATE OF ASSESSMENT	19
PLANNING BOARD	20
CODE OF ENFORCEMENT REPORT	24
SHAPLEIGH FIRE DEPARTMENT	25
SHAPLEIGH RESCUE SQUAD REPORT	27
ROSS CORNER FIRE COMPANY	29
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY	30
SHAPLEIGH ANIMAL CONTROL	31
SHAPLEIGH RECREATION	32
SHAPLEIGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION	33
ACTON-SHAPLEIGH YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS	34
ROAD COMMISSIONER REPORT NORTHERN DISTRICT	36
ROAD COMMISSIONER REPORT SOUTHERN DISTRICT	37
SACO RIVER CORRIDOR COMMISSION	38
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	40
TAX COLLECTOR REPORTS	42
2024 OUTSTANDING TAXES	43
2023 OUTSTANDING TAX LEINS	48
TOWN CLERK REPORTS	49
INVESTMENT RESERVES	53
TRUST FUNDS	54
ASSIGNED BALANCES	55
2024 TOWN MEETING – APPROVED	56
2023 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	60
DOOMSDAY NOTICE	BACK COVER
2025 WARRANT	Insert

Dedication in Memory

The Shapleigh Select Board dedicated this year's Annual Report to the late Selectman, Shawn Cavanaugh and Animal Control Officer, James Driscoll; in recognition of their dedication and service to the Town of Shapleigh.



Shawn Cavanaugh was elected to the Select Board in March 2023. Prior to joining the Board, he had many different jobs. He was a former police officer for the Town of Kennebunk, he worked on cars, trucks, and boats, and opened his own business repairing boats. Known as a jack of all trades. Shawn was passionate and took pride in serving the Town of Shapleigh in his role as Select Board Member. He was instrumental in the early stages of planning for the new Shapleigh Community Building. He was a strong advocate of finding the most cost-effective way to complete a project or solve a problem.

Shawn Cavanaugh passed away January 18, 2025 while recovering from injuries caused by an accident. He is survived by his loving wife, Jo-Ann and son, Jack.



James (Jim) Driscoll served as Animal Control Officer from 2020 to 2024. Jim was a retired firefighter from Abbingdon, Massachusetts who moved to Acton, Maine after an on-the-job injury. After moving to Maine, he jumped into serving his community right away serving on various Boards and Committee's over the years. Jim was a proponent for helping the less fortunate and was always willing to help someone in need. Jim was also an advocate for the health and safety of animals. He truly enjoyed his job and went above and beyond for the furry friends of Shapleigh. Outside of his job description, Jim would spend hours, even days, trying to help someone locate a missing pet.

Jim Driscoll passed away November 11, 2024 after a long valiant fight with cancer. He is survived by his loving daughters, Poleigh and Jayde and his partner, Mary.

THE TOWN WISHES TO RECOGNIZE THE PASSING
OF THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY BETWEEN
JANUARY 1, 2024 & DECEMBER 31, 2024.

Although they are gone, they are certainly not forgotten.

Descendent Name:	Age:	Resident Town:	Town of Death:	Date of Death:
Bastarache,Roger	69	Shapleigh	Biddeford	05/16/2024
Brierley,Bret Neece	73	Shapleigh	Biddeford	01/17/2024
Burnell,Dorothea Ann	92	Shapleigh	Sanford	03/08/2024
Dunin-Wilczynski, Richard Svan	64	Shapleigh	Scarborough	9/24/2024
Franck,Kevin Paul	55	Shapleigh	Scarborough	06/17/2024
Gardner-Harwood, Dawn Lee	63	Shapleigh	Shapleigh	04/15/2024
Garland,Robert Orren	63	Shapleigh	Sanford	06/17/2024
Genest,Philip Rene	73	Shapleigh	Biddeford	01/15/2024
Harrison,Stephen Richard Sr.	72	Shapleigh	Scarborough	09/21/2024
Koda,Susan Dunn	72	Shapleigh	Scarborough	06/15/2024
Laflamme,Janice Rae	73	Shapleigh	Shapleigh	02/18/2024
Mann,Lynne Marie	73	Shapleigh	Biddeford	07/11/2024
Nason,John Manley	67	Shapleigh	Biddeford	05/15/2024
Rodrigue,Lorraine Joanne	85	Shapleigh	Shapleigh	09/15/2024
Romano,Duane Edward	74	Shapleigh	Shapleigh	05/14/2024
Shippee,Beverly Ann	88	Shapleigh	Sanford	07/27/2024
Smith,Janet	83	Shapleigh	North Berwick	07/14/2024
Torno,Robert Darrell Jr.	71	Shapleigh	Shapleigh	07/25/2024
Travis,Kyah Lynn	16	Shapleigh	Shapleigh	04/09/2024

Budget Committee:	Jennifer Roux, Chairman	03/13/2027
	Josh Lewis	03/10/2026
	Linda Haley	03/10/2026
	Carolyn Rand	03/07/2025
	Susan Marcoux	03/07/2025
Forest Trustees:	Kevin Brown	03/07/2025
	Dave Lemaire	03/10/2026
	Thomas Small	03/13/2027
Library Trustees:	Martha Bovie	03/13/2027
	Ellen Gilette	03/13/2027
	Joan Dyer	03/10/2026
	Judy Kelley	03/10/2026
	Joseph Duclos	03/07/2025
	Eileen Glover, Chairman	03/07/2025
Road Commissioner's:	Jeffrey Goodwin, South	03/07/2025
	Darren Rogers, North	03/10/2026
RSU 57 Director:	Joshua Allard	03/07/2025
	Clinton Wesley Phinney JR	03/10/2026
	Nuvia Dighello	03/13/2027
Selectmen, Assessor and Overseers of the Poor:		
	Scott E. Cudworth, Chairman	03/07/2025
	Shawn J. Cavanaugh	03/10/2026
	Thomas J. Small	03/13/2027
Treasurer:	Michelle Rumney	03/07/2025
Animal Control:	Brandon Mee	06/30/2025
Assessment Review Board:	Harold Cebulla	11/01/2027
	Katherine Fagan	11/01/2027
	Linda Cote	04/30/2029

Ballot Clerks:

Doris Brown	05/01/2026
Rosanne Chessie	
Martha Chessie	
Liam Connelly	
Else-Marie Cook	
Anna Desmond	
Joan Dyer	
Katherine Fagan	
Dianna Garry	
Brenda Goodwin	
Bethanne Harmon	
Donna L Johnson	
Patricia Kaye-Schiess	
Richard Kaye-Schiess	
David Mann	
Eileen Mageary	
Margaret Moody	
Donna Morton	
Richard Nason	
Joanne Rankin, warden	(per election)

Capital Improvements Committee:

Katherine Fagan	07/20/2024
-----------------	------------

CEO/LPI:

Michael Demers	11/30/2025
Jason Sevigny (Alt)	11/30/2025

Community Days:

Suzanne Gagnon	04/30/2025
Nancy Hodgdon	04/30/2025
Monica Lemaire	04/30/2025
Penny Mills	04/30/2025

Comprehensive Plan Committee:

Andrew Auger	until completion
Rosanne Chessie	until completion
Katherine Fagan	until completion
Steve Guillemette	until completion
Brooke Stuart	until completion
Gene Streck	until completion
Penny Theriault	until completion

Conservation Commission:

Anna Desmond, Chairman	04/30/2026
Stephen Hinds	04/30/2028
David Mann	04/30/2027
Carol Boothby	04/30/2025
Susan Marcoux	04/30/2026
Elizabeth Savincki	04/30/2027
Susan Baker	04/30/2028

EMA Director:

Darren Rogers, Director	04/30/2025
Gene Streck, Deputy Director	04/30/2025

Fair Hearing Authority:

Harold Cebulla	04/30/2029
Katherine Fagan	04/30/2027
Susan Mulcahy	06/08/2026

Fire Chief/Fire Warden

Steve Guillemette	12/31/2025
-------------------	------------

Health Officer:

Joanne Bargioni	10/22/2025
-----------------	------------

Mousam Watershed Dam Coalition:

Roland Legere	04/30/2025
Shawn J. Cavanaugh	04/30/2026

Planning Board:

Margaret Moody	04/30/2029
Ann Harris, Chair	04/30/2028
Penny Theriault	04/30/2029
Thomas Clement	04/30/2026
David Lemaire	04/30/2025

Public Information Officer:

Michelle Rumney	05/01/2025
-----------------	------------

Recreation Committee:

Sandra Anderson, Chairman	04/30/2026
Jillian Dunne	04/30/2027

Registrar of Voters:

Kayla Moulton	12/31/2026
Tanya Mills (Deputy)	12/31/2026

Rescue Chief:

Gene Streck	12/31/2025
-------------	------------

Saco River Corridor:

Anna Desmond	11/01/2024
--------------	------------

Superintendent of Cemeteries: Ronald Rivard

Until Completion

Town Clerk/Tax Collector:

Kayla Moulton	03/13/2027
---------------	------------

Town Clerk/Deputy

Tanya Mills	03/13/2027
-------------	------------

Treasurer/Deputy

Kayla Moulton	03/07/2025
---------------	------------

Williams Property Advisory Committee:

George Marcoux	04/30/2025
Elizabeth Savincki	04/30/2025
Bruce Lamb	04/30/2025
Patricia Kaye Schiess	04/30/2025
William Sleight	04/30/2025

Zoning Board of Appeals:

Harold Cebulla, Chairman	04/30/2027
Katherine Fagan	04/30/2027
Karla Wilcox	04/30/2029
Linda Cote	04/30/2029

Letter from the Select Board

To the Citizens of Shapleigh,

2024 been a very busy year for the Town of Shapleigh.

In March, municipal elections were held and we welcomed a new member to the Select Board, Mr. Tom Small, who filled the seat of outgoing Select Board member, Michael Cote. The Annual Town Meeting was attended by approximately 43 residents/voters, who approved a municipal budget of \$3,589,477 for the year.

In April, the State was hit with a severe snow storm which left approximately 2 feet of wet and heavy snow in its path causing down trees and powerlines leaving most of the Town without power for several days. Our Road crews and Emergency responders handled the incident with extreme professionalism and care. The EMA Director and Town Administrator worked with FEMA to ensure 90% of the expenses related to this storm will be reimbursed to the Town.

In May, the RSU57 Budget meeting was held in Waterboro, where voters from the 6 towns in the district attended to approve the dollar amount of \$52,552,405 that would be put forward to be voted on by each Town in the district in June. 11 resident voters of Shapleigh attended.

In June, a Special Town Meeting was held and attended by 33 residents/voters, to ratify the expense of the debris clean up from the April storm, which fortunately will be reimbursed to the Town at 90%. Special Town Meeting also approved a Bond to build a new Community Building in the lot adjacent to the Town Hall.

The June RSU57 referendum vote approved the school budget of \$52,552,405 for the district, \$30,612,132 to be raised by taxation. Shapleigh's share of this appropriation for FY25 is \$4,640,462, which was an increase over the previous year of \$329,463, this along with decreased revenues attributed for the large tax rate increase in August. 163 resident voters participated.

In July, the Community Day Committee pulled off another well attended and highly successful Shapleigh Community Day weekend with live music in the gazebo, food trucks, kids' games, vendor tables, wildlife encounters, petting zoo, and more. It's amazing that such a small group can pull all of this together for the community, and we are thankful for their time and efforts.

The design package for the new Community Building was provided through the Building Committee's collaborative design, and was put out to bid and awarded to Hardy Pond Construction. Excavation and construction began in August and at the time of this letter, is 75% complete. This building will be the future home of all Board Meetings, Town Meetings, and Elections. In the event of extended power outages, the building will also act as an emergency warming and/or cooling center for residents. It will also offer space to rent out for birthday parties, training classes, or other festivities. It is our hope that this building will become an outlet to bring the community together throughout the year.

The Town Administrator along with members of the Conservation Committee and private citizens worked to become part of the Community Resilience Partnership with York County Soil and Water District to apply for future grants to improve the resiliency of the Town's infrastructure. At a public forum, it became clear that the first step of the process has to be a vulnerability study to see where the Town's weaknesses are community wide. In December a grant application was submitted to complete this first step and we are awaiting award decisions in the spring.

An alert system, E-Notify has been put in place, which can be accessed on the Town's website to sign up for areas of interest that you wish to stay apprised about. This system will notify you when alerts have been issued, such as a road closing or a power outage, or even if there is new public hearing notice posted. Additionally, a monthly newsletter has been created and is also posted on the website. Hard copies can be obtained at the Town Hall, Boonies Store, the Post Office, and Library.

We have several volunteer Boards/Committees that have vacancies and could use the community's help to fill these vacancies. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the Town Administrator for current volunteer offerings.

As we look ahead, to the future of Shapleigh, we are aware of much needed repairs and/or replacement of equipment, buildings, roads, bridges, etc.; as well as staying up to date with current technology, and we will continue to try to move forward and strengthen our reserves to pay for these expenditures as they come to a head. While it is always at the top of our priorities to keep the tax rate low, the Town is not immune to the dramatic increases on costs of goods and services that each of you see in your own households. We will continue to do our best to keep increases at a minimum, and of course the final numbers are always decided by you, the resident voters of Shapleigh, who attend Town Meeting and participate in the RSU57 Budget Validation Vote.

We are extremely grateful for the dedicated staff and volunteers who keep this town running, providing quality service to the taxpayers with the utmost respect and professionalism. We are also grateful to the residents of Shapleigh for your continued support.

Wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Respectfully,

Thomas J. Small, Chairman

Scott E. Cudworth

Shapleigh Select Board

Town of Shapleigh Mission Statement:

To be a fiscally responsible and transparent government; to serve its residents and taxpayers with care, to protect natural resources and preserve the rural character of the town.

SUSAN M. COLLINS
MAINE

413 DIRKSEN SENATE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1904
(202) 224-2523
(202) 224-2693 (FAX)

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1904

COMMITTEES:
SPECIAL COMMITTEE
ON AGING,
CHAIRMAN
APPROPRIATIONS
HEALTH, EDUCATION,
LABOR, AND PENSIONS
SELECT COMMITTEE
ON INTELLIGENCE

Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate, and I welcome this opportunity to share several key accomplishments for our state from the previous year.

As Vice Chair of the Appropriations Committee, I have secured nearly \$580 million for 230 projects across all of Maine's 16 counties to promote job creation, workforce training, and economic development; expand access to health care; support law enforcement; improve public education and infrastructure; and protect our environment. As the new Congress begins, I am honored to be taking the helm of the Committee, the first Mainer to do so in nearly a century, and I remain committed to ensuring that federal spending produces real results for our state and nation.

Maine has the oldest average age in the country, which is why I have long prioritized health-focused legislative efforts. There were more than 1,860 health care bills introduced during the 118th Congress. Only 15 health care bills were signed into law, and I was a lead sponsor of five of them. These bills will enhance care for individuals with Alzheimer's, autism, and substance abuse issues through improved research funding, strengthened public health programs, and increased support for rural first responders.

Another important bill that I coauthored was the *Social Security Fairness Act*. Since 2003, when I led the first-ever Senate hearing on the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset, I have sought to end these provisions of the *Social Security Act* that unfairly reduce the Social Security benefits that public employees or their spouses have earned. I am pleased to say that with the passage of my bill, the *Social Security Fairness Act*, in December, public sector retirees will now receive the full Social Security benefits they have earned.

When the Maine way of life was under threat, I was certain to defend the interests of our state. I worked to protect Maine's potato farmers when the Department of Agriculture tried to reclassify the potato from a vegetable to a grain. I thwarted efforts to consolidate USPS mail operations at the Hampden postal facility, which would have disrupted mail delivery throughout our state. I sounded the alarm with leaders at the FBI and Departments of State and Treasury on the spate of illicit marijuana growing operations that are destroying properties and providing refuge to foreign criminals in our state. Following damage to our working waterfronts after last winter's storms, I secured \$15 million to help fishing communities recover. I championed funding to support the Maine Air National Guard base, Bath Iron Works, and Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

As of last December, I have cast more than 9,100 consecutive votes, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997. My ranking as the most bipartisan Senator reflects Maine's tradition of working with a spirit of cooperation and respect.

My highest priority as a Senator is to ensure that Maine's needs are met. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact one of my state offices or visit my website at collins.senate.gov.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

ANGUS S. KING, JR.
MAINE

133 HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING
(202) 224-5344
Website: <https://www.King.Senate.gov>

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 1, 2025

COMMITTEES:
ARMED SERVICES
CHAIRMAN, STRATEGIC FORCES
SUBCOMMITTEE
ENERGY AND
NATURAL RESOURCES
CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL PARKS
SUBCOMMITTEE
INTELLIGENCE
VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Dear Friends,

Each year comes with renewed hope – to celebrate each other's successes and care for each other in times of need. I am thankful to each town in Maine for their commitment to their communities, to their citizens, and to this country. We always work together to get things done. This past year was no different.

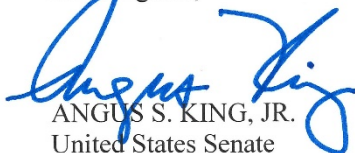
First, it was a true honor to be reelected to the United States Senate for another six-year term. Throughout my travels around the state, I heard many concerns about the cost of living and affordability of housing. Many of you also shared your concerns about access to medical and mental health services. The *Inflation Reduction Act* has been incredible for older people in Maine – Medicare is finally negotiating lower prices for prescription drugs, on top of the \$35 per month cap for insulin that took effect in 2023. We have an opportunity to build on what we have in common and do what Maine people do best; we will continue to help each other and lead through example.

I have also been consistently working to help our veterans. My team has repeatedly been successful in securing long-overdue recognition of military medals for many of Maine's combat veterans and working to resolve issues with claims, travel pay, and access to healthcare and benefits our veterans earned through their selfless service to our country. I have also worked with my Veterans Affairs and Defense partners in Washington to successfully pass a national defense bill that strengthens our national security, takes care of our service members, and supports Maine businesses from Aroostook to York County.

I am also thankful to have such an incredible team across Maine available to you for hurdles you may face with the federal government. Whether it be veteran issues, social security problems, student loans, immigration, IRS and more, please never hesitate to reach out to my offices in Presque Isle, Bangor, Augusta, Portland, or Biddeford and allow us the chance to be part of your solutions.

Together, over the next six years, I know we can continue to build a stronger, brighter future for our great state. Thank you for being one of the reasons Maine is so special; it is not only a pleasure to serve you — it is a pleasure to know you. Mary and I wish you a happy and safe 2025.

Best Regards,



ANGUS S. KING, JR.
United States Senate

AUGUSTA
40 Western Avenue, Suite 412
Augusta, ME 04330
(207) 622-8292

BANGOR
202 Harlow Street, Suite 20350
Bangor, ME 04401
(207) 945-8000

BIDDEFORD
227 Main Street
Biddeford, ME 04005
(207) 352-5216

PORTLAND
1 Pleasant Street, Unit 4W
Portland, ME 04101
(207) 245-1565

PRESQUE ISLE
167 Academy Street, Suite A
Presque Isle, ME 04769
(207) 764-5124

In Maine call toll-free 1-800-432-1599
Printed on Recycled Paper



CHELLIE PINGREE
CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
1ST DISTRICT MAINE

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEES:
INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES, RANKING MEMBER
AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
SUBCOMMITTEES:
BIOTECHNOLOGY, HORTICULTURE, AND RESEARCH
CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

Dear Friends,

I hope this letter finds you well and in good health. It is my honor to serve the people of Maine's First District, and I'm pleased to share some ways that I can support you and your community this year.

I know that navigating many federal agencies and programs can be frustrating. One of my most important roles as a Member of Congress is to assist you if you're having trouble. My office can help to resolve challenges with a wide range of programs, including Social Security, veterans' benefits, passport renewals, and more. If you need help, please reach out to my Portland office at (207) 774-5019 or visit my website at pingree.house.gov/contact.

As you know, communities around Maine have experienced major damage as a result of winter storms and widespread flooding in recent months. These storms have underscored the importance of disaster preparation, particularly as we face the growing impact of climate change. I am working closely with Governor Mills and her administration to ensure that federal assistance is available for both short-term recovery needs and long-term resiliency planning. My staff and I are continually updating my website with new resources and stand ready to answer any questions you may have.

My office can also provide more information about the annual Community Project Funding (CPF) process. Each year, Congress enacts appropriations bills that provide the federal government with the funding it needs to operate. CPFs are a critical tool to directly support local governments and nonprofit organizations through federal appropriations. If you know of a project that might be a good fit, I encourage you to keep in touch as more details about the Fiscal Year 2025 funding process become available, as eligibility requirements and limitations can differ from year to year.

It is always a privilege to hear from you, so don't hesitate to reach out to my office any time that I can be helpful. Please rest assured that I do not take the responsibility of representing you lightly, and as we move into this new year, I will continue fighting for Mainers on the issues that impact us most. Thank you, and I hope to see you in Maine soon.

Sincerely,

Chellie Pingree
Member of Congress



131st Legislature
Senate of
Maine
Senate District 22

Senator James D. Libby
3 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0003
(207) 287-1505

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Thank you for the honor of serving you in the Maine Senate and for putting your trust in me to be your voice in Augusta. This will be my second term of office, following prior service back in the late 1990's.

As a lifelong resident of Maine, I am familiar with the issues that our small towns face. It's with great excitement that I return for the upcoming session.

My goal this term is to educate other legislators, agency personnel, and the Governor on what life is currently like in rural towns in southern and western Maine.

For example, inflation has had a major impact that has been felt across Senate District 22. Young Mainers now find it significantly more difficult to own a home, even in our rural setting. Seniors on a fixed income have trouble simply staying in their own homes due to elevated property taxes. With the cost to run municipalities and schools escalating, I believe it is incumbent on the state and federal governments to target spending more wisely on the critical tasks of educating our children, maintaining roads and bridges, and improving existing programs. I am not returning to Augusta looking to constantly create new costly programs, as was the record of the previous legislature.

I will work hard to find economies of scale and scope, so that state government can be more effective. The time has come to reduce financial pressures on Maine Citizens.

You can rest assured that I will be there for you, regardless of political affiliation. In the 131st Legislature, I was the only Senator to cast a vote 100% of the time. This session, I am excited to announce that I have been reappointed to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs.

The 132nd Maine Legislature has much work ahead of us, starting with addressing a nearly half billion-dollar budget shortfall. I know we can solve the problems we face if we work collaboratively.

Please contact me at 287-1505 or james.libby@legislature.maine.gov if you have comments, questions or if you would like assistance in navigating our state's bureaucracy.

Thank you, God bless you, and God bless all the citizens of Maine.

Sincerely,



James D. Libby
State Senator
Maine Senate District 22



Janet T. Mills
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0001

Dear Maine Resident:

I have always been guided by the belief that to strengthen our state, we have to invest in our greatest asset: the people of Maine. With the support of the Legislature, my Administration has been investing in what people need to succeed, like job training, child care, health care, education, broadband, and housing.

We are seeing results — small businesses are expanding their operations; people are moving here to work and raise their families; and graduates are staying in Maine to pursue rewarding, life-long careers. These are all encouraging signs that are reflected in the strength of our economy. In fact, Maine has one of the best rates of economic growth in the nation.

That's good news, but I know that not everyone is feeling the benefits of our strong economy. The cost of living in Maine, as in much of America, is too high. The price of fuel, the cost of supplies, utilities and labor have driven up expenses for families across the country and impacted the budgets of towns, counties and nearly every state, including Maine.

I want everyone to benefit from the availability of good jobs, a good public education, and good health care in our state. That is why I have put forward a balanced budget proposal that proposes some savings and certain targeted revenue increases to maintain things we all support, like the state paying 55 percent of the cost of education and 5 percent municipal revenue sharing, to keep all these costs from being passed along to property taxpayers.

We have made good progress over the past six years to ensure that every person in Maine can find a good-paying job in a rewarding and stable career; go to the doctor when they feel sick because they have health insurance; and have the peace of mind that their children are safe at home and at school.

I look forward to working with communities and citizens across the state to solve problems, manage our finances, and keep our people healthy and safe.

Sincerely,

Janet T. Mills
Governor



PRINTED ON RECYCLED PAPER

PHONE: (207) 287-3531 (Voice)

TTY USERS CALL 711
www.maine.gov

FAX: (207) 287-1034

Regional School Unit 57
86 West Road, Waterboro, Maine 04087
Tel. No. (207) 247-3221
Fax. No. (207) 247-3477

Stephen D. Marquis, PhD.
Superintendent

Amanda M. Doyle, Edd.
Assistant Superintendent

Colin M. Walsh, CPA
Dir. Of Finance & Operations

RSU 57 prepares students for success in an ever-changing world.

January 2025

Dear Citizens of Shapleigh,

As we reflect on the accomplishments of the past year, it is with great pride and gratitude that I share this update on the state of our schools. Together, we have achieved significant milestones that underscore our collective commitment to providing a high-quality education and fostering excellence across all levels of our school system as we prepare students for success in an ever-changing world.

Academic Achievements: Our students have demonstrated measurable growth in learning as evidenced by improvements on state assessments. This progress reflects the dedication of our educators, students, and families working in partnership to achieve academic success. At the elementary level, our schools have climbed in state rankings, a testament to the hard work and innovative practices implemented by our teachers and staff.

At the middle school, we are proud to report the addition of several new course offerings that expand learning opportunities for our students. These enhancements were achieved without increasing staffing, showcasing our ability to innovate and efficiently utilize resources to benefit our students.

Similarly, at the high school level, we have implemented changes to the academic schedule that broaden the breadth of programming available to our students. These changes allow for more diverse educational experiences while maintaining our current staffing levels, ensuring that our focus remains on both academic quality and fiscal responsibility.

Athletic and Extracurricular Excellence: Our students continue to excel beyond the classroom as well. RSU 57 teams have been recognized for their exemplary sportsmanship, earning several Maine Principal Association Good Sportsmanship Awards. These awards highlight the character and integrity of our student-athletes, coaches, and supporters. Additionally, we celebrate our High School Wrestling Team for their extraordinary achievement in winning the 2024 State Championship. Their hard work, dedication, and teamwork serve as an inspiration to our entire community.

Staff Recognitions: The excellence of RSU 57 extends to our staff as well. This year, several of our educators and staff members have been recognized at the regional, state, and national levels for their expertise and contributions to their fields. These accolades reflect the exceptional talent within our district and the positive impact our staff members have on both our students and the broader educational community.

Community Acknowledgments: It is important to note that these achievements and recognitions are regularly celebrated at RSU 57 School Board Meetings which are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Massabesic East Building. A full schedule of School Board and committee meetings can be found on our website at www.rsu57.org. We encourage you to join us in acknowledging the outstanding efforts of our

students, staff, and community members who contribute to making RSU 57 a district of distinction.

Finance and Budget: The School Board began the development of the fiscal year 2024-2025 budget in early January, 2024. The goal of the budget process is to provide a budget that aligns with the District's Strategic Plan while being mindful of the financial impact to taxpayers. The budget is developed annually based upon the district educational goals, evaluation of current and future education programs, needs as expressed by state and federal requirements, staffing which is necessary to achieve these goals, facility maintenance plans as well as consideration of local economic conditions. The Finance Committee meets weekly from January through March to prepare a budget for the School Board's review and consideration that will then be brought forward to voters in June.

Facilities and Maintenance: In alignment with the RSU 57 Strategic Plan Focus Area 4: Facilities, the School Board and Finance Committee remain committed to continually reviewing and updating both the facility maintenance plan as well as the long term facility improvement plan. Given the number of buildings and also the aging nature of the District's facilities these plans are critically important to ensure that the facilities are cared for as efficiently as possible in an effort to keep unexpected repair costs to a minimum. The District continues to provide well maintained buildings through a structured preventative maintenance approach which includes roofing, leach fields, heating and ventilation systems, air and water quality, masonry, lighting, life safety systems and windows. The vast majority of these projects have been and will continue to be funded through the District's annual budget, federal grant funds or the District's capital reserve fund. It is through this structured and proactive approach that the District has been able to control repair and replacement costs and be as efficient as possible in using your local tax dollars.

The School Board plans to have a final approved budget in April to present to the citizens of RSU 57. Citizens will be asked to attend the District Budget Meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at the Massabesic Middle School at 7:00 p.m. The District Referendum Vote will be held on June 10, 2025, at your local precinct. The total General Fund Budget for the 2024-2025 school year for RSU #57 is \$52,552,405. The Town of Shapleigh's local portion of this budget is \$5,100,119 which equals 15.45% of the total local tax assessment and represents an increase in Shapleigh's local tax of \$459,657 or 9.91% over the 2023-2024 assessment. The district per pupil expenditure continues to be at a moderate level comparative to the state average.

Enrollment: The total enrollment for RSU #57 was 2,852 students in grades Pre-kindergarten through 12 based on the October 1 count. A total of 322 students from Shapleigh represent 11.29% of the total district enrollment. Current location of students:

Alfred Elementary School (PK-5) 2

LINE Elementary School (PK-5) 8

Lyman Elementary School (PK-5) 1

Shapleigh Memorial School (PK-5) 150

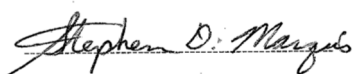
Waterboro Elementary School (PK-5) 0

Massabesic Middle School (6-8) 72

Massabesic High School (9-12) 89

As we look to the future, we remain steadfast in our commitment to continuous improvement and innovation. The success of RSU 57 is a direct result of the support and collaboration of our community, and we thank you for your ongoing dedication to our schools.

Respectfully submitted,



RSU #57 Superintendent of Schools

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

M.R.S.A. 36 Section 683 provides a property tax exemption of up to the just value of \$25,000 of the homestead of a permanent resident of this State who has owned a homestead in this scale to: the preceding 12 months prior to April 1st. The application for exemption must be filed by April 1st with the municipal assessor where the homestead is located. The exemption must be adjusted by the ratio of current just value. Homeowners who qualified for exemption for tax year 2024 and whose homestead status has not changed for 2024 need not reapply.

VETERAN'S EXEMPTION

Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 653(C) allows for exemption from taxation of estates, up to the value of \$6,000 having a taxable situs in the place of residence, of veterans who served in the Armed Forces of the United States during any federally recognized war period, including the Korean Campaign, the Vietnam War and Persian Gulf War, when they shall have reached the age of 62 years or when they are receiving any pensions from the United States Government for total disability. The exemption must be adjusted by the ratio of current just value.

BLIND EXEMPTION

Title 36 M.R.S.A. Section 654 exempts from taxation the residential real estate up to \$4,000 of inhabitants of Maine who are legally blind, as determined by a properly licensed Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Osteopathy or a Doctor of Optometry.

NOTE: Any veteran, veteran's widow or minor children, or blind persons who are, or may be, entitled to an exemption under the provisions of the law and have not previously qualified for an exemption must apply to the Assessors prior to April 1st and furnish proof of entitlement. Forms are available at the Town Hall.

2024 Tax Commitment

Total Taxable valuation of Real Estate **\$611,584,533**

ASSESSMENTS	County Tax	\$ 378,036.00
	Municipal Appropriation	\$3,589,747.00
	Local Education Appropriation	\$4,870,291.00
	Overlay	\$ 45,994.78
	TOTAL ASSESSMENTS	\$8,884,068.78

ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS	State Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$ 226,000.00
	Homestead Reimbursement	\$ 129,375.07
	BETE Reimbursement	\$ 600.09
	Other Revenue	\$1,158,500.00
	TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	\$1,514,475.16

Net Assessment for Commitment **\$7,369,593.62**

Tax Rate/\$1,000 valuation **\$ 12.05**

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas J. Small
Scott E. Cudworth

Board of Selectmen/Assessors

The following applications were reviewed by the Board in 2024:

Planning Board Annual Report 2024

The Planning Board wants to thank Madge Baker, Norman Baker, and Steve Foglio for their dedication to the Planning Board. They are on to new adventures, and will be greatly missed. We welcome Dave Lemaire and Penny Theriault to the Planning Board in 2024.

The following applications were reviewed by the Planning Board in 2024:

<u>Application</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Property Location</u>
Conditional Use Permit	Replace Structure 100 feet from HWM & 25' from Rd	Map 44, Lot 1 (27 Pine Cone Drive)
Conditional Use Permit	Mineral Extraction Renewal <i>Hissong Ready Mix</i>	Map 7, Lot 28 (Corner of Rte. 11 & Square Pond Road)
Conditional Use Permit	Food Vendor Trucks up to 10	Map 18, Lot 28 (146 Emery Mills Rd)
Conditional Use Permit	Whiskey Distillery	Map 11, Lot 23A (486 Newfield Rd)
Conditional Use Permit	Municipal Multiuse Building	Map 5, Lot 28A (Back Road)
Conditional Use Permit	Seasonal Camp in SD & GPD, Using Less Restrictive Setbacks	Map 33, Lot 108 (Treasure Island)
Conditional Use Permit	Replace Retaining Walls	Map 24, Lot 24 (7 Acorn Way)
Conditional Use Permit	Replace Part of Walls & Stairs	Map 43, Lot 32 (89 Pine Cone Drive)
Conditional Use Permit	Replace Retaining Wall	Map 34, Lot 29 (242 Cedar Drive)
Conditional Use Permit	Replace Retaining Wall	Map 34, Lot 27 (11 Cherry Road)
Conditional Use Permit	New Structure Using Reduced Front Setback in SD	Map 32, Lot 34 (138 Dogwood Drive)
Amendment to a CUP	Add 12' x 20' Storage Shed for <i>Mainely Rustic</i>	Map 19, Lot 13 (63 Emery Mills Rd)
Amendment to a CUP	Storage Bldg. for Business – <i>Wakita Electric</i>	Map 11, Lot 23J (522 Newfield Rd)
Amendment to a CUP	Moving Business from Garage to Shed – <i>Shapleigh Apparel</i>	Map 4, Lot 45C (29 Walnut Hill Rd)
Amendment to a CUP	Extend Food Court Hours	Map 18, Lot 28 (146 Emery Mills Road)
<i>After-the-Fact</i> CUP	Replace Retaining Walls	Map 17, Lot 25 (104 30 th Street)
Best Practical Location	Replace Structure	Map 23, Lot 9 (41 Starboard Lane)
Best Practical Location	New Foundation	Map 43, Lot 43 (29 Pine Cone Drive)

Best Practical Location	Replace Structure Destroyed by Fire	Map 36, Lot 26 (1 Blaneys Island)
Best Practical Location	Replace Structure	Map 34, Lot 44 (49 Chestnut Road)
Best Practical Location	New Foundation	Map 39, Lot 59 (58 Swan Circle)
Best Practical Location	Replace Structure	Map 26, Lot 39 (5 Buccaneers Way)
Best Practical Location	Replace Structure	Map 39, Lot 73 (18 Loon Lane)
Minor Subdivision	2 New Lots	Map 5, Lot 25C (114 Owls Nest Road)
Major Subdivision	5-Lot Cluster Subdivision	Map 7, Lot 16-3 (34 Stone Post Rd)

The following applications were reviewed by the Planning Board in 2024:

<u>Application</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Property Location</u>
Construction of a Private Way	Construct (2) Private Ways to Access 6 Family Lots	Map 9, Lot(s) 12A-1 & 12A-2 (428 Town Farm Rd)
Construction of a Private Way	Access 2 Proposed Family Lots	Map 11, Lot 23 (Newfield Road)
Construction of a Private Way	Access New Lot	Map 22, Lot 1 (84 Wardens Way)
Construction of a Private Way	Access 1 Lot with Structure and 2 Additional Lots for Family	Map 6, Lot 26 (275 Nason Road)
<i>Applications Still Under Review:</i>		
Amendment to a CUP	Dumpster Container Business	Map 18, Lot 28 (146 Emery Mills Rd)
Best Practical Location	Replace Structure	Map 25, Lot 16 (169 23 rd Street)
Best Practical Location	Replace Structure	Map 31, Lot 19 (101 Totte Road)
<i>Tabled Applications:</i>		
Conditional Use Permit	Convenience Store & 24 Hour Gas Pumps	Map 12, Lot 40 (522 Newfield Road)
Major Subdivision	5 Lots	Map 1, Lot 19 (26 Tattle Street)
<i>Applications Not Approved:</i>		
Best Practical Location	Best Practical Location App Tabled – 90 Days Expired	Map 37, Lot 25 & 26A (336 Indian Village Road)
Conditional Use Permit	Replace Retaining Wall App Tabled – 90 Days Expired	Map 43, Lot 33 (81 Pine Cone Drive)

The Planning Board is proposing several amendments to the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance at March Town Meeting 2025. Under §105-3 'Basic requirements', the Board proposes to amend the ordinance, to further let applicants know what to bring to the Planning Board with their application, in order to comply with the existing ordinance, and what will be required upon final approval. This includes the photographic requirement and survey requirement(s) in the Shoreland District. Under §105-4, a new ordinance entitled 'Replacement of nonconforming retaining wall(s) within the Shoreland District' is being added. The requirements for replacement walls will remain the same, but all the requirements will now be in one location, instead of applicants having to go to three different sections of the ordinance to find the requirements. An amendment to §105-17 'Land uses', will also address this change. New definitions are being added, due to some confusion earlier in the year by applicants and Board members, they are for 'Licensed Surveyor', 'Survey', 'Qualified Professional', and 'Buffers'. The definition of Piers and Docks is being removed as they are no longer reviewed by the Town. Under §105-51.3 'Revegetation requirements', the amendment provides clarity to what the Planning Board looks for with Shoreland District projects. Under §105-60.1 'Private ways', an amendment was made removing the need for a turnout if the private way is 16 feet wide, as one is not necessary at that road width. The Select Board and Planning Board agreed to what should take place regarding ordinance violations, these amendments are found under §105-4; §105-63, §105-66, §105-73 and under §89-22 of the Subdivision Ordinance. Other Subdivision ordinance amendments were under §89-15, Minor Subdivision Submissions and Final Plan, a Mylar is no longer required, and the number of plan copies is spelled out clearly; the same for Major Subdivision, §89-17 & §89-19 'Submissions'. A new section is being added under §89-22 'Violations and penalties', to clearly spell out what will take place if conditions are not met. Under §89-38 'Stormwater management design standards', the change is to the design standard, changing it to the 100 year storm, to mirror the stormwater requirement in the Zoning Ordinance, and to account for the changing climate and increase in stormwater flow and damage. The stormwater requirement under §105-73 'Conditional use permits', will also be changed to the 100 year storm, so it also mirrors the stormwater requirement currently in place under §105-26 'Stormwater runoff'. All of the proposed changes should help applicants know what is expected of them, as well as protect the resources in Shapleigh.

Thirty-four (34) Growth Permits were available per the Growth Ordinance for the year 2024 with an additional two permits available for Habitat for Humanity. As of December 2024, 21 Growth Permits were given out for family homes (included in this count were two permits for seasonal conversions and two for duplexes). This left 13 growth permits still available, as well as the two permits for Habitat for Humanity. This is another decrease in new homes over the last two years.

The purpose of the Planning Board is to administer the priorities of the Town of Shapleigh's Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance, and Growth Ordinance in order to maintain safe and healthful conditions, prevent and control water pollution, protect spawning grounds, fish, aquatic life, bird and other wildlife habitat, control building sites, placement of structures and land uses and conserve shore cover, visual as well as actual points of access to inland water and natural beauty, and to encourage the preservation of farmland. As a Board member, part of the responsibility is to administer the Shoreland Zoning guidelines mandated by the State of Maine Department of Environmental Protection which are reflected in the Zoning Ordinance. Other specific duties as a Board member are to make recommendations regarding ordinance amendments; review applications for the reconstruction and relocation of non-conforming structures; review applications for commercial uses;

and review applications for new roads and parking facilities. Working with the Code Enforcement Office, the role of a member is very important as you can see, for the environment, and the health and safety of Shapleigh's citizens.

The Planning Board is made up of seven members, five regular members and two alternates. If you are interested in being a Board member, please contact Town Administrator Michelle Rumney or Land Use Secretary Barbara Felong. Planning Board meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. Planning Board agendas are posted at the Town Hall on the Friday prior to the scheduled meeting, and on the Town's website at www.Shapleigh.net. You may contact the Land Use Secretary during regular town office hours, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday if you have any questions or have additional information you feel will be helpful to the Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Harris, Chairman

Maggie Moody

Thomas Clement

Penny Theriault, Vice Chairman

Dave Lemaire

Barbara Felong, Land Use Secretary

Dear Residents of Shapleigh,

It has been a busy and productive year for the Codes Enforcement Office, and I am pleased to provide a summary of our work in 2024.

This year, I issued:

- ... **154 Building Permits:** Supporting a wide range of projects, including new construction, renovations, accessory structures, and Shoreland Buffer improvements.
- ... **78 Plumbing Permits:** Ensuring proper plumbing systems, with about half focused on internal plumbing installations and the other half on septic system improvements.
- ... **42 Hazard Tree Permits:** These permits, required within the Shoreland Zone, address safety concerns related to hazardous trees. To protect our natural resources, replanting is a key component of the permitting process, ensuring long-term environmental health.

I want to express how much I enjoy serving our community. One of the most rewarding parts of this role is the opportunity to visit your properties and projects. Whether it's helping with a new construction, a thoughtful renovation, or vital safety improvements, it's inspiring to witness the care and effort that Shapleigh residents invest in their homes, businesses, and the natural environment.

As always, my goal is to guide you through the permitting process with clarity, fairness, and efficiency. I am here to assist and answer any questions to help your projects succeed. Together, we can ensure that Shapleigh continues to grow in a way that is safe, sustainable, and reflective of the strong community values we all share.

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your Codes Enforcement Officer. I look forward to continuing to work with you in the year ahead!

Respectfully submitted, Michael Demers

Code Enforcement Officer, Local Plumbing Inspector, E911 Addressing Officer

Greetings:

My name is Steven Guillemette I am the Fire Chief for the Town of Shapleigh. I have been the Chief now for 5 years. 2024 was a busy year for the fire department. We responded to 189 calls for service. We had 2 members attend firefighter 1 & 2 school last January and graduated in June of 2024.

On April 4, 2024 the Town of Shapleigh experienced a harsh spring storm. That day Shapleigh fire responded to 27 calls for service, that included trees down, tree and wires down, powerlines down. We had to close 6 roads down including Rt 11 where a large pine tree crossed the entire road. The Shapleigh fire department worked quickly to make Rt 11 passable. I would like to thank all the citizens in the Town of Shapleigh for their patience during the duration of the event.

Please be mindful if you come across any wire down on the ground to treat all wires to be energized. Remember no line is safe to touch ever.

If you or your family is having any emergency, or you would like to report an emergency please dial **9-1-1** to report an incident and not the Shapleigh fire station. There are times when no one is at the station to take your call, this could delay a response to your emergency, Thank you.

The Shapleigh Fire Department command staff for 2024 was made up with the following members:

Fire Chief – Steven Guillemette

Assistant Chief – Bryant Jackson

Captain – Brian Carroll

Lieutenant – Tim Benoit

Lieutenant – Nicholas Payne

Fire prevention officer – Roger Van Baarle

The following is a current list of Firefighters:

FF- Seth Merrill

FF- Heath Bryant

FF- Andrew Auger

FF- Katie Roese

FF- Elliott Payne

FF- Christopher Alden

FF- John Tierney

FF- Zack Face

FF- Daren

We also have a traffic control division. The function of the group is to assist on the fireground and at motor vehicle accidents, alerting motorists of the traffic hazards associated with the call.

This group is made up of the following members:

Bob Kirton , Jane Kirton , Russ Creteau , John Bedard , Richard Anderson and Micheal Thorton.

Shapleigh Fire Department is always looking for new members. If you have a strong desire to help others, consider joining our team. If you are interested in joining the fire dept. as a firefighter, driver operator or the traffic control division, please go to the Town of Shapleigh website for an application, you can find the application and job description under the fire department section on the town's web page.

We applied For a Grant through the Maine Forest Service to be used to purchase needed items to fight Forest fires. Some of the item's purchased were 2 DeWalt 60 volt battery operated chain saws, several hose adapters, gated wyers, inline tee's, 2 hose bags to be used to build progressive hose packs and 4 Icom portable Radios.

As for calls for service Shapleigh Fire Department responded to 189 calls for service.

Here is a list of calls the department responded to: motor vehicle accident with injuries (19) – motor vehicle accident no injuries (25) medical assistance (24) – public assistance (3) – carbon monoxide detector activation (4) – fire alarm activation (12) – structure fires (2) – smoke investigation (6) - car fires (0) – gas leak (2) – chimney fires (3) – furnace problem (2) - outside fires (5) – woods fire (4) – grass fire (1) - wires & lines down (10) – trees down (15) – trees on wires (16) – Haz-mat (1) – water rescue (1) –station coverage (4) - odor investigation (0) – mutual aid fire calls (15) – smoke in the building (1) – explosion (1) – un-permitted burning (5) – missing person (1) – appliance fire (1) - service call (5) – lithium battery fire (1) .

If you are interested in getting a burning permit you can apply online at (maineburningpermit.com)

If you need to contact me my cell phone # is 207-432-4388.

My email address is (firechief@shapleighfire.org) If you are reporting an emergency dial 9-1-1.

Stay safe, stay healthy, and remember smoke detectors save lives always change your batteries every 6 months.

Best Regards,

Chief Steven Guillemette

Shapleigh Fire Department

Shapleigh Rescue 2024 Report

To the Residents of the Town of Shapleigh & Select Board of the Town of Shapleigh,

It is with great pleasure to provide you with this entry for the 2024 report. This year proved remarkable development for Shapleigh Rescue. We added several new members to the department, filling our roster with a complete staff as well as an increase in training and equipment to help provide stronger services to the community. Several of our staff have attended specialized training courses throughout the year to continue to provide you with superlative emergency medical services that you expect from our department.

The year has not been without a challenge, having to meet new requirements from the State and Federal government. New statewide EMS protocols will further advance our care for the community. They will allow us to provide better care for all Mainers and the residents of the Town of Shapleigh. While the year was not without its difficulties, the year did see an increase in call volume for us.

Your Rescue made up of 26 staff members who provide coverage with a single ALS ambulance licensed equipped and licensed by the State at paramedic level. In 2024, we responded to 336 requests for service.

At our core, are our values and mission statements; Our mission statement: “Our Mission at Shapleigh Rescue is caring for the sick and injured with energy, vigor, authority, and strength.” Our values statement, “Shapleigh Rescue brings integrity and compassion to emergency medical services while helping people overcome sickness and injuries.”

Our hope for you all is a safe and wonderful 2024. We thank you for your dedication to us and your support.

Respectfully Submitted

Gene T. Streck
Chief of Department

Below is a breakdown of calls from 2024:

Abdominal Pain	9	Other	3
Allergic Reaction	3	Overdose	4
Assault	1	Pain/Other	18
Burns	2	Respiratory Problem	21
Cardiac Arrest	3	Seizure	6
Cardiac Problems	7	Sick Person	27
Chest Pain	11	Sick/pandemic	1
CO Alarm/ Haz Materials	6	Stand by	6
Community Assistance	11	Stroke	9
Diabetic Problems	9	Syncope	13
Environmental	3	Traffic/Transport accident	45
Fall	25	Well person check	3
Fire/Fire Alarm/ Fire Other	38	Traumatic Injury	32
Medical Alarm	5	Unconscious	2
Mental Health	13		
Total Year Calls	336		

Ross Corner Fire Company

1787 Gore Road Shapleigh, ME 04076



Annual Report

This year we applied for and received an Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) from FEMA. The total grant of \$64,232 provided us funding to replace our aging SCBAs with new Dräger SCBAs. We were able to purchase 8 pack harnesses, 8 masks, 8 protective mask bags, and 16 bottles to fully outfit each truck with four SCBAs and four spare bottles. The new masks offer an increased field of view and improved communications abilities; the packs offer built in mobility and comfort improvements meaning firefighters can wear the packs for longer periods of time with less fatigue. This equipment also comes with a 15 year warranty on all parts of the SCBA thus reducing costs of repairs in the future. These new packs will enhance our safety and effectiveness in protecting our communities.



As for the rest of our equipment, yearly upkeep and maintenance of both trucks and other equipment is a high priority. Both trucks and all equipment are currently in service, completely operational, and ready to respond to emergencies.

Special thanks to the community members of Alfred, Waterboro, and Shapleigh; your continued generous support provides us with the ability and resources required to provide effective fire protection and emergency response. As always, a huge thank you to the dedicated hard working men and women of the Ross Corner Fire Company for continuing to go above and beyond the call of duty both within the fire service and your daily lives.

Sincerely,

Ethan Hunt

Ethan Hunt

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

DECEMBER 31, 2024

The 2024 season started like an average spring. An early April storm brought significant damage with major road closures with trees and wires down. Working with our plow contractors, Shapleigh Fire and Rescue, Ross Corner Fire Co., and our road crews; we were able to get roads safe and somewhat passable within a few days' time. Then, a plan was made for clean up and all the work fell into place. Documentation and estimation reports were taken to be forwarded to FEMA for eventual reimbursement. The total estimated cost of the storm clean up was around \$100,000. 90% of that will be reimbursed by FEMA and MEMA, leaving Shapleigh's expense of approximately \$10,000 for all efforts.

The rest of spring, summer, and fall led to no major events.

As always, we wish everyone good health and safety.

Respectfully,

Darren M Rogers, Shapleigh EMA Director

Gene Streck, Assistant EMA Director

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT

2024

The year was one of big adjustment in Shapleigh Animal Control. Animal Control Officer, Jim Driscoll stepped down from duties in July due to illness and later passed away. C. Lillian Charron stepped into the role July 1st. Due to personal reasons, she could not commit to continue and stepped down at the end of August. Brandon Mee then stepped into the role September 1st and continues to serve the residents and their furry friends.

The Shapleigh Animal Control Officer is in care of dealing with domesticated animals only, pursuant to the laws of the State of Maine.

All dogs 6 months of age, must have valid rabies vaccines on file with the Clerk and must be registered by January 31st of each year to avoid late fees and fines.

The cost of registration is \$6 for spayed/neutered dogs, and \$11 for unaltered dogs.

If you have moved out of town or your dog is no longer with you, please notify the Town Clerk's office to be removed from the list.

The Town of Shapleigh has a contract with the Animal Welfare Society in Kennebunk, and that is where stray animals will be delivered if the Animal Control Officer can not locate the owner in a timely manner.

SHAPLEIGH RECREATION REPORT

2024

Due to lack of volunteerism, the Recreation Committee did not host any programming for Youth Sports this year. Over the winter months, open gym time was had at the Shapleigh Memorial School lead by former member, Robert Corcoran.

Committee members also teamed up with Shapleigh Memorial PTC for a few events such as; Easter Egg Hunt and Halloween Trunk or Treat. The Shapleigh Commons was also decorated for the Christmas holiday.

The Committee continued fundraising for the playground to be replaced at the Recreation Fields on Route 11 with returnable collections at the Transfer Station this summer. The balance of the fund is now at **\$24,892.44**.

As of the date of this letter, there are only two members of the committee and the program could use your help to bring programming back to the youth of Shapleigh, as well as offer opportunities for residents of all ages. We also need someone to take the lead on the Playground project and organize events at the Community Building.

If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to the Town Administrator at 207-636-2844 ext 0 or via email at townadmin@shapleigh.net.

Shapleigh Conservation Committee

A timber harvest in our town forest started in January of 2024. This changed a portion of the Town Farm Trail and the April snow storm did more to disrupt the trail. There are many trees down across several paths and we hope to get them cleaned up and the trail reblazed so hikers can again enjoy this scenic walk in 2025. With the help of Line Pro Land Surveying, we started working on an updated map for the trail and we'll have that completed soon.

We sponsored a Climate Change Contest with the 4-H Club and three prizes for first, second, and third place were awarded. The Town Forest Committee contributed cash awards. Each member was asked to interview parents, grandparents, and older friends and neighbors about what winters were like in the past. Comparisons were made from the past to the present. The 4-H members all did a wonderful job with their presentations and suggestions made to combat climate change.

We held our town wide roadside cleanup on April 27, 2024. Again, this year, Zack Mann added his artistic talents to make posters advertising the event. The students at Shapleigh Memorial School made wonderful posters for Earth Day and the roadside cleanup project and they were on display for all to enjoy at town hall.

Shapleigh Community Day gave us a chance to talk with people about conservation efforts and offer an opportunity to kids of all ages to build a fairy house. We had so many fantastic fairy houses created by young and the young at heart that any fairy would be thrilled to move in.

Two of our members attended a chainsaw safety program sponsored by Three Rivers Land Trust this Fall. The program was well received and our members are eager to put their skills to work on our trails.

Plans were started to sponsor a garden tour this coming July 12, 2025. Anyone interested in showcasing their gardens should text Carol Boothby at 324-0062. We have some gorgeous gardens in town so contact Carol if you'd like to share the beauty with others.

We were delighted to have a table at Shapleigh's Truck or Treat this year. We had as much fun as the kids and plan to do it again. In 2025.

See you on the trails.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna Desmond, Chair, Susan Baker, Carol Boothby, Stephen Hinds, David Mann, Susan Marcoux and Elizabeth Savincki

Town Of Shapleigh

Annual Town Meeting Warrant March 7, 2025

Select Board:

Thomas J. Small, Chairman
Scott E. Cudworth

Voting Budget Committee Members:

Linda Haley, Susan Marcoux,
Carolyn Rand, Jennifer Roux

**WARRANT
COUNTY OF YORK
STATE OF MAINE**

To: William Mageary, a resident in the Town of Shapleigh, in the County of York and the State of Maine.

Greetings, In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Shapleigh, Maine, qualified to vote in Town affairs, **to meet at the Shapleigh Town Hall on Friday, March 7, 2025 at 8:00 AM**, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To elect by "Secret Ballot" the following Town Officials:

(1) Select Board, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor	3 years
(1) Director, Regional School Unit #57	3 years
(2) Trustee, Shapleigh Community Library	3 years
(1) Trustee, Shapleigh Community Forest	3 years
(2) Budget Committee Member	3 years

ARTICLE 2-A. To elect by "Secret Ballot" the following Town Official, to fill a vacancy:

(1) Select Board, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor	1 year
--	---------------

Polls will be open for the election of Town Officers immediately after the election of a Moderator, and will remain open until 8:00 PM. **After the closing of the polls, the meeting will be recessed until 10:00 AM, Saturday March 8, 2025 at the Shapleigh Memorial School to act on the following articles:**

ARTICLE 3. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-3, as proposed? Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§105-3. Basic requirements.

E. Photographic record required. An application for a permit for development within the Shoreland District must provide a paper copy of preconstruction photographs at the time of application, of the shoreline vegetation and development site to the reviewing authority of the permit, and post construction photographs no later than 20 days after completion of the development. ~~If the reviewing authority is both the Planning Board and the Code Enforcement Officer, both shall receive a copy of before and after picture documentation.~~ A

paper copy of post construction photographs shall be provided to the Code Enforcement Officer, who shall distribute a paper copy to the Planning Board. If the post-construction photographs do not show both the development site, shoreline, and that the project is completed as approved, the Code Enforcement Officer shall notify the applicant that they are in violation pursuant to §105-66.

- F. An application for a nonconforming structure, required to be reviewed by the Planning Board, shall require a full survey be provided at the time of application. ~~Retaining walls shall be exempt from a full survey.~~ The survey plan shall be a paper copy, 24 x 36 inches in size, and signed by a licensed surveyor. Additional digital copies are optional.

(1) Retaining walls shall be exempt from a full survey. However, placement of location, height, and length by a licensed surveyor must be provided at the time of application. The wall surveys shall be a minimum of 11 x 17 inches in size for the preliminary review. The final plan shall be 24 x 36 inches in size, and signed by a licensed engineer. All plans shall be paper copies, additional digital copies are optional.

G. State requirements in the Shoreland District. An application for a permit for development within the Shoreland District shall provide proof that all applicable permits for the proposed development have been obtained from the State. This includes providing a copy of the applicable permit(s), along with the attachments provided to the department.

- a) A MDEP Permit by Rule is required for all applications taking place within 75 feet of the high-water-line in the Shoreland District, unless less than 50% of the structure is being replaced and there isn't any excavation.
- b) If the structure is being expanded within 25 feet of the water, an individual NRPA Permit will be required.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 4. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-4, as proposed? Proposed amendments are as follows: (*Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined*)

§105-4.D Nonconforming Structures

(11) Replacement of nonconforming retaining wall(s) within the Shoreland District.

A. Retaining walls in existence, located within 100 feet of the required setback to the high-water-mark, that are necessary for erosion control and stabilization, shall be allowed to be reconstructed, as long as the following conditions are met:

- (a) The application shall contain the correct name of the property owner, current mailing address, the address of property being reviewed, and the Shapleigh tax map and lot of the property;
- (b) A site plan shall be provided depicting the lot for which the permit is requested, including lot dimensions, the location of existing structures, areas to be disturbed, and the exact location and size of the wall to be replaced;
- (c) The wall height, length, and distance to the high-water mark shall be determined by a licensed surveyor;
- (d) There shall be a detailed revegetation plan provided, which includes placement, quantity, type and a list of species native to the area, for all disturbed areas for the planned project. Only native species of vegetation shall be used to establish an effective stormwater buffer for the area behind the replacement wall, in quantities sufficient to retard erosion and provide for effective infiltration of stormwater runoff;
- (e) There shall be a detailed list of the type of material to be used for the construction of the new wall, which must be such that it shall stabilize the area;
- (f) There shall be documentation provided detailing the appropriate fill material(s) and drainage, that shall be placed behind the new wall, showing that the new wall is capable of handling stormwater and to ensure the new wall is designed to resist the material pressure of the material it is holding back;
- (g) Wall(s) (4) four feet in height or greater, shall meet the requirements under §105-61.6 'Retaining walls';
- (h) Best management practices shall be in place until the project is completed in its entirety, including revegetation and complete stabilization of the area;
- (i) A date of completion, including revegetation, shall be established by the Planning Board and enforced by the Code Enforcement Officer.
- (j) The applicant shall provide provisions for disposition of existing materials being removed.

B. All approved plans shall require confirmation in writing by a licensed surveyor that the placement of the structure is correct per the specifications approved by the Planning Board.
[1] Side setbacks for structures shall not apply to replacement retaining walls.

C. Replacement walls shall also meet the following ordinance requirements:

- (1) §105-3 'Basic requirements', Section E 'Photographic record required, Section F(1), and Section G 'State requirements in the Shoreland District';
- (2) §105-39 'Earth removal and filling for activities other than mineral exploration and extraction', Section D(1).

D. In evaluating each application, the Board may request at the expense of the applicant, the assistance of the York County Soil and Water Conservation District, a state or federal agency, or other qualified professional, which can provide technical assistance.

§105-4.D(1)(d)

An approved plan for expansion of a nonconforming structure must be recorded by the applicant with the York County Registry of Deeds, within 90 days of approval. The recorded plan must

show the existing and proposed footprint of the nonconforming structure, the existing and proposed structure height, the footprint of any other structures on the parcel, the Shoreland zone boundary and evidence of approval by the municipal review authority. If the plan is not recorded within this time period, the approval of the Planning Board shall be null and void, and a new permit application must be submitted.

§105-4. Nonconformance.

K. Conditions of permit. The Code Enforcement Officer shall not grant final approval / occupancy on any building, plumbing, excavation, wall, (etc.), permit until all conditions of the approved plan have been met as they were approved by the Planning Board, as well as all applicable State and local requirements.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 5. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-15, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§105-15. Definitions

Licensed Surveyor - A licensed surveyor is one who has been licensed by the State of Maine Board of Licensure for Professional Land Surveyors under the applicable licensing statutes and rules.

Survey – Work that involves the application of special knowledge of rules of evidence and boundary laws, principles of mathematics and the related physical and applied sciences for measuring and locating lines, angles, elevations and natural and man-made features in the air, on the surface of the earth, within underground workings and on the beds of bodies of water. This work can only be done by a Licensed Land Surveyor.

Qualified Professional - Qualified professional means individuals who have met state approved or recognized degree, certification, licensure, registration or other requirements that apply in the area in which the individuals are providing services.

Buffers – Vegetated buffers are areas of natural, existing or established vegetation that protect the water quality of neighboring areas and waterbodies. Buffer Zones provide an area where stormwater can permeate the soil and replenish the groundwater. Buffer Strips are natural, undisturbed strips of natural vegetation or planted strips of close-growing vegetation adjacent to and downslope of developed areas. Shoreland Zone Buffers are the area between the waterbody or wetland and setback requirement for the district the lot is located in.

§105-15. Definitions

~~PIERS AND DOCKS~~ Structures, either permanent or floating, providing access from the shore to the point offshore. Piers and docks shall require a conditional use permit from the Planning Board if they extend more than 20 feet from the bank of any lake or pond (or 10 feet from the bank of any river or stream); or if they have any permanent parts located between the banks of any stream or below the high water elevation of any lake or pond; or if they are constructed as part of any commercial use; or if they require dredging, filling or cutting any banks or shoreland.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 6. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-17, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§105-17. Land uses.

Other	RP	SD	GP	FD	SP
Replacement retaining walls	CU	CU	Yes	CU	CU

§105-17. Land uses.

Other

Piers and docks	RP	SD	GP	FD	SP
requiring permits	NO	CU	NA	CU	CU
(see definitions)					

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 7. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-19, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§105-19.D Front Yards.

When a lot fronts on the shore and on a road or right-of-way, both the shoreland setback of 100 feet and the front setback as defined in §105-18 shall be met, except on nonconforming lots of record, in which case the setback may be no less than 25 feet from the property line or road. This reduction shall require a Conditional Use Permit from the Planning Board, or may be allowed when determining a best practical location in the Shoreland District. All conditional uses approved relating to setbacks shall require confirmation, in writing, by a licensed surveyor that the placement of the structure is correct and the plan shall be recorded in the York County

Registry of Deeds within 90 days of the date of the Planning Board approval. If the plan is not recorded within this time period, the approval of the Planning Board shall be null and void.

§105-19.F Corner lot setbacks and visibility.

Corner lot yards abutting roads shall have a minimum ~~depth~~ setback of 50 feet from each right-of-way or as outlined in §105-19D above. All corner lots shall be kept free from visual obstructions for a distance of 25 feet measured along the intersecting street lines.

Select Board recommends approve article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 8.

Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-51, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§105-51.3. Revegetation requirements.

- A. The property owner must submit a detailed vegetation plan, prepared with and signed by a qualified professional, that describes revegetation activities and maintenance. The plan must include a scaled site plan, depicting where vegetation was, or is, to be removed, where existing vegetation is to remain, and where vegetation is to be planted, including a list depicting quantity and type, of all vegetation to be planted, which must be native to the area.
- C. If part of a permitted activity, revegetation shall occur before the expiration of the permit. If the activity or revegetation is not completed before the expiration of the permit, a new revegetation plan shall be submitted, ~~with any renewal or new permit application.~~ along with a new permit application, to the original permitting authority.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 9.

Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-60, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

105-60.1 Private ways.

- E. The construction of private ways shall meet the following minimum standards:

Served	Number of Lots	
	1	2 or more
Minimum Roadway Width	12'	16'
Minimum Subbase (Heavy	12"	15"

Road Gravel – max. size 4”)		
Wearing Surface (Crushed Gravel)	2”	2”
Maximum Length of Dead End	1500’	1500’
Maximum Grade	10%	8%
Minimum Grade	0.5%	0.5%
Turn Around at Dead End	Hammer Head or T	Hammer Head or T

- (1) One turnout to provide space for 2 vehicles to pass shall be provided for every 500 feet of private way, when road width is less than 16 feet.
- (2) The Hammerhead or T shall have a useable surface area that is a minimum of 24 feet deep and 24 feet wide.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 10. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-63, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§105-63. Application for and issuance of permits.

C. No building permit for a building or structure on any lot shall be issued except to the owner of record thereof, or his authorized agent, until the proposed construction or alteration of a building or structure shall comply in all respects with the provisions of this chapter or with a decision rendered by the Board of Appeals or the Planning Board.

(1) The Code Enforcement Officer shall not grant final approval / occupancy on any building, plumbing, excavation, wall, (etc.), permit until all conditions of the approved plan have been met as they were approved by the Planning Board, as well as all applicable State and local requirements.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 11. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-66, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§105-66. Notice of violation.

A. It shall be the duty of the Code Enforcement Officer to enforce the provisions of this chapter. If the Code Enforcement Officer shall find that any provision of this chapter is being violated, he shall notify, in writing, such violator, indicating the nature of the violation and ordering the

action necessary to correct it. He shall order discontinuance of illegal use of land, buildings or structures, removal of illegal buildings, structures, additions or work being done, or shall take any action authorized by this chapter to ensure compliance with or to prevent violation of its provisions.

- B. All notices of violation must set a clear expectation and deadline date of remediation, which shall be no longer than 30 days from the postmark of the notice.

**Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee makes no recommendation**

ARTICLE 12. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 105 Zoning, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1983, as amended be further amended in sections 105-73, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§105-73. Conditional use permits.

C. Application procedure.

- 2) The Code Enforcement Officer or his designated assistant shall attend all hearings and may present to the Planning Board all plans, photographs or other material he deems appropriate ~~of~~ **for** an understanding of the application. The Code Enforcement Officer shall attend all site visits, to assist the Planning Board in obtaining information that is required for the review of the application before the board.

G. Standards applicable to conditional uses.

- (8) A stormwater drainage system capable of handling a ~~fifty~~ 100 year storm without adverse impact on adjacent properties has been designed.

H. Conditions attached to conditional uses.

- (3) The Code Enforcement Officer shall not grant final approval / occupancy on any building, plumbing, excavation, wall, (etc.), permit until all conditions of the approved plan have been met as they were approved by the Planning Board, as well as all applicable State and local requirements.

**Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee makes no recommendation**

ARTICLE 13. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 89 Subdivisions of Land, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1988, as amended be further amended in sections 89-2, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§89-2. Criteria; findings of fact.

- S. **Subdivision lots.** All subdivision lots shall meet the requirements of Article V, Basic

Performance Standards in the Zoning Ordinance.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 14. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 89 Subdivisions of Land, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1988, as amended be further amended in sections 89-6, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

Article III

§89-6. Terms defined.

Buffers – Vegetated buffers are areas of natural, existing or established vegetation that protect the water quality of neighboring areas and waterbodies. Buffer Zones provide an area where stormwater can permeate the soil and replenish the groundwater. Buffer Strips are natural, undisturbed strips of natural vegetation or planted strips of close-growing vegetation adjacent to and downslope of developed areas. Shoreland Zone Buffers are the area between the waterbody or wetland and setback requirement for the district the lot is located in.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written,2/0

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 15. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 89 Subdivisions of Land, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1988, as amended be further amended in sections 89-15, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§89-15. Submissions

A. Preliminary plan.

The preliminary plan shall be submitted in three paper copies of one or more maps or drawings which may be printed or reproduced on paper, 24" x 36" in size, with all dimensions shown in feet or decimals of a foot. The preliminary plan shall be drawn to a scale of not more than 100 feet to the inch. The Board may allow plans for subdivisions containing more than 75 acres to be drawn at a scale of not more than 200 feet to the inch, provided that all necessary detail can easily be read. In addition, one copy of the plan(s), reduced to a size of 11 inches by 17 inches, and all accompanying information shall be mailed to each Board member, including alternate members and the Code Enforcement Officer, no less than seven days prior to the meeting.

A. B. Final Plan.

The final submission plan for a minor subdivision shall consist of ~~two reproducible, stable-based transparent originals, both~~ four paper copies, two to be recorded at the Registry of Deeds within 90 days of final approval by the Board, one to be left with the Planning Board at the time of signing. One Two of the above registered copies shall be returned to the Planning Board within 90 days of final approval, ~~and three Copies of one or more Maps or drawings shall be~~ drawn to a scale of not more than 100 feet to the inch. Plans for subdivisions containing more

than 75 acres may be drawn at a scale of not more than 200 feet to the inch, provided that all necessary detail can easily be read. Plans shall be ~~no larger than 24 inches by 36 inches in size. and shall have a margin of two inches outside of the border lines on the left side for binding and one inch margin outside the border along the remaining sides.~~ Space shall be provided for endorsement by the Board. In addition, one paper copy of the final plan, reduced to a size of ~~8 ½ inches by 11 inches~~ 11 inches by 17 inches, and all accompanying information shall be mailed to each Board member, including alternate members and the Code Enforcement Officer, no less than seven days prior to the meeting.

Select Board recommends

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 16. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 89 Subdivisions of Land, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1988, as amended be further amended in sections 89-17, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strikeouts are removals and additions are underlined)*

§89-17. Submissions.

B. Preliminary plan.

The preliminary plan shall be submitted in three paper copies of one or more maps or drawings which may be printed or reproduced on paper, 24" x 36" in size, with all dimensions shown in feet or decimals of a foot. The preliminary plan shall be drawn to a scale of not more than 100 feet to the inch. The Board may allow plans for subdivisions containing more than 75 acres to be drawn at a scale of not more than 200 feet to the inch, provided that all necessary detail can easily be read. In addition, one copy of the plan(s), reduced to a size of ~~8 ½ inches by 11 inches~~ 11 inches by 17 inches, and all accompanying information shall be mailed to each Board member, including alternate members and the Code Enforcement Officer, no less than seven days prior to the meeting.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 17. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 89 Subdivisions of Land, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1988, as amended be further amended in sections 89-19, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strikeouts are removals and additions are underlined)*

§89-19. Submissions

- A. ~~The final plan shall consist of one or more maps or drawings drawn to a scale of not more than 100 feet to the inch. Plans for subdivisions containing more than 75 acres may be drawn at a scale of not more than 200 feet to the inch. Plans shall be no larger than 24 inches by 36 inches in size, and shall have a margin of two inches outside of the border line on the left side for the binding and one inch margin outside the border along the remaining sides. Space shall be reserved thereon for endorsement by the Board. Two reproducible, stable based~~

~~transparent originals, one to be recorded at the Registry of Deeds, the other to be filed at the municipal offices and three copies of the plan shall be submitted. In addition, one copy of the final plan, reduced to a size of 8 ½ inches by 11 inches, and all accompanying information shall be mailed to each Board member, including alternate members and the Code Enforcement Officer, no less than seven day prior to the meeting.~~

- A. The final submission plan for a major subdivision shall consist of, four paper copies, two that shall be recorded at the Registry of Deeds within 90 days of final approval by the Board, one to be left with the Planning Board at the time of signing. Two registered copies shall be returned to the Planning Board within 90 days of final approval. Maps or drawings shall be drawn to a scale of not more than 100 feet to the inch. Plans for subdivisions containing more than 75 acres may be drawn at a scale of not more than 200 feet to the inch, provided that all necessary detail can easily be read. Plans shall be 24 ~~inches~~ by 36 inches in size. Space shall be provided for endorsement by the Board. In addition, one copy of the final plan, reduced to a size of 11 inches by 17 inches, and all accompanying information shall be mailed to each Board member, including alternate members and the Code Enforcement Officer, no less than seven days prior to the meeting

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0
Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 18. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 89 Subdivisions of Land, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1988, as amended be further amended in sections 89-22, as proposed. Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§89-22. Violations and penalties.

- H. The Code Enforcement Officer shall not grant final approval / occupancy on any building, plumbing, excavation, wall, (etc.), permit until all conditions of the approved plan have been met as they were approved by the Planning Board, as well as all applicable State and local requirements.

Select Board recommends approve the as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 19. Shall an ordinance entitled **Chapter 89 Subdivisions of Land, Town of Shapleigh** adopted March 1988, as amended be further amended in sections 89-38, as proposed? Proposed amendments are as follows: *(Note: strike-throughs are removals and additions are underlined)*

§89-38. Stormwater management design standards.

- A. (1) All components of the stormwater management system shall be designed to meet the criteria of a ~~twenty-five~~ 100 year storm based on rainfall data for Portland, Maine.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 20. Shall an ordinance entitled **Consumer Fireworks Ordinance** be enacted as proposed?

CONSUMER FIREWORKS ORDINANCE

Article 1: PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to limit the use of consumer fireworks within the Town of Shapleigh to ensure the safety of residents and property owners of the Town of Shapleigh and of the general public.

Article 2: TITLE AND AUTHORITY

This ordinance shall be known as the “Town of Shapleigh Consumer Fireworks Ordinance.” It is adopted pursuant to the enabling provision of in Article VIII-A of the Maine Constitution, the provisions of 30-A M.R.S.A. § 3001, and the provisions of 8 M.R.S.A. § 223-A.

Article 3: DEFINITIONS

Consumer Fireworks has the same meaning as in 27 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 555.11 or subsequent provision, but includes only products that are tested and certified by a third party testing laboratory as conforming with United Consumer Product Safety Commission, in accordance with 15 United States Code, Chapter 47.

Article 4: RESTRICTION ON USE OF CONSUMER FIREWORKS

No person shall use, possess with the intent to use, display, fire or cause to be exploded consumer fireworks within the Town of Shapleigh except in compliance with all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations. The use of Consumer Fireworks requires a permit from the Town of Shapleigh Fire and Rescue. An application for a permit shall be submitted between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. 48 hours prior to the proposed day of discharge of the Consumer Fireworks. The permit will be issued, if approved, by 4pm on the day of discharge. This permit application at a minimum shall include the name and address of the applicant, date of application, date of discharge or use of the Consumer Fireworks, written permission of the landowner if the location is not on land owned by the applicant, a plan showing discharge, and signature of the applicant.

The use of Consumer Fireworks in the Town of Shapleigh is further restricted as follows:

A. GENERAL RESTRICTIONS

- i. The Town assumes no liability for injuries that result from the use of Consumer Fireworks from damage done by the use of Consumer Fireworks.
- ii. A person shall use Consumer Fireworks only on that person’s property or the property of a person who has consented by written permission to the use of Consumer Fireworks on that property. The use of Consumer Fireworks on public or town owned property is prohibited unless it is a town sanctioned event and the fire department is on site.

- iii. A person shall not use Consumer Fireworks if the forest fire danger is Class “4” or greater (moderate to extreme), as determined by the Department of Conservation, Maine Forest Service **or** at the discretion of the Fire Warden.
- iv. A person shall not use Consumer Fireworks where noise from the fireworks would disturb livestock within one (1) mile of a property where livestock is present without the consent of that property’s owner. As used in this paragraph, “livestock” has the same meaning as in 7 M.R.S. § 81(8).
- v. Livestock owners with concerns of fireworks discharge, shall contact the Town Administrator to put their property in a database of livestock owners, no later than May 1st of each year.
- vi. Consumer fireworks shall not be used within 100 feet of any combustible structure or within 50 feet of overhead power lines.
- vii. It shall be unlawful for any person using Consumer Fireworks to be under the influence of alcohol or otherwise be impaired while using Consumer Fireworks.
- viii. Means to extinguish any spot fires resulting from the use of Consumer Fireworks must be available, including, but not limited to, fire extinguishers, hand tools, and charged hoses. Access to 9-1-1 must also be available during the use of Consumer Fireworks.
- ix. The permit holder shall be responsible for cleaning up the debris caused by the use of consumer fireworks within 24 hours of discharge.

B. HOURS OF USE

Consumer Fireworks may be used between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., except that on July 4th, December 31st, and the weekends immediately before and after those days consumer fireworks may be used between the hours of 12:00pm and 12:00am.

Article 5: VIOLATION AND ENFORCEMENT

A. The penalty for use violation. Any person who violates the provisions of Section 4 shall commit a civil violation punishable by a penalty of not less than two hundred dollars (\$500) to not more than two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) plus attorney fees and costs. Each day such violation occurs or continues to occur shall constitute a separate violation.

B. Enforcement. This ordinance shall be enforced by the York County Sheriff’s Department, the Town of Shapleigh Contract Deputy, the Maine State Police or any law enforcement agency with which the Town of Shapleigh has a mutual aid agreement.

C. Injunctive relief. In addition to any other remedies available at law or in equity, the Town

of Shapleigh, acting through its Select Board, may apply to any court of competent jurisdiction to enjoin any planned, anticipated, or threatened violation of this ordinance.

D. Seizure and disposal. The Town or any law enforcement officer may seize Consumer Fireworks that the Town or law enforcement has probable cause to believe are used in violation of this ordinance, subject to the limitations set forth in 8 M.R.S. § 223-A(9).

Article 6: EXCEPTIONS

This ordinance does not apply to a person issued a fireworks display permit from the Maine Commissioner of Public Safety or his or her designee under the provisions of 8 M.R.S. §§ 221-237. A fireworks display shall comply with all Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, and regulations.

Article 7: SEVERABILITY

In the event that any section, subsection, or portion of this ordinance shall be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid for any reason, such decision shall not be deemed to affect the validity of any other section, subsection, or portion of this ordinance.

Article 8: EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon adoption by the Town of Shapleigh.

The Town Clerk is ordered to provide to the Office of the State Fire Marshal a copy of this ordinance within sixty (60) days of adoption.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 21. Shall an ordinance entitled **Ordinance for the Recall of Elected Municipal Officials** be enacted as proposed?

ORDINANCE FOR THE RECALL OF ELECTED MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

SECTION 1: AUTHORITY

This ordinance is enacted pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A § 2602(6) and §3001

SECTION 2: APPLICABILITY

Any Elected Municipal Official, with the exception of School Board, of the Town of Shapleigh may be recalled and removed from office as herein provided for.

SECTION 3: PETITION FOR RECALL

- A) The petition for recall must contain signatures of registered voters of the Town of Shapleigh equal to 10% of the number of votes cast in last Gubernatorial Election, but in all cases no less than (100) one hundred signatures.
- B) The petition shall be addressed to the Select Board as the Board with power to call elections pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A §2528. If a petition for recall of all the Selectmen is submitted, then the petition will be addressed to the Town Clerk.
- C) The petition shall state the name and office of the person whose removal is being sought, a specific statement of the reason such removal is desired, and the names and contact information of the person(s) circulating the petition.
- D) If recall of more than one official is being sought, there shall be a separate petition for each official whose removal is being sought.
- E) Each page of the petition shall provide a space for the voter's signature, printed name, and physical address.
- F) All petition pages thereof shall be filed as one document

SECTION 4: CLERK CERTIFICATION

Within ten (10) days of the receipt of the petition, the Town Clerk shall certify the signatures contained on the petition and shall determine if the petition meets all the qualifications as set forth in section (3) of this ordinance. Should the petition be found insufficient, the petition will be filed in the Clerk's office and the voter who filed the petition will be notified.

SECTION 5: CALLING THE RECALL ELECTION

- A) If the petition is certified by the Town Clerk to be sufficient, he or she will submit the same with his or her certification to the Select Board at their next regular meeting and shall notify the Official(s) whose removal is being sought by such action,
- B) The Select Board upon receipt of the certified petition, shall within ten (10) days' time of receipt, order an election by Secret Ballot to be held not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than sixty (60) days of, thereafter, provided that a regular municipal election will not be held within ninety (90) days of receipt by the Select Board of the certified petition. In the case of such an election, the Select Board may at their discretion provide for the holding of the recall election on the date of the regular Municipal Election.
- C) In the event that the Select Board unreasonably fails or refuses to order an election as herein provided, a Notary Public may call the election to be held not less than forty-five (45) days, nor more than sixty (60) days following the Select Board's failure or refusal to order the required election.

SECTION 6: BALLOT FOR RECALL ELECTION

The ballots shall be printed and shall read "Do you authorize the recall of _____ from the position of _____?" with the name and position of the official whose recall is being sought inserted in the blank spaces.

SECTION 7: RESULTS OF THE ELECTION

In the event of an affirmative vote for removal, such vote shall take effect as of the recording of the vote tabulation into the records, after any inspection or recount, or after the time for an inspection or recount has expired. A tie vote will defeat the recall. **SECTION 8:**

VACANCIES TO BE FILLED

Any vacancy resulting from removal from office under this ordinance shall be filled in accordance with the provisions contained in 30-A M.R.S.A. § 2602.

SECTION 9: INCUMBENT TO CONTINUE DUTIES DURING RECALL PROCESS

The incumbent (unless he/she has submitted written resignation to the Select Board) shall continue to perform the duties of office until the results of the recall election are certified. If not recalled, the official shall continue in office for the remainder of the unexpired term. If recalled, the official shall be deemed to be removed from office upon the certification of the election results.

SECTION 10: SUCCESSIVE PETITIONS

A subsequent recall petition may not be filed for at least six (6) months after a failed recall election on that official.

SECTION 11: APPOINTMENT

A person recalled from office may *not* be appointed to the same office.

SECTION 12: VALIDITY

It is the intention that each section of this ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other sections herein and that if any provision within this ordinance is declared invalid, all other sections shall remain valid and enforceable.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee makes no recommendation

ARTICLE 22.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to hold for municipal use, or to sell, any **town property acquired** by matured liens and to issue quit claim deeds for the same when all obligations to the Town have been satisfied. The sale process shall follow all requirements of State and Federal Law.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 23.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to dispose of **town-owned equipment or town-owned personal property** under such terms and conditions as they deem advisable.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 24.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to use **overlay funds** for tax abatements and applicable interest.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 25.

To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on **abated taxes** at 7.5 % pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506-A.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 26.

To see if the Town will vote to commit taxes no later than **August 25, 2025** with taxes due and payable no later than 45 days from commitment and to see if the Town will fix a rate of interest of 7.5 % to be charged on taxes and tax liens, unpaid after said due date.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 27.

To see if the Town will vote to accept and appropriate any and all **State and Federal Funds and Excise Tax receipts**.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 28.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to **accept any income from any source** including but not limited to fines, fees, gifts, sales, grants and reimbursements; and to appropriate said income into various municipal accounts in accordance with the purpose for which the funds were received.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 29.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to spend an amount **not to exceed 3/12 (25%)** of the budgeted amount of the 2025 annual budget during the period from January 1, 2026 to the Annual Town Meeting in March 2026.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 30.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board upon request of the Treasurer, to allow the Treasurer to waive foreclosure of a tax lien on a specified property for a specified year with reference to the Tax Lien Certificate recorded at the York County Registry of Deeds, in circumstances where the Select Board determine that the foreclosure may encumber the Town.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 31.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board and Treasurer to use the **Cash Management Interest/Cash Investments** and undesignated funds to pay for the 2025 Tax Anticipation Notes interest.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 32.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Trustees of the Shapleigh Community Forest and the Select Board to expend from the Community Forest Fund monies the sum of **\$5,000** for the **maintenance of the Community Forest and Town Beach.**

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 33.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Trustees of the Shapleigh Community Forest and the Select Board to expend from the Community Forest Fund monies in the sum of **\$1,000** for the purpose of a **Forestry Scholarship** for any student from the Town of Shapleigh in a high school graduating class who plans to further their education in any fields that are related to forestry activities, such as wildlife biology, forestry conservation or management, the recipient of this scholarship to be chosen by the Community Forest Trustees.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 34.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **\$12,000** from Community Forest Fund monies to offset the purchase price of the Solar Array located on Map 007 Lot 005.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 35.

To see if the Town will vote to create a **Town Forest Capital Reserve Fund**, pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. §§ 5801, 5802, and appropriate 20% of all future tree harvests in the Town Forest to the same, until the fund reaches balance of \$15,000; for the purpose of making capital improvements to Town Forest Property.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 36.

To see what sum the Town will vote to compensate the Select Board.

Select Board Members (each) \$ 11,908 proposed

Select Board recommends to compensate \$11,908 each, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends to compensate \$11,908 each, 3/0.

ARTICLE 37.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of **\$975,702** for the **General Government Account** for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 38.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$7,500** to replenish the **Earned Paid Leave Reserve Fund**.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 39.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,000** to fund **General Assistance** as required by Maine State Law.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 40.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$3,200** for the **digital mapping** annual maintenance fee for the Town of Shapleigh.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 41.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$94,922** for the **Fire Department** to be spent as follows.

Operations, Maintenance and Equipment	\$ 69,100
Officer Stipends	\$ 25,822

<i>Fire Chief</i>	<i>\$ 11,255</i>
-------------------	------------------

<i>Assistant Chief</i>	<i>\$ 7,879</i>
------------------------	-----------------

<i>Captain-Operations</i>	<i>\$ 2,252</i>
---------------------------	-----------------

<i>Lieutenant (each x2)</i>	<i>\$ 1,745</i>
-----------------------------	-----------------

<i>Safety Officer</i>	<i>\$ 496</i>
-----------------------	---------------

<i>Fire Prevention Officer</i>	<i>\$ 450</i>
--------------------------------	---------------

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 42.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$19,544** to the **Fire Department Stipend Fund**.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 43.

To see if the Town will vote to create a **Fire Department Capital Equipment Reserve** pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. §§ 5801, 5802, consolidating the following reserve accounts; Uniform, Turnout Gear, Medical, Pump repair, hose and nozzle, and hydrant, for the Fire Department, and to raise and appropriate **\$13,300** to the same:

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 43-A.

(Note: To be considered only if Article 43 fails)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums to the following **reserve accounts** for the Fire Department:

Uniform	\$ 1,000
Turnout Gear	\$ 5,000
Medical	\$ 3,000
Hydrant	\$ 1,000
Hose and Nozzle	\$ 1,300
Pump Repair	\$ 2,000

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, if article 43 fails, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, if article 43 fails, 3/0.

ARTICLE 44.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$38,000** to the **Fire Truck Reserve Fund** for the eventual purchase of a new fire truck.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 45

To see if the Town will vote to create a **Treasure Island Dry Hydrant Reserve Fund**, pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. §§ 5801, 5802, and to raise and appropriate **\$20,000** to the same.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 46.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$11,160** for the general maintenance of the **Ross Corner Fire Company** for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 47.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$40,452** for **Communications** for receiving and dispatching **Emergency fire and rescue calls** for the Town of Shapleigh.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 48.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to **\$77,000** for contract services with **York County Sheriff's Department** for 2025 law enforcement services in conjunction with the Town of Acton, contingent upon approval from the voters of the Town of Acton at the Acton April 2025 Town Meeting.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 49.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to **\$26,500** for Shapleigh's share of the expense of purchasing a **new cruiser for the Contract Deputy** in conjunction with the Town of Acton, contingent upon approval from the voters of the Town of Acton at the Acton April 2025 Town Meeting.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 50.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$36,500** for the **Public Safety Building** expenses for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 51.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$10,000** to the **New Public Safety Building (PSB) Reserve Fund**.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 52.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$72,660** for the operation of the **Shapleigh Rescue Squad** to be spent as follows for the ensuing year:

General Operations/Maintenance	\$55,100
Officer Stipends:	\$17,560

<i>Deputy Chief</i>	<i>\$ 7,879</i>
<i>Captain (each x2)</i>	<i>\$ 2,252</i>
<i>Lieutenant (each x2)</i>	<i>\$ 1,745</i>
<i>Community Education Officer</i>	<i>\$ 1,687</i>

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 53.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$365,829**, and to appropriate **\$150,000** from the Ambulance Service Fund, and **\$43,700** from the Medical Staffing Reserve Fund, to fund **Rescue Chief of Service and Per-Diem Staffing** for a total expenditure of **\$559,529**; and to place any unexpended funds into the Medical Staffing Reserve Account.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 54.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$11,173** for the **Emergency Management Agency** for the ensuing year, as follows.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 55.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$16,750** to be used for the salary/expenses/education/mileage for the **Animal Control Department**.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 56.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$3,700** for **Street Lighting** for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 57.

To see if the Town will vote to pay **road crews for labor, trucks, tractor operators, etc.** for the ensuing year at rates negotiated by the Select Board and the Road Commissioners to be adjusted after the annual State Rates are published.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.
Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 58.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$469,000** for **Winter Road Maintenance**, said funds to be placed in a Reserve Account.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 59.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$150,000** for Road Maintenance on **Town Ways and Pond Roads**, so called, provided the Town holds proper easements for the ensuing year as follows:

Ways and Bridges (North and South)	\$50,000 each district
Pond Roads (North and South)	\$25,000 each district

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 60.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$450,000** for Road Improvements on **Town Ways and Pond Roads**, so called, as follows, provided the Town holds proper easements for the ensuing year, said funds to be placed in associated Reserve Accounts until expended:

Brush Cutting (North and South)	\$10,000 each district
Road Improvements (North and South)	\$40,000 each district
Tar and Sealer (North and South)	\$175,000 each district

Note: Projected projects for 2025 are Hooper Road and Owls Nest Road

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 61.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$5,000** to the **Catch Basin Maintenance Northern District Reserve Fund**.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 62.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to expend the **Local Road Assistance Program (LRAP)** funds received from the State for capital improvements on any and all Town ways for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 63.

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Select Board to enter into a contract agreement as an owner community with **ECO-Maine** for the **disposal of Municipal Solid Waste and Recycling Materials** for a period of up to 30

years in conjunction with the Tri-County Waste Group.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 64.

To see if the Town will vote to continue the practice of issuing cards for (1) One Free Demo Load Disposal per year, per household at the Transfer Station.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 65.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$474,722 for the expenses relating to the operation of the **Transfer Station** for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve the article as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 66.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for the E-911 expenses for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 67.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500 for the **Four-Leaf Clover 4-H Club** for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 68.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$12,906 for the following agencies for the ensuing year.

Caring Unlimited	\$ 876
Child Abuse Prevention Council (Kids Free to Grow)	\$ 800
Day One	\$ 500
Lifeflight	\$ 730
Sexual Assault Response Services	\$1,000
Shapleigh First Baptist Church Food Pantry	\$2,500
Southern Maine Agency on Aging	\$1,500
York County Community Action Corporation	\$3,500
York County Shelter Program Inc	<u>\$1,500</u>
TOTAL:	\$12,906

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

**Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0/1
abstention**

ARTICLE 69.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,850** in order to decorate the **Veteran's graves in the Town of Shapleigh**, maintain the multitude of cemeteries containing veterans located throughout the town to comply with Maine State law for the ensuing year and any research that is necessary, any unused funds will be deposited in the **Veteran's Cemetery Reserve Account**.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 70.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$1,000** for beautifying (planting additional flowers and shrubs, erecting monuments honoring Veterans) at the Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery; said donation will be payable to the **Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery Memorial Association**.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 71.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$44,400** for the operation and maintenance of the **Shapleigh Community Library** for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 72.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,000** to be used for **Shapleigh Community Day**. Any unused funds will be placed in the Shapleigh Community Day Reserve Fund.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 73.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Shapleigh Community Days Scholarship Committee and the Select Board to expend from the **Shapleigh Community Days Scholarship Fund** monies for two awards annually each award to be in the amount of **\$1,000** for the purpose of scholarships for any resident of the Town of Shapleigh who plans to further their education. The recipients of these scholarships will be chosen by the Shapleigh Community Days Scholarship Committee using a competitive process. *(Note: All monies in the Shapleigh Community Days Scholarship Fund account are raised through on-going fundraising events. No tax payer's dollars support the scholarship fund.)*

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 74.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$7,500** for the maintenance and repairs of the grounds at the **Shapleigh Library, Town Hall, Community Building, and Commons area** for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 75.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$14,000** for the operations and maintenance of the **Sports Fields** for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 76.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$5,000**, and appropriate up to **\$5,000** from **registration fees** for the operation, equipment, and maintenance of the **Recreation Committee** for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 77.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from **\$6,507** to be placed in the **Dam Maintenance Reserve Fund** to be used for annual dam maintenance in conjunction with the towns of Acton and Sanford.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 78.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$95,000** to be placed in the **Revaluation Reserve Account**.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 79.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$70,000** to be placed in the **Bridge Reserve Account**.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 80.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$1,350** for the **Conservation Committee** operating expense for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

**Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0/1
abstention**

ARTICLE 81.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$650** towards the support of the **Saco River Corridor Commission** for its continued water quality monitoring program for the ensuing year.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 82.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$ 23,100** for support of the **Acton/ Shapleigh Youth Conservation Corps** program performing work throughout the Mousam Lake –Square Pond watershed in erosion control measures, stormwater run-off mitigation and invasive species mitigation.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0

ARTICLE 83.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$2,500** for support of the **Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society**.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 84.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$3,000** for maintenance of the **Williams Property**.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 85.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the money received from the State for snowmobile registration reimbursements, equally to the **Mousam Valley Trail Riders Club and the Squash Hollow Sno-goers Club**, so long as they are properly organized, for the purpose of maintaining their snowmobile trails within the borders of Shapleigh to be open for the use by the Public for snowmobiles at all times, *and* to authorize the municipal officers to enter into an agreement with the Clubs under such terms and conditions as the municipal officers may deem advisable for that purpose.

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

ARTICLE 86.

To see if the Town will vote to carry forward the following account balances and appropriate those balances for their intended purpose.

Community Building Bond Proceeds	Rescue Donations
Earned Paid Leave	FEMA-Emergency
Town Dog Fees	Shapleigh Commons
Donated Assistance	Transfer station fees
Playground Capital Campaign Fund	Fire Dept donations
Contingency Fund	Ambulance Service Fund
Rescue Subscriptions	

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 3/0.

ARTICLE 87.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **Fiscal Year 2025** anticipated Municipal Revenues from the categories listed below, and to use funds from the Municipal Undesignated Fund Balance to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation during the tax commitment.

Revenue Categories: Auto Excise, Boat Excise, Agent Fees, Tree Growth, Plumbing and Building fees, interest and penalties on taxes and liens, Lien Costs, Interest, Planning Board fees, Sundry, Miscellaneous Income, Commercial Haulers fees, and other non-restricted State Revenue not previously appropriated in other articles

Select Board recommends approve as written, 2/0.

Budget Committee recommends approve the article as written, 4/0.

Given under our hands at the Town House, Shapleigh Maine on the 28th day of January 2025.

Shapleigh Select Board:

Thomas J Small, Chairman

Scott E. Cudworth

2025 Town Meeting - PROPOSED

DESCRIPTION	REQUEST	SOURCE	Article	<i>Increase/ (Decrease)</i>
General Government	975,702	Assessment	37	<i>187,210</i>
Public Safety:				
Fire Dept Maint./Salary	94,922	Assessment	41	<i>3,254</i>
Fire Dept Stipend	19,544	Assessment	42	<i>569</i>
Fire Dept Capital Equip	13,300	Assessment	43/43-A	<i>-23,300</i>
Fire Dept Truck	38,000	Assessment	44	<i>8,000</i>
Treas. Island Rsv	20,000	Assessment	45	<i>20,000</i>
Ross Corner Fire	11,160	Assessment	46	<i>0</i>
Communications	40,452	Assessment	47	<i>1,758</i>
Sheriff Deputy Contract	77,000	Assessment	48	<i>2,000</i>
Deputy Vehicle	26,500	Assessment	49	<i>26,500</i>
Public Safety Building	36,500	Assessment	50	<i>(2,000)</i>
NEW PSB Reserve	10,000	Assessment	51	<i>10,000</i>
Rescue Squad	72,660	Assessment	52	<i>(2,588)</i>
Rescue Per-Diem	559,529	365,829 Assess/ 150k Service Fees/ 43,700 Staffing Rsv	53	<i>70,000</i>
EMA Operations	11,173	Assessment	54	<i>171</i>
Animal Control	16,750	Assessment	55	<i>1,657</i>
Street Lighting	3,700	Assessment	56	<i>0</i>
PUBLIC SAFETY TOTALS	1,051,190			<i>105,021</i>
Public Works:				
Winter Maint. Reserve	469,000	Assessment	58	<i>7,220</i>
Ways Bridges No./So.	100,000	Assessment	59	<i>0</i>
Pond Roads No./So.	50,000	Assessment	59	<i>0</i>
Brush Cutting RSV	20,000	Assessment	60	<i>0</i>
Tar Sealer No./So. RSV	350,000	Assessment	60	<i>0</i>
Road Improv. No& So RSV	80,000	Assessment	60	<i>0</i>
Catch Basin Rsv	5,000	Assessment	61	<i>0</i>
Transfer station	474,722	Assessment	65	<i>41,872</i>
E-911	1,500	Assessment	66	<i>300</i>
Public Works Totals:	1,550,222			<i>49,392</i>

Social Services:				
Caring Unlimited	876	Assessment	68	0
Day One	500	Assessment	68	(500)
Kids Free to Grow	800	Assessment	68	0
Lifeflight	730	Assessment	68	0
Shapleigh Food Pantry	2,500	Assessment	68	2,500
Sexual Assault Response	1,000	Assessment	68	0
So. ME Agency on Aging	1,500	Assessment	68	(500)
YC Comm Action	3,500	Assessment	68	750
YC Shelter Program	1,500	Assessment	68	0
Social Service Totals	12,906			(2,750)
Miscellaneous:				
Beach/Forestry Scholar	6,000	Forest Funds	32/33	0
Solar Purchase	12,000	Forest Funds	34	12,000
Earned Paid Leave	7,500	Assessment	38	(5,000)
General Assistance	10,000	Assessment	39	0
Digital Mapping	3,200	Assessment	40	200
4H	500	Assessment	67	100
Cemetery Maint	2,850	Assessment	69	0
So.Me Vet Cemetery	1,000	Assessment	70	0
Library	44,400	Assessment	71	900
Community Day	2,000	Assessment	72	0
Community Day Scholar	2,000	Scholarship Reserve	73	0
Comm, TH, Lby grounds	7,500	Assessment	64	1,000
Sports Fields	14,000	Assessment	75	0
Recreation Committee	10,000	Assessment/Reg Fees	76	0
Dam Maint Reserve	6,507	Assessment	77	1,507
Revaluation Rsv	95,000	Assessment	78	70,000
Bridge Reserve	70,000	Assessment	79	30,000
Conservation	1,350	Assessment	80	0
Saco River Corridor	650	Assessment	81	150
Acton/Shap Youth CC	23,100	Assessment	82	1,100
Acton/Shap Historical	2,500	Assessment	83	500
Williams Park	3,000	Assessment	84	3,000
MISC TOTALS	325,057			-13,243
Totals:				
Assessment	3,696,377			274,900
Reserve Funds	218,700			
Undesignated Funds	At commitment			
Anticipated Revenues	At commitment			
Grand Total	3,915,077			325,600

Acton-Shapleigh Youth Conservations Corps

P.O. Box 47, Springvale, ME 04083-0047



The ASYCC is a community based non-profit organization run by an all-volunteer Board of Directors, whose main goal is to protect our lakes and water quality in the Mousam Lake-Square Pond Watershed. By helping to maintain the pristine waters of the Watershed, ASYCC insures the viability of our waterways for all town residents and the tax value of not only the waterfront properties but the whole Acton/Shapleigh area.

The largest program under the AYSCC umbrella is the Courtesy Boat Inspection Program (CBI). The CBI program works as an important line of defense to prevent the introduction of invasive aquatic plants from entering the Mousam Lake-Square Pond Watershed. The CBI program has experienced an ever-increasing number of boats entering and leaving the boat launches. The 2024 boating season ended in mid-October, and the number of inspections done on Mousam Lake were 6,533. Square Pond numbers were down slightly due to lower lake water levels allowing only the smallest boats access. In 2023, the invasive plant known as “swollen bladderwort” was discovered in Mousam Lake, as a result, a lot of fragments continue to be found on boats leaving Mousam.

As the number of boaters visiting the clean waters of the Mousam Lake-Square Pond Watershed continue to increase, so do the chances of other invasive plants or organisms being introduced into our waters. With the constant and consistent presence of the CBIs at the Mousam Lake and Square Pond Boat launches, the public continues to react favorably and are more aware of the risks of these invasives and their potential hazards to our beautiful waterways. There are several bodies of water within 30 minutes of our lakes that are infested with more aggressive invasive plant species. Infestation of any kind can result in very expensive cleanup efforts, poor water quality and reduced property values.

Our 2024 Erosion Control Crew (ECC), under the direction of their new leader had a very productive eight-week season. Even without quite as many original projects as last year, they were kept busy with visits to refresh some previous years’ projects and work on some sites for our towns. The ECC crew projects are specifically designed to help limit sediment and chemicals from entering the water. Technical assistance is available from the ASYCC on a year-round basis for erosion prevention plans.

The labors of the ASYCC have brought positive results to the battle against erosion from water run-off on the lake fronts.

Our Invasive Plant Patrol, utilizing some of our CBI's, is trained to identify invasive plant species. They are available to patrol the most vulnerable areas of Mousam Lake and assist in invasive bladderwort detection and removal. Square Pond has its own IPP team organized through the Square Pond Improvement Association. The ASYCC is available to participate with the Square Pond IPP volunteer team whenever needed.

The threat of invasive aquatic plants entering the Mousam Lake-Square Pond Watershed and the continued loss of property due to erosion, demand our ceaseless attention. The environmental, recreational, and economic lives of this region are dependent on the good stewardship of these valuable natural resources. With the continued support of property owners and boat owners in the watershed, the dedicated financial support of the towns of Acton and Shapleigh, the local lake associations and private donors, in addition to the hard work of our local employees, the ASYCC will remain a valuable asset to all residents of the community and a protector of our lakes.

The ASYCC 2024 season has wrapped up for the year and our full annual report is available to the public on our website at www.ASYCC.com. Our Erosion Control Crew is already scheduling projects for the 2025 season and more are waiting to be evaluated, so the ASYCC team will be busy! The lake waters shared by Shapleigh and Acton are intertwined and the work ASYCC performs is mutually beneficial to all townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Borst, Treasurer, Acton-Shapleigh Youth Conservation Corps

2024 Board of Directors:

1. Kent Haake (Mousam Lake, Acton)
2. Joe Borst (Mousam Lake, Shapleigh)
3. Jane Thomas (Square Pond, Acton)
4. Debbie & Scott Lansberry (Square Pond, Acton)
5. John Chamberlain (Mousam Lake, Shapleigh)
6. Margarita & Terry Borgal (Square Pond, Acton)

Program Director – David Burns

Assistant Program Director – James Dochtermann

ROAD COMMISSIONER - NORTHERN DISTRICT

DECEMBER 31, 2024

Greetings,

We began the year with less than average snowfall. An early April snow storm led to heavy snow which caused trees and wires to come down into the roadways causing significant storm clean up. A lot of roads were closed and barely passable for a few days after the storm. This led to weeks of debris removal. Then, mud season was fairly short with a dry hot summer. This allowed our crew to attend to a lot of regular maintenance. Brush Control was started on “pond roads” and will continue as weather allows.

The Ross Corner Road got improved with the widening of the curbs on Ross Corner Hill and also replacing the catch basin at the bottom with a new cross culvert. The road was then shimmed and overlay pavement was put down from Ross Corner to the Abbott Farm. The shoulders were graveled as well.

Owls Nest Road was ditched from Shapleigh Corner to the base of Hams hill. Rip rap was placed in the ditch line for erosion control. All debris was cleaned up at the top of the hill at the field's edge. More work will continue on Owls Nest Road in 2025.

I would like to thank my crew for the great work done this year and to everyone who helped out on the roads this year. As always, please call with any questions or concerns. Have a safe year.

Respectfully,

Darren M Rogers, Road Commissioner

Northern District

(207) 793-8416

Road Commissioner Report Southern District 2024

The last winter storm of the season was a mess. The first week in April we received around 24" of heavy wet snow. There were numerous road closures with trees and wires everywhere. The first couple of days we were just trying to get the roads passable. After that, when CMP got all the lines fixed, the clean up began. It took all of April and into May to clean up the mess.

Road weight limit posting started the last week of February and removed the end of March. Spring grading started March 10 and continued thru the month. Intersections were swept the end of May. The yellow lines were painted in June.

One major road project this year was repaving 21st Street. Brush was mulched back; the ditches were cleaned out and regraded adding stone and Rip Rap in spots to help with erosion. The driveway culverts were cleaned out, I also added a new cross culvert to help with an existing problem. The road was then paved with a full shim and a 1" topcoat. The gravel driveways were matched in, and gravel shoulders were installed to finish the project.

A second major road project was 23rd Street. I rebuilt around 2000 ft. of road. I removed a large bank across from Katos Nose to help with sight distance. Then we hauled in 1800 yds. of base gravel in order to pick the road up so water would shed off. Ditches were made, cross culverts and driveway culverts were installed. 200 yds. of ¾" ledge pack was hauled and spread to finish the project. Thank you to Russ Batson for the use of his land through the project.

We also had numerous smaller projects. There were a lot of shoulders repaired and ditches cleaned out around town. Fall grading was completed in November.

Winter sand was screened in early November. Around 2500 yards of sand was screened mixed with salt and stacked in the sand building.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone who worked with me this year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call 432-0566

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Goodwin

Road Commissioner – Southern District

SACO RIVER CORRIDOR COMMISSION

“Communities Working Together to Protect Our Rivers”

The Saco River Corridor Commission (SRCC) was created with one purpose in mind – to protect the major waterways of the Saco Basin and all that these rivers represent to the people who live and work here. The Maine State Legislature provided the performance standards to initiate our program in 1973, and the current cleanliness and scenic value of the river is a testament to that effort. The Commission’s role is one of partnership with our communities, and our standards apply to the first 500 or up to 1,000 feet of land around the Saco, Ossipee, and Little Ossipee, as well as the waters themselves (together called “the Corridor”). All twenty towns with lands in the Corridor can appoint one regular and one alternate Commissioner. Shapleigh’s two Commissioner seats are currently vacant, though we are seeking volunteers interested in applying to the town to become a member. Representation on the Commission helps Shapleigh residents to weigh in on development patterns throughout the entire Corridor, from Shapleigh north to Fryeburg, and west to Saco/Biddeford. Together, representatives from our 20 municipalities help to keep the water clean and preserve natural resources, ultimately protecting public health and quality of life in our region. Clean water is one of Maine’s greatest assets, and our volunteer Commissioners work hard to ensure the Saco and its major tributaries are protected from unsustainable or incompatible uses.

Development in Maine continues at a rapid pace. As areas are built up or used for resource extraction, degradation can occur in the shoreland area, along with water quality problems. The SRCC has kept up with the recent surge in development that started in 2020, and it continues to review each application for development near the rivers for its compliance with the Saco River Corridor Act. In 2024, the Commission carefully reviewed 110 applications for development within the Corridor.

In 2025, the SRCC will coordinate its 24th year of the Water Quality Monitoring Program. Staff and volunteers will monitor for dissolved oxygen, conductivity, pH, turbidity, temperature, alkalinity, phosphorous (total amounts and orthophosphates) nitrogen (total dissolved, NPOC, and nitrates/nitrites), and either *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*) or *Enterococci*. Our testing takes place bi-weekly along the Saco, Ossipee, and Little Ossipee Rivers at 43 different locations from May through mid-September, with additional *E. coli* bacteria testing at certain recreational sites from June to September. Not all sites are tested for all parameters, but we add parameters where there are particular concerns or conditions.

To help communicate water quality testing results to the public, the map available on our website highlights locations with recently elevated bacteria levels. The site also provides links to the most updated *E. coli* test results. While our monitoring program is near its capacity for new sites, the SRCC is happy to discuss the possibility of expanding testing locations in future or adding parameters to existing sites. We are especially grateful to our volunteer water quality monitors, who make our current array of testing locations possible. We

encourage those interested in volunteering to contact us ahead of the mid-April training dates each year, in hopes of expanding our monitoring capacity.

The SRCC's mission is to work with the communities of the Corridor to help keep the rivers clean and preserve quality of life in the Saco River Basin. If you have any comments, suggestions, or questions on any of our programs, please contact the Commission's office. We are located at 81 Maple Street in Cornish, Maine, where we have staffed hours Monday-Thursday, 9am-5pm. You can reach us at 207-625-8123 or srcc@srcc-maine.org, and you can find much more information on our website at www.srcc-maine.org. We sincerely thank the people of Shapleigh for helping to protect the Saco River and its tributaries!

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS YEAR 2024

The purpose of the Zoning Board of Appeals is to hear grievances from Shapleigh property owners as they relate to a decision made by the Code Enforcement Officer or the Planning Board. The property owner can request either an administrative appeal or a variance appeal. *As a note, anything related to an enforcement action cannot be appealed, this must be taken to the Superior Court.*

In general, an administrative appeal is sought when the applicant believes the CEO or Planning Board erred in its interpretation of the town ordinance or in the processing of the permit application.

A variance appeal is sought when the CEO issues a denial of a permit due to the inability to meet dimensional standards of a town ordinance, such as setback or lot coverage. State law requires the Board of Appeals to find that the applicant meets four tests before the Board can grant a variance. The applicant bears the burden to prove to the Board that he/she does meet ALL four tests. The four tests are:

1. That the land in question cannot yield a reasonable return unless the variance is granted.
2. The need for a variance is due to the unique circumstances of the property and not to the general conditions in the neighborhood.
3. The granting of a variance will not alter the essential character of the locality.
4. The hardship is not the result of action taken by the applicant or a prior owner.

During the 2024 calendar year, the Zoning Board of Appeals did not hear any appeals.

All Zoning Board of Appeals hearings are open to the public and are held on the first non-holiday Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Shapleigh Town Hall. Please note these hearings are held on an “as needed” basis. In the past the appeals board has met an average of three times a year.

Appeals board members are asked to decide legal questions in accordance with local ordinances and State laws. When making a decision a member must be able to make his or her decision based on the established laws until the law is changed, even when decisions seem contrary to 'common sense' to everyone involved in the decision making process. Therefore, it is important as a member to have the time to review both Town and State Ordinances, as well as court cases.

The Zoning Board welcomes a new member in 2024, Linda Cote. We are sure she will be a great asset to the board.

The Zoning Board of Appeals currently has vacancies for one regular member and two alternate members. If you are interested, please contact any board member, or contact the Town Administrator Michelle Rumney during regular town office hours or through email at townadmin@shapleigh.net.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Cebulla, Chairman

Karla Bergeron Wilcox

Kathy Fagan

Linda Cote

Barbara Felong, Recording Secretary

Tax Receivable Report—Kayla Moulton, Tax Collector | 2024

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Commitment (8/13/2024)

Real Estate	\$7,368,426.84
Personal Property	\$ 1,167.06
Supplemental	\$ <u>18,230.50</u>
Total Commitment	\$7,387,824.40

CREDITS

Real Estate	\$ 7,049,600.38
Personal Property	\$ 1057.40
Supplemental	\$ <u>16,603.05</u>
	\$ 7,067,260.83

Unpaid Taxes as of 12/31/2024 \$ 320,563.57

TAX ABATEMENTS

Bragg, Joshua & Melissa	204.85
Foglio, Stephen A Jr.	1097.43
Furlong, Darrin	212.00
Gehret, Joseph & Christine	169.68
Gerry Family Trust	1389.15
Gery Properties LLC	4059.86
Hutchins, John	1402.76
J.B. Guest Natale Revocable Trust	3276.09
Knox, Isaiah	474.43
Lessard, James & Kelli	2849.67
McGrath, Brandon	624.69
McMahon, Chad & Hanna	125.96
Moulton Family Properties	355.62
Picard, Eric & Julie	238.30
Ramsdell, Alan & Karen	408.86
Warner, James	2384.72
Wilson, Michael	53.02
Total Tax Abatements	\$19,327.09

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES

Beauchesne, Laura & Mark	3276.09
Cote, Glen & Raymond	2849.67
Gerry Family Trust	3855.01
Gerry Properties LLC	1389.15
Greaves, Kyle	1972.96
Hamal, Christopher & Andrea	238.30
Hutchins, John	1848.29
LaPlante Revocable Trust	57.84
Ramsdell, Alan & Karen	1645.76
Stam, Aaron & Marisa	1097.43

Total Supplemental Tax \$18,230.50

2024 Outstanding Real Estate Taxes | 2024

Acct	Name	Year	Tax	Payments	Amount Due
38	1224 LAS BRISAS-POF, LLC	2024	799.71	0.00	799.71
2658	ADAMS, Colby Tracy	2024	1,742.73	0.00	1,742.73
136	ADAMS, MICHELLE	2024	1,654.78	0.00	1,654.78
61	ANTHONY, KEITH E	2024	1,753.53	0.00	1,753.53
122	BEACH CHARLES B DONNA M PHILLIPS JOSHUA	2024	124.12	0.00	124.12
139	BEAULIEU, DANIEL A	2024	2,437.20	0.00	2,437.20
2978	BERUBE, Guilford	2024	3,649.07	3,000.00	649.07
202	BISHOP, NORMAN H	2024	2,374.95	0.00	2,374.95
214	BODWELL, CANDACE L , GENEST, BARBARA I	2024	2,038.52	1,666.15	372.37
220	BOLDUC, ERIC RYAN	2024	2,030.06	0.00	2,030.06
221	BOLDUC, ERIC RYAN	2024	210.39	0.00	210.39
2038	BOUTOT, Debra E	2024	6,309.52	0.87	6,308.65
243	BOWDEN, WILLIAM H III	2024	2,800.36	0.00	2,800.36
254	BRADISH, KEVIN L	2024	1,271.53	0.00	1,271.53
196	BRETON, THOMAS E	2024	282.51	0.00	282.51
265	BREWER FAMILY TRUST	2024	1,970.10	0.00	1,970.10
449	BRUCE A. CLARK REVOCABLE TRUST	2024	1,398.02	1.37	1,396.65
328	BURNELL, EDWARD E SR	2024	2,192.74	0.00	2,192.74
376	CARLTON, JOHN A	2024	1,751.23	0.00	1,751.23
387	CARTER, GERALD	2024	2,088.41	0.00	2,088.41
399	CAVANAUGH, GAIL H	2024	3,624.35	13.46	3,610.89
414	CHAGNON FAMILY 2010 REVOCABLE TRUST	2024	2,701.13	0.00	2,701.13
415	CHAGNON FAMILY 2010 REVOCABLE TRUST	2024	1,348.33	0.00	1,348.33
858	CHASSE, Carl A	2024	4,098.27	0.00	4,098.27
454	CLARK, EDWARD & KAREN TRUST	2024	472.55	0.00	472.55
446	CLARK, Frank W	2024	5,965.81	0.00	5,965.81
447	CLARK, Frank W	2024	396.93	0.00	396.93
448	CLARK, Frank W	2024	949.64	0.00	949.64
2885	CLARK, Frank W	2024	589.73	0.00	589.73
1977	CLARK, Frank W III	2024	3,177.28	0.00	3,177.28
464	COBB, Mark R	2024	1,335.78	0.00	1,335.78
2894	COLE LEGACY, LLC	2024	6,648.29	0.00	6,648.29
548	COTE, Wesley S	2024	1,478.21	0.00	1,478.21
1809	CRAM, DANIEL	2024	177.50	0.00	177.50
582	CYR, SUSAN T	2024	3,004.26	0.00	3,004.26
610	DAIGLE, Robert K Jr	2024	477.71	0.00	477.71
32	DANEY, DEBORAH L	2024	2,728.82	0.00	2,728.82
688	DAVIS, SCOTT	2024	3,528.32	0.00	3,528.32
1417	DAYE PROPERTIES LLC	2024	2,888.51	0.00	2,888.51
644	DELISLE, Daniel P	2024	238.59	0.00	238.59

645	DELISLE, Daniel P	2024	2,578.19	0.00	2,578.19
899	DELONG, Jesse	2024	681.31	0.00	681.31
2288	DESMARAIS, KELLY J	2024	803.98	0.00	803.98
2981	DESROCHERS, BRIAN	2024	542.73	0.00	542.73
676	DEVOLL, Tod D	2024	1,466.17	0.00	1,466.17
651	DEZAN, LEE F	2024	1,461.98	0.00	1,461.98
419	DIGREGORIO, JOSEPH A	2024	2,870.30	0.00	2,870.30
2622	DIXEY, ADAM B	2024	334.79	0.00	334.79
708	DONAHUE, Michael J	2024	421.51	0.00	421.51
2488	DUCKWORTH, Brian J	2024	2,293.95	2,017.91	276.04
722	EDMONSON, BRIAN T	2024	574.52	0.00	574.52
771	ELDRIDGE, Wendy	2024	641.05	0.00	641.05
807	FALLON, BONNIE J	2024	1,325.63	0.00	1,325.63
841	FIELD COTTAGE TRUST 1-20-2022	2024	4,324.88	0.00	4,324.88
842	FIELDS, Todd L	2024	4,689.22	0.00	4,689.22
850	FISKE STEPHEN F, FISKE PAMELA J, GERRY ELIZABETH L	2024	6,209.38	2,904.37	3,305.01
871	FORBES, David O	2024	2,850.38	0.00	2,850.38
879	FOSS, David A	2024	714.02	0.41	713.61
2563	GAGNON, Samuel G	2024	1,088.30	0.00	1,088.30
939	GALLANT, DAVID R	2024	592.08	0.00	592.08
967	GENDREAU, Kimberly	2024	1,369.63	0.00	1,369.63
84	GEORGE, RITA E	2024	668.57	0.00	668.57
539	GERRY PROPERTIES LLC	2024	1,389.15	0.00	1,389.15
985	GOLINVEAUX, WILLIAM S	2024	2,260.99	0.00	2,260.99
1017	GOODWIN, Jeremiah F	2024	315.23	0.00	315.23
1018	GOODWIN, Jeremiah F	2024	406.09	0.00	406.09
1790	GOODWIN, TONDA A	2024	1,253.33	0.00	1,253.33
803	GORDON, Cecilia J	2024	2,400.38	15.67	2,384.71
2802	GRANT, Christopher	2024	2,137.96	0.00	2,137.96
1053	GREENLEAF, Brian A	2024	1,045.04	0.00	1,045.04
1056	GREENLEAF, Dennis L	2024	1,214.93	0.00	1,214.93
1063	GRENNON, EDWARD N	2024	2,312.18	0.00	2,312.18
1069	GROFF, Joann H Estate	2024	2,839.93	1,360.35	1,479.58
1095	HALEY, Scott J	2024	3,665.30	10.03	3,655.27
2969	HALL LAND ,LLC	2024	150.82	0.00	150.82
1104	HAM RUTH SREVOCABLE RE TRUST	2024	1,604.90	0.00	1,604.90
1105	HAM RUTH SREVOCABLE RE TRUST	2024	668.05	0.00	668.05
1100	HAM, Daniel W	2024	978.16	0.00	978.16
1101	HAM, Michelle, L	2024	1,066.93	0.00	1,066.93
779	HAMEL, CHRISTOPHER	2024	238.30	0.00	238.30
1121	HAPPNIE, John C	2024	1,106.06	0.00	1,106.06
2227	HAPPY MOUNTAIN HOLDINGS LLC	2024	1,577.51	6.78	1,570.73
1122	HARDIN, Brett E	2024	1,843.28	0.00	1,843.28
1134	HARPER REALTY TRUST	2024	1,004.49	0.00	1,004.49
2933	HARWOOD, David W	2024	400.18	0.00	400.18
1149	HARWOOD, Mark D	2024	447.60	0.00	447.60
1158	HAWKINS, Elsa M; LUCAS, Melissa	2024	95.22	0.00	95.22
1204	HODGKINS, Kenneth L	2024	934.36	0.00	934.36
1213	HOLMAN, William W	2024	1,597.07	0.00	1,597.07
182	HUTCHINS, DAVID T	2024	937.59	10.00	927.59

1287	JACOBS FAMILY REVOC TRUST	2024	2,068.18	0.00	2,068.18
1019	JJS FAMILY REALTY TRUST	2024	437.42	0.00	437.42
1309	JOHNSON, Barrett J	2024	1,516.18	1,174.49	341.69
679	JORDAN, ZACHARY D	2024	477.32	0.00	477.32
1322	JOSLYN, Curry C	2024	1,643.09	0.00	1,643.09
1210	KGS PROPERTIES LLC	2024	167.09	0.00	167.09
1211	KGS PROPERTIES LLC	2024	61.68	0.00	61.68
2993	KGS PROPERTIES LLC	2024	2,524.17	0.00	2,524.17
893	KING, LISA A	2024	3,036.96	995.70	2,041.26
467	Langen, Edward	2024	542.97	0.00	542.97
204	LANGLAIS, David A	2024	591.75	0.00	591.75
1888	LAPIERRE, KEVIN	2024	6,559.04	0.00	6,559.04
1889	LAPIERRE, Kevin R	2024	880.83	0.00	880.83
930	LEEDBERG, Melvin E JR	2024	294.98	0.00	294.98
2260	LEEDBURG, MELVIN E JR	2024	45.19	0.00	45.19
2906	LEEDBURG, MELVIN E JR	2024	884.70	0.00	884.70
1610	LEFAY, PAIGE C	2024	4,733.01	0.00	4,733.01
1553	LINDQUIST FAMILY REALTY TRUST	2024	5,394.34	0.00	5,394.34
1563	LODGES CARE CENTER, INC	2024	108.45	0.00	108.45
1591	MACBETH, Deane W	2024	5,528.19	0.00	5,528.19
1598	MACGREGOR, Michael	2024	559.88	0.00	559.88
2661	MAINE ROOTS RHV, LLC	2024	292.38	0.00	292.38
2858	MARHAK, AUSTIN	2024	364.75	0.00	364.75
1660	MARHAK, Martin J	2024	1,789.99	0.00	1,789.99
2937	MCMAHON, JACOB	2024	484.41	0.00	484.41
1697	MEIKLEJOHN, DANIEL	2024	275.03	0.00	275.03
1698	MEIKLEJOHN, Daniel	2024	2,263.89	0.00	2,263.89
1803	MONNIE, William	2024	47.72	0.00	47.72
1810	Moody Margaret O Living Trust	2024	920.05	0.00	920.05
1811	Moody Margaret O Living Trust	2024	519.23	0.00	519.23
1812	Moody Margaret O Living Trust	2024	473.81	0.00	473.81
1813	Moody Margaret O Living Trust	2024	4,022.16	0.00	4,022.16
1076	MORGAN HILL PROPERTIES LLC	2024	4,291.88	3.98	4,287.90
1832	MORRISON, Jeffrey	2024	73.25	0.00	73.25
1833	MORRISON, Jeffrey	2024	887.21	0.19	887.02
2074	MORSE, Cathy J	2024	325.48	0.00	325.48
2075	MORSE, Cathy J	2024	144.60	1.85	142.75
1838	MOSES, Brian L	2024	2,527.91	0.00	2,527.91
1852	MOUSAM CLUB	2024	534.69	0.00	534.69
589	MUDGE, Carolyn E	2024	8,072.34	8,071.53	0.81
1871	MURPHY, David A	2024	2,046.89	0.00	2,046.89
1877	MURPHY, Robert F	2024	2,556.83	0.00	2,556.83
1935	NORVELL, Deborah Rachel Ellis	2024	2,849.85	0.00	2,849.85
23	ONEIL, TIMOTHY S	2024	3,304.52	0.00	3,304.52
24	ONEIL, TIMOTHY S	2024	24.10	0.00	24.10
1582	PARENT LEGACY TRUST	2024	4,816.71	0.00	4,816.71
2499	PARSHALL, SANDRA	2024	2,046.89	0.00	2,046.89
1995	PAUL, Brian G	2024	2,424.95	0.00	2,424.95
1599	PHELPS, MATTHEW	2024	1,630.50	0.00	1,630.50
2067	PILLSBURY, PAULINE	2024	1,595.38	0.00	1,595.38
2166	PINE RIDGE RD REALTY TRUST	2024	2,952.79	0.00	2,952.79

2070	PINE SPRINGS ROADS WATER LLC	2024	566.23	0.00	566.23
2071	PINE SPRINGS ROADS WATER LLC	2024	923.75	0.00	923.75
2072	PINE SPRINGS ROADS WATER, LLC	2024	784.94	0.00	784.94
1340	POVALL, Louise	2024	2,575.15	0.40	2,574.75
2040	QUALITY PROPERTIES	2024	3,736.48	0.00	3,736.48
2128	RAJANIEMI, Elton E	2024	5,332.58	0.00	5,332.58
586	RAND, Daniel R	2024	885.25	1.92	883.33
584	RAND, Emily M	2024	519.01	0.00	519.01
2202	RIDLEY, Joseph T	2024	2,597.78	8.01	2,589.77
2236	ROBINSON, William F Jr	2024	5,102.38	0.00	5,102.38
2088	ROY, Rick J	2024	2,588.52	0.00	2,588.52
1356	SAMUELS, BRETT A	2024	2,648.76	7.25	2,641.51
2028	SANBORN, Gregory A	2024	947.24	0.00	947.24
511	SAWYER, RUEL L	2024	2,426.75	0.00	2,426.75
514	SAWYER, RUEL L	2024	1,050.81	0.00	1,050.81
515	SAWYER, RUEL L	2024	377.43	0.00	377.43
2316	SCAMMAN, Charles W	2024	2,659.31	0.00	2,659.31
3002	SEASIDE FLOORING LLC	2024	596.52	0.00	596.52
2342	SHACKLEY, Andrew H	2024	1,568.95	0.00	1,568.95
1846	SHAPLEIGH IRREVOCABLE REALTY TRUST 6/12/2020	2024	562.49	532.26	30.23
1847	SHAPLEIGH IRREVOCABLE REALTY TRUST 6/12/2020	2024	2,672.81	1,732.67	940.14
2398	SLATER-DUBE, Sandra J	2024	2,319.42	0.00	2,319.42
331	SMALL, THOMAS J	2024	1,913.35	1,437.59	475.76
673	SMITH, DEBORAH	2024	4,737.26	0.00	4,737.26
158	SPURIA, SCOTT	2024	772.20	0.00	772.20
2475	SPURR, Frederick	2024	2,585.23	1,000.00	1,585.23
1504	STACY R GLIDDEN REVOC. TRUST	2024	4,473.71	0.00	4,473.71
797	STANLEY, Joseph L	2024	73.38	0.00	73.38
2304	STANLEY, Joseph L	2024	41.57	0.00	41.57
2925	STANLEY, Joseph L	2024	195.57	0.00	195.57
2504	STARBIRD, CHARLES	2024	741.24	0.00	741.24
2511	STEFFENS, Dane	2024	3,655.78	0.00	3,655.78
1702	STEVEN A. SMITH REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST	2024	2,256.54	0.00	2,256.54
1703	STEVEN A. SMITH REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST	2024	2,062.33	0.00	2,062.33
2562	TANNER, RICHARD C	2024	4,018.58	1,268.68	2,749.90
2578	TEJEDA, Victor R	2024	354.63	0.00	354.63
577	THE DUTCHESS LLC	2024	2,717.97	0.00	2,717.97
2935	THIBEAULT, MARY A	2024	267.39	0.00	267.39
2055	THOMAS, Robert E	2024	1,887.45	0.00	1,887.45
2056	THOMAS, Robert E	2024	472.55	0.00	472.55
409	THREE RIVERS LAND TRUST	2024	502.71	273.74	228.97
516	TRIPP, GLENDA J	2024	1,724.22	0.00	1,724.22
2650	UNKNOWN	2024	971.83	0.00	971.83
2691	Wade Family Trust	2024	3,370.28	0.00	3,370.28
2701	WALLACE, Thomas	2024	664.23	0.00	664.23
2279	WALLINGFORD, Scott	2024	4,613.58	4,058.42	555.16

1555	WELCH, Benjamin III	2024	4,087.94	0.00	4,087.94
2807	Wheeler, Amanda L	2024	684.63	0.00	684.63
643	WILCOX, SCOTT A	2024	2,568.06	0.00	2,568.06
1477	WINSLOW, Mark S	2024	1,419.36	1.38	1,417.98
2839	WOODWARD, Jenna	2024	2,413.37	947.01	1,466.36

Total for 211 Bills:	211 Accounts	388,805.50	69,979.04	318,826.46
-----------------------------	--------------	------------	-----------	------------

2023 Outstanding Tax Liens | 2024

Acct	Name -----	Year	Tax	Adjustments	Due
38	1224 LAS BRISAS-POF, LLC	2023	821.66	748.47	73.19
414	CHAGNON FAMILY 2010 REVOCABLE TRUST	2023	2,574.66	1,671.23	903.43
415	CHAGNON FAMILY 2010 REVOCABLE TRUST	2023	1,315.10	0.00	1,315.10
446	CLARK, Frank W	2023	5,614.33	0.00	5,614.33
447	CLARK, Frank W	2023	429.26	0.00	429.26
448	CLARK, Frank W	2023	943.87	0.00	943.87
2885	CLARK, Frank W	2023	608.77	0.00	608.77
1977	CLARK, Frank W III	2023	3,018.00	0.00	3,018.00
2288	DESMARAIS, KELLY J	2023	808.25	0.00	808.25
419	DIGREGORIO, JOSEPH A	2023	2,732.17	0.00	2,732.17
871	FORBES, David O	2023	2,671.89	0.00	2,671.89
2563	GAGNON, Samuel G	2023	1,048.01	0.00	1,048.01
1053	GREENLEAF, Brian A	2023	947.77	0.00	947.77
1101	HAM, Michelle, L	2023	1,019.43	0.00	1,019.43
1134	HARPER REALTY TRUST	2023	123.95	0.00	123.95
1204	HODGKINS, Kenneth L	2023	929.65	0.00	929.65
1322	JOSLYN, Curry C	2023	1,564.57	0.00	1,564.57
1582	LUNNY, Florence A Estate	2023	4,553.13	0.00	4,553.13
1697	MEIKLEJOHN, DANIEL	2023	333.14	0.00	333.14
1698	MEIKLEJOHN, Daniel	2023	2,184.94	0.00	2,184.94
2236	ROBINSON, William F Jr	2023	4,810.41	0.00	4,810.41
2088	ROY, Rick J	2023	2,436.15	0.00	2,436.15
2342	SHACKLEY, Andrew H	2023	1,537.88	0.00	1,537.88
2398	SLATER-DUBE, Sandra J	2023	2,217.31	977.80	1,239.51
2504	STARBIRD, CHARLES	2023	716.19	0.00	716.19
516	TRIPP, GLENDA J	2023	1,673.77	0.00	1,673.77
2650	UNKNOWN	2023	964.54	0.00	964.54
Total for 27 Bills:		27 Accounts	48,598.80	3,397.50	45,201.30

DOG LICENSES

According to State Law, all dogs need to be licensed upon reaching the age of 6 months in the town where they reside. Or after the dog has been with the family for 10 days, if adopted. To obtain a license for your dog, the owner must present a current State of Maine Rabies Certificate obtained from a veterinarian.

All dog licenses expire on December 31st of each year. Renewing licenses for the following year can be done at the Town Clerk's office starting October 15th of each year calendar year.

Dog Licensing Fees

- \$6 per year for spayed / neutered dogs.
- \$11 per year for dogs not spayed / neutered.
- Per state law, any dog license that is re-licensed after January 31 will be subject to a \$25 late fee.

Dogs may be licensed at the Town Clerk's office or online

IN 2024 THERE WERE:	0	Kennel
	78	Male / Female
	487	Spayed Females / Neutered Males
	4	Service

267 DOGS WERE REGISTERED ONLINE IN 2024

VITAL STATISTICS

The following statistics have been recorded for the year ending December 31, 2024

BIRTHS:	17
DEATHS:	19
MARRIAGES:	28

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Who can register to vote?

To register to vote you must:

- ... be a United States citizen
- ... be at least 16 years of age to pre-register (not eligible to vote)
- ... be a Maine resident

You can register to vote by filling out a voter registration card at the Town Clerk's office or through any Motor Vehicle branch office.

What identification can I bring when registering?

- ... Maine Driver's license
- ... Maine State identification card
- ... U.S. passport
- ... Birth Certificate
- ... Social Security Card
- ... Other official documents such as public benefit determination, utility bill, bank statement, government check, etc. showing name and address

If your current Shapleigh address is NOT listed on the proof of identity, then you must provide additional documentation of residency.

To **vote** in a Referendum or General Election, you must be registered in the community where you reside and be at least 18 years of age. A 17 year old may vote in a Primary Election, if that person will be 18 by the General Election.

Total Registered Voters in Shapleigh: 2536

Democrat:	566
Green Independent:	132
Libertarian:	17
No Labels:	34
Republican:	940
Unenrolled:	847

2024 Election Statistics:

March 5, 2024	Municipal Election & State Primary	568 votes cast
June 11, 2024	RSU #57 Budget Vote & State Primary	157 votes cast
November 5, 2024	Presidential Election	1897 votes cast

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

Passenger	2677
Motor Home	17
Commercial	256
Trailers	532
Tractor / Farm	16
Motorcycle / Moped	234
Equipment	7
Transfers	247
Transit Permit	32

Rapid Renewal allows you to renew a current registration online by paying your local excise tax, state motor vehicle registration fee, and a small fee for this online service. New registrations or registrations that have expired more than 7 months require visiting your municipal office to pay excise tax. Please visit the Town's website at www.shapleigh.net or www.SOSonline.org.

There was a total of 961 registrations that were processed through Rapid Renewal in 2024.

RESIDENT / NON-RESIDENT LICENSES & PERMITS

Combination Licenses	37
Hunting Licenses	49
Fishing Licenses	32
Archery Licenses	4
Bear Hunting Licenses	1
Muzzle Loader Licenses	5
Night Coyote Hunting Licenses	6
Spring / Fall Turkey	7
Over 70 Lifetime Licenses	5
Saltwater Fish Registry	8
Superpack	2
Crossbow	3

RESIDENT LIFETIME LICENSES

Senior lifetime licenses for hunting, fishing and archery are available for Maine residents who are 65 years of age or older. Youth lifetime licenses are available for those who are 15 years of age or younger.

Applications are available at the Town Clerk's office or at www.mefishwildlife.com. However, it must be done directly through the state. The Resident Lifetime Over 70 license is \$8.00 and includes all permits. This type of license can be done in the Town Clerk's office.

BOAT, SNOWMOBILE & ATV REGISTRATIONS

Boat Registrations	633
Personal Watercraft Registrations	105
Non-Resident Milfoil Stickers	47
Resident ATV Registrations	186
Non-Resident ATV Registrations	37
Resident Snowmobile Registrations	114
Non-Resident Snowmobile Registrations	8

BOAT REGISTRATIONS CAN BE RENEWED ONLINE.

WEBSITE: www.maine.gov/online/sporting

There were 367 boats registered online during 2024.

Please be advised that when coming into the Clerk's office to renew any boat, snowmobile or ATV registration, the state requires that you provide one of the following:

- Registration Number
- Bow Number
- Sticker Number
- Vin Number

The state will NOT allow us to look up any registration by name. Without one of the following, we will not be able to process your renewal.

Town of Shapleigh Reserve Funds

12/31/2024

(unaudited)

Ambulance	\$ 292.91	Public Safety BldgMt	\$ 39,431.75
Bridge	\$ 40,036.13	Public Works Facility	\$ 359.22
Brush Control North	\$ 15,592.66	Public Works Pit	\$ 36,716.56
Brush Control South	\$ 17,324.55	Rec Field &Bldg	\$ 45.97
Capital Improvement	\$544,242.04	Recycle Fund	\$ 5,666.45
Community Day	\$ 7,603.83	Ross Corner Fire Truck	\$ 26,093.24
Community Day Scholarship	\$ 12,603.21	So. District Rd Imp	\$ 7,236.10
Community Forrest	\$ 101,547.76	Solar Energy	\$ 99,972.43
Cottage Lots	\$ 12,974.15	Solid Waste	\$ 1,278.73
Dam Maintenance	\$ 972.82	Tar Sealer North	\$ 427,094.42
Dam Reserve	\$ 44,661.02	Tar Sealer South	\$ 100,887.27
Farm Cottage Lots	\$ 24,703.82	Town Hall Building	\$ 8,944.60
Fire Dept SCBA Gear	\$ 4,269.45	UripNorth	\$133,700.74
Fire Truck	\$245,561.28	Urip South	\$271,213.89
Fire Victim	\$ 406.41	William Property	\$ 6,869.61
Gruber Scholarship	\$ 7,391.55	Winter Road Maint	\$ 4,891.20
Gruber Scholarship Saver	\$ 91,406.40	Revaluation	<u>\$ 27,758.16</u>
Hargrave Bridge	\$ 2033.78	Totals:	\$2,553,801.27
Medical Staffing	\$ 45,195.28		
NEW Public Safety Building	\$ 31,821.88		
*Reinstated Com Plan	\$ 5,000.00		

Trust Funds

Hobart Library Remodeling Fund	\$ 2,988.76
Hobart Library Book Fund	\$ 1,529.55
Cummings/Ferguson Scholarship Fund	\$ 5,074.56
Cummings/Ferguson Scholarship Saver	\$ 632.74
Wilma "Billie" Thyng Scholarship Fund	\$ 28,706.44
Storer Fund	\$ 2,450.11
Cummings Welfare Fund (<i>General Assistance</i>)	\$ 6,194.03
Holdsworth Scholarship Fund	\$ 48,036.85
Cemetery Fund(<i>see breakdown below</i>)	\$ 66,349.26

CEMETERY FUND BREAKDOWN \$66,349.29

Wesley C Abbott	\$ 6,399.24
Bodwell	\$ 894.81
Eliza Boston	\$ 1,085.69
Everett Brown	\$ 1,163.23
Almeda Coffin	\$ 1,008.13
Gladys Forrest	\$ 3,363.80
Charles F Ham	\$ 661.21
Angus Moulton	\$ 1,604.64
Lizzie O Philbrick	\$ 697.94
Ross Cemetery-OCCumming	\$ 47,812.55
Roscoe Wadleigh	\$ 1,658.05

Assigned Balance Fund

December 31, 2024

Ambulance Service	\$157,971.88	Rescue Stipends	\$ 5,000.00
Community Building	\$416,612.51	Rescue Subscriptions	\$65,086.85
Contingency	\$ 22,056.63	Shapleigh Commons	\$ 575.13
Donated Assistance	\$ 7,382.28	Town Dog	\$ 18,772.84
Earned Paid Leave	\$ 17,520.77	Transfer Station Fees	\$ 42,108.51
FD Hose and Nozzle	\$ 570.43	Veterans Cemetery	\$ 3,070.12
FD Hydrants	\$ 15,197.58	Zoning Board	\$ 1,320.56
FD Incentive/Retention	\$ 5,646.70		
FD Medical	\$ 3,635.00		
FD Pump Repair	\$ 8,890.00		
FD Turnout Gear	\$ 12,097.28		
FD Uniform	\$ 3,179.50		
FD Donations	\$ 2,139.42		
Library Operations	\$ 3,398.88		
Planning Board	\$ 9,203.09		
Rec Capital Playground	\$ 24,892.44		
Rescue Donations	\$ 4,457.59		
Rescue Education	\$ 2,356.00		
Rescue PPE	\$ 17,090.60		

2024 Town Meeting – APPROVED

2024 Town Meeting - APPROVED

DESCRIPTION	REQUEST	SOURCE	Article
General Government	788,492	Assessment	24
Public Safety:			
Fire Dept Maint./ Salaries	91,668	Assessment	29
Fire Dept Stipend	18,975	Assessment	30
Fire Dept Medical	4,000	Assessment	31
Fire Dept Uniform	2,000	Assessment	32
Fire Dept Turnout gear	10,000	Assessment	33
Fire Dept Hose/Nozzle	2,600	Assessment	34
Fire Dept Hydrant	6,000	Assessment	35
Fire Dept Incentive	4,000	Assessment	36
Fire Dept Truck Rsv	30,000	Assessment	37
Fire Dept Pump Repair	12,000	Assessment	38
Ross Corner Fire	11,160	Assessment	39
Communications	38,694	Assessment	40
Sheriff Deputy Contract	75,000	Assessment	41
Public Safety Building	38,500	Assessment	42
PSB Reserve Fund	7,000	Assessment	43
Rescue Squad	75,248	Assessment	44
Rescue Per-Diem	489,529	329,529 Assess/ 86k Service Fees/ 74,000 Staffing Rsv	45
EMA Operations	11,002	Assessment	46
Animal Control	15,093	Assessment	47

Street Lighting	3,700	Assessment	48
PUBLIC SAFETY TOTALS	946,169		
Public Works:			
Winter Maintenance RSV	461,780	Assessment	50
Ways Bridges No./So.	100,000	Assessment	51
Pond Roads No./So.	50,000	Assessment	52
Brush Cutting RSV	20,000	Assessment	53
Tar Sealer No./So. RSV	350,000	Assessment	54
Road Improv. So RSV	40,000	Assessment	55
Road Improv. No RSV	40,000	Assessment	56
Catch Basin Rsv	5,000	Assessment	58
Transfer station	432,850	Assessment	59
E-911	1,200	Assessment	60
Public Works Totals:	1,500,830		
Social Services:			
American Red Cross	2,500	Assessment	62
Caring Unlimited	876	Assessment	62
Day One	1,000	Assessment	62
Kids Free to Grow	800	Assessment	62
Lifeflight	730	Assessment	62
Maine Health VN	2,500	Assessment	62
Sexual Assault Response	1,000	Assessment	62
So. ME Agency on Aging	2,000	Assessment	62
YC Comm Action	2,750	Assessment	62
YC Shelter Program	1,500	Assessment	62
Social Service Totals	15,656		

Miscellaneous:			
Beach/Forestry Scholar	6,000	Forestry Reserve	21 & 22
General Assistance	10,000	Assessment	25
CEO Vehicle Rsv	5,000	Assessment	26
Digital Mapping	3,000	Assessment	27
Earned Paid Leave Rsv	12,500	Assessment	28
4H	400	Assessment	61
Cemetery Maint	2,850	Assessment	63
So. ME Veterans Cemetery	1,000	Assessment	64
Library	43,500	Assessment	65
Community Day	2,000	Assessment	66
Community Day Scholar	2,000	Scholarship Reserve	67
Comm, TH, Lby grounds	6,500	Assessment	68
Sports Fields	14,000	Assessment	69
Recreation Committee	10,000	Assessment	70
Dam Reserve	5,000	Assessment	72
Capital Improvement Rsv	125,000	Assessment	73
Revaluation Rsv	25,000	Assessment	74
Bridge Reserve	40,000	Assessment	75
Conservation	350	Assessment	76
Saco River Corridor	500	Assessment	77
Acton/Shap Youth CC	22,000	Assessment	78
Acton/Shap Historical	2,000	Assessment	79
MISCELLANEOUS TOTALS	338,570		
Totals:			
Assessment	3,421,747		

Reserve Funds	168,000		
Undesignated Funds	At commitment		
Anticipated Revenues	At commitment		
Grand Total	3,589,747		

Audited Financial Statements for year ending
12/31/2024 were not available at the time of printing.

Once the audit report is complete it will be posted on the Town Website: www.shapleigh.net

Or can be requested in person at the Town Hall

.

The following pages are the Audited financial Statements for year ending
12/31/2023



July 3, 2024

Selectboard
Town of Shapleigh
Shapleigh, Maine

We were engaged by the Town of Shapleigh, Maine and have audited the financial statements of the Town of Shapleigh, Maine as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023. The following statements and schedules have been excerpted from the 2023 financial statements, a complete copy of which, including our opinion thereon, is available for inspection at the Town Office.

Included herein are:

Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds	Statement C
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	Statement E
Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Budgetary Basis - Budget and Actual - General Fund	Schedule 1
Schedule of Departmental Operations - General Fund	Schedule A
Combining Balance Sheet - Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule B
Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Schedule C

RHR Smith & Company

Certified Public Accountants

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH, MAINE

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,643,984	\$ 156,830	\$ 4,800,814
Investments	90,000	52,041	142,041
Accounts receivable (net of allowance for uncollectibles):			
Taxes/liens	379,057	-	379,057
Other	40,222	-	40,222
Tax acquired property	11,456	-	11,456
Due from other funds	-	262,704	262,704
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 5,164,719	\$ 471,575	\$ 5,636,294
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 56,335	\$ -	\$ 56,335
Due to other governments	7,767	-	7,767
Due to other funds	262,704	-	262,704
TOTAL LIABILITIES	326,806	-	326,806
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Prepaid taxes	18,050	-	18,050
Deferred tax revenues	339,000	-	339,000
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	357,050	-	357,050
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	11,456	129,007	140,463
Restricted	624,099	348,877	972,976
Committed	1,839,237	-	1,839,237
Assigned	402,340	-	402,340
Unassigned (Deficit)	1,603,731	(6,309)	1,597,422
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	4,480,863	471,575	4,952,438
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 5,164,719	\$ 471,575	\$ 5,636,294

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH, MAINE

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Property taxes	\$ 6,288,802	\$ -	\$ 6,288,802
Excise taxes	741,170	-	741,170
Intergovernmental revenues	479,095	-	479,095
Charges for services	269,561	-	269,561
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	30,815	(8,865)	21,950
Miscellaneous revenues	31,391	-	31,391
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>7,840,834</u>	<u>(8,865)</u>	<u>7,831,969</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
General government	748,261	-	748,261
Public safety	837,525	-	837,525
Health and sanitation	420,232	-	420,232
Public works	1,109,657	-	1,109,657
Education	4,540,828	-	4,540,828
County tax	341,456	-	341,456
Social services	15,006	-	15,006
Other	158,175	38,053	196,228
Capital outlay	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>8,171,140</u>	<u>38,053</u>	<u>8,209,193</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(330,306)	(46,918)	(377,224)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1, RESTATED	<u>4,811,169</u>	<u>518,493</u>	<u>5,329,662</u>
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 4,480,863</u>	<u>\$ 471,575</u>	<u>\$ 4,952,438</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH, MAINE

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS
 BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance
	Original	Final	Amounts	Positive (Negative)
Budgetary Fund Balance, January 1, Restated	\$ 4,811,169	\$ 4,811,169	\$ 4,811,169	\$ -
Resources (Inflows):				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	6,374,722	6,374,722	6,288,802	(85,920)
Excise taxes	743,700	743,700	741,170	(2,530)
Intergovernmental revenues	408,775	408,775	479,095	70,320
Charges for services	81,232	81,232	269,561	188,329
Interest income	23,898	23,898	30,815	6,917
Miscellaneous revenues	24,500	26,881	31,391	4,510
Amounts Available for Appropriation	<u>12,467,996</u>	<u>12,470,377</u>	<u>12,652,003</u>	<u>181,626</u>
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows)				
Current:				
General government	780,649	780,649	748,261	32,388
Public safety	976,063	976,063	837,525	138,538
Health and sanitation	420,232	420,232	420,232	-
Public works	1,177,539	1,177,539	1,109,657	67,882
Education	4,540,828	4,540,828	4,540,828	-
County tax	341,456	341,456	341,456	-
Social services	15,006	15,006	15,006	-
Other	345,608	347,989	158,175	189,814
Total Charges to Appropriations (Outflows)	<u>8,597,381</u>	<u>8,599,762</u>	<u>8,171,140</u>	<u>428,622</u>
Budgetary Fund Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 3,870,615</u>	<u>\$ 3,870,615</u>	<u>\$ 4,480,863</u>	<u>\$ 610,248</u>
Utilization of committed fund balance	\$ 213,970	\$ 213,970	\$ -	\$ (213,970)
Utilization of assigned fund balance	126,584	126,584	-	(126,584)
Utilization of unassigned fund balance	600,000	600,000	-	(600,000)
	<u>\$ 940,554</u>	<u>\$ 940,554</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (940,554)</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

SCHEDULE A

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
General Government	\$ 780,649	\$ -	\$ 780,649	\$ 748,261	\$ 32,388
	780,649	-	780,649	748,261	32,388
Public Safety -					
Fire Department General Maintenance	66,000	-	66,000	51,545	14,455
Fire Chief/Assistant Fire Chief	37,951	-	37,951	35,644	2,307
Medical Reserve	2,000	-	2,000	2,000	-
Turnout Gear Reserve	31,211	-	31,211	31,212	(1)
Uniform Reserve	925	-	925	925	-
Ross Corner Fire Co	9,993	-	9,993	9,993	-
Rescue Squad	85,013	-	85,013	106,735	(21,722)
Public Safety Building Expenses	38,500	-	38,500	29,816	8,684
Dispatch PSAP	36,795	-	36,795	36,792	3
Animal Control Officer	13,822	-	13,822	13,822	-
Street Lighting	3,700	-	3,700	-	3,700
York County Sheriff Contract	75,000	-	75,000	60,874	14,126
Fire Truck Reserve	30,000	-	30,000	-	30,000
SCBA Reserve	55,128	-	55,128	55,128	-
Ambulance	464,217	-	464,217	390,453	73,764
Hydrant Reserve	4,972	-	4,972	4,972	-
Public Safety Building Reserve	10,000	-	10,000	-	10,000
Emergency Management Agency	10,836	-	10,836	7,614	3,222
	976,063	-	976,063	837,525	138,538

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Social Services -					
Caring Unlimited	876	-	876	876	-
American Red Cross	2,500	-	2,500	2,500	-
SARS of Maine	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Child Abuse Prevention Council	800	-	800	800	-
Maine Health Visiting Nurse Service	2,500	-	2,500	2,500	-
Maine Public Radio	100	-	100	100	-
Southern Maine Agency on Aging	1,800	-	1,800	1,800	-
York County Community Action Corp.	2,700	-	2,700	2,700	-
York County Shelter Program	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Lifeflight	730	-	730	730	-
Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
	15,006	-	15,006	15,006	-
Public Works -					
Winter Maintenance	468,009	-	468,009	468,009	-
Ways and Bridges - North	45,000	-	45,000	45,000	-
Ways and Bridges - South	45,000	-	45,000	45,000	-
Pond Roads - North	20,000	-	20,000	19,254	746
Pond Roads - South	20,000	-	20,000	20,000	-
Brush Cutting - North	5,000	-	5,000	1,497	3,503
Brush Cutting - South	5,000	-	5,000	3,829	1,171
Tar and Sealer - North	150,000	-	150,000	103,548	46,452
Tar and Sealer - South	150,000	-	150,000	150,000	-
Special Project - South	84,893	-	84,893	84,893	-
Plowing and Sanding - North	13,000	-	13,000	12,050	950
No. District Road Improvement Reserve	52,510	-	52,510	52,510	-
So. District Road Improvement Reserve	68,317	-	68,317	68,317	-
URIP	27,728	-	27,728	27,729	(1)
Public Works Facility Reserve	4,582	-	4,582	4,582	-
E911	3,500	-	3,500	2,877	623
Gravel Pit	15,000	-	15,000	562	14,438
	1,177,539	-	1,177,539	1,109,657	67,882

SCHEDULE A (CONTINUED)

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH, MAINE

SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Original Budget	Budget Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Health and Sanitation -					
Solid Waste Management	420,232	-	420,232	420,232	-
	420,232	-	420,232	420,232	-
Education	4,540,828	-	4,540,828	4,540,828	-
County Tax	341,456	-	341,456	341,456	-
Other -					
Cemeteries and Flagging Soldiers Graves	2,850	-	2,850	1,887	963
4-H Club	400	-	400	400	-
Town Library Maintenance and Librarians	41,350	-	41,350	31,818	9,532
Conservation Committee	-	-	-	265	(265)
Recreation Committee and Sports Field Maint	26,153	-	26,153	14,789	11,364
Interest on Tax Anticipation Note	9,898	-	9,898	9,898	-
Recreation Field/Building Reserve	-	-	-	453	(453)
Dam Reserve Fund	16,600	-	16,600	6,600	10,000
Acton/Shapleigh Historical Society	2,000	-	2,000	2,000	-
Comm Forest Maintenance/Town Beach	5,000	-	5,000	4,553	447
Comm Forest Scholarship	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	-
Saco River Corridor Commission	400	-	400	400	-
Shapleigh Commons Maintenance	16,151	-	16,151	8,269	7,882
Acton/Shapleigh Youth Conservation Corps	20,000	-	20,000	20,000	-
Williams Property Maintenance	1,614	-	1,614	1,614	-
GIS Digital Mapping	3,000	-	3,000	-	3,000
Contingency Reserve	2,095	-	2,095	2,095	-
Municipal Vehicle Reserve	5,000	-	5,000	-	5,000
Solar Energy Reserve	650	-	650	650	-
Capital Improvements Fund Reserve	125,000	-	125,000	8,518	116,482
Fire Equipment	15,100	-	15,100	15,100	-
General Assistance	1,541	-	1,541	1,541	-
Scholarships	-	2,381	2,381	2,083	298
Overlay/abatements	49,806	-	49,806	24,242	25,564
	345,608	2,381	347,989	158,175	189,814
Total Departmental Operations	\$ 8,597,381	\$ 2,381	\$ 8,599,762	\$ 8,171,140	\$ 428,622

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH, MAINE

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ 156,830	\$ 156,830
Investments	-	52,041	52,041
Due from other funds	262,704	-	262,704
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 262,704</u>	<u>\$ 208,871</u>	<u>\$ 471,575</u>
LIABILITIES			
Due to other funds	-	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	-	129,007	129,007
Restricted	262,704	86,173	348,877
Committed	-	-	-
Assigned	-	-	-
Unassigned (Deficit)	-	(6,309)	(6,309)
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>262,704</u>	<u>208,871</u>	<u>471,575</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 262,704</u>	<u>\$ 208,871</u>	<u>\$ 471,575</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH, MAINE

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES - NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Special Revenue Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
REVENUES			
Investment income, net of unrealized gains/(losses)	\$ -	\$ (8,865)	\$ (8,865)
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,865)</u>	<u>(8,865)</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Other	28,500	9,553	38,053
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>28,500</u>	<u>9,553</u>	<u>38,053</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(28,500)	(18,418)	(46,918)
FUND BALANCES - JANUARY 1	<u>291,204</u>	<u>227,289</u>	<u>518,493</u>
FUND BALANCES - DECEMBER 31	<u>\$ 262,704</u>	<u>\$ 208,871</u>	<u>\$ 471,575</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

Doomsday Notice

Tax Payers to list property

In accordance with Title 36, Section 706, Maine Revised Statutes annotated, notice is hereby given to all persons liable to taxation in Shapleigh to furnish true and perfect lists of their property, not by law exempt from taxation, of which they are possessed on the FIRST DAY OF APRIL 2025 and to be prepared to make oath to the truth of the same, and to answer all proper inquiries in writing as to the nature, situation, and value of their property liable to be taxed.

Any person who neglects to comply with this notice shall be barred of his right to make application to the Assessors, or any appeal there from, for any abatement of his taxes, unless he furnishes such a list with his application, and satisfies the Assessors that he was unable to furnish it at the time appointed.

The Assessor Agent will be available in the office at the Town Hall from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for the purpose of receiving said lists on Tuesday April 1st. Such lists may be mailed or brought to the Town Hall prior to that date during regular hours, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Any homeowner, veteran, veteran's widow or minor children, or blind persons who are, or may be, entitled to an exemption under the provisions of the law and have not previously qualified for an exemption must apply to the Assessor prior to April 1st and furnish proof of entitlement.

Necessary forms may be obtained at the Assessor's office at Shapleigh Town Hall.

FMI CALL (207) 636-2843 EXT 0

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOWN OF SHAPLEIGH

Thomas J. Small, Chairman

Scott E. Cudworth

