

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN 2014

First, I would like to say it is an honor to serve you as Chairman of the Board. It is a pleasure working with the office, department heads, and employees.

We welcomed Mr. Boyd Chivers to the Board in 2014. His commitment, knowledge, thriftiness, and wit have excelled him through his first year and we thank him. The Selectmen have accomplished many tasks. First, they appointed a group of very capable people to become the Trustees of the Smyth Memorial Building on High Street. They will care for the well being of the building and grounds.

Second, the Selectmen worked with Douglas Kemp and Wayne Wheeler at NHDES along with Candia's Town Engineer at Stantec to complete the landfill closure at 119 New Boston Road. After many years, I am confident this project has reached closure with the necessary permits required by NHDES. We were able to hire a sub-contractor D. Ladd, LLC to complete the excavation work on the site. They will finish grading in the spring.

Third, as 2014 moved along and large projects came to completion the Selectmen looked to the future of our community by working closely with the Planning Board, Land Use Boards, School Board, Southern NH Planning Commission, and most important the citizens. Hopefully we can move our community through the twenty first century with pride of what we leave for future generations. This can be accomplished with visioning and master planning.

The Selectmen would not have been able to work on or complete any of these tasks without a good operational staff. We thank them all, elected officials, trustees, department heads, employees, sub-contractors, suppliers and all the volunteers from many different clubs, commissions, and committees. Each year one employee is selected as Employee of the Year. This year it is Chuck Witcher, Operator of the Recycling Center. If you happen to see Chuck, please give him the congratulations he deserves.

In January Amanda Soares resigned from her position as Selectman for other personal opportunities, we wish her and her family the very best. Mr. Richard Snow will not seek reelection for another term as Selectman. Over the last six years Richard has worked on many projects. His commitment to southern New Hampshire, especially Candia's natural resources has been second to none. He showed great interest in the budgeting process and the effect it has on Candia's tax rate. He will continue to volunteer as a Cemetery Trustee in 2015. We thank Mr. Snow for his service. Mr. David DePuy will not return to the Board. Other commitments do not allow the necessary time. David's actions have been an inspiration to myself and others. His position on the Board will be difficult to fill. If you see Mr. DePuy, please thank him for his service.

I look forward to a new year. There will be challenges and decisions to be made. Hopefully they will all be correct. Selectman Chivers and I will welcome three new members to the Board of Selectmen and help them, if needed, become successful leaders of our community.

Once again thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you.

Respectfully,
Carleton Robie
Chairman of the Board