

## Report of the Safety Committee

Our Safety Committee meets four times a year to discuss employee health and safety matters.

Last year, this report made it to the on-line version of the Annual Town Report but being the first of its kind was absent from the printed version. So, some of this may sound redundant...

The members consist of Town Administrator Heidi Carlson, Police Chief Jon Twiss, Deputy Health Officer Carla Smith, Head Librarian Eric Abney, Road Agent Leon Holmes Jr, Fire Rescue Representative Joe Goldstein and myself. We also have Rick Butler, Jeanne Nygren, Joe Nichols, Mary Wheaton-Pinder and seasonally Jared Butler join our meetings.

We inspect our buildings and review potential or present safety issues. We also review and offer updates to the Town's Safety Policy, and review any workplace injury report. Several NH Statutes govern the Safety Committee and some of the items we are responsible for. We are required to meet at least quarterly and keep regular minutes. We rotate the meetings at each of the Town's major buildings including Town Hall, Safety Complex, Highway Shed and Library.

At our fourth quarter meeting, we were joined by David Witham of Primex, who is our liaison relative to training and employee health and safety for our Worker's Compensation Insurance Risk Program. We reviewed risk factors and additional proactive work we can

I have had the honor of chairing this Committee for several years but it is time for someone else to take over.

This is an ongoing process and if our accident reports are any indication, it has had a positive effect. I would like to thank all involved.

Respectfully submitted

Robert N. Meade  
Safety Committee Chairman

*"I could not, at any age, be content to take my place by the fireside and simply look on.  
Life was meant to be lived. Curiosity must be kept alive.  
One must never, for whatever reason, turn his back on life."*

~Eleanor Roosevelt