

Unity Community Survey Results

Survey Name: Unity Community Survey July 2013

Response Status: Partial & Completed (144)

Filter: None

Question #1: Which best describes the area of Town in which you live or own land?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
03743 Zip Code	37	27.4%
03603 Zip Code	31	22.9%
03773 Zip Code	58	42.9%
03601 Zip Code	10	7.4%
Total	135	100%

Question #2: How long have you lived or owned property in Unity?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Less than 1 year	4	2.8%
1-5 years	7	5.0%
6-10 years	29	20.8%
11-20 years	31	22.3%
21-30 years	28	20.1%
31 years plus	42	30.2%
Total	139	100%

Question #3: Are you a (check all that apply)?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Year-round resident	115	80.9%
Part-time or seasonal resident	17	11.9%
Property owner	85	59.8%
Renter	1	<1%
Total	142	100%

Question #4: Which of the following describes your employment status?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Homemaker	5	3.5%
Self-employed	27	19.2%
Employed full-time	50	35.7%
Employed part-time	11	7.8%
Student	2	1.4%
Retired	62	44.2%
Unemployed	2	1.4%
Other	4	2.8%
Total	140	100%

Question #5: What ages are represented in your household? (Check all that apply.)

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Under 18	16	11.3%
18-30	11	7.8%
31-50	32	22.6%
51-70	95	67.3%
Over 70	32	22.6%
I prefer not to answer	5	3.5%
Total	141	100%

Question #6: Why do you feel Unity is a desirable place to live? (Check all that apply.)

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Born and/or raised in the area	32	23.1%
Small-town atmosphere	97	70.2%
Uncrowded, quiet living conditions	115	83.3%
Outdoor recreation opportunities	59	42.7%
Agricultural opportunities	35	25.3%
Friendly people	57	41.3%
Employment opportunities	3	2.1%
School system	17	12.3%
Town planning	5	3.6%
Low housing cost	18	13.0%
Low taxes	30	21.7%
Accessibility to work	18	13.0%
Other	19	13.7%
Total	138	100%

Question #7A: Unity's Town Government oversees and administers town services. Based on your experiences, please rate the effectiveness of Unity's Town Government.

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
Board of Selectmen	7 5%	30 22%	42 31%	22 16%	12 9%	24 18%
Planning Board	5 4%	21 16%	26 19%	32 24%	9 7%	41 31%
Zoning Board of Adjustment	6 4%	8 6%	22 16%	21 16%	10 7%	67 50%
Town Clerk	62 44%	48 34%	17 12%	5 4%	2 1%	8 6%
Tax Collector	47 34%	38 27%	24 17%	8 6%	0 0%	23 16%

Question #7B: Please share any thoughts you may have about what is working well in Town Government, or what could be

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Question #8A: The Town of Unity provides some community services to its residents and contracts for other community services with neighboring municipalities, agencies, and service districts. Based on your experiences, please rate the following community services in Unity.

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
Fire Protection	24 18%	40 29%	31 23%	5 4%	2 1%	34 25%
Police Protection	16 11%	27 19%	30 21%	23 16%	16 11%	28 20%
Ambulance Services	18 13%	16 12%	26 19%	10 7%	11 8%	53 40%
Other Emergency Services	5 4%	10 8%	14 12%	7 6%	2 2%	83 69%
Road Maintenance	7 5%	34 24%	36 25%	39 27%	16 11%	10 7%
Snowplowing	16 11%	52 36%	48 34%	13 9%	2 1%	12 8%
Library Services	10 8%	21 16%	27 20%	5 4%	5 4%	65 49%

Question #8A (Cont): The Town of Unity provides some community services to its residents and contracts for other community services with neighboring municipalities, agencies, and service districts. Based on your experiences, please rate the following community services in Unity.

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
Transfer Station	28 20%	54 39%	26 19%	4 3%	1 1%	25 18%
Building Inspection	13 10%	16 12%	30 22%	10 7%	13 10%	53 39%
Animal Control	6 4%	7 5%	28 21%	9 7%	10 7%	75 56%
Land Conservation	7 5%	17 13%	36 26%	15 11%	3 2%	58 43%
Schools	6 4%	19 14%	28 21%	14 10%	24 18%	44 33%
Postal Service	23 17%	33 24%	21 15%	7 5%	13 9%	40 29%
Town Website	3 2%	9 7%	11 9%	14 11%	4 3%	86 68%

Question #8B: Please share any thoughts you may have about what is working well with Unity's community services, or what could be improved.

57 Response(s)

Question #9A: Does your Unity property have internet access?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes (If yes, please answer Part B below)	100	69.4%
No	37	25.6%
No Responses	7	4.8%
Total	144	100%

Question #9B: If you answered "Yes" to Question 9A: What type of internet access do you have?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Modem/Dial-up	8	5.5%
Satellite	9	6.2%
Cable	1	<1%
Fiber-optic	0	0.0%
DSL, through phone company	76	52.7%
T1, T3, or other high-speed copper service	0	0.0%
Wireless internet through cell phone network	9	6.2%
No Responses	41	28.4%
Total	144	100%

Question #10: What new technological services (or expansion of existing services) would you like in Unity? (Check all that

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Cable television	37	27.0%
High-speed internet	58	42.3%
Cell phone coverage	75	54.7%
None	33	24.0%
Other	9	6.5%
Total	137	100%

Question #11A: Based on your experiences, please rate the following community facilities in Unity.

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
Unity Town Offices	37 26%	60 42%	40 28%	1 1%	0 0%	5 3%
Unity Town Hall	19 13%	45 32%	44 31%	17 12%	1 1%	15 11%
Unity Highway Yard	13 9%	37 27%	43 31%	8 6%	0 0%	36 26%
Unity Fire House	18 13%	43 32%	44 33%	6 4%	0 0%	24 18%
Unity Transfer Station	28 20%	61 44%	24 17%	9 6%	1 1%	17 12%
Unity Conservation Lands	11 8%	29 21%	22 16%	7 5%	2 1%	64 47%

Question #11B: Please share any thoughts you may have about what is working well with Unity's community facilities, or what could be improved.

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Question #12: What new community facilities or buildings would you like to see in Unity? (Check all that apply.)

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Separate Library Building	21	16.2%
Community Center/Recreation Center	21	16.2%
Street Lighting/Sidewalks	4	3.1%
None	79	61.2%
Other	26	20.1%
Total	129	100%

Question #13: What do you think Unity should do to improve its tax base? (Check all that apply.)

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Encourage new business/industry	60	43.4%
Encourage expansion of existing business/industry	39	28.2%
Encourage additional commercial development	32	23.1%
Encourage new higher-value housing	45	32.6%
Encourage housing for mature residents (55 years and older)	53	38.4%
Encourage vacation/recreational business/industry	51	36.9%
Nothing	21	15.2%
Other	29	21.0%
Total	138	100%

Question #14: What businesses or services would you like to see (or see more of) in Unity? (Check all that apply.)

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Retail Sales	28	20.4%
Automotive Service	15	10.9%
Sand and Gravel Excavation	11	8.0%
Eating Establishments	46	33.5%
Professional Offices	25	18.2%
Lodging (B&Bs, Inns, Motels, Hotels)	34	24.8%
Tourism-based Businesses	30	21.8%
Personal Services	22	16.0%
Home-based Businesses ("Cottage Industries")	71	51.8%
Light Industry (e.g. Research and Development)	51	37.2%
Manufacturing	20	14.5%
Forestry and Timber	29	21.1%
Agriculture	62	45.2%
Health Care Services	26	18.9%
No New Businesses or Services	15	10.9%
Other	13	9.4%
Total	137	100%

Question #15: Which of the following types of future residential growth would you like to see in Unity? (Check all that apply.)

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Single-family	93	68.3%
Two-family (duplex)	24	17.6%
Conversion of a large house to a multi-family house (3-4 units)	10	7.3%
New multi-family construction	8	5.8%
Accessory apartments in existing houses or buildings on the same parcel	30	22.0%
Manufactured housing/mobile home parks	10	7.3%
Manufactured housing/mobile homes on individual lots	17	12.5%
Conservation subdivision: single-family houses on small lots with large	47	34.5%
None	28	20.5%
Total	136	100%

Question #16: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem on roads in Unity? (Check all that apply.)

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Truck traffic	22	27.8%
Traffic speed	51	64.5%
Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse safety	28	35.4%
Traffic noise	13	16.4%
Total	79	100%

57 Comment(s)

Question #17: Unity should...

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Protect some land from development.	70 53%	43 32%	15 11%	4 3%	1 1%
Provide affordable housing.	19 14%	25 19%	31 23%	23 17%	34 26%
Encourage development to stimulate the economy.	24 18%	48 36%	26 19%	26 19%	10 7%
Preserve water quality by strictly enforcing State regulations for on-site wastewater	47 35%	51 38%	23 17%	9 7%	3 2%
Develop energy efficiency standards for municipal facilities and equipment.	36 28%	44 34%	38 29%	8 6%	4 3%
Encourage environmentally sensitive, low-impact business and insustry development.	41 30%	43 32%	29 21%	13 10%	9 7%
Preserve its historic buildings and cemeteries.	66 47%	58 42%	11 8%	1 1%	3 2%
Focus new development away from critical environmental areas and wildlife habitats.	58 44%	44 33%	17 13%	10 8%	4 3%
Seek to maintain a stable local economy by encouraging cottage industries.	30 23%	67 51%	22 17%	8 6%	5 4%
Encourage alternative energy production.	54 42%	43 33%	23 18%	6 5%	4 3%
Develop a program to promote forestry best management practices.	44 34%	53 40%	26 20%	5 4%	3 2%
Establish a Capital Improvement Program to plan for necessary improvements to public	40 31%	52 40%	26 20%	6 5%	5 4%
Discourage land uses that negatively impact environmental quality.	66 50%	37 28%	21 16%	5 4%	3 2%
Encourage local production agriculture.	58 44%	63 48%	11 8%	0 0%	0 0%
Identify, designate, and protect scenic roads.	43 32%	48 36%	36 27%	6 5%	0 0%

Question #18: To what extent do you wish the Town to maintain its roads, culverts, and bridges?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Regularly: Town infrastructure should be maintained in good condition at all	104	72.2%
As-Needed: Focus only on "worst first" maintenance/repairs of town	32	22.2%
Bare Minimum: Focus only on critical structural repairs to town	3	2.0%
No Responses	5	3.4%
Total	144	100%

Question #19: Do you support protection of the following resources? (Check all that apply.)

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Areas of important wildlife habitat	106	76.8%
Historic buildings and sites	112	81.1%
Scenic views	80	57.9%
Surface water resources	91	65.9%
Groundwater resources	97	70.2%
Agricultural land/open fields	100	72.4%
Recreational access to land	77	55.7%
Other	13	9.4%
Total	138	100%

Question #20: Unity should promote...

	Agree	Disagree	No Opinion
Energy conservation	108 80%	8 6%	19 14%
Alternative energy production	97 71%	13 10%	26 19%
Hazardous waste collections	113 82%	9 7%	16 12%
Public access to lakes, rivers, and ponds	106 79%	15 11%	14 10%
Public access to trails	111 80%	10 7%	17 12%

Question #21: Do you have any other comments or suggestions related to topics not covered in this survey?

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Question #4: Which of the following describes your employment status? - Other responses

Answer

Employed full-time- out with injury
[Name Redacted] Deceased [Name Redacted] PT Cashier
Disabled
Disabled

Question #6: Why do you feel Unity is a desirable place to live? (Check all that apply.) - Other responses

Answer

Crescent Lake- Seasonal
Accessibility to Arts via 91
a lot of wooded land undeveloped
Taxes are going too high. Will have to sell soon.
Near where I was raised, near relatives in Sullivan and Cheshire Counties.
Like the small town atmosphere. Born and raised in the area ("native").
Lots of woods and other green spaces
Thinking of selling land
Low crime rate
Phenomenal recycling program efforts
Not as desirable as it used to be manly due to high taxes.
need lower taxes before burden
Unity is not a good place to live
Was low taxes, new school will make sure they are not now!
Crescent Lake is beautiful
Rural wooded area for our family to leave urban areas
Up until the school debacle, it was desirable to live in Unity.
Desirable land topography
No industrial parks, no mobile home parks, no shopping malls, no sewer/watercost

Question #7B: Please share any thoughts you may have about what is working well in Town Government, or what could be improved. - Responses

Answer

The Planning Board was poor, but has improved.
Availability of information covered during meetings through the new website.
The new Planning Board is very good
Need to hold people more responsible for actions that are wrong and cost the town too much money.
The Planning Board now is very good.
The roads are terrible- "Patch Work City" should be the town's real name!
We need to attract small businesses to Town.
What is the town of Unity doing to better communicate with the non-year round resident that pays some of the highest taxes?
We were not notified that the residential place next doors was changing to include dumpster storage (even though they are clean, they should have a fence around them- scenic views!)
(-)Planning board is begging to improve. Must continue to clean house of the cronies since 2003.
(+) Town Clerk's office works hard.
(-) Board of selectman need to stand up for the town and stop being wimps. Should NOT have become involved in school district matters!
B.O.S. is equal to school board. Two. Separate municipalities.
(-) Get a real building inspector!
No opinion.
The least amount of government to get the job done.
The result sometimes slows everything down and becomes a problem.
We need an administrator with the authority to make decisions.
I am disappointed that we let the State Dept. of Education bully us into building a much bigger school than needed. Otherwise Unity is my ideal NH small town. It is my hope that we can preserve its character for future generations.
BOS PB and ZB all based on support of sch. bldg, poorly planned without a site appropriate plan without windows + equating bldg w/ quality education.
Could be improved!
Transparency could be improved.
Planning- particularly w/ school (a windowless bldg?)
From the very start of builder's plan. Plan for bldg. into hill prior to confirming feasibility.
Equating quality education w/ a new bldg (vs curriculum planning + support for curriculum. Absence of projection of enrollment 10 to 20 years out.
Two Pts:
1. We are not as involved in town politics as we ("I") would like to be... time constraints- unable to meet Town Meetings. Anything you can send W/ relevant information via email will be helpful
2. Zoning Enforcement: Property owners w/ hoarding and/or yard clutter.
Attention to land & property owners claims. Communication & follow through from town officials has been none existent. More involvement from the town to maintain property values & keep standards of the town.

1. Pay attention to new construction that violates the law.
2. Enforce state/local regulations on septic systems
3. Establish zoning that will promote development of an orderly community.
4. Eliminate unsafe/unfit dwellings. Examples: (1) Home of [Name Redacted]- 3 story trailer. (2) Home of [Name Redacted]
5. Get rid of tractor trailer storage and debris on [Name Redacted] land. Is Unity paying for trailers??
6. Communicate news to taxpayers. Is that expensive new school going to be ready in 9/13? Why the delays? Pitiful progress.

Mostly things are alright. I would like to have better notification of special meetings, cancellations or not. A blizzard a few years ago. All of New England had cancelled, close, shutdown. Not here so went the vote for the school. Wonder how it would have been if people knew it wasn't postponed or they could have driven safely.

You folks up in government are out of touch

Very disappointed in how they brush people off in this town when towns people want something done unless your well liked in their eyes.

I think that rules are rules, no exceptions. And I don't believe in the buddy system. Not every town is treated the same. I have met with the Board of Selectmen and was very disappointed.

Rosemarie's office needs to be open more.

Hours for Town Clerk/Tax Collector should be 40 hrs/wk to the public.

Unity has an exemplary Transfer Station with dedicated and helpful staff.

Meetings Scheduled should be posted at the Town Dump.

Highway division. Inexperience.

School Board, inexperience members who follow whatever the board agrees to.

We feel the town building should be more energy efficient, IE: solar, heated floors etc, wind mills-

Make school more energy efficient, solar!! etc.

There is no UNITY between the school + town that is sad.

Pay selectman more. Have them delegate more

Have a town manager.

Unity should hope for alternative energy projects to offset the property tax increases and work to encourage businesses that will help the citizens of Unity with rising taxes and other costs.

Not that involved at this time

Town government should be a lot less political. There should be a way to prevent individuals with radical agendas to the right or the left from interfering with planning board or selectman plans.

everything seems to be working well

Lower taxes

Nothing much works well in this town it is governed by people with personal agendas.

Roads

Improve security: Part-time residents are vandalized by truants & vagrants - speaking from own experience. Lodges and A-Frames are burned & then abandoned by owners who are frustrated.

I remember diligent sheriff Bruono but believe he was only PT & from Lempster.

We never receive info RE gov't meetings nor results from those

Can't e-mail provide a non-cost report to property owners?

Everything is poorly communicated- the town website is poor- should have the town rules & regulations posted- all town meeting should have agenda & minutes posted in timely manner. Link to school is broken.

Good planning regulations

Unity has good recycling but the put & take section is terrible- reuse is #1 recycling- visit Charlestown if no one takes stuff at 80 a ton so what then if a way the town can afford it- valuable good are thrown away + people find it fun + rewarding to recycle.

The Selectmen do not enforce town ordinances.

The Building Inspector has his own agenda and does not work well with others.

It's nice to see the Planning Board work in a clear direction for the town and not use this position for their personal agendas + follow rules and procedures.

In one important area the Town Clerk does a very poor job. The Town Clerk is the custodian of the Town's records, which date from as early as the 1760s, and is required by law to keep them organized and make them available to citizens. She tries to be helpful, but is hampered by the fact that many of the records are not well organized and she does not have an inventory of the records. She says that the press of her other duties has prevented her from undertaking the job of organizing the records; but has turned down an offer to help her in doing this. Requests to look at specific records can sometimes take months (or maybe forever?) to be fulfilled.

Improve = Getting rid of the present School Board members. Replace [Name Redacted] and [Name Redacted].

Glad to have a change of most previous members of the planning board. They were the most hostile group, we've ever seen in this town.

They did everything they could to delay starting on the new school, including the building inspector, which cost the town money.

I think people really want is best for the town + its residents. Not enough information to make a fair statement.

Zoning that allows for accumulations of trash and dilapidated occupied dwellings in Unity is not acceptable.

We have regulations, ordinances, etc, but there is no enforcement. We need to plan and this is a good start (Master Plan). We need a better way to communicate in town.

The fact of the town's decision to improve its educational system alone indicates significant improvement.

Was taxed on year for a property which was not mine. Had to invest decent amount of time and energy to get it straitened out.

Maybe some zoning enforcement.

Board of Selectman have elected to neglect Town assets (roads, buildings) for years- see elementary school- so that major capital outlays are required to rectify problems. Not even close to "penny-wise, pound foolish" simply foolish.

The new Zoning Board hasn't done anything yet.

We have only had Rhonda for a few months.

The town government is run by special interests for special interests and when anything changes it is by virtue of angry villagers with torches in a mindless frenzy instead of well considered options. This is why Unity has had a reputation as being backward at least as far back as the 1950s. I have heard from family members it has always been this way.

Our roads need to be improved. They are terrible. More people on board. (Including Board of Selectman) with fresh new ideas + enthusiasm.

Too many private agendas! -Boards don't follow RSA's school cost out of control

Selectman do a good job at keeping budget down. Ruler per person- people who cheat the system are rarely policed and people who follow rules are overburdened by detail while others do the same thing at the cost of other tax payers.

Question #8B: Please share any thoughts you may have about what is working well with Unity's community services, or what could be improved. - Responses

Answer

The Transfer Station has limited hours, which can cause problems.

As the website is very new it is clear that it is making progress, but could use more information and will most likely be improved as time goes on.

Town roads are a disgrace. More has to be done to improve that situation.

Police coverage is good as it is. Feel it's better than it was with part time officer employed by the town. We at least see our police coverage.

We don't have a post office, but our mail person is very reliable.

Come up with a plan to fix the road- even if it's done over a period of time- but do it right!

One zip code for the Town of Unity.

A regional school would've been a better option.

Instead of the fiasco we now face.

Schools- No windows?

Considering the amount of taxes we pay lakeside vs. town and property. We receive nothing.

We have requested numerous times that a tumbled down structure on Emerson Rd be dealt with for 20 years. NOTHING has been done other than caution tape. \$7,000.00 taxes - response 0.

From reports I have heard, [Name Redacted] is never seen @ the land fill + holds no meetings with staff. I have also heard the staff have charged over + above fees that were quoted by [Name Redacted], but I cant get people to complain in person.

Animal control does not call back (called re: barking dog)

Transfer station: dump layout needs to be improved so more than one car can park at compactor (for yellow bags). Some people stop + talk :) + hold up the rest.

Postal service: we should have our own zip code. We don't like being lumped in with Claremont for some things + Newport for others.

I feel that Unity needs a Police Department. If we can afford a five million dollar school, we also need protection. Protection that is faster than the sheriff can provide.

The people here are approachable and helpful.

Tax information should be online.

We need an administrator.

Restart the maintenance of paved roads.

Every interaction I've had with Town Services has been positive.

Everyone at the town office are very helpful. Road crew does very well and are responsive.

Could be improved!

An evaluation instrument which clearly measures objectives w/ outcomes in all depts. + community.

Access to results.

A process which is thorough + unbiased prior to major project implementation (i.e. site determination prior to planning an inappropriate site for the bldg)

Hiring a builder who admits he has never built a school + who stated at an open mtg, that he did not have time to add windows to the plans.

Schools: Better when new school completed.

Working well: Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Town Dump.

Working poorly or not at all!

(1) Communication to taxpayers

(2) Road maintnance

(3) Making effective use of taxpayers' money!

(4) Property assessment: Terrible! No way can you justify such high valuations on vacation properties an such low valuations elsewhere.

New England's reputation for "Warping it to the flat landers" is clearly in play.

I would like to see the Transfer Station offer smaller trash bags for \$0.75 each, in addition to the larger bags at \$1.50 each.

Are there any plans to pave Gilman Pond Rd?

A larger, comprehensive town road map should be offered.

We have about 3 main paved roads, Center, Cold Pond, and Unity Stage. Lots of use maintenance poor, 2 winters ago when winter never really came, seems like a lot of "Snow Money" was saved. No plowing, sanding, bank push-backs. Wouldn't fully repaving could have been done. A lot of people go out to RTE 12 for work.

Britton Rd need to be tared

Very poor to go and down in spring

Come on guy get with it. Theirs enough properties to justify this. Think about please and thank you.

The teachers are excellent.

I don't know what happened to the new school. It seems like a non-cooperative effort.

New school overall structure is an embarrassing part of belonging to the town of Unity. I feel we have been hood wrinkled, people believing in the better of the education of the children who will understandably be displaced until we start over with more reliable contracting. We know there are no deals. Nothing is free.

For what we pay now in taxes, you'd think we would have decent Emergency services. Anyone in East Unity is pretty much out of luck.

Roads need to be paved, especially North Shore Road.

The completion of our new school building is a very important project to this town. Without it, this town will not survive and grow. Young families will move away- to a town where their children will have a good education. It is critical to the town of Unity that we work together to get this done without further delay and expense.

Not really up on it, no comments.

If the school taxes don't go up we will be able to stay in our home of 45 years.

The roads are in rough shape by Sid Brown's Auto Repair, need to be repaved. Been bad for 17 years.

Library needs better hours for use. Claremont would charge for non-resident.

Very rarely see Police/ Sheriff presence

Need to update roads & capital reserves established

Transfer Station should be open Sat & Sun

School needs to be finished!

School board spending is unprofessional and out of control.

Highway department does a very capable job under difficult conditions. Current Road Agent is excellent.

The school faculty is excellent.

The waste of time, money, & professionals hurts all of Unity's residents.

The roads need improvement. Pot holes so bad car maintenance high.

They do tend to keep our road (Church Rd) plowed + graded well. Would like to see a little more police patrolling.

No opinion

not at this time

The ineffectiveness of town government has resulted in the overall poor ratings above. We need more rational and consistent approach to governing our town.

Dog population especially pit bulls is excessive some pit bulls are very unpredictable and out of control

Library offers for card holders

latest DVD for take out as check out for a week

internet use for those who don't have a computer

Ask about Ancestry.com.program

or we can get the latest.

Unity would probably be better if the road were redone- needs to be place on priority list.

I am impressed with the school so far. The only issue I have with the school is the constant stream of fundraisers that are sent home. The fundraisers claim to be for things like beach day field day but it seems that they combine that then ask the parents to donate to it. I would rather just donate to it than have constant fundraising.

Gilman Pond Rd could use a little more attention as well.

Road maintenance would be a lot better if we didn't have the expense of the school (should of shipped the kids out)

East Unity is too far from Golden Cross and very close to Newport- Contracts need to change. Plus residents need the choice to be transported to DHMC.

The school will prove to be a great financial burden to Unity tax payers for the long-term.

It is a shame that it has been managed as poorly in terms of planning, design, orientation, color, materials, contracting, building, and management.

I day visit w/ my family last July & a dinner cruise on Sunapee Lake. Potato Hill Rd has deteriorated even more. See no real new development. Still love my land. The blue spruce I had planted 20+ years ago & the sentinel of my land had been capped for a Christmas tree - I suppose- many years ago-is now dead. Don't have any exp w/ community services as I'm in Unity infrequently.

There are no scales of the drive on type, to place a value on what is being disposed of. This leaves it up to the attendant to come up with a price. As an example of this I had 4 pieces of plywood about 1'x8'x3/4" and was told that it was 75 cents per board to get rid of it. Where did that price come from and what was it based on?

We don't use any of the services-

Enjoy the July 4 parade and Fireman Breakfast.

Again, the website should be a resource for all site visitors including residents. Most people are looking for rules & regulations, tax rates, meeting minutes, etc. Could consider posting some contents of the town annual report.

Britton Rd (A Dirt Road) is nearly impossible to climb in muddy season + is pock-marked with dish-pan-sized holes in the dry seasons! The holes are always in the same locations- the entrance from W. Unity Rd, the lowest point (Just past Couwry Farm Rd) and at the top of the first (and largest) hill. Is it possible to re-structure or adequately drain the road base.

Plowing could be better. I live off a paved road and never understand why they leave snow on the road which builds up to ice. And never plow early if there is no school. Well, I still have to get to work whether there is school or not.

I really think East Unity should be dispatched through Newport. The response time is too long for Golden Cross to East Unity. I think you should investigate splitting the service. Especially after the death of a young woman a few years ago.

Rosemary is amazing!!! Fantastic!!!

Gilman Pond Road could be graded a little more often, but I know it is a money thing.

I enjoy the small-town atmosphere.

The school project will force this town to go broke. Lack of maintenance for decades.

If I wanted to live on Route 1 in Massachusetts, I'd be there. This survey is leading- it really doesn't give us an option for retaining rural character.

The road crew tries, but there is NO money.

Transfer station workers do a good job, but too expensive.

Assessors are over done, but school is underdone.

The new school is much too big.

I hear a lot of bad things about the new school.

The new school is more than 2x what the town needs and is not what the voters were told they would be getting.

The boards are practically incestuous- without dissenting perspective we are going to be stuck with more ill considered projects and expenditures.

The Selectboard does do their best to keep their budget in line.

Too much "old boy" network.

The town will be in sad shape if Rosemary leaves. She has her fingers in all the "pies" and knows what is happening everywhere in town.

She is a great asset to the town of Unity.

Road maintenance is excellent given their budget-lousy roads help to encourage people not to move to Unity and to (sort of) help keep the traffic speed down (sort of).

Question #10: What new technological services (or expansion of existing services) would you like in Unity? (Check all that apply.) -

Other responses

Answer

DSL goes down W Unity Rd, but is not available. This isn't fair to all resident.

Three-phase electricity

keep land free of tower, etc.

Anything better

I have it all now.

fiber-optic internet connection

Trash pick-up

Wind power for lower energy bills.

High speed for all

Question #11B: Please share any thoughts you may have about what is working well with Unity's community facilities, or what could be improved. - Responses

Answer

The Town Hall lacks function and usability.

Knowledge about conservation lands is limited.

We need ventilation in the Town Hall basement

We need a 2nd railing on the Town Clerk entrance steps

We need a sign for "elevator" + arrow @ parking lot

A large town forest should be considered.

Transfer station layout needs to be changed so more cars can park at dumpster.

Continued from other^ I pay \$180 for internet + DSL is available for \$30. Should be available to all. Cornish made sure all residents can get cable.

Fire station is fine. No needs for upgrading

Landfill employees deserve more pay

Complete the Town Hall-Move hearse in or out, but someplace more permanent.

No opinion.

The Town Hall cellar could be fixed so it can be used.

Don't understand what conservation lands means.

It would be good to make more use of Town Hall balcony & basement.

The Unity cemeteries have not been mentioned. All plots should be groomed and manicured with the respect and dignity of those buried and their surviving families.

Unity Town Offices & Town Hall: Improve- all day Friday opening till 5 pm at least.

Unity Town Hall: It would be nice if we could use the kitchen @ town hall!

Structures are maintained well. What goes on inside A&B are in need of serious help.

They are working fine we don't need more. Keep the SMALL town that's what some of us live here for. Bigger towns are only 10 miles away. If people want big town/city living MOVE THERE.

Office personnel are friendly and very knowledgeable.

The transfer station is very helpful.

Unity Town Hall basement is not usable even though it was done up nicely.

The conservation land in Unity needs to be improved. It was donated with the intentions people could enjoy it. Trail 1/2 way through is unfinished, you get lost because signs end.

Transfer Station could use a recycling center- so much is thrown away that others could use. After a recent death in my family, I brought almost new Columbia winter jackets- but they were refused. Seems like there is not enough room for recycling.

I live on a Class 6 road which is fine, over 50 years. I've maintained this road forever. "Bonding" should begin graveling at the beginning of the road- not at the end of my driveway- big problem.

Town office hours- would be good to be open more.

The Town Hall hours make it difficult for those who work full time. Maybe two nights stay open till 7 & open later, thus keeping the hours and pay the same.

Energy efficient

More conservation land.

No opinion

The library needs to have its own building.
better lighting at night could be improved

The out of town people who are in office want to have the same type town or city they left. They should move back there we do not want that here!

Was slated for a major property tax increase (Believe last year) Until I wrote a letter outlining conditions that had not been taken into consideration. Tax payers should also indicate that non-resident are not eligible for certain tax breaks.

See answer 8B

Library too small, Transfer Station need to be expanded.

Town Hall is useless for meetings or to rent out for residents. Town spends money on kitchen use, but Fire Dept. says it can't be used.

The politics over the use of the town hall (fire chief) The kitchen should be able to be used as it has been for many years. There are great exit doors, if they should ever be needed.

I think that if you bring wood to the dump it should be able to go in the burn pile + be burned. I brought several loads of clean, unpainted sorted wood to the transfer station + had to pay for demolition because they wouldn't put it in the burn pile.

Good work on dirt roads- all year-round

Trying to keep a small form of government providing it continues to work as well as it has been.

The Town Office needs to install safe windows for secretaries and clerks.

The Transfer Station is too expensive- people are throwing trash all over the town.

The only real plus is Unity's rural character. If that can be maintained, Unity will have more value as a bedroom community of the future. Keep it simple.

Make Town Hall facilities accessible for all functions including the utilization of downstairs and its kitchen.

Question #12: What new community facilities or buildings would you like to see in Unity? (Check all that apply.) - Other responses

Answer

Park

Ball Park

Rental us of existing Town Hall Building is needed.

Town beach on Crescent Lake

Completed, fully functional, usable Town Hall building

No more buildings. No money to pay more taxes.

You are making me laugh.

Anything more

Tax breaks for retirees.

No separate library building, no community center, and no street lighting.

Store

See above

Could be a costly venture, maybe. What do you think?

Paved roads or chip sealed

Regional High School

Public swimming for Unity residents at Crescent Lake

more community events

swimming access to Crescent Lake

More public use of town hall and school facilities.

Need to upgrade transportation infrastructure.

Finish the gazebo

drive on scales at Transfer Station

Pave some roads- eg Gilman Pond Rd

Public Access to Crescent Lake for Unity residents to have a swimming area.

Very slow, sustainable growth

More Library space but not necessarily a separate building.

Question #13: What do you think Unity should do to improve its tax base? (Check all that apply.) - Other responses

Answer

Fairer tax distribution, evict non-tax payers.

A campground

Enforce existing tax laws- Delinquent Taxes

Discourage rural slums we have. Isn't this supposed to be answered by the PB?

Anything more

No new buildings/houses, enough for sale. New small families to pay for school.

Explore the possibility of a golf course on the property on West Unity Road

Encourage home businesses.

No idea, ball is in your court.

Campground

What happened to the proposed low-income housing?

Lets leave this small town small

Not sure, but I would love to hear others' ideas.

Encourage state board income tax that exempts lower income families.

Bus out students

Lower Taxes

More land in conservation. Open space land does not create demands ontownservice

Encourage alternative energy projects ie wind power

Reduce cost- not more taxes

Do away with the school

cannot encourage new business or families without a decent road network

Should not of built school

Post Office
Stop spending money ie - school
cut school cost
Golf Course, Wind Farm, Solar Energy Farm
Continue to keep government at a minimum.
Enforce all properties pay taxes or take over the property + sell it!!
Any of the above will increase taxes

Question #14: What businesses or services would you like to see (or see more of) in Unity? (Check all that apply.) - Other responses

Answer

small private business okay
Fix what you have.
Small country store and gas station
A small post office
You are making me laugh again
Doesn't matter- logging and trucking his already here. Like it or not.
B & B Only
Leave as is.
Not sure, but I would love to hear some ideas.
Gas pumps
VET/PET
Store Gas Station
Clinic

Question #16: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem on roads in Unity? (Check all that apply and specify which roads.) -

Comments

Answer

Truck traffic is a problem on Gilman Pond Road.
Traffic speed is a problem on Gilman Pond Road and Lear Hill Road.
Pedestrian/bicycle/horse safety is a problem on 2nd NH Turnpike and Gilman Pond Road.
The truck traffic on Gilman Pond Rd is a problem.
The traffic speed on Gilman Pond Rd is a problem.
Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety is a problem on Gilman Pond Rd, Hurd Pond Rd, Mica Mine Rd, 2nd NH Turnpike, and anywhere horse trails come out.
Traffic speed is a problem on Gilman Pond Rd.
Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety is a problem on Gilman Pond Rd.
No
The truck traffic speed is a problem on Gilman Pond Rd.
The traffic speed is a problem on Gilman Pond Rd.
Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety is problem on Gilman Pond Rd.
Traffic speed is a problem on West Unity Rd/Quaker City Rd/Unity Stage Rd.
Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety is a problem on West Unity Rd/Quaker City Rd/Unity Stage Rd
Traffic noise is a problem on West Unity Rd/ Quaker City Rd/Unity Stage Rd.
Traffic speed is a problem on Unity Springs Road from Newport Town Line to NH Tpk 2
Truck traffic logging and over weight limit is a problem.
Traffic speed on Gilman Pond Rd, Lear Hill Rd, and Cold Pond Rd is a problem.
Traffic speed on Gilman Pond Road is a problem.
There are too many dirt roads in Unity.
Traffic noise is a problem on W Unity Rd
There are no traffic problems on roads in Unity.
Traffic speed on Thurber Road and Coon Brook Road is a problem.
Roads are difficult at times for truck traffic.
Traffic speed is a problem sometimes.
Too many police on Unity Mtn.
Traffic speed is a problem on Gilman Pond Rd.
Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety is a problem on Gilman Pond Rd.
The traffic noise on 2nd NH TPK is a problem
Traffic speed is not always a problem.
Traffic speed is a problem on North Shore Road, Gilman Pond Road, and Center Road.
Pedestrian/bicycle/horse safety is a problem on North Shore Road, Gilman Pond Road, and Center Road.
Traffic speed is a problem on the 2nh NH Turnpike in downtown/center Unity.
Traffic noise is too loud in center Unity.
Truck traffic is a problem on Lear Hill Rd
Traffic speed is a problem on Lear Hill Rd
Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety is a problem on Lear Hill Rd.
Traffic speed on North Shore Road, Cold Pond Road, and Crescent Lake Road is a problem.
Heavy trucking- 10 wheelers, log trucks, box trailers. A lot of logging and heavy trucking going on in the east side of town. I would say there are plenty of this type of "businesses" on Class 6 roads.
Traffic speed is a problem on Unity Springs Rd.
Traffic speed is a problem on West Unity Rd

Truck traffic is a problem on Stage Rd
 Traffic Speed is a problem on Stage Rd
 Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety is a problem on Stage Rd.
 Traffic speed is a problem on Anderson Road.
 Traffic speed is a problem on Cold Pond Road, maybe speed limit signs?
 Pedestrian/bicycle/horse safety is a problem on Cold Pond Road.
 RV Noise on Chandlers Mills Rd
 Truck traffic: logging during mud season is a problem
 Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety: We have horses would love to see W. Unity more horse friendly.
 Traffic speed is a problem on Cold Pond Road, Crescent Lake Road, and North Shore Road.
 Pedestrian/bicycle/horse safety is a problem on Cold Pond Road, Crescent Lake Road, and North Shore Road.
 Traffic speed is a problem on unpaved roads.
 Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety: ATV's "fly" at full speed on unpaved rds.
 4 wheelers are a problem on Chandlers Mills Rd.
 Traffic speed is sometimes a problem on dirt roads.
 Truck traffic is a problem on Unity Springs Rd
 Traffic Speed is a problem on Unity Springs Rd
 Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety is a problem on Unity Springs Rd
 Traffic noise is a problem on Unity Springs Rd
 Traffic speed is a problem on all dirt roads 30 mph max
 dirt bikes & RV drive much too fast!
 Traffic speed is a problem on 2nd NH Turnpike
 Truck traffic: need to slow down big trucks
 Traffic speed: 2nd NH TRNPK from center to Lempster.
 Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety: Its very dangerous to walk or ride in Unity now.
 Traffic noise: Kids in neighbor have
 Loud car + trucks
 too many people four-wheeling on back roads
 None of these but roads are atrocious- BAD!!!
 Traffic speed: Some people going at a very dangerous speed on Gilman Pond Rd.
 Truck Traffic: Road need work
 Pedestrian/Bicycle/Horse Safety is a huge problem
 Traffic speed is a problem on North Shore Rd
 Traffic speed is a problem on all roads.
 Truck traffic: big mud trucks tearing up all our class 6 roads.
 Traffic speed: Family with many children in open truck bed.
 Traffic noise is a problem on West Unity Road
 Horses are in the way!
 Traffic speed on Anderson Road is a problem.
 Traffic noise on Anderson Road is a problem.
 Traffic speed is a problem on 2nd NH TPKE
 Traffic speed is a problem on Gilman Pond Road.
 Truck traffic is a problem on North Shore Rd and Anderson Rd.
 Traffic speed is a problem on North Shore Rd and Anderson Rd.
 Traffic noise is a problem on North Shore Rd and Anderson Rd.
 The log trucks are destroying what is left of our roads with pot holes and broken pavement.
 Truck traffic: Close thru-roads, if possible, to save bridges.
 Traffic speed: All Roads, Gillman Pond, Halls Flats- All roads.
 Other: ATV on class 6 & private property needs police to enforce.

Question #19: Do you support protection of the following resources? (Check all that apply.) - Other responses

Answer

We are stretching to support the new school bldg. Yes to all depending ontaxrate
 Recreational access to land not okay for ATV's hunting okay.
 Monthly farmers market on green.
 People want to run on property, then buy some.
 Protect the tax payer.
 Open all class 6 roads to all
 The government already does, stay out of it.
 Clean up mica mine. Get the boys from jail to clean up!
 Private land conservation
 Current use
 snowmobile + walking trails only
 Class VI Rights-of-way subject to gates and bars
 Do not plot wildlife habitat location in new master plan! ThatWouldBenefitHunter

Question #21: Do you have any other comments or suggestions related to topics not covered in this survey? - Responses

Answer

We do not need to be anything more than we are now. We are a rural community that needs to maintain what is necessary-town services (plowing, roads, dump, police, school, town offices, library) and small home individual/private business.
 However- there are some properties in this town that are in need- desperately- of the owners being made to clean up. We have one dump in town and no dead car cemeteries...unfortunately it appears other wise.

The new school looks like a livestock building not an educational facility. Where are the windows?
What can you offer us (lakeside) as a higher % taxpayer than normal town taxpayers?

Agree that public access to lakes, rivers, and pond to residents.

Yes, we need to find a Unity resident willing to be the Disaster Preparedness Representative. Jason LeMere is still our Rep, but he hasn't lived in Unity for 3 years, hasn't done any work on our behalf. When I was with the Red Cross I saw many opportunities for grants pass us by because he was non-responsive. I fell we could benefit from grants to help fix some of our needs!

Campgrounds should be allowed anywhere in Unity over 5 acres.

We need our own police that enforce all laws, and are available all the time.

The town cannot grow if the concept of "Zero Growth is Good" continues to fester. We need people, homes, kids. This Town belongs to ALL taxpayers equally, not just to those who (sadly) grew up here or have lived here some subjective number of years.

Improved road maintenance- many areas are in rough shape.

No.

The separate Library Building could be in the cellar of Town Hall after upgrades are made.

The land base is poor and not good for heavy buildings.

Planned Unit Development should be considered.

Item 20- Over the next 10 years not much can be done in a physical way to improve and of them.

Regulations can help hazardous waste if it is a problem.

Education and "open space" initiatives for recreation.

The large lot minimum has spaced development and uses too much land. It has not promoted inflow of "elite" homes.

All records should be maintained in a central location for public inspection.

No

#20 Public Access ought to be by owner's permission.

No more taxes solely because of school bldg costs to taxpayers. The Town, in its support for a new school bldg, has placed residents in a position where by the residents are facing HUGE tax increases. We cannot agree to ANY plans in this town which equal more taxes. It is too BAD that the town gov't has focused town monies on a bldg for a very few + at the expense of other important initiatives. Education is our chief goal, but NOT a costly bldg for a very few. How many students will occupy the bldg in 10-20 yrs?

Land & home owners that do not maintain their property regarding safety & fire that pertains to all others safety & property value. Rules + notifications are not being followed through- taxes are overdue and properties should be claimed & cleaned up by the town.

Public access to lakes, rivers, and ponds: No motors on some.

Public access to trails: What trails, where? No ATVs

We have a 3 BR 3 Bath home in a good quality neighborhood in New Jersey. We get city water, sewer, police, fire, and all that goes with suburban living (Walk to stores, medical, parks, etc.) R/E taxes \$4,000/yr

We have a 2 BR 1 1/2 Bath home in Unity. We get snowplowing, lake front, cooler summers R/E taxes \$8,000/yr

Better cell phone coverage/ install cell towers

Access to high speed internet throughout the entire town.

Keep town small and forested that's what most of us want. We were bullied and tricked into a school that few wanted. Now have you seen the amount of houses for sale? Why? Can't afford tax increases, no children in the household and paying for a school that is so big it will cause the fall of this town. No one will be here to use it or pay for it. My trust is gone. The school building will be a very big expense and cost the town taxpayers more money and a lot of people don't use the school.

The jackknife intersection on Stage Road is very dangerous, maybe it should be a three-way stop.

Establish a contact list for a neighborhood watch program to keep aware of suspicious vehicles, dumping, vandalism, and theft.

The reason we bought out cottage in Unity was for the charm and seclusion. If we wanted a city feel, we would have looked elsewhere. I know some change has to happen, but would not like too much growth in areas that will take away the rural feel.

While we supported the building of the new school, we feel something went horribly wrong. "Someone" dropped the ball and the planning/building of the school building suffered.

Lear Hill Rd needs to be improved a lot! Summer cars are speeding all the time, NO ROAD SIGN! Winter it gets plowed once MAYBE twice. It is extremely rough + un-maintained. Something needs to be improved.

We will finally have a new school building!

I believe in live and let live. I don't like dictatorship and I've always been against zoning of any sort. I pay my taxes and feel that my land is my land, not the town's.

Leaving Newport and entering Unity from Unity Road those rusted out trucks etc on the left in the flat lands before the big hill are an abomination and should be removed those nasty trucks are the first things people see when coming into Unity- get rid of them- they are not registered vehicles.

Open a public beach area at Crescent Lake so the residents of Unity can go swimming without having to own a cottage.

What is going on with the school?

I work nights so I can't go to the meetings.

If the same construction company built the Claremont Rec center why haven't they finished our school yet?

No

Town gov't should always work hand in hand with school board. Both show dedication to Unity.

School system is in good hands with current board, to which I believe we all owe a debt of gratitude.

We enjoy living in W. Unity- quiet + peaceful. We are not sure how much longer we can stay, due to the rapid increase in property taxes coming in December + beyond. We were not supportive of the new school to begin with + now will be paying dramatically more than even originally anticipated. The increase is frankly scary- hope we can afford it.

Thank you

Unity should focus on alternative energy

Projects that will increase "low impact" revenue that will lower the tax burden of its citizens.

My experience has been that Unity does not understand this concept.

We are still undecided on building in Unity or Claremont and will be partly based on taxes and assessments when we finalize on plans.

Driving speed limits should be max 30 mph on dirt roads!

The people who take care of the cemeteries and town lawns do a mediocre job at best. For what the tax payers pay for their equipment and salaries, they don't do the job they should.

Yes- Roads/Roads/Roads - Unity is the worst place to travel- you want new blood then the selectman need to work on capital improvement

This should have been sent to all the residents of the town. It wasn't, so you will get the answers you want, because you sent this to a select list I'm sure.

So basically this is useless!! and another waste of our tax dollars

The work outlined in this document is certainly a step in the right direction to provide for a more sustainable & environmentally more friendly goal & opportunities for growth.

Zoning to get people to clean up their yards. Junks-Ect.

Consider pulling in Goshen students to defray the school taxes.

Hiking + Biking Trails!

more houses more school expenses teachers, high school, special ed- large businesses more expenses see tax rate- small houses little lots 8000- look at Grafton- little population- no business low taxes-

Residents help to pay for milfoil protection (Crescent Lake), but not able to enjoy a swim in summer.

Thanks to this Committee. Appreciate your hard work and effort to keep Unity a great place to live!!

Will the Unity School be finished by 2018 and for less than 10 million dollars?

Can we get rid of the School Board members, [Name Redacted], and [Name Redacted]. Maybe then the school will be finished and our taxes lowered.

We are for slow growth. More houses will not necessarily help our taxes. With more school age children and high school tuition, you'll never see a profit to help the tax rate (and I do love children)

The state mandates more and more.

Also with more growth, we'll have to increase fire and police protection, etc.

I feel people should be free to use their land as they see fit. Even if other don't agree- if the landowner wants to do something + its not popular they should be able to do it. if its within the laws.

The town has an ordinance prohibiting ATVs from Class VI roads. I believe that this simply keeps the reasonable enthusiasts off and the irresponsible ones run around ripping things up giving legitimate riders a bad name. I think that there could be a happy medium here. You have no way to enforce the ban. Besides, most of the road damage is coming from legally registered trucks mudding down the roads.

The addressing of controlled growth.

Well-designed survey.

Will appreciate learning "refund rate"

Until the full financial damage is realized with the construction of the school- there should be no increase of any spending without citizens approval!

Town needs to compel all property owners to be current on property taxes or issue a lien, take over + sell the property- settle the lien.

Enforce property owners to eliminate "private dumps" in their yards. These eye sores forcing property values down. Don't expect property owners to pony up any additional taxes for the ridiculous school project until all properties are current in taxes.

delinquency=tax lien=eminent domain=liquidation=taxes paid.

Why haven't you asked about farming more! This is a rural community.

In addition to wanting a simple rural hometown, I moved here because the taxes were low. I now plan to move because the taxes are going to be too high.

Cell phone reception is terrible or nonexistent in many neighborhoods. There should be monitoring of the cell towers for safety of frequency.

Those meters can be obtained from the companies that own the cell towers as a contingency of Planning Board approval.

If you wait, Unity will become a bedroom community to Keene-Hanover.

Check groundwater on school ground to see if contamination from landfill has flowed into grounds.

No development.

Mapping wildlife will guarantee out of state hunters trespassing all over the woods with no economic gain.

Protect the rights of local residents to have a budget that is kept within their means. If Unity would stop fixing what is not broken, then it could live within its means.

I was very disappointed the way the new Librarian was treated by the Library Trustees. They 1st employed her (Lisa) + she had some wonderful ideas to get people (especially children) into the Library + then harassed her so much she had to resign. I was looking forward to the Library bringing a sense of community to Unity.

This survey should have stated that each person is entitled to an individual survey and where a copy could be obtained- most people have assumed that they need to share which throws off survey results. Also- some people fail to understand that various "choices" could raise taxes WANTS VS NEEDS. This survey did not cover the school (except 8A) get rid of SAU6 lower the cost and expenses of the school.

"needs vs wants" Leave [Name Redacted] alone or police everyone that "collects" like him. Work with his disability instead of against him- help him help himself.

Any planning based on income via USA census figure should be more accurately calculated The census figures include the highest and lowest incomes and Unity has a few residents whose incomes are high enough to skew everyone elses which results in extremely unfair tax burdens for many. This will not encourage older people to buy here.
