

TOWN OF SHARON, VT
Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee (OSAC) Meeting
Baxter Memorial Library, 5114 Route 14, Sharon, VT 05065
Wednesday, August 13, 2025, 5:30 pm

MEETING NOTES

1. **Call meeting to order** 5:40pm – present: Deb Jones, Eileen Lanza, Dee Gish (arrived 5:45), Shana Hickman, Ella Harper-Scheil
2. **Accept 5/14/25 meeting minutes:** Minutes were accepted without revision.
3. **Old Home Day:** Eileen and Dee had a table at Old Home Day with harm reduction packets and information for distribution as well as a handout promoting the 9/16/25 meeting at the library for Substance Misuse Prevention and Harm Reduction. The table was shared with the Sharon Health Initiative. It was an extremely hot day, so Eileen brought ice-cold cucumber water and people did get water and could see the display. No one took a pack from the table.
4. **Review Applications for Funding:** Deb received 7 online applications for funding and supplied them and a summary of the applications before the meeting. At the meeting she provided a financial worksheet to members showing that the Opioid Settlement Fund currently has \$8803. The intent of this appropriation application process is for the Selectboard to award up to \$8000 in settlement funds. The members reviewed and discussed the applications; they didn't have additional questions for applicants at this time.
5. **Action Plan:** Deb will create a draft recommendation for the Selectboard and get back to the members to see if it accurately captures the review. Members will be provided a draft for editing by email. Another in-person meeting may be needed before providing the recommendation to the Selectboard. Deb will inform applicants that they are all being considered for funds although it may not be fully funded and that, although we do not have any questions for them at this time, we still may be in touch to clarify certain aspects of their application.
5. **Harm Reduction Meeting:** The Substance Misuse Prevention and Harm Reduction meeting is planned for 9/16/25 from 6 to 7pm at the Baxter Memorial Library with Ella presenting. Eileen will bring beverages and Deb will bring snacks. Shana has a handout to promote the meeting. Deb will add it to the listserv using the Treasurer email and put up a poster for during tax season. Shana will continue to inform the public via the library media.
6. **Schedule for the Next Meeting:** The 9/16/25 special meeting is the only meeting scheduled.
7. **Adjourn:** 7:20pm.

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